



ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the period ended 31 March 2023



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MOTHERSHARE

The Shop at, Coal Lane, Halifax, HX2 9PG

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Trustees, report for the period ending 31 March 2023

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors.

The trustees during the financial period and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Kimberley Sheddon	Chair	Appointed September
2019 Jaqueline Taylor		Appointed
September 2019		
Olivia Dunn		Appointed September
2019		
Catherine Maun		Appointed May 2023
Emma Parker		Appointed October
2023		
Trevor Snell		Appointed February
2023		
Angela Shaw		Appointed October
2023		

Charity Number

The charity was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, number 1185295, on 13th September 2019

Principal Address

Shop at Coal Lane End Farm
Coal Lane
Causeway Foot
Halifax
HX2 9PG

Bankers

Yorkshire Bank Plc
7 Waterhouse Street
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Independent Examiner

Dorothy Tansley
7 Hebble Vale Drive
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Halifax
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Structure, governance and management

The charity is governed by a constitution adopted on 13 September 2019.
The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) formed on 13 September 2019.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees.

The trustees of the charity are appointed/reappointed by the members at the AGM.

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Trustees are recruited by advertisement and interview.

Trustees, report (continued) for the period ending 31 March 2022

The charity's objectives and activities

Objectives

The prevention and relief of poverty among socially and or economically disadvantaged families and pregnant women in Calderdale and the surrounding areas, who are unable to provide essential equipment, clothing and other items for babies and children. Supplying them with such items free of charge through a referral service from external agencies.

Activities

Mothershare became a CIO on 13 September 2019, having been founded by two sisters in June 2015.

We are based in Ogden, Halifax and work on a referral basis to provide/loan essential items to families and children from birth to late teens. Our referrals come from local statutory agencies including Calderdale Council Family Intervention team, Midwives, Health Visitors, The Women's Refuge, The Women's Centre, Schools, West Yorkshire Police, Healthy Mums and many more.

Examples of the essential items we provide/loan are:

- A maternity and new born pack for a Mum to enable her to leave hospital.
- A cot, mattress and bedding to families whose baby does not have a safe place to sleep.
- Safety gates to families in rented accommodation with no internal door.
- A pram to allow mum to get out and about.
- Boxes of essential items to schools so that pupils have e.g., a warm coat
- A bundle of essential clothes and items to families finding themselves homeless after fleeing abusive situations.
- Hygiene packs of basic essentials, to families struggling with the cost of living.
- Birthday bundles which include, presents, a cake, sweets to share at school, banners and a card. Ensuring no child feels left out.

We provide a 24/7 service throughout Calderdale and have one permanent paid member of staff and a team of valued volunteers who help to raise funds, sort donations in our stockroom, collate items for each referral and deliver them. We could not provide our service without them.

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The items we provide/loan either come from kind donations of new and used items from the public or items we purchase from our fundraising efforts. There are some items we have to buy new, mainly, cot mattresses, safety gates and underwear.

We have received donation of money, time and essential items from many local businesses and grants from The Community Foundation for Calderdale and Calderdale Council, Morrisons and Arnold Clark.

Trustees, report (continued) for the period ending 31 March 2022

Public benefit statement

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

Achievements and Performance

During 2022/2023

The rising cost of living and fuel price increases have put a strain on families with limited means.

This has resulted in an increase in the number of referrals we receive. It has been a challenging year for us as we rely mainly on our volunteers to collate items for the referrals and deliver them to the families. Some of the social workers and midwives also collect the items they request.

We continue to be extremely busy and have supported refugees alongside the local families who continue to struggle for a variety of different reasons.

The hygiene packs we have been able to provide with a grant from Arnold Clark, are very well received. These packs included essential cleaning products such as washing powder, anti-bacterial spray and bleach and personal hygiene products such as wipes, shower gel, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes and toothpaste, toilet rolls, tissues and soap. This has allowed families to use their limited funds more effectively.

Our trustees and volunteers have undertaken fund raising events such as a charity 60 mile walk and table top sales of surplus items at the local church. We also rely on kind donations from local businesses.

At Christmas, we were very busy and provided many children with Christmas presents and Christmas Eve boxes who would otherwise have received nothing. These referrals come from schools, social workers and the local home for young and vulnerable children and teens. The local community provide these gifts by individuals being a sponsor. They are provided with an age and sex for a child and they buy an appropriate gift.

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We also provide Birthday Bundles as we believe birthdays are special. Our bundles contain a cake with candles, gifts, a goodie bag (allowing children to share sweets with their schoolfriends), banners and a card.

We receive some amazing feedback, showing appreciation for what we do. This is usually received verbally from the agencies we deal with, e.g. midwives and social workers.

Financial review

The net receipts for the period were £24,265. This total includes net receipts of £18,265 on unrestricted funds and net receipts of £6,000 on restricted funds.

Trustees, report (continued) for the period ending 31 March 2022

Reserve's policy

The charity's free reserves at the period end were £21,088.

Our reserves policy is to hold approximately 6 months of unrestricted expenditure plus additional amounts, calculated using a risk-based approach.

Our target reserve equates to £11,570. The current level of reserve is therefore £9,518 above the amount calculated by our reserve policy.

The board will continue to monitor the level of reserves on a regular basis and take action to reduce running costs or increase income through applying for grants and fundraising activities as necessary.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees

SignedC A Maun.....
17/01/24.....

Date

Name...Catherine Maun ...(Trustee)

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Mothershare Charitable Incorporated Organisation ('the CIO'). Charity Number 1185295

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the period ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 9

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the CIO, 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 CIO's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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

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:

Accounting records were not kept in respect of the CIO as required by section 130 of the Act, or

The accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed ...

Name... Dorothy Tansley

Relevant professional qualification or body. Retired Bank Official

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Date... 10th January 2024

Address.

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Wheatley
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Receipts and Payments Account

For the period ending 31 March 2023

	2022/23 Unrestricted Funds £	2022/23 Restricted Funds £	2022/23 Total Funds £
Receipts			
Sales	817	-	817
Grants and Donations	(2) 18,265	6,000	23,448
Total Receipts	18,265	6,000	24,265
Payments			
Running cost inc Utilities	4,826		4,826
Travel costs			
Rent	4,916	5,080	9,996
Events/Fundraising cost	496		496
Salaries	(3) 8,303	223	8526
Equipment/Referrals	785	593	1378
Total Payments	19,327	5,895	25,222
Net Receipts	-1,362	105	957
Balance B/F	22,150	10,761	32,911
Fund Balance carried forward	21,088	10,865	31,953

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at March 31 2023

	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £
Cash funds			
Cash at Bank	21,088	10,865	31,953
Cash in hand			
Total cash fund	21,088	10,865	31,953
Assets retained for the charity's own use			
Laptop and printer			
Liabilities			
None			0

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Approval of the accounts

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on

Date17/01/24.....

Signed *C A Maun*..... (Trustee)

NameCatherine Maun

Notes to the Accounts for the period ending 31 March 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

Taxation

As a charity, the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, on the use of the funds. (see note 4)

2. Grants and donations	2022/23	2022/23	2022/23
	Unrestrict ed funds £	Restrict ed funds £	Total funds £
CFFC	3,381		3,381
Arnold Clark		1,000	1,000
Sales	817		817
Morisons	5,250		5,250
Lloyds/Halifax		5,000	5,000
Donations	5,353		5,353
Unrestricted Grants/other	3,464		3,464
Total	18,265	6,000	24,265

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3. Staff costs and numbers

	2022/23
	£
Gross salaries	8,526
	<u>8,526</u>

The average number of employees during the period was 1. There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000

4. Restricted funds	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Balance C/F £
Nth Halifax Ward Forum	500	48	452
Tesco	1,106	448	658
Lloyds Halifax	5,000		5,000
Arnold Clark	1,000	97	903
Rent	5,080	5,080	-
			-
	<u>12,686</u>	<u>5,673</u>	<u>7,013</u>

Fund Name	Purpose of restriction
Nth Halifax Ward Forum	Towards weaning kits (sippy cups, bowls, spoons)
Tesco	Cots and Mattresses
Rent	XS funds from closure of BPB moved to cover rent
Lloyds/Halifax	Towards Purchase of a vehicle
Arnold Clark	Hygiene products

5. Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this period

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this period