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Charity registration number: 1187138

The Box Foundation

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024



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Trustees' Report

Chair's Foreword:

Following a substantial capital programme of redevelopment, The Box opened to critical acclaim in September 2020. Much of the work of The Box Foundation to this point had been focused on capital fundraising. Subsequently The Box Foundation went through a period of transition as the Chair of the Foundation, Janet Turner, stepped down. Following my appointment as Chair in October 2022, the board has been expanded and there are now four trustees in place.

We are committed to supporting the educational work of The Box. The trustees have now agreed a formal process of granting funds to The Box, and we have secured gift aid on donations.

The Box Foundation appointed new auditors in autumn 2023 and have also engaged the work of a charitable legal specialist to clarify and support the trustees in seeking to deliver on their core fundraising objectives.

Quarterly board meetings take place at The Box and trustees of the Foundation are kept up to date on the activities of The Box. It is important to note that The Box Foundation has no governance oversight on the strategic and operational delivery at The Box. This is the purview of Arca.

Looking ahead, the trustees of the Foundation will be able to contribute to The Box's strategic ambitions through the allocation of funds. We particularly welcome the delivery of their high-quality artistic programme and the way in which this is linked to learning outcomes for children and young people, adults and underserved communities in Plymouth, Devon and Cornwall.

As the work of The Box gathers momentum, we are delighted to be able to support its work. The trustees of The Box Foundation are impressed by the impact that The Box is having at a local, regional and national level. Recent exhibitions have generated considerable media coverage and we are pleased to see that the work of The Box is helping put Plymouth back on the map.

We are grateful to the support that The Box receives from Arts Council England and Plymouth City Council but recognise that decreasing levels of public investment in the arts and culture are having a detrimental impact on some of the most deprived communities. The Box Foundation is committed to securing additional funding for learning and educational activities. Our focus for the year ahead is on generating increased funding for the work of The Box.

Hamish Anderson
November 2024

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Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2024, in compliance with s414C of the Companies Act 2006.

Achievements and performance

Given the appointment of a new Chair and trustees, the Charity has not yet developed a Business Plan, however, certain ad hoc charitable activities and minor fundraising was carried out. £2,500 was received from the University of Plymouth, Get Involved awards and general donations were received to the value of £54,601.

Financial review

Policy on reserves

The policy allocates money from unrestricted fund balances, which are not invested in fixed assets, to be used in the event of the closure of The Box Foundation. This fund provides for the costs of dissolution should the charity be unable to continue. It is only to be used in the event of the Trustees' deciding the charity should cease to exist.


The Charity has had no fixed overhead commitments due to the donation of resources by Plymouth City Council. Neither has the Charity committed to deliver any particular activities during this period.

Plans for future periods

Aims and key objectives for future periods

Due to the slower than anticipated recovery from lockdown and following the appointment of a new chair, a full business plan will be created by the Trustees in relation to future charitable activities and fundraising. Based on the existing fundraising to date, the Trustees are confident that The Box Foundation will be able to attract significant donated funds and third party grants thus enabling meaningful financial support for The Box and the aims of the Charity to be met for the future. Additional trustees were appointed and further trustees will be appointed during the coming year to enable a thorough review of all policies and drive further fund raising.

The strategic report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 11th Dec '24 and signed on its behalf by:


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Hamish Anderson
Trustee

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Trustees' Report

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The aims and objectives of the Charity are to advance the education of the public community within the City of Plymouth and the surrounding county of Devon, and worldwide for the public benefit in relation to culture, the arts, history and heritage and the environment in particular but without limitation through the museum, galleries and archival facilities contained within The Box museum and St Luke's Church premises in the City of Plymouth.

Objectives, strategies and activities

The Box is a major new museum, art gallery and archive for Plymouth and the South West. Its activities are led by Plymouth City Council, trading through Arca (Plymouth) Ltd. The capital project was supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, Arts Council England and many more organisations. A large proportion of the revenue costs of The Box are met through Arts Council England and Plymouth City Council.

Public benefit

The trustees are able to confirm that, whilst reviewing the Charity's objectives and planned future activities, reference has been made to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's revised general guidance on public benefit.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the memorandum and articles of association, and constitutes a charitable company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The recruitment of additional trustee directors and the implementation of the full suite of governance arrangements had formally to be put on hold at the start of the first lockdown in the Spring of 2020. Once recruitment of new trustees is complete the trustees will be able to adopt a full suite of policies, during the next financial year. During this current period the trustees have continued to manage the administration of the Charity so far as necessary to control risk, ensure prudent conduct of financial affairs and ensure appropriate compliance.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of The Box Foundation for the purposes of company law) 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 FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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, comprising FRS 102 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 charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 11th Dec 24 and signed on its behalf by:



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Hamish Anderson
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of The Box Foundation ('the Company')

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of The Box Foundation as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

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Adam Croney ACA,
Westcotts (SW) LLP
Plym House
3 Longbridge Road
Plymouth
Marsh Mills
Devon
PL6 8LT

Date:.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	56,400	-	56,400	50,695
Total income		56,400	-	56,400	50,695
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	(9,874)	-	(9,874)	(10,693)
Total expenditure		(9,874)	-	(9,874)	(10,693)
Net income		46,526	-	46,526	40,002
Net movement in funds		46,526	-	46,526	40,002
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		70,666	16,134	86,800	46,798
Total funds carried forward	13	117,192	16,134	133,326	86,800

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2023 is shown in note 13.

The notes on pages 8 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

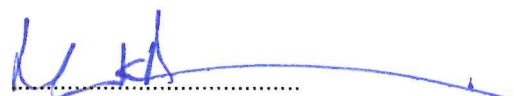
	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	-	865
Current assets			
Debtors	10	2,075	765
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>135,811</u>	<u>111,865</u>
		137,886	112,630
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(4,560)</u>	<u>(26,695)</u>
Net current assets		<u>133,326</u>	<u>85,935</u>
Net assets		<u><u>133,326</u></u>	<u><u>86,800</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds		16,134	16,134
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>117,192</u>	<u>70,666</u>
Total funds	13	<u><u>133,326</u></u>	<u><u>86,800</u></u>

For the financial year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Trustees' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

11th Dec '24 The financial statements on pages 6 to 16 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:



Hamish Anderson
Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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

1 Charity status

The charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales, and consequently does not have share capital.

The address of its registered office is:

Ballard House
West Hoe Road
Plymouth
Devon
PL1 3BJ

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

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

Statement of compliance

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 (FRS 102)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

The Box Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

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

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Legacy gifts are recognised on a case by case basis following the grant of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the charity.

Grants receivable

Grant income is recognised on an accrual basis at the point the grant is awarded, the income is likely to be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Deferred income

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which, it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

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

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Furniture and equipment	25% Straight line

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

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

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Financial instruments

Classification

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	56,400	56,400	
	<u>56,400</u>	<u>56,400</u>	
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	43,086	-	43,086
Legacies	-	698	698
Gift aid reclaimed	6,911	-	6,911
	<u>49,997</u>	<u>698</u>	<u>50,695</u>

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	
Allocated support costs	2,494	2,494	
Governance costs	7,380	7,380	
	<u>9,874</u>	<u>9,874</u>	
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Allocated support costs	2,353	250	2,603
Governance costs	8,090	-	8,090
	<u>10,443</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>10,693</u>

In addition to the expenditure analysed above, there are also governance costs of £7,380 (2023 - £8,090) which relate directly to charitable activities. See note 5 for further details.

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5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £
Legal fees	2,520	2,520
Allocated support costs	4,860	4,860
	<u>7,380</u>	<u>7,380</u>

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £
Allocated support costs	8,090	8,090
	<u>8,090</u>	<u>8,090</u>

6 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming resources for the year include:

	2024 £	2023 £
Audit fees	1,400	1,250
Other non-audit services	2,400	2,250
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>865</u>	<u>866</u>

7 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

8 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

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

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	3,462	3,462
At 31 March 2024	3,462	3,462
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	2,597	2,597
Charge for the year	865	865
At 31 March 2024	3,462	3,462
Net book value		
At 31 March 2024	-	-
At 31 March 2023	865	865

10 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Other debtors	2,075	765

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank	135,811	111,865

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals	4,560	4,200
Deferred income	-	22,495
	4,560	26,695

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

13 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
General				
General Funds	70,666	56,400	(9,874)	117,192
Restricted funds				
Royal Marine Exhibits	1,515	-	-	1,515
The Box Community Food Project	3,804	-	-	3,804
Attrill Bursary	10,815	-	-	10,815
	<u>16,134</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,134</u>
Total funds	<u>86,800</u>	<u>56,400</u>	<u>(9,874)</u>	<u>133,326</u>
	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds				
General				
General Funds	31,112	49,997	(10,443)	70,666
Restricted funds				
Royal Marine Exhibits	1,515	-	-	1,515
The Box Community Food Project	3,804	-	-	3,804
Attrill Bursary	10,367	698	(250)	10,815
	<u>15,686</u>	<u>698</u>	<u>(250)</u>	<u>16,134</u>
Total funds	<u>46,798</u>	<u>50,695</u>	<u>(10,693)</u>	<u>86,800</u>

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

Description of restricted funds:

The Box Community Food Project funds are used to provide the local community with ingredients to be able to cook Christmas dinner.

Atrill Bursary funds are held for the purpose of providing grants to research in to public education of exhibitions within The Box.

Watershed Arts Trust funds were used for screenings of archived and heritage footage relating to The Box Foundation's archives.

Songlines Exhibition grant was to cover part of the travel costs of an author from Australia to attend exhibitions to give tours and lectures.

Royal Marine Exhibits funds were donated by Royal Marines Association and are to be used towards enhancing the Royal Marine exhibits.

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

14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2024 £
Current assets	121,752	16,134	137,886
Current liabilities	(4,560)	-	(4,560)
Total net assets	<u>117,192</u>	<u>16,134</u>	<u>133,326</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	865	-	865
Current assets	96,496	16,134	112,630
Current liabilities	(26,695)	-	(26,695)
Total net assets	<u>70,666</u>	<u>16,134</u>	<u>86,800</u>

15 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Unrestricted Funds

	Total Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies	<u>56,400</u>	<u>49,997</u>
Total income	<u>56,400</u>	<u>49,997</u>
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities	<u>(9,874)</u>	<u>(10,443)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(9,874)</u>	<u>(10,443)</u>
Net income	<u>46,526</u>	<u>39,554</u>
Net movement in funds	46,526	39,554
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	<u>70,666</u>	<u>31,112</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u>117,192</u>	<u>70,666</u>

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Statement of Financial Activities by fund for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Restricted Funds

	Total Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Restricted Funds 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies	-	698
Total income	-	698
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities	-	(250)
Total expenditure	-	(250)
Net income	-	448
Net movement in funds	-	448
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	16,134	15,686
Total funds carried forward	16,134	16,134

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

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Donations and legacies (analysed below)	<u>56,400</u>	<u>50,695</u>
Total income	<u>56,400</u>	<u>50,695</u>
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities (analysed below)	<u>(9,874)</u>	<u>(10,693)</u>
Total expenditure	<u>(9,874)</u>	<u>(10,693)</u>
Net income	<u>46,526</u>	<u>40,002</u>
Net movement in funds	46,526	40,002
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	<u>86,800</u>	<u>46,798</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u>133,326</u>	<u>86,800</u>

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

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Legacies and bequests	-	698
Appeals and donations	56,400	43,086
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	-	6,911
	<u>56,400</u>	<u>50,695</u>
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
General maintenance	-	(250)
Bank charges	(210)	(194)
Credit card charges	(1,419)	(1,293)
Depreciation of plant and machinery	(865)	(866)
Legal and professional fees	(2,520)	-
Accountancy fees	(4,860)	(4,277)
Legal and professional fees	-	(3,813)
	<u>(9,874)</u>	<u>(10,693)</u>