

THE RAMP

England & Wales · Charity number 1175513

Details

Other names	RAMP CHURCH, RAMP SCHOOL OF MINISTRY, RAMP UK
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2017-11-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO IS, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT:-4.1. TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE; AND4.2. TO DEMONSTRATE THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST BY THE RELIEF OF PERSONS WHO ARE IN CONDITION OF NEED, HARDSHIP OR DISTRESS BY THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GOODS OR SERVICES OF ANY KIND INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE PROVISIONS OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE; AND4.3. TO ADVANCE RELIGIOUS OR SECULAR EDUCATION IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

Activities: The Objects of the CIO is, for the public benefit: to advance the Christian faith; the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship or distress; and to advance religious or secular education.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Manchester City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£678,008	£527,335	£353,645	8
2023-12-31	£530,982	£475,750	£202,975	8
2022-12-31	£453,709	£433,035	-	-
2021-12-31	£218,104	£243,784	-	-
2020-12-31	£280,309	£187,919	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ekundayo Okoro		2024-01-01
Rev ANDREW VERNON ELMES		2017-09-20
Rev Karen Ann Wheaton-Towe		2017-09-20
Rev MICHAEL JOSEPH REESER		2017-09-20

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2024 Annual Report & Financial Statements

Year Ending 31 December 2024

Registered Charity Number 1175513

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Officers and professional advisers

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Report of the trustees

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 15 and 16 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

These financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011).

Objectives and activities

The objectives of The Ramp are for the benefit of the public. It exists:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide;
- to demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide; and
- to advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

These objectives are achieved through the following activities:

- meetings, services, and events in person and online to promote the Christian faith, which are designed to be vibrant, dynamic, life-giving, and educational. These are held on a regular basis, open to all ages, and not dependent on social class or standing;
- offering support and counsel through the church leaders and in meetings to the church and community, promoting holistic healthy living for body, soul, and spirit;
- inspiration and impartation to church leaders and other church members from the values of the Bible and where possible bringing practical application to the message, including hosting Ramp conferences, worship nights, and involvement in the church's programmes.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. Details of the activities undertaken by the charity during the period are given in the following section.

Achievements and performance

OBJECTIVE 1 • To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

In our seventh year, The Ramp showed incredible growth and strength. Despite navigating five venue changes and a year of evening-only services, our ministries grew in both reach and depth. We successfully launched new conferences and training initiatives, invested in blossoming work in Germany, and more than tripled our digital ministry's reach, advancing the Christian faith across Manchester, the UK, and beyond.

Gatherings in-person and online

Our in-person Sunday gatherings grew to an average of 430 people each week—an 8 per cent increase from the previous year. Our online community expanded even more rapidly, with an average of 506 people joining us online each Sunday, which is a 57 per cent increase on 2023. We estimate that over 550 people now call Ramp Church their home.

Our YouTube presence was a key driver of this growth. Our subscriber base more than tripled, reaching 13,500 by the year's end. This year alone, our original faith-based content received more than 575,000 views, bringing our total to over 883,000 views since the channel's beginning. Viewers from 64 nations engaged with our content, showing that our objective to advance the Christian faith continues to extend far beyond our local congregation.

Ramp Youth continued its strong growth, with attendance increasing by 26 per cent over the year—more than three times the growth rate of our main Sunday gatherings.

The youth mentorship program continued to thrive, pairing 13 young people with young-adult mentors for a year of dedicated one-on-one discipleship. Furthermore, we established a leadership pipeline, giving seven student leaders regular opportunities to minister to their peers with active coaching from our ministry team.

Conferences and events

The Ramp hosted a series of powerful conferences and events in 2024, drawing thousands of attendees from across the nation and further.

Our series of three One-Night Conferences in April, June, and November were especially impactful, gathering a combined total of 1,007 attendees from 196 unique churches. These events proved to be a significant gateway for new people, with 665 individuals attending The Ramp for the first time. In April, we also hosted our Front Porch Friends conference for women, which drew 496 delegates from 109 different churches.

Building on previous work, we made two strategic trips to Germany to connect with local leaders and explore future ministry opportunities. The second trip culminated hosting an

awakening night with The Message Trust Germany, where over a hundred young people attended and the entire room (literally!) responded to the call to follow Jesus.

Our leaders and Ramp Worship teams also ministered to thousands at events hosted by key partners, including Wildfires Festival, Greater Manchester Prayer, and 24-7 Prayer Youth, extending our reach and serving the wider church.

Evidence of spiritual growth

We saw wide-ranging and profound evidence of spiritual growth among the Ramp's congregants across the period as well.

- 29 people made the life-changing decision to publicly mark their faith journey through water baptism.
- 124 people filled 53 volunteer positions to make Sunday gatherings, prayer meetings, mid-week outreaches, home groups, and more happen every week.
- Our outreach teams were on university campuses, in the city centre, and/or in the red light district every week. In 2023, team members invested 546 volunteer hours into ministering on the streets of Manchester.
- We believe prayer shifts the spiritual temperature of a place. From pre-service prayer, all-night prayer, and one-off prayer events, the Ramp community spent 371 hours in corporate prayer, contending for God's will to be fulfilled in our church, city, and nation.
- Spiritual growth through following Jesus leads to increased generosity, and we saw the number of givers grow by 57 per cent. 714 individual givers expressed their faith through giving, partnering with the Ramp's ongoing and future work.
- Two couples were sent from the Ramp to the foreign mission field to serve full-time. The first, a newly married couple, is working in orphan care in the Philippines, and the second, a family of four, is church planting in the Dominican Republic.
- There are a number of ministry leaders, artists, and influencers rooted in Ramp Church. Collectively, they are reaching hundreds of thousands of people every week with the message of Jesus.

Gospel partnerships

In the period, The Ramp gave strategic grants to partner organisations focused on advancing the Christian faith both locally and abroad. These included local and national partners such as The Message Trust, Prayer Storm, On Mission, and Redeeming Our Communities (ROC), as well as international bodies like Children of Hope in Uganda, The Ramp (US), and more.

These organisations collectively are reaching hundreds of thousands of people a year with the life-changing message of Jesus, some who are living in the world's hardest-to-reach places.

OBJECTIVE 2 • To demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services

of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

In a year of continued economic pressure and social need, The Ramp remained committed to being a practical expression of the Gospel. We focused on meeting the tangible needs of vulnerable people in our city through direct outreach and strategic partnerships.

Outreach teams

Our volunteer outreach teams were active every month on university campuses, in the city centre, and in the red-light district. By investing nearly 300 volunteer hours, they provided prayer, encouragement, and practical support to rough sleepers, sex workers, and others in need.

Justice and mercy partnerships

Our financial partnerships provided critical support to the most vulnerable in Manchester and beyond. Through our strategic grants, we supported the vital work of charities including Barnabus, which serves the homeless community in Manchester, and Children of Hope, which provides orphan care in Uganda. These partnerships allow us to extend our reach and impact far beyond what we could do alone.

OBJECTIVE 3 • To advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp expanded our commitment to teaching and training in 2024, equipping people at all stages of their faith with knowledge, practical skills, and leadership development.

A significant new initiative was Ramp Intensive, a three-day training event in missional discipleship. The Intensive hosted 111 attendees from 43 different churches, covering topics from spiritual disciplines and cultural engagement to social justice and evangelism. To support this, we authored and published a 60-page guide for attendees to use during the event and to continue their personal development journey.

Our small groups ministry, Ramp Communities, provided a relational context for education and discipleship for 217 people throughout the year. These groups met to discuss recent messages, study the Bible, and pray together.

Our Sunday gatherings and mid-week small groups educated and carried practical application, including teaching children and young people on topics of faith, character, personal growth, and more.

In our youth ministry, we continued to advance education through our mentorship programme and the development of seven student leaders, who received coaching in public speaking, worship leading, and prayer ministry.

Our new member's course, called New Here, taught individuals the values, vision, and culture of the Ramp and included leadership training alongside personal assessments to discover spiritual gifts and personality types. New Here feeds directly into additional practical training opportunities in music, creative arts, live and digital production, customer service, and more.

Media production training included videography, audio mixing, and graphic design. We connected aspiring media creatives with experienced and professional videographers, engineers, and designers.

Staff and volunteers

To facilitate the growth over the period, the Ramp hired one new employee.

Mr Keneth Tomy joined the team as a media and production assistant. After a lengthy stint of volunteering in the same capacity, Mr Tomy has joined the team to help advance media and production support across all of The Ramp's operations.

The Ramp had a total of 124 active volunteers seizing thousands of serving opportunities in the period. Volunteers served across all the charity's activities, with most engaged in our gatherings, conferences, and events.

Public benefit

Throughout the period ending 31 December 2024, the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and in particular, the guidance provided to charities for the advancement of religion. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Structure, governance, and management

Governing document

The Ramp's governing document is a constitution. The charity was registered on 2 November 2017 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, whose only voting members are its trustees.

Appointment of trustees

Trustee selection method is by appointment by the current trustees, of any person meeting the requirements set down in the constitution. Trustees are selected on basis of their

experience, expertise, and specific skills which are reasonably expected to further the mission and vision of the charity.

Organisation

As set out in the charity constitution, the board of trustees meets at least three times per annum to oversee the vision, strategies, and management of the charity. This meeting may be held in person, teleconference, or online videoconference.

Day-to-day management of the trust's operations is delegated to trustee and lead pastor Mr Michael Reeser. The trust also relies on staff and volunteers to help ensure quality activities are delivered.

Financial review

The trustees have prepared the accounting policies for the Ramp in accordance with the requirements of the SORP and of best accounting practice.

Review of the period

During the year, the baseline income increased to £678,008 (2023: £530,982).

The costs went up to £527,335 (2023: £475,750) but were contained due to strong financial management and good cost control.

Income and expenditure

The Ramp relies on voluntary income as its principal source of funding. Total donation and legacies amounted to £654,875 (2023: £514,046).

Income from trading activities were £6,236 (2023: £5,967).

The Costs of generating voluntary income amounted to £0 (2023: £0), and the costs of fund generating activities were £ 11,414 (2023: £11,154).

'Income from Charitable activities' in the accounts shown as £14,971 (2023: £10,052) includes £0 (2023: £0) speaking fees.

Governance

The £695 'governance' costs include the costs associated with independent examination of the accounts.

Surplus

Total of incoming resources exceeded resources expended in the period by £150,672 (2023: £55,232).

Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024 was strong, ensuring that the charity has the assets required to deliver its commitments to the community.

Included in 'Tangible fixed assets' are various items of stage equipment valued at £33,956 (2023: £25,990).

Reserves policy

To ensure the financial viability of the church and its ability to meet its ongoing commitments, the charity will endeavour to maintain, on average, sufficient reserves to cover all contractual obligations for one month and, if possible, between three and six months.

Action by the trustees will be required should the value of the fund exceed two times the annual expenditure or fall below three month's expenditure.

At the end of the period, the charity held roughly four month's expenditures in cash reserves.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The financial and operational effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Ramp has been considered by trustees. Although the impact of the lockdown had been significant, it is believed if something of a similar nature occurred, all major sources of income will remain stable.

Contingency plans are being developed for the delivery of future objectives, events, etc. in the context of a further lockdown in 2024. Due to the experiences of the last three years, the charity is effectively positioned to respond to full or partial lockdowns should they arise. We have increased our capabilities to transition to and employ technology to deliver our programmes digitally to great effect.

Risk policy

The trustees conduct an on-going review of major risks as part of its regular monitoring and reporting. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures regarding good practice child protection policies, fire safety and health, and safety inspections where the charity's activities operate. Financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions on a regular basis.

Investment powers and policies

The trustees have the power to invest surplus funds of the charity in investments, securities, and property as they think fit. The current policy of the trustees is to invest funds not immediately required by the charity into a range of Treasury Saving accounts which bear competitive rates of interest.

The trustees consider the social, environmental, and ethical impact of the investment, before placing any new funds with a third party. This policy is reviewed periodically by the trustees.

Remuneration policy

The remuneration policy seeks to balance our Christian values and the need to attract and retain staff with appropriate qualifications and skills.

Our minimum wage is based on the Living Wage as set by the Living Wage Foundation, which is higher than the National Living Wage as regulated by HMRC. Pay scales are reviewed by external experts, benchmarked against similar jobs in the Northwest, and a London weighting is applied where appropriate. We review the retail price and consumer price indices for inflation on an annual basis, before deciding upon any annual increments.

Sharing our resources

Our commitment to helping others around the world who share our heart for the poor and unreached is expressed through our tithe fund. We tithe a proportion of our unrestricted charitable income and give it to other organisations and charities who share similar objectives to the Ramp.

Our total giving during the year amounted to £34,347 (2023: £28,725). These gifts were given freely without any third-party benefit being received from any organisations and charities.

Plans for future periods

Looking ahead. Looking ahead, we're excited to focus on three key areas to continue our growth and impact in the coming year:

1. Increase capacity to sustain our extraordinary growth

With the significant growth we've experienced, we're committed to strategically expanding our capacity. This means not only developing our incredible volunteer teams and leaders but also exploring new ways to support our thriving ministries, from our Sunday gatherings and youth programmes to our digital outreach. Our goal is to ensure that everyone who connects with us has a place to belong and a clear path to grow in their faith.

2. Capital campaign for a new building

Our continued growth means we've outgrown our current venues, and that's an exciting problem to have! To accommodate this, we will continue our capital campaign to secure a new long-term building solution. We're looking for a facility that can meet our immediate needs and provide expanded capabilities for future growth, serving as a permanent home for our church community.

Our new home will be more than a space for preaching and worship, though. It's a training and missions base—a place where people are equipped and sent to give their lives to reach Europe. It's a place where the thousands we've already reached turn to hundreds of thousands of young people pulled out of the grip of anxiety, self-destruction, suicidal ideation, purposelessness, and hedonism to find their lives and purpose in Jesus and to join his work of social and cultural renewal for the sake of our cities and nations.

We're starting by raising a half-million pounds to get started on building preparations and acquiring further funding. We're then moving on to raise a total of £10 million to build a national hub for student mission in the heart of Manchester's university district.

3. Conferences and events

Our vision to partner with the spiritual awakening happening in the UK continues to be a core focus. Building on the gatherings of 2024, we plan to host and partner with more national and international events. Our leaders, speakers, and worship teams will continue to minister at churches, conferences, and festivals across the UK, Europe, America, and beyond, drawing together hundreds of churches and charities to see the Christian faith advance far and wide.

The trustee's responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that year together with its assets and liabilities at the end of the year, adequately distinguishing any material, special trust, or other restricted fund of the charity.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- c. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under section of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and deletion of fraud and irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the financial information included in the charity's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees have the power to invest in such assets as they see fit.

Related parties

A summary of transactions with related parties is set out in note 15 of the financial statements.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.



Signature: _____
Michael Reeser, Trustee

Date: 1 August 2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Ramp
Year ending 31 December 2024

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes, as set out on pages 11 to 23.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; and
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 consideration 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, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
 - have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signature:  _____

Date: 8 August 2025

Statement of financial activities • Year ending 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generating funds:					
Donations and legacies	2a	531,923	122,952	654,875	514,046
Grant Funding	2b	0	0	0	0
Other income from Charitable activities	2c	14,971	0	14,971	10,052
Other Trading income	2d	6,236	0	6,236	5,967
Investment Income	2e	1,926	0	1,926	916
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		555,056	122,952	678,008	530,982
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	3	506,670	9,252	515,922	465,502
Costs of Generating Fund	4	11,414	0	11,414	10,248
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		518,084	9,252	527,335	475,750
NET(OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS					
		36,972	113,700	150,672	55,232
TRANSFERS					
Gross Transfer between Funds		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		36,972	113,700	150,672	55,232
Total Funds Brought Forward		193,722	9,252	202,974	147,742
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		230,694	122,952	353,646	202,974

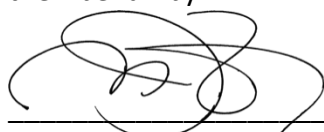
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
		553,131	122,952	676,082	530,066
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED					
		(518,084)	(9,252)	(527,335)	(475,750)
OPERATING SURPLUS					
		35,047	113,700	148,747	54,316
OTHER INCOME					
Investment Income	2e	1,926	0	1,926	916
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		36,972	113,700	150,672	55,232

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

Balance sheet • Year ending 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8	<u>33,956</u>	<u>25,991</u>
		<u>33,956</u>	<u>25,991</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	0	0
Debtors	10	12,955	14,918
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>325,142</u>	<u>166,819</u>
		<u>338,096</u>	<u>181,737</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	18,407	4,754
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>319,689</u>	<u>176,982</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		353,645	202,974
NET ASSETS		<u>353,645</u>	<u>202,974</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Restricted Income Funds	13a	122,952	9,251
Unrestricted Income Funds	13b	230,693	193,723
		<u>353,645</u>	<u>202,974</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 1 August 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Reeser, Trustee

Statement of cashflows • Year ending 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash received (spent)	150,672	55,232
Adjustments to cash from non-cash items		
Depreciation and loss on sale of asset	16,794	18,615
	<u>167,466</u>	<u>73,847</u>
Working capital adjustments		
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	0	0
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	1,964	1,125
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	13,652	(19,311)
	<u>183,082</u>	<u>55,661</u>
Net cash flows from operating activities		
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest received from Savings		
Disposals of tangible Fixed Assets	681	1,616
Purchase of tangible Fixed Assets	(25,440)	(12,158)
	<u>(24,759)</u>	<u>(10,542)</u>
Net cash flows from investing activities		
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	158,322	45,119
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	166,819	121,700
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	<u>325,142</u>	<u>166,819</u>

Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland”, the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The trustees consider that, given the level of reserves, there are no material uncertainties about the trust’s ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming resources

Donations and gifts

Donations and gifts are generally only recognised when received by or on behalf of the charity. In exceptional cases where an amount is significant, gifts are recognised as income when the charity is notified of a commitment to make a donation, and the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income tax

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised on a receivable basis.

Grants

Grants to the charity are accounted for as soon as charity is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Income from charitable activities

All income from events and activities is recognised when due.

Income from fund generating activities

Income raised by special fundraising events and trading activities are accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Direct charitable expenditure

Directly attributable expenditure has been allocated to the appropriate fund. Where costs

have been shared the expenditure has been allocated to funds on the basis of their estimated consumption of expenses.

Governance

These costs include the costs of governance arrangements which relate to the general running of the charity as opposed to the direct management functions inherent in generating funds and in charitable activities. This includes such items as external audit, legal advice for trustees, and costs associated with constitutional and statutory requirements, including trustee's meetings.

Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements.

Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost, or if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated on the costs or valuation of the assets at the rate of 25% (2023: 25%) using the straight-line method.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31 December 2024 in respect of income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Funds

Funds held by the charity are either:

- **Unrestricted general funds.** These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- **Restricted funds.** These are funds that 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.

Notes to the financial statements • Year ending 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Donations	531,923	122,952	654,874	514,046
	<u>531,923</u>	<u>122,952</u>	<u>654,875</u>	<u>514,046</u>
2b Grant Funding				
Other Grants	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
2c Other Income from charitable Activities				
Event Income	8,534	0	8,534	0
Mission Trips	0	0	0	886
Other Income	6,437	0	6,437	9,166
	<u>14,971</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>14,971</u>	<u>10,052</u>
2d Other Trading Income				
Trading Sales	6,236	0	6,236	5,967
	<u>6,236</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,236</u>	<u>5,967</u>
2e Investment Income				
Bank Interest Received	1,926	0	1,926	916
	<u>1,926</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,926</u>	<u>916</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>555,056</u>	<u>122,952</u>	<u>678,008</u>	<u>530,982</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Costs of Direct Charitable Activities	518,084	9,252	527,335	475,750
	<u>518,084</u>	<u>9,252</u>	<u>527,335</u>	<u>475,750</u>

3a. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY TYPE

	Activities Undertaken Directly £	Support Costs £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Costs of Charitable Activities	515,227	0	515,227	464,952
Other Governance costs	0	695	695	550
	<u>515,227</u>	<u>695</u>	<u>515,922</u>	<u>465,502</u>

4. COSTS OF GENERATING FUNDS

	Activities Undertaken Directly £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Costs of Generating Voluntary income	0	0	0
Costs of Fund Generating Activities	11,414	11,414	10,248
	<u>11,414</u>	<u>11,414</u>	<u>10,248</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Independent examiner's fee	695	695	550
	<u>695</u>	<u>695</u>	<u>550</u>

6. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
This is stated after charging		
Independent examiner's fee	695	550
Depreciation of owned assets	16,794	18,613
Loss on Disposal	681	0

7. INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEE

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Employee costs during the year:		
Wages and salaries	194,462	188,853
Social security costs	16,637	15,984
Pension costs	379	120
	<u>211,478</u>	<u>204,957</u>
Average number of staff employed:	No.	No.
Raising funds and Charitable Activities	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>
	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: none). The total employee benefits (including gross salary, employer national insurance, and pension contributions) of the charity's key management personnel amounted to £91,780 (2023: £75,440).

One trustee, Mr Michael Reeser, was employed by the charity in his role as Lead Pastor and received gross remuneration of £47,390 (2023: £40,566). His spouse, Mrs Stacie Reeser, was also employed and received gross remuneration of £44,390 (2023: £34,874). No employer pension contributions were paid in respect of either.

The trustees confirm that all key management salaries, including those paid to employees who are related to trustees, were reviewed and approved by unconflicted trustees in accordance with the charity's governance and conflict of interest policy. Remuneration decisions were benchmarked against similar roles in the region and considered in line with the charity's pay framework.

No trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2023: none). No trustees received expense reimbursements during the year (2023: none).

8. Tangible Fixed Assets

		2024	2024	2024	2024	Total
		£	£	£	£	£
		Computer and Office Equipment	Equipment	Vehicle	Fixture s and Fittings	Total
Cost	at 1 January 2024	6,837	115,342	12,300	0	134,479
	Additions	6,776	5,259	9,650	3,755	25,440
	Disposals	(5,211)	0	0	0	(5,211)
	at 31 December 2024	<u>8,402</u>	<u>120,601</u>	<u>21,950</u>	<u>3,755</u>	154,708
Depreciation	at 1 January 2024	5,248	96,990	6,251	0	108,489
	Charge for year	1,800	10,991	3,846	156	16,794
	Disposals	(4,530)	0	0	0	(4,530)
	at 31 December 2024	<u>2,518</u>	<u>107,981</u>	<u>10,097</u>	<u>156</u>	120,753
Net Book Value	at 31 December 2024	<u>5,884</u>	<u>12,620</u>	<u>11,853</u>	<u>3,598</u>	33,956
	at 31 December 2023	<u>1,589</u>	<u>18,352</u>	<u>6,049</u>	<u>0</u>	25,990

9. Stocks

	2024	2023
	£	£
No stocks of finished goods and goods for resale were held	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments	6,706	4,742
Accrued income	5,088	9,032
Other Debtors	1,160	1,143
	<u>12,955</u>	<u>14,918</u>

11. Cash at Bank & In Hand

	2024	2023
	£	£
Building Campaign Account	141,764	0
Current Account	29,213	29,982
Savings Account	100,613	103,638
PAYPAL	323	2,203
Soldo	1,409	1,228
Stripe	1,076	0
Giving Account	50,744	29,767
	<u>325,142</u>	<u>166,819</u>

12. Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	13,269	596
Other creditors including taxation and social security	2,789	3,308
Accruals and deferred income	2,350	850
	<u>18,407</u>	<u>4,754</u>

13.RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	Balance at 01-Jan-23 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-23 £
13a. Restricted Funds	53,886	21,936	(66,570)	0	9,252
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	59,795	509,046	(401,109)	0	167,732
Designated - Fixed Assets	34,062		(8,072)		25,990
	<u>147,742</u>	<u>530,982</u>	<u>(475,750)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>202,974</u>

	Balance at 01-Jan-24 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-24 £
13a. Restricted Funds	9,252	122,952	(9,252)	0	122,952
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	167,732	555,056	(526,050)	0	196,739
Designated - Fixed Assets	25,990		7,966		33,956
	<u>202,974</u>	<u>678,008</u>	<u>(527,336)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>353,645</u>

The General funds include designated funds of Fixed Assets valued at £33,956 and Free Reserves of £196,739.

The £122,952 in restricted funds represents amounts designated specifically for new premises.

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets / (Liabilities) £	TOTAL £
Restricted Funds	0	122,952	122,952
Unrestricted Funds	33,956	196,739	230,694
	<u>33,956</u>	<u>319,691</u>	<u>353,645</u>

15. Related party transactions

During the year, the charity made a donation of £12,376 (2023: £5,003) to The Ramp US, a related charity where trustee Mrs Karen Wheaton-Towe also serves on the board. No funds were received from The Ramp US in 2024 (2023: £15,623). No payments were made to, or received from, Mrs Wheaton-Towe in either year.

Trustee Mr Andrew Elmes is an officer of Great Big Life Ltd, which received £650 (2023: £1,100) from the charity in speaker fees.

All related party transactions were conducted at arm's length and on normal commercial terms. Trustee approval was obtained in advance, with the relevant individuals excluded from discussion and voting. These transactions were properly declared in line with the charity's conflict of interest policy.

16. Contingencies

The trustees have confirmed that there were no contingencies liabilities which should be disclosed on 31 December 2024.

17. Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties regarding the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The charity ended the year with free reserves of £196,739 and cash at bank of £325,142, including restricted funds for a building project. The trustees have reviewed forecasted cash flows and income projections for the 12-month period following the balance sheet date and are satisfied that the charity has sufficient financial resources and a clear plan to manage its operational commitments.

A capital campaign to raise funds for a permanent church facility is ongoing, and the trustees are confident in the charity's fundraising capacity, operational adaptability, and resilience.

18. Pension

The charity operates an 'automatic enrolment' workplace pension scheme on behalf of its employees, as required by the Pensions Act 2008. All contributions due have been fully paid.

19. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

THE RAMP

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Accounts

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2023 Annual Report & Financial Statements

Year Ending 31 December 2023

Registered Charity Number 1175513

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Report of the trustees

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 14 and 15 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

These financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011).

Objectives and activities

The objectives of The Ramp are for the benefit of the public. It exists:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide;
- to demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide; and
- to advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

These objectives are achieved through the following activities:

- meetings, services, and events in person and online to promote the Christian faith, which are designed to be vibrant, dynamic, life-giving, and educational. These are held on a regular basis, open to all ages, and not dependent on social class or standing;
- offering support and counsel through the church leaders and in meetings to the church and community, promoting holistic healthy living for body, soul, and spirit;
- inspiration and impartation to church leaders and other church members from the values of the Bible and where possible bringing practical application to the message, including hosting Ramp conferences, worship nights, and involvement in the church's programmes.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. Details of the activities undertaken by the charity during the period are given in the following section.

Achievements and performance

OBJECTIVE 1 • To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp, in its sixth full year of operation, experienced sustained growth and measured impact. Both in-person and digital ministries continued to expand as we, most notably, launched new student and young adult ministries in Manchester, hosted our largest ever conferences and events in the UK and Germany, and nearly trebled the reach of our online ministries.

Sunday gatherings in-person and online

Average Sunday morning in-person attendance grew to 396 by year's end and 323 people joined online each week, with more than 500 people in Manchester calling Ramp Church home.

Our YouTube content had more than 187,500 views in the year and over 300,000 total views since our channel began before the 2020 lockdown. 4,300 people were subscribed to our YouTube channel by year's end, and we saw 430 per cent more growth in subscribers than in the previous 12 months.

Viewers from 63 nations attended online in 2023, and an average of over 76 hours of our original faith-based content was consumed every day on YouTube alone.

Our online engagement shows that the Ramp's objective of advancing the Christian faith starts in Manchester but moves far beyond to exceed the bounds of our own local congregations.

Conferences and events

The Ramp hosted two UK conferences in 2023, drawing hundreds of attendees from across the nation as well as Europe, Africa, and North America.

In March, we hosted 755 delegates from 224 churches for two days of powerful preaching, immersive worship, and transformative ministry moments. Our Manchester team was joined by some of our American friends, including the Ramp US's founder, Karen Wheaton. 48 youth leaders and 30 lead pastors were in attendance, with 464 first-time attendees.

In September, we partnered with The Message Trust Germany to host a two-night conference in Saxony attended by hundreds of young people from the region. We continue to hear testimonies of deep and lasting transformation from this event.

We held our youth and young adult One-Night conference in November where young people were awakened to the reality of God, found freedom in his presence, and then were sent out filled with fresh purpose. 276 people from 54 churches including 20

pastors and leaders were in attendance. More than a third of attendees were brand new to the Ramp.

The Ramp's leaders, speakers, and worship leaders also reached thousands of people through their ministry at the events and conferences of other organisations and ministry partners, including Prayer Storm, The Message Trust, and 24-7 Prayer among others.

Youth, students, and young adults

Our student and young adult team launched a new discipleship ministry on the University of Manchester's campus. On average, 55 students and young adults gathered each week to deepen their walks with God and dive into God's word together, covering topics ranging from theology and Biblical interpretation to relational health and sexuality, dating, and marriage (and many more between).

For the first time, we had a booth at the University of Manchester Fresher's Fair, where Ramp Worship played live, and we interacted personally with over a thousand students. With the highest concentration of university students in Europe, Manchester is rich for student ministry.

Ramp Youth grew by 60 per cent in 2023 and baptized five young people. They started a youth-led worship team with singers and musicians leading their peers every Friday night. Our mentorship programme paired young-adult mentors with 14 young people for a year of one-on-one discipleship.

Evidence of spiritual growth

We saw wide-ranging and profound evidence of spiritual growth among the Ramp's congregants across the period as well.

- 29 people made the life-changing decision to publicly mark their faith journey through water baptism.
- 124 people filled 53 volunteer positions to make Sunday gatherings, prayer meetings, mid-week outreaches, home groups, and more happen every week.
- Our outreach teams were on university campuses, in the city centre, and/or in the red light district every week. In 2023, team members invested 546 volunteer hours into ministering on the streets of Manchester.
- We believe prayer shifts the spiritual temperature of a place. From pre-service prayer, all-night prayer, and one-off prayer events, the Ramp community spent 371 hours in corporate prayer, contending for God's will to be fulfilled in our church, city, and nation.
- Spiritual growth through following Jesus leads to increased generosity, and we saw the number of givers grow by 57 per cent. 714 individual givers expressed their faith through giving, partnering with the Ramp's ongoing and future work.
- Two couples were sent from the Ramp to the foreign mission field to serve full-time. The first, a newly married couple, is working in orphan care in the Philippines, and the second, a family of four, is church planting in the Dominican Republic.

- There are a number of ministry leaders, artists, and influencers rooted in Ramp Church. Collectively, they are reaching hundreds of thousands of people every week with the message of Jesus.

Gospel partnerships

In the period, the Ramp partnered financially with organisations focused on advancing the Christian faith both locally and abroad. We supported local churches reaching underserved communities in Greater Manchester, and on national and international levels, we partnered with the gospel works of Prayer Storm, The Message Trust, On Mission, The Ramp (US), and others.

These organisations collectively are reaching hundreds of thousands of people a year with the life-changing message of Jesus, some who are living in the world's hardest-to-reach places.

OBJECTIVE 2 • To demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

Like the years before it, 2023 saw increased levels of mental, emotional, and physical health challenges as the economy reeled from the devastating results of the pandemic, global conflicts, and radical inflation.

In this climate, the Ramp's care ministries focused on meeting these needs for its congregation and many outside the church, and we partnered with charitable organisations to do the same locally and abroad.

Outreach teams

We recruited and mobilised volunteers from Ramp Church who worked across Manchester every week. In 2023, team members invested 546 volunteer hours into ministering on the streets of Manchester. They offered refreshments, personal care packages, prayer and encouragement, and signposting for rough sleepers, sex workers, and immigrants.

We saw needs met in our Sunday gatherings and midweek activities as we prayed corporately for mental, emotional, and spiritual needs; financial health; and relational wholeness. We regularly received reports from people within our congregations of prayer requests that were resolved practically and miraculously.

Justice and mercy partnerships

Our partnerships with Barnabus, Tearfund, and others provided hundreds of meals and critical care for the vulnerable and homeless, and our partnership with The Message

Trust helped us reach and support young people in underserved communities across Greater Manchester.

Our partnership with Philippine Outreach Centre continued, who, for over 40 years, have brought relief through their children's homes, free private school, weekly prisons work, and local churches.

OBJECTIVE 3 • To advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp continued teaching and training people at all stages of life. Our Sunday gatherings and mid-week small groups educated and carried practical application, including teaching children and young people on topics of faith, character, personal growth, and more.

Our new member's course, called New Here, taught individuals the values, vision, and culture of the Ramp and included leadership training alongside personal assessments to discover spiritual gifts and personality types. New Here feeds directly into additional practical training opportunities in music, creative arts, live and digital production, customer service, and more.

Media production training included videography, audio mixing, and graphic design. We connected aspiring media creatives with experienced and professional videographers, engineers, and designers.

The youth mentorship programme we created provides one-to-one training and support relationships between youth and young adults. As mentors, young adults received training from church leadership in sound Christian discipleship practises, which they employed with their youth mentees. Mentees received relevant and inspiring faith education and relational encouragement and support.

Our small groups ministry continued to recruit and train new leaders to host and lead effective and engaging small groups ministries. Group leaders' training focused on developing strong relational and communication skills alongside teaching effective pastoral care and Bible lessons.

Staff and volunteers

To facilitate the growth over the period, the Ramp hired two new employees.

To fill the role of operations assistant, Ms Marianna Mervjak joined the operations team in a full-time capacity in the Summer. Her employment ensures the charity's needs are met in the areas of volunteer and event management, health and safety, and facilities

oversight. Ms Mervjak has years of faithful and effective volunteering at Ramp Church and brings her experience and pastoral heart in a critical area of the charity.

Mr Josh Guest joined the team as a youth pastor. After years of volunteering in the same capacity, Mr Guest's ministry has been vital, alongside our other youth leaders, in guiding young people into growing relationships with Jesus Christ. He not only brings years of experience ministering at Ramp Church Manchester, but as a graduate of the Ramp School of Ministry, his training and passion are welcome additions to the Ramp's youth ministry.

The Ramp had a total of 124 active volunteers in the period seizing hundreds of serving opportunities. Volunteers served across all the charity's activities, with most engaged in our gatherings, conferences and events, and outreaches.

Public benefit

Throughout the period ending 31 December 2023, the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and in particular, the guidance provided to charities for the advancement of religion. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Structure, governance, and management

Governing document

The Ramp's governing document is a constitution. The charity was registered on 2 November 2017 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, whose only voting members are its trustees.

Appointment of trustees

Trustee selection method is by appointment by the current trustees, of any person meeting the requirements set down in the constitution. Trustees are selected on basis of their experience, expertise, and specific skills which are reasonably expected to further the mission and vision of the charity.

Organisation

As set out in the charity constitution, the board of trustees meets at least three times per annum to oversee the vision, strategies, and management of the charity. This meeting may be held in person, teleconference, or online videoconference.

Day-to-day management of the trust's operations is delegated to trustee and lead pastor Mr Michael Reeser. The trust also relies on staff and volunteers to help ensure quality activities are delivered.

Financial review

The trustees have prepared the accounting policies for the Ramp in accordance with the requirements of the SORP and of best accounting practice.

Review of the period

During the year, the baseline income increased to £530,982 (2022: £453,709).

The costs went up to £475,750 (2022: £433,035) but were contained due to strong financial management and good cost control.

Income and expenditure

The Ramp relies on voluntary income as its principal source of funding. Total donation and legacies amounted to £514,046 (2022: £428,790).

Income from trading activities were £5,967 (2022: £5,356).

The costs of raising funds amounted to £0 (2022: £0), and the costs of fund generating activities were £11,154 (2022: £8,185).

'Income from Charitable activities' in the accounts shown as £10,052 (2022: £19,445) includes £0 (2022: £0) speaking fees.

Governance

The £940 'governance' costs include the costs associated with independent examination of the accounts.

Surplus

Total of incoming resources exceeded resources expended in the period by £55,232 (2022: £20,674).

Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023 was strong, ensuring that the charity has the assets required to deliver its commitments to the community.

Included in 'Tangible fixed assets' are various items of stage equipment valued at £25,991 (2022: £34,064).

Reserves policy

To ensure the financial viability of the church and its ability to meet its ongoing commitments, the charity will endeavour to maintain, on average, sufficient reserves to cover all contractual obligations for one month and, if possible, between three and six months.

Action by the trustees will be required should the value of the fund exceed two times the annual expenditure or fall below three month's expenditure.

At the end of the period, the charity held roughly four month's expenditures in cash reserves.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The financial and operational effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Ramp has been considered by trustees. Although the impact of the lockdown had been significant, it is believed if something of a similar nature occurred, all major sources of income will remain stable.

Contingency plans are being developed for the delivery of future objectives, events, etc. in the context of a further lockdown in 2024. Due to the experiences of the last three years, the charity is effectively positioned to respond to full or partial lockdowns should they arise. We have increased our capabilities to transition to and employ technology to deliver our programmes digitally to great effect.

Risk policy

The trustees conduct an on-going review of major risks as part of its regular monitoring and reporting. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures regarding good practice child protection policies, fire safety and health, and safety inspections where the charity's activities operate. Financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions on a regular basis.

Investment powers and policies

The trustees have the power to invest surplus funds of the charity in investments, securities, and property as they think fit. The current policy of the trustees is to invest funds not immediately required by the charity into a range of Treasury Saving accounts which bear competitive rates of interest.

The trustees consider the social, environmental, and ethical impact of the investment, before placing any new funds with a third party. This policy is reviewed periodically by the trustees.

Remuneration policy

The remuneration policy seeks to balance our Christian values and the need to attract and retain staff with appropriate qualifications and skills.

Our minimum wage is based on the Living Wage as set by the Living Wage Foundation, which is higher than the National Living wage as regulated by HMRC. Pay scales are reviewed by external experts, benchmarked against similar jobs in the Northwest, and a London weighting is applied where appropriate. We review the retail price and consumer price indices for inflation on an annual basis, before deciding upon any annual increments.

Sharing our resources

Our commitment to helping others around the world who share our heart for the poor and unreached is expressed through our tithe fund. We tithe a proportion of our

unrestricted charitable income and give it to other organisations and charities who share similar objectives to the Ramp.

Our total giving during the year amounted to £28,725 (2022: £28,245). These gifts were given freely without any third-party benefit being received from any organisations and charities.

Plans for future periods

Looking ahead. Alongside sustaining growth in our current ministries, programmes, and activities, we're expanding into these three areas:

1. More conferences and events than ever before

The Ramp has a vision to partner with a spiritual awakening that's happening around the world—a vision far bigger than our own congregations, ministries, and activities. To that end, we'll be hosting and partnering with more national and international events in 2024 than ever before. These events will draw hundreds of churches and charities that are impacting parts of our world far beyond our own reach.

From our own Ramp Intensive, conferences, and One-Nights to joining national prayer events and youth gatherings to local church services, our leaders, speakers, and worship teams will be ministering at churches, conferences, and festivals and on broadcasts and recordings across the UK and in America, Europe, and the Near East.

2. Our first discipleship and spiritual formation intensive

In the Spring, we'll host our first ever Ramp Intensive with three days of immersive training in missional discipleship for our secular age.

We'll be exploring questions like: *What does it look like to live with unwavering devotion in a culture of compromise? How does your identity as God's son or daughter contrast in a time of self-definition? What does missional engagement look like in a day of privatised faith? How do we cultivate passion in the midst of apathy, missional responsibility in indifference? How do we model profound fulfilment in an age of anxiety, satisfaction in an age of activism?*

Ramp Intensive has the depth of a university course, the heart of mentorship, and the accessibility of one-to-one coaching. We're engineering the size and context to be small, interactive, and deeply formative. Attendees will be equipped with the tools needed to live a radical, authentic, and effective faith. The three days culminate in a night of extended worship, prayer, preaching, and ministry at Ramp One-Night.

3. Capital campaign for a new building

Ramp Church's congregations have outgrown our current venue spaces. In Autumn of 2024, we'll be holding the first of a series of fundraisers to raise capital for purchasing or leasing new long-term building solutions. These facilities will meet our current needs and provide expanded capabilities for projected growth.

The trustee's responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that year together with its assets and liabilities at the end of the year, adequately distinguishing any material, special trust, or other restricted fund of the charity.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a. Select suitable accounting policies, and then apply them consistently.
- b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- c. State whether the polices adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under section of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and deletion of fraud and irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the financial information included in the charity's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

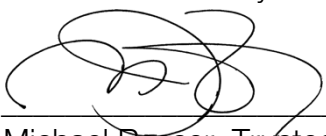
The trustees have the power to invest in such assets as they see fit.

Related parties

A summary of transactions with related parties is set out in note 15 of the financial statements.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature: 
Michael Reeser, Trustee

Date: 29 August 2024

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Ramp
Year ending 31 December 2023

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes, as set out on pages 11 to 23.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; and
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 consideration 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, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
 - have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signature:  _____

Date: 31 August 2024

Statement of financial activities • Year ending 31 December 2023

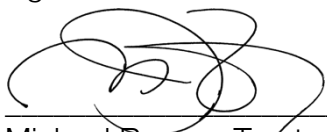
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generating funds:					
Donations and legacies	2a	492,110	21,936	514,046	428,790
Grant Funding	2b	0	0	0	0
Other income from Charitable activities	2c	10,052	0	10,052	19,445
Other Trading income	2d	5,967	0	5,967	5,356
Investment Income	2e	916	0	916	119
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		509,046	21,936	530,982	453,709
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	3	408,240	66,570	474,810	432,095
Governance Costs	3	940	0	940	940
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		409,180	66,570	475,750	433,035
NET(OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS					
		99,865	(44,633)	55,232	20,674
TRANSFERS					
Gross Transfer between Funds				0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		99,865	(44,633)	55,232	20,674
Total Funds Brought Forward		93,857	53,886	147,742	127,068
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		193,722	9,252	202,974	147,742
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
		508,129	21,936	530,066	453,590
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED					
		(409,180)	(66,570)	(475,750)	(433,035)
OPERATING SURPLUS					
		98,949	(44,633)	54,316	20,555
OTHER INCOME					
Investment Income	2e	916	0	916	119
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		99,865	(44,633)	55,232	20,674

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

Balance sheet • Year ending 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8	<u>25,991</u>	<u>34,064</u>
		<u>25,991</u>	<u>34,064</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	0	0
Debtors	10	14,918	16,043
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>166,819</u>	<u>121,699</u>
		<u>181,737</u>	<u>137,742</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	4,754	24,064
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>176,982</u>	<u>113,678</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>202,974</u>	<u>147,742</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>202,974</u>	<u>147,742</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Restricted Income Funds	13a	9,252	53,886
Unrestricted Income Funds	13b	193,723	93,856
		<u>202,974</u>	<u>147,742</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 29 August 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Reeser, Trustee

Statement of cashflows • Year ending 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash received (spent)	55,232	20,674
Adjustments to cash from non-cash items		
Depreciation and loss on sale of asset	18,615	16,276
	<u>73,847</u>	<u>36,950</u>
Working capital adjustments		
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	0	0
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	1,125	697
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(19,311)	15,004
	<u>55,661</u>	<u>52,651</u>
Net cash flows from operating activities		
Cash flows from investing activities		
Disposals of tangible Fixed Assets	1,616	0
Purchase of tangible Fixed Assets	(12,158)	(4,547)
	<u>(10,542)</u>	<u>(4,547)</u>
Net cash flows from investing activities		
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	45,119	48,104
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	121,700	73,595
	<u>166,819</u>	<u>121,700</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December		

Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland”, the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The trustees consider that, given the level of reserves, there are no material uncertainties about the trust’s ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming resources

Donations and gifts

Donations and gifts are generally only recognised when received by or on behalf of the charity. In exceptional cases where an amount is significant, gifts are recognised as income when the charity is notified of a commitment to make a donation, and the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income tax

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised on a receivable basis.

Grants

Grants to the charity are accounted for as soon as charity is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Income from charitable activities

All income from events and activities is recognised when due.

Income from fund generating activities

Income raised by special fundraising events and trading activities are accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Direct charitable expenditure

Directly attributable expenditure has been allocated to the appropriate fund. Where

costs have been shared the expenditure has been allocated to funds on the basis of their estimated consumption of expenses.

Governance

These costs include the costs of governance arrangements which relate to the general running of the charity as opposed to the direct management functions inherent in generating funds and in charitable activities. This includes such items as external audit, legal advice for trustees, and costs associated with constitutional and statutory requirements, including trustee's meetings.

Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements.

Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost, or if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated on the costs or valuation of the assets at the rate of 25% (2022: 25%) using the straight line method.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31 December 2023 in respect of income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Funds

Funds held by the charity are either:

- **Unrestricted general funds.** These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- **Restricted funds.** These are funds that 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.

Notes to the financial statements • Year ending 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Donations	492,110	21,936	514,046	428,790
	<u>492,110</u>	<u>21,936</u>	<u>514,046</u>	<u>428,790</u>
2b Grant Funding				
Other Grants	0		0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
2c Other Income from charitable Activities				
Event Income	0	0	0	4,667
Mission Trips	886	0	886	9,812
Other Income	9,166	0	9,166	4,966
	<u>10,052</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,052</u>	<u>19,445</u>
2d Other Trading Income				
Trading Sales	5,967	0	5,967	5,356
	<u>5,967</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,967</u>	<u>5,356</u>
2e Investment Income				
Bank Interest Received	916	0	916	119
	<u>916</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>916</u>	<u>119</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>509,046</u>	<u>21,936</u>	<u>530,982</u>	<u>453,709</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Costs of Direct Charitable Activities	<u>409,180</u>	<u>66,570</u>	<u>475,750</u>	<u>433,035</u>
	<u>409,180</u>	<u>66,570</u>	<u>475,750</u>	<u>433,035</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITIES TYPE

	Activities Undertaken Directly £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Costs of Generating Voluntary income	0	0	0
Costs of Fund Generating Activities	11,154	11,154	8,185
Costs of Charitable Activities	464,046	464,046	423,909
Other Governance costs	940	940	940
	<u>476,140</u>	<u>476,140</u>	<u>433,035</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Independent examiner's fee	550	550	940
	<u>550</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>940</u>

6. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
This is stated after charging		
Independent examiner's fee	550	940
Depreciation of owned assets	18,125	16,276

7. INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEE

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Employee costs during the year:		
Wages and salaries	188,853	138,537
Social security costs	15,984	7,118
Pension costs	120	1,778
	<u>204,957</u>	<u>147,432</u>
Average number of staff employed:	No.	No.
Raising funds and Charitable Activities	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>
	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>

No. of employees receiving remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year £nil (2022: £nil).

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £75,440 (2022: £70,808).

One trustee, Mr Michael Reeser, from employment with the charity received gross remuneration (including employer's national insurance) during the year £40,566 (2022: £40,243) with pension contributions of £0 (2022: £997). His wife, Mrs Stacie Reeser, also an employee of the charity, received gross remuneration (including employer's national insurance) of £34,874 (2022: £28,578) with pension contributions of £0 (2022: £723).

No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity, nil (2022: nil).

Trustees' expenses represent the payment or reimbursement of travel and subsistence costs totalling nil (2022: nil) relating to attendance at meetings of the trustees.

8. Tangible Fixed Assets

		2023	2023		Total
		£	£		£
		Computer and Office Equipment	Equipment	Vehicle	Total
Cost	at 1 January 2023	6,038	106,088	12,300	124,426
	Additions	799	11,359	0	12,158
	Disposals	0	(2,105)	0	(2,105)
	at 31 December 2023	<u>6,837</u>	<u>115,342</u>	<u>12,300</u>	<u>134,479</u>
Depreciation	at 1 January 2023	3,555	83,631	3,176	90,362
	Charge for year	1,693	13,848	3,075	18,615
	Disposals	0	(489)	0	(489)
	at 31 December 2023	<u>5,248</u>	<u>96,990</u>	<u>6,251</u>	<u>108,488</u>
Net Book Value	at 31 December 2023	<u>1,589</u>	<u>18,352</u>	<u>6,049</u>	<u>25,990</u>
	at 31 December 2022	<u>2,483</u>	<u>22,457</u>	<u>9,124</u>	<u>34,064</u>

9. Stocks

	2023	2022
	£	£
Stocks of finished goods and goods for resale	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	4,742	10,638
Accrued income	9,032	4,013
Other Debtors	<u>1,143</u>	<u>1,391</u>
	<u>14,918</u>	<u>16,043</u>

11. Cash at Bank & In Hand

	2023	2022
	£	£
Current Account	29,982	6,693
Savings Account	103,638	109,365
PAYPAL	2,203	879
Soldo	1,228	0
Giving Account	<u>29,767</u>	<u>4,762</u>
	<u>166,819</u>	<u>121,699</u>

12. Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	596	19,970
Other creditors including taxation and social security	3,308	3,394
Accruals and deferred income	<u>850</u>	<u>700</u>
	<u>4,754</u>	<u>24,064</u>

13. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	Balance at 01-Jan-22 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-22 £
13a. Restricted Funds	15,922	63,560	(25,597)	0	53,886
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	65,353	390,149	(395,707)	0	59,795
Designated - Fixed Assets	45,793		(11,731)		34,062
	127,068	453,709	(433,035)	0	147,742

	Balance at 01-Jan-23 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-23 £
13a. Restricted Funds	53,886	21,936	(66,570)	0	9,252
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	59,795	509,046	(401,106)	0	167,736
Designated - Fixed Assets	34,062		(8,075)		25,987
	147,742	530,982	(475,750)	0	202,974

The General funds include designated funds of Fixed Assets valued at £25,987 and Free Reserves of £167,736.

The £9,252 held in restricted funds is the monies remaining from the Stewardship Grant that was given towards equipment and social media consultancy and from the Ramp US towards salary costs.

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets / (Liabilities) £	TOTAL £
Restricted Funds	0	9,252	9,252
Unrestricted Funds	25,987	167,736	193,723
	25,987	176,988	202,974

15. Related party transactions

During the period the related party transactions were as stated below:

The Ramp gave donations of £16,515 to The Ramp US (2022: £730).

£15,623 was received from The Ramp US in donations (2022: £107,271). £8,170.94 (2022: £63,560) was restricted to staff costs. Mrs Karen Wheaton-Towe is also a Trustee of this charity. No monies were received from or paid to Mrs Wheaton-Towe in 2023 (2022: £nil).

Mr Andrew Elmes, Trustee of the Ramp, and officer of Great Big Life Ltd, received in total £1,100 (2022: £950) for speaker's fees.

Total donations made by the trustees during the period were £8,089 (2022: £8,285).

16. Contingencies

The trustees have confirmed that there were no contingencies liabilities which should be disclosed on 31 December 2023.

17. Going concern

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

18. Pension

The charity operates an 'automatic enrolment' workplace pension scheme on behalf of its employees, as required by the Pensions Act 2008. All contributions due have been fully paid.

19. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

THE RAMP

England & Wales - Charity number 1175513

Accounts

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2022 Annual Report & Financial Statements

Year Ending 31 December 2022

Registered Charity Number 1175513

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Report of the trustees

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 13 to 14 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

These financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011).

Objectives and activities

The objectives of THE RAMP are for the benefit of the public. It exists:

- To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide;
- to demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide; and
- to advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

These objectives are achieved through the following activities:

- meetings, services, and events in person and online to promote the Christian faith, which are designed to be vibrant, dynamic, life-giving, and educational. These are held on a regular basis, open to all ages, and not dependent on social class or standing;
- offering support and counsel through the church leaders and in meetings to the church and community, promoting holistic healthy living for body, soul, and spirit;
- inspiration and impartation to church leaders and other church members from the values of the Bible and where possible bringing practical application to the message, including hosting Ramp conferences, worship nights, and involvement in the church's programmes.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. Details of the activities undertaken by the charity during the period are given in the following section.

Achievements and performance

OBJECTIVE 1 • To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp, in its fifth full year of operation, experienced sustained growth and fresh expansion. Both in-person and digital ministries continued to thrive as we, among other things, launched our second congregation in Manchester, hosted two conferences that drew international audiences, and opened our first full-time premises.

Sunday gatherings in-person and online

Sunday morning in-person attendance grew by 36 per cent over the period with an average of 260 people gathering each week by year's end and many more considering Ramp Church their home.

Online attendance continued in strength as well, growing by 19 per cent in 2022, averaging 460 people each week. 513 new subscribers joined our YouTube channel in 2022, a 48 per cent increase from the previous year, with 48,223 views over the period, and we ended the year with 1,558 total subscribers.

Our online engagement shows that the Ramp's advancement of the Christian faith is exceeding the bounds of our own local congregations. An average of over 30 hours of our original faith-based content is consumed every day on YouTube alone.

New university location

Since before we launched in 2017, we've had a passion for Manchester's universities—with the highest concentration of students in all of Europe. In 2022, we launched our biggest investment yet into this incredible mission field: A new Ramp location.

Just under five years into the Ramp's journey in Manchester, it was time for our second location. After months of forming a leadership team; recruiting and training fresh volunteers; promoting the launch; and praying, fasting, and worshiping, we launched at the end of September and hosted 149 people on our opening service.

Conferences and events

The Ramp hosted two conferences in 2022, drawing hundreds of attendees from across the UK and with delegates from Europe, Africa, and North America.

The first, Women's Ramp, drew hundreds of women from around the UK to Manchester for multiple services of powerful preaching, immersive worship encounters, and transformative ministry moments. Stacie Reeser and Ramp Worship with Olivia Webb was joined by some of our American friends, including the Ramp's founder Karen Wheaton and pastors Lauren Bentley and Lindsey Doss.

In November, we hosted our youth and young adult conference where young people were awakened to the reality of God, found freedom in his presence, and sent out filled with fresh purpose. Speakers included Micah Wood, Stacie Reeser, and James Aladiran with worship by Ramp Worship with Olivia Webb, Lisa Fasipe, Rebecca Aladiran, and Delana Wood.

Our leaders, speakers, and worship leaders also partnered with events around the UK hosted by other churches and charities, including Prayer Storm, The Message Trust, and 24-7 Prayer.

We partnered with The Message Trust in leading worship and prayer spaces for Festival Manchester, the largest gospel outreach in Manchester for a generation, which saw over 65,000 people reached and 3,415 decisions for faith in Jesus Christ.

Spiritual growth

We saw evidence of spiritual growth among the Ramp's congregants across the period as well. 25 people made the life-changing decision to publicly mark their faith journey through water baptism, and 60 people completed our New Here course, a four-week induction into our faith community.

Spiritual growth through following Jesus leads to increased generosity, and we saw the number of givers grow by more than 100-fold compared to the previous year. 454 givers expressed their faith through giving, partnering with the Ramp's ongoing and future work.

Gospel partnerships

In the period, the Ramp partnered financially with organisations focused on advancing the Christian faith both locally and abroad. We supported local churches reaching underserved communities in Greater Manchester, and on national and international levels, we partnered with the gospel works of Prayer Storm, The Message Trust, Our God Given Mission, Festival Manchester, and others.

These organisations collectively are reaching hundreds of thousands of people a year with the life-changing message of Jesus, some who are living in the world's hardest-to-reach places.

OBJECTIVE 2 • To demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

Like the two years before it, 2022 saw extraordinary levels of mental-, emotional-, and physical-health challenges combined with cultural unrest as the global economy reels from the devastating results of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In this climate, the Ramp's care ministries focused on meeting these needs for its congregation and many outside the church, and we partnered with charitable organisations to do the same locally and abroad.

Outreach teams

We recruited and mobilised volunteers from Ramp Church who worked across Manchester city centre every week throughout the year. They offered refreshments, personal care packages, prayer and encouragement, and signposting for rough sleepers, sex workers, and immigrants.

We saw needs met in our Sunday services and midweek activities as we prayed corporately for mental, emotional, and spiritual needs; financial health; and relational wholeness. We regularly received reports from people within our congregations of prayer requests that were resolved practically and miraculously.

Justice and mercy partnerships

Locally, our partnerships with Barnabus, Manchester City Mission, and Stretford Foodbank provided hundreds of meals and critical care for the vulnerable and homeless, and our partnership with The Message Trust helped us reach and support young people in underserved communities across Greater Manchester.

Internationally, our longstanding partnership with Stella's Voice continued, as they meet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs among some of Europe's most vulnerable children and young people in Moldova and Ukraine.

We also formed a new partnership with Philippine Outreach Centre Ministries, who, for over 40 years, have brought relief through their children's homes, free private school, weekly prisons work, and local churches.

OBJECTIVE 3 • To advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp continued teaching and training individuals at all stages of life. Our Sunday services and small groups educated and carried practical application, including teaching children and young people on topics of faith, character, personal growth, and more.

Our new member's course, called New Here, taught individuals the values, vision, and culture of the Ramp and included leadership training alongside personal assessments to discover spiritual gifts and personality types. New Here feeds directly into additional practical training opportunities in music, creative arts, live and digital production, customer service, and more.

We expanded our training in media production, including videography, audio mixing, and graphic design. We connected aspiring media creatives with experienced and professional videographers, engineers, and designers.

Our youth mentorship programme created one-to-one training and support relationships between youth and young adults. As mentors, young adults received training from church leadership in sound Christian discipleship practises, which they employed with their youth mentees. Mentees received relevant and inspiring faith education and relational encouragement and support.

Our small groups ministry continued to recruit and train new leaders to host and lead effective and engaging small groups ministries. Group leaders' training focused on developing strong relational and communication skills alongside teaching effective pastoral care and Bible lessons.

New facilities

The Ramp secured its first permanent premises in Greater Manchester. The multipurpose facility is a workspace for our staff and volunteers as well as meeting rooms for prayer, training, filming, pastoral care, and small groups. The facilities were renovated to our specifications and purpose-fit to our needs, present and future. We're anticipating increased efficiency, productivity, and alignment for our staff and teams as we finish the move into this central work and ministry space.

Staff and volunteers

To facilitate the exponential growth over the period, the Ramp hired four new employees.

Two ordained ministers from the Ramp USA were brought onto our executive leadership team. Mr Micah Wood and Mrs Delana Wood joined as international advancement pastor and artist in residence/worship consultant, respectively, and they started full-time employment in September. Their service to the Ramp in leadership, teaching, and visionary capacities make them key in fulfilling current demands and expanding our capacity for future growth.

To fill the role of operations pastor, Ms Laura Pickard, also an ordained minister, joined the operations team in a part-time capacity in the Spring. Her employment ensures the charity's needs are met in the areas of human resources, health and safety, finance, volunteer management, and facilities. Ms Pickard brings her extensive experience with the Ramp USA to both the pastoral lead team and the management team.

Ms Cameron Addair joined the team as a youth pastor. After years of volunteering in the same capacity, Ms Addair's ministry has been vital, alongside our other youth leaders, in guiding young people into growing relationships with Jesus Christ. She not only brings years of experience ministering at Ramp Church Manchester, but as a graduate of the Ramp School of Ministry, her training and passion are welcome additions to the Ramp's youth ministry.

The Ramp had a total of 85 active volunteers in the period seizing hundreds of serving opportunities. Volunteers served across all the charity's activities, with most engaged in our gatherings, conferences/events, and outreaches.

Public benefit

Throughout the period ending 31 December 2022, the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and in particular, the guidance provided to charities for the advancement of religion. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Structure, governance, and management

Governing document

The Ramp's governing document is a constitution. The charity was registered on 2 November 2017 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, whose only voting members are its trustees.

Appointment of trustees

Trustee selection method is by appointment by the current trustees, of any person meeting the requirements set down in the constitution. Trustees are selected on basis of their experience, expertise, and specific skills which are reasonably expected to further the mission and vision of the charity.

Organisation

As set out in the charity constitution, the board of trustees meets at least three times per annum to oversee the vision, strategies, and management of the charity. This meeting may be held in person, teleconference, or online videoconference. Day-to-day management of the trust's operations is delegated to trustee and lead pastor Mr Michael Joseph Reeser. The trust also relies on staff and volunteers to help ensure quality activities are delivered.

Financial review

The trustees have prepared the accounting policies for the Ramp in accordance with the requirements of the SORP and of best accounting practice.

Review of the period

During the year, the baseline income increased to £453,709 (2021: £218,104).

The costs went up to £433,035 (2021: £243,784) but were contained due to strong financial management and good cost control.

Income and expenditure

The Ramp relies on voluntary income as its principal source of funding. Total donation and legacies amounted to £428,790 (2021: £202,095).

Income from trading activities were £5,356 (2021: £5,943).

The costs of raising funds amounted to £0 (2021: £0), and the costs of fund generating activities were £7,427 (2021: £6,199).

'Income from Charitable activities' in the accounts shown as £19,445 (2021: £10,057) includes £0 (2021: £0) speaking fees.

Governance

The £940 'governance' costs include the costs associated with independent examination of the accounts.

Surplus

Total of incoming resources exceeded resources expended in the period by £20,674 (2021: (£25,680)).

Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022 was strong, ensuring that the charity has the assets required to deliver its commitments to the community.

Included in 'Tangible fixed assets' are various items of stage equipment valued at £34,064 (2021: £45,753).

Reserves policy

To ensure the financial viability of the church and its ability to meet its ongoing commitments, the charity will endeavour to maintain, on average, sufficient reserves to cover all contractual obligations for one month and, if possible, between three and six months.

Action by the trustees will be required should the value of the fund exceed two times the annual expenditure or fall below three month's expenditure.

At the end of the period, the charity held roughly four month's expenditures in cash reserves.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The financial and operational effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Ramp has been considered by trustees. Although the impact of the lockdown has been significant, it is believed that all major sources of income will remain stable.

Contingency plans are being developed for the delivery of future objectives, events, etc. in the context of a further lockdown in 2023. Due to the experiences of the last two years, the charity is effectively positioned to respond to full or partial lockdowns should

they arise. We have increased our capabilities to transition to and employ technology to deliver our programmes digitally to great effect.

Risk policy

The trustees conduct an on-going review of major risks as part of its regular monitoring and reporting. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures regarding good practice child protection policies, fire safety and health, and safety inspections where the charity's activities operate. Financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions on a regular basis.

Investment powers and policies

The trustees have the power to invest surplus funds of the charity in investments, securities, and property as they think fit. The current policy of the trustees is to invest funds not immediately required by the charity into a range of Treasury Saving accounts which bear competitive rates of interest.

The trustees consider the social, environmental, and ethical impact of the investment, before placing any new funds with a third party. This policy is reviewed periodically by the trustees.

Remuneration policy

The remuneration policy seeks to balance our Christian values and the need to attract and retain staff with appropriate qualifications and skills.

Our minimum wage is based on the Living Wage as set by the Living Wage Foundation, which is higher than the National Living wage as regulated by HMRC. Pay scales are benchmarked against similar jobs in the Northwest and a London weighting is applied where appropriate. We review the retail price and consumer price indices for inflation on an annual basis, before deciding upon any annual increments.

Sharing our resources

Our commitment to helping others around the world who share our heart for the poor and unreached is expressed through our tithe fund. We tithe a proportion of our unrestricted charitable income and give it to other organisations and charities who share similar objectives to the Ramp.

Our total giving during the year amounted to £28,245 (2021: £33,614). These gifts were given freely without any third-party benefit being received from any organisations and charities.

Plans for future periods

Looking ahead. Alongside sustaining growth in our current ministries, programmes, and activities, we're expanding into these three areas:

1. Youth, student, and young adult conference

In March, we'll host Ramp Conference, a two-day youth, student, and young adult event that will draw hundreds from around the UK and beyond to Manchester for world-class preaching, immersive worship environments, and transformative ministry experiences. Youth and students will be awakened to the reality of God, find freedom in his presence, and commissioned for lives of radical discipleship.

Speakers include our very own Stacie Reeser, Micah Wood, and James Aladiran joined by Karen Wheaton with ministry moments hosted by Josh Green, Matt Wilson, and Joe Reeser. Ramp Worship will be led by Delana Wood, Emma Back, Olivia Webb, and Lisa Fasipe with worship also by Matt Gilman and a prayer service with music by Jonathan Ogden. This will be our largest event ever!

2. Partner events at home and abroad

The Ramp has a vision that's bigger than our own congregations, outreaches, and activities, and in 2023, Ramp Worship and our speakers will be joining more national and international events than ever before.

Our leaders, speakers, and worship teams will be ministering at churches, conferences, and festivals and on broadcasts and recordings across the UK and in America, Portugal, Germany, and Israel.

3. Expanding venue space

Ramp Church's congregations are quickly outgrowing our current venue spaces. By Autumn of 2023, we'll need to find new solutions for facilitating our projected growth. This means that we'll be considering every option from purchasing, to leasing, to finding new hired facilities.

The trustee's responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that year together with its assets and liabilities at the end of the year, adequately distinguishing any material, special trust, or other restricted fund of the charity.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a. Select suitable accounting policies, and then apply them consistently.
- b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- c. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under section of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the financial information included in the charity's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

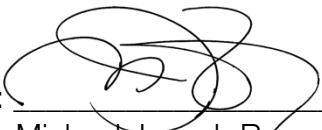
The trustees have the power to invest in such assets as they see fit.

Related parties

A summary of transactions with related parties is set out in note 15 of the financial statements.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature: 
Michael Joseph Reeser, Trustee

Date: 12th October 2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Ramp
Year ending 31 December 2022

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes, as set out on pages 11 to 23.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; and
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report


My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 consideration 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, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
 - have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Daniel McGuren, ACMA CGMA
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Signature:  _____

Date: 13th October 2023

Statement of financial activities • Year ending 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generating funds:					
Donations and legacies	2a	365,230	63,560	428,790	202,095
Grant Funding	2b	0	0	0	0
Other income from Charitable activities	2c	19,445	0	19,445	10,057
Other Trading income	2d	5,356	0	5,356	5,943
Investment Income	2e	119	0	119	9
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		390,149	63,560	453,709	218,104
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	3	406,498	25,597	432,095	242,944
Governance Costs	3	940	0	940	840
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		407,438	25,597	433,035	243,784
NET(OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS					
		(17,289)	37,963	20,674	(25,680)
TRANSFERS					
Gross Transfer between Funds				0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(17,289)	37,963	20,674	(25,680)
Total Funds Brought Forward					
Unrestricted		111,145	0	111,145	107,370
Restricted		15,922		15,922	45,378
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		109,778	37,963	147,742	127,068

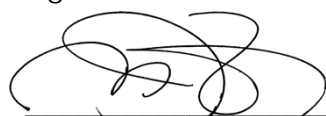
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
		390,030	63,560	453,590	218,095
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED					
		(407,438)	(25,597)	(433,035)	(243,784)
OPERATING SURPLUS					
		(17,408)	37,963	20,555	(25,689)
OTHER INCOME					
Investment Income	2e	119	0	119	9
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(17,289)	37,963	20,674	(25,680)

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

Balance sheet • Year ending 31 December 2022

		THE RAMP	THE RAMP
		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8a	<u>34,064</u>	<u>45,793</u>
		<u>34,064</u>	<u>45,793</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	0	0
Debtors	10	16,043	16,740
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>121,699</u>	<u>73,595</u>
		<u>137,742</u>	<u>90,335</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
	12	24,064	9,060
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>113,678</u>	<u>81,275</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		147,742	127,068
NET ASSETS		<u>147,742</u>	<u>127,068</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Restricted Income Funds	13a	53,886	15,922
Unrestricted Income Funds	13	93,858	111,146
		<u>147,742</u>	<u>127,068</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 12th October 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Joseph Reeser, Trustee

Accounting Policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland”, the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The trustees consider that, given the level of reserves, there are no material uncertainties about the trust’s ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming resources

Donations and gifts

Donations and gifts are generally only recognised when received by or on behalf of the charity. In exceptional cases where an amount is significant, gifts are recognised as income when the charity is notified of a commitment to make a donation, and the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income tax

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised on a receivable basis.

Grants

Grants to the charity are accounted for as soon as charity is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Income from charitable activities

All income from events and activities is recognised when due.

Income from fund generating activities

Income raised by special fundraising events and trading activities are accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Direct charitable expenditure

Directly attributable expenditure has been allocated to the appropriate fund. Where

costs have been shared the expenditure has been allocated to funds on the basis of their estimated consumption of expenses.

Governance

These costs include the costs of governance arrangements which relate to the general running of the charity as opposed to the direct management functions inherent in generating funds and in charitable activities. This includes such items as external audit, legal advice for trustees, and costs associated with constitutional and statutory requirements, including trustee's meetings.

Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements.

Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost, or if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated on the costs or valuation of the assets at the rate of 25% (2019: 25%) using the straight line method.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31 December 2022 in respect of income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Funds

Funds held by the charity are either:

- **Unrestricted general funds.** These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- **Restricted funds.** These are funds that 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.

Notes to the financial statements • Year ending 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Donations	365,230	63,560	428,790	202,095
	<u>365,230</u>	<u>63,560</u>	<u>428,790</u>	<u>202,095</u>
2b Grant Funding				
Other Grants	0		0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
2c Other Income from charitable Activities				
Event Income	4,667	0	4,667	594
Mission Trips	9,812	0	9,812	0
Speaking fees	0	0	0	0
Other Income	4,966	0	4,966	9,463
	<u>19,445</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>19,445</u>	<u>10,057</u>
2d Other Trading Income				
Trading Sales	5,356	0	5,356	5,943
	<u>5,356</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,356</u>	<u>5,943</u>
2e Investment Income				
Bank Interest Received	119	0	119	9
	<u>119</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>9</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>390,149</u>	<u>63,560</u>	<u>453,709</u>	<u>218,104</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2,022 £	Total 2021 £
	407,438	25,597	433,035	243,784
Costs of Direct Charitable Activities	<u>407,438</u>	<u>25,597</u>	<u>433,035</u>	<u>243,784</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITIES TYPE

	Activities Undertaken Directly £	Total 2,022 £	Total 2021 £
Costs of Generating Voluntary income	0	0	0
Costs of Fund Generating Activities	7,427	7,427	6,199
Costs of Charitable Activities	424,667	424,667	236,745
Other Governance costs	940	940	840
	<u>433,035</u>	<u>433,035</u>	<u>243,784</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2,022 £	Total 2021 £
Independent examiner's fee	940	940	840
	<u>940</u>	<u>940</u>	<u>840</u>

6. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	Total 2,022 £	Total 2021 £
This is stated after charging	2,022	2021
Independent examiner's fee	940	840
Depreciation of owned assets	16,276	22,928

7. INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEE

	Total	Total
	2,022	2021
	£	£
Employee costs during the year:		
Wages and salaries	138,537	92,147
Social security costs	7,118	7,535
Pension costs	1,778	1,367
	<u>147,432</u>	<u>101,049</u>
Average number of staff employed:		
	No.	No.
Raising funds and Charitable Activities	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>
	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>

No. of employees receiving remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year £nil (2021: £nil).

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £70,808 (2021: £54,596).

One trustee, Mr Michael Joseph Reeser, was paid from employment with the charity during the year £41,240 (2021: £26,177).

No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity, £nil (2021: £nil).

Trustees' expenses represent the payment or reimbursement of travel and subsistence costs totalling £nil (2021: £310) relating to attendance at meetings of the trustees.

8a. Tangible Fixed Assets

		2022	2022	2022	Total
		£	£	£	£
		Computer and Office Equipment	Equipment	Vehicle	Total
Cost	at 1 January 2022	6,038	101,541	12,300	119,879
	Additions	<u> </u>	<u>4,547</u>	<u> </u>	4,547
	at 31 December 2022	<u>6,038</u>	<u>106,088</u>	<u>12,300</u>	<u>124,426</u>
Depreciation	at 1 January 2022	2,045	71,939	101	74,086
	Charge for year	<u>1,509</u>	<u>11,692</u>	<u>3,075</u>	<u>16,276</u>
	at 31 December 2022	<u>3,555</u>	<u>83,631</u>	<u>3,176</u>	<u>90,362</u>
Net Book Value	at 31 December 2022	<u>2,483</u>	<u>22,457</u>	<u>9,124</u>	<u>34,064</u>
	at 31 December 2021	<u>3,992</u>	<u>29,602</u>	<u>12,199</u>	<u>45,793</u>

9. Stocks

	2,022	2,021
	£	£
Stocks of finished goods and goods for resale	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. Debtors

	2,022	2,021
	£	£
Prepayments	10,638	4,297
Accrued income	4,013	12,383
Other Debtors	1,391	60
	<u>16,043</u>	<u>16,740</u>

11. Cash at Bank & In Hand

	2,022	2,021
	£	£
Current Account	6,693	1,862
Savings Account	109,365	70,903
PAYPAL	879	747
Giving Account	4,762	83
	<u>121,699</u>	<u>73,595</u>

12. Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

	2,022	2,021
	£	£
Trade creditors	19,970	4,903
Other creditors including taxation and social security	3,394	2,613
Accruals and deferred income	700	1,544
	<u>24,064</u>	<u>9,060</u>

13. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	Balance at 01-Jan-21 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-21 £
13a. Restricted Funds	45,377	0	(29,455)	0	15,922
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	60,890	218,104	(213,641)	0	65,353
Designated - Fixed Assets	46,480		(688)		45,793
	152,747	218,104	(243,784)	0	127,068

	Balance at 01-Jan-22 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-22 £
13a. Restricted Funds	15,922	63,560	(25,597)	0	53,886
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	65,353	390,149	(395,707)	0	59,796
Designated - Fixed Assets	45,793		(11,731)		34,062
	127,068	453,709	(433,035)	0	147,742

The General funds include designated funds of Fixed Assets valued at £34,062 and Free reserves of £59,796.

The £53,886 held in restricted funds is the monies remaining from the Stewardship Grant that was given towards equipment and social media consultancy and from the Ramp US towards the salary costs.

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND			
	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets / (Liabilities) £	TOTAL £
Restricted Funds	0	53,886	53,886
Unrestricted Funds	34,062	59,796	93,858
	34,062	113,681	147,742

15. Related party transactions

During the period the related party transactions were as stated below:

The Ramp gave donations of £730 to The Ramp US (2021: £1,729).

£107,271 was received from The Ramp US in donations (2021: £0), £63,560 was restricted to staff costs. Mrs Karen Wheaton-Towe is also a Trustee of this charity.

Mr Andrew Elmes, Trustee of the Ramp, and officer of Great Big Life Ltd, received in total £950 (2021: £1,434) for speaker's fees.

Total donations made by the trustees during the period were £8,285 (2021: £8,883).

16. Contingencies

The trustees have confirmed that there were no contingencies liabilities which should be disclosed on 31 December 2022.

17. Going concern

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

18. Pension

The charity operates an 'automatic enrolment' workplace pension scheme on behalf of its employees, as required by the Pensions Act 2008. All contributions due have been fully paid.

19. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

THE RAMP

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Report of the trustees

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 13 to 14 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

These financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011).

Objectives and activities

The objectives of THE RAMP are for the benefit of the public. It exists:

- To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide;
- to demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide; and
- to advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

These objectives are achieved through the following activities:

- meetings, services, and events in person and online to promote the Christian faith, which are designed to be vibrant, dynamic, life-giving, and educational. These are held on a regular basis, open to all ages, and not dependent on social class or standing;
- offering support and counsel through the church leaders and in meetings to the church and community, promoting holistic healthy living for body, soul, and spirit;
- inspiration and impartation to church leaders and other church members from the values of the Bible and where possible bringing practical application to the message, including hosting Ramp conferences, worship nights, and involvement in the church's programmes.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. Details of the activities undertaken by the charity during the period are given in the following section.

Achievements and performance

Objective 1: To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp, in its fourth full year of operation, has experienced continued growth and expansion despite unprecedented circumstances. Spring 2021 saw the acceleration of the Delta variant of COVID-19 in the UK with the Omicron variant rising toward the end of the year. Despite these surges, in-person gatherings returned in Summer of 2021 after 18 months of online-only church services.

Lockdown provided a previously unimaginable opportunity to develop digital Christian ministries, and when in-person services returned, we were committed to sustain the momentum we'd built online.

Sunday morning in-person services relaunched in September and averaged 191 people through year's end, while online attendance continued in strength, averaging 387 people each week even after in-person services resumed. Our sustained presence online meant those vulnerable to the virus continued engagement in Ramp Church.

By year's end, 1,075 people were subscribed to our YouTube channel with 451 new subscribers in 2021 alone. This is more than triple the size of our church's congregation when we entered lockdown in Spring of 2020, just 21 months earlier. By the end of 2021, digital ministry had proven a hallmark of the Ramp's growth and expansion.

Like Sunday gatherings, the Ramp transitioned our midweek activities in person while maintaining some activities online, creating a digital/in-person hybrid. These included prayer meetings, small groups, and youth and young adult meetings. This hybrid experience proved fruitful as the world continued balancing freedom and caution in the uncertainty of the pandemic.

In the period, the Ramp partnered financially with organisations focused on advancing the Christian faith locally and abroad. We supported five different church plants who are reaching underserved communities in Greater Manchester. Two of these churches were planted with pastors who are former members of Ramp Church. We were thrilled to support and send leaders into our city with fresh vision for pioneering ministries.

On the national and international levels, we supported the gospel works of Prayer Storm, The Message Trust, Our God Given Mission, Turner Missions, and Elam Ministries. These organisations collectively are reaching hundreds of thousands of people a year with the life-changing message of Jesus, some who are living in the world's hardest-to-reach places.

This fourth successive year of growth at the Ramp can be attributed to a God-ordained call joined with a passionate and compelling vision, which is meeting genuine and profound needs in our community—even in unprecedented times.

Objective 2: To demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship, or distress by the provision of funds, goods, or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

Like 2020 before it, the period saw extraordinary levels of mental, emotional, and physical health challenges combined with global cultural unrest around issues of pandemic response and shifting political landscapes. The Ramp provided pastoral care physically, emotionally, and spiritually for its congregation and many outside the church.

We partnered with charitable organisations locally and abroad. Locally, our partnerships with Stretford Foodbank and Barnabus provided meals and care for the needy and homeless, and partnering with Home for Good and The Message Trust helped us reach and provide care for orphans and underprivileged young people.

Our longstanding partnership with Stella's Voice continued in 2021, as they continued to meet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs among disadvantaged young people in Moldova, Europe's poorest country. In response to the events in Afghanistan, the Ramp partnered with Welcome Churches as they trained and mobilised churches across the UK to aid Afghan families displaced and facing an uncertain future. Local churches have been a bridge to the local community, helping Afghan refugees settle into their new communities.

We organised weekly volunteer teams from Ramp Church who worked across Manchester city centre throughout the pandemic. They offered refreshments, personal care packages, prayer and encouragement, and signposting for rough sleepers and sex workers. Our volunteer teams tidied gardens in deprived areas and joined Barnabus in their work with the homeless in our city.

We saw needs met in our Sunday services and midweek activities as we prayed corporately for mental, emotional, and spiritual needs; financial health; and relational wholeness. We regularly received reports from people within our congregation of prayer requests that were resolved miraculously and practically.

Objective 3: To advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp continued training individuals at all levels of life. Our Sunday services and small groups educated and carried practical application, including teaching children and young people on topics of faith, character, personal growth, and more.

Our new member's course, called New Here, taught individuals the values, vision, and culture of the Ramp and included leadership training alongside personal assessments to discover spiritual gifts and personality types. New Here feeds directly into additional

practical training opportunities in music, creative arts, live production, customer service, and more.

As services moved online during lockdown, we expanded our training in media production, including videography, audio mixing, and graphic design. We connected aspiring media creatives with experienced and professional videographers, engineers, and designers.

Our youth mentorship programme creates one-to-one training and support relationships between youth and young adults. As mentors, young adults receive training from church leadership in sound Christian discipleship practises, which they employ with their youth mentees. Mentees receive relevant and inspiring faith education and relational encouragement and support.

Our small group ministry continued to recruit and train new leaders to host and lead effective and engaging small groups. Group leaders' training focuses on developing strong relational and communication skills alongside teaching effective pastoral care.

Staff and volunteers

To facilitate the exponential growth over the period, the Ramp hired two additional employees. Founding trustee and co-lead pastor, Mr M. Joseph Reeser, started full-time employment on 1 June becoming the Ramp's second full-time employee. His service to the Ramp in leadership, teaching, and visionary capacities make him a vital component of the present and future success of the charity.

To fill the role of operations manager, Ms Sin Yee Tse was brought on in a part-time capacity on 1 June. Her employment ensures the charity's growing needs are met in the areas of human resources, health and safety, finance, volunteer management, and facilities.

Before lockdown, the Ramp had a total of 96 active volunteers. Due to the closing of in-person services, the number of and need for active volunteers lessened. Since in-person services began again, our volunteer opportunities have increased, and we ended the year with 65 active volunteers.

Public benefit

Throughout the period ending 31 December 2021, the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and in particular, the guidance provided to charities for the advancement of religion. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

Structure, governance, and management

Governing document

The Ramp's governing document is a constitution. The charity was registered on 2 November 2017 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, whose only voting members are its trustees.

Appointment of trustees

Trustee selection method is by appointment by the current trustees, of any person meeting the requirements set down in the constitution. Trustees are selected on basis of their experience, expertise, and specific skills which are reasonably expected to further the mission and vision of the charity.

Organisation

As set out in the charity constitution, the board of trustees meets at least three times per annum to oversee the vision, strategies, and management of the charity. This meeting may be held in person, teleconference, or online videoconference.

Day-to-day management of the trust's operations is delegated to trustee Mr M. Joseph Reeser. The trust also relies on staff and volunteers to help ensure quality activities are delivered.

Financial Review

The trustees have prepared the accounting policies for the Ramp in accordance with the requirements of the SORP and of best accounting practice

Review of the period

During the year, the baseline income decreased to £218,104 (2020: £280,309).

The costs went up to £243,784 (2020: £187,919) but were contained due to strong financial management and good cost control.

Income and expenditure

The Ramp relies on voluntary income as its principal source of funding. Total donation and legacies amounted to £202,095 (2020: £193,517).

Income from trading activities were £5,943 (2020: £10,770).

The costs of raising funds amounted to £0 (2020: £0), and the costs of fund generating activities were £6,199 (2020: £335).

'Income from Charitable activities' in the accounts shown as £10,057 (2020: £977) includes £0 (2020: £300) speaking fees.

Governance

The £840 'governance' costs include the costs associated with independent examination of the accounts.

Surplus

Total of the resources expended exceeded incoming resources in the period by £25,680 (2020: £92,390).

Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021 was strong ensuring that the charity has the assets required to deliver its commitments to the community.

Included in 'Tangible fixed assets' are various items of stage equipment valued at £45,753 (2020: £46,480).

Reserves policy

To ensure the financial viability of the church and its ability to meet its ongoing commitments, the charity will endeavour to maintain, on average, sufficient reserves to cover all contractual obligations for one month and, if possible, between three and six months.

Action by the trustees will be required should the value of the fund exceed two times the annual expenditure or fall below three month's expenditure.

At the end of the period, the charity held roughly four month's expenditures in cash reserves.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The financial and operational effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Ramp has been considered by trustees. Although the impact of the lockdown has been significant, it is believed that all major sources of income will remain stable.

Contingency plans are being developed for the delivery of future objectives, events, etc. in the context of a further lockdown in 2022. Due to the experiences of the last two years, the charity is effectively positioned to respond to full or partial lockdowns should they arise. We have increased our capabilities to transition to and employ technology to deliver our programmes digitally to great effect.

Risk policy

The trustees conduct an on-going review of major risks as part of its regular monitoring and reporting. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures regarding good practice child protection policies, fire safety and health, and safety inspections where the charity's activities operate. Financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions on a regular basis.

Investment powers and policies

The trustees have the power to invest surplus funds of the charity in investments, securities, and property as they think fit. The current policy of the trustees is to invest funds not immediately required by the charity into a range of Treasury Saving accounts which bear competitive rates of interest.

The trustees consider the social, environmental, and ethical impact of the investment, before placing any new funds with a third party. This policy is reviewed periodically by the trustees.

Remuneration policy

The remuneration policy seeks to balance our Christian values and the need to attract and retain staff with appropriate qualifications and skills.

Our minimum wage is based on the Living Wage as set by the Living Wage Foundation, which is higher than the National Living wage as regulated by HMRC. Pay scales are benchmarked against similar jobs in the Northwest and a London weighting is applied where appropriate. We review the retail price and consumer price indices for inflation on an annual basis, before deciding upon any annual increments.

Sharing our resources

Our commitment to helping others around the world who share our heart for the poor and unreached is expressed through our tithe fund. We tithe a proportion of our unrestricted charitable income and give it to other organisations and charities who share similar objectives to the Ramp.

Our total giving during the year amounted to £33,614. These gifts were given freely without any third-party benefit being received from any organisations and charities.

Plans for future periods

Looking ahead. Alongside sustaining growth in our current ministries, programmes, and activities, we are expanding into these three areas:

1. Conferences

We have two national conferences planned for 2022. The first, Women's Ramp, will draw hundreds of women from around the UK to Manchester for multiple services of teaching from world-class speakers, immersive worship encounters, and transformative ministry moments. Our very own Stacie Reeser and Ramp Worship with Olivia Webb will be joined by some American friends, including the Ramp's founder Karen Wheaton and pastors Lauren Bentley and Lindsey Doss. Women's Ramp will be held the last weekend of April.

In September, we'll host our student conference to bring in the new academic year. We'll end a packed week of freshers' events and outreach with a weekend of pursuing God's presence in worship, teaching, and prayer. Students and young people will be awakened to the reality of God, find freedom in his presence, and sent out alive with purpose. Speakers include Micah Wood, Stacie Reeser, and Karen Wheaton with worship by Matt Gilman and Ramp Worship with Delana Wood and Olivia Webb.

2. New university location

Since before we launched in 2017, we've had a passion for Manchester's universities—the highest concentration of students in all of Europe. In 2022, we're launching our biggest investment yet into this incredible mission field: A new Ramp location. Only five years into the Ramp's journey in Manchester, it's time for our second location. We've already begun forming a lead team to help facilitate this new Ramp experience, and anticipation is growing as we follow God into this new season.

3. New offices and multipurpose facility

The Ramp has an incredible opportunity to step into our first permanent facilities in Greater Manchester. This multipurpose facility will be workspace for our staff and volunteers as well as meeting rooms for prayer, training, filming, pastoral care, and small groups. The facilities will be renovated to our specifications and purpose-fit to our needs, present and future. We're anticipating increased efficiency, productivity, and alignment for our staff and teams as we move into a central work and ministry space.

The trustee's responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that year together with its assets and liabilities at the end of the year, adequately distinguishing any material, special trust, or other restricted fund of the charity.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a. Select suitable accounting policies, and then apply them consistently;
- b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under section of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and deletion of fraud and irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the financial information included in the charity's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees have the power to invest in such assets as they see fit.

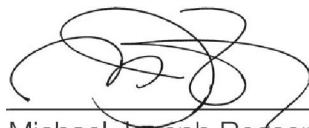
Related parties

A summary of transactions with related parties is set out in note 15 of the financial statements.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature:



Michael Joseph Reeser, Trustee

Date: 24th May 2022

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Ramp

Year ending 31 December 2021

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes, as set out on pages 11 to 22.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; and
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 consideration 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, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

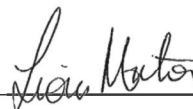
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Fiona Norton
150 Lock Lane
Partington
Manchester
M31 4PW

Signature: _____



Date: 24th May 2022

Statement of financial activities • Year ending 31 December 2021

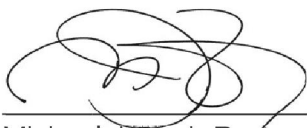
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generating funds:					
Donations and legacies	2a	202,095	0	202,095	193,517
Grant Funding	2b	0	0	0	75,000
Other income from Charitable activities	2c	10,057	0	10,057	977
Other Trading income	2d	5,943	0	5,943	10,770
Investment Income	2e	9	0	9	45
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>218,104</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>218,104</u>	<u>280,309</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	3	213,489	29,455	242,944	187,219
Governance Costs	3	840	0	840	700
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>214,329</u>	<u>29,455</u>	<u>243,784</u>	<u>187,919</u>
NET(OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS		3,775	(29,455)	(25,680)	92,390
TRANSFERS					
Gross Transfer between Funds				0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		3,775	(29,455)	(25,680)	92,390
Total Funds Brought Forward					
Unrestricted		107,370	0	107,370	60,357
Restricted		<u>45,378</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>45,378</u>	0
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>156,522</u>	<u>(29,455)</u>	<u>127,068</u>	<u>152,747</u>
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		218,095	0	218,095	280,264
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		(214,329)	(29,455)	(243,784)	(187,919)
OPERATING SURPLUS		<u>3,766</u>	<u>(29,455)</u>	<u>(25,689)</u>	<u>92,346</u>
OTHER INCOME					
Investment Income	2e	9	0	9	45
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>3,775</u>	<u>(29,455)</u>	<u>(25,680)</u>	<u>92,390</u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

Balance sheet • Year ending 31 December 2021

	Note	THE RAMP 2021 £	THE RAMP 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8a	<u>45,793</u>	<u>46,480</u>
		<u>45,793</u>	<u>46,480</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	0	0
Debtors	10	16,740	10,532
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>73,595</u>	<u>107,806</u>
		<u>90,335</u>	<u>118,338</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
	12	9,060	12,071
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>81,275</u>	<u>106,267</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILI		127,068	152,747
NET ASSETS		<u><u>127,068</u></u>	<u><u>152,747</u></u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Restricted Income Funds	13a	15,922	45,377
Unrestricted Income Funds	13	111,147	107,370
		<u>127,068</u>	<u>152,747</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 24th May 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Joseph Reeser, Trustee

Accounting Policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland”, the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The trustees consider that, given the level of reserves, there are no material uncertainties about the trust’s ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming resources

Donations and gifts

Donations and gifts are generally only recognised when received by or on behalf of the charity. In exceptional cases where an amount is significant, gifts are recognised as income when the charity is notified of a commitment to make a donation, and the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income tax

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised on a receivable basis.

Grants

Grants to the charity are accounted for as soon as charity is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Income from charitable activities

All income from events and activities is recognised when due.

Income from fund generating activities

Income raised by special fundraising events and trading activities are accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Direct charitable expenditure

Directly attributable expenditure has been allocated to the appropriate fund. Where

costs have been shared the expenditure has been allocated to funds on the basis of their estimated consumption of expenses.

Governance

These costs include the costs of governance arrangements which relate to the general running of the charity as opposed to the direct management functions inherent in generating funds and in charitable activities. This includes such items as external audit, legal advice for trustees, and costs associated with constitutional and statutory requirements, including trustee's meetings.

Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements.

Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost, or if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated on the costs or valuation of the assets at the rate of 25% (2019: 25%) using the straight line method.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31 December 2021 in respect of income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Funds

Funds held by the charity are either:

- **Unrestricted general funds.** These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- **Restricted funds.** These are funds that 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.

Notes to the financial statements • Year ending 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Donations	202,095	0	202,095	193,517
	<u>202,095</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>202,095</u>	<u>193,517</u>
2b Grant Funding				
Other Grants	0	0	0	75,000
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>75,000</u>
2c Other Income from charitable Activities				
Event Income	594	0	594	677
Mission Trips	0	0	0	0
Speaking fees	0	0	0	300
Other Income	9,463	0	9,463	0
	<u>10,057</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,057</u>	<u>977</u>
2d Other Trading Income				
Trading Sales	5,943	0	5,943	10,770
	<u>5,943</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,943</u>	<u>10,770</u>
2e Investment Income				
Bank Interest Received	9	0	9	45
	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>45</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>218,104</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>218,104</u>	<u>205,309</u>

3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2,021 £	Total 2020 £
	214,329	29,455	243,784	187,919
Costs of Direct Charitable Activities	<u>214,329</u>	<u>29,455</u>	<u>243,784</u>	<u>187,919</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITIES TYPE

	Activities Undertaken Directly £	Total 2,021 £	Total 2020 £
Costs of Generating Voluntary income	0	0	0
Costs of Fund Generating Activities	6,199	6,199	335
Costs of Charitable Activities	236,745	236,745	186,884
Other Governance costs	840	840	700
	<u>243,784</u>	<u>243,784</u>	<u>187,919</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2,021 £	Total 2020 £
Independent examiner's fee	840	840	700
	<u>840</u>	<u>840</u>	<u>700</u>

6. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	Total	Total
This is stated after charging	2,021	2020
	£	£
Independent examiner's fee	840	700
Depreciation of owned assets	22,928	19,166

7. INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEE

	Total	Total
	2,021	2020
	£	£
Employee costs during the year:		
Wages and salaries	92,147	46,831
Social security costs	7,535	3,490
Pension costs	1,367	634
	<u>101,049</u>	<u>50,956</u>
Average number of staff employed:	No.	No.
Raising funds and Charitable Activities	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>
	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

No of employees receiving remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year nil (2020: nil).

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £54,596 (2020: £23,690).

The charity trustees were neither paid nor received any other benefits from employment with the charity in the year £nil (2020: £nil).

No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity £nil (2020: £nil).

Trustees' expenses represent the payment or reimbursement of travel and subsistence costs totalling £310 (2020: £nil) incurred by nil (2020: nil) members relating to attendance at meetings of the trustees.

Notes to the financial statements • Year ending 31 December 2021

8a. Tangible Fixed Assets

		2021	2021		Total
		£	£		£
		Computer and Office Equipment	Equipment	Vehicle	Total
Cost	at 1 January 202	5,211	92,427	0	97,638
	Additions	827	9,114	12,300	22,241
	at 31 December 2021	<u>6,038</u>	<u>101,541</u>	<u>12,300</u>	<u>119,879</u>
Depreciation	at 1 January 2020	622	50,536	0	51,158
	Charge for year	1,423	21,403	101	22,928
	at 31 December 2021	<u>2,045</u>	<u>71,939</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>74,086</u>
Net Book Value	at 31 December 2021	<u>3,992</u>	<u>29,602</u>	<u>12,199</u>	<u>45,793</u>
	at 31 December 2020	<u>4,589</u>	<u>41,891</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>46,480</u>

9. Stocks

	2021	2020
	£	£
Stocks of finished goods and goods for resale	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments	4,297	472
Accrued income	12,383	7,180
Other Debtors	60	2,880
	<u>16,740</u>	<u>10,532</u>

11. Cash at Bank & In Hand

	2021	2020
	£	£
Current Account	1,862	9,393
Savings Account	70,903	95,127
PAYPAL	747	446
Giving Account	83	2,839
	<u>73,595</u>	<u>107,806</u>

12. Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	4,903	8,663
Other creditors including taxation and social security	2,613	1,314
Accruals and deferred income	1,544	2,093
	<u>9,060</u>	<u>12,071</u>

13.RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	Balance at 01-Jan-20 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-20 £
13a. Restricted Funds	0	88,200	(271)	(42,552)	45,378
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	60,357	192,109	(187,648)	42,552	107,370
	<u>60,357</u>	<u>280,309</u>	<u>(187,919)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>152,747</u>

	Balance at 01-Jan-21 £	Movement in Resources Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers Between Funds £	Balance at 31-Dec-21 £
13a. Restricted Funds	45,377	0	(29,455)	0	15,922
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund - Free Reserves	60,890	218,104	(213,641)	0	65,354
Designated - Fixed Assets	46,480		(688)		45,793
	<u>152,747</u>	<u>218,104</u>	<u>(243,784)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>127,068</u>

Funds held in restricted funds are the monies remaining from the Stewardship Grant that was given towards the purchase of media equipment and social media consultancy.

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets / (Liabilities) £	TOTAL £
Restricted Funds	0	15,922	15,922
Unrestricted Funds	45,793	65,354	111,147
	<u>45,793</u>	<u>81,276</u>	<u>127,068</u>

15. Related party transactions

During the period the related party transactions were as stated below:

The Ramp trust gave £13,255 to Stella's Voice trust (2020: £37,782). Mr M. Joseph Reeser was an employee of Stella's Voice until end of May 2021.

The Ramp trust gave donations of £1,729 to The Ramp US (2020: £3,366). £0.00 was received from The Ramp US in donations (2020: £697). £3,960 invoices were raised to The Ramp US (2020: £8,880) for work done by Clayton Webb. Mrs Karen Wheaton-Towe is also a trustee of this charity.

Andrew Elmes, trustee of the Ramp and officer of Great Big Life Ltd, received in total £500 (2020: £1,434) for speaker's fees and merchandise.

Total donations made by the trustees during the period were £11,105 (2020: £13,318). Gifts of Merchandise made by the trustees during the period were £0 (2020: £0).

16. Contingencies

The trustees have confirmed that there were no contingencies liabilities which should be disclosed at 31 December 2021.

17. Going concern

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

18. Pension

The charity operates an 'automatic enrolment' workplace pension scheme on behalf of its employees, as required by the Pensions Act 2008. All contributions due have been fully paid.

19. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

THE RAMP

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020

Registered Charity Number 1175513

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 12 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed and applicable law.

These financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of THE RAMP are for the benefit of the public.

It exists:

- To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide.
- to demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship or distress by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide; and
- to advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide.

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These objectives are achieved through the following activities:

- meetings, services, and events to promote the Christian faith, which are designed to be vibrant, dynamic, life-giving, and educational. These are held on a regular basis, open to all ages, and not dependent on social class or standing;
- offering support and counsel through the church leaders and in meetings to the church and community, promoting holistic healthy living for body, soul, and spirit;
- inspiration and impartation to church leaders and other church members from the values of the Bible and where possible bringing practical application to the message, including hosting Ramp conferences, Worship Nights, and involvement in the church's programmes.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Details of the activities undertaken by the charity during the period are given under Achievements and performance.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Objective 1: To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in such ways as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp, in its third full year of operation, has experienced continued growth—in surprising ways and despite unprecedented circumstances. Winter and Spring 2020 saw the acceleration of the COVID-19 global pandemic, which led to the start of national lockdowns in the UK towards the end of March.

When lockdowns began in March, around 300 people called the Ramp their home church with an average Sunday in-person attendance of 215 people. In February before lockdowns began, the Ramp launched our first video channel on YouTube and a new audio podcast on all major platforms, including Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, and Spotify. These new channels positioned the Ramp to respond quickly and effectively to the closing of in-person gatherings during lockdown.

Online engagement accelerated quickly on all our digital channels. Within only a few months of launching online, an average of 1,700 people were engaging in the Ramp's online video content every week on YouTube and Facebook. Many of these "people" represented entire households, which means the number of viewers could be much higher. Sixty to 70% of our online audience was youth and young adults—

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an age group statistically lessening their involvement with churches compared with older demographics. An average of 33 hours of the Ramp's original online video content was watched every *day*, which peaked as high as 43 hours per day on more popular weeks.

By the end of 2020, 624 people had subscribed to the Ramp's YouTube channel—more than twice the size of our church's congregation when we entered lockdown. Our overall engagement rate, a statistic measuring how often users interact with our online content, was more than double industry norms and over 165% more than some of the highest performing churches in Britain.

Alongside Sunday gatherings, the Ramp also transitioned our midweek activities online. These included prayer meetings, small groups, and youth meetings.

We increased from one in-person prayer meeting each week before lockdown to four online prayer meetings per week via Zoom's video-conferencing platform. Each prayer meeting ranged in attendance from a half dozen to 50 people or more.

Despite the uncertainty of how online small groups would be adopted, we continued our pre-lockdown participation rate with over 60% of the Ramp's adult congregation deepening their faith and relationships by meeting midweek via Zoom. The Ramp's youth and young adult groups grew during the period by adapting and utilising creative ways to connect online.

This third year of successive growth at the Ramp can be attributed to a God-ordained call joined with a passionate and compelling vision, which is meeting genuine and profound needs in our community—even in unprecedented times.

Objective 2: To demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the relief of persons who are in condition of need, hardship or distress by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including but not limited to, the provisions of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide.

The period saw extraordinary levels of mental, emotional, and physical health challenges combined with global cultural unrest around issues of pandemic response, racism, and shifting political landscapes. The Ramp provided pastoral care physically, emotionally, and spiritually for its congregation and many outside the church.

We partnered with other charitable organisations, most notably Stretford Foodbank, Barnabus, Hope for Justice, and Stella's Voice. Through these partnerships and our

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own work, we provided 2,378 meals in the Stretford area alone. We also organised outreach teams, which worked in Manchester city centre throughout the pandemic offering refreshments, personal care packages, prayer and encouragement, and signposting for rough sleepers and sex workers.

Our teams joined with Barnabus in their work with rough sleepers in the city. We processed food and supplies at the central distribution warehouse for Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham's relief efforts. We also worked to transform a derelict building into suitable housing for rough sleepers.

The Ramp's teams tidied gardens in deprived areas and sent cards to the elderly in care homes. We saw needs met in our Sunday services and midweek activities as we prayed corporately for mental, emotional, and spiritual needs; financial health; and relational wholeness. Throughout each month, we received reports from individuals within the congregation who let us know of prayer requests that were resolved miraculously and practically.

Objective 3: To advance religious or secular education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Charity Trustees may from time to time decide.

The Ramp continued training individuals at all levels of life. Our Sunday services and small groups educated and carried practical application, including teaching children and young people on topics of faith, character, personal growth, and more.

Our new member's course, called New Here, taught individuals the values, vision, and culture of the Ramp and included leadership training alongside personal assessments to discover spiritual gifts and personality type. New Here feeds directly into additional practical training opportunities in music, creative arts, live production, customer service, and more.

As services moved online during lockdown, we expanded our training in media production, including videography, audio mixing, and graphic design. We connected aspiring media creatives with experienced and professional videographers, engineers, and designers.

Our youth mentorship programme creates one-to-one training and support relationships between youth and young adults. As mentors, young adults receive training from church leadership in sound Christian discipleship practises, which they employ with their youth mentees. Mentees receive relevant and inspiring faith education and relational encouragement and support.

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Our small group ministry continued to recruit and train new leaders to host and lead effective and engaging small groups. Group leaders' training focuses on developing strong relational and communication skills alongside teaching effective pastoral care.

Staff and Volunteers

The Ramp did not hire additional employees over the period. Before lockdown began, we had a total of 96 active volunteers. Due to the closing of in-person services, the number of and need for active volunteers lowered by the end of the year.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Throughout the period ending 31 December 2020, the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and, in particular, the guidance provided to charities for the advancement of religion. The trustees are satisfied that the information provided in the report and accounts meets the public benefit reporting requirements.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The Ramp's governing document is a constitution. The charity was registered on 2 November 2017 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, whose only voting members are its trustees.

Appointment of Trustees

Trustee selection method is by appointment by the current trustees, of any person meeting the requirements set down in the constitution. Trustees are selected on basis of their experience, expertise, and specific skills which are reasonably expected to further the mission and vision of the charity.

Organisation

As set out in the charity constitution, the Board of Trustees meets at least three times per annum to oversee the vision, strategies and management of the charity. This meeting may be held in person, teleconference, or online videoconference.

Day-to-day management of the trust's operations is delegated to trustee M. Joseph Reeser. The trust also relies on staff and volunteers to help ensure quality activities are delivered.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees have prepared the accounting policies for the Ramp in accordance with the requirements of the SORP and of best accounting practice.

Review of the period

During the year the baseline income increased to £280,309 (2019: £166,825)

The costs went up to £187,919 (2019: £149,415) but were contained due to strong financial management and good cost control.

Income and Expenditure

The Ramp relies on voluntary income as its principal source of funding. Total donation and legacies amounted to £193,517 (2019: £140,204).

Income from trading activities were £10,770 (2019: £8,477).

The costs of raising funds amounted to £0 (2019: £150), and the costs of fund generating activities were £335 (2019: £1,517).

'Income from Charitable activities' in the accounts shown as £977 (2019: £18,141) includes £300 (2019: £0) of speaking fees

Governance

The £700 'governance' costs include the costs associated with independent examination of the accounts.

Surplus

Total of the incoming resources exceeded resources expended in the period by £92,390 (2019: £17,410).

Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020 was strong ensuring that the charity has the assets required to deliver its commitments to the community.

Included in Tangible fixed assets are various items of Stage equipment valued at £46,480 (2019: £24,883).

Reserves policy

To ensure the financial viability of the church and its ability to meet its ongoing commitments, the charity will endeavour to maintain, on average, sufficient reserves to cover all contractual obligations for one month and, if possible, between three and six months.

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Action by the trustees will be required should the value of the fund exceed two times the annual expenditure or fall below three month's expenditure.

The charity has exceeded its goal of having three month's expenditures by the end of this period and holds roughly four month's expenditures in cash reserves.

Risk policy

The trustees conduct an on-going review of major risks as part of its regular monitoring and reporting. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures in regard to good practice child protection policies, fire safety and health and safety inspections where the charity's activities operate. Financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions on a regular basis.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Looking ahead

We have exciting plans in three areas:

1. Expand and further develop the combination of digital and physical ministries. The COVID-19 pandemic has provided unparalleled opportunities to engage with audiences online. We intend to further develop and leverage this digital expansion even after the return to in-person gatherings.
2. Develop and launch an internship programme giving people first-hand, real-world experience and training working in a vibrant, dynamic urban church plant. We have already begun exploratory dialogue with partner organisations and have found them keen to be involved. We anticipate this programme drawing interest from both domestic and international audiences.
3. Expand the Ramp's staff team to meet the increasing demands of the charity and propel us into our next phase of growth and fruitfulness.

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THE TRUSTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that year together with its assets and liabilities at the end of the year, adequately distinguishing any material, special trust or other restricted fund of the charity.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- a. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- b. State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- c. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under section of the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the financial information included in the charity's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees have the power to invest in such assets as they see fit.

RELATED PARTIES


A summary of transactions with related parties is set out in note 15 of the financial statements.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature:



M. Joseph Reeser, Trustee

Date: 1 December 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE RAMP

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes, as set out on pages 7 to 14.

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 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 consideration 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signature:  _____

Date: 8/12/2021

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generating funds:					
Donations and legacies	2a	186,450	7,067	193,517	140,204
Grant Funding	2b	0	75,000	75,000	0
Other income from Charitable activities	2c	977	0	977	18,140
Other Trading income	2d	10,770	0	10,770	8,477
Investment Income	2e	45	0	45	4
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>198,242</u>	<u>82,067</u>	<u>280,309</u>	<u>166,825</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	3	180,152	7,067	187,219	148,715
Governance Costs	3	700	0	700	700
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>180,852</u>	<u>7,067</u>	<u>187,919</u>	<u>149,415</u>
NET(OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS		17,390	75,000	92,390	17,410
TRANSFERS					
Gross Transfer between Funds		42,552	(42,552)	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		59,942	32,448	92,390	17,410
Total Funds Brought Forward		<u>60,357</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>60,357</u>	<u>42,947</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>120,299</u>	<u>32,448</u>	<u>152,747</u>	<u>60,357</u>

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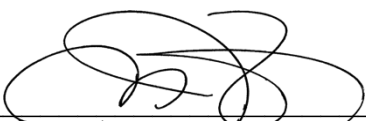
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		198,197	82,067	280,264	166,801
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		(138,300)	(49,619)	(187,919)	(149,415)
OPERATING SURPLUS		<u>59,897</u>	<u>32,448</u>	<u>92,346</u>	<u>17,386</u>
OTHER INCOME					
Investment Income	2e	45	0	45	4
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>59,942</u>	<u>32,448</u>	<u>92,390</u>	<u>17,390</u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Note	THE RAMP 2020 £	THE RAMP 2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8a	46,480	24,883
		<u>46,480</u>	<u>24,883</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	9	0	0
Debtors	10	10,532	13,249
Cash at bank and in hand	11	107,806	25,347
		<u>118,338</u>	<u>38,596</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	12	12,071	3,122
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>106,267</u>	<u>35,473</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITY		152,747	60,357
NET ASSETS		<u>152,747</u>	<u>60,357</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Restricted Income Funds	13a	32,448	0
Unrestricted Income Funds	13	120,298	60,357
		<u>152,747</u>	<u>60,357</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 1 December 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



 M. Joseph Reeser, Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of Compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland”, the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The trustees consider that, given the level of reserves, there are no material uncertainties about the trust’s ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Donations & gifts

Donations and gifts are generally only recognised when received by or on behalf of the charity. In exceptional cases where an amount is significant, gifts are recognised as income when the charity is notified of a commitment to make a donation and the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income tax

Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised on a receivable basis.

Grants

Grants to the charity are accounted for as soon as charity is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Income from charitable activities

All income from events and activities is recognised when due.

Income from fund generating activities

Income raised by special fundraising events, and trading activities are accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Direct Charitable Expenditure

Directly attributable expenditure has been allocated to the appropriate fund. Where costs have been shared the expenditure has been allocated to funds on the basis of their estimated consumption of expenses.

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Governance

These costs include the costs of governance arrangements which relate to the general running of the charity as opposed to the direct management functions inherent in generating funds and in charitable activities. This includes such items as external audit, legal advice for trustees and costs associated with constitutional and statutory requirements, including trustee's meetings.

Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements.

Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost, or if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated on the costs or valuation of the assets at the rate of 25% (2019: 25%) using the straight line method.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31 December 2020 in respect of income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Funds

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds. These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

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

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

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Donations	186,450	7,067	193,517	140,204
	<u>186,450</u>	<u>7,067</u>	<u>193,517</u>	<u>140,204</u>
2b Grant Funding				
Other Grants	0	75,000	75,000	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>0</u>
2c Other Income from charitable Activities				
Event Income	677	0	677	2,114
Mission Trips	0	0	0	16,027
Speaking fees	300	0	300	0
	<u>977</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>977</u>	<u>18,141</u>
2d Other Trading Income				
Trading Sales	10,770	0	10,770	8,477
	<u>10,770</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,770</u>	<u>8,477</u>
2e Investment Income				
Bank Interest Received	45	0	45	4
	<u>45</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>4</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>198,242</u>	<u>82,067</u>	<u>280,309</u>	<u>166,825</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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3. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
	138,300	49,619	187,919	149,415
Costs of Direct Charitable Activities	<u>138,300</u>	<u>49,619</u>	<u>187,919</u>	<u>149,415</u>

4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITIES TYPE

	Activities Undertaken Directly £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Costs of Generating Voluntary income	0	0	150
Costs of Fund Generating Activities	335	335	1,517
Costs of Charitable Activities	186,884	186,884	147,048
Other Governance costs	700	700	700
	<u>187,919</u>	<u>187,919</u>	<u>149,415</u>

5. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Independent examiner's fee	700	700	700
	<u>700</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>700</u>

6. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
This is stated after charging		
Independent examiner's fee	700	700
Depreciation of owned assets	19,166	18,543

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7. INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEE

	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£
Employee costs during the year:		
Wages and salaries	46,831	30,146
Social security costs	3,490	2,357
Pension costs	634	613
	<u>50,956</u>	<u>33,116</u>
Average number of staff employed:	No.	No.
Raising funds and Charitable Activities	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

No of employees receiving remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year £nil (2019: Nil)

Amount paid or reimbursed to Trustees , in their capacity as trustees - £nil (2019: Nil)

8a. Tangible Fixed Assets

		2020	2020	Total
		£	£	£
		Computer and Office Equipment	Equipment	Total
Cost	at 1 January 2020	0	56,876	56,876
	Additions	5,211	35,551	40,762
	at 31 December 2020	<u>5,211</u>	<u>92,427</u>	<u>97,638</u>
Depreciation	at 1 January 2020	0	31,993	31,993
	Charge for year	622	18,543	19,166
	at 31 December 2020	<u>622</u>	<u>50,536</u>	<u>51,158</u>
Net Book Value	at 31 December 2020	<u>4,589</u>	<u>41,891</u>	<u>46,480</u>
	at 31 December 2019	<u>0</u>	<u>24,883</u>	<u>24,883</u>

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9. Stocks

	2020	2019
	£	£
Stocks of finished goods and goods for resale	0	0
	0	0

10. Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Prepayments	472	220
Accrued income	7,180	12,789
Other Debtors	2,880	240
	10,532	13,249

11. Cash at Bank & In Hand

	2020	2019
	£	£
Current Account	9,839	4,347
Savings Account	95,127	21,000
Giving Account	2,839	0
	107,806	25,347

12. Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade creditors	8,663	1,491
Other creditors including taxation and social security	1,314	631
Accruals and deferred income	2,093	1,000
	12,071	3,122

13. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	Balance at 01-Jan-20	Movement in Resources Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers Between Funds	Balance at 31-Dec-20
	£	£	£	£	£
13a. Restricted Funds	0	82,067	(7,067)	(42,552)	32,448
13b. Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	60,357	198,242	(180,852)	42,552	120,299
	60,357	280,309	(187,919)	0	152,747

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14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Net Current Assets / (Liabilities) £	TOTAL £
Restricted Funds	0	32,448	32,448
Unrestricted Funds	46,480	73,820	120,299
	<u>46,480</u>	<u>106,268</u>	<u>152,747</u>

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the period the related party transactions were as stated below:

The Ramp trust gave £37,782.62 to Stella’s Voice trust (2019: £0). Mr M. Joseph Reeser is an employee of Stella's Voice.

Mr M. Joseph Reeser wife Stacie Reeser was paid a salary of £23,689.99 (2019: £23,784). During the year legal expenses of £271 were incurred to ensure that Joseph and Stacie Reeser remain in the UK

The Ramp trust gave donations of £3,366.70 to The Ramp US (2019: £16,061). £697.78 was received from The Ramp US in donations (2019: £298). £8,880 invoices were raised to The Ramp US (2019: £0) for work done by Clayton Webb. Mrs Karen Wheaton-Towe is also a Trustee of this charity.

Andrew Elmes, Trustee of the Ramp, and officer of Great Big Life Ltd, received in total £1,434.82 (2019:0) for speaker’s fees, tithe, and merchandise.

Total donations made by the trustees during the period were £13,318 (2019: £9,426). Gifts of Merchandise made by the trustees during the period were £0 (2019: £555)

16. CONTINGENCIES

The trustees have confirmed that there were no contingencies liabilities which should be disclosed at 31 December 2020.

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17. GOING CONCERN

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

18. PENSION

The charity operates an 'automatic enrolment' workplace pension scheme on behalf of its employees, as required by the Pensions Act 2008. All contributions due have been fully paid.