

## SASC Trust

### Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023

Company Limited by Guarantee  
Registration Number  
10723106 (England and Wales)

Charity Registration Number 1176848

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## Reference and administrative information

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| <b>Trustees</b>                    | Craig Dearden-Phillips<br>Nicola Pollock (Chair)<br>Vinayak Nair |
| <b>Registered address</b>          | 77 East Road<br>London<br>England<br>N1 6AH                      |
| <b>Company registration number</b> | 10723106   |
| <b>Charity registration number</b> | 1176848  |
| <b>Auditor</b>                     | Buzzacott LLP<br>130 Wood Street<br>London<br>EC2V 6DL           |
| <b>Bankers</b>                     | Santander<br>100 Ludgate Hill<br>London<br>EC4M 7RE              |

The trustees present their statutory report along with the financial statements for SASC Trust for the year ended 31 December 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 11 and 12 and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)".

### **Structure**

SASC Trust was incorporated on 12 April 2017 as a private limited company by guarantee without share capital using 'Limited' exemption. Its sole member is Social and Sustainable Capital LLP.

### **Governance and management**

The trustees (who are the key management personnel of the charity) make the key decisions about the conduct of the charity. The trustees do not receive any remuneration for their services to the charity. The day-to-day administration and financial management of the charity is provided by Social and Sustainable Capital LLP under a service level agreement.

### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the charity's governing document which states that there must be a minimum of three charity trustees. Trustees are appointed by Social and Sustainable Capital LLP.

### **Trustees**

The trustees of the charity, who are also the directors of the company, during the year ended 31 December 2023 were:

Craig Dearden-Phillips  
Nicola Pollock  
Vinayak Nair  
Nathaniel Sloane (Resigned 20 November 2023)  
Stephanie Thompson (Resigned 5 March 2024)

### **Trustee induction and training**

The charity trustees control the charity and its funds. Each trustee is made aware of their duties as a trustee upon appointment and accepts their responsibility to keep up to date with changes in statutory requirements that affect the role and responsibilities of trustees.

### **Risk management**

Business decisions and the associated risk factors are considered at least annually. As part of this process the internal controls that are in place are reviewed. Internal control risks are minimised by a clear system of delegated authority and control, and procedures for the authorisation of all financial transactions. The trustees are satisfied that these are currently adequate to manage and reduce the risks identified. No serious incidents were reported to the Charity Commission for the year ended 2023.

### **Objectives and activities of the charity**

The Objectives of the Charity are to further charitable purposes for the public benefit.

The Trustees seek to achieve these objectives by making loans and other investments in social enterprises and by making charitable grants to such organisations.

The main immediate focus of the Trust is making investments in a housing fund, Social and Sustainable Housing LP (SASH LP), for onward lending to charitable and other social sector organisations to enable them to deliver and alleviate charitable needs in supported housing across the UK.

When future returns are generated from the Trust's investments, they will be used by the Trust to advance its charitable activities.

When future returns are generated from the Trust's investments, they will be used by the Trust to advance its charitable activities with a particular focus on providing grant support to social enterprises engaged in providing housing for vulnerable people. It is likely that the grant activity will be directed towards under-served activity that grantees find difficult to subsidise from their own resources such as supporting people with no recourse to public funds and providing cash grants to families transitioning from supported to independent living.

The Trustees are in the process of developing the specifics of the future grant-making policy and, through this process, will consider using the charitable funds of the charity to support other charitable activities.

### **Achievements and Performance**

During the reporting year, further Investments have been made in the housing fund, SASH LP, in order to support the charitable and social impact of that fund.

During the reporting year, the very successful partnership with Our Future came to an end. SASC Trust provided administrative support for a project that Our Future was running in Grimsby and NE Lincolnshire.

Following the receipt of SASH LP's first material fund distribution in the year and the Charity benefitting from high interest rates over the last 3 years, the unrestricted reserves of the Charity have increased to £280,526. Therefore, during the year, the trustees considered the option of commencing charitable grant-making, and subsequently agreed that it would be possible for the Charity to commence making donations during the 2024 financial year.

### **Public Benefit Statement**

The trustees of the charity have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have taken reasonable steps to ensure that this guidance has been considered in the activities undertaken by the charity to deliver its charitable purposes.

The Trust does not engage in public fundraising so does not use professional fundraisers or commercial participants.

### **Financial Review**

The results for the year are shown in the statement of the financial activities on page 11. During the year ended 31 December 2023, the charity received grants and donations of £108,940 (2022: £180,000) and investment income of £106,052 (2022: £72,445). Expenditure on charitable activities, including support costs, for the year totalled £227,346 (2022: £105,308). In addition to the above, the charity achieved a gain on the value of investments of £308,902 (2022: £131,725).

The balance of the charity's restricted reserves as at 31 December 2023 was £13,242,602 (2022: £13,111,071). Unrestricted reserves were £280,586 as at 31 December 2023 (2022: £115,572). The level of restricted funds held by the charity will be used for investment in SASH LP which supports charities wishing to purchase properties in order to provide safe and secure housing for their beneficiaries.

### **Reserves Policy and Financial Position**

The level of reserves is monitored and reviewed by the trustees at least annually. The trustees consider that the charity should hold unrestricted reserves at a level which will enable further grant giving and social investment from both the capital of the charity and the income generated thereon. The trustees consider that the arrangements for support from SASC described earlier mean that the charity's costs are low in comparison to the level of reserves and assets held.

The trustees of the charity have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

### **Our Future**

In June 2022 SASC Trust entered into an agreement with Our Future to support it in a pilot project in Grimsby and NE Lincs by hosting its administration on SASC Trust's infrastructure. The initial project was to run for a year but was extended to 30 September 2023.

Our Future is designed as a vehicle to bring together community, business, government, charity and philanthropy to enable left behind communities to benefit from the transition to a low carbon future. It is a place-based initiative that brings together investment funds for housing and employment, alongside a foundation to fund civic life. The holistic approach to investment and community engagement aims to demonstrate that a town's problems are multi-faceted and can only be addressed when the community has agency and problems are tackled in the round. It aims to harness the long-term benefits of adapting a locality to the low-carbon economy as a positive approach to 'levelling up'. The ambition is that Our Future will scale its impact by replicating in other communities and by open sourcing the model to enable others to use it both in the UK and internationally. It is designed to be community- rooted to respond to the specific needs of a community but have national infrastructure to share learning and access funding.

Over the life of the project £276,431 of grant funding was received for Our Future. All of this was used to meet the costs of the project. During the year £96,430 of grant funding was received (2022, £180,000) and expenditure on project expenses was £203,441 (2022, £72,989).

## **SASC LLP**

SASC Trust is a company limited by guarantee whose sole member is Social and Sustainable Capital LLP (SASC LLP)

SASC LLP is the fund manager of the SASH fund in which the SASC Trust is a major Investor.

During the year, SASC LLP completed an organisational restructure on which the trustees were kept apprised of, and the implementation of which has been successful. Scott Greenhalgh was appointed as the Executive Chair of SASC LLP, replacing Nathaniel Sloane, working closely with Mark Bickford who has been appointed as CEO, replacing Benjamin Rick.

None of the above changes are expected to have any effect on the operations of SASC Trust.

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees (who are directors of SASC Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- ◆ select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ◆ observe the methods and principles in the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102);
- ◆ make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- ◆ state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- ◆ prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities** (continued)

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking

reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Each of the trustees confirms that:

- ♦ so far as the trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- ♦ the trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

**Small companies provision**

This report has been prepared taking advantage of the exemptions for small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Nicola Pollock, Chair of Trustees

Date: 17 September 2024



**Independent auditor's report to the member of SASC Trust**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of SASC Trust (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows, the principal accounting policies and notes to the financial statements. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- ◆ give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- ◆ have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- ◆ have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

**Other information**

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' Report and Financial Statements, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

**Other information** (continued)

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- ♦ the information given in the trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- ♦ the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report. We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- ♦ adequate accounting records have not been kept; or
- ♦ the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- ♦ certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- ♦ we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- ♦ The directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

**Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

**Responsibilities of trustees (continued)**

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- ◆ the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations; and
- ◆ we obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charity and determined that the most significant frameworks which are directly relevant to specific assertions in the financial statements are those that relate to the reporting framework (Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011) and those that relate to data protection (General Data Protection Regulation).

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- ◆ making enquiries of management as to their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- ◆ considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- ◆ performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)**

- ♦ tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions; and
- ♦ assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimate for the investment valuation were indicative of potential bias.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- ♦ reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- ♦ enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

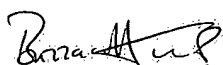
There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's member, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's member those matters we are required to state to it in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's member, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



18 September 2024

Edward Finch (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Buzzacott LLP, Statutory Auditor

130 Wood Street

London

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**Statement of financial activities** Year ended 31 December 2023  
(including income and expenditure statement)

|  | Notes | Unrestricted funds<br>£ | Restricted funds<br>£ | 2023<br>£         | Unrestricted funds<br>£ | Restricted funds<br>£ | 2022<br>£         |
|--|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Income and expenditure</b>                            |       |                         |                       |                   |                         |                       |                   |
| <b>Income from:</b>                                      |       |                         |                       |                   |                         |                       |                   |
| Grants and donations                                     | 1     | 12,510                  | 96,430                | 108,940           | —                       | 180,000               | 180,000           |
| Investment income  | 2     | 106,052                 | —                     | 106,052           | 72,445                  | —                     | 72,445            |
| <b>Total income</b>                                      |       | <b>118,562</b>          | <b>96,430</b>         | <b>214,992</b>    | <b>72,445</b>           | <b>180,000</b>        | <b>252,445</b>    |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>                                   |       |                         |                       |                   |                         |                       |                   |
| Charitable activities                                    | 3     | 23,905                  | 203,441               | 227,346           | 32,319                  | 72,989                | 105,308           |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                 |       | <b>23,905</b>           | <b>203,441</b>        | <b>227,346</b>    | <b>32,319</b>           | <b>72,989</b>         | <b>105,308</b>    |
| <b>Net (expenditure)/income before investment losses</b> |       | <b>94,657</b>           | <b>(107,011)</b>      | <b>(12,354)</b>   | <b>40,126</b>           | <b>107,011</b>        | <b>147,137</b>    |
| Investment (gains)/losses                                | 6     | —                       | 308,902               | 308,902           | —                       | 131,725               | 131,725           |
| <b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>                          |       | <b>94,657</b>           | <b>201,891</b>        | <b>296,548</b>    | <b>40,126</b>           | <b>238,736</b>        | <b>278,862</b>    |
| Transfers between funds                                  |       | 70,360                  | (70,360)              | —                 | 30,000                  | (30,000)              | —                 |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                             |       | <b>165,017</b>          | <b>131,531</b>        | <b>296,548</b>    | <b>70,126</b>           | <b>208,736</b>        | <b>278,862</b>    |
| Balances brought forward at 1 January 2022               |       | 115,569                 | 13,111,071            | 13,226,640        | 45,443                  | 12,902,335            | 12,947,778        |
| Balances carried forward at 31 December 2022             |       | <b>280,586</b>          | <b>13,242,602</b>     | <b>13,523,188</b> | <b>115,579</b>          | <b>13,111,071</b>     | <b>13,226,640</b> |

All recognised gains and losses are included in the above statement of financial activities.

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations.

**Balance sheet 31 December 2023**

|   | Notes | 2023<br>£        | 2023<br>£         | 2022<br>£        | 2022<br>£         |
|---|-------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                                   |       |                  |                   |                  |                   |
| Investment in SASH LP                                 | 6     |                  | 12,179,940        |                  | 9,548,285         |
| <b>Current assets</b>                                 |       |                  |                   |                  |                   |
| Cash at bank and in hand                              |       | 1,444,443        |                   | 5,580,786        |                   |
|   |       | <u>1,444,443</u> |                   | <u>5,580,786</u> |                   |
| <b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due within one year | 7     | (101,195)        |                   | (1,902,431)      |                   |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                             |       |                  | <u>1,343,248</u>  |                  | <u>3,678,355</u>  |
| <b>Total net assets</b>                               |       |                  | <u>13,523,188</u> |                  | <u>13,226,640</u> |
| <b>Represented by:</b>                                |       |                  |                   |                  |                   |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>                               | 8     |                  | 13,242,602        |                  | 13,111,071        |
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>                             |       |                  |                   |                  |                   |
| General fund  |       |                  | 280,586           |                  | 115,569           |
|   |       |                  | <u>13,523,188</u> |                  | <u>13,226,640</u> |

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Nicola Pollock, Chair of Trustees

Date: 17 September 2024

SASC Trust- Company Registration Number: 10723106 (England and Wales)

**Statement of cash flows** Year ended 31 December 2023

|  | Notes    | 2023<br>£               | 2022<br>£               |
|--|----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>           |          |                         |                         |
| Net cash provided by operating activities              | A        | <u>(1,919,643)</u>      | <u>105,928</u>          |
| <b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>           |          |                         |                         |
| Interest received                                      |          | 106,052                 | 72,445                  |
| Investment in SASH LP                                  |          | (2,459,298)             | (2,250,997)             |
| Fund distributions                                     |          | 136,546                 | —                       |
|  |          | <u>(2,216,700)</u>      | <u>(2,178,552)</u>      |
| <b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b> |          | <b>(4,136,343)</b>      | <b>(2,072,624)</b>      |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 2023            | B        | <u>5,580,786</u>        | <u>7,653,410</u>        |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2023</b>   | <b>B</b> | <b><u>1,444,443</u></b> | <b><u>5,580,786</u></b> |

**Notes to the statement of cash flows for the year to 31 December 2023**

**A Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities**

|  | 2023<br>£                 | 2022<br>£             |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Net income after investment losses (as per the statement of financial activities)</b> | <b>296,548</b>            | <b>278,862</b>        |
| <b>Adjustments for:</b>  |                           |                       |
| Net gains on investments   | (308,902)                 | (131,725)             |
| Interest received  | (106,052)                 | (72,445)              |
| (Decrease) Increase in creditors   | (1,801,237)               | 31,236                |
| <b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>   | <b><u>(1,919,643)</u></b> | <b><u>105,928</u></b> |

**B Analysis of cash and cash equivalents**

|  | 2023<br>£               | 2022<br>£               |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cash at bank and in hand               | <u>1,444,443</u>        | <u>5,580,786</u>        |
| <b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b> | <b><u>1,444,443</u></b> | <b><u>5,580,786</u></b> |

No separate reconciliation of net debt has been prepared as there is no difference between the net cash (debt) of the charity and the above cash and cash equivalents.

## **Principal accounting policies Year ended 31 December 2023**

### **Basis of preparation**

These accounts have been prepared for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policies below or in the notes to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)", the financial reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

The accounts are presented in sterling and are rounded to the nearest pound.

### **Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement**

Preparation of the accounts requires the directors and management to make significant judgements and estimates.

The items in the accounts where these judgements and estimates have been made include:

- ◆ Valuation of the investment in SASH LP.

### **Assessment of going concern**

The trustees have concluded that the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these accounts. The conclusion was reached after due consideration of the charity's future plans and took account of the possible impact of the current pandemic.

The trustees of the charity have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern for at least a year from the day of approval of these financial statements. The trustees are of the opinion that the charity will have sufficient resources to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

### **Income recognition**

Income is recognised in the year in which the charity is entitled to receipt, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that income will be received. Where income relates to future years, this income will be deferred.

Donations received for the general purposes of the charitable company are included as unrestricted funds; grants and donations for activities restricted by the wishes of the donor are taken to restricted funds.



## **Principal accounting policies Year ended 31 December 2023**

### **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is included in the accounts on an accruals basis and includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

### **Investment in SASH LP**

Investments are recognised at fair value when they can be reliably determined from market data or evidence of transactions in similar assets. Where it is not possible to reliably measure fair value and no acceptable valuation model is available, investments are carried at cost less impairment.

### **Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisitions.

### **Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

### **Creditors and provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are recognised at the amount the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash payment where such discounting is material.

### **Taxation**

SASC Trust is a registered charity and therefore is not liable to income tax or corporation tax on income derived from its charitable activities, as it falls within the various exemptions available to registered charities.

### **Fund accounting**

Restricted funds comprise monies raised for, or their use restricted to, a specific purpose, or contributions subject to donor imposed conditions.

General unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charitable company.

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**1 Donations and legacies**

|                         | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Donations               | —                          | 96,430                   | <b>96,430</b>  | 180,000   |
| Grants                  | 12,510                     | —                        | <b>12,510</b>  | —         |
| <b>2023 Total funds</b> | <b>12,510</b>              | <b>96,430</b>            | <b>108,940</b> | 180,000   |

|                         | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2022<br>£ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| <i>Donations</i>        | —                          | 180,000                  | 180,000   |
| <i>Grants</i>           | —                          | —                        | —         |
| <b>2022 Total funds</b> | —                          | 180,000                  | 180,000   |

**2 Interest receivable**

|                         | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Interest receivable     | 106,052                    | —                        | <b>106,052</b> | 72,445    |
| <b>2023 Total funds</b> | <b>106,052</b>             | —                        | <b>106,052</b> | 72,445    |

|                            | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2022<br>£ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| <i>Interest receivable</i> | 72,445                     | —                        | 72,445    |
| <b>2022 Total funds</b>    | 72,445                     | —                        | 72,445    |

**3 Expenditure**

|                            | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| <b>Support costs:</b>      |                            |                          |                |           |
| Administrative expenses    | 20,000                     | —                        | <b>20,000</b>  | 20,000    |
| Audit and accountancy fees | 9,174                      | —                        | <b>9,174</b>   | 4,856     |
| Our Future project         | —                          | 203,441                  | <b>203,441</b> | 72,989    |
| Professional fees          | (5,269)                    | —                        | <b>(5,269)</b> | 7,316     |
| Other expenditure          | —                          | —                        | —              | 147       |
|                            | <b>23,905</b>              | <b>203,441</b>           | <b>227,346</b> | 105,308   |

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**3 Expenditure (continued)**

|                                   | <i>Unrestricted<br/>funds</i> | <i>Restricted<br/>funds</i> | <i>2022</i>    |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
|                                   | <i>£</i>                      | <i>£</i>                    | <i>£</i>       |
| <i>Support costs:</i>             |                               |                             |                |
| <i>Administrative expenses</i>    | 20,000                        | —                           | 20,000         |
| <i>Audit and accountancy fees</i> | 4,856                         | —                           | 4,856          |
| <i>Our Future project</i>         | —                             | 72,989                      | 72,989         |
| <i>Professional fees</i>          | 7,316                         | —                           | 7,316          |
| <i>Other expenditure</i>          | 147                           | —                           | 147            |
|                                   | <u>32,139</u>                 | <u>72,989</u>               | <u>105,308</u> |

**4 Net movement in funds**

The net movement in funds for the financial year is stated after charging:

|                                | <i>2023</i>  | <i>2022</i>  |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                | <i>£</i>     | <i>£</i>     |
| <b>Auditor's remuneration:</b> |              |              |
| Audit fees                     | 7,200        | 6,532        |
| Non-audit fees                 | <u>2,160</u> | <u>2,156</u> |

**5 Trustees' remuneration**

No trustees received any emoluments for their services as trustees during the year (2022: none). No expenses were reimbursed to trustees during the year. (2022: One trustee was reimbursed £134).

**6 Investment in SASH LP**

|                              | <i>2023</i>       | <i>2022</i>      |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                              | <i>£</i>          | <i>£</i>         |
| Net assets brought forward   | 9,548,286         | 5,345,427        |
| Additions to investment pool | 2,459,298         | 4,071,134        |
| Fund distributions           | (136,546)         | —                |
| Net investment gains         | <u>308,902</u>    | <u>131,725</u>   |
|                              | <u>12,179,940</u> | <u>9,548,286</u> |

**7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

|          | <i>2023</i>    | <i>2022</i>      |
|----------|----------------|------------------|
|          | <i>£</i>       | <i>£</i>         |
| Accruals | 101,195        | 1,902,431        |
|          | <u>101,195</u> | <u>1,902,431</u> |

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**8 Restricted funds**

|  | <b>Total at 31<br/>December<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total at 31<br/>December<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|--|--|--|
| Cash held for investment on behalf of donors | <b>1,062,662</b>                               | 3,455,774                                      |
| Invested in SASH LP                          | <b>12,179,940</b>                              | 9,548,286                                      |
| Our Future                                   | —  | 107,011  |
|  | <b>13,242,602</b>                              | <b>13,111,071</b>                              |

The restricted funds are for making investments in SASH LP, in order to support the charitable and social impact of the fund's lending. At the end of the fund's life the trust may repay the funds invested as a grant which may only be applied in line with the trust's charitable objects and subject to any restrictions placed on the original grant to the trust. Restricted funds also included the balance of the grants made to the Trust in relation to the Our Future project, the project came to an end during the year so the balance on the fund was nil (2022 - £107,011.)

|  | <b>At<br/>1 January<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Income</b> | <b>Expenditure</b> | <b>Transfers</b> | <b>Investment<br/>gains</b> | <b>At 31<br/>December<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|--|--|---------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Cash held for investment on behalf of donors | 3,455,774                              | —             | —                  | (2,393,112)      | —                           | 1,062,662                                |
| Invested in SASH LP                          | 9,548,286                              | —             | —                  | 2,322,752        | 308,902                     | 12,179,940                               |
| Our Future                                   | 107,011                                | 96,430        | (203,441)          | —                | —                           | —  |
| <b>2023 Total funds</b>                      | <b>13,111,071</b>                      | <b>96,430</b> | <b>(203,441)</b>   | <b>(70,360)</b>  | <b>308,902</b>              | <b>13,242,602</b>                        |

|  | <b>At<br/>1 January<br/>2022<br/>£</b> | <b>Income</b>  | <b>Expenditure</b> | <b>Transfers</b> | <b>Investment<br/>gains</b> | <b>At 31<br/>December<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|--|--|----------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Cash held for investment on behalf of donors | 7,556,908                              | —              | —                  | (4,101,134)      | —                           | 3,455,774                                |
| Invested in SASH LP                          | 5,345,427                              | —              | —                  | 4,071,134        | 131,725                     | 9,548,286                                |
| Our Future                                   | —                                      | 180,000        | (72,989)           | —                | —                           | 107,011                                  |
| <b>2023 Total funds</b>                      | <b>12,902,335</b>                      | <b>180,000</b> | <b>(72,989)</b>    | <b>(30,000)</b>  | <b>106,052</b>              | <b>13,111,071</b>                        |

**9 Analysis of net assets between funds**

|   | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>funds<br>2023<br>£ |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Represented by:</b>                                |                            |                          |                             |
| Investment in SASH LP                                 | —                          | 12,179,940               | <b>12,179,940</b>           |
| Cash at bank and in hand                              | 358,767                    | 1,085,676                | <b>1,444,443</b>            |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year        | (101,195)                  | —                        | <b>(101,195)</b>            |
|   | <u>257,572</u>             | <u>13,265,616</u>        | <u><b>13,523,188</b></u>    |
|   |                            |                          |                             |
|   | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total funds<br>2022<br>£    |
| <i>Represented by:</i>                                |                            |                          |                             |
| <i>Investment in SASH LP</i>                          | —                          | 9,548,285                | <i>9,548,285</i>            |
| <i>Cash at bank and in hand</i>                       | 197,863                    | 5,382,923                | <i>5,580,786</i>            |
| <i>Debtors</i>  | —                          | —                        | <i>—</i>                    |
| <i>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</i> | (82,294)                   | (1,820,137)              | <i>(1,902,431)</i>          |
|   | <u>115,569</u>             | <u>13,111,071</u>        | <u><i>13,226,640</i></u>    |

**10 Related party transactions**

During the year, the charity incurred expenditure of £20,000 (2022 – £20,000), for administration and financial management services from SASC LLP. SASC LLP is a related party of the charity as it appoints the trustees of the charity. The amount payable to SASC LLP at the year-end was £80,333 (2022 – £60,333).

**11 Liability of member**

The charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the charity being wound up its member is required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

**12 Control**

Control of the charitable company lies with its sole member, SASC LLP, a registered limited liability partnership (Company Registration Number 0C378659). The registered office of the company is 4th Floor, Reading Bridge House, George Street, Reading, Berkshire, RG1 8LS.