

THE PEOPLE'S RECOVERY PROJECT

England & Wales · Charity number 1199225

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-06-09

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

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS OR AT RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING ADDICTION AND DRUG DEPENDENCY, BY THE PROVISION OF TREATMENT AND RECOVERY OPPORTUNITIES.

Activities: For the public benefit to preserve and protect the health of people who are homeless.or at risk of becoming homeless who are experiencing addiction and drug dependency, by the provision of treatment and recovery opportunities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment, Other Charitable Purposes

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£213,440	£168,050	-	-
2024-03-31	£163,202	£81,824	-	-
2023-03-31	£17,889	£434	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David James Brown	Chair	2022-07-21
Gemma Beagley		2023-09-28
James Shoreland		2023-10-12
Jessica Harris		2023-10-03
Robert Ian Calder		2026-06-05
Robert Robinson		2022-06-09
Thomas Allen		2022-06-09

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Accounts

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(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

The People's Recovery Project

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number	1199225
Date of Registration	9th June 2022
Start of Financial Period	1st April 2024
End of Financial Period	31st March 2025
Trustees at 31 March 2025	David Brown (Chair of Trustees) James Shoreland Jessica Harris Gemma Beagley Robert Robinson Thomas Allen
Legal Status	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Governing Instrument	CIO - registered with the Charity Commission 9th June 2022
Objects	For the public benefit, to preserve and protect the health of people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless who are experiencing addiction and drug dependency, by the provision of treatment and recovery opportunities.
Correspondence Address	7 Bell Yard, London, WC2A 2JR
Primary Bankers	Barclays Bank, 1 Churchill Place, E14 5HP

THE CHAIR'S FOREWORD

As our second full year of operation comes to a close, I want to offer some reflections on The People, The Project and 'Recovery'.

First the People. We are more than we were before. Ed and Nathan's tireless work to drum up support for the long term future of the organisation, and their ability to make partnerships with shared commitment to our bold vision, has meant we have been able to secure enough funding to expand the people who work for us. We welcomed Khosru, whose personal journey of recovery is so inspirational and beneficial to our entire community, and then, as we begin our year 25/26 we will be joined by Jill and CK expanding our reach and benefit deeper and wider into the community. As we have grown and stabilised, our reach begins to increase, providing care and support to the people who need it most, when they need it.

So The Project is well on the way. Nathan and Ed have evolved yet further this year into the leaders and 'Project Managers' the scale and scope of their vision demands. In amongst all the day to day challenges of the Project - notwithstanding some significant personal challenges - our two leaders have developed their capacity for meaningful reflection and their commitment to supporting one another to create the very best outcomes for the community. The task we have set ourselves is big and bold and complex and involves highly sensitive, emotional, unpredictable challenges, and no one is under any illusions about how difficult it can sometimes be to lead a project through such choppy waters. It is by acknowledging our imperfections, and by supporting each other to learn, grow and keep going, that we sustain the resilience to deliver this project over as long a period as it takes.

And finally, Recovery. The origin of the word is *capere* - "to capture, take or seize" - and *re* means "again". So our recovery is a process of taking back, or regaining something which has been lost. Many of the people who Ed and Nathan first engage in our community preparation groups feel like almost everything has been lost. Slowly, carefully, we help them find themselves again. And for us it is also a process of Discovery, of uncovering more insight and wisdom about how we operate. From an organisational perspective, these twin journeys of Discovery and Recovery will, I think, be a feature of our story for years to come. We have large projects on the horizon and a readiness to continue striving towards our vision. Amongst a backdrop of doom and gloom, let us show, one case at a time, that a different way is possible and that with support, love and funding at the right moment, the People can and will Recover.

David Brown (Chair of the Board of Trustees)



Community Member Reflections

The moment I waltzed into the arms of The People's Recovery Project, something inside of me uttered to me that I was in the right place, I need not search any further and that I would be well again come hook or crook. My quest was to find an organisation that would, with love and care, help me with my addiction and homelessness. I had reached the end of my tether and found myself in a very sticky, unsavoury, unfavourable and vulnerable situation. There are endless narratives I could use to describe my plight but I will stop there.

On finally acknowledging the trouble I was in and that I required professional help to get me out of it, I managed to draw up a plan. My aim was that assisted by recovery my goal was to rehabilitate, rehouse and reintegrate back into society a better person than I was whilst captured by addiction. Through a very good friend of mine, whom I thank God for always, I was introduced to The People's Recovery Project.

After a couple of missed calls from both parties, I was invited for an assessment which turned out to be more of an informal meet and greet with two members of the team. The warmth of the welcome, understanding and empathy I received was outstanding to say the least. From that day forward it would be extremely difficult to single out any member of the team for praise. For in equal measure, their desire to help, sincerity in motion, patience and trust would continue to amaze me. With a team like this behind you, only you yourself can screw up.

The People's Recovery Project offers a non judgemental hands on service that only requires for you the afflicted individual to want change. Even though part of their support plan is through therapeutic and energising group sessions which are akin to a loved one putting their arms around you, enveloping you in an almighty hug and telling you everything is gonna be alright, they also individually tailor your needs so you can obtain the best results for you.

The People's Recovery Project played an instrumental and pivotal role in my coming off the streets from the vulnerable environment and homeless situation I was in, to getting accepted for treatment in a rehabilitation centre. Upon reflection, there is no way on God's green earth I could've done it or be where I am now without The People's Recovery Project team.

I am on a journey to recovery. A journey that will result in me achieving my 3 Rs that I had set out as my goal: re-habilitate, re-integrate and re-house. And I will hold steadfast in the knowledge that The People's Recovery Project are with me all the way. The People's Recovery Project team are like angels sent out to help us: those who are in the captivity of addiction and homelessness. They believed in me wholeheartedly and that virtue alone made me feel empowered. The time and effort they put in is second to none. They are always there for support, advice and encouragement, and to take you out on field trips.

Without any pressure, the team has taught me that change is entirely up to me. However, they shall be there to guide and support and assist. I am fully aware that the road to recovery is a long and winding one, but I am fully confident that with the kick start The The People's Recovery Project has given me, that I will succeed.

Michael (Community Member)

STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Objects of the Charity

The People's Recovery Project achieved charitable status in June 2022. The charity aims to create additional, alternative and faster routes out of homelessness and into recovery for people experiencing homelessness and addiction in order to see more people who have experienced homelessness and addiction achieve fulfilling lives in sustained recovery.

Main Activities for the benefit of the public in the Period

The trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and will deliver the charity's projects within the guidance.

Main Achievements of the Charity in the Period

The end of financial year 2024-25 represents the end of the second full year of operation of The People's Recovery Project. In our first year of operation we were focused on building the foundations of a new organisation, developing our ideas and bringing them to life, supported by our community members living in sustained recovery. In year two we have taken these ideas and started to put them into practice, testing each strand of our approach: preparation, treatment and aftercare. We have taken an organisation from its infancy, that could only see its existence in 3 month periods, to one that can now look ahead and envision the work we will be undertaking in 3 years. In the current financial environment and uncertainty in the charitable sector, where so many organisations are struggling to survive and many closing their doors to operational activities, this is no mean feat.

The People's Recovery Project was born out of a collective frustration that there are limited opportunities for people experiencing homelessness and addiction to build sustained recovery following these experiences. And so few opportunities for people to ever have the opportunity to go to residential treatment. When we hold space with our community there is an excited anticipation in the air, that through our community approach, perhaps there is a different outcome for people. We have spent the second full year of our organisational operation trialling and testing our innovative ideas and new ways of working with people. We are starting to see the positive impact that this is having on our community members, and envisioning the wider impact that is possible over the next few years if we continue to reach out to people who, over many years, have seemingly lost hope in a system that is not designed for, or by them.

Our work: FY 2024-25

For FY 2024-25 we are delighted to have been commissioned by the London Borough of Hackney to provide bespoke interventions to individuals resident in the borough. From our origins we have tied our development and approach to the Dame Carol Black review and the UK government's 10 year drug strategy, which is clear that there is a need for new and innovative approaches to address the ever challenging issues surrounding homelessness and addiction.

So often we hear calls for new and innovative approaches, but from our experience rarely do we see examples of this proposed innovation in practice. Funding historically seems to be directed towards established organisations to cover the financial gaps of years of disinvestment in services. Therefore we commend our local authority partner for taking a positive risk in commissioning our project to work with residents in Hackney at this early stage of our organisational journey. It has given us the stability required to embed our approach in East London, and with additional community grant funds that we have secured, we are able to offer our support to people throughout London who have identified our community as one they would like to be a part of. Through our work in Hackney we have been able to demonstrate progress towards our core aim of building sustained recovery for people experiencing homelessness and addiction. We hope that this impact will be noticed by other London authorities so that we can further embed our approach in a pan-London setting.

The following is a brief summary of our work throughout FY 2024-25, broken down into 3 distinct strands: preparation, treatment and aftercare:

Preparation

Throughout FY 2024-25 we have continued to run our preparation groups at the Museum of Homelessness in Finsbury Park, embedding our practice and building up a core group of people attending as we support them on journeys into detox and rehabilitation. In FY 2024-25 we held a total of 29 groups throughout the year which were attended by 29 unique individuals accounting for 106 combined attendances. What we have found is that once people are integrated into the preparation group that they find this extremely useful and tend to return for follow up sessions. Out of 29 unique individuals attending our groups 63% returned for a follow up session.

Our unique approach to preparation is crucial in supporting people to make the first steps towards exploring treatment and recovery opportunities. They are co-designed and co-facilitated by people with lived experience of the issues that those attending are seeking to address, offering a therapeutic space for reflection. We have established a space where people who have endured much hardship can come together and learn from each other's experiences. Utilising tools to support people to make positive changes: building healthy coping strategies, promoting mindfulness and supporting people to understand addictive behaviours that can lead to harm.

The group is constantly evolving, learning and growing together, and we seek to obtain feedback regularly. Michael, who has written at length about his experience working with The People's Recovery Project as part of this annual report, is one example of the many people we have supported to make positive changes in their lives over the last year.

1) Treatment

Once people have attended a number of our preparation sessions we aim to sign consent and work with people towards their goals of accessing residential detox and rehabilitation. We undertake individual treatment pathway plans with people who have identified that they would

like to work with us towards residential detox and rehab. In 2024-25 we completed individual treatment pathway plans with 6 unique individuals. Treatment pathway plans are completed in collaboration with our community members and inform what type of treatment they would like to access. They are a crucial step in navigating an individual's route into residential treatment. In 2024-25 we had 6 detox entries for 5 unique individuals. Out of these 6 detox entries, 3 were completed, and 2 ended in early discharge, and as of 31st March one person was still admitted in residential detox. In addition to these detox entries we also had one community member enter into residential rehab, which led to our first community member graduating from residential rehab in February 2025.

2) Aftercare

Throughout FY 2024-25 we have continued to hold our aftercare community as a space where community members can come to support one another around challenges they are facing in their everyday lives. This weekly meeting is a space that provides mutual aid and support as people continue on recovery journeys. What we have learned is that the lead time for each stage of our work is long, and as we are still in the infancy of our project, our aftercare community remains small for now. It will continue to evolve and develop as we anticipate an increasing number of people entering and completing residential treatment.

Impact, Evaluation and Evidence

Over the last year we have continued to progress our ambition to build new evidence to show the huge benefits for individuals and society if people are able to access residential treatment and sustain recovery. We have progressed towards this by establishing and cementing our relationship with Dr Michela Tinelli, and the Care Policy Evaluation Centre (CPEC) at the London School of Economics and Political Sciences (LSE). Through NIHR funded Evidence Implementation Fund we have produced summary findings of our retrospective data analysis conducted with community members that shows the huge transformative impact of sustained recovery on individuals and society. We created films featuring some of our community members, funded by LSE Innovation, to accompany the data and bring these personal stories of recovery to life. In October we hosted an event at the London School of Economics, introduced by Dame Carol Black, to present our findings. We followed this up by taking 2 of our community members to the LX Addictions conference in Lisbon, to present on this aspect of our work. Over the next year we intend to develop this academic partnership, building the tools required to demonstrate our impact as we support more people on recovery journeys.

Looking to the Future

Over the course of FY 2025-26 our intention is to reach out to more people in the community who would like to explore treatment and recovery opportunities. We have now embedded our approach thanks to commissioned funding in the London Borough of Hackney and our community grant funding enables us to reach out to individuals across London, supporting our pan-London approach.

We are making a concerted effort to reach more people, ensuring that we have as wide a pool of people to work with so that we can further embed our approach. Recognising that lead times for people to enter into residential treatment are long, we will have a renewed focus on meeting people early to ensure we are supporting people through our treatment pathway effectively. In 2024-25 we had one person complete a residential treatment stay, in 2025-26 we are setting a target of 3 rehab completions.

We are constantly learning, evolving and tweaking our approach. Through 2024-25 most of our activities were attended primarily by individuals who identified as male. Through consultation with women who attended our group we have made it an organisational priority to ensure an improvement in gender diversity across our activities. As such throughout 2025-26 we will be developing a women's specific offer as we support the preparation for detox and rehab for people experiencing homelessness and addiction.

In 2025-26 we are going to consolidate the organisational learning that we have achieved over the last year, while increasing our impact and size of our staff team. Developing in a considered manner, staying true to our organisational values is our priority. But knowing that the work we have done over the last year has set the foundations for significantly upscaling our interventions and impact. Throughout 2025-26 we will have an eye toward the development of a 3 year pilot project, supporting 50 people through residential treatment from April 2026 to March 2029, working in partnership with local authorities and our academic partner.

Together there is a way.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

In the year to 31 March 2025, total income was £213,440 (2023/24 £163,202) and expenditure was £168,050 (2023/24 £81,824) hence the surplus for the year was £45,389 (2023/24 £81,378)

The trustees are grateful to the following trusts for their support:

The National Lottery Community Fund
London Housing Foundation
The City Bridge Trust
The Albert Hunt Trust
Streetsmart
The Leathersellers
The Serlin Family Foundation

Special thanks to our local authority partners in the London Borough of Hackney public health team.

Closing reserves as at 31 March 2025 are at £143,924 (2022/24 £98,833) with cash reserves of £156,385 (2023/24 £105,270).

The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis.

Reserves Policy

The reserves target is £45,000 which is equal to three months running costs to pay the core team and to continue fulfilling the charity's objectives.

Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the Charity is a going concern and has sufficient cash reserves to operate into the foreseeable.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The People's Recovery Project is a charity constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Its purpose and administration arrangements are set out in the constitution. The constitution was adopted on 9 June 2022.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Recruitment and appointment of trustees is done by the charity. Gaps in experience and expertise will be identified and a search for trustees from our own networks will be carried out. As written in the constitution, trustees of the charity should be:

- Over 16 years old
- Not disqualified from directorship
- Not disqualified from charity trusteeship

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees on 17th September 2025



David Brown
Chair of the Board of Trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The People's Recovery Project.
I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025, which comprise the statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Where the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

(1) In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulation 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of independent examination.

(2) 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.



Chaweevan Williams FCCA
Verdant Accountants Limited
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Date: 21.10.2025

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2025**

(Incorporating Income and
Expenditure Account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024/25 £	TOTAL 2023/24 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds					
Donations, Grants & Legacies	3a	104,120	10,000	114,120	122,622
Earned Income	3b	2,761	96,559	99,320	40,580
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		106,881	106,559	213,440	163,202
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of Generating Funds					
Charitable Activities	4a	70,718	96,559	166,978	81,024
Governance Costs	4b	1,073	-	1,073	800
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		71,790	96,559	168,050	81,824
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		35,090	10,000	45,389	81,378
Balance Brought Forward		98,833	-	98,833	17,455
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		133,923	10,000	143,923	98,833

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the charity's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 14 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31 March 2025 £	TOTAL 31 March 2024 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2	290	-	290	590
Current Assets					
Debtors & Prepayments	6	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	5	146,385	10,000	156,385	105,270
Total Current Assets		146,675	10,000	156,675	105,270
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	12,751	-	12,751	7,027
NET CURRENT ASSETS		133,923	10,000	143,923	98,243
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year		-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		133,923	10,000	143,923	98,833
NET ASSETS		133,923	10,000	143,923	98,833
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		133,923	-	133,923	98,833
Restricted Funds		-	10,000	10,000	-
Total Funds		133,923	10,000	143,923	98,833

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on the 17th September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



David Brown, Chair of the Board of Trustees

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost of transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

Assessment of Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources
- the Trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the OFA in the same financial period as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment Gains and Losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the Directors' meetings and cost of any legal advice to Directors on governance or constitutional matters.

Changes in Accounting Policies and Previous Accounts

This is the set of accounts for the organisation.

Grants Payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

Unrestricted funds

These funds can be used for the general objectives of the charity as set out in the trustees report. The movements of the unrestricted funds are given in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Restricted funds

These funds are where the donor has specified a purpose for the donation made. These restrictions often arise as a result of appeals for special offerings for specific purposes.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Legal status of the Charity

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Fixed Assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation Expense

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied per annum are as follows:

Equipment Cost	33% straight line basis
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2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Balance 01-Apr-24 £	Cost £	Depreciation £	Transfer £	Balance 31-Mar-25 £
IT Equipment	590	-	300	-	290
	590	-	300	-	290

3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024/25 £	TOTAL 2023/24 £
a) Donations, Grants & Legacies				
Donations	31,184	-	31,184	30,531
Grants & Trusts	68,500	10,000	78,500	92,091
Gift Aid	4,436	-	4,436	-
	104,120	10,000	114,120	122,622
b) Earned Income				
Delivery	2,761	96,559	99,320	-
Research	-	-	-	40,380
Training	-	-	-	200
	2,761	96,559	99,320	40,580

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024/25 £	TOTAL 2023/24 £
a) Charitable Activities				
Staff Costs	44,722	95,741	140,462	72,773
Insurance	910	818	1,729	988
Telephone	802	-	802	292
Print, Postage and Stationery	527	-	527	36
Advertising & Promotion	14,382	-	14,382	2,417
Travel	3,446	-	3,446	1,971
General Office Expenses	764	-	764	19
Office Equipment	299	-	-	34
Community Meeting Costs	306	-	306	118
Beneficiary Costs	423	-	423	239
Treatment Costs	-	-	-	1,057
Community Involvement Costs	951	-	951	460
Training & Development	2,165	-	2,165	260
Staff Wellbeing	720	-	720	60
Depreciation	300	-	300	300
	70,718	96,559	166,978	81,024
b) Governance Costs				
Legal & Professional	113	-	113	-
Accountancy & Audit	960	-	960	800
	1,073	-	1,073	800

5. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Cash at Bank and in Hand	146,385	10,000	156,385	105,270
	146,385	10,000	156,385	105,270

6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Payroll Liabilities	11,951	-	11,951	6,227
Accruals & Deferred Income	800	-	800	800
	12,751	-	12,751	7,027

8. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The Charity held no long-term liabilities during this financial year.

9. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Fixed Assets	290	-	290	590
Net Current Assets	133,634	10,000	143,634	98,243
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
	133,634	10,000	143,924	98,833

10. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT ON CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is registered with the Charity Commission (1199225) and does not have a Share capital and has no income subject to Corporation Tax.

	TOTAL 2024/25 £	TOTAL 2023/24 £
Profit / (Deficit) for the financial year	45,090	81,378
Other recognised gains	-	-
	45,090	81,378
Balance Brought Forward	98,833	17,455
Closing Funds at 31 March 2025	143,924	98,833

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The Charity paid 3 employees in the year. No members of staff received emoluments of over £60,000. 4 community members were paid as sessional workers where budgets allowed.

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THE PEOPLE'S RECOVERY PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1199225

Accounts

Charity Number: 1199225

The People's Recovery Project

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

The People's Recovery Project

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number	1199225
Date of Registration	9th June 2022
Start of Financial Period	1 st April 2023
End of Financial Period	31st March 2024
Trustees at 31 March 2024	David Brown (Chair of Trustees) James Shoreland (Appointed 12 October 2023) Jessica Harris (Appointed 3 October 2023) Gemma Beagley (Appointed 28 September 2023) Robert Robinson Thomas Allen
Legal Status	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Governing Instrument	CIO - registered with the Charity Commission 9th June 2022
Objects	For the public benefit, to preserve and protect the health of people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless who are experiencing addiction and drug dependency, by the provision of treatment and recovery opportunities.
Correspondence Address	7 Bell Yard, London, WC2A 2JR
Primary Bankers	Barclays Bank, 1 Churchill Place, E14 5HP

THE CHAIR'S FOREWORD

Most people overestimate what they can get done in a year – but *underestimate* what they can get done in ten years.

Recovery is a long process – any truly transformational journey is. What I've learned from my involvement with The People's Recovery Project, and from my professional work in collective and individual transformation, is that people who successfully change their lives are good at looking long-term and short-term simultaneously. They have the courage to look deep into the future and imagine a different life a decade from now, and they have the spark and energy and humility to take the step in front of them, day by day, hour by hour, minute by minute.

Ed and Nathan started this project with transformational goals and a huge commitment to long term transformation. This report shows that they have also taken huge steps in this massively important first fully operational year. They have surpassed my expectations from a year ago of what might have been possible. They have raised seriously significant funds, built robust community practices and places in both the preparatory and aftercare phases of recovery and they have learned valuable lessons about how treatment can work for those experiencing homelessness. All this alongside making potent partnerships in the academic, public and medical sectors.

They have surprised themselves, I think, by the level of their success. And this has raised my personal expectations of what will be possible over the next few years.

I got involved with The People's Recovery Project not only because I believe in *what* Ed and Nathan are setting out to achieve (to make detox and rehab treatment a viable and sustainable pathway for people experiencing homelessness) but because I believe in *how* they wanted to do it.

They asked me to be chair of the board of trustees due to my background in organisational development, to help them keep the structures and practices they employ always reflective of their values and their goals for themselves, their colleagues, and the people they exist to serve. This, for me, is as close as I think it is possible to get in this moment to real 'systems change' in action: the system changes when it becomes undeniably clear that a new system has emerged which makes the old one obsolete. It is not always glamorous, or slick or fully formed, but this new way of being around homelessness and addiction embraces the messy-wholeness of all the humans involved. Ed and Nathan have collaborated with incredible people working in creaking systems and somehow worked out ways of doing things differently. This is, I believe, the work of our age.

So, at the end of this financial year, let us look forward not only to 2025, but to 2035, and allow ourselves to imagine what a world would look like if The People's Recovery Project continues to succeed as they have this year, year-on-year, every year. It is a vision that gives us a glimpse of a society that actually works – that is mature enough to relate to the most vulnerable amongst us with compassion, complexity-consciousness, and practical support. I'm looking forward to it.

David Brown (Chair of the Board of Trustees)



REFLECTIONS OF A COMMUNITY MEMBER

I have a history of over 20 years using illicit substances and I could not find a way out of homelessness and addiction. In 2015 when I was living on the streets I met one of the co-founders of The People's Recovery Project and at this point my journey towards recovery started. It was not easy but I managed to get myself into residential rehab and I am now seven years clean. At the beginning of last year I was able to reconnect with the person who supported me on the streets and it quickly became clear that I wanted to contribute to the development of The People's Recovery Project.

Looking back on my experience of homelessness and addiction I can now see that there exist so many barriers that prevent people like me from ever having the opportunity to access treatment and recovery. When someone is in this situation and decides they are ready to change you have a really short window to intervene. This is not the point where hurdles should be placed in front of someone. Too often people who have already experienced so much rejection in their lives are faced with yet more rejection - and this is not helping people to recover.

Over the last year I feel that I have been a crucial part of The People's Recovery Project, and not only am I able to use my experiences to support other people who are struggling but I have also realised how beneficial being part of this organisation is to me. When I was in the midst of chaos my family suffered a lot. In the last 7 years they have seen my journey of recovery but I do not think they could visualise the work that I have been doing over the last year. My recent experience speaking at the Pathway UK health inclusion conference meant that I was able to share with my family the work that I am undertaking and make them proud.

I am looking forward to being involved with The People's Recovery Project over the next year and am confident that we can achieve the goals that we are setting out to achieve, and this is due to the authenticity of the people within this organisation. Everyone involved in the project is so passionate about what we are doing, and we seek to offer solutions, not get stuck in the same old problems. I believe that this organisation will reach as far as it wants to, and that we will be able to support lots of people who would otherwise not have opportunities to access treatment and recovery. By helping people in addiction your reach is huge - it goes far beyond the individual you're working with - but impacts on their family and whole community as well.

My experience is not something for me to keep, and I want to use it to be able to give back to my community and support people who are in similar situations that I once found myself in. With The People's Recovery Project I have found a place where this is possible.

Khosru Miah (TPRP Community Member)



STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Objects of the Charity

The People's Recovery Project achieved charitable status in June 2022. The charity aims to create additional, alternative and faster routes out of homelessness and into recovery for people experiencing homelessness and addiction in order to see more people who have experienced homelessness and addiction achieve fulfilling lives in sustained recovery.

Main Activities for the benefit of the public in the Period

The trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and will deliver the charity's projects within the guidance.

Main Achievements of the Charity in the Period

The end of the financial year brings an important milestone for The People's Recovery Project as it represents exactly one year since our co-founders started working full time progressing this new organisation. In 2022-23 a team of executive volunteers put in place the foundations of a new organisation which achieved charitable status on 9th June 2022. Throughout 2022-23 significant progress was made but it soon became clear that without a commitment to working solely on The People's Recovery Project, our team of executive volunteers had taken the organisation as far as it could go. The decision to leave their jobs at the end of last financial year was one that brought significant personal risk to our co-founders, but one that felt like the correct decision as they sought to continue to develop the organisation.

We set out to create an organisation that has at its core a commitment to kindness, compassion and the promotion of positive wellbeing. Staying true to these values is integral to our organisational journey as we seek to build a community that is driven by shared purpose, connection and belonging. With these core values at the heart of everything we do we hope that we can be in the best possible position to support people who are beginning to think about new ways of living following traumatic experiences of long term homelessness and addiction. Given the complex nature of the environment that we are operating in there will undoubtedly be significant challenges and setbacks that we have to overcome, but by staying true to our values we aspire to create the conditions where people are able to make decisions to undertake transformational journeys away from the streets: making recovery both achievable and sustainable.

The last year has been an exceptional journey for our organisation as we have developed all areas of our operation and work. There has been so much learning as we have created much of the infrastructure that is required to operate a small sized charity, putting in place foundations that mean that as we continue to test the feasibility of the work we are undertaking we can also be responsive and scale up our operation to have wider impact for the community we are supporting. In our first year we have facilitated 36 aftercare community groups, a pilot project of 20 community prep groups and we have supported 2 people to access residential detox. We have developed employment opportunities for our community members and have undertaken a data analysis of our existing community members as we progress towards establishing a new evidence base. These core strands of work are co-designed with our community of individuals with lived experience who are living in sustained recovery. It is this experience and knowledge that is crucial to building an organisation that can support individuals through difficult transitions: a community of individuals with lived experience

who continue to inspire our organisational approach and who act as beacons of hope for others who are considering embarking on transformational journeys of recovery away from the streets and the chaos of addiction.

Looking to the future

We have achieved more than we expected to in the last year and that is because we have seen first hand the potential impact that the work we are undertaking can achieve. Through building our community we have created the foundations that can elicit positive change in the people we are seeking to support. Over the next few months it is our ambition to reach out to our networks to start to promote more widely the work that we are undertaking and ensure that we are meeting more people who are interested in exploring the potential opportunity from treatment and recovery. We know that there are many people currently on the streets and in insecure accommodation who are trapped in cycles of addiction and homelessness. Among them are so many people with huge potential who, given the opportunity, can become productive members of society, and through a process of individual healing can contribute to wider societal recovery. We cannot compromise on our approach, which is rooted in community, which promotes the development of shared purpose, connection and belonging, as we seek to make recovery from homelessness and addiction achievable and sustainable.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

In its first full year to 31 March 2024, total income was £163,202 (2022/23 £17,889) and expenditure was £81,824 (2022/23 £434) hence the surplus for the year was £81,378 (2022/23 £17,455).

The trustees are grateful to the following trusts for their support:

London Housing Foundation
The Linbury Trust
London Catalyst
The Serlin Family Foundation
The Albert Hunt Trust
Hackney Parochial Charities
The Cameron Mackintosh Foundation

Closing reserves as at 31 March 2024 are at £98,833 (2022/23 £17,455) with cash reserves of £105,270 (2022/23 £17,455).

The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis.

Reserves Policy

The reserves target is £35,000 which is equal to three months running costs to pay the core team and to continue fulfilling the charity's objectives.

Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the Charity is a going concern and has sufficient cash reserves to operate into the foreseeable.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The People's Recovery Project is a charity constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Its purpose and administration arrangements are set out in the constitution. The constitution was adopted on 9 June 2022.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Recruitment and appointment of trustees is done by the charity. Gaps in experience and expertise will be identified and a search for trustees from our own networks will be carried out. As written in the constitution, trustees of the charity should be:

- Over 16 years old
- Not disqualified from directorship
- Not disqualified from charity trusteeship

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



David Brown
Chair of the Board of Trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The People's Recovery Project. I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024, which comprise the statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Where the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

(1) In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulation 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of independent examination.

(2) 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.



Chaweevan Williams FCCA Date: 1st May 2024 Verdant Accountants Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
20-22 Wenlock Road,
London N1 7GU

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024**

(Incorporating Income and Expenditure
Account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023/24 £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds					
Donations, Grants & Legacies	3a	122,622	-	122,622	17,889
Earned Income	3b	40,580	-	40,580	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		163,202	-	163,202	17,889
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of Generating Funds					
Charitable Activities	4a	81,024	-	81,024	434
Governance Costs	4b	800	-	800	-
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		81,824	-	81,824	434
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		81,378	-	81,378	17,455
Balance Brought Forward		17,455	-	17,455	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		98,833	-	98,833	17,455

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.
All of the charity's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31 March 2024 £	TOTAL 31 March 2023 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2	590	-	590	-
Current Assets					
Debtors & Prepayments	6	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	5	105,270	-	105,270	17,455
Total Current Assets		105,270	-	105,270	17,455
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	7,027	-	7,027	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		98,243	-	98,243	17,455
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year		-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		98,833	-	98,833	17,455
NET ASSETS		98,833	-	98,833	17,455
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		98,833	-	98,833	17,455
Restricted Funds		-	-	-	-
Total Funds		98,833	-	98,833	17,455

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on the 16th April 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



David Brown, Chair of the Board of Trustees

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost of transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

Assessment of Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources
- the Trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the OFA in the same financial period as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment Gains and Losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the Directors' meetings and cost of any legal advice to Directors on governance or constitutional matters.

Changes in Accounting Policies and Previous Accounts

This is the set of accounts for the organisation.

Grants Payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

Unrestricted funds

These funds can be used for the general objectives of the charity as set out in the trustees report. The movements of the unrestricted funds are given in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Restricted funds

These funds are where the donor has specified a purpose for the donation made. These restrictions often arise as a result of appeals for special offerings for specific purposes.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023/24 £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
a) Charitable Activities				
Staff Costs	72,773	-	72,773	-
Insurance	988	-	988	-
Telephone	292	-	292	-
Print, Postage and Stationery	36	-	36	-
Advertising & Promotion	2,417	-	2,417	309
Travel	1,971	-	1,971	125
General Office Expenses	19	-	19	-
Office Equipment	34	-	34	-
Community Meeting Costs	118	-	118	-
Beneficiary Costs	239	-	239	-
Treatment Costs	1,057	-	1,057	-
Community Involvement Costs	460	-	460	-
Training & Development	260	-	260	-
Staff Wellbeing	60	-	60	-
Depreciation	300	-	300	-
	81,024	-	81,024	434
b) Governance Costs				
Accountancy & Audit	800	-	800	-
	800	-	800	-

5. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Cash at Bank and in Hand	105,270	-	105,270	-
	105,270	-	105,270	-

6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Payroll Liabilities	6,227	-	6,227	-
Accruals & Deferred Income	800	-	800	-
	7,027	-	7,027	-

8. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The Charity held no long-term liabilities during this financial year.

9. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-24 £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Fixed Assets	590	-	590	-
Net Current Assets	98,243	-	98,243	17,455
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
	98,833	-	98,833	17,455

10. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT ON CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is registered with the Charity Commission (1199225) and does not have a Share capital and has no income subject to Corporation Tax.

	TOTAL 2023/24 £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
Profit / (Deficit) for the financial year	81,378	17,455
Other recognised gains	-	-
	81,378	17,455
Balance Brought Forward	17,455	-
Closing Funds at 31 March 2024	98,833	17,455

11. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

The Charity paid 5 employees in the year. No members of staff received emoluments of over £60,000. Payments were made on a self-employed basis to 2 members of staff until transferring onto PAYE in September 2023. 3 community members were paid as sessional workers where budgets allowed.

12. TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

During the financial year, no payments were made to the Trustees or any persons connected with them. No other material transaction took place between the organisation or any person connected with them.

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The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

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THE PEOPLE'S RECOVERY PROJECT

England & Wales - Charity number 1199225

Accounts

Charity Number: 1199225

The People's Recovery Project
(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
9th June 2022 to 31st March 2023

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number	1199225
Date of Registration	9th June 2022
Start of Financial Period	9th June 2022
End of Financial Period	31st March 2023
Trustees at 31 March 2023	David Brown (Chair of Trustees) Robert Robinson Thomas Allen
Legal Status	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Governing Instrument	CIO - registered with the Charity Commission 9th June 2022
Objects	For the public benefit, to preserve and protect the health of people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless who are experiencing addiction and drug dependency, by the provision of treatment and recovery opportunities.
Correspondence Address	33 Nelson Road, N15 4LE
Primary Bankers	Barclays Bank, 1 Churchill Place, E14 5RB

STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Objects of the Charity

The People's Recovery Project achieved charitable status in June 2022. The charity aims to create additional, alternative and faster routes out of homelessness and into recovery for people experiencing homelessness and addiction in order to see more people who have experienced homelessness and addiction achieve fulfilling lives in sustained recovery.

Main Activities for the benefit of the public in the Period

The trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and will deliver the charity's projects within the guidance.

Main Achievements of the Charity in the Period

Since our registration we have been supported by a team of executive volunteers who have been leading the development of the charity and fundraising income to get The People's Recovery Project into a position where we can start delivering services to individuals who are experiencing homelessness and addiction. The team has amassed over 30 years of experience working with individuals on the streets to recovery and is guided and supported by people who have experienced street homelessness and addiction.

Plans for the Future

As we move forward into the next financial year we have set an ambitious target to get three people into residential treatment by the end of the calendar year utilising a network of relationships that are being developed by our team. These positive networks were demonstrated at an introductory event that The People's Recovery Project hosted at the Policy Research Unit in Health and Social Care Workforce at King's College London in March 2023.

While we recognise that we are not required to submit annual accounts until 10 months after our first financial year of operation (31/01/24) we are keen to demonstrate financial compliance and accountability as our future actions will be dependent on fundraising income to pay our core costs and to independently fund placements into residential treatment for people experiencing homelessness and addiction. Our future work, sustainability and longevity of The People's Recovery Project will be further determined by our ability to pay our staff team to undertake this specialist work.

As the Board of Trustees for The People's Recovery Project, and having been involved in this project for the past 12 months, we are extremely excited to have viewed first hand the development of this new project which has the ability to have a far reaching impact for people experiencing homelessness and addiction: to support people to build new lives and new communities in sustained recovery and to contribute to a reduction in the number of people who are dying homeless.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

In its inaugural year from 6 June 2022 to 31 March 2023, all income to the Charity was raised by individual donors and one grant. Total income was £17,890 and expenditure was £434 hence the surplus for the year was £17,455.

Closing reserves as at 31 March 2023 are at £17,455 entirely made up of the cash balance at the year-end.

The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis.

Reserves Policy

The reserves target is £15,000 which is equal to three months running costs to pay the core team and to continue fulfilling the charity's objectives.

Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the Charity is a going concern, has sufficient cash reserves to operate into the foreseeable.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The People's Recovery Project is a charity constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Its purpose and administration arrangements are set out in the constitution. The constitution was adopted on 9th June 2022.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Recruitment and appointment of trustees is done by the charity. Gaps in experience and expertise will be identified and a search for trustees from our own networks will be carried out. As written in the constitution, trustees of the charity should be:

- Over 16 years old
- Not disqualified from directorship
- Not disqualified from charity trusteeship

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

**Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ending 31 March 2023**

(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)

	Note s	Restricted Funds £	Unrestrict ed Funds £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds				
Donations, Grants & Legacies	3	-	17,889	17,889
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		-	17,889	17,889
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Cost of Generating Funds				
Charitable Activities	4		434	434
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		-	434	434
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		-	17,455	17,455
Balance Brought Forward		-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	17,455	17,455

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.
All of the charity's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

**Balance Sheet
As At 31 March 2023**

	Not e	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	TOTAL 31 March 2023 £
Fixed Assets	2			
Tangible Assets		-	-	-
Current Assets				
Debtors & Prepayments	7	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	6	-	17,455	17,455
Total Current Assets		-	17,455	17,455
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8			
		-	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		-	17,455	17,455
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year		-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		-	17,455	17,455
NET ASSETS		-	17,455	17,455
Funds of the Charity				
General Funds		-	-	-
Restricted Funds	5	-	17,455	17,455
Total Funds		-	17,455	17,455

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost of transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

Assessment of Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources
- the Trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the OFA in the same financial period as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value

placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment Gains and Losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the Directors' meetings and cost of any legal advice to Directors on governance or constitutional matters.

Changes in Accounting Policies and Previous Accounts

This is the set of accounts for the organisation.

Grants Payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

Unrestricted funds

These funds can be used for the general objectives of the charity as set out in the trustees report. The movements of the unrestricted funds are given in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Restricted funds

These funds are where the donor has specified a purpose for the donation made. These restrictions often arise as a result of appeals for special offerings for specific purposes.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Legal status of the Charity

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Fixed Assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £1,000. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation Expense

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied per annum are as follows:

Equipment Cost 33% straight line basis

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

No fixed assets acquired in the year.

3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
a) Donations, Grants & Legacies			
Donations	-	11,889	11,889
Grants	-	6,000	6,000
	-	17,889	17,889

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022/23 £
a) Charitable Activities			
Advertising & Promotion	-	309	309
Travel	-	125	125
	-	434	434

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance 06-Jun-22 £	Income £	Expenditur e £	Transfer £	Balance 31-Mar-23 £
Project Fund	-	17,889	434	-	17,455
	-	17,889	434	-	17,455

The Restricted funds held are wholly represented by the Charity's Cash Reserves and are to be expended as specified above.

6. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Cash at Bank and in Hand	-	17,455	17,455
	-	17,455	17,455

7. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-
	-	-	-

8. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Sundry Creditors	-	-	-
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	-	-	-

9. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The Charity held no long-term liabilities during this financial year.

10. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-23 £
Fixed Asset Investments	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	-	17,455	17,455
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-
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	-	17,455	17,455

11. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT ON CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is registered with the Charity Commission (1199225) and does not have a Share capital and has no income subject to Corporation Tax.

	TOTAL 2022/23 £
Profit / (Deficit) for the financial year	17,455
Other recognised gains	-
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	17,455
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Balance Brought Forward	-
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Closing Funds at 31 March 2023	17,455

12. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

The Charity did not pay any employees in the year. Work was carried out by a team of executive volunteers. Hence no members of staff received emoluments of over £60,000. Payments will be made on a self-employed basis in 2023/24 and put on payroll at the earliest opportunity.

13. TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

During the financial year, no payments were made to the Trustees or any persons connected with them. No other material transaction took place between the organisation or any person connected with them.

14. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

15. RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The directors will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

16. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.