

Charity registration number 1201803

DONS LOCAL ACTION GROUP
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

DONS LOCAL ACTION GROUP

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	R E Caley	(Appointed 2 February 2023)
	V Swaysland	(Appointed 10 January 2024)
	C Connor	(Appointed 6 September 2023)
	R J Jeffery	(Appointed 4 July 2023)
	R C G Weaver	(Appointed 17 June 2024)
	C Threadgold	(Appointed 13 April 2023)
	P Wilkins	(Appointed 2 February 2023)
	X C C Wiggins	(Appointed 2 February 2023)
Charity number	1201803	
Company number	CE031299	
Registered office	Cherry Red Stadium Plough Lane London SW17 0NR	
Independent examiner	TC Group Star House Star Hill Rochester Kent ME1 1UX	

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The aims of Dons Local Action Group ("DLAG") need to be understood in the context of the prevalence of poverty in the UK. According to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, there were some 22% of the UK's population living in poverty in 2022. In London, the area of the operations of DLAG, the statistics are even starker with an estimated 25% of households living in poverty. DLAG's commitment to its aim of addressing poverty issues in the community, through the activities described below, remains unwavering. The activities of DLAG may change but we will aim to ensure that the way it is run and governed is fit for purpose. As long as our community requires assistance, we will aim to bring hope and dignity to those in need.

Objectives

The principal objective of DLAG is to respond to the overwhelming pressure of poverty in our local community through sourcing provisions and redistributing them to those in acute need as a result of poverty.

DLAG has an engaged, dynamic and resilient volunteer network dedicated to helping people fight poverty across three key focus areas:

- food and household supplies
- furniture and appliances
- laptops and other devices, through our Keep Kids Connected initiative

DLAG operates within the boroughs of Kingston, Merton and Wandsworth in Southwest London, seeking to collaborate closely with local councils, charities, schools and other community partners to support people in need.

This is DLAG's first period of operation as an independent charity. In the longer term, it is possible its activities may change in scale or nature. However, the core of DLAG in future periods is expected to be sourcing provisions and redistributing them to those in need.

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Activities

The different areas of DLAG's activities during the period are described below.

Food and household supplies distribution

DLAG operates with a network of some 1,000 volunteers across the organisation in numerous roles. The majority of our volunteers carry out shifts at our supermarket stalls across our three boroughs to gather donations of food and household supplies. These donations are collected at regular intervals throughout the day and transported to our central hub for sorting and storage. The contributions received from supermarkets and our supplier partners are compiled into food boxes, which are then delivered directly to individuals or families, or put into regular bulk donations for community organisations.

Engaging volunteers is crucial not only for retention but for also building our brand as an inclusive charity, where volunteers are part of the DLAG family.

DLAG also donates Easter eggs and Christmas toys to our food recipients with children.

Furniture and appliances distribution

DLAG aims to alleviate furniture poverty by providing good second-hand items to those in need. We organise weekly collections of second-hand furniture and appliances, after assessing their condition and suitability. The items are catalogued, repaired and cleaned if needed at our small furniture hub.

We accept referrals from social services and charities for clients in furniture poverty, matching their needs to available items, which we then deliver to their homes.

Keep Kids Connected Initiative

Keep Kids Connected extends support to local councils for disadvantaged children and aids local charities and community groups.

Led by a volunteer team of IT professionals, Keep Kids Connected Initiative refurbishes and donates laptops to schools in Merton, Kingston and Wandsworth. The Initiative involves donations of laptops and IT accessories from corporate partners and individuals, refurbished to industry standards and delivered directly to schools.

Fundraising and community activity

DLAG derives income from a number of important sources. Events such as the Gala dinner, the Big Sleepout and sponsored bike ride are important generators of income for DLAG for now and over future years. The charity also benefits from grants from a range of organisations as well as individual and corporate donations.

During the period DLAG was represented at local community events ranging from school summer fairs and carnivals to charity football matches and drinks receptions.

Public benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities DLAG should undertake.

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Achievements and performance

During the period DLAG achieved significant milestones as set out below

Food and household supplies distribution

In the financial period DLAG supported 895 households in the local area totaling 2,448 adults and children, we averaged 1,215 food boxes to households per month. Additionally, we provided regular bulk deliveries to 39 partners averaging 2,126 boxes per month. We provided 14,581 food boxes direct to households and 25,509 boxes to community partners. Our standard weekly food box for one adult had a typical value of £35.37 in the period.

Furniture and Appliances

In the period we delivered 817 items to 195 households with 590 items collected. We also provided 229 new mattresses.

Keep Kids Connected

In the period the Keep Kids Connected Initiative donated 275 laptops to schools, 43 to charities, 70 to refugee organisations and 51 to councils.

Fundraising

In November 2023 we hosted our first charity Gala fundraising dinner, raising over £70,000. Attendees included guests from large corporates, local businesses and AFC Wimbledon Football Club, as well as representatives from our charity partners and DLAG volunteers, demonstrating the deep links that DLAG has developed in the community.

In December 2023 sixty-five fundraisers, including local dignitaries and representatives from AFC Wimbledon Football Club spent the night at the Cherry Red Records Stadium on Plough Lane. The Big Sleep Out #3 raised over £30,000 for our vital activities in the community ensuring we can continue to help those in need with deliveries of food and furniture.

Amongst the numerous grants we received our largest was £62,000 from the National Lottery.

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Financial review

This financial review covers the operations of DLAG for its first financial period and consequently there are no comparative amounts stated.

Income

Total Income from donations and other sources for the period was £800,258 whilst Expenditure on charitable activities was £370,297 resulting in Net income of £429,961.

A significant element of Income from donations is represented by a transfer of £366,191 (46% of Total income) received In March 2023 from AFC Wimbledon Foundation. This transfer represented donations from activities undertaken on behalf of DLAG in previous periods from 2020 to 2023 whilst operating under the umbrella of AFC Wimbledon Foundation, and before DLAG gained independent charitable status. DLAG received current year donations of £173,714 (22%), the large majority of which was received from individuals. Our corporate donors contributed £23,879 during the period.

Income from events of £145,764 represented 18% of Income from donations. The two most significant fund-raising events were the Gala dinner which raised over £70,000 and the Big Sleep Out which raised over £30,000.

Total income from grants of £114,589 (14%) comprised grants representing Restricted funds of £82,040 and Unrestricted funds of £32,549. As disclosed in Note 12, Restricted Funds relate to the Merton Council Cost of Living Emergency Assistance Grant and the National Lottery Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund.

During the period DLAG also received grant awards from Wimbledon Foundation Community Fund, the Blyth Watson Charitable Trust and the Cameron McKenna Foundation.

Expenditure

Total expenditure for the period was £370,297, of which £288,257 was spent from Unrestricted Funds and £82,040 from Restricted Funds. As set out in Note 12, Restricted Funds relate to the Cost of Living Emergency Assistance Grant and the Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund. These grants were subject to specific conditions by the donors.

Total expenditure of £370,297 comprised Direct costs of £259,443 and Support and Governance costs of £110,854. The largest element of Direct Costs was Staff costs of £106,535 (29% of Total costs) which represented the employment costs of our three members of staff. The other major area of expenditure of £100,563 (27%) related to our fund-raising Events.

Within Support and governance costs, we incurred Advertising and marketing costs of £25,542 (7%). We also spent £17,177 on Motor vehicle expense and £14,001 on IT and software (together 8%). Governance costs of £2,700 related to accountancy fees and fees paid to the independent examiner.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have adopted a reserves policy which they consider appropriate to ensure the continued ability of DLAG to meet its objectives. The Trustees have determined that Free reserves, that is funds which have not been designated for a specific use, should be maintained at a minimum level equivalent to six months of annual expenditure. The Trustees consider that Free reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, DLAG will be able to continue to meet its objectives while consideration is given to what actions need to be taken.

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The charity held total unrestricted reserves of £429,961 at the reporting end date. Of which, £39,233 is made up of tangible fixed assets where the funds would only be realised upon disposal of these assets. Not including the unrealised funds from tangible fixed assets, the charity has total unrestricted reserves of £390,728.

Major risks

Principal risks and uncertainties

DLAG maintains a risk register identifying key risks, together with an assessment of their impact and probability. A planned approach to mitigation, where possible, is then identified.

RISK DESCRIPTION	RISK CAUSE	RISK MITIGATION
Loss of income due to damage to DLAG reputation.	Inappropriate behaviour of volunteers.	DBS checks carried out. Safeguarding procedures applied.
Loss of income due to failure to attract and retain volunteers.	Excessive workloads for existing volunteers. Unattractive working environment for new and existing volunteers.	Monitor and seek to manage individual workloads. Maintain attractive working environment for volunteers.
Loss of bank funds.	Failure of one of DLAG's banks.	Ensure distribution of funds at £85,000
Loss of supermarket collection points	One or more supermarkets could change policy	Maintain and develop supermarket relationships

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Plans for future periods

The plans for future periods involve both a continuation of DLAG's existing activities and a development in those activities;

- continue to source provisions from our community and redistribute them to those who are in acute need as a result of poverty
- continue to work closely with local organisations to extend our reach and to assist our partners to better their services
- plan to develop and strengthen our relationship with corporate partners with tailored offerings including corporate volunteer days, fund raising and donations
- continue to build our volunteering community, aiming to ensure that our volunteers are welcomed, supported and thanked
- plan to increase our visibility and strengthen our connections in the local community including extending our school initiatives and undertaking more community outreach
- continue to monitor the way in which DLAG is structured, governed and run to ensure that it is fit for purpose

All such plans will be regularly reviewed by the Trustees, using detailed management information where available.

Structure, governance and management

DLAG is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charities Commission under number 1201803. The CIO was registered with the Charities Commission on 2 February 2023.

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Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The governing body of DLAG is the Board of Trustees ("the Board") comprising eight members who meet at least six times a year. At every Annual Retirement Meeting one third of the Trustees, being those who have been longest in office, must retire from office. Retiring Trustees may be reappointed but a Trustee who has served for two consecutive terms of office must take a break from office. These Trustees may be reappointed at the earlier of the anniversary of their break from office and the Annual Retirement Meeting following that at which their break from office commenced.

No external body has a right to appoint Trustees.

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Organisational structure

The main responsibilities of the Board are setting the strategy for DLAG and monitoring its implementation, setting and monitoring the budget and exercising financial overview.

The Board has established a Finance Sub-Committee with functions delegated by the Board. The Chair attends all the Sub-Committee meetings.

The Trustees delegate the day to day running of DLAG elements to the Operations Team. The Operations Team comprises three members of staff. The Operations Team report to the Board at least monthly to review current issues. Regular operational meetings are held by the Operations Team and one Trustee.

The Board regularly reviews its governance procedures, taking legal advice as appropriate.

Relationship with related parties

Legal advice is obtained from Bates Wells. The independent examiner is TC Group. HR and health and safety advice is provided by Peninsular.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales 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 charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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


C Threadgold

Trustee

3 October 2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF DONS LOCAL ACTION GROUP

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Dons Local Action Group (the charity) for the period ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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



Sally Meah FCCA

On behalf of TC Group

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Dated: 21 October 2024

DONS LOCAL ACTION GROUP**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT****FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes			
Income from:				
Donations and other sources	2	718,218	82,040	800,258
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	3	288,257	82,040	370,297
Net income and movement in funds		429,961	-	429,961
Reconciliation of funds:				
Fund balances at 2 February 2023		-	-	-
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		429,961	-	429,961

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

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	8		3,222
Tangible assets	9		39,233
			<u>42,455</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	10	3,014	
Cash at bank and in hand		403,791	
		<u>406,805</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	19,299	
		<u>19,299</u>	
Net current assets			387,506
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>429,961</u>
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds			429,961
			<u>429,961</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 3 October 2024


C Threadgold
Trustee

DONS LOCAL ACTION GROUP**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	15		450,319
Investing activities			
Purchase of intangible assets		(4,000)	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(42,528)	
Net cash used in investing activities			(46,528)
Net cash used in financing activities			-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			403,791
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period			-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period			403,791

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Dons Local Action Group is a charity registered in England and Wales. The registered office is Cherry Red Stadium, Plough Lane, London SW17 0NR.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

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

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

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

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

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings. The cost of raising funds comprise investment management costs.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

1.6 Intangible fixed assets other than goodwill

Intangible assets acquired separately from a business are recognised at cost and are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Intangible assets acquired on business combinations are recognised separately from goodwill at the acquisition date where it is probable that the expected future economic benefits that are attributable to the asset will flow to the entity and the fair value of the asset can be measured reliably; the intangible asset arises from contractual or other legal rights; and the intangible asset is separable from the entity.

Amortisation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Software	33% straight line method
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1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	20% straight Line
Motor vehicles	20% straight Line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

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2 Income from donations and other sources

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and gifts	173,714	-	173,714
Events	145,764	-	145,764
Grants	32,549	82,040	114,589
Donations received from AFC Wimbledon from 2020 to 2023	366,191	-	366,191
	<u>718,218</u>	<u>82,040</u>	<u>800,258</u>
Donations and gifts			
Corporate donations	23,879	-	23,879
Individual donations	97,215	-	97,215
Collection tin donations	32,607	-	32,607
Other	20,013	-	20,013
	<u>173,714</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,714</u>
Grants receivable for core activities			
Grants awards	32,549	82,040	114,589
	<u>32,549</u>	<u>82,040</u>	<u>114,589</u>

Donations received from AFC Wimbledon from 2020 to 2023

Transfers represent donations and activities undertaken on behalf of DLAG in previous periods under the umbrella of AFC Wimbledon Foundation and before DLAG gained independent charitable status.

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3 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Food and household supplies distribution 2024 £
Direct costs		
Staff costs	6	106,535
Furniture costs		16,969
Stall and hub supplies		16,553
Merchandise		15,203
Children's toys		2,914
Fundraising transaction fees		706
Events		100,563
		<u>259,443</u>
Support and governance costs (see note 4)		
Support		108,154
Governance		2,700
		<u>370,297</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds		288,257
Restricted funds		82,040
		<u>370,297</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £1,080 for independent examination.

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4 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024
	£
Depreciation and amortisation	4,073
Cleaning & pest control	3,818
IT & software costs	14,001
Rent & rates	4,120
Motor vehicle expenses	17,177
Advertising & marketing	25,542
Legal fees & consultancy	11,730
Subscriptions	1,942
Bank fees	2
Insurance	6,415
DBS checks	1,566
IT costs	7,600
Recruitment	487
Accountancy fees	9,681
Governance costs	2,700
	<u>110,854</u>
	<u>110,854</u>
Analysed between:	
Food and household supplies distribution	110,854
	<u>110,854</u>

Governance costs comprise:	2024
	£
Independent examiner's fees	1,080
Accountancy	1,620
	<u>2,700</u>
	<u>2,700</u>

5 Trustees

R Caley, a trustee of the charity, received payment of £16,150 for providing fundraising services to the charity.

No other trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the period.

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6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the period was:

2024
Number

3

Employment costs

2024
£

Wages and salaries

94,867

Social security costs

9,640

Other pension costs

2,028

106,535

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

Remuneration of key management personnel

The only payment of key management personnel is detailed in note 5.

7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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8 Intangible fixed assets

	Software £
Cost	
At 2 February 2023	-
Additions	4,000
	<u>4,000</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>4,000</u>
Amortisation and impairment	
At 2 February 2023	-
Amortisation charged for the period	778
	<u>778</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>778</u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2024	<u><u>3,222</u></u>

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost			
Additions	1,328	41,200	42,528
	<u>1,328</u>	<u>41,200</u>	<u>42,528</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,328</u>	<u>41,200</u>	<u>42,528</u>
Depreciation and impairment			
Depreciation charged in the period	87	3,208	3,295
	<u>87</u>	<u>3,208</u>	<u>3,295</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>87</u>	<u>3,208</u>	<u>3,295</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2024	<u><u>1,241</u></u>	<u><u>37,992</u></u>	<u><u>39,233</u></u>

10 Debtors

	2024
Amounts falling due within one year:	£
Prepayments and accrued income	<u><u>3,014</u></u>

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11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024
	£
Other taxation and social security	2,410
Trade creditors	13,793
Other creditors	396
Accruals and deferred income	2,700
	<u>19,299</u>

12 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprised balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 2 February 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
Cost of Living Emergency Assistance Grant	-	20,000	(20,000)	-
Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund	-	62,040	(62,040)	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>82,040</u>	<u>(82,040)</u>	<u>-</u>

Cost of Living Emergency Assistance Grant - the grant is to provide the necessary infrastructure to support the coordination and delivery of emergency food and supplies to residents in need including those who are vulnerable and isolated.

Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund - is being delivered by the National Lottery Community Fund, the largest community funder in the UK. Grants will support charity at the frontline of dealing with the increase in the cost-of-living.

DONS LOCAL ACTION GROUP**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)****FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****13 Unrestricted funds**

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

	At 2 February 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	-	718,218	(288,257)	(8,000)	421,961
Designated funds	-	-	-	8,000	8,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>718,218</u>	<u>(288,257)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>429,961</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>718,218</u>	<u>(288,257)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>429,961</u>

The designated funds are funds put aside for the purchase of a new van.

14 Related party transactions

The only related party transactions during the period were trustee payments disclosed in note 5.

15 Cash generated from operations**2024**
£

Surplus for the period	429,961
Adjustments for:	
Amortisation of intangible assets	778
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	3,295
Movements in working capital:	
(Increase) in debtors	(3,014)
Increase in creditors	19,299
Cash generated from operations	450,319

16 Analysis of changes in net funds/(debt)

The charity had no material debt during the year.