

**DASH (DESTITUTE ASYLUM SEEKERS HUDDERSFIELD) registered name of
IASK (Immigration and Asylum Support Kirklees) which is the operating name.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 MARCH 2024

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Registered Charity Number:1181825

COMPANY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees

Pete Evans	Chair
Karen Wood	Treasurer
Allison Porter	Secretary
Mohammad Mohsen Usyan	
Mohannad Almohammad	
Julie Park	
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Registered Charity Number

1181825

Registered office

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 which is also prepared to meet the requirements for a trustees' report and accounts for the Charities Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Constitution and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities.

Objectives and Activities

To relieve the needs of refugees and asylum seekers and their dependents in Kirklees and the surrounding area who are destitute or at risk of destitution, by any such charitable means as the trustees shall think fit.

To advance the education of such refugees and asylum seekers and their dependents so as to advance them in life and assist them to adapt within a new community.

To advance the education of the public in general about the issues relating to refugees and those seeking asylum.

Public Benefit Statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Financial Review

Income for the year is shown as £215,107 (2023: £247,672) and this is mostly from grant funding which is listed in the notes to the accounts. Expenditure is shown as £215,861 (2023: £207,699) with a yearend carry forward of funds balance of £99,117 (2023: £148,245).

Reserves policy

The trustees are aiming to set aside six months running costs in addition to any redundancy costs for paid staff, this would make our target for reserve to stand at £117,931. As at 31 March 2024 free reserves less fixed assets were £109,395.

Reference and administrative details, Advisors and Trustees

These are all specified on page 2

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The Constitution was last amended on 31st Jan 2019.

Risk management

The trustees have considered the risks to which the charity is exposed and have put in place appropriate controls to provide reasonable assurance against loss and damage.

Chairs Report

Immigration and Asylum Support Kirklees Annual Report 2023 – 2024

This year's report takes you on a journey through the milestones, challenges, and triumphs of our services for individuals and families seeking asylum and support in Kirklees. From success stories to the positive impact, we've had on our client and volunteer group, this report showcases the progress made over the last year, the resilience of those we support, and the unwavering commitment of our team.

Overview of IASK

IASK provides a range of services to support people seeking asylum and refugees in Kirklees. We deliver our services via our Welcome Clubs and one to one appointment basis.

Our welcome club is a one stop hub for clients to access services below:

- **Legal Services:** Asylum and Immigration Advice – providing clients with legal advice in relation to their asylum matter.
- **Welfare Services:** Assisting clients with their welfare needs while they navigate their asylum journey.
- **Post Decision Services:** assisting clients in settling down in Kirklees after obtaining their leave to remain
- **Welcome Mentor:** Volunteer programme to assist clients in accessing services in Kirklees:
- **Welcome Walks** – wellbeing walks being held every fortnight with designated Walk leaders leading client to walk on different trails in Kirklees.
- **SIP interview preparation project** – helping clients to be prepared and gain confidence to attend their asylum substantive interview
- **Welcome Club Partner services** – This Way 4 English, International New Arrival Team, Kirklees Library, CLEAR, Lawrence Batley Theatre.
- **Community Champions and Voices:** A group of volunteers delivering wellbeing and health messages to clients and run target groups.

Launch of IASK in October 2023 –

The launch of IASK represents an important change, featuring a new brand identity and a fresh look. This includes the launch of a user-friendly website aimed at improving accessibility and providing essential resources for asylum seekers and refugees. The new branding showcases our dedication to offering high-quality support and services across Kirklees and ensuring that clients feel welcomed and supported throughout their journey.

- **Legal Services:** Provided legal advice and consultations, including communication with the Home Office and solicitors, 1,332 times. Successfully assisted 115 **individuals** with their asylum, appeals, and immigration matters.
- **Welcome Club attendance:** Clients have accessed our Welcome Clubs 5884 times!
- **Welfare Services:** Assisted clients 2596 times by offering critical welfare support throughout their asylum journey.
- **Post Decision Services:** Provided 495 consultations to individuals and families to help them settle in Kirklees after receiving leave to remain
- **Welcome Mentor Buddying and Befriending:** Paired clients 992 times with mentors, aiding them in accessing key services across Kirklees.
- **Welcome Walks:** Organised 38 wellbeing walks with designated leaders, promoting physical and mental health among participants.
- **SIP Interview Preparation Project:** Prepared 49 clients for their asylum substantive interviews, increasing their confidence and success rate
- **Welcome Club Partner Services:** Partnered with organizations like This Way 4 English, International New Arrival Team, Kirklees Library, CLEAR, and Lawrence Batley Theatre, benefiting number of clients through these services
- **Community Champions and Voices:** 7 active volunteers in delivering wellbeing and health messages to the community, running targeted support groups for vulnerable individuals.

Major challenges faced by IASK throughout the year, including:

- **Funding Limitations:** IASK's limited funding restricts the expansion of essential services, including legal advice, welfare support, and employment assistance. This impacts our ability to meet the growing demand.

- **Overburdened Housing Systems:** The local housing system is under significant strain due to increased demand, making it difficult to secure stable accommodation for single clients with leave to remain, raising the risk of homelessness.
- **Mental Health Impacts:** Prolonged asylum processes cause anxiety and emotional distress among clients, which affects their ability to engage in programs and settle, requiring additional mental health support.
- **Changes in Immigration Policies:** Frequent policy changes create uncertainty for asylum seekers, complicating IASK's ability to offer timely legal advice and requiring constant updates to adapt our services.

IASK's success is deeply rooted in the incredible dedication of our volunteers. They play a crucial role in delivering our services, from helping clients navigate complex asylum processes to offering emotional and practical support.

- Volunteers supported IASK by interpreting, offering services, befriending, organising welcome walks, and providing a weekly hot lunch at our Welcome Clubs.
- More than 85 volunteers contributed a total of 8310 hours this year, ensuring that IASK could expand its reach and impact across Kirklees.

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all the individuals, organisations, and volunteers who have supported IASK this year. Your contributions, time, resources and expertise, have made a significant difference in the lives of many...

Trustees' Responsibilities Statement

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and 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 2019 (FRS 102);
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the governing document. 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.

This report was approved on behalf of the Trustees

Pete Evans
3rd January 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024

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 Charities Act 2011 and in carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

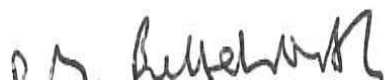
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 if the 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; or

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.

Date 3rd January 2025



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Notes		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds 2024 £	Funds 2024 £	funds 2024 £	funds 2023 £
1	Incoming resources				
2	Donations and legacies	24,879	190,228	215,107	247,672
	Total income	<u>24,879</u>	<u>190,228</u>	<u>215,107</u>	<u>247,672</u>
	Expenditure on charitable activities				
	Staff costs	6,278	162,048	168,326	146,178
	Destitution support	-	3,662	3,662	22,237
	Client telecommunications and data	-	2,248	2,248	11,013
	Client support – legal and translation costs	-	12,742	12,742	1,094
	Other Client support	-	5,347	5,347	6,965
	Volunteer expenses	-	3,855	3,855	4,215
	Travel	-	112	112	118
	Rent	1,483	4,660	6,143	6,012
	Admin costs	6,841	886	7,727	6,213
	Computer equipment	2,464	-	2,464	1,413
	Insurance	1,865	-	1,865	1,723
	Events and fundraising	170	-	170	518
	Accountancy	1,200	-	1,200	-
	Total expenditure	<u>20,301</u>	<u>195,560</u>	<u>215,861</u>	<u>207,699</u>
	Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	<u>4,578</u>	<u>(5,332)</u>	<u>(754)</u>	<u>39,973</u>
	Reconciliation of funds				
	Total funds brought forward	148,245	48,088	196,333	156,360
	Funds transfer	(59,984)	59,984	-	-
	Total funds carried forward	<u><u>99,117</u></u>	<u><u>96,462</u></u>	<u><u>195,579</u></u>	<u><u>196,333</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	263,111	196,333
Debtors	12,261	-
Total current assets	<u>275,372</u>	<u>196,333</u>
5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(7,057)	-
Deferred Income	(72,736)	-
Net current assets	<u>195,579</u>	<u>196,333</u>
Total assets	<u>195,579</u>	<u>196,333</u>
 Represented by:		
Designated funds - reserves	109,395	148,245
Restricted funds	86,184	48,088
Total Funds	<u>195,579</u>	<u>196,333</u>

These financial statements were approved on behalf of the Trustees

Pete Evans

3rd January 2024

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

a) Basis of preparation

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS102)" ("the Charities SORP") and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

b) Income

Income from grants is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

c) Restricted Funds

Restricted funds are used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets the criteria is identified to the fund together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

d) General Funds

Unrestricted Funds are other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are all available as general funds.

Designated Funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside for use for a specific purpose.

e) Resources expended

DASH (Destitute Asylum Seekers Huddersfield) is not VAT registered.

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

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f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its useful life

g) Fund Accounting

Funds held by the charity are either restricted funds or unrestricted general funds. Unrestricted funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

h) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where there is a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

i) Pensions

DASH (Destitute Asylum Seekers Huddersfield) are contracted to NEST to provide their workplace pension scheme.

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2	Donations and legacies	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£
	Tudor Trust	-	32,000	32,000	34,000
	National Lottery Grant Fund	-	47,890	47,890	47,890
	Refugee Action	-	7,464	7,464	-
	Justice Fund (JTI)	-	29,232	29,232	-
	Third Sector Leaders	-	42,991	42,991	3,200
	Blue Thread	-	2,000	2,000	32,090
	James Reckett Fund	-	-	-	15,400
	AB Sainsburys	-	-	-	7,500
	Kirklees MC	-	10,000	10,000	35,000
	Sanctuary Kirklees	-	-	-	4,932
	One Community	-	9,637	9,637	-
	SW Yorkshire Partnership	-	4,500	4,500	-
	Client Support Fund	-	4,514	4,514	-
	Donations	24,879	-	24,879	21,233
		<u>24,879</u>	<u>190,228</u>	<u>215,107</u>	<u>247,672</u>

3	Restricted Funds	At 1 April 2023	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Funds Transfer	At 31 March 2024
		£	£	£	£	£
	Tudor Trust	17,721	32,000	(33,318)	2,039	18,442
	Kirklees Met Council	15,377	10,000	(21,748)	-	3,629
	Blue Thread	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
	National Lottery	-	47,890	(44,207)	10,405	14,088
	Refugee Action	-	7,464	(7,464)	-	-
	Justice Fund (JTI)	7,720	29,232	(33,597)	-	3,355
	AB Sainsburys	-	-	-	15,000	15,000
	James Reckett Fund	-	-	(1,934)	15,984	14,050
	Just Giving Fund	4,405	-	-	-	4,405
	Third Sector Leaders	2,067	42,991	(43,964)	-	1,094
	One Community	-	9,637	(2,016)	-	7,621
	SW Yorkshire Partnership	-	4,500	-	-	4,500
	Client Support Fund	798	4,514	(5,312)	-	-
		<u>48,088</u>	<u>190,228</u>	<u>(195,560)</u>	<u>43,428</u>	<u>86,184</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

4. Trustees’ remuneration

No remuneration was paid to the trustees during the year (2023: £nil)

5	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
		£	£
	Trade creditors	869	-
	Social security and other taxes	4,920	-
	Accruals	1,268	-
		7,057	-

6 Control

The charity is under control of the trustees

