

# Hope Pregnancy Advice Centre

Report and Accounts  
Year ended 31 March 2024

**HOPE PREGNANCY ADVICE CENTRE  
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	53 Drayton Green West Ealing W13 0JE
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Constitution dated 20 December 2019
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1187074
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Froukje Cradock Lourens du Plessis Andrew Rae (resigned 24 May 2024) Marta Willcox John Silva (appointed 3 September 2024)

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**HOPE PREGNANCY ADVICE CENTRE**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Objects of the charity**

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are:

- a) to preserve and protect the health and well-being of women & their unborn children from the point of conception as well as their families in accordance with Christian principles as set out in the statement of beliefs by such means as the trustees may consider appropriate in the west London area and in such other parts of the united kingdom or the world as the trustees may from time to time think fit,
- b) to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick and to relieve the distress caused thereby in accordance with Christian principles, particularly by the provision of advice and assistance to women and their partners and families who are experiencing unplanned or unwanted pregnancy or suffering from any physical or mental illness, distress or poverty during or as a result of pregnancy or following abortion, miscarriage, cot death, still birth, loss of a child, rape or other sexual abuse,
- c) to advance the Christian religion, and
- d) the advancement of education in the subject of pregnancy and the termination of pregnancy and into the effects thereof upon women.

**Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements**

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

In preparation for welcoming and serving clients according to the stated charity objectives, a group of five volunteers began and completed a pregnancy crisis counselling training course in the winter and spring of 2022. This is a 60-hour course recognised by the Association of Christian Counsellors as a pastoral care with counselling skills course, and brought the total number of trained volunteers to nine. Since then we have engaged a supervisor to oversee our volunteer operations, as well as continued to meet as a volunteer team to discuss relevant client issues.

In October of 2022 our charity went live as we launched a new website, phone line, and made final preparations to serve local women. Since October of 2022 and through this financial year, we have been networking with churches and registered charities in order to raise awareness and reach women in Ealing and the West London area. In addition, we have raised funds with the purpose of renting a building in Ealing, which will anchor our work and allow us to reach women within the community more effectively.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

**Financial review**

During the year income decreased by £29,675, to £13,087, and expenditure decreased by £3,548, to £2,013. As a result the cash held by the charity increased by £11,074, to £50,124, of which all is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

**Reserves policy**

The trustees do not currently have a formal reserves policy as the charity is still new. The level of reserves is monitored regularly, and the trustees anticipate that most of the current reserves will be spent in setting up of the charity's services. Once formal fundraising efforts commence, the trustees will establish a formal reserves policy according to budgetary projections.

**Governance**

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a volunteer centre manager, attached to the International Presbyterian Church Ealing. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the elders and trustees of International Presbyterian Church Ealing.

**Relationships with other charities and related parties**

While the charity is independent, and the trustees independently act for this charity, new trustees are initially appointed by the trustees of the International Presbyterian Church Ealing, who provided the impetus for starting this charity.

**Risk statement**

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

**Responsibilities of trustees**

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

**Approval**

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

*Laurens du Plessis*

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LOURENS DU PLESSIS

Date: 3 September 2024

HOPE PREGNANCY ADVICE CENTRE

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		Unrestricted Funds			
		General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	
Notes		£	£	£	2024 £
					2023 £
<b>Income receipts</b>					
Donations		12,415	-	-	12,415
Gift aid receipts		672	-	-	672
		<u>13,087</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,087</u>
<b>Capital and similar receipts</b>					
Sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Sale of investments		-	-	-	-
Loan repayments		-	-	-	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>13,087</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,087</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	2,013	-	-	2,013
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>2,013</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,013</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before		11,074	-	-	11,074
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>11,074</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,074</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		39,050	-	-	39,050
<b>Cash funds at this year end</b>	A	<u>50,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,124</u>

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

**HOPE PREGNANCY ADVICE CENTRE**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted funds	2024	2023
		General funds	Designated funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>A Cash funds</b>						
Cash at bank with immediate access		50,124	-	-	50,124	39,050
		<u>50,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,124</u>	<u>39,050</u>

**D Assets retained for charity's own use**

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost
			£
Computers and IT		General	360
Furniture		General	100
			<u>460</u>

**F Guarantees and secured debts**

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

*Lourens du Plessis*

LOURENS DU PLESSIS

Date: 3 September 2024

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**HOPE PREGNANCY ADVICE CENTRE**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**1 Accounting policies**

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>				
	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly</b>					
Website, marketing & software	693	-	-	693	1,493
Safeguarding	60	-	-	60	62
Legal & insurance	560	-	-	560	610
Supervision & training	160	-	-	160	-
Rent & lease deposit	-	-	-	-	2,500
Supplies (office, client, materials)	-	-	-	-	381
Bank charges	60	-	-	60	62
Independent examination	480	-	-	480	-
Asset purchases	-	-	-	-	454
	<u>2,013</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,013</u>	<u>5,561</u>

**3 Transactions with related parties**

While not strictly a related party, the charity received £5,125 (2023: £4,500) during this period from the International Presbyterian Church Ealing. There were no transactions with related parties.