

COMFORT CENTRE LEICESTER

England & Wales · Charity number 1200042

Details

Status Registered

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Registered 2022-08-12

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION AND PRESERVATION OF GOOD HEALTH AND THE RELIEF OF SICKNESS OF THOSE SUFFERING FROM SICKLE CELL AND THALASSEMIA, PRIMARILY IN LEICESTER, AND THEIR CARERS BY:A. PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT, ADVICE AND EDUCATION, INCLUDING COFFEE MORNINGS, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS AND INFORMATION ON WELFARE BENEFITS, ADVOCACY AND ASSISTANCE.B. PROMOTING AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING AMONGST THE PUBLIC OF SICKLE CELL AND THALASSEMIA, INCLUDING PARTNERING WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS WITH SIMILAR AIMS TO REACH A WIDER AUDIENCE.C. FACILITATING SCREENING PROGRAMS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY ARE A CARRIER OF SICKLE CELL OR THALASSAEMIA.D. THE PROVISION OF GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS.

Activities: The charity provides support for those directly and indirectly affected by Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. This is achieved via a number of initiatives such as monthly coffee mornings, quarterly support group meetings, workshops, training days, research participation, educational forums, outreach, children-led initiatives and bespoke client programmes

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Leicester City
- Leicestershire
- Rutland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£30,704	£26,311	-	-
2024-07-31	£7,015	£11,072	-	-
2023-07-31	£4,275	£1,934	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Cleveland Deroche		2022-08-10
Dr Olukemi Olowofoyeku		2025-04-30
Michael Borland		2024-01-18
Pastor Michael Baker		2022-08-10
Susan Owera		2025-04-30

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Comfort Centre Leicester

Report and Accounts

31 July 2025

Comfort Centre Leicester Company Information

Trustees

Cleveland Deroche
Michael Borland
Pastor Michael Baker

Independent examiner

Smartfield Limited
81 London Road
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Comfort Centre Leicester
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Trustees' Report

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Principal activities

The trust's principal activity during the year continued to be provision of help and assistance to people suffering from Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.

Trustees

The following persons served as trustees during the year:

Cleveland Deroche
Michael Borland
Pastor Michael Baker

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The charity is governed by a board of trustees drawn from the local community. This is to ensure that the board has the skills and experience required to oversee the management of the charity and its operations.

Trustee Induction and Training

All new trustees receive a planned induction programme before taking up their place on the board. This includes an explanation of their roles and responsibilities, an introduction to other trustees, an overview of recent business and an explanation of board format and process.

Reserves policy

The trustees aim to ensure that sufficient funds are maintained to enable the trust to carry out its activities.

Risk management

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the trust faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees have considered the general guidance on public benefit issued by the Charities Commission and have taken due regard of that guidance. The trustees consider that they are satisfied that the charity's activities do provide a public benefit.

Results for the year

The charity had a surplus of £4,393 for the year. The detailed results are set out in the attached financial statements.

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Trustees' Report

Statement of trustees responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable trust and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable trust for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable trust will continue in business.

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

This report was approved by the board on 24 January 2026 and signed on its behalf.

Cleveland DeRoche

Cleveland Deroche
Trustee

Comfort Centre Leicester Independent Examiner's Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Comfort Centre Leicester

I report on the accounts of Comfort Centre Leicester for the year ended 31 July 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 9

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to: examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act; to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 you as trustees 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

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act, have not been met; or
- ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Zeeshan Bawany

Z Bawany
Smartfield Limited

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24 January 2026

Comfort Centre Leicester
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 July 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Incoming resources			
Income from charitable activities and generated funds		30,739	7,014
Resources expended			
Direct charitable expenses		(35)	(694)
Gross surplus		<u>30,704</u>	<u>6,320</u>
Administrative expenses		(26,311)	(10,378)
Operating surplus/(deficit)	2	<u>4,393</u>	<u>(4,058)</u>
Surplus/(deficit) on ordinary activities		<u>4,393</u>	<u>(4,058)</u>
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year		<u><u>4,393</u></u>	<u><u>(4,058)</u></u>

**Comfort Centre Leicester
Balance Sheet
as at 31 July 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	3	285	571
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		3,996	206
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	(1,605)	(2,494)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		2,391	(2,288)
Net assets/(liabilities)		<u>2,676</u>	<u>(1,717)</u>
Reserves			
Accumulated reserves (unrestricted)	5	2,676	(1,717)
Net funds		<u>2,676</u>	<u>(1,717)</u>

The trustees are satisfied that the trust is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit.

The members have not required the trust to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Charity Commission with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Cleveland DeRoche

Cleveland Deroche

Trustee

Approved by the board on 24 January 2026

Comfort Centre Leicester
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 July 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

The accounts have also been drawn up in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) - "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued by the Charity Commissioners in England and Wales.

Income

Income is accounted for on a receipts basis.

Resources expended

Resources expended are accounted for as the liability is incurred. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT which is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	33% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% straight line

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2 Operating profit

	2025	2024
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	<u>286</u>	<u>286</u>

Comfort Centre Leicester
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 July 2025

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery etc £
Cost	
At 1 August 2024	857
At 31 July 2025	<u>857</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 August 2024	286
Charge for the year	<u>286</u>
At 31 July 2025	<u>572</u>
Net book value	
At 31 July 2025	<u>285</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>571</u>

4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	1,525	1,450
Other creditors	<u>80</u>	<u>1,044</u>
	<u>1,605</u>	<u>2,494</u>

5 Reserves

	2025 £
At 1 August 2024	(1,717)
Surplus for the year	<u>4,393</u>
At 31 July 2025	<u>2,676</u>

6 Ultimate controlling party

In the opinion of the trustees, given the structure of the trust, there is no ultimate controlling party.

Comfort Centre Leicester
Detailed profit and loss account
for the year ended 31 July 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
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Resources expended		
Direct charitable expenses	<u>35</u>	<u>694</u>
Administrative expenses		
Employee costs:		
Wages and salaries	7,643	3,680
Staff training and welfare	3,213	-
Travel and subsistence	2,657	-
Motor expenses	342	-
	<u>13,855</u>	<u>3,680</u>
Premises costs:		
Rent	2,400	1,000
	<u>2,400</u>	<u>1,000</u>
General administrative expenses:		
Telephone and fax	382	1,042
Postage	45	-
Stationery and printing	796	1,499
Subscriptions	180	349
Bank charges	39	-
Insurance	94	179
Software	526	-
Repairs and maintenance	594	-
Depreciation	286	286
	<u>2,942</u>	<u>3,355</u>
Legal and professional costs:		
Accountancy fees	775	350
Advertising and PR	6,137	1,993
Other legal and professional	202	-
	<u>7,114</u>	<u>2,343</u>
	<u>26,311</u>	<u>10,378</u>

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31 July 2024

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Public Benefit Statement

The trustees have considered the general guidance on public benefit issued by the Charities Commission and have taken due regard of that guidance. The trustees consider that they are satisfied that the charity's activities do provide a public benefit.

Results for the year

The charity had a deficit of £-4058 for the year. The detailed results are set out in the attached financial statements.

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18 March 2025

**Comfort Centre Leicester
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 July 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Incoming resources			
Income from charitable activities and generated funds		7,014	4,274
Resources expended			
Direct charitable expenses		(694)	-
Gross surplus		<u>6,320</u>	<u>4,274</u>
Administrative expenses		(10,378)	(1,933)
Operating (deficit)/surplus	2	<u>(4,058)</u>	<u>2,341</u>
(Deficit)/surplus on ordinary activities		<u>(4,058)</u>	<u>2,341</u>
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year		<u><u>(4,058)</u></u>	<u><u>2,341</u></u>

**Comfort Centre Leicester
Balance Sheet
as at 31 July 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	3	571	-
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		206	4,094
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	(2,494)	(1,753)
Net current (liabilities)/assets		(2,288)	2,341
Net (liabilities)/assets		<u>(1,717)</u>	<u>2,341</u>
Reserves			
Accumulated reserves (unrestricted)	5	(1,717)	2,341
Net funds		<u>(1,717)</u>	<u>2,341</u>

The trustees are satisfied that the trust is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit.

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Cleveland Deroche
Trustee

Approved by the board on 18 March 2025

Comfort Centre Leicester
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 July 2024

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The accounts have also been drawn up in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) - "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued by the Charity Commissioners in England and Wales.

Income

Income is accounted for on a receipts basis.

Resources expended

Resources expended are accounted for as the liability is incurred. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT which is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	33% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% straight line

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2 Operating profit

	2024	2023
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	<u>286</u>	<u>-</u>

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery etc £
Cost	
Additions	<u>857</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>857</u>
Depreciation	
Charge for the year	<u>286</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>286</u>
Net book value	
At 31 July 2024	<u>571</u>

Comfort Centre Leicester
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 July 2024

4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,450	-
Other creditors	1,044	1,753
	<u>2,494</u>	<u>1,753</u>

5 Reserves	2024
	£
At 1 August 2023	2,341
Deficit for the year	(4,058)
	<u>(1,717)</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>(1,717)</u>

6 Ultimate controlling party

In the opinion of the trustees, given the structure of the trust, there is no ultimate controlling party.

Comfort Centre Leicester
Detailed profit and loss account
for the year ended 31 July 2024

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Operating (deficit)/surplus	<u>(4,058)</u>	<u>2,341</u>
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	<u><u>(4,058)</u></u>	<u><u>2,341</u></u>

Comfort Centre Leicester
Detailed profit and loss account
for the year ended 31 July 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Incoming resources		
Income	<u>7,014</u>	<u>4,274</u>
Resources expended		
Direct charitable expenses	<u>694</u>	<u>-</u>
Administrative expenses		
Employee costs:		
Wages and salaries	3,680	-
Travel and subsistence	-	3
	<u>3,680</u>	<u>3</u>
Premises costs:		
Rent	1,000	-
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-</u>
General administrative expenses:		
Telephone and fax	1,042	-
Stationery and printing	1,499	120
Subscriptions	349	25
Insurance	179	-
Depreciation	286	-
	<u>3,355</u>	<u>145</u>
Legal and professional costs:		
Accountancy fees	350	-
Advertising and PR	1,993	117
Other legal and professional	-	1,668
	<u>2,343</u>	<u>1,785</u>
	<u>10,378</u>	<u>1,933</u>

COMFORT CENTRE LEICESTER

England & Wales - Charity number 1200042

Accounts

Comfort Centre Leicester

Charity Registration Number:

1200042 (England & Wales)

Unaudited statutory accounts for the year ended 31 July 2023

Period of accounts

Start date: 12th August 2022

End date: 31 July 2023

COMFORT CENTRE LEICESTER
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	S Owera (Chair)
	C Deroche (Treasurer)
	Pastor M Baker
	M Borland
Charity number	1200042
Principal address	17 Bignal Drive
	Leicester Forest East
	Leicester LE3 3QF

Comfort Centre Leicester

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Profit & Loss Account for the Period Ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £
Incoming resources from generated funds	2			
Grants		4000	0	4000
Donations		<u>275</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>275</u>
Total incoming resources		<u>4275</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4275</u>
Net incoming resources available				
		4275	0	4275
 Less: Charitable activities	 3			
Staff cost	4	0	0	0
Administrative costs		<u>1934</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1934</u>
Total charitable expenditure		<u>1934</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1934</u>
 Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		2341	0	2341
 Fund balances at 12 th August 2022		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
 Fund balances at 31 July 2023		2341	<u>0</u>	2341

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006

Comfort Centre Leicester

Balance sheet for the Period Ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	31 July 2023
		£
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Tangible Assets		0
Total fixed assets:		0
Current Assets	5	
Bank		2341
Total current assets		2341
Total assets less (Total liabilities):		2341
<u>Income Funds:</u>		
Unrestricted funds		2341
Restricted funds		0
Accumulated funds		2341

The charity is exempt from the audit requirement in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 July 2023. The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring proper accounting records are kept and comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts that give a true and fair view of its incoming resources and application of resources for the financial year in accordance with section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006

Comfort Centre Leicester
Balance sheet (Continued)
for the Period Ended 31 July 2023

The accounts were approved by the Board and Members on the
9th September 2023



Signed.....

Suzan Ower (Chair)

Trustee

Charity Registration No. 1200042

COMFORT CENTRE LEICESTER

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

1.Accounting policies

1.1 The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice, “Accounting and Reporting by Charities” issued in March 2005 and the Companies Act 2006.

2.Donations and legacies

Donations and gifts were Unrestricted funds totalling £275

Grants were Unrestricted funds totalling £4000

3. Total resources expended

Administrative costs £1933 which included legal and professional fees of £900

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, but 2 were reimbursed legal and professional fees (£900) and administration expenses (£767).

4. Employees

None

5. Current Assets

Cash at Bank (£2341)

Comfort Centre Leicester

Trustees Annual Report

Charity Registration No. 1200042 (England & Wales)

Year Ending: 31 July 2023

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 to comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

Introduction

Comfort Centre Leicester (CCL) was formed in August 2023 to be the voice and means of communication for those in Leicester with the Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia blood disorder which primarily affects the Black and minority ethnic community (BME). It is currently a volunteer-led organization with plans to employ a support worker in the next financial year. The organisation helps and supports this section of the BME Community that often feel neglected and face several difficulties including care, housing, healthcare, well-being, self-help, education and disability.

Motto: "A Source of Comfort for those in Need with Sickle Cell & Thalassaemia"

Structure, governance and management.

CCL is an independent charity (reg no.01200042). It is primarily funded by grants and individual donations. Donations do not lead to any decision-making authority with it only contributing to 1% of running cost.

Trustees

Ms S Owera (Chair)

Mr C Deroche (Treasurer)

Pastor M Baker

Mr M Boland

The Board is the major decision-making body and meets 3 times a year. Trustees are independent in character and judgement, and we understand that no relationships exist that may affect judgement and outcomes.

Objectives and activities

In its first year CCL has established a monthly coffee morning where those that are affected by disease either directly or indirectly can discuss personal issues and acquire much needed information. Every 3 months CCL holds professional discussion groups and workshops from leading professionals in the Leicester community designed help and support those impacted by Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.

Consultation with stakeholders

No consultation with stakeholders in preparing this report.

Key achievements

Establishing the organisation as a point of contact and reference within the Leicester community.

Stakeholder recognition ie Schools, hospitals, local authority, the Mayor of Leicester, families, patients and third party partnerships, Leicester radio, collaboration.

This report was approved by the Trustees of CCL on the 9th of September 2023

Signed on behalf of the Board by:

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Name: Susan Ower

Status: Chair