

# ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND REPORT

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**Beyond the Streets**  
**Annual report and financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2022**

**Charity no. 1178421**



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## Our Manifesto

We see the possibility of life beyond sexual exploitation.

We work tirelessly to stop the abuse.

We work to see women safe from coercion, violence and exploitation.

We see women's lives limited by the labels placed upon them – Prostitute. Sex Worker. Client. Case. We work with her to write a different story. We see a woman. A daughter. A friend. A family member.

We want to see women not defined by their past but energised by their future.

Our work maps out possibilities with her and joins her on her journey as she walks towards the goals she sets.

We champion belief in change and a better future.

We celebrate women overcoming adversity and overcoming the barriers which would hold them back.

We recognise that we cannot do this alone.

We know that sexual exploitation happens in every community and so it takes the involvement of entire communities to tackle it together.

We work with others, hosting a national network of affiliated projects who share our commitment to the cause.

We know we are stronger together.

We want to ensure her story is heard.

We recognise her as the expert of her own experience and we make space in a noisy arena for her experience to be heard.

She knows she is not alone or misrepresented.

We know that those most in need don't get the treatment they deserve.

We work with those on the frontline – Police, Social Workers, Health Professionals – to improve women's experience of seeking support.

We think every woman deserves to be met with a compassionate response.

We know that the injustice we respond to is not isolated, but part of a much bigger picture – a local expression of the global injustice of violence against women that preys on the vulnerability of women in every community.

We will not stop fighting against sexual exploitation. We fight on, until every individual is free to thrive, free from sexual exploitation.

# Legal and Administrative information

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## Reference and Administrative Information

**Charity Registration Number:** 1178421 registered in England and Wales

**Governing document:** Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its Charity Trustees dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018

**Operational addresses:**

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**Trustees:**

Trustees at any time during year and up to filing of accounts:

- Carol Rider (Chair)
- Pippa Morgan (Secretary)
- Laurence Singlehurst – finished 29 September 2022
- Philippa Bonay
- Brenda Begg Asiodu (Treasurer) – from 29 September 2021
- Simon Hester – from 5 October 2021
- Lorraine Briffitt – finished 15 June 2022
- Wendy Young – finished 15 June 2022
- Hugo Foxwood – finished 28 March 2022
- Anna Bland – finished 24 January 2022
- Liz Brierley – from 21 November 2022
- Hannah Lewis - from 21 November 2022
- Andrew Rawstron – from 17 January 2023

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**Date of Registration:** 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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**Bankers:** Cooperative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT

**Investment manager:** Best Invest / Epworth Investment Management

# Report of the trustees for year ended 31 August 2022

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## Trustees' Report

The first 6 months of the year involved the continuing need to adapt to the direct and indirect trials of the pandemic and its changing levels of lockdown and guidance. The latter half saw us fully re-launch and grow our face-to-face services as well as continuing to expand our successful switch to an online training offer. We're proud of the success we've had in maintaining high levels of quality support despite sector-wide challenges around staff and volunteer recruitment, switching our CRM system, and having to relocate our London base. The year saw us successfully secure, via a tender process, the London Borough Tower Hamlets contract for their Prostitution Support Program. This was a renewal of the contract we deliver within our wider Door of Hope project. We continue to appreciate the council's stance on viewing sexual exploitation and survival sex as forms of Violence Against Women and Girls. We look forward to our continuing partnership with them over the next two and a half years.

After witnessing the increased needs of women, we support due to long-term impacts of the pandemic, we're now seeing the rise in the cost-of-living disproportionately affect them too. Women are presenting with more complex needs than historically and needing more intensive support. Alongside this, there is an increase in the number of disclosures to us by women relating to serious incidents involving them. We remain committed to providing a specialist service to women selling sex to ensure they can access key services to address their needs; we'll continue to challenge and change systems that let them down. Our experienced, dedicated and compassionate staff will adapt to these challenges and work in an holistic way, via collaboration with partners, to meet these rising needs and achieve the best possible outcomes for the women we journey alongside.

Via increased staff capacity, this year we've embarked on a journey to better meet our 'Increasing Impact' aims via training, research, collaboration, and shared learning; rooted in raising up the influence of lived experience voices. We will soon be publishing a new resource 'Lived Experience: learning from others' produced in partnership with Lived Experience Matters and we've started work on an important resource involving an analysis of English Domestic Homicide Reviews concerning individuals involved in the sex industry. We're also about to launch a new practitioner resource called 'Getting Out: Supporting Women Seeking to Leave the Sex Industry' and it's linked to our new training session of the same name. This year has also seen us create content for an online version of our alternative walking history tour in the East End. It focuses on the lives of Jack the Ripper's victims not their deaths as well as the women we support in the same area today. It will extend our ability to raise awareness of issues faced and will launch in November 2022.

We'd like to thank all our staff, volunteers, and trustees for their commitment and hard work over the year. We would also like to thank all our supporters, collaborative partners, funders and donors who make our work possible; your commitment to support and stand with us continues to be vital to our organisation and its work. Finally, and importantly, we want to pay tribute to the fortitude of the women we have journeyed with over this last year, through both of our direct support services and our wider impact work too. We'll never take for granted the trust they place in us and the opportunities to collaborate and learn together. We look forward to continuing to journey alongside you all in the coming year.

## Objectives and Activities – Our vision, values and how we work

The charity's objects are "To assist in relieving the poverty of persons involved in prostitution particularly by a process of training other charities or bodies with charitable purposes to help and advise persons involved in prostitution in accordance with the statement of values set out in the appendix to this constitution."

### ***Our Vision***

Our vision is to see a world where people are free from sexual exploitation, and where those in prostitution have the option to pursue genuine alternatives, free from constraints such as poverty, drug dependency, and abuses of vulnerability.

To achieve this vision, we are:

**Working with women** – providing person-centred and trauma informed support directly for women in east London and across the UK.

**Increasing impact** –through training, research, collaboration, and shared learning, rooted in lived experience, we are working to ensure that:

- women involved in the UK sex industry are able to access specialist trauma-informed support services regardless of geography.
- women are able to access non-specialist support services without encountering stigma and judgmental behaviour.
- the national and local policy approach ensures that fewer women are routed into the sex industry as a result of poverty, gender inequality or coercion.
- the national and local policy approach ensures that it is easier for women to exit experiences of sexual exploitation/prostitution and thrive.

### ***Our Values:***

Beyond the Streets is a charity inspired by Christian values. This motivation underpins all our work and is demonstrated in the belief that we are all equal and are here to work to help those in need. This belief inspires us to work with acceptance, inclusivity, and mutual respect for all. This means:

- 1) We seek to show genuine care and be inclusive and recognise the intrinsic value in all people.
- 2) We see everyone as equal in diversity and work to see everyone treated in this way.
- 3) We believe in transformation and will work to enable people to see positive change in their lives.
- 4) We take a long-term approach and see the importance of persevering and celebrating progress.
- 5) We see the value of working together, addressing conflict, and partnering to see lives changed.
- 6) We are sensitive to the misuse of power and recognise the importance of working alongside those we seek to serve.

Whilst these are our organisation's core beliefs, we will never look to impose them on anyone.

Anyone looking to join the Beyond the Streets team, either as staff or in a voluntary capacity, must respect this ethos and will be expected to work within this framework to assist the charity towards achieving our vision.

Our very purpose is to reduce limitations and increase possibilities for the women we support. We see the whole person and refuse to reduce anyone to a label. We educate to improve the inclusion of the women we support as equal, valued, members in society. Working within a sector where there are service provision gaps and a lack of research compared to other themes, it is essential everybody feels that our services are for them. We work hard to recognise and remove barriers to engagement for all women. We also recognise any systemic change needs to be driven by women across the protected characteristics, so any benefits are inclusive of everyone.

At Beyond the Streets, we come into contact with groups and individuals from various perspectives on prostitution/selling sex and value this diversity. Having said this, over the years our perspective has developed and has been informed by our service users. We recognise that the routes into prostitution and women's experiences of the sex industry vary but overall, we view prostitution as a form of 'violence against women and girls' (VAWG) due to the harm we have found to be inherent. Central to this perspective is an understanding of the abuse of power and/or vulnerability faced by those who are sexually exploited.

Since it started, the work of Beyond the Streets has been shaped by practitioners and those with direct experience of commercial sexual exploitation. Alongside our mission statement and values, Beyond the Streets is an organisation working nationally which can be characterised by the following:

- We draw on and work with those with lived experience and seek to ensure their voices are heard and they are championed as agents of their own change.
- We ensure our work is trauma informed, woman centred and holistic and seek to champion the same approach across the sector.
- We encourage a model where practice shapes training and training develops practice.
- We are a learning organisation, using our expertise and the experience of others to embed best practice for the women we work with and across the sector to influence systemic change.
- We recognise the need to tailor work to address Routes In, Support, and Routes Out to ensure women find safety and thrive.

# Our Year – Achievements and Performance

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**Working with Women** - this year we continued to face the on-going challenges around maintaining key service provision during various levels of lockdown and then in the latter part we worked hard to re-establish full service provision. We continued to follow government guidance throughout, with the relaxation of restrictions at the end of February having a marked effect on the activities of our projects. We continued to safeguard our women by requiring staff to test twice a week and outreach volunteers to test before an outreach shift. Other practises such as sanitising hands, ventilating rooms, and giving individuals space have become part of normal routines. We're seeing the need for specialist trauma-informed, woman-centred, long-term, holistic support is becoming more crucial as the long-term effects of the pandemic, and the cost-of-living crisis, disproportionately impact the women we work with; often this is a marked deterioration in their circumstances. Their increased vulnerabilities have a negative impact on their 'start point' and ability to make change.

We provide the on-going 'bridge' between the women and key support services until their support needs are met. There has been increased advocating time required by our Women's Support Workers particularly in areas of benefits, housing, and mental health and they are spending more time working with other agencies to provide a coordinated, multi-agency response. Women are also presenting with more complex needs than historically and needing more intensive support; they're often reticent to work with others, so we're the only service in contact with them for a while. The increase in women presenting with more complex needs has equated to an increase in serious incidents, often involving violence, experienced by the women. Women are often more likely to disclose to us than other services. These incidents require significant staff capacity to enact processes and respond via collaboration with other agencies.

## **Door of Hope in Tower Hamlets**

Our Door of Hope project provides support to women selling sex on street in East London. This is achieved through:

- twice weekly street outreach sessions, where we distribute food and essentials including sexual health packs, build trust with the women, provide information; signpost to services, and raise awareness of our own services.
- 4 separate weekly/bi-weekly drop-in sessions
- daytime 1:1, in-depth, person-centred, holistic, trauma-informed support provided by experienced Women's Support Workers, over the long-term. It provides a safe space for women to process feelings, learn grounding techniques and safety plan, whilst building their self-confidence and agency to set their own goals.
- advocating and supporting women to access vital services including suitable housing, mental health support, and benefits. We provide essential items (food, clothing, and phones), attend meetings with them, and enable them to access sexual health services and address medical needs.

- the Tower Hamlets Prostitution Partnership that we chair and run (this acts as a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference). It enables safeguarding oversight for women who are at increased risk of harm. It brings together statutory agencies and other professionals to achieve better outcomes through a co-ordinated and compassionate response.

All project staff for the majority of the year worked from our outreach base, The Arch. Since August, our new operational location better suit our needs with regards to size and facilities; accommodating all the Beyond the Streets staff that work from London. This provides operational and well-being benefits associated with having a staff team working in a shared space.

Like many organisations we have navigated a year of staffing changes within the Door of Hope Team. We successfully recruited and embedded new team members, including a third Women's Support Worker, and have seen increasing numbers in women engaged in our long term daytime support as a result. We also recruited a new London Administrator to support the project in the latter part of the year. Reducing administrative tasks enables us to support staff wellbeing and help limit staff turnover. It's freed capacity for delivering and improving services, for building relationships with other organisations and professionals in the community, and for raising awareness of the project. We continue to offer monthly case management supervision sessions and individual clinical supervision sessions to all frontline staff and support the wellbeing of the team via quarterly 'therapeutic play' afternoons, resiliency training, and coaching.

Our local volunteers play a significant role in our Door of Hope project; enabling the level of street outreach that we provide. We're grateful for their commitment to stand with us and the women we journey alongside and the contributions they make to our services and us as an organisation. We still faced challenges around staff and volunteer sickness and isolation caused by the pandemic in the initial months, with it particularly effecting outreach, however this significantly improved after the New Year. We had two unsuccessful rounds of recruitment for outreach volunteers despite a new strategy of using posters to advertise in local spaces. Other volunteer-based organisations are also struggling to recruit following the nation's return to 'normal' busy life. The pandemic has impacted individuals' mental and emotional capacity for volunteering. Our January recruitment campaign will focus on the personal benefits of volunteering and involve a taster event. The aim will be to recruit and train between 5-10 new volunteers ready to start outreach in April.



Street Outreach is focusing on meeting immediate needs, signposting, increasing women's safety, and building their trust, we...



carried out 81 outreach shifts over 12 months



had 220 separate on street engagements



engaged with 44 different women (confirmed)



distributed 197 sexual health packs



signposted women to local services 147 times



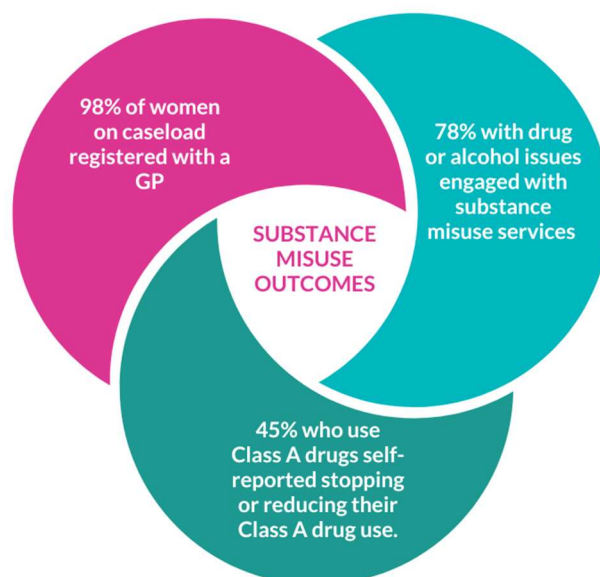
handed out hot drinks, hot food pots, and clean needles

81 street outreach sessions were carried out, more than in the previous two financial years but still a drop on the 100 reached in 18/19, demonstrating the impact of the pandemic and the service delivery recovery from it. However, there is a general trend for the number of women seen, the number of contacts with women, and the number of women engaged with on street outreach falling compared to previous years. The percentage of women engaging with the team, in terms of number of women seen on outreach, has remained consistent. Also, 69% of women engaged on outreach have received on-going daytime support (caseload). The team have been investigating new outreach times, days, locations to address falling numbers. They've

found COVID sped up the move to off-street selling. We're talking with partners about increasing our reach to the women now selling sex in other spaces.

We ran 68 drop-in sessions over the year. At the start of the year, drop-ins were still being affected by lockdowns and social distancing measures; we were however able to continue a drop-in at a café near our outreach, following guidelines. It was more difficult to control the environment in hostels, so this included pausing the fortnightly hostel drop-in. March brought a greater sense of normalcy, and we resumed meeting women in hostel spaces again. By June a fully embedded staff team existed, and we were able to launch a drop-in at Riverside women's hostel and re-launch our drop-in at the Arch. Both have been successful endeavours and we are getting more uptake with drop-ins at elsewhere too. We now have drop-ins across 4 separate locations, we've worked hard to rebuild engagement, attendance is on the rise, as well as referrals into long-term daytime support.

Daytime Support's 1:1 provision continued to be impacted by pandemic restrictions due to the difficulty in being able to engage with women in a trauma-informed way. Despite these challenges we have supported 49 unique women within this service, with 25 women being new to the project. Our Women's Support Workers held 671 meetings with women (alongside another 397 attempts at daytime support engagement) and attended a further 193 multi-professional meetings in relation to women on caseload. Also, we've continued to provide women with emergency groceries, household items, food vouchers and phones. Despite the challenges, working alongside partners, on average over the year 98% of women on caseload were registered with a GP, 78% with drug or alcohol issues were engaging with substance misuse services and 45% who use Class A drugs, that we were able to ask, self-reported stopping or reducing their Class A drug use.



The Tower Hamlets Prostitution Partnership meetings (THPP) moved online during the pandemic and has remained online throughout the year, as this format makes the meetings more easily accessible for all involved. Only 5 meetings have taken place across the year due mainly to the impacts of the pandemic. 11 women's cases, who were deemed at high risk were reviewed. This multi-agency space is ensuring that these women's needs are highlighted and fast-tracked, for example, it has resulted in securing multiple women safe and appropriate housing. We noted a reduction in referrals and attendance of panel members at THPP meetings after resuming them in February. In response to this we worked with London Borough Tower Hamlets VAWG team to survey local agencies to identify barriers and secure an effective membership of both the steering group and the panel. We invested time and resources to provide specific briefings on how and when to refer for professionals in agencies and partners including RESET, the Neighbourhood Policing Team and the VAWG Steering Group. A significant majority of referrals are now being received from external agencies.

## Building trust with women engaged in daytime support



Our Women's Support Workers provided tailored support for 49 women on caseload and invested extensively in building trust with women, supporting them to reach their goals, and advocating on their behalf when asked. Last year, they carried out 671 meetings with women, made a further 397 attempts at connecting with women and attended 193 external multi-professional meetings relating to women on caseload.

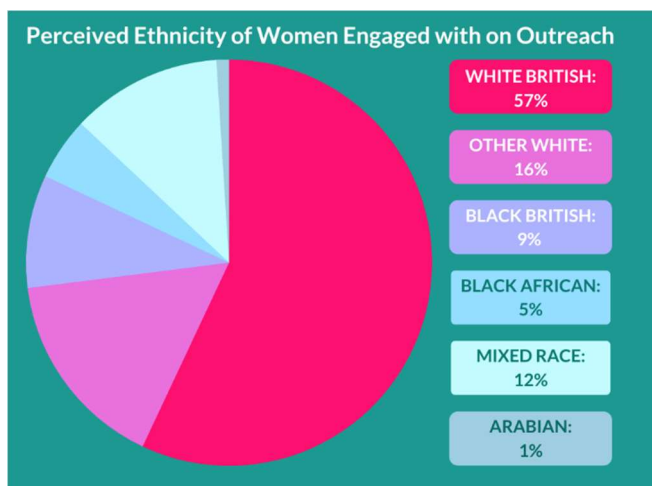
Other work we have engaged with over the year includes training around 30 professionals through the Tower Hamlets GP Care group protected learning time. The aim was to equip professionals within surgeries to be able to work well with women they support who sell sex on the street and know how and when to refer to us for daytime support or to the THPP. We've attended the RESET partnership meetings; these have been a helpful space for information sharing and removing any barriers that women may be experiencing in accessing services. We've also been attending the monthly Sex Workers Advisory Group (SWAG) meetings, quarterly VAWG Steering Committee meetings, the Drug and Alcohol Related Deaths Forum, the Hostels Forum, and the Substance Misuse Forum.

**"I think BtS has helped me loads, during Covid, you were the best support, main support.....someone to talk to, someone to confide in, you're all nice, you're lovely.  
(Women on Caseload - Service Consultation 2022)**

**"I phoned the Women Support Worker (WSW).....and she came to me and sorted out temporary accommodation. Was staying at some random guy's house and I was quite depressed....WSW helped with the paperwork, there was so much that was going on with the council, and WSW helped me through the entire process. She was always there, ringing me and was in contact with [other services].**

**(Women on Caseload - Service Consultation 2022)**

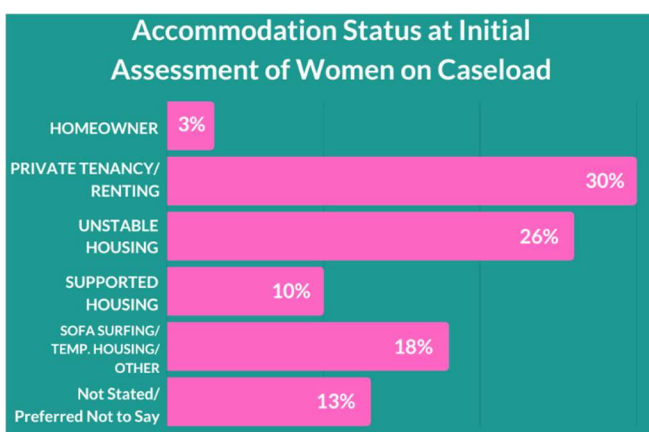
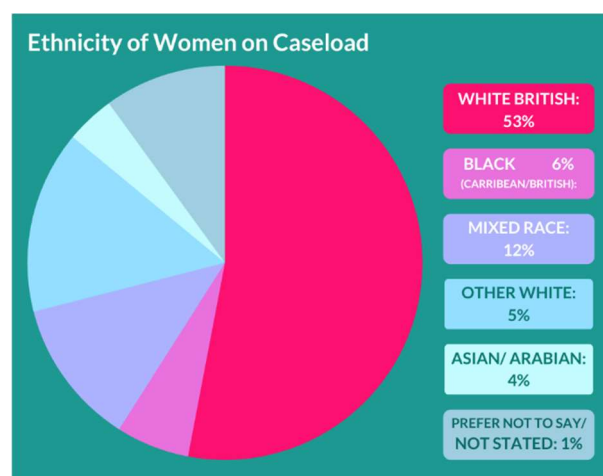
## Door of Hope Demographics:



demonstrating that ethnicity is not a barrier to engagement, on outreach or for accessing longer term 1:1 support. However, there is one group that is considerably under-represented. The Asian community is the largest majority group in the area. We're continuing our work on raising awareness of our project and understanding the cultural differences, which mean that Asian women are often not involved in selling sex on street, to ensure in the future we can reach Asian women with our service.

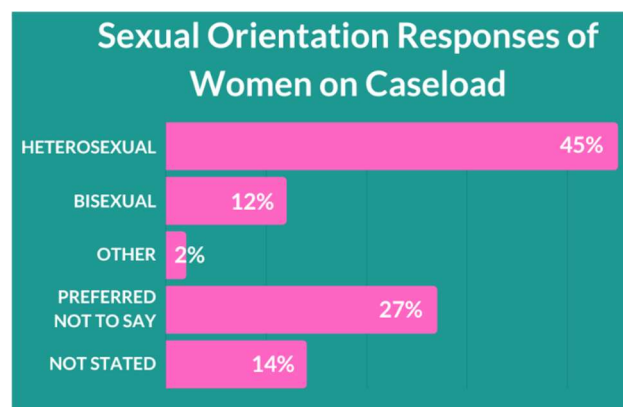
Beyond the Streets is committed to providing a service that is accessible to all, ensuring that any protected characteristic is not a barrier to engagement. We also respect the choice of women not to disclose equalities data.

In 2021-22, the ethnic diversity of women we've engaged with is greater than the previous year. White British, Black, Mixed, and Other White ethnicities are all significantly over-represented in our data compared to Tower Hamlets 2021 census data,



Our project reaches and supports women with diversity within a range of protected characteristics including those living with a disability, differing religious beliefs, and sexual orientation. Data on ages of women on caseload shows the majority (80%) were aged 35 to 54 years. At initial assessment 36% of women on caseload disclosed living with a disability, with the same number living without a disability, with 27% preferring not to say.

Those that disclosed their disability were living with behavioural and emotional or mobility/gross motor disabilities. The majority of women on caseload don't have a religion, have not stated one, or would prefer not to say. However, 22% have disclosed that they are Christian, 14% that they are Muslim, and 10% stated another religion.



## Beyond Support national support service

Beyond Support, is a free, confidential, remote support service accessed via self-referral or agency referral; created and developed in consultation with women with lived experience of selling sex in multiple settings and those who have exited. The service offers long-term 1:1 specialist, trauma-informed, holistic support, via trained Women Support Workers. It provides a safe, non-judgmental space for women to be heard, to reflect, process feelings, and to explore change. We provide safety planning, self-care techniques, and build Women's confidence until a level of personal agency exists where they can identify their own needs, devise their own journeys and set their own goals. We help women identify, gain, and maintain access to local services to address their support needs; advocating alongside them, including within the themes of housing, mental, physical and sexual health provision, drug and alcohol support, and benefits. When requested we attend meetings online with them, and advocate for women in multi-agency meetings that we help set up and coordinate, as uniquely we speak to all services engaged with the women. When asked by women, we also attend a myriad of other meetings like Child Protection Conferences and Complex Adults Risk Management meetings.



In the year, 48 unique women were referred into the service; the majority leading to long-term support, others were signposted, and some we couldn't make contact with or disengaged. In total, we provided long-term support to 39 unique women with 59% of all enquires leading to on-going support.

*Brief Composite Case Study:* April contacted us due to struggling with mental health difficulties, processing trauma, and experiencing domestic abuse; she was also seeking counselling. April was stressed due to her lack of income and the pressure it was creating to return to selling sex. April's Women's Support Worker was able to secure her free counselling and helped her access Universal Credit to remove her money worries so she could focus on reaching her identified future goals. April was aided with finally maintaining zero contact with the perpetrator of the abuse she had experienced. April has since applied for, and successfully secured a new job.

**"The support I received...was invaluable...understanding, compassionate, and went above and beyond to help me through a very difficult period of my life. Beyond Support provides an amazing service and I honestly do not know how I would have coped without the weekly calls. I was able to talk openly about things that I had previously found extremely difficult...[it] had a huge impact on me coming to terms with my past and helping me to put things into perspective and move forward. I am so grateful to Beyond Support for the commitment, time and support they have provided to me for the best part of a year."**

**Beyond Support Client, October 2021**

## **Beyond Support Women's Support Worker: Advocacy Statement**

*"Beyond the Streets has helped me when I needed someone to have a voice for me."*

This quote really sums up how much advocacy is part of my job as a Woman's Support Worker. Lots of the women we journey alongside have negative experiences of services, feel unheard, disempowered and judged. They are often wary of, or intimidated by, professionals and due to past experiences are expectant of negative reactions from them if they disclose that they have sold sex. They often feel they have been failed or let down by services and so have no confidence or motivation to approach or engage with them. Finding, navigating, and contacting services is not always intuitive and can be overwhelming.

Women also tell us that they find it difficult to tell their stories to new people. They fear shame, rejection and judgment and worry about people's preconceived ideas about women who sell sex. They will often tell us that they are worried about what people will think of them and that people will assume that because they sell sex they are addicted to substances, uneducated, and not able to care for their children. As we build relationships with them and they begin to trust us, they will ask us to tell their story on their behalf. This isn't to disempower them; it is to allow their voices and stories to be heard in what they feel is a safe way. It is quite common for them to ask us to talk to professionals or services on their behalf to 'test the waters' and then reassure them that they will not be judged or looked down on.

Women also tell us that it can take time and enormous courage for them to trust us enough to tell us about their situations and experiences. To be asked by multiple professionals to share this information immediately over and over again in order to access each service required to meet their needs can be too much for them and becomes a barrier to engagement. We're able to act on behalf of them, which removes this barrier.

So many women just need support from someone to express their wishes and views and to help them to stand up for their rights and get their voices heard. To make sure they are understood, valued, and reassured that they matter and are worthy of support.

We don't believe in 'rescue'; the power and decision making should sit with the women themselves as they are the experts in their own lives. We work, when needed, to increase confidence and self-agency so they can identify their own needs and choose their own journeys. We always make sure women understand their rights and options and that they are involved in decisions about their lives.

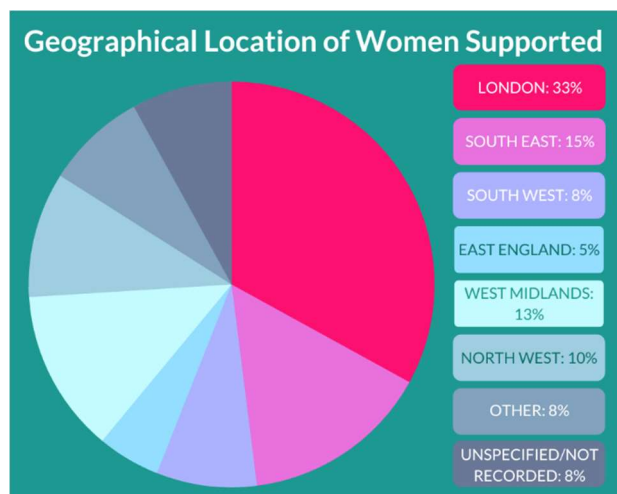
The need for advocacy varies from case to case. Some women may need a lot of advocacy initially, others need advocacy at times when specific issues arise, and others need regular ongoing and consistent support. Feelings of fear (around rejection), being overwhelmed, ashamed, and not knowing where to start to try and help themselves is exasperated when they're experiencing mental health difficulties or are living with learning needs.

Post Covid, a lot of agencies have continued to hold meetings online. When they were in person we were unable to attend, due to our remote model, but the move to a digital format has meant that we can now attend many more meetings to advocate for our women, including Children's Services meetings, multi-agency and other professionals' meetings, Complex Adults Risk Management meetings, and Adult Safeguarding Meetings.



## Beyond Support Demographics

Beyond Support service is open to access by women across the UK, though highest levels of

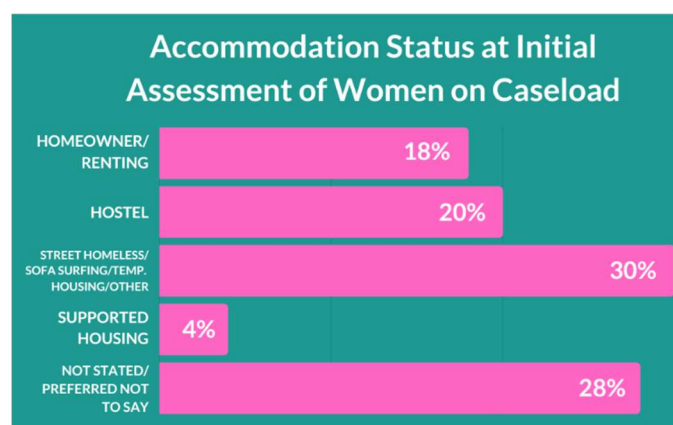


engagement exist within its organisational base of London and the South East (No women in this financial year were supported in NI and only 3 women that were from Scotland or Wales). We're continuing our work started last year to increase awareness in hostels, Criminal Justice System services, with IDVAs/ISVAs, mental/sexual health services and Police.

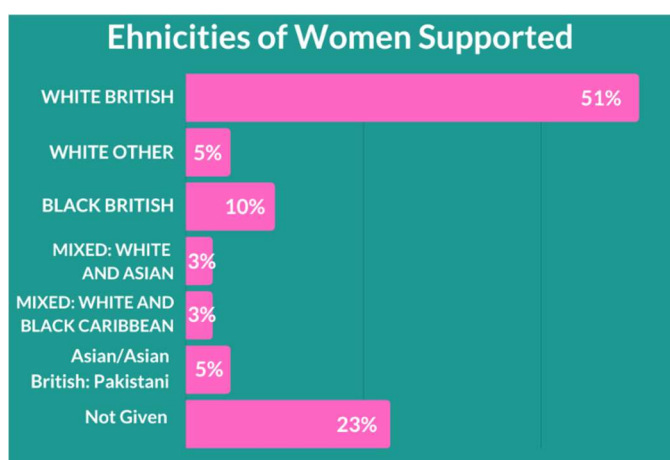
The women we support are being adversely affected by the rising cost-of-living. Many are involved in "survival sex" to provide basic necessities for themselves and their families; this

includes employed women who are having to 'top up' their wages; cases of women unable to afford furniture and basic white goods, such as a fridge to store food; and multiple cases of women having to choose between food and heating. Women are concerned about how to cope both now and in the future.

Growing the awareness of this service is therefore vital to meet the need for consistent specialised support for women who will often be disproportionality effected by the current economic situation.



Beyond the Streets is committed to providing a Beyond Support national service that is accessible to all, ensuring that any protected characteristic is not a barrier to engagement.



59% of the women engaged are aged between 25-44 years. However, the age range of the women engaging with our Beyond Support service is broad (18 to 64 years), showing that this is not a barrier to successful engagement.

The ethnicity percentages change when only including those whose ethnicities are known to us: White British 67% (below 2021 census), White Other 9% (over the 6.2% census figure), Black British 13% (over the 4% census figure) Mixed 6% (over the 2.9% census), Asian 7%

(slightly below 9.3% census figure). Other data collected shows that 18% of the women supported by Beyond Support disclosed living with a disability and 15% described themselves as spiritual or identified with a specific religion.

## Increasing Impact

Alongside our direct support work, we seek to address the structural, economic, and societal disadvantages that women experience. We work to challenge judgemental attitudes towards women experiencing sexual exploitation, that are often detached from the complex personal and systemic root causes; the resultant barriers preventing access to vital services. Our increasing Impact work also looks to enable a future where women are not compelled to sell sex, and to eliminate “survival sex”. Within this work we aim to ensure that the voices and experiences of women who are sexually exploited, are heard and are included in decision-making at a policy and service delivery level. This work is achieved via multiple routes including, research, training for professionals in the third and statutory sectors, policy engagement, and our walking tours.

We planned to create new roles and implement staff changes to increase our capacity to take forward our influencing work. A Research and Impact Officer joined the team in April 2022 to support the work of our Impact Manager. In the up-and-coming financial year we are also looking to take on a Training Manager to expand our work in this area.

This year we’ve participated in 14 speaking engagements/awareness raising sessions, reaching over approximately 530 people. These included awareness raising events within London Borough Tower Hamlets, National Police Chiefs Council annual SPOC day, Police Forces, and GPs.

## Research

- Support Needs of Women Involved in the UK Sex Industry: Learning from Frontline Services was published in January 2022 and is available on our website. It was created via a collaboration between a peer researcher and our Impact Manager. Drawing on data from 90 initial assessments from our Beyond Support project, this report provides a unique insight into support needs identified by women selling or exchanging sexual services in the UK. The report highlights the complexities women are navigating as they engage with the sex industry and underscores their resiliency. It’s our hope that the findings of the research will contribute to the ongoing development and improvement of support services for women involved in the UK sex industry.
- In September 2022 we will be launching our new ‘Getting Out’ Practitioner Resource linked to the new training of the same name. It provides an overview of up-to-date research and models on exiting and transitioning in and out of the sex industry. A copy of the resource is provided to all organisations who have an attendee on the training course. It is hoped that through moving towards a model of producing training in tandem with practitioner resources we can address the issue of learning being lost when professionals who attend move on from their organisations.
- In November we’ll be publishing our Lived Experience Learning from Others Resource. The purpose of this scoping project is to better understand the range of approaches to involvement of those with Lived Experience within organisations. This is to then put forward recommendations for implementing greater involvement of those with Lived Experience of selling or exchanging sexual services/of sexual exploitation within Beyond the Streets, the affiliate network, and the sector as a whole. This will ensure that women’s experiences are at the heart of the organisation and affiliate network; ensuring we’re using organisational resources to the best of our ability, as well as being accountable for the power we hold. The second stage of the project will go into more depth around experiences and learning from affiliates, from women with lived experience, and from

other organisations within our sector. This will place women's experiences at the heart of the organisation, underpinning our training offer, research, and policy development.

- Utilising the new staff capacity, we have also started work on a Domestic Homicide Review Report. No current research on domestic homicide reviews (DHR) has specifically analysed DHRs in relation to those involved in the sex industry. So, we're conducting an analysis of DHRs in local authorities in England. We want to understand what learning is emerging from these reviews with regard to individuals involved in the sex industry. The report will be available on our website in early 2023 and will focus on how local authorities and support services can effectively adopt recommendations from the reviews. We'll also be developing new training for DHR leads and other professionals to help further embed the learning.

## Increasing Impact



37 affiliates in our network



35 affiliates participated in research, policy or training



17 affiliate leaders attended Action Learning Sets

3 pilot Connect-Share-Learn (CSL) sessions delivered to affiliates

13 open training courses supporting over 200 people delivered

14 speaking engagements/awareness raising sessions completed, reaching over 500 individuals

Support Needs of Women Involved in the UK Sex Industry research created and published in collaboration with a peer researcher

Consultation on a Domestic Homicide Review to provide specialist insight into the involvement in the sex industry and its connections to domestic abuse

Introduction of a new 2-part training course "Boundaries, Stress and Working with Trauma"

Development of the online version of our Whitechapel Women Tour begun

however, the consultation has been delayed due to the Conservative Party Leadership contest.

We continue to sit on the National Police Chief Council Working Group on Sex Work and provide input and feedback on the work of the group. We present at Police CPD days, and awareness sessions. We attended the National Police Chiefs' Council annual SPOC day conference on sex work. We'll also be drafting content on survival sex for inclusion in the National Police Chiefs Council updated guidance on sex work.

## Policy Engagement

We were commissioned by London Borough Tower Hamlets (LBTH) to carry out an 'off street' report which was a finished in our previous financial year. In Sept' 2021 we shared the recommendations of the report via a workshop with those who will be responsible for implementing an action plan in response to its findings. In Nov' 2021 we briefed the LBTH Community Safety Partnership board too.

We were invited to a Domestic Homicide Review to provide specialist insight into the involvement in the sex industry and its connections to domestic abuse.

We had anticipated involvement in the Sex for Rent consultation that was to be launched by the Home Office in July 2022, however, the consultation has been delayed due to the Conservative Party Leadership contest.



## Training

We moved training online in response to the pandemic; it's increased our ability to reach a wider audience and we've successfully adapted all courses into this format, showing in the satisfaction ratings by participants. We've introduced a new course called "Boundaries, Stress and Working with Trauma". The interactive training is in 2 parts focusing on the impact of trauma on staff, the 5 pillars of trauma informed practice, and strategy to build resilience. The training is aimed at practitioners who work with women in the sex industry / engaged in survival sex / facing sexual exploitation. We've run one open course this year, and another in partnership with Against Violence and Abuse.

We delivered a total of 13 'open' courses reaching 202 people from at least 30 different organisations (including 28 attendees from 12 affiliate projects).

- Our free "An introduction to working alongside women in the sex industry" training was attended by 150 individuals reported an average satisfaction rating of 8.4/10. 69% of those who gave feedback felt more confident aiding a woman selling sex: Comment - "I found the whole session really interesting, however the continuum of 'forced to free' really stood out to me, as well as the use of language. The 'work versus exploitation' was really insightful."
- We ran our interactive "Alongside? Exploring tools to support women in the sex industry" training with 25 practitioners from over 18 organisations who practiced communications skills, using learning and models from motivational interviewing. The average satisfaction rating was nearly 9/10, and 68% rated the content 'excellent'; with many practitioners identifying their desire to 'rescue' rather than be 'alongside' the women. Example feedback was "Great session, trainer was very informed, and information was very clear, feel like I've learned a lot and it's really changed my way of thinking for the better."
- In addition to establishing bi-monthly briefing sessions for partners in Tower Hamlets, we spoke at 5 other events in the Borough to raise awareness of the charity generally, and to GPs within the East London Foundation Trust and to the Modern Slavery Panel in Kingston. We further engaged with Police partners, presenting to large numbers in Warwickshire, Thames Valley and at the national SPOC day in Huntingdon. We estimate that over 750 people attended these sessions from over 260 organisations.
- Looking ahead we'll continue to offer the current range of courses online whilst developing new training on survival sex and learning from DHR Report. The former will involve a survival sex literature review to identify current resources, all definitions, and the context of where they are being used, and looking at over time how and where this term has been employed.
- With the recruitment of a full time Training Manager, we hope to Improve tracking and analysis systems to facilitate reporting quarterly and in year, and potentially to indicate / explore an organisation / practitioner's journey through our trainings. We also intend to introduce a follow up survey 6 months after all skills-based sessions, to be able to collect data around the number of individuals and organisations who have attended training and been able to reduce barriers within their service as a result of their engagement with us.

## **Whitechapel Women – Beyond the Jack the Ripper Tour**

In 2017, Beyond the Streets joined with local activists and was the first organisation to offer regular walking tours telling an alternative history of events surrounding these murders in Whitechapel. Our tour focuses on the lives and amazing resilience of the 5 women, instead of the 'unknown murder' and their deaths, in order to change the centuries old narrative.

The tour looks at the multiple disadvantage these women lived with, including poor housing, poverty, substance misuse, coercion, domestic violence and for some, survival sex. The tour also raises awareness of the women who are selling sex in the same area and how these women face similar challenges and stigma today, and the work of Beyond the Streets to change attitudes.

Tours were run from September 2021 up to November 2021, and after a winter break, started again in spring 2022. During 2021-22 financial year, we ran 11 walking tours with 139 attendees. We're seeing increasing numbers of educational bodies and a variety of types of organisations requesting bespoke tours.

In response to requests for access to the tour from organisations unable to attend in person, and to increase the reach of the awareness raising it enables, we've begun developing a free online version. In spring, we filmed the tour with the support of Big Picture Charity Films and our new dedicated website, Whitechapel Women, will be launched in November 2022.

**"Beyond the Street's Hidden Histories Tour was a fantastic learning opportunity for our Year 11 GCSE students. The tour perfectly complements the Edexcel History module "Crime and Punishment" by presenting an alternate view of Whitechapel in the 1880s and the Whitechapel murders, looking at the lives of the women rather than their killer. The tour was sensitively delivered and avoided the sensationalism which can erase the realities of Whitechapel and the lives of those who lived there. All of the students found the tour both eye-opening and fascinating."**

**Teacher Tour Attendee, December 2021**

**"The Beyond the Streets tour was a new way of exploring the Whitechapel murders of 1888, by looking at the women involved. The tour guides were incredibly helpful and answered all of our students' questions. The tour also provided students with an understanding of life in Whitechapel today for women in prostitution, which even the staff were unaware of. This was an excellent opportunity for all of the students involved."** Teacher Tour Attendee, December 2021

## Developing and Equipping Projects

### Affiliate Network

The pandemic continued to pose challenges for our UK affiliate network which includes projects that work on and off street, many of whom deliver face to face services; these difficulties reflected by starting the year with 42 organisations within it and ending with 37 due, in part, to closures.

Engagement has increased across the affiliate network. Overall, 95% of affiliates have participated in either research, policy or training this year. In total 46 individuals participated in training events from across 18 different organisations and 31 organisations participated in our lived experience research project; 11 organisations also received bespoke 1-1 consultancy support.

We continued to offer our Action Learning Sets (ALS), running them between November and June. We had 17 affiliate project leaders attend, across three groups. 9 sessions were run in total. The three groups were split by size in order to allow leaders of similar organisations to collaborate within sessions and learn from each other's practice and experiences.

We ask all ALS attendees to complete a survey after their final Action Learning Set session. 72% of respondents said they would like to continue with ALS, for many of the others who are working in frontline services, they reported the time commitment being a barrier to future participation. Three prominent themes emerged from respondents of the survey: 1) valuing having the space to explore issues that were sector-specific and relevant to their work; 2) valuing the opportunity to connect with other leaders within the network and form relationships with people who made them feel supported and valued; 3) a safe space to talk about feelings and to gain insight.

We ran 3 pilot sessions for our new network support platform called Connect-Share-Learn (CSL). 20 attendees from 14 different organisations attended across 3 sessions covering research on initial assessments, building trusts in teams, and hearing from an external speaker. We will be reviewing these sessions and hope to build on them into next year.

We've nearly completed an affiliate network survey. This information will lead to a review enabling us to understand what organisations want from the network and how best it can support them.

**"I'm so grateful for this 'balcony time'... and I learn so much from how other CEOs think & operate and the challenges they work through. It is a time commitment, but I think a really valuable one!"**

**Affiliate Leader, June 2022**

**"The approach is very useful for helping myself and others work through challenges - and I have used it with staff - and encouraged others. Good discipline to listen well and not bring your own thoughts."**

**Affiliate Leader, June 2022**

**"ALS helped me take a step back and harness some SMART goals around an issue. It has reminded me of the importance of keeping a good pace of development and not rushing. I have learned from others about reflective practice which I am weaving into our organization."**

**Affiliate Leader, June 2022**

# Structure, Governance and Management

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## **Governing Document**

The Charitable Incorporated Organisation is governed by constitution and was registered on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018 with the Charity Commission (Reg no. 1178421). The assets, liabilities, and undertakings of our previous legal entity the Beyond the Streets Charitable Trust (registered charity 1099006) (The Trust) were transferred to the new CIO when it became operational on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018. The Trust temporarily continues to operate alongside the CIO for the purpose of collecting regular donations where the donors have not been able to be contacted. All funds received by The Trust are transferred to the CIO.

## **Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees**

The trustees have the power to appoint further trustees under the governing document referred to above. As we are growing as an organisation we want our board to reflect the growth and diversify to meet the needs. An independent review has been undertaken which recognised the strengths of the governance structure and the board have been actively working on improvements within the areas identified. To ensure strong trustee recruitment, a Governance working group has been established with the appropriate delegated authority.

All trustees are appointed through a majority vote at a trustees meeting. All trustees are appointed for a fixed time period with the possibility of renewing. Apart from a number of the founding trustees, who were appointed for four years, all future appointments will be for a renewable three-year period.

## **Organisational Structure**

The trustees meet regularly to ensure they fulfil their responsibility for the governance and strategic direction of the charity. Trustees are selected with a broad range of experience and come from a wide range of backgrounds that bring valuable skills to the charity. This includes experienced practitioners, charity managers and people with other key governance skills and business experience. Two project co-directors are appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity along with a management team they have responsibility to select.

The trustees are responsible to review and set the remuneration of the directors, management and staff team and this work is undertaken by a remuneration sub-group, and decisions ratified by the whole board.

## **Governance Code**

The independent governance review used the governance code as a template for assessing our current systems, structures and governance practices. The results of this review were presented to the board following the year-end and a plan has been created to ensure the findings are addressed and a plan for ongoing improvements is embedded.

## **Volunteers**

The work of Beyond the Streets is not possible without the team of volunteers who support the staff team. The charity is reliant on volunteers to deliver outreach sessions and wider support to our beneficiaries. The charity does not recognise volunteer time in the accounts but recognises their

key role in contributing towards our charitable aims. All volunteers receive an induction and regular training, and we ensure they are supported and supervised.

## Risk Management

The trustees regularly review any potential major risks to the charity and continue to ensure that our risk analysis particularly informs our contingency planning and reserves policy. The trustees take their safeguarding and data protection responsibilities very seriously: concerns are discussed at every meeting; the effectiveness of responses is analysed; and procedures are updated where necessary. The Directors along with the management team review the risks faced quarterly and rank by likelihood and impact. Major operational risks:

Risk identified	Action taken to mitigate
Financial sustainability in order to maintain our current activity or staffing levels	<p>Ensure quarterly financial review and monitor trends in income and expenditure.</p> <p>Reserve funding maintained at a minimum of 4-6 months of budgeted future costs.</p> <p>Regular review of grant funding sources and ensure employment of an individual donor officer in the upcoming year.</p> <p>Investigate and develop other options for fund raising.</p>
The political and economic landscape may change (e.g. inflation) resulting in greater funding requirements	<p>Review rising inflation and ensure upcoming budgets allow for additional costs including salary increases.</p>
Key staff may leave (either management or front line)	<p>Ensure staff are well looked after, and remuneration is appropriate for the role, to reduce the risk of people leaving.</p> <p>Ensure additional support available to enable resiliency and ongoing training.</p> <p>Have good recruitment practices in place for replacing staff.</p> <p>Where possible ensure that no-one is a 'single point of failure', i.e. that there are no tasks or responsibilities that only one person has the skills and experience to carry out.</p>
Reputational damage	<p>Ongoing training of staff to ensure work is carried out professionally – safeguarding, trauma-informed, etc.</p>

## **Statement of Public Benefit**

The Board confirm that in planning our activities and strategies for the year we have kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and believe that we have followed the guidance in this area. We are committed to empowering those exploited and to ensuring that outreach and support projects provide quality service delivery in supporting people to exit prostitution. The above annual report gives a detailed description of the activities undertaken by the charity and the Board is satisfied that these activities provide public benefit.

## **Financial Review**

In 2021/22 Beyond the Streets benefited from a stable income of £511,191 (2020/21: £507,567). This reflected an increase in funding from grant-making organisations. Individual donations were just over half the amount given in the previous year, largely caused by an enforced change in giving platforms. The stability of income enabled us to sustain our recent growth in staffing levels and further our impact in reducing sexual exploitation. Expenditure within the year was £552,992 (2020/21: £455,617). The excess of spending in comparison to income was planned and was funded by reserves built up in the previous year.

Within our fixed assets we experienced a loss on investments of £22,588 (2020/21: gain of £17,401). This reflects the current instability in financial markets. These investments are aimed at the longer term and we will continue to review investment decisions to help ensure a positive return. As at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 these investment funds were worth £127,412. The charity received donations from related parties of £420 (2020/21: £685) during the year. No conditions were attached.

We continue to remain debt free, and had unrestricted reserves of £282,250 (2020/21: £211,256) as at 31st August 2022. It should be noted that this figure includes the forementioned investment funds. We also hold designated funds of £3,115 and restricted funds of £76,509. In this year we recruited our first dedicated Grants Manager to support future sustainability. This places us in a good position from which to continue to pursue our vision in the years ahead.

We are incredibly grateful to our current funders for the grants made available within the year. This has been provided by The Samworth Foundation, Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, the Ministry of Justice Fund for Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Support Services, Church Welfare Association, Society of the Holy Child Jesus, Lloyds Bank Foundation, Symondson Foundation, and Clarion Futures, which have enabled us to financially navigate the last twelve months. One of the key management staff, Mark Wakeling, is on the board of trustees for The Church Welfare Association.

## **Reserve Policy**

As part of our annual financial review, the trustees have considered the appropriate levels of reserves required by the charity to ensure prudent financial management.

Beyond the Streets holds free reserves to:

- provide a resilience that will enable the charity to continue to meet its charitable objectives within a context where the majority of the income is unpredictable.

- ensure additional protection is provided for the charity's beneficiaries where long-term support is essential due to trauma and additional vulnerability.
- allow the charity to navigate a period of growth as demand on services increase.
- allow confident financial planning where there is little flexibility to the costs without impacting charitable activities.
- enable the charity to navigate unexpected events that cause a significant business disruption
- allow for unexpected drops in income and if this happens provide the time for the consideration and implementation of how the funding would be replaced or activities changed.
- enable engagement with unanticipated strategic opportunities and action against critical threats.
- fulfil contractual obligations in the event of an unanticipated financial stress.

The Trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves') held by the charity should represent four to six months of budgeted operational costs. This policy allows for the reserve figure to rise alongside increasing organisational capacity, and thus expenditure, that is a long-term response to service sector gaps and impact aims around systemic change. This 'free reserve' is alongside any Restricted Funds that are held by the charity which can only be used for the purposes intended. For 2022/23 our planned expenditure is £842,000 and so target for free reserves is £281,000 to £420,000.

The charity engages in regular financial forecasting, and if forecasts indicate that free reserves are to exceed this level consistently for a period of more than six months and look to continue on that trajectory, then a plan will be put in place to utilise any surplus in a way that adds to the impact and sustainability of the charity. If projections show that the free reserves will fall below this level for a period of more than three months and again continue with this trend, then we will implement a remedial action plan. This plan will involve a focused fundraising campaign along with reviewing staffing and service priorities as we seek to reduce our ongoing expenditure to a sustainable level.

This policy along with contractual obligations are reviewed on an annual basis. The amendment to our reserve policy to allow for the economic impact of Covid-19 has been removed.

### **Investment management**

Beyond the Streets has an Investment Policy which is renewed annually. As part of a strategy to diversify risk while still generating reasonable levels of interest income, we hold about half of Beyond the Streets' reserves with the Affirmative Deposit Fund for Charities (ADFC), which is managed by Epworth Investment Management (owned by the Methodist Church). We understand that ADFC has a conservative investment policy and lends only to banks with high-investment-grade credit ratings. In addition, approximately 20% of Beyond the Streets' reserves are invested in carefully selected ethical investment funds. These are managed via Best Invest. Our remaining reserves are held with The Co-operative Bank and are fully covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

## **Future Plans**

Beyond the Streets has plans for the coming year to strengthen the charity and to increase our impact. Key aspects of the plan include:

- Ensuring charitable activities are sustained and delivered safely within context of COVID-19 and staff have necessary support.
- Ensure consolidation of organisational growth with focus on internal structures and external resources to enable greater impact.
- Promote Beyond Support to increase referrals and number of women being supported.
- Ongoing development of our wider impact activities including research and training to work towards systemic change.
- Launch 'Whitechapel Women' online walk to both raise awareness and increase income streams.
- Ensure greater input from women with lived experience within all the charity.

## **Statement of trustees' responsibilities for the annual financial statements**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102). The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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

## **Compliance with laws and regulations**

The trustees confirm that the charity has complied with all legal and regulatory requirements for charitable incorporated organisations registered under the Charities Act 2011 and all other significant legal and regulatory requirements relating to the charity's day to day operations.

**On behalf of the board of trustee, Carol Rider, *Chair of Trustees***

**Date:** 21.06.2023





# Statement of Financial Activity

These accounts cover the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Income:</b>						
Donations and Legacies	2	58,645	-	7,425	66,070	127,901
Charitable Activities	3	150,060	122,829	169,925	442,814	378,118
Other Trading Activities	4	1,673	-	-	1,673	972
Investment Income		786	-	-	786	306
Other		(152)			(152)	270
<b>Total income</b>		<b>211,012</b>	<b>122,829</b>	<b>177,350</b>	<b>511,191</b>	<b>507,567</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>						
Raising Funds		47,981	-	-	47,981	29,141
Charitable activities		160,855	500	231,500	392,855	357,825
Support Costs		64,013	1,115	47,028	112,156	68,651
<b>Total expenditure</b>	5,6,7	<b>272,849</b>	<b>1,615</b>	<b>278,528</b>	<b>552,992</b>	<b>455,617</b>
<b>Gains/(losses) on investments</b>	8	<b>(22,588)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(22,588)</b>	<b>17,401</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(84,425)</b>	<b>121,214</b>	<b>(101,178)</b>	<b>(64,389)</b>	<b>69,351</b>
Transfers between funds		155,419	(305,438)	150,019		-
Total funds brought forward		211,256	187,339	27,668	426,263	356,912
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	9	<b>282,250</b>	<b>3,115</b>	<b>76,509</b>	<b>361,874</b>	<b>426,263</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

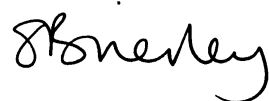
The notes on pages 28-37 form part of these financial statements.

## Balance sheet as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
<b>Fixed assets:</b>			
Investments	8	127,412	100,000
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		127,412	100,000
<b>Current assets:</b>			
Stocks	10	885	1,037
Debtors	11	34,210	21,550
Investments	8	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		326,872	363,667
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		361,967	386,254
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12,13	127,505	59,991
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Net current assets		234,462	326,263
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<b>Total net assets</b>		361,874	426,263
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<b>Funds</b>	9		
Unrestricted general funds		284,838	191,256
Designated funds		3,115	187,339
Restricted funds		76,509	27,668
Revaluation reserve		(2,588)	20,000
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		361,874	426,263

The notes on pages 28-37 form part of these financial statements.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 21st June 2023  
and signed on its behalf by



**Liz Brierley - Trustee**

# Statement of Cash Flows as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	14	(9,383)	73,990
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>			
Investments		-	82,599
Long Term Investments		(27,412)	(100,000)
		(27,412)	(17,401)
Change in cash and cash equivalents		(36,795)	56,589
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the period		363,667	307,078
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b>		<b>326,872</b>	<b>363,667</b>

# Notes to the Financial statements

## For the year ended 31 August 2022

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the 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 issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds – these are funds which can be used by the Charity in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Designated funds are those unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for a particular purpose but have not yet been spent.

Restricted funds – these are funds that can only be used for a particular restricted purpose within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds have been raised for particular restricted purposes.

### **Income Recognition**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Donated facilities and donated professional services are recognised in income at their fair value when their economic benefit is probable, it can be measured reliably, and the charity has control over the item. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example, the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102). Further detail is given in the Trustees' Annual Report above.

Where practicable, gifts in kind donated for distribution to the beneficiaries of the charity are included in stock and donations in the financial statements upon receipt. If it is impracticable to assess the fair value at receipt or if the costs to undertake such a valuation outweigh any benefits, then the fair value is recognised as a component of donations when it is distributed, and an equivalent amount recognised as charitable expenditure.

### **Expenditure Recognition**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The irrecoverable element of VAT is included with the item of expense to which it relates.

### **Support costs allocation**

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

### **Fund raising**

Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.

### **Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets are capitalized if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,000. These are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a systematic basis over its expected useful life as follows:

Leasehold improvements	5 years straight-line
Fixtures & fittings	5 years straight-line
Office equipment	3 years straight-line

### **Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year**

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash represents cash in hand plus bank balances immediately available to the charity. Cash equivalents and bank balances held on short term deposit available to the charity at up to 3 months' notice.

### **Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure are sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

### **Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

The preparation of the financial statements sometimes requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the Statement of Financial Position (balance sheet) date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates.

### **Investments**

Investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably. Other investments are measured at cost less impairment.

## 2 Donations and Legacies

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gifts	61,718	124,968
Gift Aid	4,352	2,933
<b>Total</b>	<b>66,070</b>	<b>127,901</b>

The Donations and Legacies total does not include any legacies, grants, or donated goods and services. Income from donations and legacies was £66,070 (2021: £127,091) of which £7,425 (2021: £28,203) was attributable to restricted and £58,645 (2021: £99,698) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

## 3 Charitable activities

	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from Charitable activities:</b>						
Grants	140,640	168,925	309,565	105,500	148,276	253,776
Local Authority Contracts	122,829	-	122,829	116,788	-	116,788
Training	4,618	-	4,618	2,475	-	2,475
Affiliate Contributions	4,602	-	4,602	5,032	-	5,032
Other	200	1,000	1,200	47	-	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>272,889</b>	<b>169,925</b>	<b>442,814</b>	<b>229,842</b>	<b>148,276</b>	<b>378,118</b>

Of the unrestricted income £122,829 (2021: £116,788) is designated for the delivery of contractual services for London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

### Grant funding within year

The Samworth Foundation	£122,000	Lloyds Bank Foundation	£10,000
Esmée Fairbairn Foundation Trust	£51,440	Clarion Futures	£5,000
MOPAC MOJ	£50,000	Symondson Foundation	£5,000
Church Welfare Association	£33,500		
Society of the Holy Child Jesus	£20,000	Grants under £5,000	£12,625
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£309,565</b>

#### 4 Income from Other Trading Activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Alt Walking Tour Tickets	1,673	972
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,673</b>	<b>972</b>

Income from Other Trading Activities was £1,673 (2021: £972) of which £0 (2021: £0) was attributable to restricted and £1,673 (2021: £972) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

#### 5 Staff Costs and Employee Benefits

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	377,535	320,217
Social security costs	29,922	24,089
Employer's contributions to defined contributions pension schemes	19,379	15,963
<b>Total</b>	<b>426,836</b>	<b>360,269</b>

During the year, the Charity had 16 employees (2021: 13), and no-one was paid over £60,000. The total remuneration to key personnel was £71,096 (2021: £67,187).

Some of the employees were part time so the full time equivalent of these employees was on average 13.3 (2021: 10.1). Fundraising staff accounted for 2.2 fte, and there were 4.2 fte support staff .

Remuneration for all employees is set by the Trustees. A benchmarking exercise was carried out by an independent HR consultant in 2021, covering background economic factors affecting salaries, likely trends in pay and a summary of current comparable salary information taken from a variety of sources. This report was used as the basis for setting salary levels.

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year but were reimbursed for their expenses. This totalled £242 and covered the cost of train fares for three trustees to attend a Board meeting (2021: £0).

The charity operates a contributory pension scheme. It is a defined contribution scheme and contributions are charged in the statement of financial activities as they accrue. The charge for the year was £19,431 (2021: £15,963).

#### 6 Volunteers, donated goods, facilities and services

There were 21 volunteers in the year, of which 20 were involved in street outreach projects, and 1 helped with administration tasks. The charity does not recognise volunteer time in the accounts.



## Notes to the Financial statements (continued)

### 7 Analysis of resources expended

	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
<b>Raising Funds:</b>						
Salaries	47,108	-	47,108	22,744	6,217	28,961
Other Expenses	873	-	873	180	-	180
	47,981	-	47,981	22,924	6,217	29,141
<b>Direct Charitable Expenditure:</b>						
Salaries	157,632	222,096	379,728	63,016	268,292	331,308
Research	125	3,610	3,735	240	19,982	20,222
Publicity & Fundraising	1,438	-	1,438	689	-	689
Outreach Supplies	-	1,898	1,898	60	1,871	1,931
Project Costs	-	2,870	2,870	-	700	700
Software Licence	2,160	1,026	3,186	-	2,975	2,975
	161,355	231,500	392,855	64,005	293,820	357,825
<b>Support Costs:</b>						
Training	5,690	2,127	7,817	3,068	7,158	10,226
Equipment & Resources	10,038	7,203	17,241	6,348	2,741	9,089
Meeting Expenses	1,554	190	1,744	-	57	57
Telephone & Internet	2,185	1,116	3,301	2,861	2,237	5,098
Office Rent & Room Hire	18,949	27,544	46,493	13,576	11,703	25,279
Travel	2,514	2,243	4,757	-	1,586	1,586
Admin & Subscriptions	3,594	3,393	6,987	1,399	864	2,263
Legal Fees	4,852	-	4,852	1,783	-	1,783
Governance	530	175	705	465	155	620
Consultancy	10,034	786	10,820			
Bank Charges	344	80	424	351	27	378
Insurance	1,508	444	1,952	1,473	321	1,794
Stationery & Postage	937	265	1,202	856	332	1,188
Other Expenses	2,399	1,462	3,861	7,166	2,124	9,290
	65,128	47,028	112,156	39,346	29,305	68,651
<b>Total</b>	<b>274,464</b>	<b>278,528</b>	<b>552,992</b>	<b>126,275</b>	<b>329,342</b>	<b>455,617</b>

In 2022 it was decided to separate Legal Fees from other Governance costs. This has been retrospectively applied to 2021 in order to provide a fair comparison.

## Notes to the Financial statements (continued)

### 8 Investments

	Current Investments	Fixed Asset Investments	Total
	£	£	£
Carrying (fair) value at beginning of period	-	100,000	100,000
Additions during period	-	50,000	50,000
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-	(22,588)	(22,588)
<b>Carrying (fair) value at end of year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127,412</b>	<b>127,412</b>

### 9 Funds Summary

Fund	Balance at 1/9/2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried Forward
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted</b>					
Beyond Support	-	22,500	9,167	-	13,333
Door of Hope	-	14,350	164,369	150,019 <sup>1</sup>	-
Axis Foundation	1,279	-	486	-	793
MOPAC VAWG	6,389	50,000	48,391	-	7,998
Church Welfare Assn	-	33,500	33,500	-	-
Samworth Foundation	-	57,000	22,615	-	34,385
Staffing Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Sub-total	27,668	177,350	278,528	150,019	76,509
<b>Unrestricted (Designated)</b>					
Door of Hope	2,609	122,829	-	(125,438)	-
Covid Reserve	80,000	-	-	(80,000) <sup>2</sup>	-
Future Salaries	100,000	-	-	(100,000) <sup>2</sup>	-
Sophie Memorial	4,730	-	1,615	-	3,115
Sub-total	187,339	122,829	1,615	(305,438)	3,115
<b>Unrestricted (General)</b>					
General funds	191,256	211,012	272,849	155,419	284,838
Revaluation reserve	20,000	-	22,588	-	(2,588)
Sub-total	211,256	211,012	295,437	155,419	282,250
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>426,263</b>	<b>511,191</b>	<b>575,580</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>361,874</b>

<sup>1</sup> Transferred from Door of Hope designated fund and General unrestricted funds to cover Door of Hope costs that exceeded the restricted income.

<sup>2</sup> Designated funds for the Covid Reserve and for Future Salaries have had their designation removed at the request of the Board of Trustees.

## Notes to the Financial statements (continued)

### Previous year funds

Fund	Balance at 1/9/2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried Forward
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted</b>					
Beyond Support	1,000	29,500	30,500	-	-
Door of Hope	-	26,982	151,642	124,660	-
Axis Foundation	3,066	-	1,787	-	1,279
Covid-19 Response	1,732	-	1,732	-	-
MOPAC VAWG	-	24,855	18,466	-	6,389
Impact & Development	10,982	33,500	62,693	18,211	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	830	27,500	28,380	50	-
Samworth Foundation	-	5,850	5,850	-	-
Smallwood Trust	-	28,292	28,292	-	-
Staffing Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Sub-total	37,610	176,479	329,342	142,921	27,668
<b>Unrestricted (Designated)</b>					
Door of Hope	10,481	116,788	-	(124,661)	2,608
Covid Reserve	-	-	-	80,000	80,000
Future Salaries	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
Sophie Memorial	4,731	-	-	-	4,731
Sub-total	115,212	116,788	-	(44,661)	187,339
<b>Unrestricted (General)</b>					
General funds	201,491	214,300	126,275	(98,260)	191,256
Revaluation reserve	2,599	17,401	-	-	20,000
Sub-total	204,090	231,701	126,275	(98,260)	211,256
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>356,912</b>	<b>524,968</b>	<b>455,617</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>426,263</b>

## Notes to the Financial statements (continued)

### 10 Stock

	Stock £
<b>Charitable Activities</b>	
Opening	323
Added in period	-
Expensed in period	(152)
Impaired	
<b>Closing</b>	<b>171</b>
<b>Other Trading Activities</b>	
Opening	714
Added in period	-
Expensed in period	-
Impaired	
<b>Closing</b>	<b>714</b>
<b>Total this year</b>	<b>885</b>
Total previous year	1,037

All stock listed above is for resale rather than for distribution.

### 11 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	1,445	-
Prepayments and Accrued Income:	32,765	21,550
	<u>34,210</u>	<u>21,550</u>

### 12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals and deferred income	104,750	55,525
Other Creditors	22,755	4,466
	<u>127,505</u>	<u>59,991</u>

### 13 Leases

Total future minimum lease payments, including service charges, are as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	19,710	19,710
Between one and two years	19,710	19,710
Between two and five years	35,640	55,350
Later than five years	-	-
	<u>75,060</u>	<u>94,770</u>

### 14 Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Net income (as per the SOFA)</b>	(64,389)	69,351
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Debtors	(1,445)	-
Accrued Income	(8,130)	(565)
Prepaid Expenditures	(3,085)	310
Stock Asset	152	(270)
Creditors	1,371	390
Accruals	(4,775)	4,325
Other Payroll Deductions	3,935	(1,194)
Tax & National Insurance	10,668	-
Unearned Income	54,000	1,000
VAT Control & Suspense	2,316	652
	<u>(9,383)</u>	<u>73,990</u>

### 15 Related parties

The charity received donations from related parties of £420 (2021: £685) during the year. No conditions were attached.

There was no remuneration to any trustee during the year. A total of £242 expenses were reimbursed.

The key management staff, Mark Wakeling and Josephine Knowles, are co-founders and are related.

The charity received grant funding of £33,500 from The Church Welfare Association, for which Mark Wakeling, Laurence Singlehurst, Lorraine Briffitt, and Hugo Foxwood are on the board of trustees.

There have been no other transactions involving related parties. Saffery Champness provided consultancy services of £2,400 to the charity during the year. Liz Brierley is a consultant and ex-partner of the firm and was appointed as Trustee after the year end.

### 16 Independent Examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £705 (2021 - £625).

# Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Beyond the Streets

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2022 which are set out on pages 25 to 37.

## **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

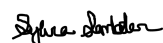
## **Independent examiner's statement**

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

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

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

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



Signed:

Name: Sylvia Helen Lambden FCCA

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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The date upon which my opinion is expressed is:-

21st June 2023