

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1178352

Details

Other names	THE ANNE ROBSON TUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	2018-05-11
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: The objects of the Trust are, for the public benefit: (a) To relieve the needs of people who are at or nearing the end of life, and those close to them, by providing emotional, practical and social support; (b) To advance education and increase public understanding about death and dying, in particular but not exclusively by: promoting more open and compassionate conversations about mortality in order to reduce stigma and improving awareness of end of life experiences."

Activities: The Anne Robson Trust partners with organisations to develop volunteer services that provide companionship to people in the last days and hours of life, in hospitals and in the community. The Trust provides specialist training and guidance to partner organisations, and delivers education and support resources through its Support Hub to help people better understand and navigate death and dying.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£483,135	£419,485	-	-
2024-12-31	£327,153	£327,277	-	-
2023-12-31	£296,059	£290,737	-	-
2022-12-31	£337,570	£311,584	-	-
2021-12-31	£219,702	£233,717	-	-
2020-12-31	£193,428	£139,401	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Robert Peter Cotton	Chair	2020-11-10
Andrew Adie		2023-11-01
Beverley Pickett		2025-10-15
Giuseppe Labriola		2024-06-18
Helene Williams		2024-06-27

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Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2025
for
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Reference and Administrative Details
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

TRUSTEES

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Report of the Trustees

For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

Objectives and Aims

The Anne Robson Trust is a charity working to help people receive the support, companionship and comfort they need at the end of their life.

The charity's vision is that everyone should receive the support they need to face the end of life, whether their own or that of someone close to them, and that no one deserves to die alone.

The charity seeks to improve people's experience of death through compassion, companionship and education by:

- helping healthcare organisations build and sustain trained volunteer teams to support people who are dying and those close to them;
- educating and encouraging people to better understand death and dying;
- bringing fresh ideas to conversations about mortality and end of life care.

Achievement and Performance

During 2025, the charity continued to extend its reach and impact through its specialist end of life volunteer service support across NHS partners in England.

As at 31 December 2025, the charity had worked with a total of 24 NHS partners. Of these, 17 currently have active specialist end of life volunteer services in place, 2 are in the development and planning stages, and 5 are currently out of contract due to funding or recruitment challenges.

Across the network of healthcare partners in 2025, volunteers supported 7,000 dying patients and 13,300 family members or visitors, delivering 9,100 volunteer hours by the bedside.

The charity continued to work in close partnership with NHS organisations, providing training, infrastructure, coordination support and shared learning to help each partner develop a high-quality volunteer service embedded within local clinical settings.

Feedback gathered during 2025 confirmed that the service continues to be highly valued by patients, families, volunteers and healthcare professionals, and that it helps improve the experience of dying while also reducing pressure on ward staff.

In a survey conducted by the charity –

- 100% of patients and families recommend the service.
- 92% of healthcare professionals report that volunteers have significantly improved end-of life care. 75% say having volunteers reduces their workload and emotional pressure.
- 98% of volunteers feel well supported, valued, and looked after in their role.

The charity also continued to strengthen its wider profile and influence by sharing learning, developing resources and supporting greater awareness of compassionate end of life care.

Looking ahead, the charity intends to build on this progress by supporting more NHS partners, strengthening existing volunteer services, and extending the charity's contribution to end of life care through training, education and innovation.

These achievements were made possible by the dedication of volunteers, the support of NHS partners, the work of staff and coordinators, and the generosity of funders and donors.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20th May 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
R P Cotton – Chair of Trustees

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Anne Robson Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Anne Robson Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Anne Robson Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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Date: 10/06/2026

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Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	321,541	157,156	478,697	322,626
Investment income	3	4,438	-	4,438	4,527
Total		<u>325,979</u>	<u>157,156</u>	<u>483,135</u>	<u>327,153</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General expenditure		187,854	119,656	307,510	259,371
Raising funds		92,775	19,200	111,975	67,906
Total		<u>280,629</u>	<u>138,856</u>	<u>419,485</u>	<u>327,277</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		45,350	18,300	63,650	(124)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		150,335	-	150,335	150,459
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>195,685</u>	<u>18,300</u>	<u>213,985</u>	<u>150,335</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Anne Robson Trust

Balance Sheet

31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	2,982	-	2,982	5,173
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	8,183	-	8,183	7,449
Investments	8	5,568	-	5,568	5,827
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>197,053</u>	<u>18,300</u>	<u>215,353</u>	<u>150,820</u>
		210,804	18,300	229,104	164,096
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(18,101)</u>	-	<u>(18,101)</u>	(18,934)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>192,703</u>	<u>18,300</u>	<u>211,003</u>	<u>145,162</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>195,685</u>	<u>18,300</u>	<u>213,985</u>	150,335
NET ASSETS		<u>195,685</u>	<u>18,300</u>	<u>213,985</u>	<u>150,335</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				195,685	150,335
Restricted funds				<u>18,300</u>	-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>213,985</u>	<u>150,335</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20th May 2026
and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
R P Cotton - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

No significant judgements or estimates have had to be made by the trustees in preparing these financial statements.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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

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

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Individuals, companies and other donations	28,322	24,557
Trust and Foundations	<u>450,375</u>	<u>298,069</u>
	<u>478,697</u>	<u>322,626</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank account interest	<u>4,438</u>	<u>4,527</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2025 nor for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2025 nor for the year ended 31 December 2024.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	236,925	85,701	322,626
Investment income	<u>4,527</u>	-	<u>4,527</u>
Total	<u>241,452</u>	<u>85,701</u>	<u>327,153</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General expenditure	147,430	111,941	259,371
Raising funds	<u>67,906</u>	-	<u>67,906</u>
Total	<u>215,336</u>	<u>111,941</u>	<u>327,277</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	26,116	(26,240)	(124)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	124,219	26,240	150,459
	<u>150,335</u>	-	<u>150,335</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	150,335	-	150,335

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 January 2025	14,625
Additions	<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>14,625</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2025	9,452
Charge for year	<u>2,191</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>11,643</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2025	<u>2,982</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>5,173</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,500	2,160
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>5,683</u>	<u>5,289</u>
	<u>8,183</u>	<u>7,449</u>

8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Investments	<u>5,568</u>	<u>5,827</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	5,601	5,142
Taxation and social security	8,117	9,706
Other creditors	<u>4,383</u>	<u>4,086</u>
	<u>18,101</u>	<u>18,934</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.25	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	150,335	45,350	195,685
Restricted funds			
Restricted	-	18,300	18,300
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TOTAL FUNDS	150,335	63,650	213,985

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	250,979	(205,629)	45,350
The Alborada Trust	75,000	(75,000)	-
Restricted funds			
The Eveson Trust	7,500	(7,500)	-
Trusts and Foundations	52,000	(52,000)	-
National Lottery	97,500	(79,200)	18,300
Various other small unnamed restricted funds	156	(156)	-
	157,156	(138,856)	18,300
TOTAL FUNDS	483,135	(419,485)	63,650

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	124,219	26,116	150,335
Restricted funds			
Restricted	26,240	(26,240)	-
	26,240	(26,240)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	150,459	(124)	150,335

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	171,452	(145,336)	26,116
The Alborada Trust	50,000	(50,000)	-
Garfield Weston	20,000	(20,000)	-
Restricted funds			
Trust and Foundations	42,741	(42,741)	-
National Lottery	69,200	(69,200)	-
Various other small unnamed restricted funds	<u>(26,240)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(26,240)</u>
	<u>85,701</u>	<u>(111,941)</u>	<u>(26,240)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>327,153</u>	<u>(327,277)</u>	<u>(124)</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The Anne Robson Trust

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Individuals, companies and other donations	28,322	24,557
Trust and Foundations	450,375	298,069
	478,697	322,626
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	4,438	4,527
Total incoming resources	483,135	327,153
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Staff salary costs	350,784	270,699
Advertising	6,455	2,737
Bank charges	219	257
Insurance	1,134	1,212
IT and marketing	14,992	10,113
Office expenses	10,528	10,362
Training	382	-
Staff recruitment	423	7,335
Rent and rates	15,391	16,019
Professional fees	16,986	6,242
	417,294	324,976
Support costs		
Finance		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,191	2,301
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	-
	2,191	2,301
Total resources expended	419,485	327,277
Net (expenditure)/income	63,650	(124)

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Report of the Trustees

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Objectives and Aims

We are a charity working to help people receive the support, companionship and comfort they need at the end of their life.

Far too many people face the end of life in isolation, and many thousands of people die each year in hospitals without the comfort of a single visitor. Tens of thousands more are struggling with the fear, silence and ignorance that surrounds death and dying.

Our vision is for everyone to receive the support they need to face the end of life – whether their own or that of someone close to them. No one deserves to die alone.

We aim to help improve people's experience of death through compassion, companionship and education, by:

- Helping healthcare organisations to build teams of trained volunteers who give their time to people who are dying, and those close to them.
- Educating and encouraging people to better understand death and dying.
- Bring fresh ideas to the discussion of mortality, to foster new thinking and break Conventional taboos.

Achievement and Performance

Help provided to Healthcare organisations

In 2024 the charity significantly increased its reach and impact. By the end of the year, we had established **16 partnerships** with acute NHS Trusts, doubling the **8** we were working with at the end of 2023.

Through the efforts of our team, working closely with healthcare partners, **220 trained volunteers** provided comfort and companionship to **5,200 patients** and **9,800 visitors**, delivering **6,643 hours** of support in patients' final days. This represents a doubling of activity and support provided from 2023, ensuring fewer people face their final moments alone.

Additionally, we are proud to have forged new partnerships with **3 community NHS Trusts and hospices**, further extending our reach and deepening our commitment to getting compassionate end-of-life care to as many people as we can.

Impact on Patient and Family Experience:

We continue to receive feedback from families, healthcare professionals, and sometimes patients themselves before they die, that confirms the significant impact of the volunteer teams. Families have consistently and frequently shared their gratitude for the compassionate support of volunteers and the often describing them as their key source of comfort and strength through an incredibly difficult time. Here are just some of their experiences:

"The volunteers supported Mrs G who was admitted at the end of her life, visiting her twice daily, and making sure her family had everything they needed. The volunteers arranged a camp bed and care boxes for visiting family members and encouraged them to get fresh air and go for coffee to aid their own wellbeing."

"One of the Butterfly Volunteers came to talk to my mother. She spoke in my mother's first language, which helped to stimulate her as she had had a stroke. Thank you so much."

Volunteers visited a patient who was dying – and supported her children who were visiting. The room was crowded, and emotions were high. Her children were praying for a miracle. "The Butterfly volunteers spent time with us, helping to explain why mum couldn't be fed at this point, and that now was the time to be with her and look after each other. The volunteer gave mum a gentle hand massage with oil that we had brought in, which she found very comforting. Thank you to the volunteers who stayed with us all day."

We have extended our digital footprint, more than doubling our reach and connection compared with 2023. We achieved a total of **45,000 website views** from **21,600 active users** and **330,000 combined online impressions** across our social channels.

Looking ahead to 2025 we intend to further expand the reach of the charity and help more people than ever before. We will do this in three ways:

- **Enabling healthcare organisations:** continuing to grow our work with healthcare organisations who are working with people approaching the end of their life.
- **Education and learning:** build on our work to help provide education and learning through our digital resources, workshops and social media.
- **Being exceptional and innovative:** further enhance our culture and stakeholders by continuing to create an exceptional and innovative environment to work.

These achievements would not be possible without the dedication of the specialist volunteers, the support of our partners, and the generosity of our donors.

On behalf of the charity, I extend my heartfelt thanks to all who contribute to our mission. Together, we are making a real difference to those who need it most.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 15th September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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R P Cotton – Chair of Trustees

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Total		<u>241,452</u>	<u>85,701</u>	<u>327,153</u>	<u>296,059</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General expenditure		147,430	111,941	259,371	236,674
Raising funds		<u>67,906</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>67,906</u>	<u>54,063</u>
Total		<u>215,336</u>	<u>111,941</u>	<u>327,277</u>	<u>290,737</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		26,116	(26,240)	(124)	5,322
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>124,219</u>	<u>26,240</u>	<u>150,459</u>	<u>145,137</u>
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Balance Sheet

31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	6	5,173	5,173	1,504
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	7	7,449	7,449	573
Investments	8	5,827	5,827	5,679
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>150,820</u>	<u>150,820</u>	<u>151,898</u>
		164,096	164,096	158,150
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(18,934)</u>	<u>(18,934)</u>	(9,195)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>145,162</u>	<u>145,162</u>	<u>148,955</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>150,335</u>	<u>150,335</u>	150,459
NET ASSETS		<u>150,335</u>	<u>150,335</u>	<u>150,459</u>
FUNDS	10			
Unrestricted funds			150,335	124,219
Restricted funds			-	<u>26,240</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>150,335</u>	<u>150,459</u>

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

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R P Cotton - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements **For The Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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Income

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Expenditure

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Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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

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

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 January 2024	8,655
Additions	<u>5,970</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>14,625</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2024	7,151
Charge for year	<u>2,301</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>9,452</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2024	<u>5,173</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,504</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,160	-
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>5,289</u>	<u>573</u>
	<u>7,449</u>	<u>573</u>

8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Unlisted investments	<u>5,827</u>	<u>5,679</u>

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	5,142	-
Taxation and social security	9,706	5,606
Other creditors	4,086	3,589
	<u>18,934</u>	<u>9,195</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	124,219	26,116	150,335
Restricted funds			
Restricted	26,240	(26,240)	-
	<u>150,459</u>	<u>(124)</u>	<u>150,335</u>

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	171,452	(145,336)	26,116
The Alborada Trust	50,000	(50,000)	-
Garfield Weston	20,000	(20,000)	-
Restricted funds			
Trusts and Foundations	42,741	(42,741)	-
National Lottery	69,200	(69,200)	-
Various other small unnamed restricted funds	(26,240)	-	(26,240)
	85,701	(111,941)	(26,240)
TOTAL FUNDS	327,153	(327,277)	(124)

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	135,135	(10,916)	124,219
Restricted funds			
Trust and Foundations	-	26,240	26,240
National Lottery - Reaching communities	10,002	(10,002)	-
	10,002	16,238	26,240
TOTAL FUNDS	145,137	5,322	150,459

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	244,992	(255,908)	(10,916)
Restricted funds			
Trust and Foundations	50,236	(23,996)	26,240
National Lottery	831	(10,833)	(10,002)
	<u>51,067</u>	<u>(34,829)</u>	<u>16,238</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>296,059</u>	<u>(290,737)</u>	<u>5,322</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

The Anne Robson Trust

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Individuals, companies and other donations	24,557	52,391
Trust and Foundations	<u>298,069</u>	<u>241,430</u>
	322,626	293,821
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	<u>4,527</u>	<u>2,238</u>
Total incoming resources	327,153	296,059
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Staff salary costs	270,699	192,653
Subcontractor	-	30,496
Advertising	2,737	-
Fundraising costs	-	6,677
Bank charges	257	223
Insurance	1,212	1,419
IT and marketing	10,113	11,944
Office expenses	10,362	10,672
Training	-	266
Staff recruitment	7,335	6,708
Rent and rates	16,019	15,963
Professional fees	6,242	9,666
Sundry expenses	-	1,612
	<u>324,976</u>	<u>288,299</u>
Support costs		
Finance		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,301	2,344
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	94
	<u>2,301</u>	<u>2,438</u>
Total resources expended	<u>327,277</u>	<u>290,737</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(124)</u>	<u>5,322</u>

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1178352

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1178352

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
The Anne Robson Trust

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The Anne Robson Trust

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The Anne Robson Trust

Reference and Administrative Details
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

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The Anne Robson Trust

Report of the Trustees **For The Year Ended 31 December 2023**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The increasing need to support and empower those facing death is undeniable, with the rising number of deaths in the UK projected to reach 750,000 annually by 2030. This highlights the growing demand for better palliative care and emotional support for individuals in their final stages of life. The fact that over 70% of people fear helplessness and dependence more than death itself reflects profound concerns about losing autonomy and dignity as they approach the end of life.

This is a call to action for health care providers, families, and society to prioritise dignified death, fostering environments where individuals can maintain autonomy and emotional well-being until the very end.

This underscores the necessity of improving end-of-life care systems, ensuring that psychological, social, and spiritual support is available alongside the fulfilment of medical needs.

Empowering individuals through better communication, advanced directives, and compassionate care can help alleviate the fears and anxieties many feel about losing control in their final days. The Anne Robson Trust vision is to ensure every person receives the compassion, comfort, and companionship they wish for at the end of their life.

Significant activities

The Anne Robson Trust plays a critical role in addressing a profound gap in end-of-life care by providing emotional support for people who are dying, as well as for their families and carers. Currently almost 700,000 deaths occur annually in the UK with many individuals spending their final days frightened and alone in hospital wards. The charity's mission is vital: no one should face death alone.

By partnering with acute hospitals, the charity helps set up volunteer teams to work alongside palliative care and nursing staff. These volunteers offer much-needed companionship to patients in their final days, ensuring that people are not left to die in isolation. This work brings dignity, comfort, and a sense of humanity to a profoundly difficult experience.

In addition to helping those directly facing death, the charity recognises the emotional toll on families and carers. Anticipatory grief, the emotional strain felt by loved ones before a death, is often overlooked. While there are many resources for people who are bereaved, support for those who anticipate a loss is scarce. The Anne Robson Trust fills this void with its national support service, offering a compassionate space for individuals to turn to when death is imminent, helping not only the dying but also their friends, families, carers, and colleagues.

The work of the Anne Robson Trust is about more than just comfort, it's about empowering individuals to navigate one of life's most challenging and inevitable moments with dignity, care, and compassion.

Public benefit

The charity and trustees believe that no one deserves to die alone. They believe that everyone deserves to have the comfort and companionship of another human being as they die, and the support to prepare for the end of their life. They believe that providing these services enables a more compassionate and productive society.

The Anne Robson Trust

Report of the Trustees

For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

At the end of 2023 the charity had 11 partnerships with acute NHS Trusts stretching from Cornwall to Rotherham, Milton Keynes to Great Yarmouth. This is an increase of 6 NHS Trusts since the end of 2022.

The charity has enabled 140 trained volunteers to support just over 2,500 patients, as well as 4,700 visitors, providing 3,429 hours of comfort and company to people in the last days and hours of their life. Many of whom would otherwise be alone. This is an impressive 71% increase on people supported during 2022.

The charity's helpline provided support for 52 people who were either facing death themselves or caring for someone at the end of their life. This figure was lower than forecasted and the operating costs for the helpline were significantly reduced during this period.

The charity developed new training and workshop packages designed to provide valuable insights and practical tools for anyone seeking to improve their understanding of death and dying, and better equip themselves to have important conversations. These packages were delivered to 161 people during the last 3 months of the year.

Looking ahead to 2024 the charity plans to increase the number of partnerships with acute NHS trusts and expand their services to provide support to people who are dying in the community, further increasing the number of people who will receive support and compassion as they face death.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Trust's reserves policy focuses on the level of free reserves, defined as net assets excluding restricted funds and designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity to maintain sufficient funds to cover all agreed future commitments and at a level which considers inflationary fluctuation. The trustees take a risk-based approach to reserves and therefore aim to retain sufficient free reserves to meet working capital requirements and manage the risks that the charity is exposed to in the course of its business.

Trustees aim to retain four to eight months of planned unrestricted expenditure as free reserves, recognising the unpredictable nature of many of the funding sources. At 31st December 2023, the charity held funds of £150,459 of which £26,240 were restricted and £124,219 were unrestricted general reserves.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

The Anne Robson Trust

Report of the Trustees

For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

In accordance with the governing document:

There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 2 years by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting;

In selecting individuals for appointment as trustees, the trustees must have regard to skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity;

The trustees must keep a record of the name and address and dates of appointment, re-appointment and retirement of each trustee;

The trustees must make available to each new trustee, on his or her first appointment both a copy of the deed of trust and any amendments made to it and a copy of the charity's latest report and statement of accounts; and

The trustees shall agree at the special meeting the length of office held by each individual trustee.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9/10/2024 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
R P Cotton - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Anne Robson Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Anne Robson Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Anne Robson Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 9 OCTOBER 2024

The Anne Robson Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	242,754	51,067	293,821	337,570
Investment income	3	2,238	-	2,238	-
Total		244,992	51,067	296,059	337,570
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General expenditure		201,845	34,829	236,674	265,189
Raising funds		54,063	-	54,063	46,395
Total		255,908	34,829	290,737	311,584
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(10,916)	16,238	5,322	25,986
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		135,135	10,002	145,137	119,151
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		124,219	26,240	150,459	145,137

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Anne Robson Trust

Balance Sheet
31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	1,504	-	1,504	4,042
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	573	-	573	1,565
Investments	8	5,679	-	5,679	-
Cash at bank and in hand		125,658	26,240	151,898	148,321
		<u>131,910</u>	<u>26,240</u>	<u>158,150</u>	<u>149,886</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(9,195)	-	(9,195)	(8,791)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>122,715</u>	<u>26,240</u>	<u>148,955</u>	<u>141,095</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>124,219</u>	<u>26,240</u>	<u>150,459</u>	<u>145,137</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>124,219</u>	<u>26,240</u>	<u>150,459</u>	<u>145,137</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				124,219	135,135
Restricted funds				26,240	10,002
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>150,459</u>	<u>145,137</u>

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Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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

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The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Individual and In Memory Donations	52,391	29,796
Trust and Foundations	241,430	307,774
	<u>293,821</u>	<u>337,570</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	2,238	-
	<u>2,238</u>	<u>-</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	300,653	36,917	337,570
	<u>300,653</u>	<u>36,917</u>	<u>337,570</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General expenditure	209,398	55,791	265,189
Raising funds	46,395	-	46,395
	<u>255,793</u>	<u>55,791</u>	<u>311,584</u>
Total	255,793	55,791	311,584
	<u>255,793</u>	<u>55,791</u>	<u>311,584</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	44,860	(18,874)	25,986
	<u>44,860</u>	<u>(18,874)</u>	<u>25,986</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	90,275	28,876	119,151
	<u>90,275</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>119,151</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	135,135	10,002	145,137
	<u>135,135</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>145,137</u>

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 January 2023	9,321
Disposals	(666)
At 31 December 2023	<u>8,655</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2023	5,279
Charge for year	2,344
Eliminated on disposal	(472)
At 31 December 2023	<u>7,151</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,504</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>4,042</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	-	803
Prepayments and accrued income	573	762
	<u>573</u>	<u>1,565</u>

8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Unlisted investments	<u>5,679</u>	<u>-</u>

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Taxation and social security	5,606	6,982
Other creditors	3,589	1,809
	<u>9,195</u>	<u>8,791</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.23	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	135,135	(10,916)	124,219
Restricted funds			
29th May 1961 Charitable Trust	-	10,000	10,000
DWF Foundation	-	2,240	2,240
Elise Pilkington Trust	-	5,500	5,500
Harry Bottom Community Trust	-	2,500	2,500
Medicash Foundation	-	2,500	2,500
Simon Gibson Community Trust	-	3,000	3,000
Torus Foundation	-	500	500
National Lottery - Reaching communities	10,002	(10,002)	-
	<u>10,002</u>	<u>16,238</u>	<u>26,240</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>145,137</u>	<u>5,322</u>	<u>150,459</u>

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	244,992	(255,908)	(10,916)
Restricted funds			
Anton Jurgen Charitable Trust	3,000	(3,000)	-
29th May 1961 Charitable Trust	10,000	-	10,000
The Churchill Foundation	2,000	(2,000)	-
Milton Keynes Community Foundation	3,000	(3,000)	-
Stevenage Borough Council	937	(937)	-
DWF Foundation	2,240	-	2,240
Elise Pilkington Trust	5,500	-	5,500
Harry Bottom Community Trust	2,500	-	2,500
Medicash Foundation	2,500	-	2,500
Simon Gibson Community Trust	3,000	-	3,000
Torus Foundation	500	-	500
Cornwall Community Foundation	4,533	(4,533)	-
James Tudor Foundation	6,979	(6,979)	-
Norman Community Trust	1,161	(1,161)	-
Skipton Building Society Charitable Foundation	2,386	(2,386)	-
National Lottery - Reaching communities	-	(10,002)	(10,002)
National Lottery - Award for all	831	(831)	-
	<u>51,067</u>	<u>(34,829)</u>	<u>16,238</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>296,059</u>	<u>(290,737)</u>	<u>5,322</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	90,275	44,860	135,135
Restricted funds			
Restricted	18,874	(18,874)	-
National Lottery - Reaching communities	10,002	-	10,002
	<u>28,876</u>	<u>(18,874)</u>	<u>10,002</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>119,151</u>	<u>25,986</u>	<u>145,137</u>

The Anne Robson Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted	300,653	(255,793)	44,860
Restricted funds			
Restricted	36,917	(55,791)	(18,874)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>337,570</u>	<u>(311,584)</u>	<u>25,986</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

The Anne Robson Trust

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Individual and In Memory Donations	52,391	29,796
Trust and Foundations	241,430	307,774
	<u>293,821</u>	<u>337,570</u>
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	2,238	-
	<u>296,059</u>	<u>337,570</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Staff salary costs	192,653	232,997
Subcontractor	30,496	-
Fundraising costs	6,677	8,356
Bank charges	223	206
Insurance	1,419	1,290
IT and marketing	11,944	6,883
Office expenses	10,672	22,836
Training	266	-
Staff recruitment	6,708	14,208
Rent and rates	15,963	12,139
Professional fees	9,666	6,826
PR expenses	-	3,639
Sundry expenses	1,612	-
	<u>288,299</u>	<u>309,380</u>
Support costs		
Finance		
Computer equipment	2,344	2,204
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	94	-
	<u>2,438</u>	<u>2,204</u>
Total resources expended	<u>290,737</u>	<u>311,584</u>
Net income	<u>5,322</u>	<u>25,986</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1178352

Accounts

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022
FOR
THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST**

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Trustees	R P Cotton P J Carter F K McKenzie T M Cotter L Abraham J A Holding M J Bentall (resigned 15/8/22) A Ranchod (resigned 7/5/22)	
Principal address	Units A3 & A4 17 High Street Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 3UN	Mindenhall Court
Registered charity number	1178352	
Independent examiner	Menzies LLP Richmond House Walkern Road Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 3QP	

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

Objectives and aims

The need to support and empower people who are dying has never been greater. Almost 700,000 people die every year in the UK, a figure set to rise to 750,000 by 2030. In a recent survey, over 70% of people questioned said they fear being helpless and dependent more than they fear death itself.

The Anne Robson Trust vision is to ensure every person receives the compassion, comfort, and companionship they wish for at the end of their life.

Significant activities

The Anne Robson Trust is a UK charity dedicated to providing emotional support to people who are dying, and those caring for them - no-one deserves to face death alone. Too many people spend their last days in a hospital ward, frightened and alone. Covid-19 has made things worse, accelerating the death rate and isolating people further.

We partner with acute hospitals to help them set up volunteer teams to work alongside palliative care and nursing staff. These volunteers provide company and companionship to patients who are dying in hospital. The dying person's loved ones often struggle to come to terms with the situation and need a large amount of support themselves.

Many organisations offer support for those who are bereaved but there is virtually nothing available for those who anticipate a bereavement. To address this, we also work in the wider community, and our national support service provides somewhere to turn to for anyone approaching the end of their life, and their family, friends, carers, or colleagues.

Public benefit

The charity and trustees believe that no one deserves to die alone. They believe that everyone deserves to have the comfort and companionship of another human being as they die, and the support to prepare for the end of their life.

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Achievement and performance

Charitable activities

1. Expanding services to additional hospital sites: By the end of the year, we were working with 5 acute NHS Trusts with a further 5 having completed their recruitment and entered into the planning stages of setting up the project, and 9 more working to secure funding.

Hospital partners with active teams of volunteers in 2022:

1. The Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust
2. The Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
3. James Paget University Hospital
4. University Hospitals Birmingham - Good Hope
5. West Middlesex University Hospital - Hounslow

Hospital partners working to recruit teams of volunteers in 2023:

6. Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust
7. Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust
8. London North West University Healthcare
9. Milton Keynes University Hospital
10. Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust

2. Supporting more people in hospitals

During 2022 (increase compared with 2021 in brackets), volunteers supported 1,926 (+900) hospital patients and 2,302 friends and family (+1,699*), on 4,756 visits (+2,601).

*data began August 2021

We have received universally positive and moving feedback on the value of our services.

"The Anne Robson Trust helps restore dignity, so people can experience a 'good death.' They are the catalyst that helps families normalise the turbulent emotional rollercoaster of grief. Before working with the Charity, too many patients at our hospital were dying alone, and their families simply had nowhere to go. Now we are rated 'outstanding' for end of life care - an improvement in large part thanks to our partnership with the Anne Robson Trust."

Professor Nancy Fontaine - Chief Nurse at NNUH, and Patron of the Anne Robson Trust

3. Adjusting our telephone support services

We broadened the scope of our Helpline service so it can now receive referrals from health professionals.

During 2022, we supported 212 people. The positive impact of these calls is likely to extend well beyond the caller to their family and friends.

"I called the helpline when I felt I had no one else to talk to when my partner was diagnosed with a terminal illness. It was a relief to speak to someone who understood the shock I was experiencing, and they allowed me the space and time to talk through my feelings." - Helpline Caller

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Financial review

Financial position

The Trust's financial position continues to be robust despite the significant challenges facing the charity sector. Through a combination of careful management of expenses, effective fundraising and streamlining of services, the Trust has maintained a positive cash position, fully able to resource all charitable objectives as well as operational overheads, while retaining an appropriate level of reserves. The success of this approach will facilitate the continued planned expansion of the Trust's charitable activities with enhanced operational efficiency.

Through the generosity of supporters, we have increased our income from £219,702 in 2021 to £337,570 in 2022. The charity's expenditure rose from £233,717 in 2021 to £311,584 in 2022.

Reserves policy

The Trust's reserves policy focuses on the level of free reserves, defined as net assets excluding restricted funds and designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity to maintain sufficient funds to cover all agreed future commitments and at a level which considers inflationary fluctuation. The trustees take a risk-based approach to reserves and therefore aim to retain sufficient free reserves to meet working capital requirements and manage the risks that the charity is exposed to in the course of its business.

Trustees aim to retain four to eight months of planned unrestricted expenditure as free reserves, recognising the unpredictable nature of many of the funding sources. At 31st December 2022, the charity held funds of £145,137 of which £10,508 were restricted and £134,629 were unrestricted general reserves.

Future plans

- Service enhancement visits to our NHS Trust Partners will be piloted and rolled out during 2023.
- Projects to increase our presence in the local community.
- Continue to diversify our sources of income.
- Invest in business development to help us find new ways to deliver on our mission.
- Launch a new intern initiative to help add skills to our team and provide opportunities to university students.
- Significantly increase our impact whilst delivering improved operational efficiency.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

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

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Structure, governance and management

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

In accordance with the governing document:

There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 2 years by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting;

In selecting individuals for appointment as trustees, the trustees must have regard to skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity;

The trustees must keep a record of the name and address and dates of appointment, re-appointment and retirement of each trustee;

The trustees must make available to each new trustee, on his or her first appointment both a copy of the deed of trust and any amendments made to it and a copy of the charity's latest report and statement of accounts; and

The trustees shall agree at the special meeting the length of office held by each individual trustee.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 23rd October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
R P Cotton - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Anne Robson Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Anne Robson Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



J E Fox ACA

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23rd October 2023

Date:

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	<u>300,653</u>	<u>36,917</u>	<u>337,570</u>	<u>219,702</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		46,395	-	46,395	29,237
Charitable activities	4				
General expenditure		<u>209,398</u>	<u>55,791</u>	<u>265,189</u>	<u>204,480</u>
Total		<u>255,793</u>	<u>55,791</u>	<u>311,584</u>	<u>233,717</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		44,860	(18,874)	25,986	(14,015)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		90,275	28,876	119,151	133,166
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>135,135</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>145,137</u>	<u>119,151</u>


The notes form part of these financial statements

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31ST DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	4,042	-	4,042	4,412
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	1,565	-	1,565	1,416
Cash at bank		138,319	10,002	148,321	121,946
		<u>139,884</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>149,886</u>	<u>123,362</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(8,791)	-	(8,791)	(8,623)
		<u>131,093</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>141,095</u>	<u>114,739</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>135,135</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>145,137</u>	<u>119,151</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>135,135</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>145,137</u>	<u>119,151</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>135,135</u>	<u>10,002</u>	<u>145,137</u>	<u>119,151</u>
FUNDS					
	11				
Unrestricted funds				135,135	90,275
Restricted funds				10,002	28,876
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>145,137</u>	<u>119,151</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 24/10/2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


R P Cotton - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Anne Robson Trust is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales. The charity registration number, together with the principal address, can be found within the reference and administrative details on page 1.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

No significant judgements or estimates have had to be made by the trustees in preparing these financial statements.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

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

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

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Individual and In Memory Donations	29,796	12,972
Trust and Foundations	307,774	206,730
	<u>337,570</u>	<u>219,702</u>

Included in Trusts & Foundations is support received from, but not exclusive to: The Follett Trust, The National Lottery Community Fund, Charities Aid Foundation, Garfield Weston Foundation, The National Lottery Awards 4 All Fund, The Alborada Trust, The Linder Foundation, The Rank Foundation and Canter Holland.

4. EXPENDITURE

	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs	227,048	145,173
Fundraising consultancy	14,305	9,540
Bank charges	206	166
Insurance	1,290	1,189
IT and marketing	6,883	17,817
Office expenses	22,836	14,068
Staff recruitment	14,208	2,162
Rent and rates	12,139	15,728
PR expenses	3,639	5,525
Professional fees	6,826	20,674
Depreciation	2,204	1,675
	<u>311,584</u>	<u>233,717</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st December 2022 nor for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st December 2022 nor for the year ended 31st December 2021.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average number of employees in the period ended 31st December 2022 was 7 (2021: 5).

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	106,202	113,500	219,702
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	29,237	-	29,237
Charitable activities			
General expenditure	105,699	98,781	204,480
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	<u>134,936</u>	<u>98,781</u>	<u>233,717</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(28,734)	14,719	(14,015)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	119,009	14,157	133,166
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>90,275</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>119,151</u>

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
Cost	
At 1st January 2022	7,487
Additions	1,834
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At 31st December 2022	9,321
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Depreciation	
At 1st January 2022	3,075
Charge for year	2,204
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At 31st December 2022	5,279
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Net book value	
At 31st December 2022	4,042
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At 31st December 2021	4,412
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9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other debtors	803	726
Prepayments and accrued income	762	690
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	1,565	1,416
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	7,173
Taxation and social security	6,982	-
Other creditors	1,809	1,450
	<u>8,791</u>	<u>8,623</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	90,275	44,860	135,135
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Reaching Communities	18,376	(8,374)	10,002
Canter Holland	500	(500)	-
The National Lottery - Awards for All	10,000	(10,000)	-
	<u>28,876</u>	<u>(18,874)</u>	<u>10,002</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>119,151</u>	<u>25,986</u>	<u>145,137</u>

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	300,653	(255,793)	44,860
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Reaching Communities	16,500	(24,874)	(8,374)
Canter Holland	-	(500)	(500)
BUPA Foundation	4,688	(4,688)	-
The National Lottery - Awards for All	-	(10,000)	(10,000)
The Ann Jane Green's Trust	500	(500)	-
Albert Hunt	2,000	(2,000)	-
Bernard Sunley Foundation	5,000	(5,000)	-
Hospital Saturday Fund & London Catalyst	8,229	(8,229)	-
	<u>36,917</u>	<u>(55,791)</u>	<u>(18,874)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>337,570</u>	<u>(311,584)</u>	<u>25,986</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,009	(28,734)	90,275
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Reaching Communities	14,157	14,219	28,376
Canter Holland	-	500	500
	<u>14,157</u>	<u>14,719</u>	<u>28,876</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>133,166</u>	<u>(14,015)</u>	<u>119,151</u>

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	106,202	(134,936)	(28,734)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Reaching Communities	48,000	(33,781)	14,219
Charities Aid Foundation	20,000	(20,000)	-
The Linder Foundation	20,000	(20,000)	-
The Rank Foundation	25,000	(25,000)	-
Canter Holland	500	-	500
	<u>113,500</u>	<u>(98,781)</u>	<u>14,719</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>219,702</u>	<u>(233,717)</u>	<u>(14,015)</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st December 2022.

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1178352

Accounts

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Too many people die alone, with no friends or family at their side.

The need to support and empower people who are dying has never been greater. More than 600,000 people die every year in the UK, a figure set to rise to 700,000 by 2030. In a recent survey, over 70% of people questioned said they fear being helpless and dependent more than they fear death itself.

The Anne Robson Trust's vision is to ensure every person receives the compassion, comfort, and companionship they wish for at the end of their life.

Significant activities

No other national charity in the UK specialises in providing emotional support to people at the end of their life and those caring for them. We collaborate with organisations to provide companionship for people in hospitals, care homes and the wider community and our national helpline provides somewhere to turn to for people approaching the end of their life, and their loved ones.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have had regard for the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

We experienced huge demand for our services during 2021, despite the pandemic resulting in lockdowns and restricted visiting to most hospitals. We continued the work of 2020 to adapt the way our services are delivered and successfully achieved the following:

1. Expanding services to additional hospital sites: By the end of the year, we were working with 5 hospital trusts with a further 4 in the recruitment and planning stages of setting up the project, and 3 more working to secure funding, with a view to starting work in 2022.

Hospital Partners we are working with:

- The Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust
- The Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital University Foundation Trust
- East Suffolk & North Essex NHS Foundation Trust
- The James Paget University Hospital
- University Hospitals Birmingham

2. Increasing the number of End of Life volunteers: Hospital visiting was prohibited in the first part of the year due to Covid-19 restrictions. Volunteers were able to start a relatively slow, phased return to patients' bedsides in May 2021.

By the end of December 2021 volunteers had supported more than 1,280 hospital patients and 869 friends and family, on over 2,790 visits. We have received universally positive and moving feedback on the value of our services.

"It wasn't until I got home with her belongings and found the Butterfly visiting card that we realised Mum was not alone at the end. It gave us as a family peace of mind to know that she was not alone when she died. My daughter had met with one of the Butterfly volunteers earlier in the week and said how lovely she was. As a family we really appreciate the support you have provided us all - it means so much to me and my children. Thank you."

3. Launching the Anne Robson Trust Helpline: In the months since the Helpline launched in March 2021, we have provided support on over 200 calls and emails. We estimate that for each caller, a minimum of three further people are positively impacted, with a maximum of ten people reached, giving an impact reach of between 650 and 1750 people.

We have 25 trained volunteers, each taking calls on a weekly basis and making a difference to people who are facing end of life challenges.

"I would like to thank the lovely person who I spoke to on the helpline today. I felt very scared when my dad told me that his cancer had returned. Since losing my mum to cancer last year, I felt that I did not have the strength to face it all again. My mum died quite suddenly and I did not have enough time with her in the end. Talking to the volunteer helped me to work out what was most important to me, and I realise that it is best to just take one day at a time. It was such a relief to speak to someone who understands the pain and worry I am experiencing."

4. Opening Family Hubs in Hospitals: Two of our partner hospitals have secured funding to open a Family Hub to offer respite and support to families: Norfolk & Norwich University Hospitals Foundation Trust, and the Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust. These facilities are due to open in 2022.

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5. Raising national awareness of the issues affecting people at the end of life: We ran five virtual sessions, attended by 76 members of the public. 90% of attendees said they would recommend them to their friends and family. We started to use social media more actively to raise awareness of the issues affecting people at the end of life. In November we successfully launched our Helpline service nationally, as part of our #TimeToTalk Christmas campaign.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The Trust's financial position continues to be robust. Through a combination of careful management of expenses and effective fundraising, the Trust has maintained a positive cash position, fully able to resource all charitable objectives as well as operational overheads, while retaining an appropriate level of reserves. The success of this approach will facilitate the continued planned expansion of the Trust's charitable activities.

Through the generosity of supporters, we have increased our income from £193,438 in 2020 to £219,702 in 2021. The charity's expenditure rose from £139,401 in 2020 to £233,717 in 2021.

Reserves policy

The Trust's reserves policy focuses on the level of free reserves, defined as net assets excluding restricted funds and designated funds.

It is the policy of the charity to maintain sufficient funds to cover all agreed future commitments and at a level which considers inflationary fluctuation. The Trustees take a risk-based approach to reserves and therefore aim to retain sufficient free reserves to meet working capital requirements and manage the risks that the charity is exposed to in the course of its business.

Trustees aim to retain four to eight months of planned unrestricted expenditure as free reserves, recognising the unpredictable nature of many of the funding sources. At 31st December 2021, the charity held funds of £119,151 of which £28,876 were restricted and £90,275 were unrestricted general reserves.

FUTURE PLANS

We remain incredibly optimistic for the future of the charity, noting that the demand and need for our services has never been greater. We are looking to build on the development of our service offerings made in 2021 to reach more people. We shall do this by expanding our existing strong team led by Liz, with deeper engagement from our trustees. Early in the year we will produce a 3 Year Plan, a collaborative piece of work that will say where we want the Anne Robson Trust to be in 2024 and how we intend to get there. This will be our strategic compass over the next 3 years to guide our expansion.

For 2022 we have four goals that inform everything we do:

- To provide nationwide support for patients nearing the end of life, their loved ones and healthcare professionals caring for them in acute NHS settings.
- To offer compassion to more people at the end of their life and their loved ones, through the empathy and time provided by our skilled helpline volunteers.
- To provide support to everyone approaching the end of life beyond the NHS and helpline.
- To create an exceptional and innovative place to work for our staff and volunteers. We will do this by developing new approaches to individual and team development and recruiting for two roles dedicated to Fundraising and Marketing.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

In accordance with the governing document:

There must be at least 3 trustees. Apart from the first trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of two years by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting;

In selecting individuals for appointment as trustees, the trustees must have regard to skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity;

The trustees must keep a record of the name and address and dates of appointment, re-appointment and retirement of each trustee;

The trustees must make available to each new trustee, on his or her first appointment both a copy of the deed of trust and any amendments made to it and a copy of the charity's latest report and statement of accounts; and

The trustees shall agree at the special meeting the length of office held by each individual trustee.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21st July 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
R P Cotton - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Anne Robson Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Anne Robson Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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2nd August 2022

Date:

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	106,202	113,500	219,702	193,438
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		29,237	-	29,237	21,168
Charitable activities	4				
General expenditure		105,699	98,781	204,480	118,233
Total		<u>134,936</u>	<u>98,781</u>	<u>233,717</u>	<u>139,401</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(28,734)</u>	<u>14,719</u>	<u>(14,015)</u>	<u>54,037</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		119,009	14,157	133,166	79,129
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>90,275</u></u>	<u><u>28,876</u></u>	<u><u>119,151</u></u>	<u><u>133,166</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	4,412	-	4,412	3,842
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	1,416	-	1,416	5,351
Cash at bank		93,070	28,876	121,946	129,771
		<u>94,486</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>123,362</u>	<u>135,122</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(8,623)	-	(8,623)	(5,798)
		<u>85,863</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>114,739</u>	<u>129,324</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>90,275</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>119,151</u>	<u>133,166</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>90,275</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>119,151</u>	<u>133,166</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>90,275</u>	<u>28,876</u>	<u>119,151</u>	<u>133,166</u>
FUNDS					
	11				
Unrestricted funds				90,275	119,009
Restricted funds				28,876	14,157
				<u>119,151</u>	<u>133,166</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>119,151</u>	<u>133,166</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 21st July 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
R P Cotton - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Anne Robson Trust is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales. The charity registration number, together with the principal address, can be found within the reference and administrative details on page 1.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

No significant judgements or estimates have had to be made by the trustees in preparing these financial statements.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

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

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

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Individual and In Memory Donations	12,972	6,530
Trust and Foundations	206,730	173,558
Other Income	-	13,350
	<u>219,702</u>	<u>193,438</u>

Included in Trusts & Foundations is support received from, but not exclusive to: The Follett Trust, The National Lottery Community Fund, Charities Aid Foundation, Garfield Weston Foundation, The National Lottery Awards 4 All Fund, The Alborada Trust, The Linder Foundation, The Rank Foundation and Canter Holland.

4. EXPENDITURE

	2021	2020
	£	£
Staff costs	145,173	101,532
Fundraising consultancy	9,540	2,110
Bank charges	166	181
Insurance	1,189	601
IT and marketing	17,817	12,013
Office expenses	14,068	5,202
Travel expenses	-	952
Staff recruitment	2,162	-
Rent and rates	15,728	5,108
PR expenses	5,525	-
Professional fees	20,674	10,598
Depreciation	1,675	1,104
	<u>233,717</u>	<u>139,401</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st December 2021 nor for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st December 2021 nor for the year ended 31st December 2020.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average number of employees in the period ended 31st December 2021 was 5 (2020: 5).

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	107,379	86,059	193,438
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	21,168	-	21,168
Charitable activities			
General expenditure	45,133	73,100	118,233
Total	66,301	73,100	139,401
NET INCOME	41,078	12,959	54,037
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	77,931	1,198	79,129
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	119,009	14,157	133,166

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1st January 2021	5,242
Additions	2,245
	<u>7,487</u>
At 31st December 2021	<u>7,487</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1st January 2021	1,400
Charge for year	1,675
	<u>3,075</u>
At 31st December 2021	<u>3,075</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st December 2021	<u>4,412</u>
At 31st December 2020	<u>3,842</u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other debtors	726	4,674
Prepayments and accrued income	690	677
	<u>1,416</u>	<u>5,351</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	7,173	-
Taxation and social security	-	4,222
Other creditors	1,450	1,576
	<u>8,623</u>	<u>5,798</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/21	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,009	(28,734)	90,275
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Reaching Communities	14,157	14,219	28,376
Canter Holland	-	500	500
	<u>14,157</u>	<u>14,719</u>	<u>28,876</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>133,166</u>	<u>(14,015)</u>	<u>119,151</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	106,202	(134,936)	(28,734)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Reaching Communities	48,000	(33,781)	14,219
Charities Aid Foundation	20,000	(20,000)	-
The Linder Foundation	20,000	(20,000)	-
The Rank Foundation	25,000	(25,000)	-
Canter Holland	500	-	500
	<u>113,500</u>	<u>(98,781)</u>	<u>14,719</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>219,702</u>	<u>(233,717)</u>	<u>(14,015)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	77,931	41,078	119,009
Restricted funds			
East of England	1,198	(1,198)	-
National Lottery Reaching Communities	-	14,157	14,157
	<u>1,198</u>	<u>12,959</u>	<u>14,157</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>79,129</u>	<u>54,037</u>	<u>133,166</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	107,379	(66,301)	41,078
Restricted funds			
East of England	7,059	(8,257)	(1,198)
National Lottery Reaching Communities	79,000	(64,843)	14,157
	<u>86,059</u>	<u>(73,100)</u>	<u>12,959</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>193,438</u>	<u>(139,401)</u>	<u>54,037</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st December 2021.

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1178352

Accounts

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020
FOR
THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST**

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

TRUSTEES

M J Bentall
R J Gill (resigned 29/10/20)
J A Corbisiero
R N Mawle
J A Holding (appointed 30/9/20)
P J Carter (appointed 10/11/20)
R P Cotton (appointed 10/11/20)
F K McKenzie (appointed 10/11/20)
A Ranchod (appointed 10/11/20)

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER

1178352

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

For the public benefit, to relieve the needs and suffering of individuals and their families through the provision of end of life care, by offering presence, companionship, comfort and attention to those individuals who have been identified as being at the end of life.

Significant activities

The Anne Robson Trust works in partnership with acute Hospitals to help them create, embed and sustain teams of specially selected, trained volunteers who provide support and companionship to patients facing their final days, many of whom have no other visitors.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have had regard for the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The global pandemic has drawn national attention to the challenging issues of death and dying. The expert and compassionate service that the Anne Robson Trust provides has never been more important - supporting people in their final days and hours of life and working to ensure that No One Dies Alone. However, with hospitals closed to volunteers due to the pandemic, the Trust's traditional delivery model has needed to transform and Liz and the team have had tremendous success in launching several new and innovative services which have ensured that the delivery of the Trust's vital work could continue in spite of the restrictions. Highlights include: the launch of the Time to Talk podcasts with Bill Turnbull; the extension of the Time to Talk workshop offering; the creation of Family Hubs in hospital grounds to provide practical help and support to the friends and relatives of those who are dying; and the Anne Robson Trust Helpline. The latter is a long term strategic undertaking which has been accompanied with a full relaunch of our website and online presence.

Our activities have been somewhat restricted this year, but in anticipation of an upcoming period of significant growth we have strengthened the governance of the charity by recruiting 5 new trustees bringing a broad range of knowledge and experience from the healthcare, charity and commercial sectors. We are delighted to welcome these new trustees who have made a huge impact on the strategic focus and oversight of the Trust's operations.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The Trust's financial position continues to be robust. Through a combination of careful management of expenses and effective fundraising, the Trust has maintained a positive cash position, fully able to resource all charitable objectives as well as operational overheads, while retaining an appropriate level of reserves. The success of this approach will facilitate the continued planned expansion of the Trust's charitable activities.

Through the generosity of supporters, we have increased our income from £104,000 in 2019 to £193,438 in 2020. The charity's expenditure rose from £52,115 in 2019 to £139,401 in 2020.

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

At 31st December 2020, the charity held total (unrestricted) funds of £119,009 and restricted funds of £14,157.

It is the policy of the charity to maintain sufficient funds to cover all agreed future commitments and at a level which considers inflationary fluctuation.

FUTURE PLANS

As we look ahead we are incredibly optimistic for the future of the charity. Demand for our services from Hospital Trusts has never been greater and thanks to the ongoing development of our service offering, combined with the strong team that Liz has built, our highly engaged Trustees and our sound financial position, we feel ready to extend our work even further in the year ahead.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Implications for The Anne Robson from the Covid-19 Pandemic


The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the Charity's operating model. Primarily, due to the access restrictions in place across all hospitals within the NHS, no volunteers have been able to be present on hospital wards, and so our ability to meet our principle charitable aims has been systemically altered.

However, the Charity has continued to work with hospital partners in creative ways to improve that last experience in hospitals for patients and their families. This work has been delivered alongside a campaign, 'Time to Talk', which aims to better enable people to have those difficult conversations around death and dying. We believe there to be an opportunity to integrate elements of this response work into our core activity in future.

From a financial perspective, it is well understood that the level of charitable donations across all sectors has been impacted as a result of the pandemic and the resultant economic recession. The Anne Robson Trust has been overwhelmed by the generosity and flexibility of our supporters and we have now accessed sufficient appropriate funds to support our Covid-19 response work until December 2021.

As a result, the overall financial position remains secure and the Trustees do not anticipate that the Covid-19 pandemic will impact the Charity's short to medium term sustainability, and may actually result in increasing the scope of the Anne Robson Trust's charitable activities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on ^{29 June 2021} and signed on its behalf by:



.....
M J Bentall - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST**

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Date: 29th June 2021

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	107,379	86,059	193,438	104,034
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	4				
General expenditure		66,301	73,100	139,401	52,115
NET INCOME		41,078	12,959	54,037	51,919
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		77,931	1,198	79,129	27,210
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		119,009	14,157	133,166	79,129

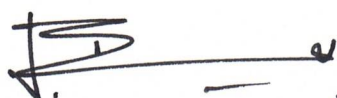
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THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	3,842	-	3,842	1,286
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	5,351	-	5,351	5,000
Cash at bank		115,614	14,157	129,771	76,751
		120,965	14,157	135,122	81,751
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(5,798)	-	(5,798)	(3,908)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		115,167	14,157	129,324	77,843
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		119,009	14,157	133,166	79,129
NET ASSETS					
		119,009	14,157	133,166	79,129
FUNDS					
	12				
Unrestricted funds				119,009	77,931
Restricted funds				14,157	1,198
TOTAL FUNDS					
				133,166	79,129

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29 June 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



M J Bentall - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE ANNE ROBSON TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Anne Robson Trust is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales. The charity registration number, together with the principal address, can be found within the reference and administrative details on page 1.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

No significant judgements or estimates have had to be made by the trustees in preparing these financial statements.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

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

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

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Individual and In Memory Donations	6,530	16,738
Trust and Foundations	173,558	60,401
The February Foundation	-	6,000
The Foyle Foundation	-	5,000
The Inman Charity	-	5,000
Other Income	13,350	10,895
	<u>193,438</u>	<u>104,034</u>

Included in Trusts & Foundations are grants received from, but not exclusive to: The Follett Trust, The National Lottery Community Fund, The Albert Hunt Trust, Essex Community Foundation, The Grocers Charity, The Postcode Community Trust, The National Lottery - Covid Emergency Fund, 29th of May 1961 Charitable Trust and the Sobell Foundation.

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 5)	Support costs	Totals
	£	£	£
General expenditure	<u>138,297</u>	<u>1,104</u>	<u>139,401</u>

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5. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Staff costs	101,532	18,765
Fundraising	2,110	4,417
Bank charges	181	197
Insurance	601	1,102
IT and marketing	12,013	4,017
Office expenses	5,202	1,558
Travel expenses	952	3,205
Staff expenses	-	4,319
Uniforms and training	-	2,059
Rent	5,108	-
Professional Fees	10,598	11,914
	<u>138,297</u>	<u>51,553</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st December 2020 nor for the year ended 31st December 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st December 2020 nor for the year ended 31st December 2019.

7. STAFF COSTS

The average number of employees in the period ended 31st December 2020 was 5 (2019: 1).

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	80,791	23,243	104,034
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General expenditure	30,070	22,045	52,115
NET INCOME	<u>50,721</u>	<u>1,198</u>	<u>51,919</u>

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8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	27,210	-	27,210
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>77,931</u>	<u>1,198</u>	<u>79,129</u>

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1st January 2020	1,583
Additions	3,659
At 31st December 2020	<u>5,242</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1st January 2020	297
Charge for year	1,103
At 31st December 2020	<u>1,400</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st December 2020	<u>3,842</u>
At 31st December 2019	<u>1,286</u>

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10. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020	2019
	£	£
Other debtors	4,674	5,000
Prepayments and accrued income	677	-
	<u>5,351</u>	<u>5,000</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	2,174
Taxation and social security	4,222	749
Other creditors	1,576	985
	<u>5,798</u>	<u>3,908</u>

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/20	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/20
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	77,931	41,078	119,009
Restricted funds			
East of England	1,198	(1,198)	-
National Lottery	-	14,157	14,157
	<u>1,198</u>	<u>12,959</u>	<u>14,157</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>79,129</u>	<u>54,037</u>	<u>133,166</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	107,379	(66,301)	41,078
Restricted funds			
East of England	7,059	(8,257)	(1,198)
National Lottery	79,000	(64,843)	14,157
	<u>86,059</u>	<u>(73,100)</u>	<u>12,959</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>193,438</u>	<u>(139,401)</u>	<u>54,037</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	27,210	50,721	77,931
Restricted funds			
East of England	-	1,198	1,198
	<u>27,210</u>	<u>51,919</u>	<u>79,129</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>27,210</u>	<u>51,919</u>	<u>79,129</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	80,791	(30,070)	50,721
Restricted funds			
East of England	17,243	(16,045)	1,198
The February Foundation	6,000	(6,000)	-
	<u>23,243</u>	<u>(22,045)</u>	<u>1,198</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>104,034</u>	<u>(52,115)</u>	<u>51,919</u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31st December 2020.