

MERSEYSIDE ASBESTOS VICTIMS SUPPORT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1178374

Details

Other names	MAVS, MAVSG
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2018-05-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF SUFFERERS FROM ASBESTOS AND SILICA RELATED DISEASES IN MERSEYSIDE AND ITS ENVIRONS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF EMOTIONAL SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND PRACTICAL ADVICE. 2. TO RELIEVE THE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OF SUCH PERSONS & THEIR FAMILIES BY THE PROVISION OF FREE ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE, ESPECIALLY TO THOSE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNABLE TO OBTAIN ANY. 3. TO RELIEVE THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL ILL-HEALTH OF PERSONS RESIDENT IN MERSEYSIDE AND ITS ENVIRONS SUFFERING BEREAVEMENT OR LOSS THROUGH ASBESTOS RELATED DISEASE BY THE PROVISION OF EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND PRACTICAL ADVICE TO SUCH PERSONS. 4. TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN ALL AREAS RELEVANT TO ASBESTOS RELATED DISEASES. 5. TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN ALL AREAS RELEVANT TO THE HAZARDS POSED TO HEALTH BY ASBESTOS.

Activities: We offer completely free and confidential services to victims of asbestos related diseases and their families on Merseyside and further afield, which include: DWP and other state benefitsSupport Group meetingsMembers meetingsFundraising activities and eventsEducational days Home visits

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£150,710	£153,720	-	-
2024-03-31	£141,959	£132,153	-	-
2023-03-31	£136,178	£140,719	-	-
2022-03-31	£134,843	£136,025	-	-
2021-03-31	£148,547	£130,474	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CARMEL CALVERT		2025-03-10
Derek Maylor		2022-09-05
Irene Leonard		2024-11-29
KENNETH NEWTON		2019-01-20
Louise Lee		2024-11-29
William Paul Lafferty		2022-09-05

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE014089 (England and Wales)
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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group

Kinsella Clarke Limited
61 Stanley Road
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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**Chairperson's Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Firstly, thank you to all our staff, volunteers, Trustees and members for all the help and support they continue to give throughout the year. Secondly, a warm welcome to the three new Trustees who have been appointed during the last year.

Irene Leonard, whom prior to her retirement was a healthcare professional and who lost her father due to exposure to asbestos. Louise Lee, who along with her husband Chris has for many years campaigned for health and safety in the workplace. Sadly, Chris died last year from exposure to asbestos. Carmel Calvert, who for over 40 years worked as an administrator within the NHS. Latterly, managing the Access to Information department at Arrowe Park Hospital. During this time one of her roles was reviewing and disclosing requests from patients, solicitors and asbestos charities for patient records to support legal claims.

We propose in the coming year to restructure administration within the charity. With this in mind we commissioned a report from the Liverpool Equality and Employment Law Centre. This report has now been endorsed by all Trustees and we are committed to developing on the advice given within the report in order to meet the challenges of the future.

At our last AGM we discussed broadening our criteria to support and advise victims of industrial respiratory and related diseases. During the AGM members raised concerns regarding silicosis, due to recent press coverage and queried if MAVSG could also offer support to victims of this disease too. Therefore, this will be one of the issues the Trustees will be considering as part of the proposed restructuring process.

We will also consider how to focus more on the campaigning element of the charity and further direct our interests in the research and prevention of industrial diseases.

We are members of the National Asbestos Victims Support Group Forum UK, The umbrella group of such groups in the UK. We play an active and supportive role in the organisation attending their regular meetings and advocating on behalf of victims with the All-Party Parliamentary Panel on Occupational Health -Sub Group on Asbestos, The DWP on welfare benefit issues and a number of other organisations in the Voluntary Sector and of government. We also hold information stalls 3 times a year at the local Macmillan open days for patients and carers. We are members of the International Ban Asbestos Secretariat (IBAN) with global contacts to work towards an asbestos free world for future generations.

In order for these projects to take place we will most definitely require and be grateful for the continued and valued support of everyone concerned with our charity.

W P Lafferty
Chair

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. 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).

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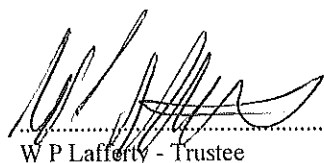
K Newton Treasurer
T Bimpson Trustee (resigned 3.2.26)
W P Lafferty
D Maylor
I Leonard (appointed 29.11.24)
L Lee (appointed 29.11.24)
C Calvert (appointed 10.3.25)

Company Secretary

Independent Examiner

Simon J Kirkham FCCA ACA
Kinsella Clarke Limited
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 30/3/26 and signed on its behalf by:



W P Lafferty - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Merseyside Asbestos Victims Support Group ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Simon J Kirkham FCCA ACA

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Date: 31/3/2026

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

		31.3.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies		130,119	141,049
Other trading activities	2	20,591	910
Total		<u>150,710</u>	<u>141,959</u>
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	153,618	131,890
Other		102	263
Total		<u>153,720</u>	<u>132,153</u>
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		 (3,010)	 9,806
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		139,729	129,923
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		 <u><u>136,719</u></u>	 <u><u>139,729</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2025**

	Notes	31.3.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	1,736	1,055
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		142,445	146,163
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(7,462)	(7,489)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>134,983</u>	<u>138,674</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		136,719	139,729
NET ASSETS		<u>136,719</u>	<u>139,729</u>
FUNDS	9		
Unrestricted funds		<u>136,719</u>	<u>139,729</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>136,719</u>	<u>139,729</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

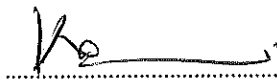
**Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2025**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 30/3/26 and were signed on its behalf by:



W P Lafferty - Trustee



K Newton - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation 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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Fundraising events	20,591	910
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

31.3.25	31.3.24
£	£
153,618	131,890

Support costs

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

31.3.25	31.3.24
£	£
828	597
28,763	25,902

Depreciation - owned assets

Other operating leases

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

31.3.25	31.3.24
£	£
102	263

Trustees' expenses

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM

Donations and legacies

Other trading activities

Total

Unrestricted
fund
£

141,049

910

141,959

EXPENDITURE ON

Raising funds

Other

Total

131,890

263

132,153

NET INCOME

9,806

RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS

Total funds brought forward

129,923

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

Unrestricted
fund
£

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD

139,729

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	1,020	1,848	2,868
Additions	-	1,509	1,509
At 31 March 2025	1,020	3,357	4,377
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	1,020	793	1,813
Charge for year	-	828	828
At 31 March 2025	1,020	1,621	2,641
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	-	1,736	1,736
At 31 March 2024	-	1,055	1,055

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Trade creditors	48	-
Social security and other taxes	5,850	6,141
Other creditors	365	153
Accruals and deferred income	1,199	1,195
	7,462	7,489

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	139,729	(3,010)	136,719
TOTAL FUNDS	139,729	(3,010)	136,719

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

9. 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	150,710	(153,720)	(3,010)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>150,710</u>	<u>(153,720)</u>	<u>(3,010)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	129,923	9,806	139,729
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>129,923</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>139,729</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	141,959	(132,153)	9,806
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>141,959</u>	<u>(132,153)</u>	<u>9,806</u>

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

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	129,923	6,796	136,719
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>129,923</u>	<u>6,796</u>	<u>136,719</u>

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	292,669	(285,873)	6,796
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>292,669</u>	<u>(285,873)</u>	<u>6,796</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	128,999	141,049
Membership fees	1,120	-
	130,119	141,049
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	20,591	910
Total incoming resources	150,710	141,959
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Trustees' expenses	102	263
Support costs		
Management		
Staffing costs	90,831	82,615
Premises expenses	28,763	25,902
Staff and volunteer expenses	1,338	3,210
Event expenses	6,231	3,985
Affiliations and subscriptions	818	1,153
Print, stationery and computer expenses	3,960	2,965
Marketing and promotions	400	634
Sundries	-	135
Kitchen and cleaning expenses	149	48
Telephone	1,403	1,445
	133,893	122,092
Finance		
Bank charges	71	80
Information technology		
Computer expenses	5,361	4,360
Other		
Donations	2,671	2,540
Governance costs		
Accountancy and payroll	738	546
Independent examination fees	1,195	1,194
Professional services	8,862	481
Computer equipment	827	597
	11,622	2,818

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**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Total resources expended	153,720	132,153
Net (expenditure)/income	(3,010)	9,806

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**Chairperson's Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

We have had another busy year helping and supporting victims / patients of all asbestos related diseases (ARD's) on Merseyside and further afield.

Our staff and volunteers interviewed approximately 100 victims of asbestos, or their family members, in the last financial year.

New Volunteers

In November 2023 we recruited Corina Doran, whose family we had previously assisted. Corina works remotely, very kindly producing our quarterly newsletter.

Living Well with Mesothelioma Gatherings & Fundraising Events

17/04/2023 - Living Well at Maggies Centre, with Ellie Fleming (LCNS, Arrowe Park)

15/05/2023 - Living Well gathering with guest speaker, Marie Curie Nurse, Lorna Richardson.

21/06/2023 - Annual excursion, this time to the 'Port Sunlight Experience' followed by lunch at a nearby café.

21/08/2022 - Living Well with guest speaker Wendy Shie Yan of Merseyside Police. Advice session on home and online security.

18/09/2022 - An excellent and very well received presentation on 'Managing Anxiety & Stress'.

16/10/2022 - A more light hearted gathering with local historian 'Richie the Ranger' discussing Liverpool cinema and theatre.

22/01/2024 - Following a couple of larger scale events at the end of 2023, this Living Well, was an informal 'Welcome Back' gathering with refreshments and quiz.

26/02/2024 - Living Well with guest speaker John Harrison, presenting 'Memories of Liverpool'.

18/03/2024 - Refreshments, quiz, and the usual friendly catch up for our service users.

International Workers Memorial Day - 28th April 2023

Over 120 people attended the event held at the Pier Head, Liverpool under the plaque commemorating the 17 workers killed on the construction of the first Mersey Road Kingsway Tunnel. Held to "Remember the dead, Fight for the living" with contributions made before the laying of wreaths to the sound of a Piper, remembering all those who have lost their lives due to work, including those who have died due to asbestos and those who had taken their own lives due to work. A meeting was held at the Raquet Hotel, Chapel Street with a key note speaker from the Martin Gallagher Project who help anyone contemplating taking their own lives.

Research - Egg / Embryo / Mesothelioma Research Laboratory Tour - 23rd May 2023

Laboratory visit - Research into Mesothelioma treatments at the University of Liverpool with project leader Professor Judy Coulson. As a great many of our members have a strong interest in this subject, Professor Coulson very kindly offered them a guided tour of the research facility at the University.

Action Mesothelioma Day - 7th July 2023

Alison Wellens, Health & Safety Executive, presented the latest information from HSE on 'Preventing Asbestos Exposure in Great Britain' and the 'Asbestos & You' campaign.

Margaret Greenwood MP for Wirral West spoke on 'Asbestos in Schools'.

The Deputy Lord Mayor of Liverpool, Richard Kemp was in attendance and along with the grandson of one of our Mesothelioma victims, performed the 'Spirit of Hope Dove Release' at Our Lady and Saint Nicholas, the Parish Church of Liverpool church gardens. This was all followed by a buffet lunch, information stalls and a raffle. All proceeds from raffle ticket sales, and donations towards the event, would later be donated to the Mesothelioma Research Campaign at the University of Liverpool.

MAVSG 30th ANNIVERSARY - 27th October 2023

2023 marked the charity's 30th anniversary. We chose to celebrate this with an event at Vagabonds Lawn Tennis Club, where we had live music provided courtesy of one of our, very much missed members, the late Owen Clayton. As part of our celebrations we later presented Owen with an award for his unwavering support of our charity, we were also delighted to present Professor Judy Coulson with a cheque for £2,540 in support of her Mesothelioma Research program at the University of Liverpool. These funds were raised at our Action Mesothelioma Day event, as mentioned earlier. Also in attendance were the family of the late Eddie Loyden MP, who was the first politician to lend his support to the group in 1993.

**Chairperson's Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

Christmas Party 2023 - 1st December 2023

The Christmas Party, held at our offices, with decorations, a buffet, music, fabulous raffle prizes, and a Christmas themed quiz went down extremely well and was well attended despite the snowy conditions!

Resignation of Tony Murphy - 8th March 2024

Tony unfortunately had to step down as a trustee, due to other commitments. We would like to thank him for his excellent work, and wish him well in his future endeavours.

Thank you to staff and volunteers

I would like to thank all of our staff and volunteers who dedicate their working lives to our cause, helping people with these insidious conditions to achieve some sort of justice in the welfare and benefits field.

**Tom Bimpson
Chairperson**

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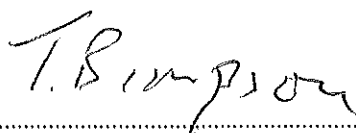
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A Murphy

Independent Examiner

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T Bimpson - Trustee

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4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Simon J Kirkham FCCA ACA

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Date: 7/4/2025

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	31.3.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		141,049	124,156
Other trading activities	2	910	12,022
Total		<u>141,959</u>	<u>136,178</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	131,890	139,549
Other		263	1,170
Total		<u>132,153</u>	<u>140,719</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		9,806	(4,541)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		129,923	134,464
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>139,729</u>	<u>129,923</u>

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2024**

	Notes	31.3.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	1,055	980
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	-	293
Cash at bank		146,163	130,310
		<u>146,163</u>	<u>130,603</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(7,489)	(1,660)
		<u>138,674</u>	<u>128,943</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>138,674</u>	<u>128,943</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>139,729</u>	<u>129,923</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u>139,729</u>	<u>129,923</u>
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		<u>139,729</u>	<u>129,923</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>139,729</u>	<u>129,923</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

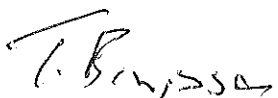
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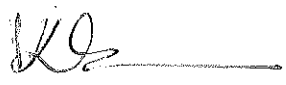
- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2024

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 4/4/2025..... and were signed on its behalf by:


.....
T Bimpson - Trustee


.....
K Newton - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation 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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Fundraising events	910	12,022

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Support costs	131,890	139,549
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	597	536
Other operating leases	25,902	21,009
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	263	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	124,156
Other trading activities	12,022
Total	<u>136,178</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	139,549
Other	1,170
Total	<u>140,719</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(4,541)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	134,464

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

Unrestricted
fund
£

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD

129,923

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2023	1,020	1,176	2,196
Additions	-	672	672
	<u>1,020</u>	<u>1,848</u>	<u>2,868</u>
At 31 March 2024	1,020	1,848	2,868
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2023	1,020	196	1,216
Charge for year	-	597	597
	<u>1,020</u>	<u>793</u>	<u>1,813</u>
At 31 March 2024	1,020	793	1,813
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2024	-	1,055	1,055
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,055</u>	<u>1,055</u>
At 31 March 2023	-	980	980
	<u>-</u>	<u>980</u>	<u>980</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Prepayments and accrued income	-	293
	<u>-</u>	<u>293</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Social security and other taxes	6,141	-
Other creditors	153	490
Accruals and deferred income	1,195	1,170
	<u>7,489</u>	<u>1,660</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	129,923	9,806	139,729
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>129,923</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>139,729</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	141,959	(132,153)	9,806
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>141,959</u>	<u>(132,153)</u>	<u>9,806</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,464	(4,541)	129,923
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>134,464</u>	<u>(4,541)</u>	<u>129,923</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	136,178	(140,719)	(4,541)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,178</u>	<u>(140,719)</u>	<u>(4,541)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,464	5,265	139,729
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>134,464</u>	<u>5,265</u>	<u>139,729</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	278,137	(272,872)	5,265
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>278,137</u>	<u>(272,872)</u>	<u>5,265</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	141,049	123,796
Membership fees	-	360
	141,049	124,156
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	910	12,022
Total incoming resources	141,959	136,178
EXPENDITURE		
Other		
Trustees' expenses	263	-
Support costs		
Management		
Staffing costs	82,615	78,340
Premises expenses	25,902	21,009
Staff and volunteer expenses	3,210	3,169
Event expenses	3,985	21,216
Affiliations and subscriptions	1,153	710
Print, stationery and computer expenses	2,965	4,010
Marketing and promotions	634	282
Sundries	135	328
Kitchen and cleaning expenses	48	99
Telephone	1,445	1,740
	122,092	130,903
Finance		
Bank charges	80	68
Information technology		
Computer expenses	4,360	5,108
Other		
Donations	2,540	-
Governance costs		
Accountancy and payroll	546	514
Independent examination fees	1,194	1,170
Professional services	481	2,420
Fixtures and fittings	-	340
Computer equipment	597	196
	2,818	4,640

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**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Total resources expended	132,153	140,719
Net income/(expenditure)	9,806	(4,541)

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE014089 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1178374

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group

Kinsella Clarke Limited
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

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Merseyside Asbestos Victims Support Group

Chairperson's Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

We have had another busy year helping and supporting victims / patients of all asbestos related diseases ((ARD's) on Merseyside and further afield.

Our staff and volunteers interviewed approximately 115 victims of asbestos, or their family members, in the last financial year.

New Volunteers

In January 2023 we recruited Sue Stone, who's sister attends our Living Well meetings. Sue formerly worked as a librarian, and she has done excellent work on sending out various mail shots.

Living Well with Mesothelioma Gatherings & Fundraising Events

30/04/2022 - Members day out & farewell lunch for Maria Guerin (Meso UK nurse)
06/06/2022 - Living well coffee & cake morning with LCN Laura Swift (Aintree)
09/07/2022 - MAVS summer ball fundraiser at Anfield with special guest, Phil Thompson
15/08/2022 - Living well at Maggies Centre, with Ellie Fleming, MacMillan Specialist Pleural Nurse
02/09/2022 - Members meeting
10/09/2022 - Tough Mudder fundraising event
15/10/2022 - Autumn gala dinner at St Helens rugby club
18/10/2022 - Special Living Well with Alison Germain-Martin & Alison Gallie-Daly (LUHFT patient engagement service), Sandra Metcalfe (Linda McCartney Wellbeing Services) and Mindfulness with Dr Jeff Morgan
24/10/2022 - Living On coffee morning
21/11/2022 - Living Well at Marie Curie with Dr Laura Chapman
23/01/2023 - Living Well with Dr Jeff Morgan
20/02/2023 - Living Well with Emma Squibb, Liverpool Sunflowers, Cancer Support Service
27/03/2023 - Living Well with Maria Guerin, LCNS and former Meso UK Nurse

Research - Egg / Embryo / Mesothelioma Research

Tony Murphy is working on this project, currently helping to translate Judy's research papers into plain English. We continue to work closely with Judy to support her on this project.

International Workers Day - 28th April 2022

Roger Phillips opened the day's proceedings. A one minute silence was held to remember those who have lost their lives due to work. This was followed by foghorns on the river. The GDB lit up in purple, matching the ribbons distributed in association with the event. A family member of the late Tony Mulhearn unveiled the IWMD plaque and gave a short speech. Speeches were also made by Jamie McGovern from the CWU Trade Union and Lesley Mahmoud, Save Liverpool Women's Hospital Campaign. A wreath laying took place followed by a Piper's lament.

Save Barrow (DWP) Office

During the year we launched a campaign to stop the closure of the dedicated DWP office based in Barrow in Furness. The office had processed thousands of claim applications over the last 30 years and each application was handled by highly experienced staff. Unfortunately, the government ignored our calls and those of the terminally ill patients with asbestos related diseases. The work was transferred to the DWP's office in Barnsley with devastating results. Victims are now having to wait longer for their benefits to be paid and this situation persists even to today.

Maria Guerin, LCNS and Mesothelioma Nurse for the North West

Maria Guerin, LCNS and dedicated Mesothelioma UK Nurse for the North West, sponsored by Mesothelioma UK, has sadly left her post. We wish Maria every success in her new role as Quality Matron at Liverpool University Hospital's NHS Foundation Trust.

To date a replacement for her has not been found, nor is expected to be in the foreseeable future. I would like to thank Maria and Lorraine Creech, LCNS and now Head of Nursing at Mesothelioma UK, for helping us to set up our very successful Living Well with Mesothelioma gatherings which still continue today.

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Chairperson's Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

Action Mesothelioma Day 1st July 2022

Professor Judy Coulson, University of Liverpool, presented her latest research into mesothelioma treatment. Alison Hassall, clinical trials nurse, spoke on the latest trials available. The Deputy Lord Mayor of Liverpool, Mayor of Wirral and Mayor of Knowsley were in attendance. The event included such things as a spirit of hope dove release at Our Lady and Saint Nicholas, the Parish Church of Liverpool church gardens, along with a buffet lunch, stalls and a raffle.

Asbestos and the Law Conference at the Maritime Museum in Liverpool 3rd March 2023

Speakers and topics were as follows:

Conference Chair opening and closing remarks - Peter Cowan, Counsel

"Asbestos in Schools" - Michael Brace, Counsel

"Update on Research into Targeted Therapies for Mesothelioma" - Professor Judy Coulson, Molecular Physiology and Cell Signing

"Late & Low Exposure Cases" - Dave Bradley, Engineer

"Asbestos Shipping Claims" - Kevin Johnson, Partner at Leigh Day Solicitors

"Latest Developments in treatment" - Dr Anthony Pope, Consultant in Clinical Oncology, Clatterbridge Cancer Centre

"Inquest and causation issues in light of the Wandsworth judicial review case" - Clair Sajewicz, Senior Coroner's Officer

Thank you to staff and volunteers

I would like to thank all our staff and volunteers who dedicate their working lives to our cause, helping people with these insidious conditions to achieve some sort of justice in the welfare and benefits field.

Tom Bimpson
Chairperson

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE014089 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1178374

Registered office

108 Century Buildings
Tower Street
Brunswick Business Park
Liverpool
Merseyside
L3 4BJ

Trustees

A Sweeney Trustee (resigned 31.8.22)
M Brown Trustee (resigned 31.8.22)
K Newton Treasurer
T Bimpson Trustee
A Murphy
W P Lafferty (appointed 5.9.22)
D Maylor (appointed 5.9.22)

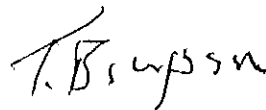
Company Secretary

A Murphy

Independent Examiner

Simon J Kirkham FCCA ACA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 June 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



T Bimpson - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Merseyside Asbestos Victims Support Group ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Simon J Kirkham FCCA ACA

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21 June 2024

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Notes	31.3.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		124,156	115,989
Other trading activities	2	12,022	18,854
Total		<u>136,178</u>	<u>134,843</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	139,549	136,025
Other		1,170	-
Total		<u>140,719</u>	<u>136,025</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(4,541)	(1,182)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		134,464	135,646
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>129,923</u></u>	<u><u>134,464</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2023**

	Notes	31.3.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	980	340
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	293	500
Cash at bank		130,310	135,246
		<u>130,603</u>	<u>135,746</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,660)	(1,622)
		<u>128,943</u>	<u>134,124</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>128,943</u>	<u>134,124</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>129,923</u>	<u>134,464</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>129,923</u>	<u>134,464</u>
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		129,923	134,464
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>129,923</u>	<u>134,464</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

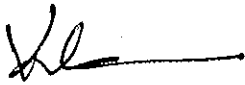
**Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2023**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 21 June 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



T Bimpson - Trustee



K Newton - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation 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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Fundraising events	12,022	18,854

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Support costs	<u>139,549</u>	<u>136,025</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	536	340
Other operating leases	<u>21,009</u>	<u>21,255</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	115,989
Other trading activities	<u>18,854</u>
Total	<u>134,843</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	<u>136,025</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(1,182)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	<u>135,646</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>134,464</u></u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	1,020	-	1,020
Additions	-	1,176	1,176
	<u>1,020</u>	<u>1,176</u>	<u>2,196</u>
At 31 March 2023			
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	680	-	680
Charge for year	340	196	536
	<u>1,020</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>1,216</u>
At 31 March 2023			
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	-	980	980
	<u>340</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>340</u>
At 31 March 2022			

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Trade debtors	-	500
Prepayments and accrued income	293	-
	<u>293</u>	<u>500</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Other creditors	490	267
Accruals and deferred income	1,170	1,355
	<u>1,660</u>	<u>1,622</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,464	(4,541)	129,923
	<u>134,464</u>	<u>(4,541)</u>	<u>129,923</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			
	<u>134,464</u>	<u>(4,541)</u>	<u>129,923</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 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			
General fund	136,178	(140,719)	(4,541)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,178</u>	<u>(140,719)</u>	<u>(4,541)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	135,646	(1,182)	134,464
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>135,646</u>	<u>(1,182)</u>	<u>134,464</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,843	(136,025)	(1,182)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>134,843</u>	<u>(136,025)</u>	<u>(1,182)</u>

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

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	135,646	(5,723)	129,923
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>135,646</u>	<u>(5,723)</u>	<u>129,923</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	271,021	(276,744)	(5,723)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>271,021</u>	<u>(276,744)</u>	<u>(5,723)</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

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Support Group**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Governance costs		
Brought forward	4,104	1,991
Fixtures and fittings	340	340
Computer equipment	196	-
	<u>4,640</u>	<u>2,331</u>
Total resources expended	<u>140,719</u>	<u>136,025</u>
Net expenditure	<u>(4,541)</u>	<u>(1,182)</u>

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Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022
for
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**Chairman's Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

New Volunteers.

During the year we recruited Karen Ball, and Sophie Milne to work in the office. Sophie came to our group initially on placement from university and stayed as a volunteer updating our social media accounts. Karen is a member who came to help us with our general admin work and events promotions.

Living Well with Mesothelioma Gatherings.

We started the year with a special Living Well gathering held at The Racquet Club. We were joined for afternoon tea and the amazing clinicians from local hospitals hosted 'ask the expert' stalls;

Lead Chest Physician Martin Ledson
Lead Chest Physician Andy Wight
Specialist Palliative Care Kate Marley
Pleural Physician Mel Pritchard
Clinical Trials Nurse Alison Halsall
Lead Oncologist Tony Pope
Lead Surgeon Mike Shackcloth

We have since continued our face to face Living Well gatherings with visiting guest attendees.

Research

Egg/Embryo/Mesothelioma Research Bid.

I am delighted to report we were contacted by Professor Judy Coulson at the University of Liverpool to ask if the Group could join her research team as a patient representative collaborator in a bid to fund the team's research into finding a cure for mesothelioma. The bid was successful and uses egg embryo in its work to avoid animal experimentation. I am very happy to announce the bid was successful. Our representative on the project is Mr. Tony Murphy, Trustee, and a member of the Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) as a lay member. We believe this research could hopefully one day lead to finding improved treatments and eventually a cure for mesothelioma.

Maria Geurin, LCNS and Mesothelioma Nurse for the Northwest.

Maria Geurin, LCNS and dedicated Mesothelioma UK Nurse for the Northwest, sponsored by Mesothelioma UK has sadly left her post due to funding difficulties at Mesothelioma UK. To date a replacement for her is highly unlikely in the foreseeable future. I would like to thank Maria and Lorraine Creech, LCNS and now Head of Nursing at Mesothelioma UK for helping us set up our very successful Living With Mesothelioma Gatherings which continue to today.

International Workers Memorial Day. 28th April 2021.

Due to Covid restrictions the event, held at the Pier Head, Engineers Memorial was a low key affair due to social distancing and restrictions on numbers allowed to attend. A marble plaque to those who had lost their lives due to work was "unveiled" (on a temporary stand) by the family of the late Tony Mulhearn who was a well known figure in Liverpool and a victim of his working conditions as a printer. The plaque will be unveiled at its permanent location, The Great Georges Dock Building, Pier Head, Liverpool at a following year's annual event.

Asbestos and the Law Conference, Maritime Museum, Liverpool . 25th March 2022.

This conference was very successful and well attended with a speaker, Brendan Tulley flying in from New York to speak on asbestos in talcum powder. The conference was quite successful as a fundraiser for the Group with an increased number of delegates attending.

Resignation of Dr. Jeff Morgan, Chairperson of the Group.

Jeff stood down as our Chairperson during the year and I wish to thank him, on behalf of the whole Group, for his service and dedication in the role as Chair which were many and varied.

Mrs. Marj Magee, Secretary of the Group.

Marj also stood down during the year and similarly, worked very closely with Jeff to help and improve the procedures on employment contracts etc.

Yvonne Neils, Trustee.

Yvonne stood down from her position as Trustee due to family commitments. Yvonne played a pivotal role with Marj in the delegation to Italy at the start of the trial of the former Chief Executive of ETERNET, Stephen Schmideiny an asbestos company responsible for, according to the prosecution, the deaths of 392 people.

**Chairman's Report
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

Thank you to staff and volunteers.

I would like to thank all our staff who dedicate their working lives to our cause; helping people with these insidious conditions to achieve some sort of justice in the welfare and benefits field.

Finally, I would like to thank all my fellow Trustees who, through no fault of their own! Are all male! I would ask all members, particularly female to consider standing for office. Similarly, we as your Trustees are not only all male but older and white. I invite anyone from a different ethnic background to us to consider standing.

Tom Bimpson
Chairperson.

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE014089 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1178374

Registered office

108 Century Buildings
Tower Street
Brunswick Business Park
Liverpool
Merseyside
L3 4BJ

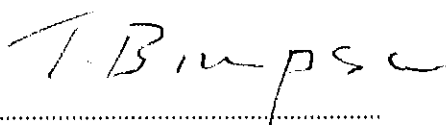
Trustees

Dr J Morgan (resigned)
A Sweeney Trustee
M Brown Trustee
K Newton Treasurer
Mrs Y Neild Trustee (resigned)
T Bimpson Trustee
Mrs G M Magee Secretary (resigned)
A Murphy (appointed 24.9.21)

Independent Examiner

Simon J Kirkham
FCCA ACA
Kinsella Clarke Limited
61 Stanley Road
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 7/2/2023 and signed on its behalf by:



T Bimpson - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Merseyside Asbestos Victims Support Group ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

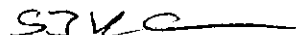
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Simon J Kirkham
FCCA ACA
Kinsella Clarke Limited
61 Stanley Road
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Merseyside
L20 7BZ

Date: 7/2/2023

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

		31.3.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies		115,989	147,589
Other trading activities	2	<u>18,854</u>	<u>958</u>
Total		<u>134,843</u>	<u>148,547</u>
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	<u>136,025</u>	<u>130,474</u>
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,182)	18,073
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		<u>135,646</u>	<u>117,573</u>
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>134,464</u>	<u>135,646</u>

Balance Sheet
31 March 2022

	Notes	31.3.22 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	340	680
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	500	57
Cash at bank		<u>135,246</u>	<u>153,049</u>
		135,746	153,106
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,622)	(18,140)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>134,124</u>	<u>134,966</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		134,464	135,646
NET ASSETS		<u>134,464</u>	<u>135,646</u>
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		<u>134,464</u>	<u>135,646</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>134,464</u>	<u>135,646</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

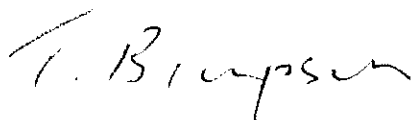
The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2022

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on
.....21/2/2023..... and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
T Bimpson - Trustee



.....
K Newton - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation 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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Fundraising events	<u>18,854</u>	<u>958</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

31.3.22	31.3.21
£	£
136,025	130,474

Support costs

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	340	340
Hire of plant and machinery	-	462
Other operating leases	21,255	19,532

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	147,589
Other trading activities	958
Total	148,547
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	130,474
NET INCOME	18,073
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	117,573
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	135,646

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixtures
and
fittings
£

COST

At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022

1,020

DEPRECIATION

At 1 April 2021

340

Charge for year

340

At 31 March 2022

680

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 March 2022

340

At 31 March 2021

680

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

31.3.22

31.3.21

£

£

Trade debtors

500

-

Other debtors

-

57

500

57

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

31.3.22

31.3.21

£

£

Other creditors

267

-

Accruals and deferred income

1,355

18,140

1,622

18,140

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	135,646	(1,182)	134,464
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>135,646</u>	<u>(1,182)</u>	<u>134,464</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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			
General fund	134,843	(136,025)	(1,182)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>134,843</u>	<u>(136,025)</u>	<u>(1,182)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	117,573	18,073	135,646
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>117,573</u>	<u>18,073</u>	<u>135,646</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	148,547	(130,474)	18,073
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>148,547</u>	<u>(130,474)</u>	<u>18,073</u>

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

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	117,573	16,891	134,464
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>117,573</u>	<u>16,891</u>	<u>134,464</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	283,390	(266,499)	16,891
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>283,390</u>	<u>(266,499)</u>	<u>16,891</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

	31.3.22 £	31.3.21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	94,697	133,723
Grants	3,000	-
Membership fees	1,590	560
Job Retention Scheme	<u>16,702</u>	<u>13,306</u>
	115,989	147,589
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	<u>18,854</u>	<u>958</u>
Total incoming resources	134,843	148,547
EXPENDITURE		
Support costs		
Management		
Staffing costs	92,873	92,785
Hire of plant and machinery	-	462
Premises expenses	21,255	19,532
Staff and volunteer expenses	288	910
Event expenses	4,171	710
Legal expenses	-	111
Affiliations and subscriptions	562	500
Print, stationery and computer expenses	2,661	8,935
Marketing and promotions	2,893	916
Sundries	141	108
Kitchen and cleaning expenses	542	294
Communications inc. postage	<u>1,737</u>	<u>1,691</u>
	127,123	126,954
Finance		
Bank charges	209	377
Information technology		
Computer expenses	6,362	-
Governance costs		
Accountancy and payroll	345	1,194
Independent examination fees	975	1,140
Professional services	671	469
Fixtures and fittings	<u>340</u>	<u>340</u>
	<u>2,331</u>	<u>3,143</u>
Total resources expended	<u>136,025</u>	<u>130,474</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(1,182)</u>	<u>18,073</u>

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: CE014089 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1178374

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**Chairman's Report
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Human Resources & Outputs

Our two support officers, John Flanagan and Helen McKee have worked tirelessly to maintain the Charity's service to victims and their families, despite the guidelines and limitations imposed upon businesses by the public health response to the pandemic. John and Helen rotated their own duties between manning the office alone and working from home.

Advantage was taken of the government furlough scheme for our part-time employees. They remained unproductive at home while receiving state emoluments, which the trustees agreed to subsidise up to their normal full pay rates. This meant, of course, that they could not offer any practical input to the organisation for the duration of the scheme, though they remained committed to a return-to-work if and when circumstances improved.

In March part-time fundraiser, Helen Williams, resigned to pursue her career in another direction. In the same month we engaged an Outreach Worker, Melanie Wilson. After a short time in post, (and with the realisation that the medium to long term hazard posed by COVID 19 rendered the job for which she had been appointed quite impracticable), it was accepted that her role had become redundant. Our remaining part-timer, Kayleigh Aston, continues in post as Administrative Assistant, though she has been furloughed for a substantial part of the year.

Guidance and support continued to be provided to both new and existing victims and their family members over the same period.

Our part-time Benefits Adviser, June Fielding, reliably offered MAVS her valuable specialist resource throughout the year.

The Board met regularly every two months. Our Secretary, Marj Magee, and the Treasurer, Kenny Newton, fulfilled their duties with customary efficiency and Tom Bimpson used his skills most effectively to manage all our Zoom meetings.

To minimise risk, our volunteers were asked to stand down for the duration of the pandemic crisis and were contacted during the period by Marj Magee who acts as HR adviser to the Board. She provides the framework and encouragement for ongoing staff appraisals, together with guidance to management, in consultation with the Chair and in liaison with an external HR consultant, Beverley Turton, who volunteers her services to the group.

Donations and fundraising

It was planned to raise substantial funds during 2020 by organising two large-scale events at prestigious sporting venues. These were to involve gala dinners with substantial tombola prizes donated by local businesses and generous private individuals. After all the hard work that had been invested it was extremely sad that cancellations and postponements beyond 2020 were necessitated by the Lockdown.

As ever, our invaluable panel of solicitors offered regular donations for which the Board is most grateful.

Activities

This year "Action Mesothelioma Day" was organised as an online event only, in collaboration with other agencies across the country. Nevertheless, MAVS retained its unique flavour thanks to a video sensitively fronted by Marj. Although we began to organise the biannual "Asbestos and the Law" conference, anticipated to take place in Liverpool during the autumn of 2020, the exigencies of the pandemic led to such arrangements being held over until 2021.

Social Support Network

Prior to the first lockdown of 2020 we offered monthly face-to-face meetings for victims and their carers at "Living Well with Mesothelioma" sessions at our own premises. A guest speaker would present a relevant clinical or legal topic which would generate questions and answers. Thereafter, a general discussion would take place with relaxed sharing of experience and concerns over coffee and biscuits. Following the lockdown we were determined to retain very much the same programme, but in a virtual format, using the Zoom facility.

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At the same time, regular contact by telephone was offered by the Chair to all members, including those unable to manage the technology needed to participate in the virtual sessions.

Plans were developed to establish a complimentary service for those members of "Living Well" who had become bereaved, (as well as for any others of whom we might hear as having lost a loved one to this disease). It was to be called "Living On". Inevitably, the practical problems caused by the Coronavirus interrupted the progress of this initiative during 2020.

Dr Jeff Morgan, retired psychiatrist, offered informal telephone counselling to anxious and depressed victims, their carers and bereaved family members who contacted him over this same period.

Partners

Effort was made during 2020 to consolidate our relationship with senior clinicians working in Merseyside hospitals and health centres where it had been perceived that our footprint merited a better definition. Our rationale was to encourage referrals to MAVS by Consultants and GPs of patients newly diagnosed with an asbestos related disease, particularly mesothelioma with its limited life expectancy and, therefore, a timely need for our specialised service.

We also became more closely linked to other organisations having similar aims and objectives to our own. Mesothelioma UK set up regular online liaison meetings between most of the active Asbestos Victim Support Groups in England, Wales and Scotland, the UK Forum, the Mesothelioma Alliance and other interested parties. The purpose of these meetings is to share "best practice" developed by support groups as well as the latest developments in clinical research, trials and treatment options.

Future Plans

It is hoped that additional funding will be obtained in order to expand the advice on benefits to victims and their carers, a complex subject. This would be achieved by increasing the hours provided by our in-house expert, June Fielding.

The roll out of the "Living On" provision for those bereaved by Mesothelioma will be revisited.

We also plan to develop ever closer ties with clinicians to enhance referrals of those newly diagnosed with asbestos related diseases, whether malignant or so-called as benign.

When public health considerations permit, we intend to proceed with our educational responsibilities. We will devise appropriate presentations on the dangers of asbestos in the built environment for the information of trainees in the construction industry as well as those preparing for, and pursuing, other trades that may potentially expose them to health hazard. We also wish to continue with plans to develop awareness- raising packages suitable for school pupils of different ages as well as for students in colleges and universities.

We shall continue to monitor the performance of the legal firms currently on the MAVS panel. Feedback will be gathered from victims and their families on their experience of the solicitors whom they have selected. We will develop effective ways to record their opinions of the service received from our own staff members.

The need is recognised to diversify the skill-set available to the Board during 2021.

**Dr J Morgan
Chairman**

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE014089 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1178374

Registered office

108 Century Buildings
Tower Street
Brunswick Business Park
Liverpool
Merseyside
L3 4BJ

Trustees

Dr J Morgan Chairperson
A Sweeney Trustee
M Brown Trustee
K Newton Treasurer
Mrs Y Neild Trustee
T Bimpson Trustee
Mrs G M Magee Secretary

Company Secretary

Mrs G M Magee

Independent Examiner

Simon J Kirkham
FCCA
Kinsella Clarke Limited
61 Stanley Road
Bootle
Merseyside
L20 7BZ

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24/01/22 and signed on its behalf by:


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M Brown - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Merseyside Asbestos Victims Support Group ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

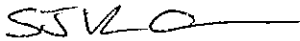
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Simon J Kirkham
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Date: 28/11/2022

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

		Year Ended 31.3.21 Unrestricted fund £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies		147,589	125,303
Other trading activities	2	958	35,050
Investment income	3	-	3
Total		148,547	160,356
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	4	130,474	141,521
Other		-	9,482
Total		130,474	151,003
 NET INCOME		18,073	9,353
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		117,573	108,220
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		135,646	117,573

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2021**

	Notes	31.3.21 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8	680	1,020
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	57	957
Cash at bank		153,049	115,596
		<u>153,106</u>	<u>116,553</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(18,140)	-
		<u>134,966</u>	<u>116,553</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>135,646</u>	<u>117,573</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>135,646</u>	<u>117,573</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u>135,646</u>	<u>117,573</u>
FUNDS	11		
Unrestricted funds		135,646	117,573
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>135,646</u>	<u>117,573</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

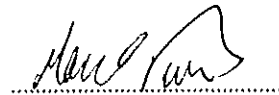
- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

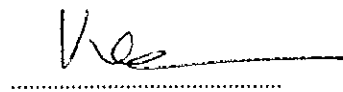
**Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2021**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20/01/2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



M Brown - Trustee



K Newton - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation 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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Year Ended 31.3.21 £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 £
Fundraising events	958	35,050

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Year Ended 31.3.21 £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 £
Bank interest received	-	3

4. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	Year Ended 31.3.21 £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 £
Support costs	130,474	141,521

5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	Year Ended 31.3.21 £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 £
Depreciation - owned assets	340	-
Hire of plant and machinery	462	-
Other operating leases	19,532	17,460

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	125,303
Other trading activities	35,050
Investment income	3
Total	<u>160,356</u>
 EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	141,521
Other	9,482
Total	<u>151,003</u>
 NET INCOME	<u>9,353</u>
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	108,220
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>117,573</u></u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
COST	
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	<u>1,020</u>
DEPRECIATION	
Charge for year	<u>340</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2021	<u>680</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>1,020</u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
Other debtors	57	-
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>-</u>	<u>957</u>
	<u>57</u>	<u>957</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>18,140</u>	<u>-</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	117,573	18,073	135,646
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>117,573</u>	<u>18,073</u>	<u>135,646</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	148,547	(130,474)	18,073
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>148,547</u>	<u>(130,474)</u>	<u>18,073</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 2.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	108,220	9,353	117,573
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>108,220</u>	<u>9,353</u>	<u>117,573</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	160,356	(151,003)	9,353
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>160,356</u>	<u>(151,003)</u>	<u>9,353</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Year Ended 31.3.21 £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	133,723	117,330
Membership fees	560	1,545
Other incoming resources	-	6,428
Job Retention Scheme	13,306	-
	147,589	125,303
 Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	958	35,050
 Investment income		
Bank interest received	-	3
Total incoming resources	148,547	160,356
 EXPENDITURE		
Support costs		
Management		
Staffing costs	92,785	82,160
Hire of plant and machinery	462	-
Premises expenses	19,532	17,460
Staff and volunteer expenses	910	3,454
Event expenses	710	16,573
Legal expenses	111	3,129
Affiliations and subscriptions	500	902
Print, stationery and computer expenses	8,935	14,483
Marketing and promotions	916	5,869
Sundries	108	82
Kitchen and cleaning expenses	294	1,254
Communications inc. postage	1,691	1,731
	126,954	147,097
 Finance		
Bank charges	377	293
 Governance costs		
Accountancy and payroll	1,194	800
Independent examination fees	1,140	300
Professional services	469	2,441
Carried forward	2,803	3,541

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**Merseyside Asbestos Victims
Support Group**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Year Ended 31.3.21 £	Period 2.4.19 to 31.3.20 £
Governance costs		
Brought forward	2,803	3,541
AGM expenses	-	72
Fixtures and fittings	340	-
	<u>3,143</u>	<u>3,613</u>
Total resources expended	<u>130,474</u>	<u>151,003</u>
Net income	<u>18,073</u>	<u>9,353</u>

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