

**THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE
(NARS)
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2024**

THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE

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Charity information

Charity registration no: 261666

Location of principal activity:-

Millbanks
Hall Lane
Dereham
NR20 3GG

Mr C J Neil, a trustee of the charity, holds title to the above property.

Trustees

Dr S Turner
Mr C J Neil
R Warwick

Accountants

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**THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE
TRUSTEES' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

The trustees submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities 2015" in preparing the annual report and financial statement of the charity.

Objectives and activities

The Norfolk Accident Rescue Service is governed by its constitution adopted on 14 September 1970. The charity provides immediate care to accident victims or other emergencies, in the county of Norfolk and contiguous areas. All active members are qualified general practitioners or paramedics. The charity only responds to 999 calls and members receive no remuneration whatsoever. The charity provides members' clothing, equipment and training up to the required NHS standard.

Public benefit

The trustees have due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in respect of public benefit and are satisfied that the charity meets the requirements.

Achievements and performance

This year witnessed a significant stride for The Norfolk Accident Rescue Service (NARS) as the partnership with EEAST brought about the integration of Advanced Paramedics, thereby elevating NARS's prominence and influence in the region.

Notably, the steadfast contributions of NARS Community First Responders (CFRs) in Norfolk have continued to play a pivotal role in addressing emergency calls, bolstering the overall emergency response time within the region and strengthening collaboration with EEAST.

Additionally, the NARS Advanced Life Support (ALS) team orchestrated a series of successful courses, fostering an esteemed reputation for providing high-quality education to healthcare professionals. Their efforts have enhanced the healthcare landscape and underscored NARS's commitment to professional development.

The commendable dedication of our home responders in attending to emergency calls within their communities has significantly enhanced patient outcomes, underscoring the indispensable role of their expertise and swift response.

Emphasising the commitment to fostering excellence, NARS has successfully integrated level one clinicians, providing them with comprehensive training and support. Their positive impact on the local community reflects the efficacy of NARS's investment in developing skilled healthcare professionals.

Looking ahead, it is imperative for NARS to secure increased funding to sustain and expand the operations of its dedicated teams. This strategic approach will ensure the continuity of their exceptional service, enabling them to continue their valuable contributions to the community.

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Financial review

Financial statements

The Balance Sheet and Statement of Financial Activities are set out on pages 5 to 7 of the financial statements.

Result for the year

The charity's incoming resources decreased to £152,720, compared to £168,778 in 2023. Total resources expended totalled £200,876 (2023: £233,091), which resulted in a deficit of £48,156, compared to a deficit of £64,313 in 2023.

Financial position

The charity has total funds of £526,046 (2023: £574,202) and these are all unrestricted. The trustees are satisfied the charity has adequate liquid resources available.

Reserves policy

The trustees aim to keep reserves of a minimum six months' expenditure to meet the day-to-day running expenses of the charity.

Governance and internal control

The trustees meet regularly to review the affairs of the charity.

This report was approved by the board on

Mr C J Neil

Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on page 5 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

	<u>Notes</u>	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	3	<u>497,266</u>	<u>516,973</u>
		497,266	516,973
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments	4	3,324	-
Balances at bank		<u>66,944</u>	<u>113,455</u>
		<u>70,268</u>	<u>113,455</u>
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors	5	<u>41,488</u>	<u>56,226</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>28,780</u>	<u>57,229</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>526,046</u>	<u>£574,202</u>
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS			
	7		
Balance 1 April 2023		574,202	638,515
Surplus for the year		<u>(48,156)</u>	<u>(64,313)</u>
		<u>£526,046</u>	<u>£574,202</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf by

Mr C J Neil

Trustee

THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

Incoming resources from generated funds

			2024	2023
	Unrestricted general fund	Restricted fund	Total funds	Total funds
Voluntary income				
Donations	99,089	-	99,089	108,461
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-
	<u>99,089</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>99,089</u>	<u>108,461</u>
Activities for generating funds				
Training	39,760	-	39,760	45,925
Grants	-	-	-	1,500
Show ball	-	-	-	-
Room hire	200	-	200	560
	<u>39,960</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,960</u>	<u>47,985</u>
Investment income	<u>326</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>326</u>	<u>24</u>
Other				
Deferred income	<u>13,345</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,345</u>	<u>12,308</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>152,720</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>152,720</u>	<u>168,778</u>

Resources expended

Fundraising				
Fundraising expenses	49,803	-	49,803	41,734
Postage, stationery, admin and computer	1,077	-	1,077	2,146
	<u>50,880</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,880</u>	<u>43,880</u>
Costs of charitable activities				
Consumable medical supplies	4,507	-	4,507	25,268
Clothing etc	9,392	-	9,392	10,827
Utilities and rates	7,174	-	7,174	6,046
Internal training	385	-	385	1,204
External training	35,882	-	35,882	29,139
Mentor shifts	-	-	-	160
Website and IT expenses	1,952	-	1,952	-
Admin staff and other costs	24,280	-	24,280	55,994
Motor running costs	23,763	-	23,763	19,676
Property repairs and maintenance	6,667	-	6,667	6,560
Event costs	-	-	-	1,581
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	-	-	(6,250)
Depreciation of equipment	25,723	-	25,723	30,882
	<u>139,725</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>139,725</u>	<u>181,087</u>
Governance costs				
Accountancy	1,008	-	1,008	915
Insurance	9,263	-	9,263	7,209
	<u>10,271</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,271</u>	<u>8,124</u>
Total resources expended	<u>200,876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200,876</u>	<u>233,091</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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			2024	2023
	Unrestricted general fund	Restricted fund	Total funds	Total funds
Net incoming resources for the year	(48,156)	-	(48,156)	(64,313)
Total funds brought forward	574,202	-	574,202	638,515
Total funds carried forward	£526,046	-	£526,046	£574,202

**THE NORFOLK ACCIDENT RESCUE SERVICE
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

(a) Basis of Accounting

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Basis of preparation:

The accounts have been prepared using the historical cost basis in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The accounts have also been prepared in accordance with Update Bulletin 1 issued in February 2016 for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, which has been early adopted as permitted.

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

Reconciliation with previously Generally Accepted Accounting Practice:

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 the restatement of comparative items was required.

No restatements were required.

(b) Fund accounting

- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

(c) Income

- All income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

(d) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred.

- Charitable activities comprise those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

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Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are initially recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided on the cost of tangible fixed assets, to write down to their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives. The principal annual rates used for the assets are:-

Motor vehicles	25%	reducing balance
Equipment and plant	15%	reducing balance

(f) Intangible fixed assets and amortisation

Amortisation is provided on the cost of intangible fixed assets, to write down their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives. The principal annual rates used for the assets are:-

Website	33%	straight line
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(g) Debtors

Debtors with no stated interest and payable within one year are recorded at transaction price.

(h) Creditors

Creditors with no stated interest and payable within one year are recorded at transaction price.

(i) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist.

2. Intangible fixed assets

	Website
	£
Cost	
At 1st April 2023	15,968
Additions	-
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At 31st March 2024	15,968
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Depreciation	
At 1st April 2023	15,968
Charge for year	-
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At 31st March 2024	15,968
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Net book value	
At 31st March 2024	-
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At 31st March 2023	-
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3. Tangible fixed assets

	Property	Property improve- ments	Equipment
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1st April 2023	355,912	24,212	218,629
Additions	-	-	6,015
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31st March 2024	355,912	24,212	224,644
Depreciation			
At 1st April 2023	-	-	124,699
Charge for year	-	-	14,992
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-
At 31st March 2024	-	-	139,691
Net book value			
At 31st March 2024	£355,912	£24,212	£84,953
At 31st March 2023	£355,912	£24,212	£93,930

	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1st April 2023	116,353	715,106
Additions	-	6,015
Disposals	-	-
At 31st March 2024	116,353	721,121
Depreciation		
At 1st April 2023	73,434	198,133
Charge for year	10,730	25,722
Eliminated on disposal	-	-
At 31st March 2024	84,164	223,855
Net book value		
At 31st March 2024	£32,189	£487,266
At 31st March 2023	£42,919	£516,973

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4.

Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
VAT	3,324	-
	<u>3,324</u>	<u>-</u>

5.

Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	1,008	915
Deferred income	40,480	51,224
VAT	-	4,087
	<u>£41,488</u>	<u>£56,226</u>

6.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from UK taxation.

7.

Unrestricted funds

The trustees consider it prudent that the unrestricted funds should be sufficient:

- a) To avoid the necessity of realising fixed assets held for the charity's use (£535,106)
- b) To cover six months' administration, overhead and support costs (£65,000)

The unrestricted funds are currently within that range.

8.

Related party transactions

During the year, trustees were reimbursed expenses of £300. There were no other transactions with related parties.