

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1174735

Details

Other names	FEMINIST LIBRARY
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2017-09-20
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Sojourner Truth Community Centre 161 Sumner Road London SE15 6JL
Phone	0207 261 0879
Email	admin@feministlibrary.co.uk
Website	www.feministlibrary.co.uk

Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BY:1) OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FOR GENERAL USE A SPECIALIST LIBRARY OF FICTION, NON-FICTION AND ARCHIVE RESEARCH MATERIALS RELATING TO THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY AND;2) PROVIDING OTHER FACILITIES FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH INTO THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY.

Activities: The Feminist Library provides a reference resource, meeting place and programme of activities relating to feminism. It is the largest collection of Second Wave Feminist material in the UK.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£54,508	£60,208	-	-
2024-03-31	£53,516	£56,493	-	-
2023-03-31	£107,157	£110,026	-	-
2022-03-31	£55,447	£56,416	-	-
2021-03-31	£53,361	£34,741	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alice Arkwright		2022-11-21
Anna Reilly		2025-10-29
Babette May		2025-10-29
Elizabeth Ingram		2025-10-29
Emem Attah		2022-11-21
Lee Mauve Patrontasch		2025-10-29
Ruth Beale		2022-11-21

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Income					
Donations & legacies	2	23,906	-	23,906	22,780
Charitable activities	3	3,945	-	3,945	8,286
Other trading income	4	26,657	-	26,657	22,450
Total Income		54,508	-	54,508	53,516
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	5	59,678	-	59,678	56,493
Cost of raising funds		530	-	530	-
Total expenditure		60,208	-	60,208	56,493
Net income/(expense)		(5,700)	-	(5,700)	(2,976)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds at 1 April 2024		53,147	-	53,147	56,123
Total funds at 31 March 2025		47,447	-	47,447	53,147

The notes on page 3 - 6 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		76,556	80,161
Debtors	6	<u>7,317</u>	<u>7,060</u>
Total current assets		83,872	87,221
Current liabilities			
Creditors	7	<u>36,426</u>	<u>34,074</u>
Net assets		<u>47,447</u>	<u>53,147</u>
Unrestricted funds	10	47,447	53,147
Restricted funds		-	-
Total funds		<u>47,447</u>	<u>53,147</u>

The Trustees declare that they have approved the accounts.

Signed

A Arkwright

Date

10th December 2025

Alice Arkwright

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Accounting policies

Charity information

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Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement on 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)- (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Cash flow

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the charity, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 "Cash flow statements".

Incoming resources

Grants receivable are recognised in the accounts when conditions for their receipt are satisfied. Grants with conditions attached to their use are included in restricted funds. Donations, legacies and other forms of voluntary income are recognised as incoming resources when receivable.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay. Expenditure has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to a particular heading they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Costs classified as governance relate to the general running of the charity and include the operations of the Board of Trustees and addressing constitutional audit and other statutory matters.

Resources expended include attributable VAT, which cannot be recovered.

Going concern

The trustees of the charity deem that there are sufficient funds available to continue operating on a going concern basis for the foreseeable future

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Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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2. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Donations	23,906	-	23,906	22,780
	<u>23,906</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,906</u>	<u>22,780</u>
3. Income of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	-	-	6,340
Other	3,945	-	3,945	1,946
	<u>3,945</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,945</u>	<u>8,286</u>
4. Other trading income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Sales	26,657	-	26,657	22,450
	<u>26,657</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,657</u>	<u>22,450</u>

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5. Expenditure of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Wages	6,491	-	6,491	14,665
Subcontractor wages	26,315	-	26,315	15,079
Direct expenses	4,842	-	4,842	5,712
Audit and accountancy	460	-	460	460
Other professional fees	713	-	713	655
Provision for liabilities	8,724	-	8,724	7,951
Coordination/performance	107	-	107	201
General expenses	1,255	-	1,255	1,234
Insurance	1,670	-	1,670	1,632
Printing, postage & stationery	421	-	421	316
Advertising & marketing	-	-	-	36
IT software and consumables	1,721	-	1,721	2,058
Rent & rates	6,383	-	6,383	6,298
Staff training	95	-	95	-
Subscriptions & membership	436	-	436	174
Telephone & internet	19	-	19	22
Travel - national	27	-	27	-
	<u>59,678</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>59,678</u>	<u>56,493</u>

A provision for liabilities has been created to account for an invoice for service charges that are currently in dispute. This is still outstanding, and it is likely that there will be a reduction on the full invoice, and this potential reduction has been included as a provision.

6. Debtors	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	5,488	697
Prepayments	1,828	6,363
	<u>7,317</u>	<u>697</u>

7. Creditors	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals	460	470
Trade creditors	25,451	19,088
Provision	10,514	14,516
	<u>36,426</u>	<u>34,074</u>

8. Staff

No staff were paid more than £60,000 per annum.

An average of 2 staff were employed during the year.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

9. Related parties

There were no related parties within the year.

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year.

10 Fund analysis

	Balance at 01-Apr-24	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance at 31-Mar-25
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	53,147	54,508	(60,208)	-	47,447
	<u>53,147</u>	<u>54,508</u>	<u>(60,208)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,447</u>

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

I report on the accounts of Feminist Library and Information Centre for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 1 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) but that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes considerations of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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 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.

David Courtier FMAAT AATQB for and on behalf of:

Community360

Winsley's House, High Street, Colchester, Essex

Date

10th December 2025

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		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income	Note				
Donations & legacies	2	22,780	-	22,780	36,047
Charitable activities	3	8,286	-	8,286	48,283
Other trading income	4	22,450	-	22,450	22,827
Total Income		53,516	-	53,516	107,157
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	5	56,493	-	56,493	110,026
Total expenditure		56,493	-	56,493	110,026
Net income/(expense)		(2,976)	-	(2,976)	(2,868)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds at 1 April 2023		56,123	-	56,123	58,991
Total funds at 31 March 2024		53,147	-	53,147	56,123

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		80,161	75,802
Debtors	6	<u>7,060</u>	<u>6,444</u>
Total current assets		87,221	82,246
Current liabilities			
Creditors	7	<u>34,074</u>	<u>26,123</u>
Net assets		<u>53,147</u>	<u>56,123</u>
Unrestricted funds	10	53,147	56,123
Restricted funds		-	-
Total funds		<u>53,147</u>	<u>56,123</u>

The Trustees declare that they have approved the accounts.

Signed A Arkwright Date 30th January 2025

Alice Arkwright

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There are no critical accounting estimates or judgements in the financial statements.

2. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations	22,780	-	22,780	36,047
	<u>22,780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,780</u>	<u>36,047</u>
3. Income of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Grants	6,340	-	6,340	44,380
Other	1,946	-	1,946	3,903
	<u>8,286</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,286</u>	<u>48,283</u>
4. Other trading income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Sales	22,450	-	22,450	22,827
	<u>22,450</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,450</u>	<u>22,827</u>

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5. Expenditure of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Wages	14,665	-	14,665	24,653
Subcontractor wages	15,079	-	15,079	29,790
Direct expenses	5,712	-	5,712	12,094
Audit and accountancy	460	-	460	1,260
Other professional fees	655	-	655	12,943
Provision for liabilities	7,951	-	7,951	6,363
Coordination/performance	201	-	201	11,913
General expenses	1,234	-	1,234	2,533
Insurance	1,632	-	1,632	1,498
Printing, postage & stationery	316	-	316	626
Advertising & marketing	36	-	36	45
IT software and consumables	2,058	-	2,058	2,542
Rent & rates	6,298	-	6,298	2,127
Staff training	-	-	-	888
Subscriptions & membership	174	-	174	396
Telephone & internet	22	-	22	28
Travel - national	-	-	-	326
	56,493	-	56,493	110,026

A provision for liabilities has been created to account for an invoice for service charges that are currently in dispute. This is still outstanding, and it is likely that there will be a reduction on the full invoice, and this potential reduction has been included as a provision.

6. Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	697	81
Prepayments	6,363	6,363
	7,060	81

7. Creditors	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	470	470
Trade creditors	19,088	19,291
Provision	14,516	6,363
	34,074	26,123

8. Staff

No staff were paid more than £60,000 per annum.

An average of 2 staff were employed during the year.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

9. Related parties

There were no related parties within the year.

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year.

10 Fund analysis

	Balance at 01-Apr-23	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance at 31-Mar-24
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	56,123	53,516	(56,493)	-	53,147
	<u>56,123</u>	<u>53,516</u>	<u>(56,493)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,147</u>

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Independent examiner's statement

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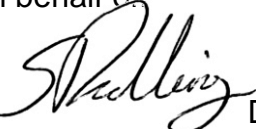
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Income					
Donations & legacies	2	36,047	-	36,047	24,305
Charitable activities	3	3,903	44,380	48,283	21,223
Other trading income	4	22,827	-	22,827	9,949
Total Income		62,777	44,380	107,157	55,477
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	5	64,759	45,267	110,026	55,901
Cost of raising funds		-	-	-	515
Total expenditure		64,759	45,267	110,026	56,416
Net income/(expense)		(1,981)	(887)	(2,868)	(939)
Transfer between funds		(887)	887	-	-
Total funds at 1 April 2022		58,991	-	58,991	59,930
Total funds at 31 March 2023		56,123	-	56,123	58,991

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		75,802	78,523
Debtors	6	<u>6,444</u>	<u>-</u>
Total current assets		<u>82,246</u>	<u>78,523</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors	7	<u>26,123</u>	<u>19,532</u>
Net assets		<u>56,123</u>	<u>58,991</u>
Unrestricted funds	10	56,123	58,991
Restricted funds		-	-
Total funds		<u>56,123</u>	<u>58,991</u>

The Trustees declare that they have approved the accounts.

Signed

A. Robinson

Date

16/01/2024

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Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no critical accounting estimates or judgements in the financial statements.

2. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations	36,047	-	36,047	21,705
Gift aid	-	-	-	2,600
	<u>36,047</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,047</u>	<u>24,305</u>
3. Income of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	44,380	44,380	21,180
Other	3,903	-	3,903	43
	<u>3,903</u>	<u>44,380</u>	<u>48,283</u>	<u>21,223</u>
4. Other trading income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Sales	22,827	-	22,827	9,949
	<u>22,827</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,827</u>	<u>9,949</u>

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5. Expenditure of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Wages	17,676	6,977	24,653	10,497
Subcontractor wages	5,308	24,482	29,790	24,808
Direct expenses	2,119	9,975	12,094	3,411
Audit and accountancy	1,101	159	1,260	441
Other professional fees (inc. management fees)	12,943	-	12,943	2,005
Provision for liabilities	6,363	-	6,363	-
Coordination/performance	10,023	1,890	11,913	3,864
General expenses	2,088	445	2,533	3,768
Insurance	1,498	-	1,498	2,912
Printing, postage & stationery	626	-	626	1,176
Advertising & marketing	20	25	45	20
IT software and consumables	2,374	168	2,542	2,174
Rent & rates	2,127	-	2,127	-
Staff training	15	873	888	134
Subscriptions & membership	396	-	396	483
Telephone & internet	28	-	28	15
Travel - national	53	273	326	192
	64,759	45,267	110,026	55,901

A provision for liabilities has been created to account for an invoice for service charges that are currently in dispute. This is still outstanding, and it is likely that there will be a reduction on the full invoice, and this potential reduction has been included as a provision.

6. Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	81	-
Prepayments	6,363	-
	6,444	-

7. Creditors	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	470	512
Trade creditors	19,291	-
Provision	6,363	-
Deferred income	-	19,020
	26,123	19,532

8. Staff

No staff were paid more than £60,000 per annum.

An average of 2 staff were employed during the year.

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9. Related parties

There were no related parties within the year.

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year.

10 Fund analysis

	Balance at 01-Apr-22	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance at 31-Mar-23
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	58,991	62,777	(64,759)	(887)	56,123
	<u>58,991</u>	<u>62,777</u>	<u>(64,759)</u>	<u>(887)</u>	<u>56,123</u>
Restricted funds					
Heritage Lottery Fund	-	44,380	(45,267)	887	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>44,380</u>	<u>(45,267)</u>	<u>887</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u><u>58,991</u></u>	<u><u>107,157</u></u>	<u><u>(110,026)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>56,123</u></u>

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

I report on the accounts of Feminist Library and Information Centre for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 1 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) but that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes considerations of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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 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.

David Courtier FMAAT AATQB for and on behalf of:
Community360 
Winsley's House, High Street, Colchester, Essex

Date 17/01/24

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1174735

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2021 To 31 March 2022

Charity name: Feminist Library and Information Centre

Charity registration number: 1174735

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	TO ADVANCE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BY: 1) OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FOR GENERAL USE A SPECIALIST LIBRARY OF FICTION, NON-FICTION AND ARCHIVE RESEARCH MATERIALS RELATING TO THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY AND; 2) PROVIDING OTHER FACILITIES FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH INTO THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The library received funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund to help conserve and develop our collection. This allowed us to hire a new library assistant to work on the collection, open the library for extra days and arrange a wide programme of events, exhibitions and collaborate with many artists, academics and other organizations. We had to close again at certain points in the year due to covid so a lot of activities were stalled. We also employed an Administrator and Finance coordinator on PAYE for three days a week to help with the day-to-day running of the library.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning to charity's activities, and have remained mindful of public benefit and of the charity's stated purposes. We have consistently provided facilities and activities open to the public and worked to develop our audience to allow as many people as possible to benefit from the work of the organisation.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers have helped with the daily running of the library, including opening up, helping visitors with queries and directing them to specific research areas • Volunteers have worked to maintain the collection, cataloguing and conserving journals and books • Volunteers have been running the bookshop every weekend and our online shop • Volunteers have ran and organised book clubs in Spanish and English • Volunteers have also contributed by helping out with in person events
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Running book clubs, in English, Spanish and occasional other languages including Polish. Throughout the year these were held online to reach an international audience. • Hosting exhibitions such as The Mobile Feminist Library at Mostyn in Wales, Dreaming Reconstructions, No Loose Strands • Events as part of our Heritage Lottery Funding such as Bare Minimum Collective, TRANSfer, Whose curry is it anyway? • Publishing, including the bilingual Spanish/English annual Calendar. • Sister Library founder Aquí Thami came for a residency at the library • Over 1000 people attending online and in person events during the year.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Total funds at 31 March 2022: £58,991
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We ensure to retain at least £6,500 in our savings account to cover staffing and related expenses should the organisation cease its activities
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£6,500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations through our Friends scheme, grant funding, events and bookshop sales
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees named as founding members of CIO, additional Trustees may be nominated and elected at Annual General Meetings.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Feminist Library and Information Centre
Other name the charity uses	Feminist Library
Registered charity number	1174735
Charity's principal address	Sojourner Truth Community Centre 161 Sumner Road London SE15 6JL

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Anna Pigott	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	28/12/2022	

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

Charity number 1174735

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Income					
Donations & legacies	2	24,305	-	24,305	48,102
Charitable activities	3	8,043	13,180	21,223	2,721
Other trading income	4	9,949	-	9,949	2,539
Total Income		42,297	13,180	55,477	53,361
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	5	34,391	21,510	55,901	32,581
Cost of raising funds		515	-	515	2,160
Total Expenditure		34,907	21,510	56,416	34,741
Net Income/(Expense)		7,391	(8,330)	(939)	18,620
Transfer between funds		(7,730)	7,730	-	-
Total funds at 1 April 2021		59,330	600	59,930	41,310
Total funds at 31 March 2022		58,991	-	58,991	59,930

The notes on page 3 - 4 form part of these financial statements.

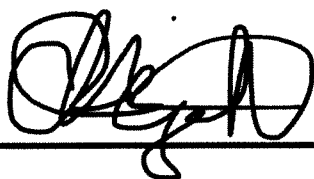
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>78,523</u>	<u>60,902</u>
Total Current Assets		78,523	60,902
Current liabilities			
Creditors	6	19,532	972
Net assets		<u>58,991</u>	<u>59,930</u>
Unrestricted funds		58,991	59,330
Restricted funds		<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>
Total funds		<u>58,991</u>	<u>59,930</u>

The Trustees declare that they have approved the accounts.

Signed



Date

16/12/2022

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement on 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)- (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Cash flow

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the charity, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 "Cash flow statements".

Incoming resources

Grants receivable are recognised in the accounts when conditions for their receipt are satisfied. Grants with conditions attached to their use are included in restricted funds. Donations, legacies and other forms of voluntary income are recognised as incoming resources when receivable.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay. Expenditure has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to a particular heading they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Costs classified as governance relate to the general running of the charity and include the operations of the Board of Trustees and addressing constitutional audit and other statutory matters.

Resources expended include attributable VAT, which cannot be recovered.

Going concern

The trustees of the charity deem that there are sufficient funds available to continue operating on a going concern basis for the foreseeable future

2. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations	21,705	-	21,705	45,955
Gift aid	2,600	-	2,600	2,146
	<u>24,305</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,305</u>	<u>48,102</u>

3. Income of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Grants	8,000	13,180	21,180	1,000
Other	43	-	43	1,721
	<u>8,043</u>	<u>13,180</u>	<u>21,223</u>	<u>2,721</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

4. Other trading income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Sales	9,949	-	9,949	2,539
	<u>9,949</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,949</u>	<u>2,539</u>

5. Expenditure of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Wages	5,320	5,177	10,497	27,225
Subcontractor wages	14,083	10,725	24,808	-
Direct expenses	1,057	2,354	3,411	59
Audit and accountancy	441	-	441	146
Other professional fees	129	1,876	2,005	-
Coordination/performance	3,864	-	3,864	550
General expenses	3,311	457	3,768	91
Insurance	2,912	-	2,912	60
Printing, postage & stationery	1,176	-	1,176	278
Advertising & marketing	20	-	20	-
IT software and consumables	1,387	787	2,174	3,358
Staff training	-	134	134	150
Subscriptions & membership	483	-	483	-
Telephone & internet	15	-	15	663
Travel - national	192	-	192	-
	<u>34,391</u>	<u>21,510</u>	<u>55,901</u>	<u>32,581</u>

6. Creditors	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	512	972
Deferred income	19,020	-
	<u>19,532</u>	<u>972</u>

7. Staff

No staff were paid more than £60,000 per annum.

An average of 2 staff were employed during the year.

8. Related parties

There were no related parties within the year.

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year.

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

I report on the accounts of Feminist Library and Information Centre for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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It is my responsibility to:

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Basis of independent examiner's Statement

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Independent examiner's statement


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I 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.

Shelley-Marie Rudling FMAAT AATQB for and on behalf of:
Community360

Winsley's House, High Street, Colchester, Essex



Date 28th December
2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Income					
Donations & legacies	2	48,102	-	48,102	49,325
Charitable activities	3	1,721	1,000	2,721	13,916
Other trading income	4	2,539	-	2,539	1,507
Total Income		52,361	1,000	53,361	64,749
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	5	32,581	-	32,581	72,025
Cost of raising funds		1,760	400	2,160	2,351
Total Expenditure		34,341	400	34,741	74,376
Net Income/(Expense)		18,020	600	18,620	(9,627)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds at 1 April 2020		41,310	-	41,310	50,937
Total funds at 31 March 2021		59,330	600	59,930	41,310

The notes on page 3 - 4 form part of these financial statements.


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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Current Assets			
Debtors		-	30
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>60,902</u>	<u>42,106</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>60,902</u>	<u>42,136</u>
Current Liabilities			
Creditors	6	972	826
Total assets		<u><u>59,930</u></u>	<u><u>41,310</u></u>
Unrestricted Funds		59,330	41,310
Restricted Funds		<u>600</u>	-
Total Funds		<u><u>59,930</u></u>	<u><u>41,310</u></u>

The Trustees declare that they have approved the accounts.

Signed



Date

25/01/2022

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

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Costs classified as governance relate to the general running of the charity and include the operations of the Board of Trustees and addressing constitutional audit and other statutory matters.

Resources expended include attributable VAT, which cannot be recovered.

2. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations	45,955	-	45,955	36,209
Gift aid	2,146	-	2,146	13,116
	<u>48,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,102</u>	<u>49,325</u>

3. Income of charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	1,000	1,000	13,187
Other	1,721	-	1,721	729
	<u>1,721</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,721</u>	<u>13,916</u>

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4. Other trading income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Sales	<u>2,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,539</u>	<u>1,507</u>
	<u>2,539</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,539</u>	<u>1,507</u>
5. Expenditure of charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Wages	27,225	-	27,225	31,254
Direct expenses	59	-	59	2,085
Audit and accountancy	146	-	146	624
Coordination/performance	550	-	550	3,258
General expenses	91	-	91	1,914
Insurance	60	-	60	1,116
Printing, postage & stationery	278	-	278	266
Moving costs	-	-	-	26,761
IT software and consumables	3,358	-	3,358	2,700
Repairs & maintenance	-	-	-	130
Staff training	150	-	150	-
Telephone & internet	663	-	663	1,824
Travel - national	-	-	-	94
	<u>32,581</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,581</u>	<u>72,025</u>
6. Creditors			2021	2020
			£	£
Accruals			<u>972</u>	<u>826</u>
			<u>972</u>	<u>826</u>

7. Staff

No staff were paid more than £60,000 per annum.

8. Related Parties

There were no related parties within the year.

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year.

9. Going Concern

The charity is operating on a going concern basis

FEMINIST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

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

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) but that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes considerations of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement


In the course of my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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 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.

Shelley-Marie Rudling FMAAT AATQB for and on behalf of:
Community360

Winsley's House, High Street, Colchester, Essex



Date

25/01/2022



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2020 To 31 March 2020

Charity name: Feminist Library & Information Centre

Charity registration number: 1174735

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	TO ADVANCE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BY: 1) OPERATING AND MAINTAINING FOR GENERAL USE A SPECIALIST LIBRARY OF FICTION, NON-FICTION AND ARCHIVE RESEARCH MATERIALS RELATING TO THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY AND; 2) PROVIDING OTHER FACILITIES FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH INTO THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN SOCIETY.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Keeping the Library open to the public – throughout the pandemic the team has worked to do so in line with government restrictions, including implementing health and safety procedures and a booking system to ensure social distancing. While it was not possible to open to the public due to restrictions, the Feminist Library has offered online events, book clubs, resources and presentations from the archive in order to advance the organisation's purposes despite challenging circumstances.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning to charity's activities, and have remained mindful of public benefit and of the charity's stated purposes. We have consistently provided facilities and activities open to the public and worked to develop our audience to allow as many people as possible to benefit from the work of the organisation.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Volunteers have organised events online and in person, including the exhibition 'We Are Here', marking Black History Month, with iterations online and in the physical space. - Volunteers have worked to maintain the collection. - Volunteers have run the bookshop and launched an online shop to help with fundraising throughout the pandemic. - Volunteers have also contributed to other fundraising activities including grant applications.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Running book clubs, in English, Spanish and occasional other languages including Polish. Throughout the year these were held online to reach an international audience. - Running online events, including a series of webinars around Care, book launches, workshops and meditation sessions. - Publishing, including the zine 'Care in a Pandemic,' 'Queer Zine Dictionary' and the bilingual Spanish/English annual Calendar. - Over 1000 people attending online events during the year.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Total funds t 31 March 2021: £59,930
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We ensure to retain at least £6,500 in our savings account to cover staffing and related expenses for a 'winding up' period, should the organisation cease its activities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£6,500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations through our Friends scheme, grant funding, events.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees named as founding members of CIO, additional Trustees may be nominated and elected at Annual General Meetings.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Feminist Library & Information Centre
Other name the charity uses	Feminist Library
Registered charity number	1174735
Charity's principal address	Sojourner Truth Community Centre 161 Sumner Rd London SE15 6JL

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Anna Pigott	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	23/01/2021	