

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

England & Wales · Charity number 249998

Details

Other names	THE MOTHERS' UNION - (DIOCESE OF YORK BRANCH)
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1966-11-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: (1) TO UPHOLD CHRIST'S TEACHING ON THE NATURE OF MARRIAGE AND TO PROMOTE IT'S WIDER UNDERSTANDING (2) TO ENCOURAGE PARENTS TO BRING UP THEIR CHILDREN IN THE FAITH AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH (3) TO MAINTAIN A WORLDWIDE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIANS, UNITED IN PRAYER, WORSHIP AND SERVICE (4) TO PROMOTE CONDITIONS IN SOCIETY FAVOURABLE TO STABLE FAMILY LIFE AND FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (5) TO HELP THOSE WHOSE FAMILY LIFE HAS MET WITH ADVERSITY

Activities: The aim and objectives of the charity is the advancement of Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life and to be specifically concerned with all that strengthens and preserves marriage and Christian family life and its support of families whose lives have met with adversity.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** DIOCESE OF YORK
- City Of York

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£58,156	£62,754	-	-
2024-12-31	£70,935	£77,223	-	-
2023-12-31	£71,278	£72,916	-	-
2022-12-31	£67,362	£45,473	-	-
2021-12-31	£35,650	£62,767	-	-
2020-12-31	£38,155	£30,723	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anne Dewing		2024-06-07
Barbara Ford		2024-04-05
Carole Wilson		2024-06-07
Elaine Galloway		2024-06-07
Elizabeth Sarah Rogerson		2024-06-07
Geraldine Anne Woodhall		2024-06-07
Margaret Lawrence		2024-06-07
Rev Elaine Scrivens		2024-06-07
Rev Julie Smith		2024-06-07
Sandra Leonora Jean Hammond		2024-06-07

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Accounts

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

The trustees present their report and the independently examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name	The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York Charity
Registration number	249998
Principal office	1 Bankside, Yarm, North Yorkshire, TS15 9RH

THE TRUSTEES

Mrs A Dewing
Mrs B M Ford
Miss E Galloway
Mrs S Hammond
Mrs M Lawrence
Mrs S Rogerson
Revd E Scrivens
Revd J Smith
Mrs C Wilson
Mrs G Woodhall

Independent examiner	Mr B Hopper Foxville Garth Ends Lane Hemingbrough Selby North Yorkshire YO8 6QW
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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- ❖ The Trustee Board is supported by a team of 3 Chaplains, one from each Archdeaconry.
- ❖ Safeguarding – the Diocese operates in accordance with the Mothers' Union national guidelines.
- ❖ Data Protection – data is stored and processed in line with national GDPR rules.

The Trustees' Annual Report was approved on 16 May 2026 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mrs B M Ford, Diocesan President

Achievements and Performance


The theme for the 2025-2027 Triennium is 'Join Us, Join In' to celebrate 150 years of Mothers' Union.

- ❖ Underpinning all our work is our objective to maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.
 - In spring and autumn 2025 we enjoyed two successful Diocesan retreats.
 - Members continued locally to participate in annual acts of witness which draw attention to and raise the profile of Mothers' Union objectives. In terms of worship, these include the Wave of Prayer acknowledging our work in link Dioceses across the world and the World Day of Prayer.
 - York Minster hosted a service for the commissioning of the Diocesan President and new board of Trustees for the 2025-2027 Triennium and also a service for the commissioning of the new York Provincial President.
- ❖ A great deal of our work focusses on our objective to help those whose family life has met with adversity.
 - This was the fourth year usage of our new AFIA caravan. We offered holidays to 10 families in need.
 - Members responded with very positive fund-raising for Make a Mothers' Day, Summer of Hope and the Christmas special appeals. Donations were also made to all the ongoing national funds. Locally members continue to support community projects such as - women's refuges, hospital initiatives, refugees.
 - Public acts to mark the 16 days of activism against Gender-Based Violence were successfully conducted in 2025 and drew good response from the public. A weekday silence in York Minster again received support from members and visitors.
 - Branches have made good use of the national resources available for the Rise-Up campaign focussing on Domestic Abuse throughout the year.
- ❖ Via normal Church life, we have continued to engage with work in support of our objective to encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children.
 - Member involvement continued in Messy Church, Open the Book and toddler group activities.
 - Branch support for baptism families continued, for example with a gift of a knitted bear, and mark the anniversaries of the baptisms over a period of four years with cards.
 - Branch support for local clergy for couples getting married.
- ❖ The Trustee board has worked on aims set last year by:
 - successful migration of data in February 2025 to the new national database enabling a full check of current member details,
 - commencing on clergy liaison packs,
 - Branch achievements of Bronze awards for promotion of Rise Up resources and awareness,
 - continuing to provide for families in need through our AFIA caravan holidays.

Plans for Future Periods

- ❖ Work towards the target set by Central MU Charity to attract 150 new members.
- ❖ Promoting national and global events for the MU 150th anniversary in 2026; planning Diocesan events to celebrate and supporting local branch activity.
- ❖ Engaging with the national initiatives: continuing with Rise Up; new action against Modern Day Slavery; new action 'Growing Up In An Online World' starting with a government survey May 2026.
- ❖ Rethinking of how Diocesan sales of MUE cards and goods are promoted and administered.
- ❖ Completion of clergy liaison packs.

Accounts for 2025

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES		The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York		Charity Number 249998	CC16a	NOTE
		01/01/2025	To	31/12/2025		
Section A Receipts and payments						
Receipts	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £		
York Diocesan Funds						
AFIA		6,222	6,222	8,743		
Parenting	-	-	-	-		
Retreats	11,645		11,645	10,123		
MUe Sales	3,911		3,911	7,218	6	
Donations from branches	100		100	964		
150th anniversary fund		125	125	-	3	
Other donations		1,617	1,617	-	3	
MUe Dividend	828		828	1,003		
Gift Aid	1,661		1,661	1,983		
Yorkshire Building Society interest	232		232	794		
Royal Bank of Scotland interest	182		182	268		
Investment Interest						
CBF deposit fund retained interest	1,512		1,512	1,684	5	
CBF short duration bond fund interest	-	-	-	106		closed 2024
CBF short duration bond sale of shares	-	-	-	4,230		
CBF investment fund	713		713	697	5	
Diocesan Subscriptions	4,130		4,130	5,488		
net gain in funds held in branch accounts	404		404	-		
Mary Sumner House (MSH) funds						
Subscriptions for central		18,400	18,400	18,013		
Overseas: Literature & Development		340	340	415		
Overseas:general		1,363	1,363	1,846		
Relief		760	760	1,251		
Britain & Ireland		75	75	95		
MSH general		150	150	160		
Special Appeals						
Make a Mother's Day		693	693	1,007		
Summer of Hope		1,855	1,855	2,531		
Christmas 2025		1,238	1,238	2,316		
Total receipts	25,318	32,838	58,156	70,935		
Payments						
net loss in funds held in branch accounts	-	-	-	270		
York Diocesan Funds						
Diocesan President retirement gift 2024	-	-	-	693		
AFIA: expenses		7,696	7,696	12,620		
AFIA: wages - caravan cleaner		556	556	117		
Indoor member prayer group		1,224	1,224	200		
Retreats	12,535		12,535	12,336		
Expenses						
Trustees	2,586		2,586	1,155		
Diocesan Chaplain & reps	291		291	489		
Member Support	1,258		1,258	1,542		
Admin/Office	1,066		1,066	502		
Examiner Fee	480		480	450		
Mary Sumner House (MSH) funds						
Subscriptions to central		18,423	18,423	17,890		
MUe purchase orders	6,214		6,214	4,026	6	
Overseas: Literature & Development		340	340	415		
Overseas:general		1,363	1,363	1,846		
Relief		760	760	1,251		
Britain & Ireland		75	75	95		8
MSH general		150	150	160		
Special Appeals						
Make a Mother's Day		693	693	6,007		
Summer of Hope		1,855	1,855	7,531		
Christmas 2025	4,000	1,188	5,188	6,316	9	
Total payments	28,431	34,323	62,754	75,911		
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,113	- 1,485	- 4,598	- 4,976		
Transfers between funds	27	-	27			
Cash funds last year end	47,165	13,674	60,839			
Cash funds this year end	44,079	12,162	56,241			

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period				
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	TOTAL	
	to nearest £	to nearest £		
Cash funds				
NatWest	159	1,617	1,776	2
Royal Bank of Scotland	90		90	
Yorkshire Building Society	2,656	125	2,781	
surplus funds held in branches	16,673		16,673	4
CBF deposit fund	24,501	10,420	34,921	5
	44,079	12,162	56,241	
Other monetary assets	to nearest £	to nearest £		
Investment assets	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
CBF investment fund			24,646	
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
MUe sales stock	unrestricted - general		1,189	
caravan	restricted - AFIA	25,016	15,008	7
Liabilities	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)	
Bourne Leisure	restricted - AFIA	2,976	Feb 2026	
examiner fee for 2025 accounts	unrestricted - general	500	April 2026	
subs prepaid for 2026	restricted - MSH	100	April 2026	
Central projects - Christmas 2025	restricted - MSH	50		
Prepayments		Amount paid (optional)		
Wydale retreats deposits May & October 2027		1,696		
Signed by (on behalf of all the trustees)		Print Name	Date of approval	
		B M Ford	16/05/2026	
		C S Wilson	16/05/2026	

Notes to the Accounts

1 General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 1 Bankside, Yarm, North Yorkshire, TS15 9RH.

2 Basis of Accounting

The accounting is on a Receipts and Payments (R&P) basis.

A new NatWest Charity Business account was opened and operates since September.

3 Restricted Funds activity

A collection was started for the 150th anniversary fundraising.

A legacy received has been ear-marked towards a new Diocesan banner.

Fund	01/01/2025	in		out	31/12/2025	held in			
						YBS	NatWest	RBS	investment
150th		125.00			125.00	125.00			
Banner		1,616.87			1,616.87		1,616.87		
AFIA	7,899.35	6,221.97	8,252.09		5,869.23				5,869.23
Parenting	1,508.00				1,508.00				1,508.00
Indoor	4,266.74		1,224.00		3,042.74				3,042.74
	13,674.09				12,161.84	125.00	1,616.87		10,419.97

4 Unrestricted Funds activity

These include monies held in branches which are examined locally and reported to the Diocese annually.

Expenses incurred by Trustees on behalf of The Mothers' Union are reimbursed but no Trustee receives remuneration for services.

5 Investments

Two CBF funds were held. The values of these are shown at market value on 31 December 2025.

The Deposit Fund dividends are retained and reinvested in that fund.

The dividends for the Investment fund were paid into the Royal Bank of Scotland account and reported as Payments.

6 Mothers' Union Enterprises Ltd

Stocks are accounted for at the point of purchase and sale. The value of stock remaining in hand is recorded as an asset. The two Diocesan MUE sales reps have now retired and all their remaining stock is held centrally. Branches are also making their own orders directly with the Enterprise shop. No non-MUE goods for resale purchased this year.

Sales receipts includes petty cash held £64.10; amount accounted in Money held in Branches.

7 Caravan

This asset is subject to depreciation using the straight line principle at 10% per year. The current caravan is now 4 years old.

8 Project Support

In addition to donations processed through the Diocese there were direct payments of £2,479 to Central for the following projects:

Ongoing Projects		Special Appeals	
	£		£
Overseas	26	Make A Mothers' Day	473
Relief		Summer of Hope	1,025
Britain & Ireland		Christmas 2025	405
Central General Fund	550		

In 2025 the council of members approved a spend of £4,000 from excess reserves. This was given to the national MU Christmas 2025 appeal under the Big Give Double-Up scheme so had a worth of £8,000. This was augmented by branch and individual donations.

9 Reserves Policy

A policy has been established whereby surplus funds not otherwise committed should be the equivalent of one year's expenditure. It is considered that 12 months resources will give us sufficient funds to continue current activities in the event of a significant reduction in funding. This policy is reviewed annually by the Trustee Board to ensure forward commitments

Independent Examiners Report to Trustees of The Mothers' Union – Diocese of York Year Ended 31 December 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mothers' Union – Diocese of York for the year ended 31st December 2025

Respective responsibilities of Members of the Council and Examiner

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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

Independent Examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than the any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair view" which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

B Hopper

27th March 2026

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Mrs B M Ford, Diocesan Trustee

Achievements and Performance


The theme for the 2021-2024 Triennium continued, 'Reimagining - Transformation Now'.

- ❖ Underpinning all our work is our objective to maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.
 - In spring and autumn 2024 we enjoyed two successful Diocesan retreats.
 - Members continued locally to participate in annual acts of witness which draw attention to and raise the profile of Mothers' Union objectives. In terms of worship, these include the Wave of Prayer acknowledging our work in link Dioceses across the world and the World Day of Prayer.
 - On a Diocesan level, York Minster included MU in a regular public service as an act of thanksgiving for the Triennium.
- ❖ A great deal of our work focusses on our objective to help those whose family life has met with adversity.
 - This was the third year usage of our new AFIA caravan. We offered holidays to 16 families in need, of which 4 bookings came via liaison with outside agencies.
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- ❖ The Trustee board has worked on aims set last year by:
 - success in recruiting Trustees for 2025-2027,
 - continuing with retreat and AFIA projects, and promoting the Rise Up project,
 - further simplifying administration paperwork for branches,
 - promoting the website.

Plans for Future Periods

- ❖ 2024 sees the final year of the Triennium. The theme for 2025-2027 is Join Us and Join In. Review of membership and promotion ideas.
- ❖ Work on improving clergy liaison using clergy packs.
- ❖ Completion of the updated Handbook of Guidelines for Branches and updated Diocesan Prayer Diary.
- ❖ Continuing to provide families in need for our AFIA caravan holidays.
- ❖ Broadening the use of Rise Up resources in public places eg community centres.
- ❖ Expanding use of and contribution to our website.
- ❖ Planning for the MU 150th anniversary in 2026.

Accounts for 2024

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES		The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York		Charity Number 249998	CC16a
		01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024	
Section A Receipts and payments					
					Notes
Receipts	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £	
York Diocesan Funds					
AFIA		8,743	8,743	10,112	
Parenting	-	-	-	315	
Retreats	10,123		10,123	12,520	
MUe Sales	7,218		7,218	6,177	
Sale of other goods	-	-	-	2,955	
Donations from branches	271	693	964	714	3
MUe Dividend	1,003		1,003	1,061	
Gift Aid	1,983		1,983	453	
Yorkshire Building Society interest	794		794	259	
Royal Bank of Scotland interest	268		268	120	
Investment Income					
CBF deposit fund retained interest	1,684		1,684	985	
CBF short duration bond fund interest	106		106	88	
CBF short duration bond sale of shares	4,230		4,230	-	
CBF investment fund interest	697		697	686	
Diocesan Subscriptions	5,488		5,488	11,601	
Mary Sumner House (MSH) funds					
Subscriptions for central		18,013	18,013	17,409	
Overseas: Literature & Development		415	415	1,541	
Overseas:general		1,846	1,846	1,078	
Relief		1,251	1,251	1,092	
Britain & Ireland		95	95	150	
MSH general		160	160	250	
Special Appeals					
Make a Mother's Day		1,007	1,007	250	
Summer of Hope		2,531	2,531	1,313	
Christmas 2024		2,316	2,316	150	
Total receipts	33,865	37,070	70,935	71,279	
Payments					
net loss in funds held in branch accounts	270		270	3,350	6
York Diocesan Funds					
Misc	1,312		1,312		
Diocesan President retirement gift		693	693	-	3
AFIA: expenses		12,620	12,620	916	
AFIA: wages - caravan cleaner		117	117	563	
Indoor member prayer group		200	200	600	
Retreats	12,336		12,336	12,211	
Purchase of non-MUe goods for resale	-	-	-	2,488	6
Expenses					
Trustees	1,155		1,155	1,565	
Diocesan Chaplain & reps	489		489	555	
Member Support	1,542		1,542	795	
Admin/Office	502		502	963	
Examiner Fee	450		450	1,776	
Mary Sumner House (MSH) funds					
Subscriptions to central		17,890	17,890	17,427	
MUe purchase orders	4,026		4,026	13,883	
Overseas: Literature & Development		415	415	1,541	
Overseas:general		1,846	1,846	1,078	
Relief		1,251	1,251	1,092	
Britain & Ireland		95	95	150	
MSH general		160	160	250	
Special Appeals					
Make a Mother's Day		6,007	6,007	250	8
Summer of Hope		7,531	7,531	1,313	8
Christmas 2024		6,316	6,316	10,150	8
Total payments	22,082	55,141	77,223	72,916	
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,783	- 18,071	- 6,288	- 1,638	
Transfers between funds	- 13,877	13,877			
Cash funds last year end	49,259	17,868	67,127		2
Cash funds this year end	47,165	13,674	60,839		

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period				
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	TOTAL	
	to nearest £	to nearest £		
Cash funds				
Royal Bank of Scotland	6,725	1,887	8,612	
Yorkshire Building Society		2,548	2,548	
surplus funds held in branches	16,270		16,270	4, 6
CBF deposit fund	24,170	9,239	33,409	5
	47,165	13,674	60,839	
Other monetary assets	to nearest £	to nearest £		
Investment assets	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
CBF investment fund			25,672	
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
MUe sales stock	unrestricted - general		2,163	4, 6
caravan	restricted - AFIA	25,016	17,510	7
Liabilities	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)	
Signed by (on behalf of all the trustees)	Print Name		Date of approval	
	Barbara Ford		24/05/2025	
	Carole Wilson		24/05/2025	

Notes to the Accounts

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2 Basis of Accounting

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3 Restricted Funds activity

A specific collection was made for a retirement gift for the outgoing Diocesan President.

Fund	01/01/2024	in	out	31/12/2024	held in		
					YBS	RBS	investment
AFIA	11,893.05	8,743.12	12,736.82	7,899.35	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,899.35
Parenting	1,508.00			1,508.00			1,508.00
Indoor	4,466.74		200.00	4,266.74	548.00	200.00	3,518.74
	17,867.79			13,674.09	2,548.00	3,200.00	7,926.09

4 Unrestricted Funds activity

These include monies held in branches which are examined locally and reported to the Diocese annually.

Expenses incurred by Trustees on behalf of The Mothers' Union are reimbursed but no Trustee receives remuneration for services.

5 Investments

Three CBF funds were held. The values of these are shown at market value on 31 December 2024.

The Deposit Fund dividends are retained and reinvested in that fund.

The dividends for the Short Term Duration bond fund and Investment fund were paid into the Royal Bank of Scotland account and reported as Payments. The Short Term Duration bond fund was cashed in during 2024 to assist cash flow in 2025.

6 Mothers' Union Enterprises Ltd

Stocks are accounted for at the point of purchase and sale. The value of stock remaining in hand is recorded as an asset. Some orders since June have not yet been paid for. Mary Sumner House has been made aware of the need for this invoice information. No non-MUe goods for resale purchased this year. Sales receipts includes petty cash held £170; amount accounted in cash held in branches.

7 Caravan

This asset is subject to depreciation using the straight line principle at 10% per year. The current caravan is now 3 years old.

8 Reserves Policy

A policy has been established whereby surplus funds not otherwise committed should be the equivalent of one year's expenditure. It is considered that 12 months resources will give us sufficient funds to continue current activities in the event of a significant reduction in funding. This policy is reviewed annually by the Trustee Board to ensure forward commitments.

The £10,000 excess reserves agreed in 2023 was donated during 2024 to the national MU Make a Mothers' Day and Summer of Hope appeals. In 2024 the council of members approved a spend of £4,000 from excess reserves. This was given to the national MU Christmas 2024 appeal under the Big Give Double-Up scheme so had a worth of £8,000. This was augmented by branch and individual donations.

**Independent Examiners Report to Trustees of The Mothers' Union – Diocese of York
Year Ended 31 December 2024**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mothers' Union – Diocese of York for the year ended 31st December 2024

Respective responsibilities of Members of the Council and Examiner

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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

Independent Examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
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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.

B Hopper
10th April 2025

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

England & Wales - Charity number 249998

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THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The trustees present their report and the independently examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York Charity
Registration number 249998
Principal office 1 Bankside, Yarm, North Yorkshire, TS15 9RH

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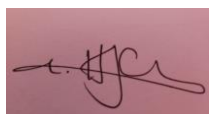
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

- ❖ The Mothers' Union is an Anglican organisation which promotes the well-being of families worldwide. The charity is governed by a constitution updated in 2022.
- ❖ The Trustees control and manage the affairs of the charity in the Diocese. Trustees are elected for a three year period initially and may stand for re-election for a further three years. In cases of unfilled positions, the existing board may appoint a suitable person to fill the role.
- ❖ The Trustee Board is supported by a team of 3 Chaplains, one from each Archdeaconry.
- ❖ Safeguarding – the Diocese operates in accordance with the Mothers' Union national guidelines.
- ❖ Data Protection – data is stored and processed in line with national GDPR rules.

The Trustees' Annual Report was approved on 18 May 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs H Castle, Diocesan President Trustee

Achievements and Performance


The theme for the 2021-2024 Triennium continued, 'Reimagining - Transformation Now'.

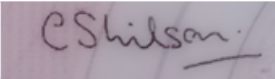
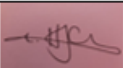
- ❖ Underpinning all our work is our objective to maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.
 - In spring and autumn 2023 we enjoyed two successful Diocesan retreats.
 - Copies of the Metamorphosis Bitesize course were distributed to all branches and the material has proved popular for use at meetings.
 - Members continued to participate in annual acts of witness which draw attention to and raise the profile of Mothers' Union objectives. In terms of worship, these include the Wave of Prayer acknowledging our work in link Dioceses across the world and the World Day of Prayer.
- ❖ A great deal of our work focusses on our objective to help those whose family life has met with adversity.
 - This was the second year usage of our new AFIA caravan. We offered holidays to 20 families in need, of which 2 bookings came via liaison with outside agencies.
 - Members responded with very positive fund-raising for Make a Mothers' Day, Summer of Hope and the Christmas special appeals. Donations were also made to all the ongoing national funds. Locally members continue to support community projects such as - women's refuges, hospital initiatives, refugees.
 - Public acts to mark the 16 days of activism against Gender-Based Violence were successfully conducted in 2023 and drew good response from the public. A weekday silence in York Minster received support from members and visitors.
 - The new initiative was Rise-Up. This focusses on Domestic Abuse throughout the year. Branches have used the national resources available to raise awareness and publicise support mechanisms in the church networks.
- ❖ Via normal Church life, we have continued to engage with work in support of our objective to encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children.
 - Member involvement continued in Messy Church, Open the Book and toddler group activities.
 - Branch support for baptism families continued, for example with a gift of a knitted bear, and mark the anniversaries of the baptisms over a period of four years with cards.
 - Branch support for local clergy for couples getting married.
- ❖ The Trustee board has worked on the 3 aims set last year by
 - continuing with retreat and AFIA projects, and promoting the Rise Up project,
 - simplifying administration tasks, including establishing a start to online banking,
 - designing a new website.

Plans for Future Periods.

- ❖ 2024 sees the final year of this Triennium. An emphasis is needed on recruiting officers at all levels for 2025-2027.
- ❖ Production of an updated Handbook of Guidelines for Branches.
- ❖ Production of an updated Prayer Diary which will be of particular use to members who cannot attend branch meetings.
- ❖ Continuing and expanding liaison with outside agencies to provide families in need for our AFIA caravan holidays.

Accounts for 2023

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York		Charity Number 249998	CC16a
	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023	
	Section A Receipts and payments			
Receipts	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
York Diocesan Funds				
AFIA		10,112	10,112	5,657
Parenting		315	315	205
Retreats	12,520		12,520	9,435
MUe Sales	6,177		6,177	9,047
Sale of other goods	2,955		2,955	-
Donations from branches	714		714	940
MUe Dividend	1,061		1,061	1,043
Gift Aid	453		453	1,613
Yorkshire Building Society interest	259		259	
Royal Bank of Scotland interest	120		120	145
Investment Interest				
CBF deposit fund retained interest	985		985	
CBF short duration bond fund	88		88	1,192
CBF investment fund	686		686	
Diocesan Subscriptions	11,601		11,601	
Mary Sumner House (MSH) funds				32,200
Subscriptions for central		17,409	17,409	
Overseas: Literature & Development		1,541	1,541	713
Overseas: general		1,078	1,078	678
Relief		1,092	1,092	562
Britain & Ireland		150	150	140
MSH general		250	250	58
Special Appeals				2,065
Make a Mother's Day		250	250	
Summer of Hope		1,313	1,313	
Christmas 2023		150	150	
Total receipts	37,618	33,660	71,278	65,693
Payments				
net loss in funds held in branch accounts	3,350		3,350	
York Diocesan Funds				
Wages: secretary salary & treasurer fee to July 2022	-	-	-	7,267
AFIA: expenses		916	916	5,759
AFIA: wages - caravan cleaner		563	563	489
Indoor member prayer group		600	600	-
Retreats	12,211		12,211	7,709
Purchase of non-MUe goods for resale	2,488		2,488	-
Expenses				
Trustees	1,565		1,565	770
Diocesan Chaplain & reps	555		555	
Member Support	795		795	2,603
Admin/Office	963		963	
Examiner Fee	1,776		1,776	1,740
Mary Sumner House (MSH) funds				
Subscriptions to central		17,427	17,427	18,220
MUe purchase orders	13,883		13,883	10,273
Overseas: Literature & Development		1,541	1,541	713
Overseas: general		1,078	1,078	678
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Special Appeals				2,065
Make a Mother's Day		250	250	
Summer of Hope		1,313	1,313	
Christmas 2023	10,000	150	10,150	
Total payments	47,586	25,330	72,916	59,046
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 9,968	8,330	- 1,638	6,647
Transfers between funds	- 19	19		
Cash funds last year end	59,246	9,519	68,765	
Cash funds this year end	49,259	17,868	67,127	

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period				
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	TOTAL
		to nearest £	to nearest £	
Cash funds				
Royal Bank of Scotland		6,970	4,646	11,616
Yorkshire Building Society			8,755	8,755
surplus funds held in branches		16,539		16,539
CBF deposit fund		25,750	4,467	30,217
		49,259	17,868	67,127
Other monetary assets				
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	
		to nearest £	to nearest £	
Investment assets				
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
CBF short duration bond fund				4,083
CBF investment fund				25,098
Assets retained for the charity's own use				
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
MUe sales stock		unrestricted - general		2,120
caravan		restricted - AFIA	25,016	20,012
Liabilities				
		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
October council meeting hall hire		unrestricted - member support	120	
Bourne Leisure		restricted - AFIA	541	
Signed by (on behalf of all the trustees)		Print Name		Date of approval
		Carole S Wilson		18/05/2024
		H M Castle		18/05/2024

Notes to the Accounts

1 General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 1 Bankside, Yarm, North Yorkshire, TS15 9RH.

2 Basis of Accounting

The accounting is on a Receipts and Payments (R&P) basis. Previous reports have been produced by a commercial firm on an Accrual/Prepayments basis. The Trustees and membership decided in 2022 that the increasing cost of this was not an effective use of the Charity's money & appointed a new examiner. Given the level of income, we have taken advantage of the regulation that allows us to produce R&P accounts. We believe the R&P accounts are easier for members in general to follow and they significantly reduce our professional fees. This has involved restating last year's figures to the best of our understanding.

3 Restricted Funds activity

Fund	01/01/2023	in	out	31/12/2023	held in	YBS	RBS	investment
AFIA	3,260.00	10,112.05	1,479.00	11,893.05		8,755.00	3,138.05	
Parenting	1,193.00	315.00		1,508.00			1,508.00	
Indoor	5,066.74		600.00	4,466.74				4,466.74
				17,867.79		8,755.00	4,646.05	4,466.74

4 Unrestricted Funds activity

These include monies held in branches which are examined locally and reported to the Diocese annually. Expenses incurred by Trustees on behalf of The Mothers' Union are reimbursed but no Trustee receives remuneration for services.

5 Investments

Three CBF funds are held. The values of these are shown at market value on 31 December 2023.

The Deposit Fund dividends are retained and reinvested in that fund.

The dividends for the Short Term duration bond fund and Investment fund are paid into the Royal Bank of Scotland account and reported as Payments.

6 Mothers' Union Enterprises Ltd

Stocks are accounted for at the point of purchase and sale. The value of stock remaining in hand with each of our two sales representatives is reported as an asset.

7 Caravan

This asset is subject to depreciation using the straight line principle at 10% per year. The current caravan is now 2 years old.

8 Reserves Policy

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In 2023 the council of members approved a spend of £20,000 from excess reserves. £10,000 was given to the national MU Christmas 2023 appeal under the Big Give Double-Up scheme so had a worth of £20,000. The

other £10,000 will be donated during 2024 to the national MU Make a Mothers' Day and Summer of Hope appeals.

Independent Examiners Report to Trustees of The Mothers' Union – Diocese of York Year Ended 31 December 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mothers' Union – Diocese of York for the year ended 31st December 2023

Respective responsibilities of Members of the Council and Examiner

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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Independent Examiner's statement

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B Hopper
10th May 2024

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

England & Wales - Charity number 249998

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 249998

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name	The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York
Charity registration number	249998
Principal office	1 Bankside Yarm N Yorkshire TS15 9RH

THE TRUSTEES

Mrs H Castle
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Independent examiner	Miss T J Maer of Townends Accountants LLP Fulford Lodge 1 Heslington Lane Fulford York YO10 4HW
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THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The aim and objectives of the Mothers' Union is the advancement of Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life and to be specially concerned with all that strengthens and preserves marriage and Christian family life.

The Trustees have examined the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to those major risks.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The theme for 2022 'Transformation - NOW' invited us to respond to the Re-imaging MU consultations which began at the end of 2021 and culminated in a delayed national conference in July 2022.

Underpinning all our work is our objective to maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.

In spring and autumn 2022 we enjoyed two successful Diocesan retreats as members were feeling confident to meet in person again.

A major initiative nationally towards the Transformation theme has been the Metamorphosis course, focussing on involvement with clergy and the community. The ZOOM course was attended by our Diocesan president and our Faith Trustee, who has since become a course facilitator.

Members make every effort to participate in annual acts of witness which draw attention to and raise the profile of Mothers' Union objectives. In terms of worship, these include the Wave of Prayer acknowledging our work in link Dioceses across the world and the World Day of Prayer. Planned public acts to mark the 16 days of activism against Gender-Based Violence were affected by Storm Arwen in 2021. However, there were some small local events and a silence in York Minster received support from visitors. These were successfully conducted in 2022 and drew good response from the public.

A great deal of our work is on our objective to help those whose family life is met with adversity.

This was the first year usage of our new AFIA caravan. After a slow start, but with confidence in mixing gradually growing again, we offered holidays to 13 needy families. Private bookings were also fulfilled for 3 holidays where MU members and their families were in need.

Members returned to very positive fund-raising for Make a Mothers' Day, Summer of Hope and the Christmas special appeals. Donations were also made to all the ongoing national funds. Locally members continue to support community projects such as women's refuges.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE *(continued)*

With the reopening of more normal Church life, we have been able to engage more fully with work in support of our objective to encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children.

Member involvement continues in Messy Church, Open the Book and toddler group activities. Branches also support baptism families, for example with a gift of a knitted bear, and mark the anniversaries of the baptisms over a period of four years with cards.

On a practical note, in recognition that members are becoming increasingly unable or unwilling to take on officer duties, the Trustee board has undertaken to simplify administration tasks.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The results for the year are as shown on pages 7 to 19 of these accounts.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Copies of the Metamorphosis Bitesize booklet have been purchased for use in each branch. Our Faith Trustee is planning visits to help facilitate the use of this.

After the national conference on Re-imagining, three aims were set by the Trustees:

To continue our current Dicesan projects, which are retreats and AFIA, but also to seek new ones.

To work towards more use of technological means of finance handling.

To improve our website and other means of promoting ourselves.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 20 May 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs H Castle
Trustee

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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 Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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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.



Miss T J Maer of Townends Accountants LLP
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20 May 2023

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		2022		2021	
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	33,869	-	33,869	7,866
Charitable activities	5	940	10,078	11,018	10,930
Other trading activities	6	18,482	-	18,482	14,034
Investment income	7	1,337	-	1,337	865
Other income	8	2,656	-	2,656	1,955
Total income		<u>57,284</u>	<u>10,078</u>	<u>67,362</u>	<u>35,650</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of other trading activities	9	17,982	-	17,982	12,402
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	14,899	12,592	27,491	50,365
Total expenditure		<u>32,881</u>	<u>12,592</u>	<u>45,473</u>	<u>62,767</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>24,403</u>	<u>(2,514)</u>	<u>21,889</u>	<u>(27,117)</u>
Transfers between funds		-	25,016	-	-
Other recognised gains and losses					
Other gains/(losses) on investments		(2,999)	-	(2,999)	2,233
Other gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	703
Other recognised gains/(losses)		-	(662)	(662)	-
Net movement in funds		<u>21,404</u>	<u>21,840</u>	<u>18,228</u>	<u>(24,181)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		65,227	10,193	75,420	99,601
Total funds carried forward		<u>86,631</u>	<u>32,033</u>	<u>118,664</u>	<u>75,420</u>

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

The notes on pages 7 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	17		22,514		-
Investments	18		<u>26,806</u>		<u>30,467</u>
			49,320		30,467
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	19	2,649		3,322	
Debtors	20	6,410		3,930	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>68,765</u>		<u>39,813</u>	
		77,824		47,065	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year					
	22	<u>8,480</u>		<u>2,112</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			69,344		44,953
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			118,664		75,420
NET ASSETS			118,664		75,420
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted funds			32,033		10,193
Unrestricted funds			<u>86,631</u>		<u>65,227</u>
Total charity funds	23		118,664		75,420

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 20 May 2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mrs H Castle
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 1 Bankside, Yarm, N Yorkshire, TS15 9RH.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

(b) Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

(c) Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires trustees to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. With respect to the next accounting period the most significant area of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity are the level of investment return and the performance of the investment markets.

(d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity. Restricted funds are funds which can only be used for a particular restricted purpose within the objects of the charity.

(e) Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

Incoming resources *(continued)*

- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

(f) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

(g) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

(h) Tangible assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

(i) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

- 10% straight line

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3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(j) Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The main form of financial risk faced by the charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitudes of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

(k) Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

(l) Financial Instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

4. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
DONATIONS				
Subscriptions	32,200	32,200	27,853	27,853
Less Subscriptions charged from centre	(18,220)	(18,220)	(19,987)	(19,987)
Branches surplus/deficit	19,889	19,889	—	—
	<u>33,869</u>	<u>33,869</u>	<u>7,866</u>	<u>7,866</u>

The surplus from Branches relates to the accumulated funds held by them and introduced into the accounts this year.

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5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Away From It All (including holidays)	–	5,657	5,657
General Diocesan purposes	940	–	940
Disaster relief	–	562	562
Mary Sumner House	–	58	58
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	140	140
Overseas work	–	678	678
Parenting course	–	205	205
Indoor Members	–	–	–
Special Appeals	–	2,065	2,065
Literacy, Development and Education	–	713	713
	<u>940</u>	<u>10,078</u>	<u>11,018</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Away From It All (including holidays)	–	5,694	5,694
General Diocesan purposes	1,746	–	1,746
Disaster relief	–	455	455
Mary Sumner House	–	290	290
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	145	145
Overseas work	–	1,129	1,129
Parenting course	–	360	360
Indoor Members	–	108	108
Special Appeals	–	–	–
Literacy, Development and Education	–	1,003	1,003
	<u>1,746</u>	<u>9,184</u>	<u>10,930</u>

6. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Sale of MUE goods	9,047	9,047	10,854	10,854
Retreats	9,435	9,435	3,180	3,180
	<u>18,482</u>	<u>18,482</u>	<u>14,034</u>	<u>14,034</u>

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7. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Dividends/interest on CBF units/deposit	1,192	1,192	848	848
Bank interest receivable	145	145	17	17
	<u>1,337</u>	<u>1,337</u>	<u>865</u>	<u>865</u>

8. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
MUe grants	1,043	1,043	1,040	1,040
Gift Aid	1,613	1,613	915	915
	<u>2,656</u>	<u>2,656</u>	<u>1,955</u>	<u>1,955</u>

9. COSTS OF OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Costs of other trading activities - Mothers' Union goods	10,273	10,273	9,437	9,437
Retreats	7,709	7,709	2,965	2,965
	<u>17,982</u>	<u>17,982</u>	<u>12,402</u>	<u>12,402</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

10. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Overseas Work	–	678	678
Disaster Relief	–	562	562
Mary Sumner House	–	58	58
General Diocesan Fund	2,483	–	2,483
Special Appeals	–	2,065	2,065
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	140	140
Literacy, Development & Education	–	713	713
Away From It All Costs	–	5,759	5,759
Caravan replacement	–	2,617	2,617
Support costs	12,416	–	12,416
	<u>14,899</u>	<u>12,592</u>	<u>27,491</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Overseas Work	–	1,124	1,124
Disaster Relief	–	1,005	1,005
Mary Sumner House	–	420	420
General Diocesan Fund	–	–	–
Special Appeals	–	–	–
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	245	245
Literacy, Development & Education	–	986	986
Away From It All Costs	–	5,526	5,526
Caravan replacement	–	25,016	25,016
Support costs	16,043	–	16,043
	<u>16,043</u>	<u>34,322</u>	<u>50,365</u>

11. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2022 £	Total fund 2021 £
Overseas Work	678	–	678	1,124
Disaster Relief	562	–	562	1,005
Mary Sumner House	58	–	58	420
General Diocesan Fund	2,483	–	2,483	–
Special Appeals	2,065	–	2,065	–
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	140	–	140	245
Literacy, Development & Education	713	–	713	986
Away From It All Costs	5,759	–	5,759	5,526
Caravan replacement	2,617	–	2,617	25,016
Governance costs	–	12,416	12,416	16,043
	<u>15,075</u>	<u>12,416</u>	<u>27,491</u>	<u>50,365</u>

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12. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Analysis of support costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Staff costs	7,267	7,267	11,969
General office	3,373	3,373	2,334
Governance costs	1,776	1,776	1,740
	<u>12,416</u>	<u>12,416</u>	<u>16,043</u>

13. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>2,502</u>	<u>-</u>

14. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION FEES

	2022 £	2021 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,776</u>	<u>1,740</u>

15. STAFF COSTS

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	<u>5,959</u>	<u>9,277</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 3 (2021: 3).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2021: Nil).

16. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustee received remuneration for services during the year. Expenses incurred on behalf of The Mothers' Union of £770 were reimbursed to trustees.

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17. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Caravan £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 Jan 2022	–	–
Transfers	25,016	25,016
At 31 Dec 2022	<u>25,016</u>	<u>25,016</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 Jan 2022	–	–
Charge for the year	2,502	2,502
At 31 Dec 2022	<u>2,502</u>	<u>2,502</u>
Carrying amount		
At 31 Dec 2022	<u>22,514</u>	<u>22,514</u>
At 31 Dec 2021	–	–

18. INVESTMENTS

	General Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 Jan 2022	24,847	5,620	30,467
Additions	–	–	–
Other movements	(2,999)	(662)	(3,661)
At 31 Dec 2022	<u>21,848</u>	<u>4,958</u>	<u>26,806</u>
Impairment			
At 1 Jan 2022 and 31 Dec 2022		–	–
Carrying amount			
At 31 Dec 2022	<u>21,848</u>	<u>4,958</u>	<u>26,806</u>
At 31 Dec 2021	<u>24,847</u>	<u>5,620</u>	<u>30,467</u>

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

19. STOCKS

	2022 £	2021 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	<u>2,649</u>	<u>3,322</u>

20. DEBTORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>6,410</u>	<u>3,930</u>

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21. CASH AT BANK

The bank balance includes £19,889 held by the branches.

22. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	8,480	2,039
Social security and other taxes	<u>—</u>	<u>73</u>
	<u>8,480</u>	<u>2,112</u>

23. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Jan 2022	Income	Expenditur e	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>65,227</u>	<u>57,284</u>	<u>(32,881)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(2,999)</u>	<u>86,631</u>

	At 1 Jan 2021	Income	Expenditur e	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>64,973</u>	<u>26,466</u>	<u>(28,445)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2,233</u>	<u>65,227</u>

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23. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 Jan 2022 £	Income £	Expenditur e £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Dec 202 2 £
Parenting courses	988	205	-	-	-	1,193
Caravan	950	-	(2,617)	24,181	-	22,514
Away From It All	8,047	5,657	(5,759)	(4,685)	-	3,260
Indoor members	108	-	-	5,620	(662)	5,066
Hull Prison project	100	-	-	(100)	-	-
Branch fund raising	-	4,216	(4,216)	-	-	-
	<u>10,193</u>	<u>10,078</u>	<u>(12,592)</u>	<u>25,016</u>	<u>(662)</u>	<u>32,033</u>

	At 1 Jan 2021 £	Income £	Expenditur e £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Dec 202 1 £
Parenting courses	1,386	3,382	(3,780)	-	-	988
Caravan	25,263	-	(25,016)	-	703	950
Away From It All	7,879	5,694	(5,526)	-	-	8,047
Indoor members	-	108	-	-	-	108
Hull Prison project	100	-	-	-	-	100
Branch fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>34,628</u>	<u>9,184</u>	<u>(34,322)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>703</u>	<u>10,193</u>

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24. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	–	22,514	22,514
Investments	21,848	4,958	26,806
Current assets	<u>64,194</u>	<u>4,561</u>	<u>68,755</u>
Net assets	<u>86,042</u>	<u>32,033</u>	<u>118,075</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	–	–	–
Investments	24,847	5,620	30,467
Current assets	<u>40,380</u>	<u>4,573</u>	<u>44,953</u>
Net assets	<u>65,227</u>	<u>10,193</u>	<u>75,420</u>

25. RELATED PARTIES

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name	The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York
Charity registration number	249998
Principal office	12 Sir John Hunt Cottages Fulford Road Fulford York YO10 4PG

THE TRUSTEES

Mrs H Castle
Mrs A Dewing
Mrs B Ford
Mrs B Richardson
Mrs J Local
Mrs C Wilson
Mrs G Woodhall

Independent examiner	Miss T J Maer of Townends Accountants LLP Fulford Lodge 1 Heslington Lane Fulford York YO10 4HW
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Mothers' Union is an Anglican organisation which promotes the well-being of families worldwide. The charity is governed by a constitution approved on 3 November 2003 and updated on 10 July 2012. The Trustees control and manage the affairs of the charity in the Diocese.

Trustees are elected for a three year period initially and may stand for re-election for a further three years. In cases of unfilled positions, the existing board may appoint a suitable person to fill the role.

Reserves Policy

The charity has established a policy whereby the surplus funds not otherwise committed should be the equivalent of one year's expenditure. We consider that the equivalent of 12 months resources will give the charity sufficient funds to continue our current activities in the event of a significant reduction in funding

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The aim and objectives of the Mothers' Union is the advancement of Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life and to be specially concerned with all that strengthens and preserves marriage and Christian family life.

The Trustees have examined the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to those major risks.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The national 2019 theme 'MU Listen, Observe, Act — in Step with God led to 2020 'Building Hope and Confidence' which had barely started before COVID restrictions curtailed normal activities. A good 18 months later the theme for 2021 'Rebuilding Hope and Confidence' really resonated with the situation in which we found ourselves.

- ❖ The focus of work up to autumn 2021 was on our objective
 - to maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service.

The Trustee board, branch officers and individual members used all methods of communication available and allowable contact support for keeping fellowship alive and caring for those who may have been very vulnerable because of shielding or isolation. This has led to a lot of broadening of member skills in the use of technology to access prayer and worship resources.

In October 2021 it was possible to gather again, albeit on a reduced scale, for a Diocesan retreat.
- ❖ We have continued to Listen, Observe and Act. A Diocesan-wide COVID driven project, in response to a hospital request, was the sewing of drawstring bags in which soiled scrubs could be placed for transport home.
- ❖ Our AFIA caravan project remains pivotal to our objective to
 - help those whose family life has met with adversity.

This applies to a wide range of groups, not just families with children. Despite restricted opening on the caravan site, we were able to offer holidays to 9 families in 2020 and to 14 in 2021. At the end of the 2021 season we purchased a new caravan which will allow us to continue this good work.
- ❖ Since autumn 2021, with the reopening of Church life, we have been able to recommence work in support of our objective
 - to encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children.

Member involvement in Messy Church, Open the Book and toddler group activities are central to this.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The results for the year are as shown on pages 7 to 19 of these accounts.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

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PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

In order to be a relevant organisation in 2022 and beyond the Diocese is taking part in a national member-led consultation, Re-imagining MU, which started in autumn 2021. Members were asked to consider what we valued and should continue to do, as well as what may be surplus and we should rethink. The national 2022 'Transformation — now!' theme reflects this. Compilation of the responses to the consultation were due to be considered at a live national conference in January 2022 which had to be postponed because of continuing restrictions. The rearranged conference takes place in July which 2 Trustees will attend and outcomes will inform the direction of Diocesan plans and actions.

Trustees are already responding to some comments made by York members.

- ❖ Accessibility is being addressed by planning to hold Council meetings across the Diocese rather than in the same central location.
- ❖ Visibility of Trustees is being addressed by planning to visit branches individually rather than rely on group meetings in the Diocese and Deaneries.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 29/4/2022 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs H Castle
Trustee

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021.

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 Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Independent Examiner

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29 April 2022

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

		2021		2020	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds	
Note	£	£	£	£	
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	7,866	–	7,866	15,753
Charitable activities	5	1,746	9,184	10,930	8,865
Other trading activities	6	14,034	–	14,034	8,909
Investment income	7	865	–	865	1,110
Other income	8	1,955	–	1,955	3,518
Total income		<u>26,466</u>	<u>9,184</u>	<u>35,650</u>	<u>38,155</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of other trading activities	9	12,402	–	12,402	8,643
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	(16,043)	(34,322)	(50,365)	(22,080)
Total expenditure		<u>28,445</u>	<u>34,322</u>	<u>62,767</u>	<u>30,723</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		<u>(1,979)</u>	<u>(25,138)</u>	<u>(27,117)</u>	<u>7,432</u>
Other recognised gains and losses					
Other gains/(losses) on investments		2,233	–	2,233	1,310
Other gains/(losses) on investments		–	703	703	316
Net movement in funds		<u>254</u>	<u>(24,435)</u>	<u>(24,181)</u>	<u>9,058</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>64,973</u>	<u>34,628</u>	<u>99,601</u>	<u>90,543</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>65,227</u>	<u>10,193</u>	<u>75,420</u>	<u>99,601</u>

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

The notes on pages 7 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	16		30,467		27,531
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	17	3,322		3,502	
Debtors	18	3,930		3,499	
Cash at bank and in hand		39,813		72,859	
		<u>47,065</u>		<u>79,860</u>	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	19	<u>2,112</u>		<u>7,790</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>44,953</u>		<u>72,070</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>75,420</u>		<u>99,601</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>75,420</u>		<u>99,601</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted funds			10,193		34,628
Unrestricted funds			65,227		64,973
Total charity funds	20		<u>75,420</u>		<u>99,601</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 29/4/2022 and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mrs H Castle
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 12 Sir John Hunt Cottages, Fulford Road, Fulford, York, YO10 4PG.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

(b) Going concern

In March 2020 the UK was impacted by the outbreak of Covid-19. The Government imposed significant restrictions at that time in an effort to manage the spread of the virus which resulted in the charity having to review and change its working practices to ensure compliance with these restrictions. At the date of signing these financial statements, the trustees have considered the effect of the Coronavirus pandemic on the charity with the information available to it and do not believe that it will affect the ability of the charity to continue to trade for the foreseeable future. On this basis, the trustees have prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis.

(c) Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires trustees to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. With respect to the next accounting period the most significant area of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity are the level of investment return and the performance of the investment markets.

(d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity. Restricted funds are funds which can only be used for a particular restricted purpose within the objects of the charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(e) Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

(f) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

(g) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(h) Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The main form of financial risk faced by the charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitudes of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

(i) Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

(j) Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

4. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
DONATIONS				
Subscriptions	27,853	27,853	32,051	32,051
Less Subscriptions charged from centre	(19,987)	(19,987)	(16,298)	(16,298)
	<u>7,866</u>	<u>7,866</u>	<u>15,753</u>	<u>15,753</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Away From It All (including holidays)	–	5,694	5,694
General Diocesan purposes	1,746	–	1,746
Disaster relief	–	455	455
Mary Sumner House	–	290	290
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	145	145
Overseas work	–	1,129	1,129
Parenting course	–	360	360
Indoor Members	–	108	108
Literacy, Development and Education	–	1,003	1,003
	<u>1,746</u>	<u>9,184</u>	<u>10,930</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Away From It All (including holidays)	–	5,560	5,560
General Diocesan purposes	420	45	465
Disaster relief	–	545	545
Mary Sumner House	–	181	181
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	125	125
Overseas work	–	960	960
Parenting course	–	170	170
Indoor Members	–	20	20
Literacy, Development and Education	–	839	839
	<u>420</u>	<u>8,445</u>	<u>8,865</u>

6. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Sale of MUE goods	10,854	10,854	8,909	8,909
Retreats	3,180	3,180	–	–
	<u>14,034</u>	<u>14,034</u>	<u>8,909</u>	<u>8,909</u>

7. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Dividends/interest on CBF units, bank and building society	848	848	969	969
Bank interest receivable - CBF account	17	17	141	141
	<u>865</u>	<u>865</u>	<u>1,110</u>	<u>1,110</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

8. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
MUe grants	1,040	1,040	1,215	1,215
Gift Aid	915	915	1,879	1,879
(Deficit)/surplus on Special Appeals	—	—	424	424
	<u>1,955</u>	<u>1,955</u>	<u>3,518</u>	<u>3,518</u>

9. COSTS OF OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Costs of other trading activities - Mothers' Union goods	9,437	9,437	8,643	8,643
Retreats	2,965	2,965	—	—
	<u>12,402</u>	<u>12,402</u>	<u>8,643</u>	<u>8,643</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

10. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Overseas Work	–	1,124	1,124
Disaster Relief	–	1,005	1,005
Mary Sumner House	–	420	420
General Diocesan Fund	–	–	–
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	245	245
Literacy, Development & Education	–	986	986
Away From It All Costs	–	5,526	5,526
Indoor Members	–	–	–
Caravan replacement	–	25,016	25,016
Support costs	16,043	–	16,043
	<u>16,043</u>	<u>34,322</u>	<u>50,365</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Overseas Work	–	960	960
Disaster Relief	–	545	545
Mary Sumner House	–	181	181
General Diocesan Fund	818	–	818
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	125	125
Literacy, Development & Education	–	839	839
Away From It All Costs	–	2,728	2,728
Indoor Members	–	214	214
Caravan replacement	–	–	–
Support costs	15,670	–	15,670
	<u>16,488</u>	<u>5,592</u>	<u>22,080</u>

11. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2021 £	Total fund 2020 £
Overseas Work	1,124	–	1,124	960
Disaster Relief	1,005	–	1,005	545
Mary Sumner House	420	–	420	181
General Diocesan Fund	–	–	–	818
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	245	–	245	125
Literacy, Development & Education	986	–	986	839
Away From It All Costs	5,526	–	5,526	2,728
Indoor Members	–	–	–	214
Caravan replacement	25,016	–	25,016	–
Governance costs	–	16,043	16,043	15,670
	<u>34,322</u>	<u>16,043</u>	<u>50,365</u>	<u>22,080</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

12. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Analysis of support costs £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Staff costs	11,969	11,969	11,900
General office	2,334	2,334	2,630
Governance costs	1,740	1,740	1,140
	<u>16,043</u>	<u>16,043</u>	<u>15,670</u>

13. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION FEES

	2021 £	2020 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,740</u>	<u>1,140</u>

14. STAFF COSTS

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	<u>9,277</u>	<u>9,210</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 3 (2020: 2).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2020: Nil).

15. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustee received remuneration for services during the year. Expenses incurred on behalf of The Mothers' Union of £nil (2020: £46) were reimbursed to trustees.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

16. INVESTMENTS

	General Fund £	Indoor Members £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 Jan 2021	22,614	4,917	27,531
Additions	-	-	-
Other movements	<u>2,233</u>	<u>703</u>	2,936
At 31 Dec 2021	<u>24,847</u>	<u>5,620</u>	<u>30,467</u>
Impairment			
At 1 Jan 2021 and 31 Dec 2021		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 Dec 2021	<u>24,847</u>	<u>5,620</u>	<u>30,467</u>
At 31 Dec 2020	<u>22,614</u>	<u>4,917</u>	<u>27,531</u>

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

17. STOCKS

	2021 £	2020 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	<u>3,322</u>	<u>3,502</u>

18. DEBTORS

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>3,930</u>	<u>3,499</u>

19. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals and deferred income	2,039	7,717
Social security and other taxes	<u>73</u>	<u>73</u>
	<u>2,112</u>	<u>7,790</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

20. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Jan 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>64,973</u>	<u>26,466</u>	<u>(28,445)</u>	<u>2,233</u>	<u>65,227</u>

	At 1 Jan 2020	Income	Expenditure	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>59,084</u>	<u>29,710</u>	<u>(25,131)</u>	<u>1,310</u>	<u>64,973</u>

Restricted funds

	At 1 Jan 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Parenting courses	1,386	3,382	(3,780)	-	988
Caravan					
Replacement	25,263	-	(25,016)	703	950
Away From It All	7,879	5,694	(5,526)	-	8,047
Indoor members	-	108	-	-	108
Diocesan, national and international sponsored projects	-	-	-	-	-
Hull Prison project	100	-	-	-	100
	<u>34,628</u>	<u>9,184</u>	<u>(34,322)</u>	<u>703</u>	<u>10,193</u>

	At 1 Jan 2020	Income	Expenditure	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Parenting courses	1,216	170	-	-	1,386
Caravan					
Replacement	24,947	-	-	316	25,263
Away From It All	5,047	5,560	(2,728)	-	7,879
Indoor members	149	65	(214)	-	-
Diocesan, national and international sponsored projects	-	2,650	(2,650)	-	-
Hull Prison project	100	-	-	-	100
	<u>31,459</u>	<u>8,445</u>	<u>(5,592)</u>	<u>316</u>	<u>34,628</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

21. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Investments	24,847	5,620	30,467
Current assets	<u>40,380</u>	<u>4,573</u>	<u>44,953</u>
Net assets	<u>65,227</u>	<u>10,193</u>	<u>75,420</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Investments	22,614	4,917	27,531
Current assets	<u>42,359</u>	<u>29,711</u>	<u>72,070</u>
Net assets	<u>64,973</u>	<u>34,628</u>	<u>99,601</u>

22. RELATED PARTIES

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

England & Wales - Charity number 249998

Accounts

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name	The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York
Charity registration number	249998
Principal office	12 Sir John Hunt Cottages Fulford Road Fulford York YO10 4PG

THE TRUSTEES

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Mrs A Dewing
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Mrs B Richardson
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Mothers' Union is an Anglican organisation which promotes the well-being of families worldwide. The charity is governed by a constitution approved on 3 November 2003 and updated on 10 July 2012. The Trustees control and manage the affairs of the charity in the Diocese.

Trustees are elected for a three year period initially and may stand for re-election for a further three years. In cases of unfilled positions, the existing board may appoint a suitable person to fill the role.

Reserves Policy

The charity has established a policy whereby the surplus funds not otherwise committed should be the equivalent of one year's expenditure. We consider that the equivalent of 12 months resources will give the charity sufficient funds to continue our current activities in the event of a significant reduction in funding

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The aim and objectives of the Mothers' Union is the advancement of Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life and to be specially concerned with all that strengthens and preserves marriage and Christian family life.

The Trustees have examined the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to those major risks.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Moving forward from last year's listening progression of MULOA (Mothers' Union Listens, Observes and Acts), the Worldwide Council took some of the key elements to shape the way forward for us as a movement.

So for 2020, 'Building Hope and Confidence' has been placed at the heart of our goal to support families and individuals. As we build on our hope and confidence through surroundings, our actions, words and faith in God we will be inspired and equipped to help others build hope and confidence in their own lives - locally, nationally and internationally.

At the beginning of the year the members were looking forward to a year full of action and outreach through a wide variety of meetings, services and projects. However, as the COVID pandemic took hold and two full lockdowns began the Trustees and members acknowledged that plans would have to be put on hold or adapted.

The AFAI (Away From It All) 6 berth caravan is an invaluable asset to the outreach of this charity. Holidays are offered to those who, for whatever reason, cannot afford a holiday or for those who are in need of time away from their home/work environment. There is a weekly rota for branches to provide welcome packs of food for the new arrivals. Whilst we have looked forward to the annual Open Day which signals the start of the holiday season, it has been necessary to cancel all the AFAI holidays as per government regulations. Applications received for this year will be given priority for the 2021 season. So fundraising will continue to be a priority to cover the cost of utilities, replacement of broken crockery or furniture as well as the addition of 'extras' such as new jigsaws, board games, DVDs, and patio furniture.

Prayer is the lynch pin of the charity. Mothers' Union expresses its Christian identity through prayer and worship. Despite the lockdown members and branches have found ways to be united in prayer. Zoom prayer meetings and services have become the norm and will continue to do so next year. It is an invaluable tool for those who, for whatever reason, cannot meet in person. Printed prayers and order of services have been another format allowing members to pray in their own homes knowing that other members are doing exactly the same somewhere else. The Seven Days of Prayer (to mark the start of international Women's Day) was a great success starting on March 8th and continuing until Mothering Sunday on March 14th. It is hoped to repeat this concept next year. The regular prayerful services, retreats and quiet days have been deferred until next year. It is anticipated that some of these activities will be relayed, next year, via YouTube and Zoom - the new lockdown methods of communication. This way a wider group of people can feel part of this movement especially if they cannot attend a specific event, eg. Mid-day prayers, Lady Day service, Mothering Sunday and Wave of Prayer.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE *(continued)*

Throughout all our work, prayer sustains and strengthens our faith and outlook on life. A 'Wave of Prayer' leaflet is produced with the purpose of focusing on the people and work of Mothers' Union around the world. In the Diocese of York we will continue to focus on the different countries with whom we are linked - Aru in the Congo, Kigezi in Nigeria, Ho in Ghana and Guyana and Suriname in the South America.

Projects have been varied this year. The COVID situation has halted events for members to meet face to face but resourceful as ever other ways to support others have been cultivated. During the pandemic the call for laundry bags was taken up and over six hundred pillow cases were adapted and distributed to local hospitals. This idea has been further developed and as local hospices and children's nurseries are asking for some of these items. Members are talented at making a range of craft items, such as prayer shawls, 'ambulance teddies', wash bags for patients suddenly admitted to hospital, fiddle pinnies and twiddlemuffs for those suffering from dementia, knitted pairs of hearts (one for the person in hospital and the other one for their family) 'fish & chip' jumpers (for new born babies in hospital in some African countries with no small clothes to go home in) and not forgetting face masks for the NHS.

Such sewing, knitting and crafting really makes a difference. Members can make these items in their own homes or as fellowship groups. Answering the call for help is a link from MULO to next year's theme. Outreach to communities in need provides comfort to others knowing that someone cares about them and their situation.

It is encouraging to see how members rise to the occasion. Many projects are small but related to the needs of the silent.

As lockdown eases it is hoped for improved contact with local prisons in the area. The aims of each prison project will be different depending on the specific needs of the inmates at each prison and the facilities made available by the prison, management as well as the category of each prison.

Elsewhere members continue to support their local churches - such as baptism services. Members talk through the concept of baptism with the family and keep in touch with them afterwards. Couples embarking on marriage are given prayerful support in the run up to the service and afterwards. Wedding Fayres have not been taking place this year but when they do restart Mothers' Union members will offer information and resources on anything relating to Christian marriage.

Open the Book is another example of community outreach when members continue to go into local schools to act out short bible stories. Again, where there is a need, MU will be on hand to support and help.

Mothers' Union is working towards helping transform local communities, churches and individuals through an approach called Metamorphosis. Working through creative workshop, bible based workshops, and dialogue, people can identify their skills, experience and gifts to build on each other's strengths.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE *(continued)*

Looking inwards (MULOA) and engaging with churches and communities (Stories on the Street), allows for developing relationships with each other and with God. Some members are signed up for this course and hope to expand this concept within MU branches as another way of 'building hope and confidence'.

The Trustees continue to encourage members to be aware of national/international campaigns that will enhance the lives of others. The pandemic has made it more difficult but it is anticipated that this form of upcycling will continue next year. Possible charities being considered are - TWAM (Tools with a Mission) is a Christian charity that collects unwanted usable tools (gardening, plumbing, joinery, sewing, knitting, etc.), refurbishes them, and sends them to developing countries to empower people with the tools necessary to transform lives and livelihoods. Another idea is to collect unwanted Lego bricks and donate them to charities such as Fairy Bricks and Autism Bricks. Play is an important part of the recovery process when children are in hospital. It provides comfort, distraction, education and an instant escape at a difficult time. Lego is also used increasingly in the support of individuals with autism to develop key social and communication skills.

In summarising, the 2020 theme of Building Hope and Confidence has been timely and pertinent as we have reached out to others as the pandemic continues to be felt across the world in 2021. Members have taken on board new skills whilst adapting existing ones.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The results for the year are as shown on pages 7 to 19 of these accounts.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

As we look to the future, the Trustees will be reviewing current ideas and plans that were not fulfilled due to the pandemic as well as developing other items in our Diocesan Plan.

Raising awareness of Mothers' Union wherever possible - what we do, who we are and how we listen to the needs of others. Communication is crucial in this aspect whether by promotional leaflets, articles of what we do in the newspapers and social media.

Increasing our membership and showing younger people that MU is not old fashioned but has a relevance in today's unusual times. That we are flexible in our outlook. For example, looking at different ways of meeting - in a café, via Zoom.

Continuing to put prayer at the root of everything we do.

As we build hope and confidence in God we will be inspired and equipped to build hope and confidence in ourselves and others especially whilst people come to terms with recent loss and changes, from bereavement or loss of relationships.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS *(continued)*

We will continue to develop and enhance our resources, mental, physical and spiritual, as we look to rebuild hope and confidence believing in the sure and steadfast love and support of God as we reach out to others through the aim and objectives of Mothers' Union and the vision of Mary Sumner.

"Re Building Hope and Confidence" for 2021.
The verse that has been chosen to accompany this theme is
Jeremiah 17:7

"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
And have made the Lord their hope and confidence.
They shall be like a tree planted along a riverbank.
With roots that reach deep into the water."

This passage in Jeremiah is part of a longer piece in which the prophet calls the people away from trusting in themselves, and back to trusting in God as they/we look to the future.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 6 Sept 2021 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs H Castle
Trustee

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Mothers' Union - Diocese of York ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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 Act').

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

T J Maer

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14 September 2021

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

		2020		2019	
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	15,753	–	15,753	15,184
Charitable activities	5	420	8,445	8,865	22,086
Other trading activities	6	8,909	–	8,909	22,619
Investment income	7	1,110	–	1,110	1,191
Other income	8	3,518	–	3,518	3,259
Total income		<u>29,710</u>	<u>8,445</u>	<u>38,155</u>	<u>64,339</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of other trading activities	9	8,643	–	8,643	21,216
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	<u>16,488</u>	<u>5,592</u>	<u>22,080</u>	<u>33,896</u>
Total expenditure		<u>25,131</u>	<u>5,592</u>	<u>30,723</u>	<u>55,112</u>
Net income		<u>4,579</u>	<u>2,853</u>	<u>7,432</u>	<u>9,227</u>
Other recognised gains and losses					
Other gains/(losses) on investments		1,310	–	1,310	2,730
Other gains/(losses) on investments		–	316	316	725
Net movement in funds		<u>5,889</u>	<u>3,169</u>	<u>9,058</u>	<u>12,682</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>59,084</u>	<u>31,459</u>	<u>90,543</u>	<u>77,861</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>64,973</u>	<u>34,628</u>	<u>99,601</u>	<u>90,543</u>

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

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	17		27,531		25,905
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	18	3,502		3,451	
Debtors	19	3,499		4,719	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>72,859</u>		<u>62,887</u>	
		79,860		71,057	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	20	<u>7,790</u>		<u>6,419</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>72,070</u>		<u>64,638</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>99,601</u>		<u>90,543</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>99,601</u>		<u>90,543</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted funds			34,628		31,459
Unrestricted funds			<u>64,973</u>		<u>59,084</u>
Total charity funds	21		<u>99,601</u>		<u>90,543</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on ~~6 Sept 2021~~ and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mrs H Castle
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

THE MOTHERS' UNION - DIOCESE OF YORK

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 12 Sir John Hunt Cottages, Fulford Road, Fulford, York, YO10 4PG.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

(b) Going concern

In March 2020 the UK was impacted by the outbreak of Covid-19. The Government imposed significant restrictions at that time in an effort to manage the spread of the virus which resulted in the charity having to review and change its working practices to ensure compliance with these restrictions. At the date of signing these financial statements, the trustees have considered the effect of the Coronavirus pandemic on the charity with the information available to it and do not believe that it will affect the ability of the charity to continue to trade for the foreseeable future. On this basis, the trustees have prepared these financial statements on a going concern basis.

(c) Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires trustees to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. With respect to the next accounting period the most significant area of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity are the level of investment return and the performance of the investment markets.

(d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity. Restricted funds are funds which can only be used for a particular restricted purpose within the objects of the charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

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3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(e) Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

(f) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

(g) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(h) Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The main form of financial risk faced by the charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitudes of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

(i) Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

(j) Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

4. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
DONATIONS				
Subscriptions	32,051	32,051	33,904	33,904
Less Subscriptions charged from centre	<u>(16,298)</u>	<u>(16,298)</u>	<u>(18,720)</u>	<u>(18,720)</u>
	<u>15,753</u>	<u>15,753</u>	<u>15,184</u>	<u>15,184</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Caravan replacement	-	-	-
Away From It All (including holidays)	-	5,560	5,560
General Diocesan purposes	420	45	465
Disaster relief	-	545	545
Mary Sumner House	-	181	181
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	-	125	125
Overseas work	-	960	960
Parenting course	-	170	170
Indoor Members	-	20	20
Literacy, Development and Education	-	839	839
	<u>420</u>	<u>8,445</u>	<u>8,865</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Caravan replacement	-	60	60
Away From It All (including holidays)	-	7,961	7,961
General Diocesan purposes	4,090	-	4,090
Disaster relief	-	2,442	2,442
Mary Sumner House	-	640	640
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	-	560	560
Overseas work	-	2,353	2,353
Parenting course	-	887	887
Indoor Members	-	210	210
Literacy, Development and Education	-	2,883	2,883
	<u>4,090</u>	<u>17,996</u>	<u>22,086</u>

6. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Sale of MUE goods	8,909	8,909	12,739	12,739
Retreats	-	-	9,880	9,880
	<u>8,909</u>	<u>8,909</u>	<u>22,619</u>	<u>22,619</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

7. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Dividends/interest on CBF units, bank and building society	969	969	943	943
Bank interest receivable - CBF account	141	141	248	248
	<u>1,110</u>	<u>1,110</u>	<u>1,191</u>	<u>1,191</u>

8. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
MUe grants	1,215	1,215	1,397	1,397
Gift Aid	1,879	1,879	1,469	1,469
(Deficit)/surplus on Special Appeals	424	424	393	393
	<u>3,518</u>	<u>3,518</u>	<u>3,259</u>	<u>3,259</u>

9. COSTS OF OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Costs of other trading activities - Mothers' Union goods	8,643	8,643	11,970	11,970
Retreats	-	-	9,246	9,246
	<u>8,643</u>	<u>8,643</u>	<u>21,216</u>	<u>21,216</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

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10. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Overseas Work	–	960	960
Disaster Relief	–	545	545
Mary Sumner House	–	181	181
General Diocesan Fund	818	–	818
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	125	125
Literacy, Development & Education	–	839	839
Away From It All Costs	–	2,728	2,728
Indoor Members	–	214	214
Support costs	15,670	–	15,670
	<u>16,488</u>	<u>5,592</u>	<u>22,080</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Overseas Work	–	2,353	2,353
Disaster Relief	–	2,442	2,442
Mary Sumner House	–	640	640
General Diocesan Fund	–	–	–
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	–	560	560
Literacy, Development & Education	–	2,883	2,883
Away From It All Costs	–	6,222	6,222
Indoor Members	–	479	478
Support costs	18,317	–	18,318
	<u>18,317</u>	<u>15,579</u>	<u>33,896</u>

11. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY ACTIVITY TYPE

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2020 £	Total fund 2019 £
Overseas Work	960	–	960	2,353
Disaster Relief	545	–	545	2,442
Mary Sumner House	181	–	181	640
General Diocesan Fund	818	–	818	–
Britain and Ireland Development Fund	125	–	125	560
Literacy, Development & Education	839	–	839	2,883
Away From It All Costs	2,728	–	2,728	6,222
Indoor Members	214	–	214	478
Governance costs	–	15,670	15,670	18,318
	<u>6,410</u>	<u>15,670</u>	<u>22,080</u>	<u>33,896</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

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12. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Analysis of support costs £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Staff costs	11,900	11,900	11,785
Premises	–	–	194
General office	2,630	2,630	5,199
Governance costs	1,140	1,140	1,140
	<u>15,670</u>	<u>15,670</u>	<u>18,318</u>

13. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION FEES

	2020 £	2019 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,140</u>	<u>1,140</u>

14. STAFF COSTS

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and salaries	<u>9,210</u>	<u>9,120</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 2 (2019: 2).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2019: Nil).

15. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustee received remuneration for services during the year. Expenses incurred on behalf of The Mothers' Union of £46 (2019: £1,059) were reimbursed to trustees.

16. TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

During the year there were transfers of £NIL funds from Away From It All to Caravan Replacement (2019: £5,000).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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17. INVESTMENTS

	General Fund £	Indoor Members £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 Jan 2020	21,304	4,601	25,905
Additions	—	—	—
Other movements	1,310	316	1,626
At 31 Dec 2020	<u>22,614</u>	<u>4,917</u>	<u>27,531</u>
Impairment			
At 1 Jan 2020 and 31 Dec 2020		—	—
Carrying amount			
At 31 Dec 2020	<u>22,614</u>	<u>4,917</u>	<u>27,531</u>
At 31 Dec 2019	<u>21,304</u>	<u>4,601</u>	<u>25,905</u>

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

18. STOCKS

	2020 £	2019 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	<u>3,502</u>	<u>3,451</u>

19. DEBTORS

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>3,499</u>	<u>4,719</u>

20. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Accruals and deferred income	7,717	6,415
Social security and other taxes	73	4
	<u>7,790</u>	<u>6,419</u>

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21. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Jan 2020	Income	Expenditur e	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>59,084</u>	<u>29,710</u>	<u>(25,131)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,310</u>	<u>64,973</u>

	At 1 Jan 2019	Income	Expenditur e	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 Dec 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>49,544</u>	<u>46,343</u>	<u>(39,533)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,730</u>	<u>59,084</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

21. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS (continued)

Restricted funds

	At 1 Jan 2020 £	Income £	Expenditur e £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Dec 202 0 £
Parenting courses	1,216	170	-	-	-	1,386
Caravan Replacement	24,947	-	-	-	316	25,263
Away From It All	5,047	5,560	(2,728)	-	-	7,879
Indoor members	149	65	(214)	-	-	-
Diocesan, national and international sponsored projects	-	2,650	(2,650)	-	-	-
Hull Prison project	100	-	-	-	-	100
	<u>31,459</u>	<u>8,445</u>	<u>(5,592)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>316</u>	<u>34,628</u>

	At 1 Jan 2019 £	Income £	Expenditur e £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Dec 201 9 £
Parenting courses	329	887	-	-	-	1,216
Caravan Replacement	18,662	560	-	5,000	725	24,947
Away From It All	8,808	7,461	(6,222)	(5,000)	-	5,047
Indoor members	418	210	(479)	-	-	149
Diocesan, national and international sponsored projects	-	8,878	(8,878)	-	-	-
Hull Prison project	100	-	-	-	-	100
	<u>28,317</u>	<u>17,996</u>	<u>(15,579)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>725</u>	<u>31,459</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

22. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Investments	22,614	4,917	27,531
Current assets	42,404	29,666	72,070
Net assets	<u>65,018</u>	<u>34,583</u>	<u>99,601</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Investments	21,304	4,601	25,905
Current assets	37,780	26,858	64,638
Net assets	<u>59,084</u>	<u>31,459</u>	<u>90,543</u>

23. RELATED PARTIES

No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard 8.