

BAGS FOR STRIFE

England & Wales · Charity number 1194111

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-04-16

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY LOSS THROUGH SUICIDE BY PROVIDING SUCH SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING AS THE TRUSTEES DEEM APPROPRIATE, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:-• EDUCATING MEMBERS OF SOCIETY OF THE IMPACT OF SUICIDE AND PROVIDING THEM WITH THE CAPABILITIES, COMPETENCIES, SKILLS AND UNDERSTANDING IN ORDER FOR THEM TO SUPPORT THOSE DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY LOSS THROUGH SUICIDE; AND • PROVIDING PRACTICAL SUPPORT BAGS TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY SUICIDE AND ADAPTED ACCORDINGLY TO HELP WITH MATTERS SUCH AS INFORMATION TO NAVIGATE THEIR PATH THROUGH THE IMMEDIACY OF PLANNING A FUNERAL, CONTACT WITH THE CORONER, MEDIA MANAGEMENT, EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND ADVICE TO HELP THEIR MENTAL HEALTH AND RESILIENCE BOTH FOR THE IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM. NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH [SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005] AND [SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008].

Activities: we provide a bag of support, help and advice to anyone bereaved by suicide

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£108,488	£67,855	-	-
2024-03-31	£50,726	£18,968	-	-
2023-03-31	£42,095	£17,814	-	-
2022-03-31	£51,289	£11,549	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colleen McMorran		2025-12-14
JUDITH DUGDALE		2021-04-04
annie allen		2021-04-04
natasha fell		2021-04-04
olivia allen		2021-04-04

Accounts

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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, activities and public benefit

The object of the CIO is the relief of those in need who have been affected by loss through suicide by providing such support, education and training as the trustees deem appropriate, in particular but not exclusively by;

- Educating members of society of the impact of suicide and providing them with the capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in order for them to support those directly affected by loss through suicide; and
- Providing practical support bags to those who have been affected by suicide and adapted accordingly to help with matters such as information to navigate their path through the immediacy of planning a funeral, contact with the coroner, media management, emotional support and advice to help their mental health and resilience both for the immediate and long term.

Bags for Strife is a charity set up by people who have lost loved ones to suicide. They have all experienced blame, anger, guilt and sadness. Now they want to share what helps them, to help those whose journey has just begun.

In establishing the objects and activities, the trustees have had due regard to the charity guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

The period to 31 March 2025 saw the trustees continue to run the charity in accordance with its aims. During the year ended March 2025 the charity provided over 1500 bags of support via direct enquiries, multiple police force partnerships, other agencies and charitable organisations. This brought the total since the charity started to over 3,250. During the year various trustees spoke at numerous events, appeared on BBC TV and Angela Allen, CEO, was invited to present a keynote speech at the Suicide and Co national event. Our brand continued to develop with a focused social media presence, aligned across all platforms. The trustees took the decision to trademark our name and several images that we use within our promotional material. In addition to this we continue to work with a distribution and warehouse company to maintain stock, pack and deliver bags. Due to inflationary rises the cost of providing a bag now is over £33. Whilst some costs will continue to rise the trustees are always looking for new partnerships to bring these costs down. Due to demand increasing in the year to 2025 our costs have increased significantly versus 2024, but the charity raised substantially more money in 2025 than in previous years due to a very successful "Stride for Bags" for run, Sunflower Ball and partnership with a number of Booth Supermarket Stores.

Financial review and reserves

Total income for the year was £106,931 and expenditure was £67,855. At the end of the year the charity had unrestricted funds of £136,412. The Trustees review reserves on a regular basis. The reserves policy is to ensure that there are enough reserves to be able to fulfil the provision of bags for 12 months, in the event of no donations for a period of time. On this basis, the minimum level of reserves considered to be adequate by the trustees is £60,000 (£15,000 in 2024). The increase is due to a combination of price rises for the contents of the bag and the average number of bags being provide each month increasing to 150.

Plans for future periods

The charity is continuing to look for opportunities to work with more charitable organisations as well as increasing our partnerships with the police and prison service. Last year we successfully applied for some funding to allow the charity develop a new bag aimed at children bereaved by suicide. The trustees hope that now funding has been secured for this the new bag, it should be launched in the financial year to 31 March 2026. Unilever have chosen Bags for Strife as one of two charities for 2025/26 and we hope to receive in the region of £25,000 from them which we will be able to put towards funding the provision for our existing bags. We have a number of events planned for the coming year including the first Bags for Strife Golf day, as well as joining Unilever staff for their annual big walk.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Structure, governance and management

Bags for Strife is a CIO Foundation, registered 16th April 2021 as a charity in England and Wales Charity no. 1194111. The charity's day to day operational running is managed by Trustees.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

A Allen

J Dugdale

O Allen

A Allen

N Fell

A Moorhouse

(Resigned 14 November 2024)

The charity considers its key management personnel which comprise of six Trustees. Trustees are appointed by the current Trustees.

Risk review

The Trustees have put in place procedures to mitigate the risks of the charity.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



A Allen

Trustee

15 December 2025

BAGS FOR STRIFE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAGS FOR STRIFE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bags For Strife (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the 's financial statements 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 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 15 December 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	2	106,931	50,583
Other income	3	1,557	143
Total income		108,488	50,726
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	4	67,855	18,968
Total expenditure		67,855	18,968
Net income and movement in funds		40,633	31,758
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		95,779	64,021
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		136,412	95,779

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Current assets					
Stocks	8	18,171		12,819	
Debtors	9	3,159		5,296	
Cash at bank and in hand		120,876		83,079	
		<u>142,206</u>		<u>101,194</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(5,794)</u>		<u>(5,415)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>136,412</u>		<u>95,779</u>
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	11		<u>136,412</u>		<u>95,779</u>
			<u>136,412</u>		<u>95,779</u>

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 15 December 2025



A Allen
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Bags for Strife is a charity who provide a bag of support, help and advice to anyone bereaved by suicide.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

1.3 Income

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.4 Expenditure

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

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.5 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations and gifts	106,931	50,583
Donations and gifts		
Donations	41,887	21,351
Corporate donations	8,400	4,796
Booths Charity of the Year	22,599	20,736
Bags Sunflower Ball	17,769	-
Fun run	15,503	-
Contributions towards bags	773	3,700
	106,931	50,583

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Interest received	1,557	143

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Heading #ac982 2025 £	Heading #ac982 2024 £
Direct costs		
Bags and contents	42,380	17,266
Distribution costs	11,899	-
Fun run	1,633	-
Merchandise for resale/for fundraisers	1,837	-
Event costs	1,320	-
	<u>59,069</u>	<u>17,266</u>
Share of support and governance costs (see note 5)		
Support	8,786	1,702
	<u>67,855</u>	<u>18,968</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>67,855</u>	<u>18,968</u>

5 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank charges	69	506
Other professional services	4,777	-
Subscriptions	1,689	251
Accountancy	750	660
Advertising	44	40
Printing, postage and stationary	428	-
Web hosting	245	245
Design costs	594	-
Insurances	190	-
	<u>8,786</u>	<u>1,702</u>
Analysed between:		
Charitable Activities	<u>8,786</u>	<u>1,702</u>

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

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7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	-	-

There were no employees employed in 2025 (2024 - 0), only volunteers.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

8 Stocks

	2025 £	2024 £
Goods for resale	18,171	12,819

9 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	75	2,400
Prepayments and accrued income	3,084	2,896
	3,159	5,296

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	-	3,333
Accruals and deferred income	5,794	2,082
	5,794	5,415

11 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	95,779	108,488	(67,855)	136,412

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

11 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	64,021	50,726	(18,968)	95,779
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12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).

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- Educating members of society of the impact of suicide and providing them with the capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in order for them to support those directly affected by loss through suicide; and
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Bags for Strife is a charity set up by people who have lost loved ones to suicide. They have all experienced blame, anger, guilt and sadness. Now they want to share what helps them, to help those whose journey has just begun.

In establishing the objects and activities, the trustees have had due regard to the charity guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

The period to 31 March 2024 saw the trustees continue to run the charity in accordance with its aims. The year was very much dedicated to raising our profile and working with Booths Supermarkets as their charity of the year in three Lancashire stores. By the end of March 2024 the charity had provided over 1,750 bags of support via direct enquiries, multiple police force partnerships, other agencies and charitable organisations. At the end of the previous financial year we took the decision to outsource our storage, packing and distribution. This has been very successful and has allowed the charity to help more people in the 12 months to 31 March 2024 than ever before.

Financial review and reserves

Total income for the year was £50,726 and expenditure was £18,968. At the end of the year the charity had unrestricted funds of £95,779. The Trustees review reserves on a regular basis. The reserves policy is to ensure that there are enough reserves to be able to fulfil the provision of bags for 6 months, in the event of no donations for a period of time. On this basis, the minimum level of reserves considered to be adequate by the trustees is £15,000.

Plans for future periods

The charity is continuing to look for opportunities to increase the number of police forces we work with, and widen our reach across the UK. Last year the charity began work on a new version of the bag aimed at children bereaved by suicide and is currently at a focus group stage of the project with a hope that the new bag can be launched in the financial year to 31 March 2025. We have a number of events planned for the coming year including the first of what will become an annual Fun Run "Stride for Bags" and our Biennial Sunflower Ball.

Structure, governance and management

Bags for Strife is a CIO Foundation, registered 16th April 2021 as a charity in England and Wales Charity no. 1194111. The charity's day to day operational running is managed by Trustees as the charity becomes established.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

A Allen
J Dugdale
O Allen
A Allen
N Fell
A Moorhouse

The charity considers its key management personnel which comprise of six Trustees. Trustees are appointed by the current Trustees.

Risk review

The Trustees have put in place procedures to mitigate the risks of the charity.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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A Allen
Trustee

Date: 21/08/2024.....

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAGS FOR STRIFE

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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I report in respect of my examination of the 's financial statements 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 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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



Ceri Dixon BSc (Hons) FCA

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Dated: 20/08/2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	2	50,583	42,015
Other income	3	143	80
Total income		50,726	42,095
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	4	18,968	17,814
Total expenditure		18,968	17,814
Net income and movement in funds		31,758	24,281
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		64,021	39,740
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		95,779	64,021

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Current assets					
Stocks	8	12,819		-	
Debtors	9	5,296		106	
Cash at bank and in hand		83,079		64,515	
		<u>101,194</u>		<u>64,621</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(5,415)</u>		<u>(600)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>95,779</u>		<u>64,021</u>
Net assets excluding pension liability			<u>95,779</u>		<u>64,021</u>
			<u><u>95,779</u></u>		<u><u>64,021</u></u>
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds			<u>95,779</u>		<u>64,021</u>
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The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 21/08/2024

angela allen
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A Allen
Trustee

BAGS FOR STRIFE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

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1.1 Accounting convention

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The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

1.4 Income

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

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1.6 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations and gifts	<u>50,583</u>	<u>42,015</u>
Donations and gifts		
Donations	21,351	35,815
Corporate donations	4,796	6,200
Booths Charity of the Year	20,736	-
Contributions towards bags	<u>3,700</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>50,583</u>	<u>42,015</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Interest received	<u>143</u>	<u>80</u>

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Direct costs		
Bags & contents	17,266	16,335
Share of support and governance costs (see note 5)		
Support	<u>1,702</u>	<u>1,479</u>
	<u>18,968</u>	<u>17,814</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>18,968</u>	<u>17,814</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank Charges	506	72
Subscriptions	251	216
Accountancy	660	600
Advertising	40	188
Printing, Postage and Stationary	-	168
Web Hosting	245	235
	<u>1,702</u>	<u>1,479</u>
Analysed between:		
Charitable Activities	<u>1,702</u>	<u>1,479</u>

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

There were no employees employed in 2023 (2022 - 0), only volunteers.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

8 Stocks

	2024 £	2023 £
Goods for resale	<u>12,819</u>	<u>-</u>

9 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	2,400	-
Accrued income	2,896	106
	<u>5,296</u>	<u>106</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	3,333	-
Accruals and deferred income	2,082	600
	<u>5,415</u>	<u>600</u>

11 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	<u>64,021</u>	<u>50,726</u>	<u>(18,968)</u>	<u>95,779</u>

Previous year:	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	<u>39,740</u>	<u>42,095</u>	<u>(17,814)</u>	<u>64,021</u>

12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

Accounts

Charity registration number 1194111

BAGS FOR STRIFE
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "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, activities and public benefit

The object of the CIO is the relief of those in need who have been affected by loss through suicide by providing such support, education and training as the trustees deem appropriate, in particular but not exclusively by;

- Educating members of society of the impact of suicide and providing them with the capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in order for them to support those directly affected by loss through suicide; and
- Providing practical support bags to those who have been affected by suicide and adapted accordingly to help with matters such as information to navigate their path through the immediacy of planning a funeral, contact with the coroner, media management, emotional support and advice to help their mental health and resilience both for the immediate and long term.

Bags for Strife is a charity set up by people who have lost loved ones to suicide. They have all experienced blame, anger, guilt and sadness. Now they want to share what helps them, to help those whose journey has just begun.

In establishing the objects and activities, the trustees have had due regard to the charity guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

The period to 31 March 2023 saw the trustees continue to run the charity in accordance with its aims. The trustees overhauled the marketing strategy which has enabled the charity to grow their reach and help support people from across the UK. By the end of March 2023 the charity had provided over 1,000 bags of support via direct enquiries, multiple police force partnerships, other agencies and charitable organisations. The charity has built on partnerships in place from the previous year, adding educational organisations such as schools and universities, as well as GP surgeries and the prison service.

Financial review and reserves

Total income for the year was £42,095 and expenditure was £17,814. At the end of the year the charity had unrestricted funds of £64,021. The Trustees review reserves on a regular basis. The reserves policy is to ensure that there are enough reserves to be able to fulfil the provision of bags for 6 months, in the event of no donations for a period of time. On this basis, the minimum level of reserves considered to be adequate by the trustees is £8,000.

Plans for future periods

The charity is aiming to increase the number of police forces we work with, and widen our reach across the UK. The charity is currently working on a new version of the bag aimed at children bereaved by suicide.

Structure, governance and management

Bags for Strife is a CIO Foundation, registered 16th April 2021 as a charity in England and Wales Charity no. 1194111. The charity's day to day operational running is managed by Trustees as the charity becomes established.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

A Allen
J Dugdale
O Allen
A Allen
N Fell
A Moorhouse

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The charity considers its key management personnel which comprise of six Trustees. Trustees are appointed by the current Trustees.

Risk review

The Trustees have put in place procedures to mitigate the risks of the charity.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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A Allen

Trustee

Date: **17/01/2024**
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BAGS FOR STRIFE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BAGS FOR STRIFE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bags For Strife (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the 's financial statements 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 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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 17/01/2024.....

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
	Notes		
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>			
Donations and legacies	2	42,015	51,289
Other income	3	80	-
Total income		42,095	51,289
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Charitable activities	4	17,814	11,549
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		24,281	39,740
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		39,740	-
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		64,021	39,740

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	8	106		18,034	
Cash at bank and in hand		64,515		23,003	
		<u>64,621</u>		<u>41,037</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(600)		(1,297)	
Net current assets			<u>64,021</u>		<u>39,740</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			<u>64,021</u>		<u>39,740</u>
			<u>64,021</u>		<u>39,740</u>

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 17/01/2024



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A Allen
Trustee

BAGS FOR STRIFE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Bags for Strife is a charity who provide a bag of support, help and advice to anyone bereaved by suicide.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

1.4 Income

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Expenditure

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

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations and gifts	42,015	48,289
Grant income	-	3,000
	<u>42,015</u>	<u>51,289</u>
Donations and gifts		
Donations	35,815	39,891
Corporate donations	6,200	8,398
	<u>42,015</u>	<u>48,289</u>

3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	2023	2022
	£	£
Interest received	80	-
	<u>80</u>	<u>-</u>

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Bags & contents	16,335	11,315
Share of support costs (see note 5)	1,479	234
	<u>17,814</u>	<u>11,549</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

5 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank Charges	72	-	72	48	-	48
Other professional services	-	-	-	150	-	150
Subscriptions	216	-	216	36	-	36
Accountancy	600	-	600	-	-	-
Advertising	188	-	188	-	-	-
Printing, Postage and Stationary	168	-	168	-	-	-
Web hosting	235	-	235	-	-	-
	<u>1,479</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,479</u>	<u>234</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>234</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>1,479</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,479</u>	<u>234</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>234</u>

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

There were no employees employed in 2023 (2022 - 0), only volunteers.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

8 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Accrued income	<u>106</u>	<u>18,034</u>

BAGS FOR STRIFE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	-	1,297
Accruals and deferred income	600	-
	<u>600</u>	<u>1,297</u>

10 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS**

31 MARCH 2022

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Charity registration number

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BAGS FOR STRIFE

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7 which comply with governing document and applicable law. The charity is a registered charity, number 1194111.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and 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 October 2019).

The Trustees

The Trustees who served the company during the period are as noted on page 1.

Structure, governance and management

Bags for Strife is a CIO Foundation, registered 16th April 2021 as a charity in England and Wales Charity no. 1194111. The charity's day to day operational running is managed by Trustees as the charity becomes established.. The accounts cover the period from registration to 31 March 2022.

Trustees of the charity and key management personnel

The responsible persons for CIO are its Trustees for the purposes of charity law. The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1.

The charity considers its key management personnel which comprise of six Trustees. Trustees are appointed by the current Trustees.

Risk review

The Trustees have put in place procedures to mitigate the risks of the charity.

Objectives, activities and public benefit

The object of the CIO is the relief of those in need who have been affected by loss through suicide by providing such support, education and training as the trustees deem appropriate, in particular but not exclusively by

- Educating members of society of the impact of suicide and providing them with the capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in order for them to support those directly affected by loss through suicide, and
- Providing practical support bags to those who have been affected by suicide and adapted accordingly to help with matters such as information to navigate their path through the immediacy of planning a funeral, contact with the coroner, media management, emotional support and advice to help their mental health and resilience both for the immediate and long term.

Bags for Strife is a charity set up by people who have lost loved ones to suicide. They have all experienced blame, anger, guilt and sadness. Now they want to share what helps them, to help those whose journey has just begun.

In establishing the objects and activities, the trustees have had due regard to the charity guidance on public benefit.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Achievements and performance,

The period to 31 March 2022 saw the trustees confirm the aims of the charity and determine how to deliver on these through partnerships and direct mailing channels. A clear strategy was created which covered aspects such as fundraising, marketing and what our "BAGS" would contain, and who we wanted to work with and where we could position ourselves. By the end of March 2022 we had successfully started our 100 fundraising campaign and agreed to work with Lancashire Police, with our first delivery of "BAGS" to them at the start of the new financial year. We also embarked on talks with other agencies and organisations. The charity received some phenomenal press coverage during the period including being interviewed by BBC breakfast on 2 occasions. The greatest achievement was how many people we were able to help in our short first period and the messages of thanks that we received.

Financial review and reserves

Total income for the year was £51,289 and expenditure was £11,549. At the end of the year the charity had restricted funds carried forward of £9,928 and unrestricted funds of £39,740. The Trustees are reviewing the reserves policy.

Plans for future periods

Following on from our partnership with Lancashire police, the charity is now working with two more police forces and actively in talks with others. We supply to hospitals within Lancashire care trust and are hopeful to expand to other authorities in the near future. We also are working with other charities, with coroner offices and funeral directors across the North West.

This report was approved by the trustees on 26th January 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Angela Allen
Trustee

BAGS FOR STRIFE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bags for Strife for the period ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 5 to 8 appended to this report.

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

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.

Nicola Mason

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N Mason FCA, DChA

Date: 30/01/2023.....

MHA Moore and Smalley
Chartered Accountants
Preston

BAGS FOR STRIFE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
Income	Note			
Donations and legacies	2	<u>51,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,289</u>
Total income		<u>51,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,289</u>
Expenditure				
Charitable activities	3	<u>11,549</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,549</u>
Total expenditure		<u>11,549</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,459</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>39,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,740</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds carried forward		<u>39,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,740</u>

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BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
Current assets				
Cash at bank and in hand		23,003	-	23,003
Debtors	4	18,034	-	18,034
		<u>41,037</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,037</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,297)	-	(1,297)
Net current assets		<u>39,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,740</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>39,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,740</u>
Funds				
Restricted funds		-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	5	39,740	-	39,740
Total funds		<u>39,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,740</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 26th January 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:



.....
Angela Allen
Trustee

BAGS FOR STRIFE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

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) (effective October 2019) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The accounts are presented in £ rounded to the nearest £.

Bags for Strife 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 assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Donations and legacies

Voluntary income received by way of donations and gifts is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when receivable.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charity's charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Cash flow statement

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in SORP 2019 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charity is small.

Judgements and Key assumptions

There are no judgements or assumptions required as part of the preparation of the accounts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total funds
	£	£	
Donations	39,981	-	39,981
Corporate donations	8,398	-	8,398
Grant income	3,000	-	3,000
	<u>51,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,289</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total funds
	£	£	
Bags and contents	11,315	-	11,315
Support costs	234	-	234
	<u>11,549</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,549</u>

4 Debtors

	2022 £
Accrued income	<u>18,034</u>
	<u>18,034</u>

5 Creditors

	2022 £
Trade creditors	<u>1,297</u>
	<u>1,297</u>

6 Related party transactions

There was no Trustee remuneration in the year and no Trustee expenses were incurred.
There were no related party transactions during the period.