

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LTD

England & Wales · Charity number 509803

Details

Other names	WESTON PARK CANCER INFORMATION AND SUPPORT CENTRE, Weston Park Cancer Charity
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	01480596
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Activities

Objects: 1.1.1 TO RELIEVE SICKNESS BY MAINTAINING, RESEARCHING INTO AND IMPROVING (WHETHER BY MAKING GRANTS OR OTHERWISE) ONCOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF PATIENTS AND IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, THOSE ATTENDING WESTON PARK HOSPITAL; 1.1.2 TO RELIEVE PERSONS WITH CANCER AND THEIR CARERS AND FAMILY BY THE PROVISION OF A COUNSELLING, ADVICE, INFORMATION AND SUPPORT SERVICE; AND 1.1.3 TO FURTHER THE CHARITABLE WORK OF THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF WESTON PARK HOSPITAL GENERALLY AND IN FURTHERANCE OF THOSE OBJECTS BUT NOT OTHERWISE.

Activities: The Charity funds research and improves treatment and care for local people living with and after cancer. The Charity provides care and support for people affected by cancer, during and after treatment, through our information and support centre and outreach work. We also fund: (1)research into the causes of, and improved treatment for, cancer (2)cancer treatment services.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Barnsley
- Derbyshire
- Doncaster
- Lincolnshire
- Nottinghamshire
- Rotherham
- Sheffield City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£4,031,595	£2,786,541	£5,593,359	42
2024-03-31	£2,582,240	£2,204,344	£4,356,957	30
2023-03-31	£2,223,442	£2,474,527	£3,959,318	27
2022-03-31	£2,187,000	£1,692,000	£4,262,000	25
2021-03-31	£1,716,584	£1,779,331	£3,748,247	26

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alison Clarke		2025-03-12
Amy Rebecca Hallam		2025-03-12
David Grey MBE		2025-03-12
David Malcolm Thurkettle		2025-03-12
Dr James Catto		2022-12-12
Dr Louise Merriman		2023-06-01
Dr Satya V R Garikipati		2024-10-01
Melinda Schofield		2022-09-25
Nigel Beasley		2021-03-23
Peter O'Connell		2023-02-24
Rev David Bussue		2020-12-10
Steven Wragg		2020-03-10
Timothy Brazier		2021-03-23

Linked charities

- THE WESTON PARK HOSPITAL CANCER CARE AND RESEARCH FUND (509803-2)

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Accounts

Annual Report April 2024 – March 2025

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited, trading as Weston Park
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Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Senior Management Team	Ms E Clarke, CEO Ms C Rhone, Deputy CEO
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Charity registered number	509803
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1. Welcome to the 2024-25 Annual Report

1.1 Introduction from our Chairperson

It's my pleasure to introduce the 2024-25 Weston Park Cancer Charity Annual Report, which highlights our work from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.

I'd like to begin by extending my sincerest thanks to the Weston Park Cancer Charity community – which includes our supporters, volunteers, healthcare professionals, and partners. You inspire us every day, and enable us to fund vital support services, innovative research, and treatment enhancements. This report is dedicated to you, and the tremendous impact you've made this year.

I first joined Weston Park Cancer Charity as a trustee in 2020, and started my new role as Chair of the Board of Trustees in March 2025. It was an honour to take over from Niall Baker, who spent 12 years as a Weston Park Cancer Charity trustee, with the last 3 as Chairman. Niall led the board with tenacity and passion, and I would like to personally thank him for his years of service.

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, our goal is to improve the lives of people affected by cancer. While we're based in Sheffield, our support services are available to people across South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw, and North Derbyshire. These services are incredibly varied in scope, and include welfare benefit advice appointments, cancer-specific peer support groups, complementary therapies, and one-to-one emotional support.

Alongside our support services, we work hard to ensure patients have the best treatment experience possible by funding improvements to Weston Park Cancer Centre. This includes our current capital appeal which will bring Sheffield its first ever MRI simulator cancer scanning machine – discussed further in Emma's introduction.

We also effect change internationally, by supporting the world-class cancer research taking place right here, in our region. In this report, you can read about the innovative projects currently being carried out at the hospital's Cancer Clinical Trials Centre (CCTC). Across the year, we contributed £306,882 towards the vital work and trials of the CCTC. Not only do these trials drive our understanding of cancer forward, but they also give much-needed hope to the patients that participate in them.

This year, you helped us to provide almost £20,000 in 'small grants' which benefitted over 9,300 people and helped fund fitness groups, improvements to our radiotherapy ward, feel-good floristry workshops, swimming sessions and more.

Over the past year, we delivered 2,500 instances of flexible emotional support at our Cancer Support Centre, in the community, and via our helpline. We reached almost 7,000 members of the public through 340 community and healthcare events, and hosted 178 group sessions and courses. We'll never stop spreading vital cancer awareness, and we expect to reach an even greater number of individuals and families in the years ahead.

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This goal will be supported by our recent merger with Cavendish Cancer Care, which was announced in February 2025. The merger has enabled us to become a larger, unified charity – operating under the name of Weston Park Cancer Charity – which can make an even bigger impact.

In this exciting new chapter, we will be developing and expanding our services. This includes the continued provision of the complementary therapies, counselling, and children’s services at our newly renamed ‘Cavendish Centre’ on Wilkinson Street. This name was chosen to honour the legacy of Cavendish Cancer Care and is a tribute to all of the lives touched by the charity.

Thanks to the merger, we have welcomed four new trustees to our board: David Grey, David Thurkettle, Alison Clarke, and Amy Hallam. We’re grateful for the wealth of expertise and experience that these individuals bring to the charity.

To every single person who donated, volunteered, or otherwise supported our work in 2024-25: thank you. Cancer changes everything. But when it does, so can we. I hope you enjoy hearing from the patients and families that you’ve helped to support this year.

Steve Wragg, Chair of the Board of Trustees

1.2 Introduction from our CEO

Welcome to the 2024-25 Weston Park Cancer Charity Annual Report!

Whether you're a volunteer, a team member, an NHS colleague, or a supporter – this report is for you. It shines a light on the marvellous things you accomplished in 2024-25 and the huge difference you made to local people who have been affected by cancer.

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, we help people to live well – with and beyond a cancer diagnosis. We offer lifechanging support services, fund groundbreaking research, and enhance the treatment experience for patients. Everything we do is delivered in collaboration, and benefits from the enthusiasm and dedication of our wonderful Weston Park community.

With that in mind, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to every single person who contributed to our work this year. We know that one in two people will face a cancer diagnosis in their lifetime. But by standing together, we can influence the future of cancer care and help people who are going through treatment right now.

Every year, I love reading about our incredible fundraisers. I'm filled with pride when I see pictures of your Time for Tea events, your festive fundraisers, and your active challenges. In 2024-25 over 3,300 fantastic donors and fundraisers came together and in total, the charity raised an astounding £4 million in income. This brings us back to pre-covid levels of fundraising and will change thousands of lives. Our charity doesn't receive NHS or government funding, making this achievement all the more remarkable.

It's been quite the year for Weston Park Cancer Charity. In March, we celebrated our 30th birthday with an Enchanted Spring Ball. It was brilliant to see many familiar faces there, as we reflected on three decades of our work. At this joyous event, we also looked forward to key projects – including our largest ever appeal!

Launched in April 2025, our 'see it. treat it' appeal aims to raise £1.85m to bring a revolutionary MRI simulator cancer scanning machine to our hospital. This powerful tool produces high-definition, high-contrast images that improve the accuracy of treatment. It will transform the treatment experience for patients by minimising damage to healthy tissues and reducing side effects. Crucially, it should significantly boost cancer survival rates across our region.

Our charity was hard at work all year, planning the appeal behind the scenes. We're so grateful to our appeal board, led by retired Consultant Clinical Oncologist Dr Kash Purohit, who supplied endless energy and ambition throughout this process. We are also extremely thankful to our long-term charity supporter, Westfield Health, which has pledged £500,000 in match funding for the appeal. This is providing additional motivation for our supporters, doubling the impact of their generous donations.

This year, we marked 25 years of research excellence at the hospital's Cancer Clinical Trials Centre (CCTC). Charity funding helped to establish the centre in 1999, and we've been supporting its pioneering work ever since. Over the past quarter-century, the CCTC has conducted 1,048 clinical trials involving 18,260 patients. We're proud to award

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grants which fund major projects at the CCTC and the essential research nurses who work there.

In 2024-25, our charity embarked on one of the most significant transformations in its history, as we merged with Cavendish Cancer Care. The merger will extend our range of services and allow us to reach even more people. We can now improve cancer care, drive research, and enhance treatments from a position of greater strength. Next year, we will be delivering the final stages of our 'Together at Every Step' strategy, before looking ahead to set future ambitions and new strategic objectives.

People living with cancer are at the heart of everything we do. In 2024-25, we recorded 24,500 interactions with people impacted by cancer, an increase of 28% on the previous year. We brought our services directly into communities, with our Big Purple Bus team delivering almost 1,000 one-to-one support sessions. We also expanded our free transport service, with our volunteer drivers covering more than 50,000 miles – helping 447 clients get to and from their appointments.

It's hard to describe how much I appreciate the supporters, staff members, and volunteers who make our work possible. Thank you for your generosity, your time, and your commitment. With your continued support we will change and save lives across our region for years to come.

Emma Clarke, CEO of Weston Park Cancer Charity

2. Our strategic objectives and achievements

About Weston Park Cancer Charity and our strategic goals for 2024-25

For one in two of us, cancer will change everything. Each year, over 8,800 people in our region are diagnosed with cancer and around 52,000 people are currently living with the disease. Sadly, we also know that every year, approximately 3,800 people in South Yorkshire will lose their lives to cancer (Office for Health Improvement and Disparities).

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, we improve the lives of people affected by cancer by investing in research, funding treatment enhancements, and delivering a wide range of support services. Our goal is to ensure that people in our region receive the very best care, while driving research that shapes the future of cancer treatment.

We provide practical help, emotional support, and physical wellbeing services to patients and their loved ones. These services can be accessed at our welcoming Cancer Support Centre in Sheffield, or out in communities across South Yorkshire through our Big Purple Buses.

Alongside our support services, we invest in pioneering research – including the clinical trials led by experts at Weston Park Cancer Centre. Our grants fund specialist equipment and the vital members of staff who run these trials. We also offer grants to hospital departments and groups which transform patient care across the region.

This report shares how we delivered against our ‘Together at Every Step’ strategy in 2024-25. Built around the six key priorities of Awareness, Reach, Access, Research, Digital, and Impact, our strategy guides everything we do. Inside, you can read about the progress we’ve made over the past year and learn about our exciting plans for the future.

2.1 Objective 1: Spread the word about Weston Park Cancer Charity's services

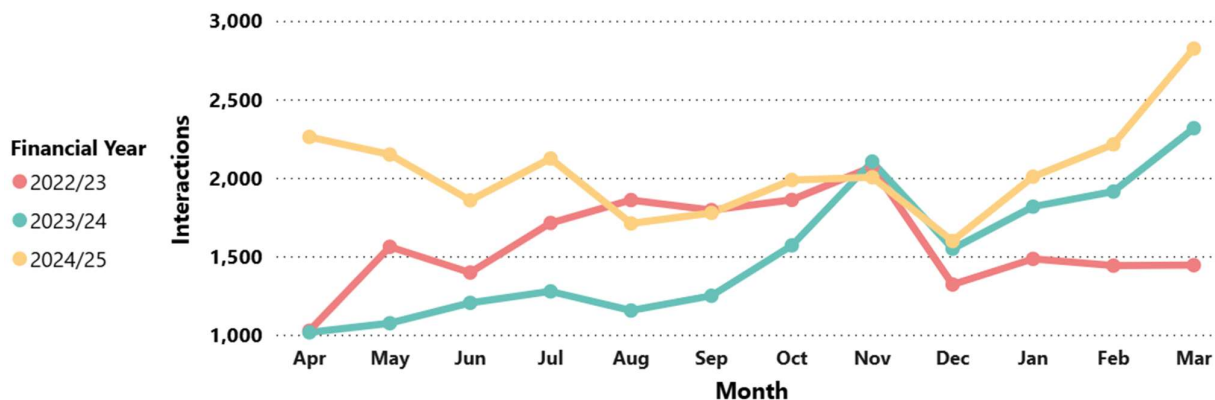
Awareness - everyone diagnosed with cancer in the region will know about Weston Park Cancer Charity, and how we can help them and their loved ones, at every step.

As a charity, we're proud to offer a wide range of support services to people across South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw, and North Derbyshire. These services are available to anyone who has been impacted by cancer and include financial advice, complementary therapies, free transport to appointments, peer support groups, and more.

We also have a dedicated team of healthcare professionals at our Cancer Support Centre who provide emotional support – both in person and over the phone – to people who have been affected by cancer.

Between April 2024 and March 2025, we were pleased to see widespread uptake of our services. Across the year we supported 7,200 individuals, helping them to live well, with and beyond their cancer diagnosis. More than 2,000 new clients registered for our support services, and our team logged over 31,500 interactions with beneficiaries and members of the public.

Figure 1. Number of interactions with those impacted by cancer each month



During 2024-25 our team offered immediate support over the phone and in person on more than 2,500 occasions - a 44% increase on the previous year. This is in addition to the 500 pre-booked emotional support appointments provided by this fantastic team.

Our experienced therapists have also been hard at work throughout the year, delivering almost 1,000 hours of complementary therapies. From reiki, to reflexology, to hot stone massages – our complementary therapies ease the side effects of cancer treatment and improve quality of life for our patients.

In 2024-25, 225 clients received a course of auricular acupuncture at our Cancer Support Centre. This service is particularly beneficial to people who have gone through hormone treatment after being diagnosed with breast, prostate, or gynaecological cancer. Patient feedback for this service is very positive, with 8 in 10 saying it has made a real difference for them.

Changing lives through charity grants

Weston Park Cancer Charity provides grants of all sizes to support researchers, organisations, and individuals. In 2024-25, we funded a total of £420,956 in grants to partners who share our vision and values. It's incredibly rewarding to see how much of an impact these grants are making across our region.

Large grants case study: Age UK Sheffield

Over the past three years, we've helped to support 1,135 older people living with cancer through our partnership with Age UK Sheffield.

We awarded a quarter-million-pound grant to the charity's [Cancer Support Independent Living Service](#) in 2022. The service helps people who have been impacted by cancer to regain and retain their independence through a bespoke three-month package of support.

The Weston Park Cancer Charity grant paid for two full-time Independent Living Coordinators (ILCs) and a part-time Independent Living Coordinator Manager. ILCs are highly trained experts who visit service users in their own home to assess their unique needs. They can help individuals to access benefits, home modifications, community transport services, and more.

From 2022 – 2025 the Cancer Support Independent Living Service helped participants to access a total of £1.25 million per year in unclaimed benefits. In most cases they will continue to receive these benefits for the rest of their lives.

Small grants

Our small grants are available to hospital departments, community groups, and individuals who want to make a difference for people living with cancer. In 2024-25, over 9,000 people were positively impacted by our small grants programme – including patients, families, and healthcare professionals.

This year, we awarded grants for:

- Healthcare staff training and development opportunities.
- Four woodland wellbeing sessions for cancer patients and family members.
- The MSc(Res) in Cancer Biology and Therapeutics Weston Park Cancer Charity Annual Student Award.
- 750 water bottles to help radiotherapy patients drink the correct amount of water for their treatment.
- 'Feel Good Floristry' workshops, which give people who have been affected by cancer the chance to experience the therapeutic benefits of flower arranging.
- 22 'Outswimming Cancer' sessions.
- 60 blankets as gifts for patients who were in hospital at Weston Park over Christmas.
- 2,500 business cards were created and printed for 20 CNS teams, providing a convenient and professional means for sharing contact details with patients.
- 150 bereavement bags for those who have lost a loved one to cancer.

Small Grant Spotlight

Working with Weston Park Cancer Centre, we funded a grant to support a pilot for bags for bereaved families following their loved ones passing away in the hospital. The bags include a label, providing details on how to access our support services, which were individually attached by our volunteers. Posters were provided for hospital staff rooms, to advise of the pilot and raise awareness. We received the following feedback from the first family and nurses to use the bags: *“The family thought they were lovely. We are so grateful for these, they make such a difference when families are so vulnerable.”*

Increasing awareness of our services through education and engagement

With so many services and grant funding opportunities on offer, it's crucial that we spread awareness of their availability across our region. To do this, we must connect with healthcare professionals in the area and ensure that they are aware of the support Weston Park Cancer Charity can provide.

In October 2024, we launched a new digital learning platform designed for healthcare professionals. Through this platform, we deliver our 'Discover Weston Park Cancer Charity' webinars. These introduce our charity and the support we provide, and explain our referral pathway. Since its launch, 40 members of staff have taken part in these webinars, including occupational therapists, clinical nurses and care co-ordinators. We will continue to offer and promote these regular webinars to strengthen awareness of the charity across South Yorkshire. We have also created a profile on the 'Sheffield Mental Health Guide' website, to further spread the word.

As well as connecting digitally, our team was highly visible in the community throughout 2024-25. We attended 24 primary and secondary care events and ran 23 educational sessions. At these events, we shared cancer awareness and information about our services – ensuring people know where to turn for support when they need it most. These were attended by over 650 members of the public and 100 healthcare professionals.

Reflecting on a recent Weston Park Cancer Charity education session, Mirban Hussain, Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Lead at Rotherham Hospice, said: *“Participant feedback highlighted the session's effectiveness, with attendees committing to share their knowledge within their communities, particularly around the importance of cancer screening. One participant emphasized the session's potential life-saving impact, noting, 'It could be the difference between life and death'. This initiative showcases how collaborative approaches to health education can effectively break down barriers and empower communities to take charge of their health.”*

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Our services are for everyone, regardless of background, location, age, or gender. That's why we strive to attend as many different community events as possible. This year we took part in 13 events hosted throughout South Yorkshire including at Hillsborough Football Stadium, Sheffield City Centre and Dinnington Resource Centre. We also created two special assembly presentations for pupils and staff at Tinsley Meadows Primary Academy, helping to raise understanding and awareness of cancer from an early age.

Cancer Support Referral Pathway

Our Referral Pathway enhances personalised support whilst also reducing pressure on Healthcare Professionals (HCPs), enabling them to focus on their patients. In July 2024, we launched a quarterly newsletter to keep HCPs up to date with our services. The readership is growing steadily, and the information now reaches 386 HCPs across the region.

The newsletter features timetables and locations for our Big Purple Bus service and information on our cancer support referral pathway. It also includes a digital referral form, to make connecting patients with us as simple as possible. We're excited to develop this newsletter and grow its audience in the years ahead.

We're delighted to report that we have doubled our referral rate compared to the previous year, with 736 referrals from primary and secondary care teams in 2024-25.

2.2 Objective 2: Address health inequalities in our region

Reach - everyone diagnosed with cancer in communities where there are greatest cancer health inequalities in the region will be able to access our support.

Last year, the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA) launched a powerful initiative called 'South Yorkshire Shows Up', which highlighted the stark reality of cancer in our region. It named South Yorkshire as having one of the highest rates of cancer in England, with the lowest proportion of people diagnosed at an early stage.

Data has also shown that people in South Yorkshire from ethnic minority communities and lower-income areas are up to three times more at risk of dying prematurely from cancer. Additionally, these individuals are less likely to access services which could support them during treatment.

We set out to change these statistics by ensuring that everyone in the region knows about our services. Everyone should have access to first-class cancer information, support, and advice – regardless of their background or financial circumstances.

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Dr Louise Merriman, Trustee of Weston Park Cancer Charity: *"Many people in our local communities face barriers when seeking cancer support - whether it's due to mobility challenges, financial restraints, or simply not knowing where to turn. Weston Park Cancer Charity's Big Purple Bus initiative means we meet people where they are, breaking down those barriers. At its heart, this project is about health equity; making sure that everyone, no matter their background or circumstances, has fair and equal access to the support and care they deserve."*

In 2024-25, we worked hard to tackle health inequalities in our region through flagship services like the Big Purple Bus and key partnerships such as our Citizens Advice welfare benefits advice sessions.

As shown in table 1 below, the percentage of non-white clients across all our services has steadily increased since 2022/23. We have also improved data collection of this measure; whilst in 2023/24 29% of our client's had their ethnicity recorded as 'Unknown', in 2024/25 this decreased significantly to 11%.

Table 1. The percentage of clients in each ethnic group since 2022/23

Ethnic Group	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Arab		0.20%	0.30%
Asian	2.80%	3.20%	4.30%
Black	1.20%	2.00%	2.80%
Mixed	0.40%	0.50%	0.10%
Other	0.60%	0.80%	0.10%
White	95.00%	93.30%	92.40%

Easing the financial burden of cancer

A cancer diagnosis can affect an individual's ability to work, and lead to additional costs such travel expenses, childcare and heating bills. As a result, financial support is a lifeline for many of those undergoing cancer treatment.

Our partnership with Citizens Advice helps individuals to combat the financial burden of cancer by ensuring they can access all of the benefits and support available to them. Their specialist advisors help clients to apply for personal independence payments, council tax reductions, and much more. Following support from our Citizens Advice experts in 2024-25, clients increased their annual income by an average of £2,778.

In April 2024 we increased the accessibility of our Citizens Advice sessions by incorporating them into our Big Purple Bus service. The team now join us every Monday in Manor and Friday in Darnall. By bringing this service directly into our

communities, we're helping people get the advice they need without the barriers of travel, cost or long waiting times. In 2024-25, we helped 1,013 people living with cancer to access over £2.8 million in financial support.

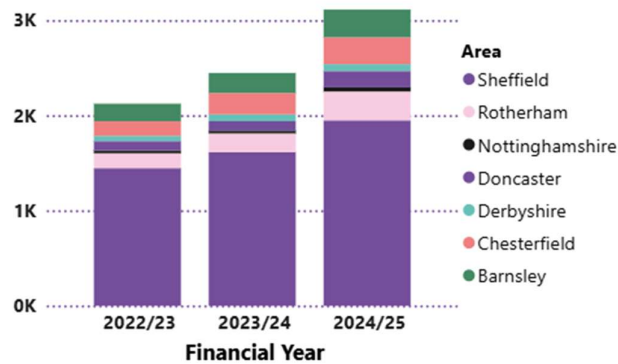
Raising cancer awareness across our region

In 2024-25 our Big Purple Bus team spread cancer awareness by hosting events at partner organisations including the Zest Centre, Rotherham Hospice, Sheffield Mela Festival, Madina Mosque and Uppertorpe Medical Centre.

In July 2024 we held our first stall at Moor Market's Welcome Place, in collaboration with Sheffield City Council. This friendly service offers support with employability, health, finances, and more. Once a month, one of our Cancer Information and Support Coordinators is on hand in this busy city centre location to provide cancer information, advice, and reassurance to anyone who needs it.

Our reach is growing. Over the past two years, we've seen a 60% rise in regular clients¹ who are based outside of Sheffield. We're also reaching a broader and more diverse community than ever before; the number of clients we support who are Asian, African, or Caribbean has doubled over the past two years.

Figure 2. Regular clients and their area of residence



A key driver of this progress has been the expansion of our Big Purple Bus service, which had over 8,400 interactions in 2024-25. A 2019 government study² ranked areas in England based on how deprived they are in terms of poverty, unemployment and health. 51 areas of Yorkshire fell within the top 500 'most deprived' in the country. We are pleased to see that numbers of clients residing in these areas has increased in 2024-25 compared to the previous year. For example, we've seen a 43% increase of clients from Manor Castle (S2 1) and Southey (S5 8/9) and a 140% increase in clients from Valley, Rotherham (S65 2).

¹ Regular clients refer to those using a WPCC-run service including complementary therapy, pre-booked emotional support, a course, or transport service. It does not include ad-hoc drop-ins where consistent data on residence may not be collected.

² www.gov.uk/guidance/english-indices-of-deprivation-2019-mapping-resources

Big Purple Bus Expansion

Our Big Purple Bus service brings expert cancer support and advice directly into harder-to-reach communities. The healthcare professionals on board advise on everything from managing side-effects of treatment, to supporting a loved one through a diagnosis.

2024-25 was a fantastic year for the Big Purple Bus: we met with thousands of people in the community, added four new locations to the service, and translated on-board materials into three additional languages. Visitors can now access information on the Big Purple Bus in Arabic, Punjabi and Urdu, which are three of the most common languages spoken in Sheffield, after English.

In September, we marked the first birthday of the Big Purple Bus with celebratory events across our community venues. These were complemented by a marketing campaign to spread further awareness of the service.

Emma Robinson, who works on the Big Purple Bus as a Cancer Information and Support Coordinator said: *"The education sessions delivered by the team offer invaluable knowledge and guidance allowing public to feel more empowered in understanding their bodies. By meeting people in their own environment, it creates opportunities for honest discussions around the needs of different community members and how to approach a cancer diagnosis depending on faith, culture and belonging."*

Our Courses and Groups

As well as offering one-to-one emotional wellbeing sessions at our Cancer Support Centre, we run a range of courses and groups for people who have been impacted by cancer. This includes our bereavement café, which was launched in June 2024. In this informal space, people can come together to exchange stories, form connections and share all-important emotional support.

In 2024-25, 30 patients were able to switch-off and unwind at our wellbeing days. These included yoga, guest speakers, journalling workshops, nutrition information and immersive sound baths. We aim to make these sessions as inclusive as possible and have been pleased to see an increase in the number of people from ethnic minority backgrounds attending. Going forward, we will be working to expand participation in our wellbeing days even further – with a particular focus on recruiting male attendees.

Claire, a wellbeing day attendee, said: *"I found the day a brilliant way to help address mindfulness. I loved the different techniques it gave me to take away and apply in my everyday life. The sound bath was just incredible and the mindfulness in nature was so simple but so effective. Not only did I enjoy the individual components, I found it a lovely way to connect with my friends - who are in the same support group as me."*

2.3 Objective 3: Provide free transport to hospital appointments

Access - everyone diagnosed with cancer in the region will have access to free transport to attend treatment and clinic appointments, if they need it.

We often hear from patients who are worried about how they will get to their appointments. With traffic, parking, and high fuel costs to contend with, some individuals have even considered turning down life-saving treatment due to the stress involved.

We launched Weston Park Cancer Charity's free transport service in 2021 in response to these concerns. Since then, the service has provided thousands of individuals in Chesterfield, Barnsley, and Rotherham with a safe, reliable and stress-free way to get to and from their appointments.

April 2024 marked the third anniversary of the free transport service, which continues to increase in popularity. In 2024-25 our volunteer drivers completed 1,529 return trips and covered an impressive 49,516 miles in total. The number of people using the service grew dramatically this year, with 60% more people taking one or more trips.

Transport Service Awareness

This significant rise in service use can be partly attributed to successful marketing activities. We have targeted areas with transport service pick-up points, with advertisements printed in Rotherham Life and AroundTown magazines. These proved to be highly effective, and we saw large growth in our Rotherham service; In 2024-25 109 people used the Rotherham service, compared to 34 in 2023-24.

As well as traditional news outlets, we reached thousands of football fans through our 'Together at Every Step Partnership', promoting the transport service during charity takeover days at Barnsley FC, Sheffield Wednesday, and Sheffield United.

Throughout the year, we profiled a number of transport service users for news pieces and social media posts. These helped us to widen our reach, with visitors to the transport page of our website almost tripling over the year. This increase in interest demonstrates the great need for the free transport service in our community.

Expanding the service

With demand for the service growing, we are working hard to expand our network of pick-up points. In June 2024, we launched a Meadowhall Shuttle. This new bus route has helped us to reach more individuals, reduce waiting times, and improved the overall experience for our clients.

79-year-old Barry, who lives in Upper Cumberworth, used the free transport service during his treatment for prostate cancer. Talking about his experience, Barry said: *“It made a big difference being able to have a chat and a laugh with the other passengers. It made me forget about what I was going through. I’ve recommended Weston Park’s transport service to so many people now. Whenever I hear that someone in the area has been diagnosed with cancer I say, ‘Get yourself on that bus!’. You can’t beat it.”*

We’re extremely grateful to our fantastic group of volunteer drivers who contributed almost 5,000 hours of driving in 2024-25. We couldn’t run this essential service without their generous support, and thank them for always making our passengers feel welcome.

2.4 Objective 4: Advance Weston Park’s cancer research

Research – We will support Weston Park Cancer Centre to continue to be a leading UK cancer research centre, giving people in this region the opportunity to support ground-breaking clinical trials and studies.

We’re so proud of the outstanding cancer research that takes place at Weston Park Cancer Centre. The centre’s cutting-edge clinical trials push our understanding of cancer forward and provide hope to many patients who have exhausted all other treatment options.

As well as directly benefiting participants, clinical trials can improve outcomes across the board at research-active hospitals - as they allow practitioners to quickly bring new treatments into standard practice.

Grants for researchers

From clinical research focusing on myeloma-induced bone disease, to developing new ways of diagnosing gestational trophoblastic disease – we’re in awe of our researchers and their groundbreaking work.

In 2024-25, our grants programme enabled research at scale. In total, we provided £375,861 in research grants – helping experts from the hospital and partner organisations to work towards the cancer treatments of the future.

Large grant case study: Ex Vivo Screening

In 2023, we awarded a grant of £295,224 to an innovative ex vivo screening project involving researchers from the University of Sheffield and Weston Park Cancer Centre.

This three-year project is investigating a new method of identifying the best possible cancer treatment for each patient. Researchers are collecting cancer tissue, made up of cancer, healthy and immune cells, from over 80 patients. This tissue is then tested on drug plates, where it is exposed to a multitude of drugs in different amounts and

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combinations. The effectiveness of each treatment can be assessed by measuring how many healthy and cancerous cells are still alive.

This process means that healthcare professionals can see how a patient will respond to a treatment before it is administered. Ultimately this will enable doctors to create personalised treatment plans which should improve outcomes for patients.

The Weston Park Cancer Charity grant funded:

- The cost of an early phase research nurse for three years, who has helped to design the trial and recruit patients.
- A University of Sheffield research technician who is carrying out the ex vivo screening lab work.
- Consumables like drug plates, stains to analyse cell growth, and microscopes.

Dr Greg Wells, ex vivo project lead said: *“Personalised medicine has dominated cancer research for the last 20 years, but only a subset of patients are eligible. We want this project to greatly increase the numbers of patients eligible, so everyone gets the best possible treatment for their individual cancer.”*

“Sheffield is the perfect place for us to undertake this research, we have Weston Park Cancer Centre and the Charity, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals, and the University of Sheffield all next to each other. This means the clinicians, scientists, nurses, and patients can all work together to start to make an impact on cancer.”

Professor Sarah Danson, who oversees the project said: *“We couldn’t do what we do without the backing of Weston Park Cancer Charity. The charity has helped us achieve so much in recent decades – by funding research like this, its supporters help us change outcomes for cancer patients in the future.”*

Clinical Trials Centre 25th Anniversary

In 1999, funding from Weston Park Cancer Charity helped to establish the hospital's Cancer Clinical Trials Centre (CCTC), and we've been supporting its vital work ever since. Over the past quarter-century, the CCTC has conducted 1,048 clinical trials involving 18,260 patients. These trials have significantly expanded treatment options and contributed to improved survival rates across many cancer types.

In 2024, we celebrated 25 years of the CCTC with a series of nurse profiles and staff events. These highlighted key research achievements and shed light on the dedicated members of staff which make them possible.

In her interview, Vicky Hallworth, a senior sister and research nurse at the CCTC, said: *“I’m amazed by our patients. They’re going through the hardest time in their life, and they may be on a trial that they know won’t help them directly. But they find the strength to keep going.”*

“It’s very rewarding to see the impact that successful trials make. Trials have helped us to bring treatment lengths down and increase survival rates for many types of cancer. Without them, we wouldn’t have immunotherapies and targeted therapies. When you see those changes in action it makes it all worthwhile.”

2.5 Objective 5: Expand our digital offering

Digital - Everyone with cancer and donors will be able to access support and donate through digital platforms.

From sharing information about our services, to collecting crucial donations – our digital channels are central to our work.

Engaging with audiences online

Our website is the first port of call for many individuals seeking advice and support. As such, it's essential that the information we provide is accessible and up to date. In 2024-25, our website had 46,287 active users, up from 31,200 in the previous year, while total page views rose from 155,000 to 235,000.

Last year, our most visited pages were primarily focussed on fundraising events. This year, we saw an encouraging shift: our top five pages now include the transport service and cancer support services, which suggests a growing awareness of our support services.

In 2024-25 we continued to expand our social media channels by sharing compelling audience-focused content across Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn. On Facebook our reach grew from 372k to 943k – a 153% year-on-year increase. We put a huge amount of work into our Instagram channel this year, and this effort really paid off: in 2024-25 we reached 197,030 people through Instagram, which was up 780% on the year before.

Throughout the year we reached new online audiences through social media collaborations. An Instagram reel posted with Melanoma Focus for example, after our Skin Cancer Awareness Day, gained 67 interactions and 4,309 views - with 57% of those being from non-followers. We also worked with the popular tanning brand St Moriz during Breast Cancer Awareness Month for their #GlowCheckYourself campaign, with content produced in collaboration receiving 5,168 views.

In February 2025, we began working with a digital marketing agency, to help us maximise the benefits of our Google Ad Charity Grant. Our campaigns promoted Gifts in Wills, the Big Purple Bus, and our general support services. This led to 550 click-throughs to our website.

To celebrate the first anniversary of the Big Purple Bus in September 2024, we launched adverts across 20 digital bus stop shelters. The adverts were concentrated in high-traffic areas along our bus routes, increasing visibility of the service in key locations.

Facilitating digital donations

With cash transactions on the decline in the UK, we're looking for new ways to encourage and collect digital donations. In 2024-25, we collected £21,523 through digital collection tins and contactless devices, 17% more than the year before. We have also increased our use of QR codes on printed materials, such as in match-day

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programmes at our football takeover days, giving audiences a quick way to access our website and donate.

Our primary digital donation platform, Raisely, facilitated almost 10,000 donations this year, with over £460,000 raised via this platform compared to £240,000 in the previous year. This growth shows the importance of continuing to invest in and expand our digital offering.

Digital presence in Weston Park Cancer Centre

Everyone receiving treatment at Weston Park Cancer Centre should be given the opportunity to access our support. This year we have increased our digital screens and information presented within the hospital to strengthen our charity presence.

As part of our grants programme, we funded technological enhancements to the patient information system. We also supported the radiotherapy team to create a video series explaining the cancer treatment process to patients. This included a video about the services our charity offers. The 'radiotherapy patient experience' video series was uploaded to our YouTube channel. A post on Facebook, which shared the videos and promoted the series, received 16,283 views and reached 7,541 people.

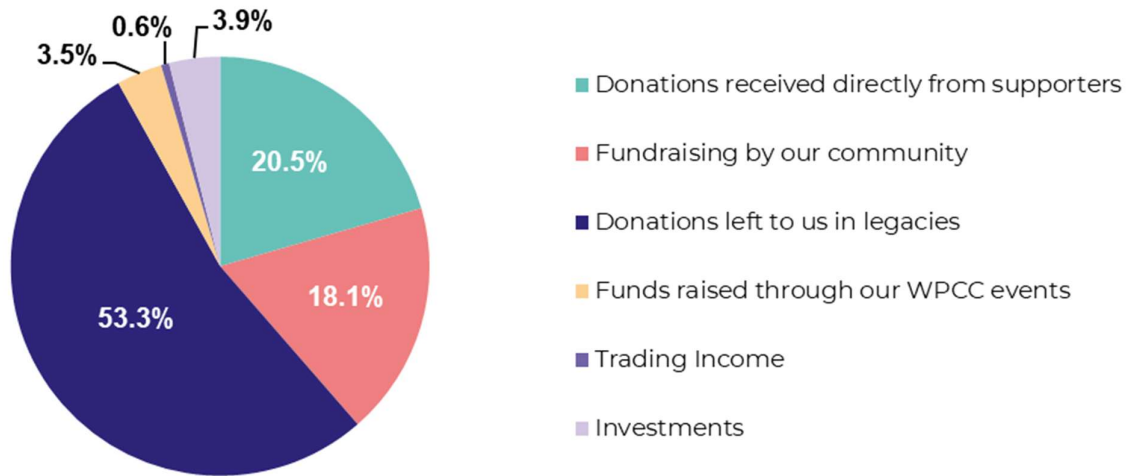
In December 2024 we set up three digital donation devices in Weston Park Cancer Centre. These provide an easy and accessible method for patients and loved ones to support our charity should they wish to. Over £350 has been raised through these devices to date; our Fundraising team will be looking at ways to enhance these donation points during 25/26.

2.6 Objective 6: Share the impact of our work and inspire support

Impact - Existing and potential donors will see the difference they make to the lives of people with cancer and their families.

Between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025 our fantastic supporters, volunteers, patrons, and trustees helped raise, in total, an astonishing £4 million in support of Weston Park Cancer Charity. This sum will transform lives through funding our support services, treatment enhancements and vital cancer research. This also marks a welcome return to pre-pandemic fundraising income. A huge thank you to our entire Weston Park Cancer Charity community for making this possible.

Figure 3. Total income by source



Note. Donations include the net assets transferred from Cavendish on 1st March 25.

2024-25 Fundraising highlights

- Over 3,300 amazing donors and fundraisers.
- 1,000 individuals and companies led fundraising activities to raise funds for Weston Park Cancer Charity.
- More than 500 people took part in our second Walk as One event and raised over £50k for our services.
- In July 2024, 47 teams teed off for the annual Weston Park Cancer Charity Golf Day, raising over £35,000 for people living with cancer.
- We relaunched our Time for Tea fundraiser. Bolstered by celebrity ambassador, Rahul Mandal (Great British Bake Off Winner), a wide range of individuals, organisations and schools took part by hosting cake sales and coffee mornings, raising over £15,000.
- Weston Park turned Doncaster Racecourse purple for the 7th edition of our Charity Race Evening, raising £40,000.
- We premiered our 'It's A Knock Out' event, seeing us collaborate with Rotherham Hospital Charity to raise over £18,000.

Remembering Molly

In 2024-25, we were deeply moved by the extraordinary fundraising efforts of Team Molly – a close group of family and friends who have raised £41,000 in memory of Molly Midgley-Hellend. Molly sadly died aged 27 from a rare form of cancer called Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma (ACC).

Throughout her treatment, Molly showed remarkable courage and determination, raising both funds for charity and awareness of ACC. She shared her journey openly on Instagram, organised multiple fundraising events, and even completed the Sheffield

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10k while undergoing treatment. Today, Team Molly is honouring her legacy by continuing to champion the causes close to her heart– keeping her spirit, strength, and generosity alive through their support. We would like to extend our sincerest condolences to Molly’s friends and family, and our heartfelt thanks to Team Molly for their incredible dedication in her memory.

Molly’s mum, Eleanor, said: *“Team Molly has brought so many people together who never would have met otherwise. I know that Molly was aware of that community forming and she felt the hug of that. Raising money is our way of leaving a legacy for Molly. We know first-hand how important the money is to Weston Park Cancer Charity.”*

Gifts in Wills Campaign

In February 2025, on World Cancer Day, we launched our first ever gifts in Wills campaign.

This multi-channel campaign celebrated the importance of legacy gifts – which make up 52% of Weston Park Cancer Charity’s income. Our ‘Gifts in Wills’ guide aims to explain the impact that leaving a gift can make, and contains information about our legal partners, as well as an inspiring story from a legacy donor, Ben Daly.

Annual Star Appeal

In 2024, our annual Christmas Star Appeal was centred around the life-changing work of Sheffield Teaching Hospital’s Teenage and Young Adult Cancer Service team.

As in previous years, supporters who donated were sent a star decoration for their Christmas tree, and were able to write a personalised message on a digital star on our website.

As well as donating to the appeal, fundraisers held sponsored pyjama days, hosted chocolate bouquet raffles, took part in carol concerts, and sent charity Christmas cards. In total, the 2024 appeal raised over £40k which will fund support services, research, and grants.

Fundraising events

In 2024-25, fundraisers took part in a jam-packed calendar of events which included hikes, marathons, skydives and more. Here are a few highlights from the past year.

BB with Love’s gala dinner

In October 2024, guests headed to Sheffield City Hall’s stunning ballroom for the star-studded BB with Love ‘Simply the Best 2024’ gala dinner. Attendees enjoyed an afternoon of glitz and glamour, with performances from the sensational West End star Matt Croke and special guests.

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The event was held in memory of beloved wife and mum Bev Croke, who died from breast cancer at the age of 61. This spectacular event helped to bring the Croke family's fundraising total to £200k.

Sing Under the Stars

In December 2024, we hosted our second Sing Under the Stars event, which featured beautiful choral performances, lively brass bands, and delicious seasonal beverages. At this heart-warming event, 220 members of our community gathered to remember loved ones and spread festive joy.

Enchanted Garden Spring Ball

In March 2025, we marked the charity's 30th anniversary with an Enchanted Garden Spring Ball. This magical evening included a three-course meal, live music, and spectacular performances. Attendees were able to bid for a whole host of prizes at our live and silent auctions, and we also raised funds through ticket sales.

The event honoured our charity's history, while also making a difference for the one in two people set to be diagnosed with cancer in the future. In total, this event raised a brilliant £34,000.

Our amazing volunteers

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, we're fortunate to have an exceptional group of volunteers who give up their time to support our work.

In 2024-25, 131 individuals spent a staggering total of 8,577 hours volunteering for our charity. Bringing their enthusiasm, skills and support our volunteers make such a difference to our charity. Whether they're driving our Big Purple Buses or minibuses, welcoming people into our Charity Hub and outreach services, helping at our fundraising stalls or any of our other volunteering activities they represent our charity with pride and kindness. We are deeply thankful for their amazing contributions.

We also had 93 volunteers from corporate partner organisations give 370 hours of their time. These volunteers took part in a wide variety of activities, from marshalling at events, to creating chocolate bouquets for our Christmas fundraising campaign.

This year, we created our first ever Volunteer Rep Group. This group is made up of 15 volunteers who share their invaluable insight and ideas with charity staff. We also launched an end-of-year survey which is helping us to learn more about what motivates our volunteers. We're happy to report that every single person surveyed recommended Weston Park Cancer Charity as being a great place to volunteer.

One respondent said: *"No matter how small the contribution you make, you are made to feel valued and so want to do even more."*

John, who volunteers as a driver on our free transport service, said: *"I wanted to volunteer after retiring. It was perfect as I like driving and I like meeting people - and I am never short on something to say! I enjoy every minute of doing it."*

“No matter what the weather, we're always there. Rain or shine, we will be there no matter what. We're there for the patients.”

Table 2. The number of volunteers supporting each area of our work

Volunteer Role	No. of Volunteers	Total Volunteering Hours
Big Purple Bus Drivers	7	1468
Big Purple Bus Info & Support	6	326
Events & Fundraising	92	823
Meet & Greet	7	852
Specialist Support	4	151
Transport Service Drivers	32	4957
Total	131*	8577

*Total accounts for several volunteers undertaking more than one role.

Preparing for our biggest appeal to date

Throughout 2024-25, charity staff and trustees were planning the launch of our transformational ‘see it. treat it’ appeal and building momentum before a public launch. This is the charity’s biggest ever capital appeal, which aims to raise £1.85m for a state-of-the-art MRI simulator cancer scanning machine.

With its exceptional imaging capabilities, the MRI simulator cancer scanning machine can more precisely define the areas of the body which have been affected by cancer. This enables more targeted treatment, which reduces the impact of side effects and aims to boost survival rates across our region.

We’re very grateful to our long-term supporter, Westfield Health, for pledging an incredible £500,000 in matched giving. Their generosity will empower community fundraisers to double their impact, ensuring the ‘see it. treat it’ appeal achieves its full potential.

3. Our strategic objectives and achievements

3.1 Ensuring the charity is a wonderful place to work

Our charity achieves remarkable things because of the talent, passion, and commitment of our extraordinary team members.

After merging with Cavendish Cancer Care in February 2025, our team grew significantly from 42 to 64. Merging two organisations is a complex process, and our focus has been on forging relationships and supporting individuals through this transition.

As one united charity, we're building an integrated structure that serves beneficiaries and supporters alike. This has involved actively consulting teams and colleagues, and we're grateful for their positive participation.

Staff wellbeing initiatives

The wellbeing of our staff members is central to our work, and a key priority for Weston Park Cancer Charity.

Throughout the year, our wellbeing working group circulated a number of health and wellness handouts. These useful guides covered topics such as mindfulness, nutrition, and exercise.

In 2024-25, our monthly internal newsletter returned to much acclaim. 'Weston World' is a fun way of creating a sense of connection and belonging across our growing team. It includes photos of staff holidays, pets, activities and wellbeing tips. In Weston World, we also recognise the achievements of our colleagues and celebrate important work anniversaries and birthdays.

Every month, our staff come together to share updates in full team meetings. This year, several grant recipients gave talks during our team meetings; it was inspirational to learn about their work and hear how Weston Park grants are making a difference in our community.

After particularly busy periods in the year, we created opportunities for our staff to relax and reflect on their brilliant work. In October, we held an End of Summer Celebration in the garden of our Cancer Support Centre. Team members enjoyed a BBQ and bonded over some 'school sports day' style games!

In October 2024 our team took part in an offsite away day at Tapton Hall. Facilitated by Bethany Helliwell Smith, a charity coach and speaker, the day was centred around team building, celebration and connection. Bethany addressed core themes including Compassion Fatigue, Team Communication, Morale and Motivation, and Shared Purpose. 83.3% of participants felt this session boosted team morale and celebrated contributions well or very well.

Working groups

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, our working groups play a vital role in driving forward each area of our organisational strategy, ensuring we maintain momentum, stay focused on our goals, and connect teams and colleagues across the charity.

Each group brings together individuals from different departments and areas of expertise to collaborate on specific projects, harnessing the knowledge of members to enhance cross-team communication, spark innovation, and ultimately deliver better outcomes through collective effort.

In October 2024, the membership of the groups was refreshed to ensure the right mix of representation from across the organisation and to embed new colleagues.

Our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (ED&I) working group continues to play a central role in broadening our approach to supporting people living with and beyond cancer. During 2024/25, the group explored key topics such as unconscious bias training, translating our information materials, and reviewing data on ethnic diversity among users of our Big Purple Bus. These important themes will continue into 2025/26, alongside the valuable contribution of a volunteer who joined the group this year, bringing a fresh perspective and enriching discussions further.

Recognition, development, and feedback

During the year, we reviewed our 'Total Rewards' scheme to ensure that we remain a leading charity in terms of employee recognition. On average, our Total Rewards Package was rated an 8 out of 10 by staff. These positive ratings reflect that overall staff are highly satisfied with our benefits package and contribute positively to employee engagement.

We also undertook our annual staff survey, which enabled us to gather staff feedback and gauge sentiment across the team. We were pleased to see workplace culture score highly, with 97% of employees agreeing or strongly agreeing that colleagues show understanding, appreciation, and respect for each other. The survey also showed that 93% of staff would recommend Weston Park Cancer Charity as an employer.

In 2024-25, the charity invested in a wide variety of learning and development opportunities for colleagues. This included a Women in Leadership programme, coaching sessions for individuals, and courses with the Institute of Fundraising.

We began working on a programme of clinical supervision, which will be rolled out in 2025-26. Our work can be emotionally intensive, and this programme will ensure that our colleagues and volunteers have access to psychological support. Alongside structured clinical supervision, we have trained Mental Health First Aiders within our team who are on hand to support colleagues when needed.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is proud to be a Real Living Wage employer. Our colleagues work hard every day, to make a difference for people who have been impacted by cancer. We want to ensure everyone is fairly rewarded, and we're grateful for our trustees who share and support this ethos.

4. Continuing our mission

We're so thankful to the supporters, volunteers, NHS colleagues, and trustees who helped us to deliver against our six strategic goals in 2024-25.

Thanks to the Weston Park Cancer Charity community, more people than ever before are benefiting from our lifechanging services. We're pushing forward cancer research at pace and ensuring that patients at our hospital have the best treatment experience possible.

But there is always more work to be done, and we have ambitious goals for the year ahead. In 2025-26, we will deliver the final stages of our 'Together at Every Step' strategy. We will then come together as a charity to look ahead to the future and create a brand-new strategy to address the developing needs of people affected by cancer across our region.

The challenges posed by cancer are ever-changing. But so too is our understanding of this disease. Next year, we will continue to support our fantastic NHS colleagues directly through research grants and by securing state-of-the-art equipment for Weston Park Cancer Centre. We're confident that we can meet our £1.85m appeal target in 2025-26, thereby securing Sheffield its first-ever MRI simulator cancer scanning machine. By investing in research, treatment enhancements, and support services we can improve outcomes for patients and fight cancer on all fronts.

We'd like to express our appreciation to every single individual who made our work possible in 2024-25. Your energy, commitment, and enthusiasm underpin everything that we do, and we are so fortunate to have your support. With your help, we can be there – at every step – for people across our region who have been impacted by cancer.

For one in two of us, cancer will change everything. But together, so can we.

5. Reserves, finances, investments

Review of accounts

At 31st March 2025 there was a net increase in funds of £1.24m (2024: increase of £398k).

Income for the year was £4,031,595, an increase of £1.45m from 2023-24. This reflects an increase in legacy gifts, which has risen to £2.15m (2024 £1.21m) during the year.

Expenditure costs in the year were £2,786,541 (2024 £2.2m), an increase of £582k.

Investments

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Trustees are empowered to invest the resources of the charity in any way they think fit.

At the 31 March 2025 the Charity held £619k (2024 £489k) in investments, an increase of £130k (2024: increase of £26k) since last year.

Reserves Policy

In formulating their reserves policy, Trustees have followed the guidance set out by The Charity Commission in deciding, publishing, implementing and monitoring their charity's reserves policy so that they can comply with their legal duties to:

- Act in the interest of their charity and its beneficiaries
- Protect and safeguard the assets of their charity;
- Act with reasonable care and skill;
- Ensure their charity is accountable.

The Trustees use a risk-based approach to assess the level of unrestricted undesignated reserves that need to be held. The risks are monetised and compared to the value of working capital required. The higher value is used as the reserves level. The Trustees reserves policy sets a minimum of £600k unrestricted, undesignated funds. Reserves are reviewed at least annually.

Following the merger with Cavendish Cancer Care, the Trustees recognise that the combined organisation's risk profile and working capital needs have changed. The reserves policy will therefore be reviewed and updated in the coming year to reflect the new structure and financial position of the merged charity.

At 31st March 2025 the charity's total reserves were £5,593,359 (2024: £4,356,957).

Of the £1.74m designated funds held at the end of the year, £0.23m has been designated to Outreach, £0.01m to Treatment and Care, and £1.5m to the Capital Project Weston Park Cancer Centre appeal.

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This leaves general unrestricted funds of £2.99m (2024: £2.90m), and free reserves of £2.3m (2024: £2.4m). This exceeds the target level of £600k, so the trustees plan to review the reserves position during the coming year as part of the post-merger review of the charity's reserves policy.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Corporate Services Committee is responsible for maintaining a comprehensive risk register that identifies the main risks and uncertainties facing the charity. The Risk Register is presented in a traffic-light format so that trustees can easily see which areas carry higher levels of risk and what actions are being taken to manage them.

Risk, including Health and Safety, is included on every leadership meeting, allowing any new matters to be raised. In addition, the leadership team meet every month to review and update the Risk Register, consider any new risks, and monitor progress on agreed actions.

The Corporate Services Committee reviews the updated register at each of its meetings and reports to the Board of Trustees on the key risks and the effectiveness of the charity's mitigation plans. This ensures trustees have clear oversight of risk management.

Some of the key areas of focus include staff capacity and wellbeing, financial stability, data security, and keeping services operating smoothly

6. Our Trustees

The Trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the group and the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is a company limited by guarantee, company number 1480596, and a Charity, registration number 509803. The trustees, listed below, have overall responsibility for the strategic direction and effective governance of the charity.

Board of Trustees

Members of the board during the year and up to the date of signing the accounts were:

Niall Baker	Chairperson Ex officio member of all sub-committees (Retired March 2025)
Steve Wragg	Member of the Grant Giving Committee Chair of the Corporate Services Committee, lead for Risk & Assurance

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	Chairperson from March 2025
David Bussue	Member of the Corporate Services Committee
Nigel Beasley	Member of the Grant Giving Committee, Chair from January 2025
Tim Brazier	Member of the Services Committee
Melinda Schofield	Member of the Corporate Services Committee
James Catto	Member of the Grant Giving Committee
Darrell Re	
Peter O'Connell	Treasurer Member of the Corporate Services Committee, lead for Finance.
Stephen Chufungleung	Member of the Corporate Services Committee, lead for HR Chair of the Grant Giving Committee (Resigned January 2025)
Louise Merriman	Chair of the Services Committee
David Grey MBE	Previous Cavendish Cancer Care (CCC) Trustee, appointed February 2025
David Thurkettle	Previous CCC Trustee, appointed February 2025, Member of the Corporate Services Committee
Amy Hallam	Previous CCC Trustee, appointed February 2025, Member of the Grant Giving Committee
Alison Clarke	Previous CCC Trustee, appointed February 2025, Member of the Services Committee

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described within this report. All our charitable activities focus on enabling life-saving research and clinical trials, enhancing treatment and providing support for people with cancer and their loved ones across South Yorkshire and those who are receiving treatment at Weston Park Cancer Centre from across the UK. All activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

How decisions are made

The charity operates a governance structure determined by the Board of Trustee to conduct its legal, regulatory and oversight duties. This is formed of a Board of Trustees which meets, as a minimum, three times per year. The following committees report to the board:

- **Corporate Services Committee** is accountable to the Board for the following:
 - Risk and Assurance: comprehensive governance arrangements that reflect regulatory requirements and both assess and mitigate areas of risk.
 - Finance: for the oversight of finance and resources, including business plans, budgets, management and statutory accounts and; supported by resource, IT and estate plans

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- HR: oversight, development, review and monitoring of strategic HR and volunteering matters.
- Income generation (Fundraising): oversight of the development, delivery and review of the income generation strategy, annual plan, cost-effectiveness (ROI) and evaluation
- **Services Committee** is accountable to the Board for all clinically related services, their evaluation, development and risks.
- **Grant Giving Committee** this committee has oversight and scrutiny of grants and makes recommendations to the Board on grant applications.

The Board has an agreed delegated scheme of approval which makes it clear how decisions are made within the charity and who makes these. This was reviewed, updated and approved by the Board in July 2022. Day-to-day operational decisions are delegated to the executive team headed by the Chief Executive Officer.

Decisions on Grant-Giving

- The Grant-Giving Committee makes recommendations to trustees on which projects should or shouldn't be funded and it is for the Board to make the final decision based on these recommendations. The committee has delegated responsibility to oversee the grant application process and monitor grants. The Board look to the committee to shape strategy and suggest budget allocations which Trustees then approve.
- Membership of the Grant-Giving committee includes Trustees with clinical, research, community development and NHS governance expertise. As required additional expertise is sought, including peer review of applications and evaluation of funded grants to ensure robust and transparent decision-making.
- The charity operates a small grant application process through which applications to a maximum of £1,500 can be made with the total fund available being £20k per annum. Trustees delegated responsibility for these decisions to the CEO who, in turn, has delegated this to a small cross-organisational staff group. This empowers staff, is an effective way to develop their skills and ensures a wide range of experiences involved in the decision-making process. Staff have enjoyed being involved in this process.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The skills audit of the Board is reviewed on an ongoing basis and linked to our strategy to help us to recruit people with the skills, knowledge and expertise needed to strengthen our leadership. During the year, our chairman retired after 9 years tenure, 4 new Trustees joined from Cavendish Cancer Care, as part of the merger, they were appointed in February and bring a wealth of experience which has benefited the charity.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are invited to training sessions with the CEO and Senior Leadership Team which cover the responsibilities of being a trustee as well as the specifics of the management of Weston Park Cancer Charity and the ways in which we adhere to, and deliver against, our governing document and charitable objectives. New trustees are also encouraged to participate in training for new trustees delivered by the likes of Civil Society.

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Trustees are encouraged to undertake training as and when they are able, and it is the responsibility of each trustee to ensure they have the skills and knowledge to be able to undertake their role. Trustees are encouraged to participate in training provided by external providers on subjects such as governance, change to charity law and codes, finance etc. The CEO provides regular updates on policy changes and information of interest from the sector press.

Linked Charity

The Trustees' Report and Financial Statements also incorporate The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund, a linked charity. The trade and assets were transferred into Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Ltd. on 30th April 2018. There is no continued trade within this charity.

The Senior Leadership Team

Operational responsibility for the charity is delegated by the Board to the executive team. The Senior Leadership Team comprises the following roles:

Chief Executive Officer

- Leads the charity, develops and implements strategy and is accountable for the day-to-day operations of the Charity.
- Responsible for the team which delivers finance, IT, admin, HR, health and safety and premises functions.
- Responsible for the team which delivers our services, the development of future services and effective use of our grants.

Deputy Chief Executive Officer

- Leads the development of plans to secure income and to market ourselves so that people want to support us or use our services.

The Senior Leadership Team is supported by department heads who are responsible for delivering their part of the annual plan.

- Head of Cancer Support Services
- Head of Fundraising
- Head of Finance & Resources

Pay and remuneration of Key Management Personnel

The trustees are responsible for setting the pay and benefits of the Chief Executive, in line with the Employee Pay Framework which determines pay for all staff.

Each role is evaluated against 16 factors, such as communication, knowledge, planning, and level of responsibility. The total score determines each role's pay grade, ensuring a consistent approach across the charity. The charity is accredited as a Real Living Wage Employer, reflecting its commitment to fair pay and equality.

Pay reviews take place annually, but pay awards depend on affordability and the charity's financial position. A benchmarking exercise is carried out periodically to compare salaries and benefits with similar organisations in the charity sector. The Board of Trustees review and approve the outcome of the benchmarking and any resulting pay changes.

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The total costs of key management personnel are shown in the notes to the financial statements.

Fundraising Practices

Weston Park Cancer Charity is committed to maintaining the highest standards in all fundraising activity and ensuring that all supporters have a positive and respectful experience.

We are registered with the Fundraising Regulator and fully adhere to the Fundraising Code of Practice, demonstrating our commitment to ethical and transparent fundraising.

We ensure that our fundraising is never intrusive or persistent, and that all activity reflects our values of integrity and care.

Our fundraising team plans and delivers campaigns and events in line with best practice, and we take great care to protect vulnerable individuals and respect donor wishes. Every donation is valued, and we are committed to listening to our supporters and, should concerns arise, acting promptly and efficiently.

Weston Park Cancer Charity places great importance on every stage of the donor journey, ensuring supporters feel informed, appreciated, and connected to the impact of their giving. We welcome feedback, and our contact details can be found on our website at: <https://www.westonpark.org.uk/privacy-and-cookie-policy>

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Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

This report was approved by the Trustees, on ^{03/12/2025 GMT} and signed on their behalf by:



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Steve Wragg

7. Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, cashflow statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern

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for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the director's report or included within the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or

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- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with this Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the Senior Statutory Auditor ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charitable company through discussions with Trustees and other management, and from our knowledge and experience of the sector;

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- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the charitable company, including charity law and regulation, safeguarding legislation, health and safety, and data protection laws;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and trustees; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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A further description of our responsibilities is available on the FRC's website at:
<https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our
auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in
accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has
been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those
matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other
purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume
responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable
company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we
have formed.



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Rachel Heath (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of

BHP LLP, Statutory Auditor

Albert Works
Sidney Street
Sheffield
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Date: 04/12/2025 GMT

8. Statement of Financial Activities

(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2025			Year ended 31 March 2024
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Donations & legacies	2	3,495,886	209,837	3,705,723	2,308,816
Fundraising trading activities		142,505		142,505	120,196
Other trading activities		24,843		24,843	7,181
Investment income		158,524		158,524	146,047
Total income		3,821,758	209,837	4,031,595	2,582,240
Expenditure					
Fundraising	3	955,814	41,141	996,955	739,494
Charitable activities	4	1,593,787	195,799	1,789,586	1,464,850
Total expenditure		2,549,601	236,940	2,786,541	2,204,344
Net income / (expenditure) before investments gains / (losses)		1,272,157	(27,103)	1,245,054	377,896
Net gains / (losses) on investments	12	(8,652)		(8,652)	19,743
Net movement in funds		1,263,505	(27,103)	1,236,402	397,639
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		3,475,206	881,751	4,356,957	3,959,318
Net movement in funds		1,263,505	(27,103)	1,236,402	397,639
Total funds carried forward		4,738,711	854,648	5,593,359	4,356,957

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 42 to 57 form part of these financial statements.

9. Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 2025

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2025	Year ended 31 March 2024
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	159,272	123,230
Investments	12	619,206	489,250
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		778,478	612,480
Current assets			
Stocks		12,568	11,132
Debtors	13	1,074,316	626,332
Cash at bank and in hand		4,910,457	4,328,486
Subtotal		5,997,341	4,965,950
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(1,064,406)	(941,604)
Net current assets		4,932,935	4,024,346
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(118,054)	(279,869)
Net assets		5,593,359	4,356,957
Charity Funds			
Restricted funds	16	854,648	881,751
Unrestricted funds:			
Designated funds	16	1,740,488	571,754
General funds	16	2,998,223	2,903,452
Total unrestricted funds		4,738,711	3,475,206
TOTAL FUNDS		5,593,359	4,356,957

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies' regime. The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



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Steve Wragg

Date: 03/12/2025 GMT

10. Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	2025	2024
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash provided by operating activities	19	312,249	470,343
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends, interests and rents from investments		158,524	146,047
Purchase of tangible fixed assets			(37,892)
Purchase of investments		(69,011)	(65,708)
Proceeds from disposal of investments		103,334	53,498
Net cash provided by investing activities		192,847	95,945
Cashflows from financing activities			
Cash transferred from Cavendish Cancer Care		76,875	
Net cash provided by financing activities		76,875	
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		581,971	566,288
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		4,328,486	3,762,197
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	20	4,910,457	4,328,486

The notes in Section 11 form part of these financial statements.

11. Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Statement of financial activities (SOFA) and Balance sheet represent the financial statements of the charity. The results of its subsidiary undertaking, Weston Park Trading Limited have not been consolidated within the accounts due to its immaterial nature. Weston Park Trading Limited is a dormant subsidiary with share capital totalling £1.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared forecasts of income and expenditure and cash flow for 12 months from authorising these financial statements which shows that they have sufficient reserves to be able to continue for the foreseeable future. The Board will continue to monitor the impact on income and take appropriate action as necessary. The Trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation for these financial statements.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the Charity is aware that probate has been granted; the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Charity that a distribution will be made; or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably, and the Charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. A legacy is considered measurable if reliable supporting information, such as final estate accounts or confirmation from the executor, is received within three months of the year end.

Where legacies have been notified to the Charity, or the Charity is aware of the granting of probate but the final accounts or confirmation from the executor has not been received within three months of the year end, e.g where receipt is dependent on the sale of property, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified, and a third party is bearing the costs. No amounts are included in the financial statement for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

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On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contribution and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Costs of generating funds are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds. Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities. All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Grants payable

Grant awards are reviewed at least annually and are subject to the grant terms.

Grants payable are recognised in full, for all years of the grant, in the year the offer is made when there are no conditions on the grant. Where grants are conditional, they are recognised when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment and not recognised.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over

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their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property and leasehold improvements	10 years, or term of lease
IT equipment (over £1,000)	5 years
Fixtures and fittings (over £500)	4-8 years
Motor vehicles	10 years

1.7 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.11 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

1.12 Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value recognised, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

1.13 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010

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and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.14 Pensions

The Charity's main pension schemes are defined contribution pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

The Charity also participates in one of the NHS pension schemes. It is a defined benefit scheme but the Charity is unable to identify its share of the underlying scheme liabilities and so it is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme. See note 22 for further details.

1.15 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.16 Operating lease commitments

The charity leases certain assets, such as property, vehicles and equipment, under operating lease agreements. Lease payments under operating leases are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term unless another method better reflects the pattern of benefits received. Lease incentives (e.g. rent-free periods) received are recognised as a reduction of rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

1.17 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

- Preparation of the financial statements can require management to make significant judgements and estimates.
- Multiyear grants payable – management make an assessment of the liability each year based upon the grants recognised and de-recognised in the period
- Accrued legacy income – management assess entitlement, probability and value using information from solicitors and executors, recognising income when all criteria are met.

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2. Income from donations and legacies

	Year ended 31 March 2025				Year ended 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising		1,231,751	19,410	1,251,161	1,097,573
Donation from Cavendish Cancer Care on transfer		289,488	15,427	304,915	
Legacies		1,974,647	175,000	2,149,647	1,211,243
Total		3,495,886	209,837	3,705,723	2,308,816
<i>Total 2024</i>		2,291,123	17,693	2,308,816	

3. Fundraising expenditure

	Year ended 31 March 2025				Year ended 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Events and activities		75,167		75,167	49,114
Wages and salaries	9	581,126		581,126	397,226
Training and recruitment		6,457	305	6,762	9,540
Capital Appeal			40,212	40,212	
Support costs	6	89,068		89,068	114,713
Governance costs	7	19,226		19,226	13,514
Other		184,770	624	185,394	155,387
Total		955,814	41,141	996,955	739,494
<i>Total 2024</i>		739,494		739,494	

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Year ended 31 March 2025				Year ended 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Grants payable	5	333,383	87,573	420,956	361,805
Patient Services		431,072	3,821	434,893	346,449
Staff costs	9	534,377	93,195	627,572	493,110
Training and recruitment		11,412		11,412	8,870
Depreciation			11,210	11,210	11,210
Support costs	6	203,812		203,812	187,364
Governance costs	7	79,731		79,731	56,042
Total		1,593,787	195,799	1,789,586	1,464,850
<i>Total 2024</i>		1,284,552	180,298	1,464,850	

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5. Grants payable

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2025			Year ended 31 March 2024
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Grants to institutions					
Research Grants		327,690	52,573	380,263	332,882
Treatment and Care Grants			35,000	35,000	23,252
Small Grants		21,831		21,831	15,200
Research Grants De-allocated		(4,402)		(4,402)	(9,464)
Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated		(2,055)		(2,055)	
Small Grants De-allocated		(9,681)		(9,681)	(64)
Total		333,383	87,573	420,956	361,805
Total 2024		338,587	23,218	361,805	

During the year the following grants were made to institutions to support the charity's objectives:

		2025
Institution	Purpose	£
Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	Research grant to improve care for cancer patients across South Yorkshire	327,690

Support cost allocation in relation to these grants is set out below:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Research Grants	32,769	30,966
Treatment and Care Grants		2,325
Small Grants	2,183	1,520

Research Grants De-allocated, Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated show where the relevant committee has taken the decision to withdraw part or all of the funding of a grant either due to a change of circumstances, non-delivery or poor performance against the agreed terms and conditions.

6. Support costs

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2025			Year ended 31 March 2024
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Premises		1,464		1,464	1,292
Telephones		2,702		2,702	3,758
Office equipment & software maintenance		2,466		2,466	5,071
Legal and Professional		18,137		18,137	34,327
Depreciation		8,017		8,017	12,722
Other staff costs		13,178		13,178	23,919
Other costs		48,250		48,250	35,713

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Staff costs	9	202,756		202,756	192,924
Total		296,970		296,970	309,726
<i>Total 2024</i>		309,725		309,726	

Support costs have been allocated as follows:

Year ended 31 March 2025					Year ended 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds	3	89,068		89,068	114,713
Charitable activities	4	203,812		203,812	187,364
Governance costs	7	4,090		4,090	7,648
Total		296,970		296,970	309,726

7. Governance costs

Year ended 31 March 2025					Year ended 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries	9	50,121		50,121	41,369
Auditor's remuneration		18,504		18,504	18,864
Other		2,051		2,051	1,675
Costs associated with transfer of Cavendish Cancer Care		24,191		24,191	
Support costs	6	4,090		4,090	7,648
Total		98,957		98,957	69,556
<i>Total 2024</i>		69,556		69,556	

Governance costs have been allocated to:

Year ended 31 March 2025					Year ended 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds	3	19,226		19,226	13,514
Charitable activities	4	79,731		79,731	56,042
Total		98,957		98,957	69,556

8. Net income / (expenditure)

	2025	2024
This is stated after charging:	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets: - owned by the charity	19,226	23,932
Auditors remuneration – audit (gross of VAT)	18,960	18,864
Auditor's remuneration – other services (gross of VAT)	4,302	4,615

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9. Staff costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	1,232,683	947,490
Social security costs	115,069	90,594
Pension costs	64,609	47,949
Temporary staff	23,429	30,008
Other staff costs	25,784	8,588
Total	1,461,574	1,124,629

The above figures include termination payments totalling £4,892 (2024: £nil) made to one (2024: £nil) employee. These costs relate to termination payments, payments in lieu of notice and unused holiday pay; and have been recognised as an expense in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year.

In addition, total costs of employment included £30,959 of costs in relation to a historical PAYE and NI liability on Westfield Health plan contributions. This is not included in the above disclosures.

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2025		2024	
	Headcount	FTE	Headcount	FTE
Average	42	36	33	30

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2025		2024	
	Headcount	FTE	Headcount	FTE
Service Delivery	19	15	16	13
Marketing and Fundraising	14	14	11	11
Support	9	7	6	6
Total	42	36	33	30

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2025	2024
In the band £60,001-£70,000	1	1
In the band £70,001-£80,000	1	1

The key management personnel of the charity are considered to be the Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity were £163,468 (2024: £156,197).

Staff costs have been allocated to activities as follows

	Note	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
		£	£
Costs of raising funds	3	581,126	397,226
Charitable activities	4	627,572	493,110
Support costs	6	202,756	192,924

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Governance	7	50,121	41,369
Total		1,461,575	1,124,629

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2024 - £nil).

During the year ended 31 March 2025, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2024 - £nil).

11. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property	Leasehold improvements	Fixtures and fittings	Motor Vehicles	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2024	46,002		87,545	135,102	268,649
Acquisition on merger		133,682	97,388		231,070
Additions					
At 31 March 2025	46,002	133,682	184,933	135,102	499,719
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2024	46,002		75,071	24,346	145,419
Acquisition on merger		92,769	83,033		175,802
Charge for the year		1,121	4,422	13,683	19,226
At 31 March 2025	46,002	93,890	162,526	38,029	340,447
At 31 March 2025		39,792	22,407	97,073	159,272
At 31 March 2024			12,474	110,756	123,230

12. Fixed Asset Investments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Market value at 1 April 2024	489,250	463,213
Acquisition on transfer	165,564	
Additions	69,011	65,708
Disposals	(103,334)	(53,498)
Unrealised investment (losses)/gains	(1,285)	13,827
Market value at 31 March 2025	619,206	489,250

On 1 March 2025 the charity acquired fixed asset investments from Cavendish Cancer Care as part of the transfer of operations. These are listed investments managed by Rathbones.

In addition to the above investments held at market value, a £1 investment in the subsidiary company Weston Park Trading Limited is included in the 2025 figures. Total Investments are therefore £619,207 (2024: £489,251).

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cost at 31 March	521,247	397,191

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Unrealised (loss)/gain	(1,285)	13,827
Realised (loss)/gain	(7,367)	5,916
Net (loss)/gain on investment	(8,652)	19,743

The difference between the historical cost and market value of investments has been included in unrestricted funds.

The following investments account for more than five percent of the total market value of investments held by the charitable company:

	Holding	2025	2024
	%	£	£
Vanguard Funds PLC S&P 500 Units Etf USD Dis	9%	56,985	55,103
Legal & General UT L&G All Stks Gilt Idx Tst	5%	34,503	36,053

13. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	21,694	
Other debtors	667	
Prepayments	66,671	44,507
Accrued income	985,284	581,825
Total	1,074,316	626,332

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	155,881	264,045
Deferred income	42,818	22,875
Other creditors	49,390	30,043
Accruals	140,861	65,217
Grants payable	675,456	559,424
Total	1,064,406	941,604

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants payable	118,054	279,869

16. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains / (losses)	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	214,335		(214,659)	324		

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	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains / (losses)	Balance at 31 March 2025
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	12,983			(1,453)		11,530
Delivery of strategy - outreach	344,436		(115,478)			228,958
Capital Project Weston Park Cancer Centre				1,500,000		1,500,000
Total	571,754		(330,137)	1,498,871		1,740,488
General funds	2,903,452	3,821,758	(2,219,464)	(1,498,871)	(8,652)	2,998,223
Total Unrestricted Funds	3,475,206	3,821,758	(2,549,601)		(8,652)	4,738,711
Restricted funds						
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund		120	(120)			
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175					2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	26,412	521	(676)			26,257
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542					3,542
Rochelle Baxter Fund	92,965	18,769	(86,777)			24,957
Community Fund - Outreach	158,865		(91,365)			67,500
Capital fund - buses	97,792		(11,210)			86,582
Hospital equipment fund	500,000		(41,141)			458,859
Sheffield Cancer Research Centre		175,000				175,000
Sheffield Town Trust/ACT Pilot		1,482	(141)			1,341
Co-op Bank Customer Donation Fund		1,975	(1,000)			975
Children and Young People's Service		11,120	(4,487)			6,633
Other < £500		850	(23)			827
Total Restricted Funds	881,751	209,837	(236,940)			854,648
Total of Funds	4,356,957	4,031,595	(2,786,541)		(8,652)	5,593,359

Designated funds:

The trustees previously designated £1.8m for projects related to our 'Together at Every Step' strategy listed below. These funds are being utilised over a three-year period.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy – Research Grants

This fund is to enable us to invest in research and new technologies that can improve the effectiveness, tolerability and/or cost effectiveness of treatment and also to give patients the opportunity to participate in ground-breaking clinical trials.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Treatment and Care Grants

This fund is to enable us to improve the environment where cancer patients across the region receive treatment and to support innovative services that enhance the experience of living with and beyond cancer in the community.

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Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Cancer Support Community Outreach

This fund is to deliver an outreach cancer support service to areas of greatest need.

Capital Project Weston Park Cancer Centre

The trustees committed to funding capital and associated costs of an MRI Simulator for Weston Park Cancer Centre. The charity has launched a major appeal 'See It. Treat It' to raise the required funds for the project. Trustees have designated £1.5m to support the fundraising for the capital appeal. These funds will only be used to meet the costs of the project, if required.

Suitable fund transfers have occurred to match the funds designated by the trustees at financial year end.

Restricted fund details:

Heads Together fund – used to support projects which benefit head and neck cancer patients

Rochelle Baxter fund – used to improve the lives of cancer patients aged between 16 and 25, and their families

Scott McBride fund – used to support projects which benefit sarcoma patients

Thyroid patient fund – used to support projects which benefit thyroid patients

Outreach – National Lottery Community funds received for the Outreach programme commenced in 2022/23

Capital fund - buses - funded the purchase of a minibus for the Rotherham transport service and two buses for Outreach service delivery. Depreciation will be charged against the funding over the 10-year useful life of the vehicles

Hospital equipment fund - £500,000 towards the purchase of equipment to support Weston Park Hospital.

Sheffield Cancer Research Centre – to support research undertaken at the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre.

Sheffield Town Trust - grant for the development and delivery of the ACT Pilot

Co-op Bank Customer Donation Fund – towards staff training and development costs of the Children and Young People's Service and towards the cost of the Cav@Home platform, LearnWorlds.

Children and Young People's Service – various grants to support the costs of the Children and Young People's Service

Other < £500 - various small fund balances to support the costs of the Children and Young People's Service

Statement of funds – prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains /(losses)	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	452,552		(265,000)	26,782		214,335
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	33,983		(21,000)			12,983
Delivery of strategy - outreach	358,533		(14,097)			344,436
Total	845,068		(300,097)	26,782		571,754

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	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains /(losses)	Balance at 31 March 2024
General funds	2,069,894	2,564,547	(1,723,949)	(26,782)	19,743	2,903,452
Total Unrestricted Funds	2,914,962	2,564,547	(2,024,046)		19,743	3,475,206
Restricted funds						
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	110		(110)			
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175					2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	20,296	8,005	(1,888)			26,412
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542					3,542
Rochelle Baxter Fund	104,496	9,688	(21,219)			92,965
Barnsley Transport Fund	2,409		(2,409)			
Community Fund - Outreach	262,937		(104,073)			158,865
Westfield Health Foundation	52,000		(18,898)	(33,102)		
SYB ICS Cancer Alliance	20,491		(20,491)			
Capital fund - buses	75,900		(11,210)	33,102		97,792
Hospital equipment fund	500,000					500,000
Total Restricted Funds	1,044,356	17,693	(180,298)			881,751
Total of Funds	3,959,318	2,582,240	(2,204,344)		19,743	4,356,957

17. Summary of funds

Summary of funds – current year

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains /(losses)	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Designated funds	571,754		(330,137)	1,498,871		1,740,488
General funds	2,903,452	3,821,758	(2,219,464)	(1,498,871)	(8,652)	2,998,223
Restricted funds	881,751	209,837	(236,940)			854,648
Total	4,356,957	4,031,595	(2,786,541)		(8,652)	5,593,359

Summary of funds – prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains /(losses)	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Designated funds	845,068		(300,097)	26,782		571,754
General funds	2,069,894	2,564,547	(1,723,949)	(26,782)	19,743	2,903,452
Restricted funds	1,044,356	17,693	(180,298)			881,751
Total	3,959,318	2,582,240	(2,204,344)		19,743	4,356,957

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18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds – current year

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total funds 2025
Current Year	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	72,690	86,582	159,272
Fixed asset investments	619,206		619,206
Current assets	5,194,275	803,066	5,997,341
Creditors due within one year	(1,029,406)	(35,000)	(1,064,406)
Creditors due in more than one year	(118,054)		(118,054)
Total	4,738,711	854,648	5,593,359

Analysis of net assets between funds – prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total funds 2024
Prior Year	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	25,438	97,792	123,230
Fixed asset investments	489,250		489,250
Current assets	4,181,991	783,959	4,965,950
Creditors due within one year	(941,604)		(941,604)
Creditors due in more than one year	(279,869)		(279,869)
Total	3,475,206	881,751	4,356,957

19. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	1,236,402	397,639
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	19,226	23,932
Losses/(gains) on investments	1,285	(13,827)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(1,436)	(2,211)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(392,770)	162,149
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(87,019)	48,708
Investment income	(158,524)	(146,047)
Transfer from Cavendish Cancer Care	(304,915)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	312,249	470,343

20. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,910,457	4,328,486
Total cash and cash equivalents	4,910,457	4,328,486

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21. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2024	Cash flows	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,328,486	581,971	4,910,457
Total	4,328,486	581,971	4,910,457

22. Pension commitments

Eligible staff belong to one of three pensions:

All staff who joined the organisation after 1st May 2018 and all staff who were TUPEd over from the Weston Park Cancer Care and Research Fund charity are in the Charity's auto-enrolment scheme with the Peoples Pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the scheme.

One member of staff who was with the charity before the merger is in an auto-enrolment compliant stakeholder pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the schemes. The pension funds above are assets of the individual and Weston Park Cancer Charity has no liability nor interest in the value of each fund. Weston Park Cancer Charity contributions are charged to the SoFA as they are incurred.

Staff who had an NHS pension when they joined the Charity and who were still eligible to be in the NHS scheme remain in the scheme. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes contributions to the NHS superannuation scheme. Employer's pension cost contributions are charged to operating expenses as and when they become due.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2020. It was published in October 2023 and noted a notional deficiency of £40.9Bn. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2024 to 23.7%, up from 20.6% (2019) of pensionable pay. The uplift was funded by the Department for Health and Social Care.

The 2024 valuation will commence in 2025 and will determine the employer contribution rate for four years from 1 April 2027.

The total employer contribution payable to the NHS Pension Scheme in 2024-25 was £2,126 (2023-24 £2,893), £Nil was outstanding at the year end (2023: £Nil). In addition, employees who are members of the Scheme paid salary dependant contributions of 6.5%.

Staff who were TUPEd from Cavendish Cancer Care on 1st March 2025, were moved into the Charity's auto-enrolment scheme with The People's Pension. To maintain continuity of terms and conditions, the employer and employee contribution rates from Cavendish Cancer Care's previous scheme were retained.

23. Related party transactions

Donations totalling £2,035 (2024: £2,301) were received from 5 Trustees (2024: 10) in the year.

During the year Irwin Mitchell charged £3,624 (2024: £1,253) for services to the charity. Niall Baker is the Regional Managing Partner of Irwin Mitchell.

24. Capital commitments

At 31st March 2025 the charity had no capital commitments (2024: none)

25. Contingent assets

In accordance with the charity's accounting policy in note 1.3, legacies to which the charity had entitlement by the year end and the amount is confirmed, have been included within accrued income. As at the reporting date, it is probable that additional legacies of approximately £286,998 are

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to be received. This has not been included within accrued income, as although the income is probable and the charity has entitlement, the amount has not yet been confirmed.

26. Operating lease commitments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Not later than one year	32,865	4,389
Later than one year and not later than five years	54,118	9,145
Total operating lease commitments	86,983	13,534

27. Transfer from Cavendish Cancer Care

The assets, liabilities and undertaking of Cavendish Cancer Care were transferred to the charity, at nil consideration, on 1 March 2025. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) this is in substance a gift and the net asset value at the date of transfer has been shown as a donation in the Statement of Financial Activities.

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2025
	£	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets		55,268	55,268
Investments		165,564	165,564
Current assets			
Cash at bank	15,427	61,448	76,875
Debtors		55,214	55,214
Current liabilities			
Creditors		(48,006)	(48,006)
Total	15,427	289,488	304,915

Included within the above are the following restricted fund balances transferred from Cavendish Cancer Care

	Restricted funds
	£
Sheffield Town Trust/ACT Pilot	1,482
Co-op Bank Customer Donation Fund	1,975
Children and Young People's Service	11,120
Other < £500	850
Total	15,427

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Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Senior Management Team	Ms E Clarke, CEO Ms C Rhone, Deputy CEO
Company registered number	1480596
Charity registered number	509803
Registered office	Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited 23 Northumberland Road Sheffield S10 2TX
Independent auditors	BHP LLP 2 Rutland Park Sheffield S10 2PD
Bankers	Santander Bootle Merseyside L30 4GB
Investment managers	Investec Wealth and Investment Limited Beech House 61 Napier Street Sheffield S1 2PP

1 Welcome to the 2023-24 Annual Report

1.1 Introduction from our Chairperson

As Chair of the Board of Trustees, I'm delighted to share Weston Park Cancer Charity's annual report with you, covering the period between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024.

As I write this, I am acutely conscious this is my last year as the Chair of the Board of Trustees. I retire as Chair in April 2025, a role I have been fortunate enough to hold since 2022. This note is even more meaningful as I look over not just the year gone by but also the past three years as the Chair and the previous nine years as a Trustee. I am incredibly proud to have played a role, alongside many others, in the charity during what has been both a challenging and rewarding time.

Our organisation is headquartered in Sheffield, but our services support those affected by cancer across the region including South Yorkshire, North Nottinghamshire, and North Derbyshire. This year we have provided emotional, practical, and financial support for more than 6,800 people. We funded sector-leading clinical trials and awarded £11,045 in hardship funds, helping 65 people affected by financial hardship.

We saw the launch of our Big Purple Bus bringing our cancer support services directly to local communities, across the region. Our bus has hosted drop-ins by 613 people, and engaged with over 2,000 people at community events, ensuring people across South Yorkshire have equal access to cancer support services.

It's wonderful to see the positive impact our grant funding, in partnership with Age UK Sheffield, is making for those in need. Thanks to the incredible support for our charity, more than 800 people, whether they're living with or beyond cancer, or are caring for someone who is, now have access to a comprehensive three-month support package. This empowers them to maintain their independence.

We know the harrowing fact that every year more than 9,000 people in our region will receive the heartbreaking news that they have been diagnosed with cancer. Our supporters, staff and volunteers will never stop striving to ensure that everyone gets the care they need.

As the Chair of the Board of Trustees, I feel immense pride to work alongside such inspirational people and witness first-hand the amazing work the charity does. This report celebrates the fantastic work Weston Park Cancer Charity has achieved in 2023-24 and showcases the breadth of our life-changing work.

I will be a lifelong ambassador of the charity that supports the one in two of us, who will sadly, be affected by cancer.

Thank you as ever for your ongoing support and dedication. We could not do it without you.

Niall Baker, Chair of the Board of Trustees

1.2 Introduction from our CEO

Firstly, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our amazing supporters, staff and volunteers who continue to inspire me every single day,

This past year has been truly monumental for the charity. As well as a packed year of fundraising, community events and celebrations, we have successfully launched new services and commemorated key milestones.

I am delighted to see the progress we are making to meet our strategic aims, and particularly our outstanding strides in tackling health inequalities within our region.

Last September, we launched one of the charity's biggest projects yet – the Big Purple Bus. The Big Purple Bus is effectively breaking down barriers by delivering cancer support and advice to underserved areas where access to crucial resources and support is often limited. We are also ensuring, via volunteering, and local partnerships, that more people know we are here to provide care and advice for those affected by cancer.

As well as a year of incredible celebrations and project launches, our work continues to enable the development of cancer treatment and enable vital research. I have been in constant awe of the amazing Weston Park Cancer Centre's Cancer Clinical Trials Centre and how, through funding from the charity, patients are benefitting from high-quality research and clinical trials.

From our Cancer Support Centre and Charity Hub in Sheffield, we continue to deliver first-class care and advice for cancer patients and their loved ones. Our friendly Healthcare Professionals, therapists and support staff provide various forms of therapy sessions, support groups, and cancer care advice, and we are open for anyone to drop in and access our services.

My deepest thanks go out to everyone who has helped the charity this year. Your dedication and positivity are what makes it possible for us to be there, at every step, for the one in two people who will be diagnosed with cancer in our region.

I hope you enjoy reading about how your support is making a lasting difference for the people who need it most.

Best wishes,

Emma Clarke, CEO of Weston Park Cancer Charity

2 Our strategic objectives and achievements

About Weston Park Cancer Charity and our Strategic Goals for 2023-2024

Weston Park Cancer Charity is here to face cancer with you, and we're proud to serve the people of South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire.

We sadly know the reality that each year, an estimated 9,000 people across the region will be diagnosed with cancer and over 57,000 people will be living with the disease, as reported by the Cancer Alliance.

That's why it's vital that we continue to care in every sense for those affected by cancer. We do this by advancing research — supporting clinical trials to improve outcomes, enhancing treatment and care for patients and their loved ones at Weston Park Cancer Centre and beyond. We also continue to offer a wide range of dedicated services from our support centre and transport hub, as well as out in the community with our Big Purple Bus. We are committed to being there for people and families across the region.

Our mission is clear: *“To improve the lives of people affected by cancer by providing emotional, financial and practical support, investing in high-quality research and treatment, so that the people of this region benefit from the best treatment and care.”*

Our supporters enable pioneering research and clinical trials led by medical experts at the Weston Park Cancer Centre; provide emotional, physical and practical support through therapy and welfare sessions; run transport services, check in calls and support groups; and work with partners to enhance the lives of those with cancer and their families.

This report directly highlights how we are working to meet our 'Together at Every Step' three-year strategy we launched back in 2022. This strategy sets out six key priorities: Awareness, Reach, Access, Research, Digital and Impact. Our long-term vision is summarised by Dr Patricia Fisher:

“Creating a better life for every person in our region who is affected by cancer, both now and in the future. Everything we do is driven by this vision as we promise to be there – together at every step – for the one in two of us who will face a cancer diagnosis.

“If you are affected by cancer, I really want you to know that we are all here for you.

“Early detection is the key to treating cancer successfully, so if you have symptoms or concerns, please contact your GP immediately. Weston Park will always be here for you, whenever you need us.”

**Dr Patricia Fisher, Clinical Director South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Cancer Alliance,
Clinical Oncologist at Weston Park Cancer Centre**

2.1 Objective 1: Spread the word about Weston Park's services

Awareness - everyone diagnosed with cancer in the region will know about Weston Park Cancer Charity, and how we can help them and their loved ones, at every step.

Building strong relationships with Healthcare Professionals is crucial to ensure more people affected by cancer receive the support they need. By engaging with Healthcare Professionals across the region, we make sure they are aware of the opportunity to refer patients to our services, offering a lifeline at the time when it's needed most.

During 2023-24 we continued our pledge to engage with 1,000 Healthcare Professionals within secondary care across the region by 2025. This year we spoke to 303 Healthcare Professionals, an increase of 75% compared to the previous year. This was achieved through a variety of community engagement events including running talks at Clinical Nurse Days, hosting staff visits to our support centre in Sheffield and showcasing our work at the Head and Neck Cancer Event at the OEC Arena.

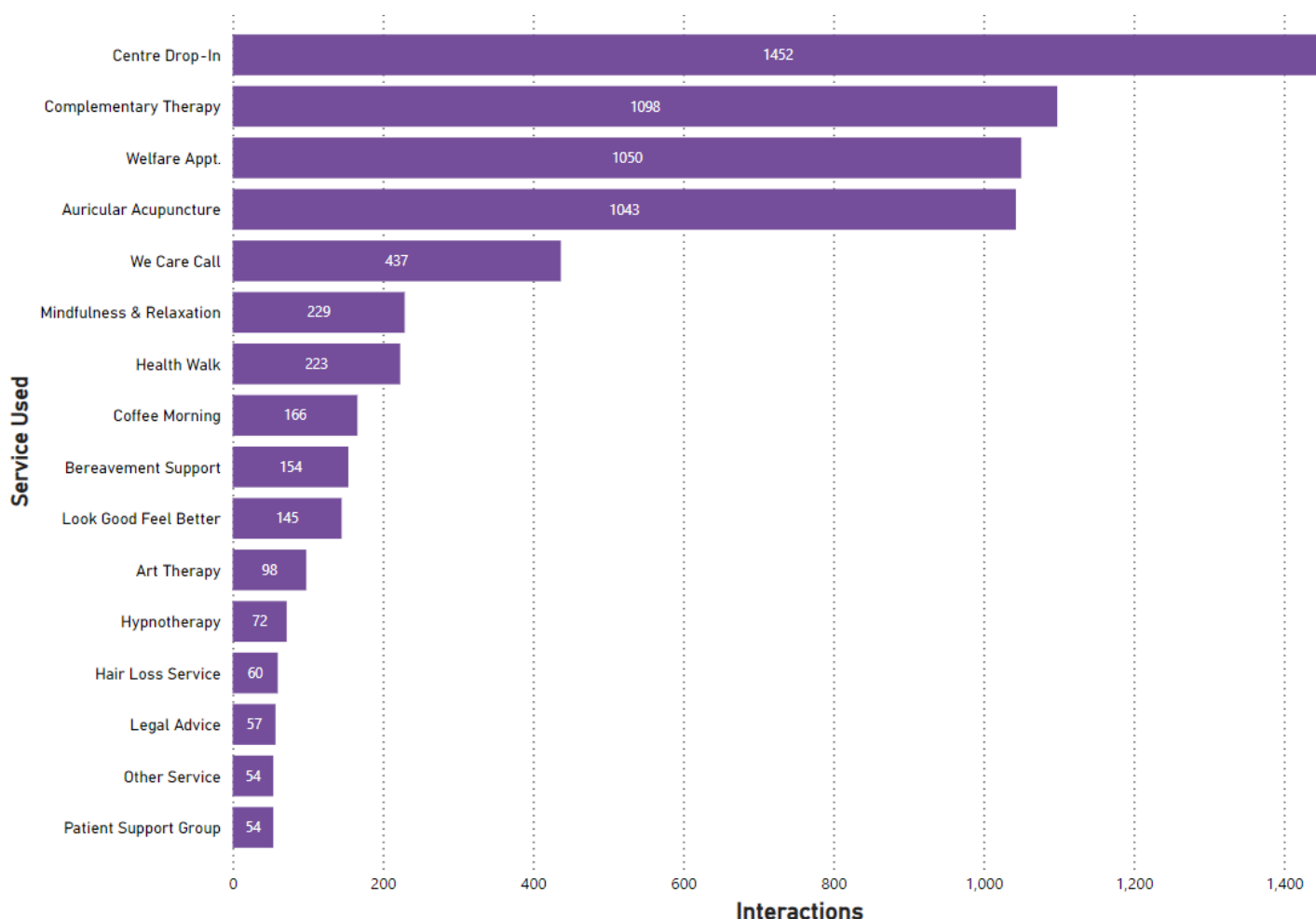
The increase in healthcare engagement, including our work on the Sheffield Cancer Support Referral Pathway, means more patients are directed to vital services such as emotional support, practical help and complementary therapies, all of which can improve quality of life during treatment and beyond.

Our services are open to all who need them, and we strive to ensure people from all ages and backgrounds feel welcome and able to come to us for support. The majority of our service users are aged between 50 and 70, reflecting the increased risk of cancer that comes with age, with 63% of service users being female.

This year we interacted directly with almost 7,000 people on more than 21,300 occasions, an increase of 24% on the previous year. Additionally, we estimate our grant programme benefitted over 18,000 people affected by cancer across our region.

During 2023-24 our Cancer Support Centre hosted 1,452 drop-in appointments, enabling people to have immediate access to crucial emotional and practical support. Our coffee mornings continued to be particularly successful, we attracted 35% more participants than the previous year and attendance at our health walks, almost doubled. Uptake on our complementary therapies has also increased, with 15% more people using this service compared to last year. These services help improve the quality of life for people living with cancer and their families, offering comfort, care, and relief during an incredibly challenging time.

Figure 1. Number of times our centre-based services were used in 2023-24.



Increasing awareness of our support services

Our support services team have also worked hard to increase direct communications and data sharing with lead cancer nurses at Weston Park Cancer Centre to identify hospital teams where low or no referrals are coming from, and collaborating with them to advocate for the pathway.

We’ve increased our attendance at events across the region to give the charity more visibility. This has seen us talk to both Healthcare Professionals and members of the public about our services. Events and groups that we have attended include a men’s mental health group, Sheffield Bereavement Collaboratives’ Death Café and the Sheffield head and neck cancer support group.

We also know many of our patients and their loved ones love to feel connected with the charity. Sharing content online is one of the quickest and most effective ways to communicate with a large proportion of our Weston Park family.

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This year has seen a surge of activity across our digital channels, with us posting more regularly about our specific support services. We have also made significant improvements to our website including a new Healthcare Professionals page designed for easy access to resources including further information about the Sheffield Cancer Support Referral Pathway and referral forms.

It's also been important for us to identify areas we still need to reach. Our teams continue to work within the primary care networks to ensure we approach and inform all corners of the region about the cancer support referral pathway and our vital work in supporting our communities.

We are continuously working to improve access to our services beyond our support centre, including innovative initiatives like the Big Purple Bus, which brings cancer support directly into the community for those who may struggle to reach us. To ensure we're reaching the people who need us most, we're also developing processes to capture more demographic information, helping us understand who is accessing our services and where we need to raise greater awareness.

Sadie Pickford, Lead Cancer Nurse at Sheffield Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, said: *"The Sheffield Teaching Hospitals team work closely with Weston Park Cancer Charity, to ensure patients are aware of the support services available to them.*

"The charity is a much-loved and appreciated resource to NHS colleagues, knowing there is a place for our patients to go and receive emotional, financial and welfare support at this difficult time in their life.

"We are collaborating to help spread the word about the referral pathway to make sure everybody in our region, who needs the charity, is aware of them."

Emily Fox, physiotherapist and mum of twin boys, was diagnosed with Inflammatory Breast Cancer at 44 years old. She found great support through our art therapy group, which allows people to explore their creativity and providing a safe space in which people can meet and connect with others in similar circumstances.

She praised the sessions as one of the best things she could have done during her cancer journey: *"I can't praise the charity enough. The art therapy sessions were a lifeline for me. To be able to talk to other people going through similar circumstances, to share our ups and downs, and be there for each other, has helped me so much. We still meet up even though the course has finished.*

"When you first find out that you have cancer it feels like your world has ended and that you will never feel happiness again, but this does change over time.

"I still have sad times, but I am now able to experience joy again too and this is thanks to friends, family, Weston Park Hospital, the charity and other local charities. Feeling such love and care at a time of heartbreak is overwhelming but it is also what has helped get me through."

2.2 Objective 2: Address health inequalities in our region

Reach - everyone diagnosed with cancer in communities where there are greatest cancer health inequalities in the region will be able to access our support

In South Yorkshire, individuals from minority communities and lower-income areas face up to three times the risk of dying prematurely from cancer. These groups are also significantly less likely to access services that could support them during and after their cancer treatment.

2.2.1 Big Purple Bus

In September 2023, we took significant steps to engage our region's underserved communities, with the launch of the Big Purple Bus (BPB). Thanks to The National Lottery Community Fund, Westfield Health and South Yorkshire Cancer Alliance, the BPB project was launched to equalise access to emotional, financial and practical support for people affected by cancer across the region, regardless of their background.

Since the launch, our two Big Purple Buses have been traveling throughout Sheffield and surrounding areas. By March 2024, our dedicated Healthcare Professionals and Advisors had engaged with over 1,200 people, bringing vital cancer support and services directly to those who need it most.

By bringing our support services directly to minority communities, we're not only helping to combat health inequalities, but we're also educating people about the services we provide at Weston Park Cancer Charity and giving advice and guidance to people who may not have ordinarily sought out support.

Big Purple Bus Key Achievements from its launch in September '23 until March '24:

- Launched in seven locations
- Engaged with over 2,000 people at events
- Delivered more than 20 education sessions
- Trained 12 BPB volunteers, who have collectively contributed over 750 hours
- Collaborated with community groups, cancer support services, hospital teams and additional health services
- Translated Big Purple Bus leaflets and posters into three languages - Urdu, Punjabi and Arabic
- Displayed marketing materials in local communities to promote when and where the bus is visiting
- Made stops at local football clubs Sheffield Wednesday, Sheffield United and Barnsley FC as part of our 'Together at Every Step takeover' days.

Our Big Purple Bus is raising awareness of cancer and our support services and providing drop-in appointments in high-risk communities. In 2021 we identified that

94% of our Cancer Support Centre clients described themselves as White. In 2023-24 77% of those visiting our BPB were White, showing this service's value in supporting minority communities.

Figure 2. Ethnic Group of BPB Visitors (where known)



Cancer doesn't only affect the person with the illness, but also their family and friends. Relationship dynamics might change, and they may be relied upon for emotional, physical or financial support. The bus not only supports those with cancer, but also provides a safe place for relatives and friends to ask questions, increase understanding, discuss feelings and access emotional support. In 2023-24, 44% of those engaging with the BPB had been diagnosed with cancer, 27% were relatives and 15% were friends of cancer patients.

A client's story – Wendy talks about the support the Big Purple Bus team have provided her during her thyroid cancer treatment.

"The team on The Bus have helped me with everything. They booked me in for a Citizens Advice session with Dean, he's given me some good places to go and talk to for more information about finances. They told me about the complementary therapies, which I wouldn't have known about without the bus.

"They're have been an absolute godsend, they deserve medals! They all just make you feel so welcome. They've all been fabulous."

Deep-rooted within our communities

As part of our endeavour to help end cancer health inequalities within our region, this year saw us further develop our partnerships with local organisations and healthcare providers including SOAR, SACMHA, Manor Castle Development Trust, Friends of Foundry, Darnall Wellbeing, Hanfia Masjid & Islamic Cultural Centre, and Breathing Space.

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We have also partnered with Meadowhall Shopping Centre to help raise awareness of the Big Purple Bus service. As part of this, we deliver advice at Meadowhall itself, as well as signposting clients to our locations in their own communities.

The BPB team attends Breathing Space in Rotherham whilst breast cancer clinics are in progress. This is an outpatient suite primarily for patients based in Barnsley, Rotherham and Doncaster. Our volunteers proactively share information about our services and attendees can easily access practical and emotional support from a Healthcare Professional on the BPB before or after their appointments.

2.2.2 Accessing Financial Support

Our partnership with Sheffield Citizen's Advice has enabled 835 people to access specialist welfare advice, with a value of over £1.3M for clients, an increase of over 60% on the previous year. We fund specialist advisors who work directly with clients, providing a seamless support service. Their practical guidance with applying for benefits enables those affected by cancer to navigate these challenging times and build their financial resilience.

A client's story

Weston Park Cancer Charity connected a service user with prostate cancer to one of our specialist advisors at Sheffield Citizens Advice. His wife was his full-time carer, whilst also trying to manage the small business which they had setup together. Of pension age, they still had a large mortgage and high monthly bills.

The Citizens Advice advisor discussed their situation and helped the couple to submit claims for Attendance Allowance, Carer's Allowance and Pension Credit. They also helped apply for Council Tax Support and a Blue Badge.

The total benefit claim of the couple was worth over £12,000 per year, hugely reducing their financial concerns and making an enormous difference to their wellbeing during this challenging time.

2.3 Objective 3: Provide free transport to hospital appointments

Access - everyone diagnosed with cancer in the region will have access to free transport to attend treatment and clinic appointments, if they need it

Weston Park Cancer Charity's free transport service launched in 2021, and since then it has provided safe, reliable transport to hundreds of people.

Transport should never be a reason for someone to miss potentially lifesaving hospital appointment or treatment. At Weston Park Cancer Charity we continue to expand our free transport service for cancer patients who are receiving treatment at any of the Sheffield Teaching Hospital sites.

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Between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024, our transport service made 2,250 journeys, travelling a total distance of over 35,000 miles (that is more than the circumference of the globe!). Over 280 patients have made use of our service, almost 50% more than in the previous year, demonstrating the increased accessibility brought about by our new stops. We also launched a Transport Service Working Group to ensure a collaborative approach to developing the service across Services, Fundraising and Marketing teams.

During the year, we added four new pick-up points across Barnsley, Chesterfield and Rotherham, including Holiday Inn (Barnsley), Meadowhall, Rotherham Interchange and Beetwell Street (Chesterfield). We have noted that people as far afield as Crich (Derbyshire) and Skelmanthorpe (Huddersfield) have used our transport, demonstrating the need for continued expansion of this service.

We are hugely grateful to 31 volunteer drivers who enable this service to run, whilst providing a friendly and comforting face for all passengers. Together, they have contributed over 4,000 hours providing this essential service. This means more people than ever can get to and from their hospital appointments, who otherwise may have missed potentially lifesaving care and treatment.

On launching our Meadowhall free transport stop, our Transport Coordinator spoke of how patients confide in each other and value the opportunity to be amongst other people who understand what they are going through.

Angus, who was diagnosed with prostate cancer, used the transport service to access his treatment at Weston Park Cancer Centre. After finding out about the service, Angus was able to not only attend all his appointments, but also to make friends with other patients and our volunteer drivers.

Angus talks about his prostate cancer diagnosis and our free transport service.

"I knew when I was diagnosed that I would receive first-class care from Weston Park. The main issue for me was getting to the hospital from where I live in High Green in Sheffield.

"My daughter took me up for my first radiotherapy appointment, and she suggested I ask about any transport services that may be in place.

"I was in luck. The charity provides a free-of-charge bus service and one of the stops is Meadowhall – which is perfect for me. The bus drivers are all so friendly and I enjoy hearing their stories and equally, sharing mine. It makes the whole experience easier, as by the time I've got to the hospital we've already had a bit of a laugh on the way.

"Getting the bus enables me to make my own way to my appointments, and it's direct, which means I don't have to think about parking or running late.

"It's little things like having a chat with the bus driver about the football results, or the latest goings on. It doesn't have to all be about cancer. A chat can change someone's day – and I know they've changed some of my hardest days."

2.4 Objective 4: Advance Weston Park's cancer research

Research – We will support Weston Park Cancer Centre to continue to be a leading UK cancer research centre, giving people in this region the opportunity to support ground-breaking clinical trials and studies

Cancer Clinical Trials Centre

2024 marks 25 years of the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre (CCTC) at Weston Park Cancer Centre. Weston Park Cancer Charity has been supporting their work since it began, with trials providing patients in our region the opportunity to access new treatments, and allowing Sheffield-based researchers to improve cancer care and treatment. The outcomes from this work transform cancer treatment around the world.

The CCTC provides patients with access to pioneering treatments not yet offered by the NHS. Those patients taking part in studies also receive special monitoring and close nursing supervision due to their participation. We currently fund seven research nurse positions, which are crucial to the delivery of clinical trials. These research nurses raise awareness of the trials and identify eligible patients, provide information and support for participants, co-ordinate treatment and assessment, and liaise with staff throughout the hospital.

In April 2023 we funded a two-year grant to fund a Teenage and Young Adult (TYA) research nurse, embedded within the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre, to collaborate closely with the TYA team. This role is specifically designed to increase young people with cancers' access to clinical trials, transforming the treatment and long-term impact of cancer on this group.

Research projects

In May 2023 we celebrated the completion and publication of a research project funded by one of our grants: *'Identifying molecular drivers of dormancy in oestrogen receptor-positive breast cancer'*.

Breast cancer claims 12,000 lives in the UK each year. The cancer spreads in around 20% of patients, returning several years after treatment. This is because cancer cells can stay dormant within a patient's bone marrow, during which they cannot be effectively detected or treated.

The research project we funded focused on identifying the key factors that allow these cancer cells to become and remain dormant. By understanding this process, the researchers aimed to facilitate the development of new drugs that will specifically target these dormant cells, thus significantly improving survival rates for breast cancer patients.

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Through in-depth gene analysis, the researchers identified key genes linked to dormancy in breast cancer cells and relapse likelihood, taking a massive step towards identifying treatment. This offers patients hope for improved outcomes.

We have supported the funding of a clinical research fellowship for Dr Rebecca Andrews, who is addressing the determinantal affect that cancer has on bone health. Specifically, she is focussing on increasing our knowledge about how the bone microenvironment behaves in patients suffering from myeloma-related bone disease, and how we can improve patient outcomes. The charity's funding enabled the delivery of an observational clinical study that has given new insights into how bone responds to cancer treatments in myeloma. Rebecca's research focusing on a TGF β -targeting agent, shows promise in repairing myeloma bone disease.

Rebecca has also been successful in being awarded a further research contract locally to continue her cancer research beyond this clinical research fellowship

We are also delighted that Weston Park Cancer Charity grant recipient, Dr Victoria Parker, continues to produce research into Gestational trophoblastic disease that occurs during or after pregnancy. As a result of our funding, Dr Parker has been able to complete research studies that improve and personalise the diagnosis and management of patients diagnosed with this condition.

By funding research like this, we are spearheading progress that can lead to major breakthroughs in cancer care and treatment, giving new hope to all those affected by cancer in the region and beyond.

2.4.1 Our Grants Programme

In addition to supporting pioneering research at the CCTC, we also provide grants to enhance treatment and provide support for people affected by cancer in our region. We award both large and small grants that support research, treatment and care, designed to benefit patients under the care of NHS colleagues at Weston Park Cancer Centre as well as through community organisations.

We know that grants of £1,500 can make an enormous difference to front line NHS colleagues and local community organisations. Our small grants programme aims to transform cancer care through enabling these relatively small changes that can have a huge impact for cancer patients and their families.

One recent small grant provided essential funding to supply bras for patients undergoing radiotherapy at Weston Park Cancer Centre. Fran Tod, a former radiographer and current Cancer Information and Support Advisor, explained the crucial role of well-fitted bras for breast cancer patients undergoing radiotherapy. Fran explained that 63% of breast cancer patients receive radiotherapy, and require a supportive bra during treatment to ensure consistent positioning. Finding a suitable bra can be challenging and costly for patients, and can delay treatment and create financial stress.

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Thanks to our grant, the radiotherapy team can provide patients with vouchers for the necessary bras, reducing treatment delays and improving the patient experience. This emphasizes our commitment to improving the experience for every individual undergoing cancer treatment in our region.

We also provided a £1,500 grant to Friends of Foundry, a service providing weekly drop-in sessions at Verdon Street Recreation Centre with free hot meals. This group aims to help people to get the financial, housing, health, and social support they need. With our support, they are raising cancer awareness in this high-risk group, and making those affected by cancer aware of our services. Our Healthcare Professionals have also attended their sessions to provide information and talk about cancer awareness.

Overall, we awarded over £362k in grants in 2023-24. Whilst we estimate our funding has impacted 18,000 people across the region, the true reach of our grants is likely to be higher as our research grants will benefit patients of future generations.

Table 2. Breakdown of grants awarded through our Small and Large Grants programmes.

During the year, the charity has made the following financial commitment towards our grant giving work

Area	Large Grants	Small Grants	Total
Research	£323,417	£2,700	£326,117
Treatment & Care	£23,252	£12,436	£35,688
Grand Total	£346,669	£15,136	£361,805

2.5 Objective 5: Expand our digital offering

Digital - Everyone with cancer and their donors will be able to access support and donate through digital platforms

Our Weston Park family love to feel connected both online and in person. That is why one of our priorities is to continually develop our online presence and digital platforms.

Making a difference with digital engagement

For many people, our website is their first port of call to access information about our services, opening times, and the latest updates from the charity.

Throughout 2023-24, we implemented improvements to our website to enhance user experience and ensure individuals have easy access to the information they need. We expanded our news stories and added valuable content to keep people informed about our work. We reimagined our support services pages to provide clear and comprehensive details on our range of services, making it easy for anyone affected by cancer to find the help they need, wherever they are in their journey.

In 2023-24 31,200 people visited our website, with a total of 155,765 page views. Our donation page, cancer support services and transport service pages were within our top 10 most visited pages. Our Facebook and Instagram content reached over 540,000 people, an increase of 315% compared to 2022-23, with over 19,000 interactions (likes, shares and comments) from our online community. The growth of our social channels means we are reaching more people than ever before, increasing awareness of our services and support.

We continue to ensure our social media platforms – Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and X – are kept up to date with latest news and events and celebrate the support of our community. We also strive to ensure all content aligns with the charity's strategy.

During 2023-24 we created a digital working group with representation across the charity, to focus on the delivery of our digital collection tins and 'Give a Little' app, enabling people to make digital donations. This lets people donate securely in more locations, encourages greater participation in supporting our vital work, and reaches a wider demographic who may no longer carry cash. We have used portable digital collection tins at several events over the year, raising a total of £11,500. We look forward to installing permanent digital collection tins in Weston Park Cancer Centre, which will provide a new mechanism by which service users can give back to the hospital and NHS staff who have supported them, whilst simultaneously raising awareness of the charity throughout the Cancer Centre.

Enhancing the donor journey

By improving our digital offering, we are making it easier for people to support our work and express gratitude in a way that directly changes the lives of those affected by cancer.

In 2023-24 the number of donations through our online fundraising platform, Raisely, more than doubled from the previous year, with over 7,000 supporters choosing this method to donate, totalling more than £240,000 in support. Raisely enables both direct donations to the charity and provides the facility for people to fundraise on our behalf. This growth shows the importance of continuing to invest in and expand our digital offering.

We had 167 transactions through our online shop, with 459 individual products purchased for a total of £2,570. Christmas cards continue to be our most popular item, accounting for 83% of products sold.

2.6 Objective 6: Share the impact of our work and inspire support

Impact - Existing and potential donors will see the difference they make to the lives of people with cancer and their families

Our deepest thanks go out to our donors, community fundraisers, volunteers, patrons, and trustees. Without them, we couldn't continue making a difference to thousands of people across our region. This year, over 3,300 supporters enabled us to continue being there for those that need us. Our total income between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024 was an incredible £2.5M, thanks to support from the Weston Park Cancer Charity family.

We are always amazed by our supporters and the innovative ways they raise money for the charity. From getting involved in charity-led events, to volunteering their time to raise money, to people setting up their own unique fundraising activities - we are overwhelmed by people's sheer enthusiasm to support us.

Their support transforms cancer care across our region through funding our dedicated services, transport, community work and research grants, all of which are so valuable for those affected by cancer.

2023-24 Fundraising Highlights

- 939 individuals and companies fundraised for WPCC, raising a total of £735,117!
- £11,568 was donated in collection tins out in local businesses.
- £7,937 was raised by those inviting donations when celebrating big life events, including 80th birthdays, wedding gifts and a Golden wedding anniversary.
- Our creative community have raised funds in so many ways, including organising treasure hunts, Zumba-thons, movie days and selling knitted decorations.
- Over £2,000 was raised by daring supporters completing sky dives!

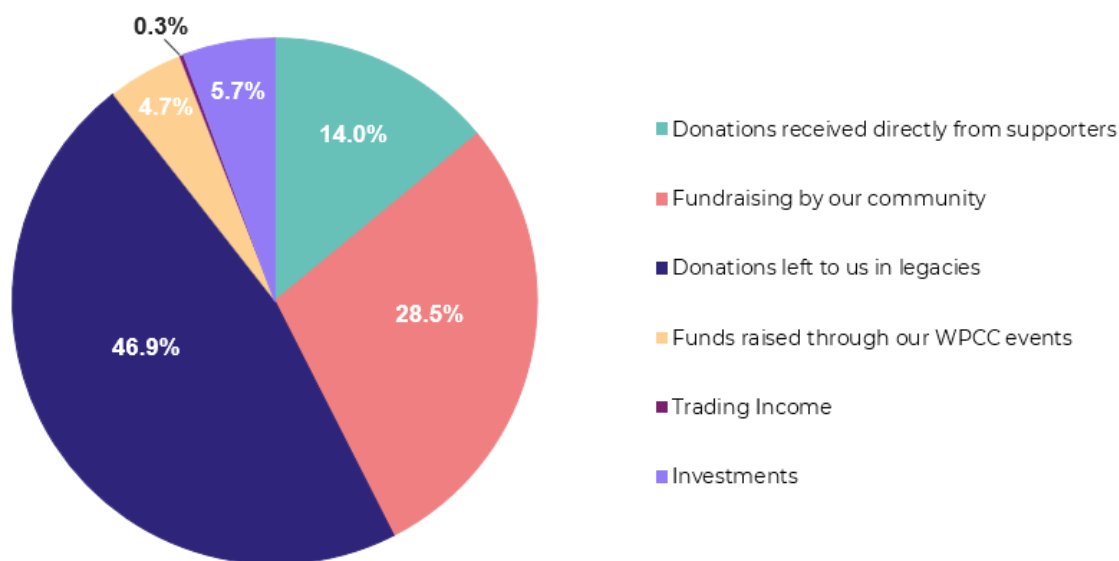
Annual Star Appeal

In November 2023, we ran our Christmas Appeal, shining a light on people from across our charity. This year's appeal had a focus on Jodie, who was diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 29. Her experience emphasises the vital role our support and services play, demonstrating how they truly make a difference and provide meaningful help.

We also included a message from Amada Traynor, a nurse at Weston Park Cancer Centre, reflecting on over 22 years of experience. Her letter highlighted the significant improvements to the hospital made possible by our supporters, including enhanced facilities and comforting amenities.

We also highlighted how donations directly impact those in need by using specific examples. For instance, we gave people the opportunity to buy virtual gifts in our online shop, where we illustrated how a gift of £25 can fund a research nurse for an hour, helping coordinate clinical trials and support patients. Similarly, a £100 contribution can provide an emergency hardship grant to a cancer patient facing financial difficulties. These tangible examples show how every donation makes a meaningful difference to local people.

Figure 3. Total income by source



Our Incredible fundraisers

We are hugely grateful for the support of our donors and fundraisers, who make a massive difference to the lives of those affected by cancer in our region. This year, we celebrated long-standing supporter and Patron of Weston Park Cancer Charity, Mick Allsop, who has been fundraising for the charity since 2004. Mick, who was given Charity Patron status in 2023, runs a myriad of events and challenges to raise funds for the charity, including an annual 'Posh Do'. In his 20 years of dedicated fundraising, he has raised over £258,000 for the charity, and inspired many others to get involved.

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“Weston Park Cancer Charity is truly a spectacular organisation that is engrained into South Yorkshire, Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire. The work they do is life-changing, and we are very lucky to have them.

“I am honoured to have helped raise money for them over the last 20 years, and I am privileged to be a part of making a difference to the people who need it the most.”

Mick Allsop, Patron, Supporter and Friend.

The services and support we provide would not be possible without our amazing supporters. Their commitment not only inspires others to donate, but also increases the awareness of what the charity provides for those who need it. We are so incredibly grateful.

2.6.1 Fundraising Events

In January 2024, we unveiled our exciting events calendar for the year, kicking off with a campaign on February 2nd across our website and social media channels. Our coordinated posts on Facebook, Instagram, X, LinkedIn, and via email reached 4,000 people, highlighting the breadth of opportunities for supporters to engage with us.

Throughout the year we held some truly special events from our annual race day at Doncaster Racecourse, a very rainy but incredibly successful Golf Day all the way through to a memorable and festive Celebration ‘Sing Under the Stars.’ By hosting a diverse range of events, we are making it easier for more people to connect, participate, and contribute in ways that work for them, ensuring that everyone has a chance to be part of our journey and make a meaningful impact.

Walk as One

In September 2023, our inaugural Walk as One event raised more than £50,000. Over 500 supporters walked either four or ten-mile routes, coming together to celebrate the charity’s achievements. And raise vital funds.

Our patients will often share their stories with us. Weston Park patients Russ White and Stephen Hall first met waiting for chemotherapy and went on to develop a strong friendship through going on walks together. They wanted to take part in Walk as One to show their support for others going through treatment.

Weston Park patient, Jan, took part in Walk as One two days before her surgery. She shared how she felt it was important for her to take part to ensure support was available for people less fortunate than herself.

2.6.2 Our Amazing Volunteers

In total, 144 amazing volunteers supported our work during the 23-24 year. At Weston Park Cancer Charity, our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do. Their dedication, passion, and unwavering support enable us to make a real difference in the lives of those affected by cancer. From fundraising efforts to offering practical help, welcoming people into our Charity Hub, keeping our transport service running and providing support during the festive period, our busiest time of the year.

Table 1. The number of volunteers supporting each area of our work.

Volunteering role	No. of volunteers	Volunteering hours
Transport Drivers	31	4144
Big Purple Bus Drivers	6	483
Big Purple Bus Info & Support	6	282
Meet & Greet	4	781
Specialist Support*	2	75
Events & Fundraising	58	533
Total	102**	6298

*Specialists include a complimentary therapist and our hair loss service provider.

**Total accounts for several dedicated volunteers doing more than one role.

In addition, 42 volunteers from our corporate supporters helped at our events, collectively contributing over 350 hours.

Our volunteers play a vital role in ensuring that we can continue providing the services and support that so many people rely on. We simply could not do what we do without them, and we are deeply grateful for the time, energy, and commitment they so generously give.

Steve's story

65-year-old Steve Dixon, an avid runner, football fan, and community champion, who, despite a devastating terminal cancer diagnosis, is determined to give back to the community through volunteering with Weston Park Cancer Charity.

He said: "Weston Park Cancer Charity's services are truly remarkable. As a region, we are so lucky to have their services right on our doorstep.

"I know they're there when I need their support and it's that sort of peace of mind you need when you're facing cancer."

3 Ensuring the charity is a wonderful place to work

At the core of our charity is an extraordinary team of individuals who work together to provide support for people affected by cancer, every step of the way. United, we are Team Weston Park.

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, the wellbeing of our team is a top priority. By prioritising the physical, mental and emotional health of employees, we strengthen the foundation of the charity and contribute to its overall success. Our Wellbeing Plan is designed to create a supportive environment. This includes flexible working arrangements, team socials and celebrations, and the presence of trained Mental Health First Aiders.

Our monthly all-staff meetings are a vital opportunity for us to come together, to stay informed about what's happening across the charity, and to strengthen our understanding of how we work best as a team, and as individuals. These meetings help maintain open communication, foster collaboration, and ensure we are all aligned with the overall goals of the charity. By sometimes incorporating a breakfast butty or coffee walk in the park into our meetings, we encourage staff to engage with others across the charity and boost wellbeing.

During the year we held two all-staff away days, providing valuable opportunities to come together, celebrate achievements, and reconnect through shared experiences. These away days were centred around connection, belonging, and celebration, offering us a chance to reflect on how we collaborate and strengthen our team dynamic.

We have several working groups including groups focussed on Wellbeing, Transport, Digital, Outreach and ED&I. Our focus remains on providing the best possible services and support to the one in two people affected by cancer. By working together, we are dedicated to extending our care and resources where they are needed most, ensuring no one is left behind.

As a Real Living Wage employer, we ensure fair pay while offering a comprehensive rewards package that reflects our dedication to staff wellbeing and recognition. This further shows our commitment to valuing and supporting our team in every way possible.

This year, with the support of our trustees, we secured approval to expand our team in alignment with our strategic goals and growing ambitions. By expanding the team, we are not only enhancing our capacity to deliver impactful work, but also facilitating continued progress and development across all areas of the charity. This marks an exciting step forward in our journey to amplify our reach and broaden the impact of everything we do.

As part of this growth, we also developed a new pay policy designed to enhance staff reward and recognition. This policy reflects our commitment to ensuring fair compensation, while acknowledging the hard work and dedication of our team.

4 Continuing our mission

We are incredibly proud of the progress we have made across our strategic objectives in 2023-24. However, we know there is always more to do to ensure we deliver on our comprehensive and ambitious strategy by 2025.

Thanks to our wonderful teams across the charity and our colleagues at Weston Park Cancer Centre, we are on track to meet our strategic aims and make the biggest possible impact for the communities we serve.

By 2025, we want...

- Everyone across the region to know about Weston Park Cancer Charity and our services, so people understand how we can help them and their loved ones when they need it most.
- To continue our fantastic outreach work with our Big Purple Bus, breaking down health inequalities across the region, especially in areas of deprivation where experiences and survival outcomes are typically worse. We believe that every single person, regardless of their background or where they live, should have access to excellent cancer care and advice.
- To ensure that no one misses vital care and life-saving cancer treatment by providing free transport to anyone who needs it. No one should miss an appointment because they cannot get to the hospital due to financial reasons or lack of transportation.
- To continue supporting Weston Park in becoming a leading UK cancer research centre. We aim to ensure every eligible person living with cancer can participate in cutting-edge clinical trials and studies.
- To ensure everyone can access our support and donate to the charity through digital platforms.
- To help people see and understand the life-changing impact we make on the lives of people with cancer and their families. We will continue to communicate with the everyone across our Weston Park family, so they understand the true difference their money makes and ensure that they continue to feel inspired to support our work.

Together, we will continue to support our communities and be there every step of the way for the people who need us most. Thank you for being an essential part of our journey.

Reserves, finances, investments

Review of accounts

At 31st March 2024 there was a net increase in funds of £398k (2023: decrease of £303k).

Income for the year was £2,582,240, an increase of £359k from 2022-23. This reflects an increase in legacy gifts, which has risen to £1.2m (2023 £511k) during the year.

Expenditure costs in the year were £2,204,344 (2023 £2,475k), a decrease of £270k.

Investments

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Trustees are empowered to invest the resources of the charity in any way they think fit.

At the 31 March 2024 the Charity held £489k (2023 £463k) in investments, an increase of £26k (2023: decrease of £68k) since last year.

Reserves Policy

In formulating their reserves policy, Trustees have followed the guidance set out by The Charity Commission in deciding, publishing, implementing and monitoring their charity's reserves policy so that they can comply with their legal duties to:

- Act in the interest of their charity and its beneficiaries
- Protect and safeguard the assets of their charity;
- Act with reasonable care and skill;
- Ensure their charity is accountable.

The Trustees use a risk-based approach to assess the level of unrestricted undesignated reserves that need to be held. The risks are monetised and compared to the value of working capital required. The higher value is used as the reserves level. The Trustees reserves policy sets a minimum of £600k unrestricted, undesignated funds. Reserves are reviewed at least annually.

At 31st March 2024 the charity's total reserves were £4,356,957 (2023: £3,959,318).

Of the £0.57m designated funds held at the end of the year, £0.21m has been designated to Research Grants, £0.01m to Treatment and Care Grants, and £0.35m Outreach.

This leaves general unrestricted funds of £2.9m (2023: £2.1m), and free reserves of £2.4m (2023: £1.6m). This exceeds the target level of £600k therefore the trustees are intending to review the reserves position again during the coming year.

5 Our Trustees

The Trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the group and the Charity 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" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is a company limited by guarantee, company number 1480596, and a Charity, registration number 509803. The trustees, listed below, have overall responsibility for the strategic direction and effective governance of the charity.

Board of Trustees

Members of the board during the year and up to the date of signing the accounts were:

Niall Baker	Chairperson Ex officio member of all sub-committees
Patricia Fisher	Chair of the Services Committee Member of the Treatment and Care Committee (Retired May 2023)
Robert Coleman	Chair of the Research Committee until dissolved in July 2023 Member of the Grant Giving Committee (Retired September 2024)
David Bussue	Member of the Corporate Services Committee
Nigel Beasley	Member of the Research Committee until dissolved in July 2023 Member of the Grant Giving Committee
Tim Brazier	Member of the Services Committee
Steve Wragg	Chair of the Treatment and Care Committee until dissolved July 2023 Member of the Grant Giving Committee Chair of the Corporate Services Committee, Lead for Risk & Assurance
Melinda Schofield	Member of the Corporate Services Committee
James Catto	Member of the Research Committee until dissolved in July 2023 Member of the Grant Giving Committee
Darrell Re	
Peter O'Connell	Treasurer

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	Member of the Corporate Services Committee, lead for Finance.
Stephen Chufungleung	Member of the Corporate Services Committee, lead for HR Chair of the Grant Giving Committee (Appointed April 2023)
Louise Merriman	Chair of the Services Committee (Appointed June 2023)

How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described within this report. All our charitable activities focus on enabling life-saving research and clinical trials, enhancing treatment and providing support for people with cancer and their loved ones across South Yorkshire and those who are receiving treatment at Weston Park Cancer Centre from across the UK. All activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

How decisions are made

The charity operates a governance structure determined by the Board of Trustees to conduct its legal, regulatory and oversight duties. This is formed of a Board of Trustees which meets, as a minimum, three times per year. The following committees report to the board:

- **Corporate Services Committee** is accountable to the Board for the following:
 - Risk, Audit and Governance – gives assurance on all aspects of the charity's operations including IT and premises and has oversight and scrutiny of the risk register.
 - HR – oversees all matters relating to our people, appraisal of the Chair and succession planning to the Board.
 - Finance – has oversight and scrutiny of finance, oversight of financial performance of the organisation and all of resources to the Board.
- **Services Committee** is accountable to the Board for all clinically related services, their evaluation, development and risks.
- **Research Committee** this committee was dissolved in July 2023 at the Board of Trustees Meeting.
- **Treatment and Care Committee** this committee was dissolved in July 2023 at the Board of Trustees Meeting.
- **Grant Giving Committee** this committee was formed in July 2023 at the Board of Trustees Meeting; it has oversight and scrutiny of grants and makes recommendations to the Board on grant applications.

The Board has an agreed delegated scheme of approval which makes it clear how decisions are made within the charity and who makes these. This was reviewed, updated and approved by the Board in July 2022.

Day-to-day operational decisions are delegated to the executive team headed by the Chief Executive Officer.

Decisions on Grant-Giving

- Between April – July 2023 the Research Committee and Treatment and Care Committee were chaired by a Trustee and are quorate with three members present, two of whom should be trustees. The committee(s) makes recommendations to trustees on which projects should or shouldn't be funded and it is for the Board to make the final decision based on these recommendations. The committees have delegated responsibility to oversee the grant application process and monitor grants. The Board look to the committee to shape strategy and suggest budget allocations which Trustees then approve.
- It is important that expertise is sought from a broad range of disciplines and experience to ensure the soundest decisions are made on how grant funding is allocated and managed. Alongside trustees the Research and Treatment & Care committees include those with lived experience of cancer and those with specialist clinical research or care knowledge in the area (such as oncologists and nurses).
- From August 2023 the newly formed Grant-Giving Committee set out its terms of reference and membership. This committee makes recommendations to trustees on which projects should or shouldn't be funded and it is for the Board to make the final decision based on these recommendations. The committees have delegated responsibility to oversee the grant application process and monitor grants. The Board look to the committee to shape strategy and suggest budget allocations which Trustees then approve.
- Membership of the Grant-Giving committee includes Trustees with clinical, research, community development and NHS governance expertise. Additional expertise is sought, including peer review of applications and evaluation of funded grants, to ensure robust and transparent decision-making.
- Charity operates a small grant application process through which applications to a maximum of £1,500 can be made with the total fund available being £20k per annum. Trustees delegated responsibility for these decisions to the CEO who, in turn, has delegated this to a small cross-organisational staff group. This empowers staff, is an effective way to develop their skills and ensures a wide range of experiences involved in the decision-making process. Staff have enjoyed being involved in this process.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The skills audit of the Board is reviewed on an ongoing basis and linked to our strategy to help us to recruit people with the skills, knowledge and expertise needed to strengthen our leadership. During the year, 2 new Trustees were appointed who bring

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a wealth of experience which has benefited the charity, both have taken on chair roles of committees.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are invited to training sessions with the CEO and Senior Leadership Team which cover the responsibilities of being a trustee as well as the specifics of the management of Weston Park Cancer Charity and the ways in which we adhere to, and deliver against, our governing document and charitable objectives. New trustees are also encouraged to participate in training for new trustees delivered by the likes of Civil Society.

Trustees are encouraged to undertake training as and when they are able, and it is the responsibility of each trustee to ensure they have the skills and knowledge to be able to undertake their role. Trustees are encouraged to participate in training provided by external providers on subjects such as governance, change to charity law and codes, finance etc. The CEO provides regular updates on policy changes and information of interest from the sector press. An annual trustee away-day takes place which involves strategy development but also team building.

Linked Charity

The Trustees' Report and Financial Statements also incorporate The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund, a linked charity. The trade and assets were transferred into Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Ltd. on 30th April 2018. There is no continued trade within this charity.

The Senior Leadership Team

Operational responsibility for the charity is delegated by the Board to the executive team. The Senior Leadership Team comprises the following roles:

- Chief Executive Officer
 - Leads the charity, develops and implements strategy and is accountable for the day-to-day operations of the Charity.
 - Responsible for the team which delivers finance, IT, admin, HR, health and safety and premises functions.
 - Responsible for the team which delivers our services, the development of future services and effective use of our grants.
- Deputy Chief Executive Officer
 - Leads the development of plans to secure income and to market ourselves so that people want to support us or use our services.

The Senior Leadership Team is supported by department heads who are responsible for delivering their part of the annual plan.

- Head of Cancer Support Services
- Head of Fundraising
- Head of Finance & Resources

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Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.


Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

18/12/2024 GMT

This report was approved by the Trustees, on and signed on their behalf by:


Signer ID: HZ6BK8CQPE...

Niall Baker

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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, cashflow statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern

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for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report included within the trustees' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or

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- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with this Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charitable company through discussions with Trustees and other management, and from our knowledge and experience of the sector;

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- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the charitable company, including charity law and regulation, safeguarding legislation, health and safety, and data protection laws;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and trustees; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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A further description of our responsibilities is available on the FRC's website at:
<https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our
auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in
accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has
been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those
matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other
purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume
responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable
company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we
have formed.

Philip Allsop

Signer ID: YHZA7ZGW8B...

Phillip Allsop (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of

BHP LLP

2 Rutland Park
Sheffield
S10 2PD

Date: 18/12/2024 GMT

7 Statement of Financial Activities

(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

		Year ended 31 March 2024			Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Donations & legacies	2	2,291,123	17,693	2,308,816	2,089,292
Fundraising trading activities		120,196		120,196	88,507
Other trading activities		7,181		7,181	5,392
Investment income		146,047		146,047	40,251
Total income		2,564,547	17,693	2,582,240	2,223,442
Expenditure					
Fundraising	3	739,494		739,494	704,866
Charitable activities	4	1,284,552	180,298	1,464,850	1,769,661
Total expenditure		2,024,046	180,298	2,204,344	2,474,527
Net income / (expenditure) before investments gains / (losses)		540,501	(162,605)	377,896	(251,085)
Net gains / (losses) on investments	12	19,743		19,743	(51,631)
Net movement in funds		560,244	(162,605)	397,639	(302,716)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		2,914,962	1,044,356	3,959,318	4,262,034
Net movement in funds		560,244	(162,605)	397,638	(302,716)
Total funds carried forward		3,475,206	881,751	4,356,957	3,959,318

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 37 to 51 form part of these financial statements.

8 Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 2024

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2024	Year ended 31 March 2023
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	123,230	109,271
Investments	12	489,250	463,213
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		612,480	572,484
Current assets			
Stocks		11,132	8,921
Debtors	13	626,332	788,481
Cash at bank and in hand		4,328,486	3,762,197
Subtotal		4,965,950	4,559,599
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(941,604)	(882,003)
Net current assets		4,024,346	3,677,596
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(279,869)	(290,762)
Net assets		4,356,957	3,959,318
Charity Funds			
Restricted funds	16	881,751	1,044,356
Unrestricted funds:			
Designated funds	16	571,754	845,068
General funds	16	2,903,452	2,069,894
Total unrestricted funds		3,475,206	2,914,962
TOTAL FUNDS		4,356,957	3,959,318

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies' regime. The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Niall Baker

Signer ID: HZ6BK8CQPE...

Niall Baker

Date: 18/12/2024 GMT

9 Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024	2023
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities	19	470,343	(365,499)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends, interests and rents from investments		146,047	40,251
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(37,892)	(93,367)
Purchase of investments		(65,708)	(44,744)
Proceeds from disposal of investments		53,498	(50,343)
Net cash provided by investing activities		95,945	(47,517)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		566,289	(413,016)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		3,762,197	4,175,213
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	20	4,328,486	3,762,197

The notes on pages 37 to 51 form part of these financial statements

10 Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Statement of financial activities (SOFA) and Balance sheet represent the financial statements of the charity. The results of its subsidiary undertaking, Weston Park Trading Limited have not been consolidated within the accounts due to its immaterial nature. Weston Park Trading Limited is a dormant subsidiary with share capital totalling £1.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared forecasts of income and expenditure and cash flow for 12 months from authorising these financial statements which shows that they have sufficient reserves to be able to continue for the foreseeable future. The Board will continue to monitor the impact on income and take appropriate action as necessary. The Trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation for these financial statements.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the Charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably, and the Charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the Charity, or the Charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified, and a third party is bearing the costs. No amounts are included in the financial statement for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

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On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contribution and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Costs of generating funds are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds. Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities. All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Grants payable

Grant awards are reviewed at least annually and are subject to the grant terms.

Grants payable are recognised in full, for all years of the grant, in the year the offer is made when there are no conditions on the grant. Where grants are conditional, they are recognised when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment and not recognised.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any

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accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	10 years
IT equipment (over £1,000)	5 years
Fixtures and fittings (over £500)	5 years
Motor vehicles	10 years

1.7 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.11 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

1.12 Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at

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fair value and the changes in fair value recognised, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

1.13 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.14 Pensions

The Charity's main pension schemes are defined contribution pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

The Charity also participates in one of the NHS pension schemes. It is a defined benefit scheme but the Charity is unable to identify its share of the underlying scheme liabilities and so it is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme. See note 22 for further details.

1.15 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.16 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

- Preparation of the financial statements can require management to make significant judgements and estimates.
- Multiyear grants payable – management make an assessment of the liability each year based upon the grants recognised and de-recognised in the period

10 Notes to the Financial Statements

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2. Income from donations and legacies

Year ended 31 March 2024					Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising		1,079,880	17,693	1,097,573	1,578,280
Legacies		1,211,243		1,211,243	511,012
Total		2,291,123	17,693	2,308,816	2,089,292
<i>Total 2023</i>		1,548,752	540,540	2,089,292	

3. Fundraising expenditure

Year ended 31 March 2024					Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Events and activities		49,114		49,114	44,130
Wages and salaries	9	397,226		397,226	377,582
Training and recruitment		9,540		9,540	8,610
Support costs	6	114,713		114,713	127,290
Governance costs	7	13,514		13,514	12,521
Other		155,387		155,387	134,733
Total		739,494	0	739,494	704,866
<i>Total 2023</i>		704,866	0	704,866	

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Year ended 31 March 2024					Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Grants payable	5	338,588	23,218	361,805	830,180
Patient Services		298,245	48,203	346,449	271,993
Staff costs	9	395,443	97,667	493,110	424,047
Training and recruitment		8,870		8,870	7,125
Depreciation			11,210	11,210	3,100
Support costs	6	187,364		187,364	181,291
Governance costs	7	56,042		56,042	51,925
Total		1,284,552	180,298	1,464,850	1,769,661
<i>Total 2023</i>		1,731,513	38,148	1,769,661	

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5. Grants payable

	Year ended 31 March 2024				Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Grants to institutions					
Research Grants		309,664	23,218	332,882	589,521
Treatment and Care Grants		23,252		23,252	276,494
Small Grants		15,200		15,200	11,448
Research Grants De-allocated		(9,464)		(9,464)	(8,615)
Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated					(34,441)
Small Grants De-allocated		(64)		(64)	(4,227)
Total		338,588	23,218	361,805	830,180
<i>Total 2023</i>		810,408	19,772	830,180	

Support cost allocation in relation to these grants is set out below:

	2024	2023
Research Grants	30,966	56,975
Treatment and Care Grants	2,325	27,649
Small Grants	1,520	1,145

Research Grants De-allocated, Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated show where the relevant committee has taken the decision to withdraw part or all of the funding of a grant either due to a change of circumstances, non-delivery or poor performance against the agreed terms and conditions.

6. Support costs

	Year ended 31 March 2024				Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Premises		1,292		1,292	2,007
Telephones		3,758		3,758	3,373
Office equipment & software maintenance		5,071		5,071	5,290
Legal and Professional		34,327		34,327	50,378
Depreciation		12,722		12,722	12,280
Other staff costs		23,919		23,919	21,186
Other costs		35,713		35,713	32,130
Staff costs	9	192,924		192,924	189,651
Total		309,725	0	309,725	316,295
<i>Total 2023</i>		316,295	0	316,295	

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Support costs have been allocated as follows:

Year ended 31 March 2024					Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds	3	114,713		114,713	127,290
Charitable activities	4	187,364		187,364	181,291
Governance costs	7	7,648		7,648	7,714
Total		309,725	0	309,725	316,295

7. Governance costs

Year ended 31 March 2024					Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries	9	41,369		41,369	39,631
Auditor's remuneration		18,864		18,864	15,180
Other		1,675		1,675	1,921
Support costs	6	7,648		7,648	7,714
Total		69,556	0	69,556	64,446
<i>Total 2023</i>		64,446	0	64,446	

Governance costs have been allocated to:

Year ended 31 March 2024				Year ended 31 March 2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
Costs of raising funds	3	13,514	13,514	12,521
Charitable activities	4	56,042	56,042	51,925
Total		69,556	69,556	64,446

8. Net income / (expenditure)

	2024	2023
This is stated after charging:	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets: - owned by the charity	23,932	15,380
Auditors remuneration – audit (gross of VAT)	18,864	15,180
Auditor's remuneration – other services (gross of VAT)	4,615	2,181

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9. Staff costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	947,490	874,621
Social security costs	90,594	89,112
Pension costs	47,949	52,396
Temporary staff	30,008	6,374
Other staff costs	8,588	8,408
Total	1,124,629	1,030,911

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Average	30	27

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2024	2023
Service Delivery	13	11
Marketing and Fundraising	11	10
Support	6	6
Total	30	27

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2024	2023
In the band £60,001-£70,000	1	1
In the band £70,001-£80,000	1	

The key management personnel of the charity are considered to be the Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity were £156,197 (2023: £149,888).

Staff costs have been allocated to activities as follows

	Note	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
		£	£
Costs of raising funds	3	397,226	377,582
Charitable activities	4	493,110	424,047
Support costs	6	192,924	189,651
Governance	7	41,369	39,631
Total		1,124,629	1,030,911

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10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2023 - £nil).

During the year ended 31 March 2024, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2023 - £nil).

11. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property	Motor vehicles	Fixtures and fittings	Total
<i>Cost or valuation</i>	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2023	46,002	82,755	102,000	230,757
Additions		4,790	33,102	37,892
At 31 March 2024	46,002	87,545	135,102	268,649
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2023	46,002	64,822	10,663	121,487
Charge for the year	0	10,249	13,683	23,932
At 31 March 2024	46,002	75,071	24,346	145,419
At 31 March 2024	0	12,474	110,756	123,230
At 31 March 2023	0	17,933	91,337	109,270

12. Fixed Asset Investments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Market value at 1 April 2023	463,213	531,360
Additions	65,708	44,744
Disposals	(53,498)	(50,343)
Net investment gains /(losses)	13,827	(62,548)
Market value at 31 March 2024	489,250	463,213

In addition to the above investments held at market value, a £1 investment in the subsidiary company Weston Park Trading Limited is included in the 2024 figures. Total Investments are therefore £489,251 (2023: £463,214).

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cost at 31 March	397,191	384,981
Unrealised (loss)/gain	13,827	(62,548)
Realised gain	5,916	10,917
Net (loss)/gain on investment	19,743	(51,631)

The difference between the historical cost and market value of investments has been included in unrestricted funds.

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The following investments account for more than five percent of the total market value of investments held by the charitable company:

	Holding	2024	2023
	%	£	£
Vanguard Funds PLC S&P 500 Units Etf USD Dis	11%	55,103	43,754
Legal & General UT L&G All Stks Gilt Idx Tst	7%	36,053	0
Royal London Utm Sterl Credit Instl Inc Z GBP	5%	26,664	25,410
Findlay Park Fund Ic Findlay Park American I	4%	21,614	23,193
Total		139,434	92,357

13. Debtors

	2024	2023
Due within one year	£	£
Prepayments	44,507	34,625
Accrued income	581,825	753,856
Total	626,332	788,481

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	264,045	163,967
Deferred income	22,875	10,450
Other creditors	30,043	23,305
Accruals	65,217	41,103
Grants payable	559,424	643,178
Total	941,604	882,003

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Grants payable	279,869	290,762

16. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains /(losses)	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	452,552		(265,000)	26,782		214,335
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	33,983		(21,000)			12,983
Delivery of strategy - outreach	358,533		(14,097)			344,436
Total	845,068	0	(300,097)	26,782	0	571,754

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	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains /(losses)	Balance at 31 March 2024
General funds	2,069,894	2,564,547	(1,723,949)	(26,782)	19,743	2,903,452
Total Unrestricted Funds	2,914,962	2,564,547	(2,024,046)	0	19,743	3,475,206
Restricted funds						
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	110		(110)			0
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175					2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	20,296	8,005	(1,888)			26,412
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542					3,542
Rochelle Baxter Fund	104,496	9,688	(21,219)			92,965
Barnsley Transport Fund	2,409		(2,409)			0
Community Fund - Outreach	262,937		(104,073)			158,865
Westfield Health Foundation	52,000		(18,898)	(33,102)		0
SYB ICS Cancer Alliance	20,491		(20,491)			0
Capital fund - buses	75,900		(11,210)	33,102		97,792
Hospital equipment fund	500,000					500,000
Total Restricted Funds	1,044,356	17,693	(180,298)	0	0	881,751
Total of Funds	3,959,318	2,582,240	(2,204,344)	0	19,743	4,356,957

Designated funds

The trustees designated £1.8m for projects related to our 'Together at Every Step' strategy listed below. These funds are being utilised over a three-year period.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy – Research Grants

This fund is to enable us to invest in research and new technologies that can improve the effectiveness, tolerability and/or cost effectiveness of treatment and also to give patients the opportunity to participate in ground-breaking clinical trials.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Treatment and Care Grants

This fund is to enable us to improve the environment where cancer patients across the region receive treatment and to support innovative services that enhance the experience of living with and beyond cancer in the community.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Cancer Support Community Outreach

This fund is to deliver an outreach cancer support service to areas of greatest need.

Suitable fund transfers have occurred to match the funds designated by the trustees at financial year end.

Restricted fund details:

Heads Together fund – used to support projects which benefit head and neck cancer patients

Rochelle Baxter fund – used to improve the lives of cancer patients aged between 16 and 25, and their families

Scott McBride fund – used to support projects which benefit sarcoma patients

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Thyroid patient fund – used to support projects which benefit thyroid patients

Barnsley Transport fund – used to support the Barnsley transport service

Outreach – National Lottery Community funds received for the Outreach programme commenced in 2022/23

Westfield – prior year funding used to purchase the Big Purple Buses for the Outreach programme, in support of strategic objective 2. During the year £33,102 was transferred to the capital fund for additional costs on the buses.

SYB ICS Cancer Alliance – funding used for operational costs of the Outreach programme and the Rotherham bus service, in support of strategic objective 3.

Capital fund - buses - funded the purchase of a minibus for the Rotherham transport service and two buses for Outreach service delivery. Depreciation will be charged against the funding over the 10-year useful life of the vehicles

Hospital equipment fund - £500,000 towards the purchase of equipment to support Weston Park Hospital.

Statement of funds – prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains / (losses)	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of 5 year strategy - research	1,027,548		(555,224)	(19,772)		452,552
Delivery of 5 year strategy - treatment and care	316,525		(282,542)			33,983
Delivery of 5 year strategy - outreach	358,533					358,533
Other - Emergence	7,379		(3,629)	(3,750)		0
Total	1,709,985	0	(841,395)	(23,522)	0	845,068
General funds	2,010,085	1,682,902	(1,594,984)	23,522	(51,631)	2,069,894
Total Unrestricted funds	3,720,070	1,682,902	(2,436,379)	0	(51,631)	2,914,962
Restricted funds	£	£	£	£	£	£
Support Centre Fund	518		(518)			0
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	0	110				110
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175					2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	17,260	3,390	(354)			20,296
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542					3,542
Rochelle Baxter Fund	117,873	6,040	(19,417)			104,496
Barnsley Transport Fund	7,596		(5,187)			2,409
Outreach	270,000		(7,063)			262,937
Westfield Health Foundation	100,000			(48,000)		52,000
SYB ICS Cancer Alliance	23,000		(2,509)			20,491

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	Balance at 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains / (losses)	Balance at 31 March 2023
Capital fund - buses	0	31,000	(3,100)	48,000		75,900
Hospital equipment fund	0	500,000				500,000
Total Restricted funds	541,964	540,540	(38,148)	0	0	1,044,356
Total of funds	4,262,034	2,223,442	(2,474,527)	0	(51,631)	3,959,318

17. Summary of funds

Summary of funds – current year

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains / (losses)	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Designated funds	845,068		(300,097)	26,782		571,754
General funds	2,069,894	2,564,547	(1,723,949)	(26,782)	19,743	2,903,452
Restricted funds	1,044,356	17,693	(180,298)			881,751
Total	3,959,318	2,582,240	(2,204,344)	0	19,743	4,356,957

Summary of funds – prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers in/out	Gains / (losses)	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Designated funds	1,709,985		(841,395)	(23,522)		845,068
General funds	2,010,085	1,682,902	(1,594,984)	23,522	(51,631)	2,069,894
Restricted funds	541,964	540,540	(38,148)			1,044,356
Total	4,262,034	2,223,442	(2,474,527)	0	(51,631)	3,959,318

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds – current year

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Current Year			
Tangible fixed assets	123,230		123,230
Fixed asset investments	489,250		489,250
Current assets	4,084,199	881,751	4,965,950
Creditors due within one year	(941,604)		(941,604)
Creditors due in more than one year	(279,869)		(279,869)
Total	3,475,206	881,751	4,356,957

Analysis of net assets between funds – prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£
Prior Year			
Tangible fixed assets	33,371	75,900	109,271
Fixed asset investments	463,213		463,213
Current assets	3,591,143	968,456	4,559,599
Creditors due within one year	(882,003)		(882,003)

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Creditors due in more than one year	(290,762)		(290,762)
Total	2,914,962	1,044,356	3,959,318

19. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	397,639	(302,716)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	23,932	15,380
Losses/(gains) on investments	(13,827)	62,548
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(2,211)	(3,711)
Decrease in debtors	162,149	(309,168)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	48,708	212,419
Investment income	(146,047)	(40,251)
Net cash used in operating activities	470,343	(365,499)

20. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,328,486	3,762,197
Total cash and cash equivalents	4,328,486	3,762,197

21. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2023	Cash flows	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	3,762,197	566,289	4,328,486
Total	3,762,197	566,289	4,328,486

22. Pension commitments

Eligible staff belong to one of three pensions:

All staff who joined the organisation after 1st May 2018 and all staff who were TUPEd over from the Weston Park Cancer Care and Research Fund charity are in the Charity's auto-enrolment scheme with the Peoples Pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the scheme.

One member of staff who was with the charity before the merger is in an auto-enrolment compliant stakeholder pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the schemes. The pension funds above are assets of the individual and Weston Park Cancer Charity has no liability nor interest in the value of each fund. Weston Park Cancer Charity contributions are charged to the SoFA as they are incurred.

Staff who had an NHS pension when they joined the Charity and who were still eligible to be in the NHS scheme remain in the scheme. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes contributions to the NHS superannuation scheme. Employer's pension cost contributions are charged to operating expenses as and when they become due.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2020. It was published in October 2023 and noted a notional deficiency of £40.9Bn. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2024 to 23.7%, up from 20.6% (2019) of pensionable pay. The uplift was funded by the Department for Health and Social Care.

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The total employer contribution payable to the NHS Pension Scheme in 2023-24 was £2,893 (2022-23 £10,015), £Nil was outstanding at the year end (2023: £Nil). In addition, employees who are members of the Scheme paid salary dependant contributions of 6.1%.

23. Related party transactions

Donations totalling £2,301 (2023: £9,485) were received from Trustees in the year.

During the year Irwin Mitchell charged £1,253 (2023: £1,210) for services to the charity. Niall Baker is the Regional Managing Partner of Irwin Mitchell.

24. Capital commitments

At 31st March 2024 the charity had no capital commitments (2023: none)

25. Contingent assets

In accordance with the charity's accounting policy in note 1.3, legacies to which the charity had entitlement by the year end and the amount is confirmed, have been included within accrued income. There were no additional legacies where the revenue recognition criteria had been met by 31 March 2024 (2023 £157,560).

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England & Wales - Charity number 509803

Accounts

Registered number: 1480596
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Our Annual Report

April 2022 – March 2023

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited, trading as
Weston Park Cancer Charity (a company limited by guarantee)

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Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Senior Management Team	Ms E Clarke, CEO Ms C Rhone, Deputy CEO (appointed April 2022)
Company registered number	1480596
Charity registered number	509803
Registered office	Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited 23 Northumberland Road Sheffield S10 2TX
Independent auditors	BHP LLP 2 Rutland Park Sheffield S10 2PD
Bankers	Santander Bootle Merseyside L30 4GB
Investment managers	Investec Wealth and Investment Limited Beech House 61 Napier Street Sheffield S1 2PP

Trustee Annual Report

Welcome to the April 2022 – March 2023 Annual Report

As Chair of the Board of Trustees, I'm delighted to share Weston Park Cancer Charity's annual report with you.

I'm proud to say that throughout April 2022 to March 2023 the charity's services have strengthened and expanded – and are now helping even more people to live with and beyond cancer.

This year, Weston Park Cancer Charity provided emotional, practical, and financial support to 6,736 people on 17,176 separate occasions. It funded access to sector-leading clinical trials for 527 patients, which could inform the cancer treatments of the future. It awarded £8,700 in hardship grants, helping 47 people to navigate the cost-of-living crisis. It also provided 2,202 vital transport journeys – ensuring that no one ever has to turn down life-saving treatment because of financial concerns.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is located in Sheffield, but its services are available to anyone affected by cancer across the region. This includes people living in South Yorkshire, North Nottinghamshire, and North Derbyshire.

Sadly, cancer incidence and mortality rates for people in our region are higher than the UK average. Every year 9,000 people in our region will be diagnosed with cancer, and there are roughly 54,000 people currently living with the disease.

That's why we'll never stop striving to do more.

I took up my new role as Chair of the Board of Trustees last April, having previously served as a Weston Park Cancer Charity trustee for 9 years. Every day, I feel privileged to work alongside so many talented individuals, who are determined to make things better for people living with cancer.

In this report, you'll hear directly from people who have been supported by Weston Park's work this year and learn more about what the charity has achieved between April 2022 to March 2023.

For one in two of us, cancer will change everything. When it does, so can we.

Thank you for your continued support.

Niall Baker, Chair of the Board of Trustees

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A message from our CEO

It's been another busy year for Weston Park Cancer Charity, with a higher demand for our services than ever before.

Factors such as the cost-of-living crisis have made things particularly challenging for people living with cancer. At Weston Park Cancer Charity, we're doing all that we can to support people in our region through our hardship grants, free travel service, and welfare advice.

Last September we launched our new strategy, which set out an ambitious vision for the charity. The strategy covers six main objectives, which give clarity and focus to our work. In this report, you can read about how we delivered on each of these objectives over the past year.

Our work is designed to enhance treatment, enable vital research, and provide support from the moment of diagnosis. As well as caring for those who are living with cancer, we also help their friends and families – because cancer is an illness which impacts the lives of everyone around it.

Throughout the year, our Weston Park family has worked tirelessly to make sure that we can provide the very best cancer care and treatment. This includes our staff members, volunteers, donors, fundraisers, and partners.

If you're one of the incredible people who have supported our work over the past year, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you. Your energy and dedication make it possible for us to be there, at every step, for the one in two people who will be diagnosed with cancer in our region.

I hope you enjoy reading about the fantastic things you've helped us to achieve this year.

Best wishes,

Emma Clarke, CEO of Weston Park Cancer Charity

Our strategic objectives and achievements

Objective 1: Spread the word about Weston Park's services

Awareness - everyone diagnosed with cancer in the region will know about Weston Park Cancer Charity, and how we can help them and their loved ones, at every step

Receiving a cancer diagnosis can be one of the most overwhelming moments of a person's life. **At Weston Park, we provide people with practical, emotional, and financial support from the point of diagnosis.** But in order to support people at every step, we must first ensure that they know about our services.

By 2025, we want to engage a minimum of 1,000 healthcare professionals so that we can let them know exactly how Weston Park Cancer Charity can support their patients. By spreading awareness of our services, we can help even more people in our region to live with and beyond cancer.

We're pleased to say that we spoke to over 212 healthcare professionals between April 2022 – March 2023. This number is set to increase year-on-year, thanks to our new cancer referral pathway.

Streamlining support services

In March 2023, we successfully launched the Sheffield Care Pathway. This cancer referral pathway helps healthcare professionals to efficiently signpost their patients to vital support services. These could include complementary therapies, financial assistance, legal advice, or emotional support services.

Healthcare professionals access the pathway by completing a short questionnaire on behalf of their patients. As well as ensuring fast referrals, these questionnaires can kickstart conversations around a person's holistic needs and help to identify their most pressing concerns.

We're very proud of this new approach, which is making it easier than ever for people living with cancer to access support.

Weston Park Cancer Charity Coffee mornings

In September 2022, we re-established our Weston Park Cancer Charity Coffee Mornings, which were paused during the COVID pandemic. Weston Park's coffee mornings help people in the cancer community to connect and find new friendships. They're also an invaluable way to spread the word about the charity's services.

Regular coffee morning attendee, Waheeda Younis, said: "At Weston Park's coffee mornings I can relax, rewind, and catch up with friends. We always support each other and often swap advice and tips. I look forward to every coffee morning because I know I'll have fun, while also helping the people around me. I imagine that the other attendees feel exactly the same way!"

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We continued our close working relationship with hospital colleagues throughout this year including hosting a coffee morning for staff to celebrate World Cancer Day in February 2023.

From April 2022 – March 2023:

- We saw a 154% increase in the support we provide via our helpline and face to face when patients, carers, family and friends drop into our Cancer Support Centre and Charity Hub.
- Expert advice and support had been provided by our helpline with 4,047 calls being answered by our team of Health Care Professionals
- We supported 5,929 drop-in appointments at our Cancer Support centre and Charity Hub
- We also saw an increase of over 15% in our bookable appointments for services such as Welfare Advice, Complementary Therapy, Bereavement and Support Groups.
- 774 people received specialist welfare advice through our partnership with Citizen's Advice Sheffield, an increase of 19%, resulting in over £800,000 in additional benefits.
- 350 people, largely aged between the ages of 70 and 90, received support in their own home through our partnership with Age UK Sheffield. Over 75% were referred to the service by their GP with nearly £300,000 in unclaimed benefits being secured through this joint initiative.

Objective 2: Address health inequalities in our region

Reach - everyone diagnosed with cancer in communities where there are greatest cancer health inequalities in the region will be able to access our support

In Sheffield, people from minority communities and those living in lower-income areas are up to three times more likely to die early from cancer. People in these groups are also far less likely to access services which can support them through their cancer treatment and beyond.

At Weston Park Cancer Charity, we're determined to help end cancer health inequalities within our region. We want to make sure that people from all walks of life can benefit from our services.

In 2022, we turned this commitment into action by starting work on a new flagship outreach service. This service brings Weston Park's work directly into underserved communities via two branded buses.

What became known as Weston Park's **Big Purple Bus** service started with a period of extensive planning and co-production. In January 2023, we brought together 26 stakeholders – including staff, community partners, trustees, and patients - in a 'service development day'. This session helped us to formalise the scope of the new service and establish a project steering group.

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During this period, our board of trustees approved the purchase of two outreach buses, which were then branded in our signature purple colours.

The right people for the job

In January 2023, we appointed Faye McDool as our service development and engagement manager. Since then, Faye has been:

- Recruiting new staff members and volunteer drivers to run the service.
- Exploring an extended partnership with Citizen's Advice, who are keen to be involved in the service.
- Collaborating with community stakeholders to establish routes and locations for the buses.

The outreach project has also benefited from the expertise of David Bussue, Weston Park Cancer Charity Trustee. Alongside his role as a trustee, David is the Service Director of SACMHA Health & Social Care, an organisation which supports Sheffield's African Caribbean community.

David has a particularly close connection to the project: both of his parents received cancer treatment at Weston Park. But neither they, nor David, were aware of the additional support available through Weston Park Cancer Charity.

Speaking about the project, David said: "Having had the experience with my parents and not knowing that there was a charity and that these additional resources were there amplifies the importance to me of getting this knowledge and support out to wider communities."

Find out more about how Weston Park Cancer Charity's Big Purple Bus is supporting people across the region at westonpark.org.uk.

Objective 3: Provide free transport to hospital appointments

Access - everyone diagnosed with cancer in the region will have access to free transport to attend treatment and clinic appointments, if they need it

Too often, we hear from people who have considered turning down life-saving cancer treatment because the cost of getting to and from appointments is simply too high.

Kash Purohit, retired Oncologist said:

"This service is so needed, as I've had patients sit in front of me turning down treatment for curable cancer simply because they can't get to Weston Park Hospital"

Many patients don't have access to their own vehicle, and those that do face significant parking and fuel costs. This was a particular issue throughout 2022, a

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year in which fuel prices peaked at 191.5p per litre of petrol and 199.09p per litre of diesel.¹

Weston Park Cancer Charity's free transport service launched in 2021, and since then it has provided safe, reliable transport to hundreds of people.

As well as removing financial pressures, the transport service helps to alleviate some of the logistical challenges that patients and families can face after a cancer diagnosis.

In August 2022, we were delighted to expand the free transport service by adding a Rotherham service to complement our Chesterfield and Barnsley routes. This was achieved with the support of charity patron Darren and Gail Baker and the incredible help of several local businesses.

In March 2023, we also added a new stop to our Barnsley route. Now, Barnsley residents can book to be picked up from the Holiday Inn in Dodworth, making the service more accessible than ever.

Our free transport service relies on the kindness of our volunteer drivers. Between April 2022 and March 2023, our drivers clocked up over 3,213 hours and covered 27,326 miles. We're hugely grateful to these drivers, who ensure the smooth running of the service and create a welcoming atmosphere for passengers.

Ray's story

For 70-year-old Ray, from Chesterfield, the transport service provided a vital lifeline last year. Ray used the transport service every day for four weeks. This enabled him to get to and from 20 appointments, which was the equivalent of more than 500 miles.

"I spent an awfully long time deciding whether or not I was going to go through with treatment," said Ray. "My cancer is advanced...and a big part of the decision-making process was 'How on earth am I going to get there? What's that going to do to me and my family?'"

"It's a big commitment what with getting lifts in or parking. But when I found out about the charity and its transport service, the difficult decision was made logical. It was the difference between having treatment or potentially hanging on without it."

While using the bus, Ray got to know some of the amazing volunteer drivers who keep the service running.

¹ <https://www.rac.co.uk/drive/advice/fuel-watch/>

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“The drivers are brilliant,” said Ray. “They’re all lovely people and we have a laugh, which can be a real help when you’re going through something like cancer treatment.”

Objective 4: Advance Weston Park’s cancer research

Research – We will support Weston Park Cancer Centre to continue to be a leading UK cancer research centre, giving people in this region the opportunity to support ground-breaking clinical trials and studies

For one in two of us, cancer will change everything. **At Weston Park Cancer Charity, we fund vital research projects which improve treatments and outcomes for people living with cancer.**

With the help of our incredible supporters, we supported the opening of the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre (CCTC) in 1999, and the Clinical Research Unit in 2014.

Since opening its doors, the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre has run 800 pioneering research studies involving 16,500 patients. As well as helping to establish new treatments, these trials give the gift of hope: patients who take part in them can often access novel treatments which aren’t yet available on the NHS.

In 2022 we extended our funding for the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre, providing £278,000 towards the centre’s life-saving work.

This sum will fund seven research nurse posts. These healthcare professionals carry out a crucial service by supporting people living with cancer as they take part in the trials – providing them with information and care throughout the process.

Professor Jon Wadsley, Consultant Clinical Oncologist and CCTC Director, said: “The funding we receive from Weston Park Cancer Charity allows us to support a large study portfolio, covering all aspects of disease types and phases.

“Not only do our research nurses provide vital information and sound advice to existing patients, but they are also critical to identifying potential trial participants and ensuring equitable access to clinical trials for all of the patients that we serve.”

In October 2022 we also announced a near £300,000 grant for a ground-breaking University of Sheffield research project.

The Ex Vivo drug screening project is exploring a new technique which will allow clinicians to anticipate how individuals will react to certain cancer treatments. The aim of the project is to secure better patient outcomes through personalised treatment plans.

Researchers on the Ex Vivo project will place tissue samples from cancer patients on to drug plates, and then test chemotherapy drugs on them in various amounts and combinations. By measuring how many cancerous cells are still

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alive at the end of the process, researchers can assess the effectiveness of each treatment.

The project will initially examine cancer tissue supplied by people living with muscle-invasive bladder cancer – the most aggressive form of bladder cancer – and patients with glioblastoma brain tumours.

The grant from Weston Park Cancer Charity will fund a research nurse for three years and a research technician who will carry out lab work. The money will also fund consumables, such as drug plates, stains to analyse cell growth, and microscopes.

Dr Greg Wells, one of the researchers working on the project, said: “Personalised medicine has dominated cancer research for the last 20 years, but only a subset of patients are eligible.

“We want this project to greatly increase the numbers of patients eligible, so everyone gets the best possible treatment for their individual cancer.”

Objective 5: Expand our digital offering

Digital - Everyone with cancer and their donors will be able to access support and donate through digital platforms

We’re working at pace to expand and improve Weston Park Cancer Charity’s online offering. In doing so, we’re making it easier for people living with cancer to access our information and support.

By strengthening our digital capabilities, we can also generate the maximum fundraising income possible for the charity. This will allow us to care for even more people throughout our region who have been impacted by cancer.

In 2022, we built on the success of Weston Park Cancer Charity’s new website.

The site, which was launched in 2021, has flourished over the past year. Between April 2022 and March 2023, the website was visited by 31,548 new users – clocking up 103,591 page views.

Our transport service and cancer support services pages were within our top 5 most visited pages. By providing clear and concise information across these pages, we’re ensuring that people living with cancer can quickly find out about the support that is available to them.

Last year, we also kicked off a project which explored our supporters’ donation journeys. In this project, we examined in-person and digital donation pathways. The findings helped us to identify several improvements we could make to our digital offering, including making adaptations to the online fundraising registration form to improve user experience.

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Between April 2022 and March 2023, we also grew awareness of our services through social media channels.

During this time, we reached 184,192 people through Facebook and 15,534 through Instagram. Respectively, these figures represent a 69% increase and a 249% increase on the previous year. Our Facebook likes also increased by 84%, compared to the year before.

By expanding our digital offering, we've significantly boosted donations to Weston Park Cancer Charity.

Last year, our donation page was the 3rd most visited page on our website, and this led to tangible benefits for the charity in terms of funds raised. From April 2022 to March 2023, we received 3,048 online donations through our Raisely donation platform. This incredible sum will enable research, enhance treatment, and help us to provide life-changing care to people facing a cancer diagnosis.

In November 2022, we launched an online shop, which has proved to be a great success. This shop offers a range of Weston Park merchandise, including charity branded tops, Christmas cards, pin badges and more. From the launch of the shop in October 2022 132 sales have been made through the shop, which will support our vital services.

Alongside enhancing our web presence, we're finding new ways to build digital fundraising into our in-person activities. In March 2023, we purchased 11 digital collection tins, which will be used at fundraising events, in the hospital, and in our support centre. We have established a digital working group, which is now rolling out these collection tins across our sites. We look forward to evaluating their impact in the coming year.

Objective 6: Share the impact of our work and inspire support

Impact - Existing and potential donors will see the difference they make to the lives of people with cancer and their families

We're so grateful to the fundraisers, volunteers, patrons, and trustees who go above and beyond to support our work. Their incredible efforts help us to be there, at every step, for the one in two people in our region who will be diagnosed with cancer.

Between April 2022 and March 2023 the Weston Park family raised an amazing £2,223,442.

In 2022/23, we were particularly humbled by the work of the Croke family – Michael, Sean, Rachel, and Matthew – who organised 'BB With Love's Simply the Best' concert.

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This star-studded event was held in memory of beloved wife and mum Bev, who sadly passed away from breast cancer in 2021. The family were inspired to raise money for Weston Park because of the support Bev received from the charity during her cancer journey.

Host Gok Wan was joined by stars of screen and stage for a fantastic evening of entertainment. The concert also featured a moving performance from Sheffield Cancer Choir – of which Bev was a much-valued member.

The concert, which was held during breast cancer awareness month, **raised over £60,000 through ticket sales, generous donations, and an auction.** This remarkable feat will support families facing a cancer diagnosis for years to come.

Michael Croke, husband to Bev and father to Rachel, Sean, and Matthew, said: “We’re just over the moon to know the impact which BB With Love is having for people facing cancer in our region.

“When we started on this journey, I said that even if we get one more person to reach out for Weston Park Cancer Charity’s support, or if we can help researchers right here in Sheffield get one step closer to a cure, then that is payment enough.

“The support we received, and continue to receive, has been priceless to us. We want to help Weston Park Cancer Charity and to continue what Bev wanted to do in helping people.”

Alongside this wonderful family who have contributed their amazing fundraising efforts we are also lucky to be supported by incredible individuals who give the gift of their time. Our volunteers play an invaluable role in Weston Park Cancer Charity’s work. Some volunteers, like the brilliant Maggie Cotton, have been supporting our work for many years.

Maggie first started volunteering in 2015, and since then she has offered her time at charity football matches and our race days. At the age of 81, she even completed a 158km tandem cycle ride with her husband Bill – raising almost £5,000 for Weston Park Cancer Charity.

Like so many of our volunteers, Maggie has had her own first-hand experience of cancer. After receiving a breast cancer diagnosis, Maggie was given life-saving treatment at Weston Park Cancer Centre. She’s been volunteering her time ever since, as a way of saying thank you to the hospital staff who looked after her throughout her treatment.

Incredible volunteers like Maggie raise awareness of our services and power the fundraising events which make our work possible. Every hour of time they give helps us to support people in our region to live with and beyond cancer.

In 2022/23, we were able to significantly extend our volunteer opportunities, which had been limited during the pandemic. Across the year, our volunteers played a crucial part in our 12 key fundraising events. More than 85 volunteers attended the events, and many supported us at more than one event.

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At these events, our volunteers do a range of important things, including bucket collecting, selling merchandise, stewarding, and selling raffle tickets. Their hard work raised vital funds for the charity, enabling us to continue to support those who rely on our services.

By the end of March 2023, we had over 200 event volunteers signed up and ready to support us

In the run up to Christmas 2022, we were joined by a volunteer every day who assisted with our festive activities. We also brought in 'meet and greet volunteers' who welcomed visitors at our Charity Hub beside the hospital, offering a friendly face and free refreshments.

During the festive period, our volunteers wrote Christmas cards, supported with our annual Christmas Star Appeal, and wrapped presents for patients who would be in hospital on Christmas Day. They also sold merchandise at a number of stalls across the city, raising further funds for the charity.

We were very grateful to our volunteer drivers, who continued to support us in running our free transport service. We now have over 25 volunteer drivers, who bring patients to their appointments from Barnsley, Rotherham, and Chesterfield.

To end the year, and to show our appreciation to our brilliant volunteers, we held a thank you event at Halifax Hall. At this event, we celebrated the achievements of our valued volunteers.

One of our key objectives is to share our impact through fundraising campaigns and events. These help to inspire our supporters and raise vital funds for Weston Park Cancer Charity.

- In April 2022, we hosted the 50th edition of the Weston Park Gala Ball. The event was attended by almost 400 people and raised over £70,000 for Weston Park Cancer Charity.
- Last year the Weston Park Cancer Charity Race Evening also returned, after a three-year hiatus. Doncaster Racecourse was transformed into a sea of purple and attendees raised £41,000, which will fund cancer care, treatment advances, and research.
- In August 2022, more than 30 businesses took part in the Weston Park Cancer Charity Golf Day. The golf day was originally set up by charity patron John Price, and it has now raised over £350,000 for people living with cancer.

Our promise to ensure the charity continues to be a great place to work

Underpinning our charity is an incredible group of people who work alongside one another, tirelessly uniting to go above and beyond for the one in two facing cancer. Together we are Team Weston Park. During the year we have continued to work together, caring in every sense. Our wellbeing team have been there to ensure the health and happiness of our team.

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We have shared monthly all staff meetings at which the wellbeing team have implemented a range of incentives and rewards throughout the year to support our team including an easter card and gift in April, pride badges in celebration of 50 years of Pride, breakfast butties during a wellbeing walk in the park during summer and a festive get together in December.

We are incredibly proud to have become an accredited living wage employer, meaning every member of staff working as part of our team will earn a real living wage. In addition to this we listened to the concerns of the team in relation to the winter cost of living crisis and implemented a range of initiatives to offer support.

We ran a winter wellbeing project throughout January and February 2023 and every member of the team attended two sessions with drinks and breakfast provided at a woodland centre in Ecclesall Woods. Following these sessions staff were asked to make a wellbeing pledge to themselves in February 2023 which was shared and discussed with the Team. We strive to be a compassionate organisation, we collaborated with Chris Whitehead from the compassionate leadership podcast, to work alongside our team of managers to develop their coaching skills.

Our Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (ED&I) working group exists to inform and broaden our approach to caring for individuals living with cancer. We want everyone within our team to ensure that everyone has fair and equal access to our services and fundraising platforms and events.

The group is made up of staff and includes one of our trustees and presents at all-staff team meetings, arranges training and external speakers as well as providing updates on demographic data on the population we serve.

In March 2023, the ED&I working group presented key findings to the team from the 2021 census, to inform and educate on the diversity of South Yorkshire. We understand the importance of being aware of who needs our support and we strive to make sure everyone feels welcomed and comfortable to reach out.

During the year, we're proud to have expanded our range of information resources, which now cover several languages and are available in easy-to-read formats as well as providing access to a translation service for people visiting the centre.

As well as improving the accessibility of our services, we've also invested in staff training throughout the year, reviewed our recruitment process, and have plans to implement more 'Feed your mind' sessions throughout the next year, providing further education and training opportunities to staff.

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Continuing our mission

We are proud of the progress we have made on our strategic objectives during 2022/2023 to improve the lives of people affected by cancer, across the region. But there is still more to do to deliver our ambitious strategy by 2025. Our focus will remain on this work so we can create the biggest impact possible for the people we serve.

By 2025 we want...

- Everyone to know about Weston Park Cancer Charity – so that people know about us and how we can help them and their loved ones.
- To address health inequalities across the region, focusing on areas of deprivation where experiences and survival outcomes are worse – so that every person can access excellent cancer care, regardless of who they are or where they live in the region.
- To provide free transport to attend hospital appointments for treatment and care, for anyone who needs it – so that people don't decline potentially life-saving treatment due to financial pressures and other concerns.
- To support Weston Park to be a leading UK cancer research centre – so that people with cancer are given the opportunity to participate in cutting-edge clinical trials and studies.
- Everyone to be able to access support and donate to us through digital platforms – so that people have greater choice and control over how to engage with us.
- People to see the difference we make to the lives of people with cancer and their families – so that people understand the difference their money makes and feel inspired to support our work.

Reserves, finances, investments

Review of accounts

At 31st March 2023 there was a net decrease in funds of £303k (2022: increase of £514k).

Income for the year was £2,223k, an increase of £36k from 2021-22.

Expenditure costs in the year were £2,475k (2022 £1,692k), an increase of £783k. Of this, the largest increase was £637k in grants payable as planned large grants were made following previous delays when resources were diverted over covid lockdowns.

Investments

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, The Trustees are empowered to invest the resources of the charity in any way they think fit.

At the 31 March 2023 the Charity held £463k (2022 £531k) in investments, a decrease of £68k (2022: increase of £3k) since last year. The decrease relates to unrealised losses suffered through the global fall in the stock market and this is expected to recover.

Reserves Policy

In formulating their reserves policy, Trustees have followed the guidance set out by The Charity Commission in deciding, publishing, implementing and monitoring their charity's reserves policy so that they can comply with their legal duties to:

- Act in the interest of their charity and its beneficiaries
- Protect and safeguard the assets of their charity;
- Act with reasonable care and skill;
- Ensure their charity is accountable.

The Trustees use a risk-based approach to assess the level of unrestricted undesignated reserves that need to be held. The risks are monetised and compared to the value of working capital required. The higher value is used as the reserves level. The Trustees reserves policy sets a minimum of £600k unrestricted, undesignated funds. Reserves are reviewed at least annually.

At 31st March 2023 the charity's total reserves were £3,959,318 (2022: £4,262,034).

Of the £0.85m designated funds held at the end of the year, £0.45m has been designated to Research Grants, £0.04m to Treatment and Care Grants, and £0.36m Outreach.

This leaves general unrestricted funds of £2.1m (2022: £2.0m), and free reserves of £1.6m (2022: £1.4m). This exceeds the target level of £600k and the trustees are intending to review the reserves position again during the coming year with a view to further designations of funds.

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Our Trustees

The Trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the group and the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is a company limited by guarantee, company number 1480596, and a Charity, registration number 509803. The trustees, listed below, have overall responsibility for the strategic direction and effective governance of the charity.

Board of trustees

Members of the board during the year and up to the date of signing the accounts were:

David Whitney	Chairperson (Resigned April 2022)
Niall Baker	Chairperson (Appointed April 2022) Ex officio member of all sub-committees
Patricia Fisher	Chair of the Services Committee Member of the Treatment and Care Committee (Retired May 2023)
Julia Delaney	Treasurer and Chair of Finance and Resources Member of the Corporate Services Committee (Retired February 2023)
Robert Coleman	Chair of the Research Committee
Pat McGrath	Chair of Remuneration and Nomination Member of the Corporate Services Committee (Retired March 2023)
David Bussue	Member of the Corporate Services Committee
Nigel Beasley	Member of the Research Committee
Tim Brazier	Member of the Services Committee
Steve Wragg	Chair of the Treatment and Care Committee Chair of Risk, Audit and Governance from April 2022 Member of the Corporate Services Committee
Melinda Schofield	Member of the Corporate Services Committee (Appointed September 2022)
James Catto	Member of the Research Committee (Appointed December 2022)
Darrell Re	(Appointed December 2022)
Peter O'Connell	Treasurer and Chair of Finance and Resources Member of the Corporate Services Committee (Appointed February 2023)
Steve Chu	Chair of Remuneration and Nomination Member of the Corporate Services Committee (Appointed April 2023)
Louise Merriman	Member of the Services Committee (Appointed June 2023)

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How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described within this report. All our charitable activities focus on enabling life-saving research and clinical trials, enhancing treatment and providing support for people with cancer and their loved ones across South Yorkshire and those who are receiving treatment at Weston Park Cancer Centre from across the UK. All activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

How decisions are made

The charity operates a governance structure determined by the Board of Trustees to carry out its legal, regulatory and oversight duties. This is formed of a Board of Trustees which meets as a minimum 3 times per year. The following committees report to the board:

- **Corporate Services Committee** combines
 - Risk, Audit and Governance – gives assurance to the Board on all aspects of the charity's operations and has oversight and scrutiny of the risk register with the top risks being reviewed by the Board at each meeting.
 - Remunerations and Nominations Committee – oversees our objective to 'Create a Great Place to Work', appraisal of the Chair and succession planning to the Board.
 - Finance & Resource – has oversight and scrutiny of finance, premises, IT, oversight of financial performance of the organisation and all of resources to the Board
- **Services Committee** – is accountable to the Board for all clinically-related services, their evaluation, development and risks.
- **Research Committee** – has oversight and scrutiny of research grants and makes recommendations to the Board on research grant applications.
- **Treatment and Care Committee** - has oversight and scrutiny of treatment and care grants and makes recommendations to the Board on these grant applications.

- The Board has an agreed delegated scheme of approval which makes it clearer how decisions are made within the charity and who makes these. This was reviewed, updated and approved by the Board in July 2022.
- Day-to-day operational decisions are delegated to the executive team headed by the Chief Executive Officer.

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Decisions on Grant-Giving

- The Research Committee and Treatment and Care Committee are chaired by a Trustee and are quorate with three members present, two of whom should be trustees. Each committee makes recommendations to trustees on which projects should or shouldn't be funded and it is for the Board to make the final decision based on these recommendations. The committees have delegated responsibility to oversee the grant application process and monitor grants. The Board look to the committee to shape strategy and suggest budget allocations which Trustees then approve.
- It is important that expertise is sought from a broad range of disciplines and experience to ensure the soundest decisions are made on how grant funding is allocated and managed. Alongside trustees our committees include those with lived experience of cancer and those with specialist clinical research of care knowledge in the area (such as oncologists and nurses).
- The Charity operates a small grant application process through which applications to a maximum of £1,500 can be made with the total fund available being £20k per annum. Trustees delegated responsibility for these decisions to the CEO who, in turn, has delegated this to a small cross-organisational staff group. This empowers staff, is a good way to develop their skills and ensures a wide range of experiences involved in the decision-making process. Staff have enjoyed being involved in this process.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The skills audit of the Board is reviewed on an ongoing basis and linked to our strategy to try to help us to recruit people with the skills, knowledge and expertise needed to strengthen our leadership. Niall Baker took up the Chair position in April 2022 and the charity appreciates his supportive and effective leadership. During the year 5 new Trustees were appointed through an open recruitment process. The new Trustees bring a wealth of experience which has greatly benefited the charity.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are invited to a number of training sessions with the CEO and Senior Leadership Team which cover the responsibilities of being a trustee as well as the specifics of the management of Weston Park Cancer Charity and the ways in which we adhere to, and deliver against, our governing document and charitable objectives. New trustees are also encouraged to participate in training for new trustees delivered by the likes of Civil Society.

Trustees are encouraged to undertake training as and when they are able, and it is the responsibility of each trustee to ensure they have the skills and knowledge to be able to undertake their role. Trustees are encouraged to participate in

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training provided by external providers on subjects such as governance, change to charity law and codes, finance etc. The CEO provides regular updates on policy changes and information of interest from the sector press. An annual trustee away-day takes place which involves strategy development but also team building.

Linked Charity

The Trustees' Report and Financial Statements also incorporate The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund, a linked charity. The trade and assets were transferred into Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Ltd. on 30th April 2018. There is no continued trade within this charity.

The Senior Leadership Team

Operational responsibility for the charity is delegated by the Board to the executive team. The Senior Leadership Team comprises the following roles:

- **Chief Executive Officer** –
 - leads the charity, develops and implements strategy and is accountable for the day-to-day operations of the Charity.
 - responsible for the team which delivers finance, IT, admin, HR, health and safety and premises functions.
 - responsible for the team which delivers our services, the development of future services and effective use of our grants.
- **Deputy Chief Executive Officer** – leads the development of plans to secure income and to market ourselves so that people want to support us or use our services.

The Senior Leadership Team is supported by department heads who are responsible for delivering their part of the annual plan.

- Head of Cancer Support Services
- Head of Fundraising
- Head of Marketing
- Head of HR & Business Services

Plans for the future

We are proud of the progress we have made on our strategic objectives during 2022/2023 to improve the lives of people affected by cancer across the region. But there is still more to do to deliver our ambitious strategy by 2025. Our focus will remain on this work so we can create the biggest impact possible for the people we serve.

By 2025 we want...

- Everyone to know about Weston Park Cancer Charity – so that people know about us and how we can help them and their loved ones.
- To address health inequalities across the region, focusing on areas of deprivation where experiences and survival outcomes are worse – so that every person can access excellent cancer care, regardless of who they are or where they live in the region
- To provide free transport to attend hospital appointments for treatment and care, for anyone who needs it – so that people don't decline potentially life-saving treatment due to financial pressures and other concerns
- To support Weston Park to be a leading UK cancer research centre – so that people with cancer are given the opportunity to participate in cutting-edge clinical trials and studies.
- Everyone to be able to access support and donate to us through digital platforms – so that people have greater choice and control over how to engage with us
- People to see the difference we make to the lives of people with cancer and their families – so that people understand the difference their money makes and feel inspired to support our work.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

Dec 6, 2023

This report was approved by the Trustees, on and signed on their behalf by:


Niall Baker (Dec 6, 2023 17:15 GMT)

Niall Baker

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (continued)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic report.

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (continued)

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable to the charity and the sector in which it operates and considered the risk of acts by the company that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. We designed audit procedures to respond to the risk, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations or through collusion.

We focussed on laws and regulations, relevant to the charity, which could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements. Our tests included agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation, enquiries with management, review of the charity's operation of controls within the year, in particular, cash controls, and review of expenses, such

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (continued)

as legal costs. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described and, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it.

As part of our audit, we addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including testing of journals and review of nominal ledger. We evaluated whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.


Philip Allsop (Dec 6, 2023 17:20 GMT)

Philip Allsop (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

BHP LLP

2 Rutland Park
Sheffield
S10 2PD

Date: Dec 6, 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2023	2023	2023	2022
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,548,752	540,540	2,089,292	2,059,462
Fundraising trading activities		88,507	-	88,507	106,447
Other trading activities		5,392	-	5,392	7,428
Investment income		40,251	-	40,251	13,743
Total Income		<u>1,682,902</u>	<u>540,540</u>	<u>2,223,442</u>	<u>2,187,080</u>
Expenditure on:					
Fundraising	3	704,866	-	704,866	606,214
Charitable activities	4	1,731,513	38,148	1,769,661	1,085,578
Total expenditure		<u>2,436,379</u>	<u>38,148</u>	<u>2,474,527</u>	<u>1,691,792</u>
Net (expenditure)/ income before net gains/ (losses) on investments		(753,477)	502,392	(251,085)	495,288
Net gains/(losses) on investments	12	(51,631)	-	(51,631)	18,499
Net movement in funds		<u>(805,108)</u>	<u>502,392</u>	<u>(302,716)</u>	<u>513,787</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		3,720,070	541,964	4,262,034	3,748,247
Net movement in funds		(805,108)	502,392	(302,716)	513,787
Total funds carried forward		<u>2,914,962</u>	<u>1,044,356</u>	<u>3,959,318</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. The notes on pages 29 to 50 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	109,271	31,284
Investments	12	463,213	531,360
		<u>572,484</u>	<u>562,644</u>
Current assets			
Stocks		8,921	5,210
Debtors	13	788,481	479,313
Cash at bank and in hand		3,762,197	4,175,213
		<u>4,559,599</u>	<u>4,659,736</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(882,003)	(947,560)
		<u>3,677,596</u>	<u>3,712,176</u>
Net current assets			
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(290,762)	(12,786)
		<u>3,959,318</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>
Net assets excluding pension asset			
		<u>3,959,318</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>
Total net assets			
		<u>3,959,318</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds	16	1,044,356	541,964
Unrestricted funds:			
Designated funds	16	845,068	1,709,985
General funds	16	2,069,894	2,010,085
Total unrestricted funds	16	<u>2,914,962</u>	<u>3,720,070</u>
		<u>3,959,318</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies' regime. The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Niall Baker
Niall Baker (Dec 6, 2023 17:15 GMT)

Niall Baker
Date: Dec 6, 2023

The notes on pages 29 to 50 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities - note 19	(365,499)	(468,867)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	40,251	13,743
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(93,367)	-
Purchase of investments	(44,744)	(29,578)
Proceeds from disposal of investments	50,343	32,667
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities	(47,517)	16,832
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(413,016)	(452,035)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	4,175,213	4,627,248
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year - note 20	<u>3,762,197</u>	<u>4,175,213</u>

The notes on pages 29 to 50 form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Statement of financial activities (SOFA) and Balance sheet represent the financial statements of the charity. The results of its subsidiary undertaking, Weston Park Trading Limited have not been consolidated within the accounts due to its immaterial nature. Weston Park Trading Limited is a dormant subsidiary with share capital totalling £1.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared forecasts of income and expenditure and cash flow for 12 months from authorising these financial statements which shows that they have sufficient reserves to be able to continue for the foreseeable future. The Board will continue to monitor the impact on income and take appropriate action as necessary. The Trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation for these financial statements.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the Charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably, and the Charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the Charity, or the Charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified, and a third party is bearing the costs. No amounts are included in the financial statement for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contribution and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Costs of generating funds are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds. Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities. All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Grants payable

Grant awards are reviewed at least annually and are subject to the grant terms.

Grants payable are recognised in full, for all years of the grant, in the year the offer is made when there are no conditions on the grant. Where grants are conditional, they are recognised when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment and not recognised.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	10 years
IT equipment (over £1,000)	3 years
Fixtures and fittings (over £500)	3 years
Motor vehicles	10 years

1.7 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.11 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

1.12 Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value recognised, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.13 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.14 Pensions

The Charity's main pension schemes are defined contribution pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

The Charity also participates in one of the NHS pension schemes. It is a defined benefit scheme but the Charity is unable to identify its share of the underlying scheme liabilities and so it is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme. See note 22 for further details.

1.15 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.16 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Preparation of the financial statements can require management to make significant judgements and estimates. There were no items in the financial statements which required judgements and estimates in the current or previous periods.

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2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising	1,037,740	540,540	1,578,280	1,455,780
Legacies	511,012	-	511,012	603,682
	<u>1,548,752</u>	<u>540,540</u>	<u>2,089,292</u>	<u>2,059,462</u>
Total 2022	<u>1,718,532</u>	<u>340,930</u>	<u>2,059,462</u>	

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3. Fundraising trading expenses

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Events and activities	44,130	44,130	45,641
Wages and salaries - note 9	377,582	377,582	265,782
Training and recruitment	8,610	8,610	5,809
Support costs - note 6	127,290	127,290	110,866
Governance costs - note 7	12,521	12,521	19,546
Other	134,733	134,733	158,570
	<u>704,866</u>	<u>704,866</u>	<u>606,214</u>
Total 2022	<u>606,214</u>	<u>606,214</u>	

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants payable – note 5	810,408	19,772	830,180	193,859
Patient Services	263,780	8,213	271,993	261,576
Staff costs - note 9	416,984	7,063	424,047	377,610
Training and recruitment	7,125	-	7,125	5,173
Depreciation	-	3,100	3,100	-
Support costs - note 6	181,291	-	181,291	166,300
Governance costs - note 7	51,925	-	51,925	81,060
	<u>1,731,513</u>	<u>38,148</u>	<u>1,769,661</u>	<u>1,085,578</u>
Total 2022	<u>1,002,722</u>	<u>82,856</u>	<u>1,085,578</u>	

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5. Grants payable

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Grants to institutions				
Research Grants	569,749	19,772	589,521	372,268
Treatment and Care Grants	276,494	-	276,494	-
Small Grants	11,448	-	11,448	11,210
Research Grants De-allocated	(8,615)	-	(8,615)	(169,419)
Treatment & Care Grants De-allocated	(34,441)	-	(46,179)	(19,087)
Small Grants De-allocated	(4,227)	-	(4,227)	(1,113)
	<u>810,408</u>	<u>19,772</u>	<u>830,180</u>	<u>193,859</u>
Total 2022	<u>141,407</u>	<u>52,452</u>	<u>193,859</u>	

Support cost allocation in relation to these grants is set out below:

Research Grants	£56,975	(2022 - £35,600)
Treatment and Care Grants	£27,649	(2022 - £nil)
Small Grants	£1,145	(2022 - £1,121)

Research Grants De-allocated and Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated show where the relevant committee has taken the decision to withdraw part or all of the funding of a grant either due to a change of circumstances, non-delivery or poor performance against the agreed terms and conditions.

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6. Support costs

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Premises	2,007	2,007	1,447
Telephones	3,373	3,373	3,600
Office equipment & software maintenance	5,290	5,290	7,960
Legal and Professional	50,378	50,378	16,927
Depreciation	12,280	12,280	15,838
Other staff costs	21,186	21,186	14,848
Other costs	32,130	32,130	24,274
Staff costs - note 9	189,651	189,651	210,748
	<u>316,295</u>	<u>316,295</u>	<u>295,642</u>
Total 2022	<u>295,642</u>	<u>295,642</u>	

Support costs have been allocated as follows:

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 3	127,290	127,290	110,866
Charitable activities - note 4	181,291	181,291	166,300
Governance costs - note 7	7,714	7,714	18,476
	<u>316,295</u>	<u>316,295</u>	<u>295,642</u>

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7. Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Wages and salaries - note 9	39,631	39,631	63,032
Auditor's remuneration	15,180	15,180	13,600
Other	1,920	1,920	5,498
Support costs - note 6	7,714	7,714	18,476
	<u>64,445</u>	<u>64,445</u>	<u>100,606</u>
Total 2022	<u>100,606</u>	<u>100,606</u>	

Governance costs have been allocated to

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 3	12,521	12,521	19,546
Charitable activities - note 4	51,925	51,925	81,060
	<u>64,445</u>	<u>64,445</u>	<u>100,606</u>

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8. Net income/(expenditure)

This is stated after charging:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets: - owned by the charity	15,380	15,839
Auditor's remuneration – audit	15,180	10,000
Auditor's remuneration - other services	<u>2,181</u>	<u>-</u>

9. Staff costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	874,621	787,663
Social security costs	89,112	73,318
Pension costs	52,396	49,576
Temporary staff	6,374	-
Other staff costs	8,408	6,615
	<u>1,030,911</u>	<u>917,172</u>

Staff costs include a one-off discretionary cost of living payment to staff (2022: £nil).

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
Average	<u>27</u>	<u>25</u>

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
Fundraising	11	10
Care	10	8
Support	6	5
	<u>27</u>	<u>23</u>

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9. Staff costs (continued)

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2023	2022
	No.	No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

The key management personnel of the charity are considered to be the Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive (2022: also Head of Finance and Operations to December 2021). The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity were £149,888 (2022: £198,241).

Staff costs have been allocated to activities as follows:

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 3	377,582	377,582	265,782
Charitable activities - note 4	424,047	424,047	377,610
Support costs - note 6	189,651	189,651	210,748
Governance - note 7	39,631	39,631	63,032
	<u>1,030,911</u>	<u>1,030,911</u>	<u>917,172</u>

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - £nil).

During the year ended 31 March 2023, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2022 - £nil).

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11. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 April 2022	46,003	23,000	68,388	137,391
Additions	-	79,000	14,367	93,367
At 31 March 2023	<u>46,003</u>	<u>102,000</u>	<u>82,755</u>	<u>230,758</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2022	46,003	4,573	55,531	106,107
Charge for the year	-	6,090	9,290	15,380
At 31 March 2023	<u>46,003</u>	<u>10,663</u>	<u>64,821</u>	<u>121,487</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>91,337</u>	<u>17,934</u>	<u>109,271</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>18,427</u>	<u>12,857</u>	<u>31,284</u>

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12. Fixed Asset Investments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Market value at 1 April 2022	531,360	528,342
Additions	44,744	29,578
Disposals	(50,343)	(32,667)
Net investment gains/(losses)	<u>(62,548)</u>	<u>6,107</u>
	<u>463,213</u>	<u>531,360</u>
Market value at 31 March 2023	<u>463,213</u>	<u>531,360</u>

In addition to the above investments held at market value, a £1 investment in the subsidiary company Weston Park Trading Limited is included in the 2023 figures. Total Investments are therefore £463,214 (2022: £531,361).

However, this £1 investment is not recognised in the financial statements as it is deemed to be immaterial.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cost at 31 March	<u>384,981</u>	<u>390,579</u>

	2023	2022
	£	£
Unrealised (loss)/gain	(62,548)	6,107
Realised gain	<u>10,917</u>	<u>12,392</u>
Net (loss)/gain on investment	<u>(51,631)</u>	<u>18,499</u>

The difference between the historical cost and market value of investments has been included in unrestricted funds.

The following investments account for more than five percent of the total market value of investments held by the charitable company:

	Holding	2023	2022
	%	£	£
Vanguard Funds PLC S&P 500 Units Etf USD Dis	9%	43,754	46,342
Royal London Utm Sterl Credit Instl Inc Z GBP	5%	25,410	29,546
Findlay Park Fund Ic Findlay Park American I	5%	23,193	-
Brown Advisory Fund US Sustainable Growth	0%	-	32,604
		<u>92,357</u>	<u>108,492</u>

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13. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
<i>Due within one year</i>		
Other debtors	-	82,135
Prepayments	34,625	26,178
Accrued Income	753,856	371,000
	<u>788,481</u>	<u>479,313</u>

During the year the Charity received the prior year outstanding cash balance of £82,135 following the merger in 2020-21 with Nenna Kind Cancer Drop in Centre (companies house reference 07897112).

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	163,967	195,573
Deferred income	10,450	12,075
Other creditors	23,305	22,795
Accruals	41,103	56,770
Grants payable	643,178	660,347
	<u>882,003</u>	<u>947,560</u>

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Grants payable	<u>290,762</u>	<u>12,786</u>

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16. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	1,027,548	-	(555,224)	(19,772)	-	452,552
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	316,525	-	(282,542)	-	-	33,983
Delivery of strategy - outreach	358,533	-	-	-	-	358,533
Other - Emergence	7,379	-	(3,629)	(3,750)	-	-
	1,709,985	-	(841,395)	(23,522)	-	845,068
General funds						
General Funds	2,010,085	1,682,902	(1,594,984)	23,522	(51,631)	2,069,894
Total Unrestricted funds	3,720,070	1,682,902	(2,436,379)	-	(51,631)	2,914,962
Restricted funds						
Support Centre Fund	518	-	(518)	-	-	-
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	-	110	-	-	-	110
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175	-	-	-	-	2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	17,260	3,390	(354)	-	-	20,296
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542	-	-	-	-	3,542
Rochelle Baxter Fund	117,873	6,040	(19,417)	-	-	104,496
Barnsley Transport Fund	7,596	-	(5,187)	-	-	2,409
Outreach	270,000	-	(7,063)	-	-	262,937
Westfield Health Foundation	100,000	-	-	(48,000)	-	52,000
SYB ICS Cancer Alliance	23,000	-	(2,509)	-	-	20,491
Capital fund - buses	-	31,000	(3,100)	48,000	-	75,900
Hospital equipment fund	-	500,000	-	-	-	500,000
	541,964	540,540	(38,148)	-	-	1,044,356
Total of funds	4,262,034	2,223,442	(2,474,527)	-	(51,631)	3,959,318

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16. Statement of funds (continued)

Designated funds

The trustees have designated £1.8m for projects related to our 'Together at Every Step' strategy listed below. These funds are being utilised over a three-year period. Within the year, work has begun to establish new grant-funding rounds and new strategic projects.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy – Research Grants

This fund is to enable us to invest in research and new technologies that can improve the effectiveness, tolerability and/or cost effectiveness of treatment and also to give patients the opportunity to participate in ground-breaking clinical trials.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Treatment and Care Grants

This fund is to enable us to improve the environment where cancer patients across the region receive treatment and to support innovative services that enhance the experience of living with and beyond cancer in the community.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Cancer Support Community Outreach

This fund is to develop an outreach cancer support service to areas of greatest need.

Other – Emergence from Covid-19

This fund is to assist in moving forward from the Covid-19 pandemic in reopening in-person services.

Suitable fund transfers have occurred to match the funds designated by the trustees at financial yearend.

Restricted fund details:

Heads Together fund – used to support projects which benefit head and neck cancer patients

Rochelle Baxter fund – used to improve the lives of cancer patients aged between 16 and 25, and their families

Scott McBride fund – used to support projects which benefit sarcoma patients

Thyroid patient fund – used to support projects which benefit thyroid patients

Barnsley Transport fund – used to support the Barnsley transport service

Outreach – National Lottery Community funds received for the Outreach programme commencing in 2022/23

Westfield - £100,000 towards the Outreach programme; £30,000 to support the charity hub. During the year £48,000 was transferred to the capital fund on the purchase of buses for the Outreach service.

SYB ICS Cancer Alliance - £10,000 towards the Outreach programme; £13,000 to support the Rotherham bus service

Capital fund - buses - to fund the purchase of a minibus for the Rotherham transport service and two buses for Outreach service delivery. Depreciation will be charged against the funding over the 10 year useful life of the vehicles.

Hospital equipment fund - £500,000 towards the purchase of equipment to support Weston Park Hospital

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16. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	1,080,000	-	(5,100)	(47,352)	-	1,027,548
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	316,525	-	-	-	-	316,525
Delivery of strategy - outreach	358,533	-	-	-	-	358,533
Other - Emergence	-	-	(42,621)	50,000	-	7,379
	1,755,058	-	(47,721)	2,648	-	1,709,985
General funds						
General Funds	1,709,299	1,846,150	(1,561,215)	(2,648)	18,499	2,010,085
Total Unrestricted funds	3,464,357	1,846,150	(1,608,936)	-	18,499	3,720,070
Restricted funds						
Support Centre Fund	518	-	-	-	-	518
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	10,308	120	(10,428)	-	-	-
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175	-	-	-	-	2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	16,414	1,095	(249)	-	-	17,260
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542	-	-	-	-	3,542
Betty Waind Sarcoma Fund	24,424	-	(24,424)	-	-	-
Rochelle Baxter Fund	126,509	8,715	(17,351)	-	-	117,873
Barnsley Transport Fund	-	8,000	(404)	-	-	7,596
Outreach	-	270,000	-	-	-	270,000
Westfield Health Foundation	100,000	30,000	(30,000)	-	-	100,000
SYB ICS Cancer Alliance	-	23,000	-	-	-	23,000
	283,890	340,930	(82,856)	-	-	541,964
Total of funds	3,748,247	2,187,080	(1,691,792)	-	18,499	4,262,034

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17. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Designated funds	1,709,985	-	(841,395)	(23,522)	-	845,068
General funds	2,010,085	1,682,902	(1,594,984)	23,522	(51,631)	2,069,894
Restricted funds	541,964	540,540	(38,148)	-	-	1,044,356
	<u>4,262,034</u>	<u>2,223,442</u>	<u>(2,474,527)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(51,631)</u>	<u>3,959,318</u>

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Designated funds	1,755,058	-	(47,721)	2,648	-	1,709,985
General funds	1,709,299	1,846,150	(1,561,215)	(2,648)	18,499	2,010,085
Restricted funds	283,890	340,930	(82,856)	-	-	541,964
	<u>3,748,247</u>	<u>2,187,080</u>	<u>(1,691,792)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,499</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	33,371	75,900	109,271
Fixed asset investments	463,213	-	463,213
Current assets	3,591,143	968,456	4,559,599
Creditors due within one year	(882,003)	-	(882,003)
Creditors due in more than one year	(290,762)	-	(290,762)
Total	<u>2,914,962</u>	<u>1,044,356</u>	<u>3,959,318</u>

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18. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	31,284	-	31,284
Fixed asset investments	531,360	-	531,360
Current assets	4,117,772	541,964	4,659,736
Creditors due within one year	(947,560)	-	(947,560)
Creditors due in more than one year	(12,786)	-	(12,786)
Total	<u>3,720,070</u>	<u>541,964</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>

19. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	(302,716)	513,787
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	15,380	15,839
Losses/(gains) on investments	62,548	(6,107)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(3,711)	1,366
Decrease in debtors	(309,168)	(253,858)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	212,419	(726,151)
Investment income	(40,251)	(13,743)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(365,499)</u>	<u>(468,867)</u>

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20. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	3,762,197	4,175,213
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>3,762,197</u>	<u>4,175,213</u>

21. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2022	Cash flows	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,175,213	(413,016)	3,762,197
	<u>4,175,213</u>	<u>(413,016)</u>	<u>3,762,197</u>

22. Pension commitments

Eligible staff belong to one of three pensions:

- All staff who joined the organisation after 1st May 2018 and all staff who were TUPEd over from the Weston Park Cancer Care and Research Fund charity are in the Charity's auto-enrolment scheme with the Peoples Pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the scheme.
- Three members of staff who were with the charity before the merger are in auto-enrolment compliant stakeholder pensions. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the schemes.
- The pension funds above are assets of the individual and Weston Park Cancer Charity has no liability nor interest in the value of each fund. Weston Park Cancer Charity contributions are charged to the SoFA as they are incurred.
- Staff who had an NHS pension when they joined the Charity and who were still eligible to be in the NHS scheme remained in the scheme. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes contributions to the NHS superannuation scheme. Employer's pension cost contributions are charged to operating expenses as and when they become due.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2016. It was published in February 2020 and noted a notional deficiency of £19.4Bn. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2020 to 21.88% up from 20.6% (2019) of pensionable pay. The uplift was funded by the Department for Health and Social Care.

The total employer contribution payable to the NHS Pension Scheme in 2022-23 was £10,015 (2021-22 £13,376), £Nil was outstanding at the yearend (2022: £Nil). In addition, employees who are members of the Scheme paid salary dependant variable contributions in the range 5.6% to 9.3%.

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23. Related party transactions

Donations totalling £9,485 (2022: £1,595) from Trustees were received in the year.

During the year Irwin Mitchell charged £1,210 for services to the charity. Niall Baker is the Regional Managing Partner of Irwin Mitchell.

24. Capital commitments

At 31st March 2023 the charity had no capital commitments (2022: committed to the purchase of computer equipment totalling £10,617).

25. Contingent assets

As at the reporting date, it is probable that additional legacies of approximately £157,560 are to be received. This has not been included within accrued income, as although the income is probable and the charity has entitlement, the amount has not yet been confirmed.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LTD

England & Wales - Charity number 509803

Accounts

Registered number: 1480596
Charity number: 509803

Our annual report

April 2021 – March 2022

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited, trading as
Weston Park Cancer Charity (a company limited by guarantee)

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Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Senior Management Team Ms E Clarke, CEO (appointed November 2021, appointed Interim CEO May 2021)
Ms E Clarke, Director of Services and Grant Giving (Changed role May 2021)
Ms C Rhone, Deputy CEO (appointed April 2022)
Ms C Rhone, Director of Fundraising and Marketing (changed role April 2022)
Ms S Dixon, CEO (resigned May 2021)
Ms I Hartland, Director of Corporate Services (resigned November 2021)

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Trustee Annual Report

Overview

We are delighted to share with you our annual report for April 2021 – March 2022.

In this report you will read the story of our emergence from the pandemic as we continue to live and deliver care in the context of coronavirus and take steps towards our post-pandemic recovery.

We've faced highs and lows throughout the year. Like many of the people we support and the people who make our work possible, the pandemic continues to affect us all. We know this is not going to change overnight as the impact of the pandemic rolls on. Despite the challenges, we remain optimistic about the future and have done everything we can to support people affected by cancer.

This year, we've celebrated the re-opening of our physical spaces, re-established face-to-face support, and finally hosted several mass-participation events which had to be rescheduled during the pandemic. This includes the celebration of Weston Park Cancer Centre's 50th anniversary milestone.

Alongside this, we have welcomed new staff members, a new CEO and appointed a new Chair to the Board of Trustees.

It's thanks to the commitment and determination of everyone who supports us that we have been able to make significant progress against our charitable objectives and fulfil our promise to be there, at every step, for patients and families facing cancer.



Picture: 1 Emma Clarke, CEO of Weston Park Cancer Charity

Our charitable purpose

Our vision, which leads us to all that we do, is to provide the best life for everyone living with and beyond cancer, both now and in the future.

We achieve this by delivering three key pillars of work;

- We Provide Support
- We Enhance Treatment
- We Enable Research

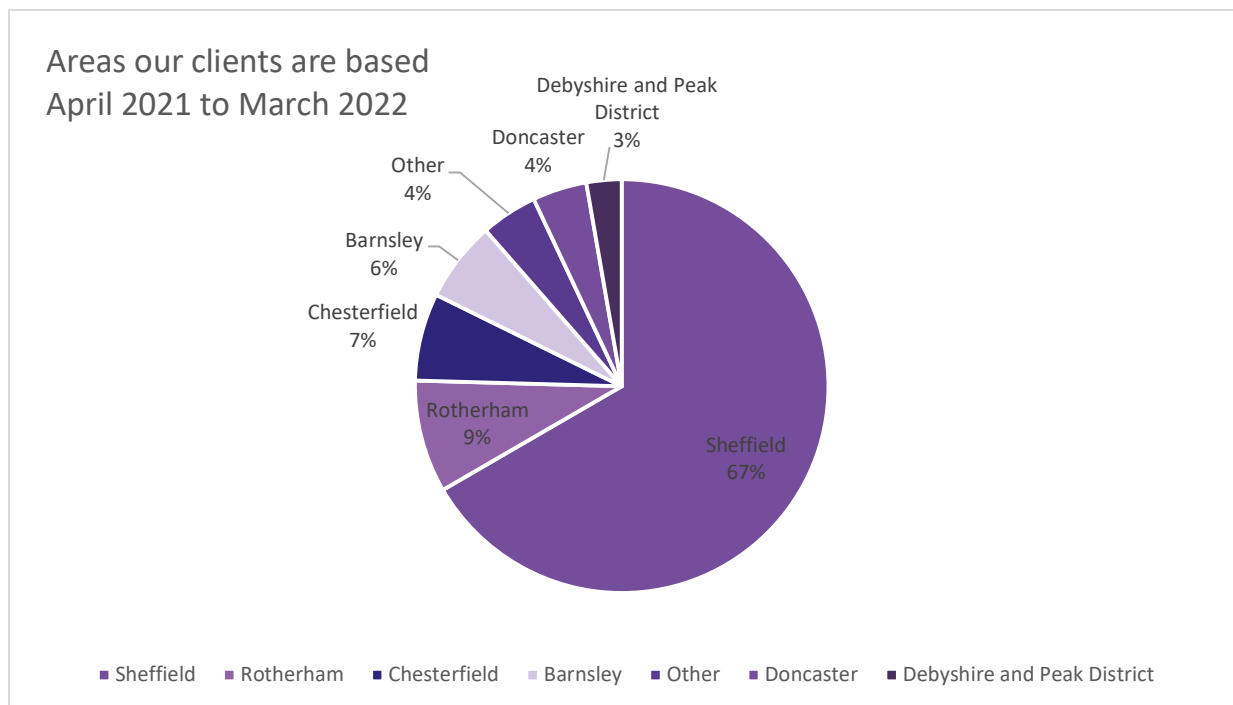
And, that's how we achieve our overarching goal, to actively care in every sense for the patient and the people around them.

Who benefits from our work

For one in two of us, cancer will become a reality. So whether that's us, or someone we care for, we can all expect cancer to affect us.

As a regional cancer charity located in Sheffield, we exist to support everyone affected by cancer across the region. This includes people living in South Yorkshire, North Nottinghamshire and North Derbyshire.

This year, we have been proud to support over 5,822 people who have been affected by cancer, including friends, family and loved ones. We promised to be there at every step, supporting them on 13,004 occasions.



This chart shows a breakdown of the people we support directly through our services (it is created using information which has been shared with us by 1613 people through our services and grants).

Our strategic aims for 2021-2022 including achievements, highlights and activities

Re-open Weston Park Cancer Support

We promise to be there from the moment people are diagnosed, every step of the way. We achieve this, by offering a holistic programme of support, designed to support people with all areas of life.

This includes people being able to talk to healthcare professionals for advice, advising people what benefits they are entitled to or just being there for someone who needs it.

Some of our key services included:

- Welfare and legal advice
- Hardship grants for those facing financial difficulties
- Complementary therapies
- Bereavement support
- Support for people caring for someone with cancer

Understandably, people have continued to be cautious about covid-19 and therefore it was vital to ensure that people had greater choice about how to access our support services. We strived to ensure that people could continue to access services and advice virtually, over the phone, via email and in person.



Picture: Weston Park Cancer Support, located near Weston Park Cancer Centre

Despite running a successful helpline and gradually re-opening some face-to-face services, an essential part of our post-pandemic recovery was to ensure that face-to-face support could fully resume at Weston Park Cancer Support.

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People frequently told us how much they valued being able to 'drop in' without an appointment before the pandemic; **"I think you're doing everything you can in these Covid circumstances. It will be even better when you are able to open fully and people can drop in. We really valued your help."** Anonymous patient feedback

We wanted to guarantee that people affected by cancer could access the best possible information, emotional, financial and practical support to manage the overwhelming decisions that inevitably arise from a cancer diagnosis.

To do this, we needed to be able to offer a full range of cancer support services. This includes listening and responding to the changing needs of people affected by cancer, and we have been proud to introduce several new services which have been developed in response to covid, alongside our existing services. Key service highlights include:

- **Post Covid Support Group**

Our monthly post covid support group facilitated by an experienced healthcare professional provides an opportunity and a safe space to discuss the impact the pandemic had for those who were newly diagnosed or undergoing cancer treatment. Collectively through shared experience, the group helps people address some of the challenges faced during covid including the effect the pandemic had on diagnosis and treatment.

- **Post Covid Bereavement Group**

Our post covid bereavement group was set up to specifically support people who lost a loved one to cancer during the pandemic. Losing someone to cancer is difficult at any time, but the pandemic meant people weren't always able to spend time with loved ones in hospital or even say goodbye to them properly, due to government restrictions regarding funerals and gatherings.

- **Welfare Support**

Through our partnership with Citizens Advice in Sheffield, we were able to respond to 3,862 concerns that people were facing. This included;

- 25% more Universal Credit issues
- 156 Personal Independence Payment claims
- 2,920 benefits and tax credits, generated by 576 clients
- 243 travel and transport issues including bus and blue badge entitlement

Resulting in an overall increase of 15% in the number of individual clients advised (in comparison to the previous year), and a 35% increase in advice given.

- **Look Good Feel Better (LGFB)**

We were delighted to see the return of face-to-face Look Good Feel Better workshops, run by expert health volunteers. The sessions are designed to make people feel good, look better and more like themselves again, through an informative workshop where people learn new skills and techniques.

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Despite workshops being run virtually during the pandemic, we knew how much people missed attending the confidence-boosting workshop in person and the opportunity to chat to experts as well as others in a similar situation. Due to the pandemic, we were informed by LGFB that we had one of the longest waiting lists in the country. However, the team worked safely and diligently, running more workshops with smaller numbers, to ensure that all 187 people on the waiting list could attend as quickly as possible.

Refurbish and open our space within Weston Park Hospital as our new Charity Hub

We transformed our office space at Weston Park Hospital into a bright and welcoming Charity Hub; which opened on 1st October 2021.

The Hub, which is open Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm, is a safe space for patients and their families to wait in a warm, comfortable environment, either for the transport service or for a hospital appointment.

Since opening we have welcomed 2,115 people to our new charity hub.

“The Charity Hub is such a breath of fresh air after spending time in the hospital environment. The staff there are SO helpful and caring, and there always seems to be a supply of tea, coffee and biscuits, all set in a very comfortable and relaxing environment.” Anonymous feedback from someone visiting the hub, whilst undergoing cancer treatment



Picture: Staff and trustees celebrate the opening of the charity hub

Re-open our Grants Programme

Research and Clinical Trials

Research and clinical trials carried out right here in Sheffield, have the potential to change and save lives. We are extremely proud to have supported the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre (CCTC) at Weston Park since it opened in 1999.

This year, we re-affirmed our commitment to support cancer clinical trials and research, to aid the cancer sector's covid-19 recovery, after figures suggested significant falls in cancer referral numbers and diagnoses during the pandemic.

We invested over £1 million to 21 large-scale research projects at a time when many charities cut research spending, due to challenges on income generation.

We were also proud to provide £254,000 of funding for clinical trials at the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre at Weston Park. In the last year, 172 clinical trials have taken place which have allowed 1,272 people to take part in ground-breaking research. For some people, the opportunity to participate in a clinical trial could be a life-saving opportunity for someone who is out of options, when standard care cannot do any more.



Picture: Research staff return to the labs

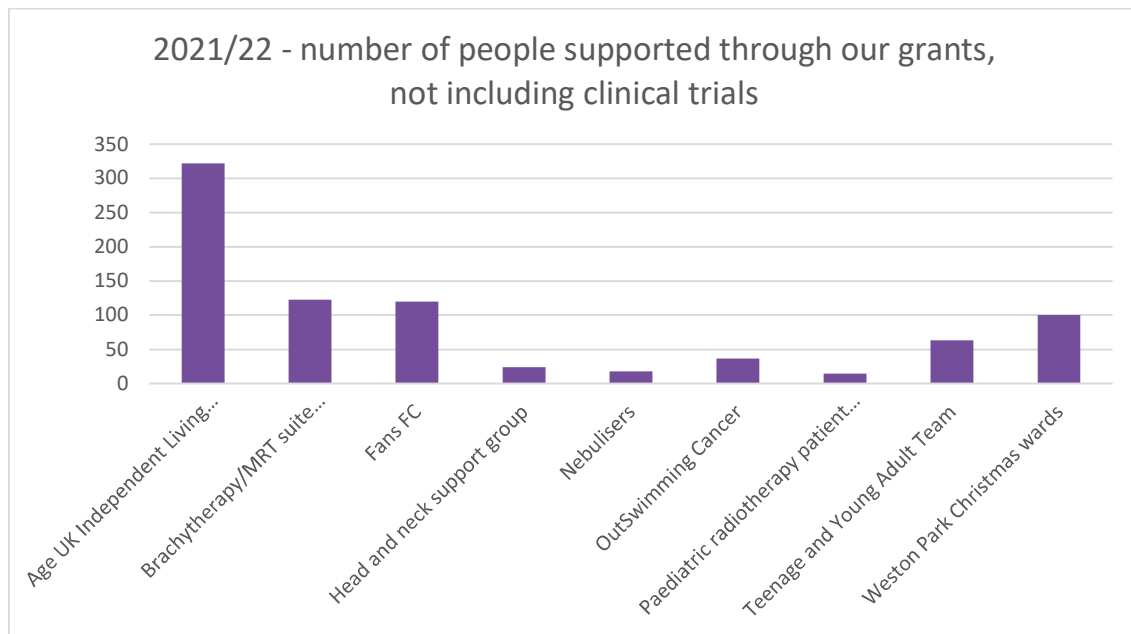
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Grant funding

We were pleased to see many of our grant-funded projects resume or increase their activity, after the impact of lockdown, ensuring people can access cancer support closer to home, in a way which is convenient to them.

We were also able to re-open our grant funding to new applications, for both treatment and care projects and a large research programme grant to address some of the key challenges people with cancer continue to face as a result of the pandemic.

The number of people we can count who have been helped by our treatment and care grants this year is 822. This includes people supported by the Independent Living Coordination Service through our partnership with Age UK Sheffield, and 15 children having radiotherapy at Weston Park Cancer Centre who received sticker charts and end-of-treatment gifts.



The true reach of our grants will always be higher than these numbers; for example, we cannot put a number on how many patients' treatment was enhanced by our purchase of the Dosecheck software system which helps the radiotherapy department plan treatment more efficiently. Additionally many of our research grants are pre-clinical, and so are for the benefit of the patients of tomorrow.

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Project highlight: Outswimming cancer

OutSwimming Cancer, a programme of free weekly swimming sessions for people living with and beyond cancer in partnership with Chesterfield Borough Council, ran 32 sessions this year. The benefits of exercising in a supportive environment among other people with similar experiences, and with a dedicated swimming instructor, have made a huge impact on the 37 people who attended the sessions, not just in terms of fitness but also self-confidence. The programme was recognised nationally, winning the Health Impact Award at the Swim England Teaching and Education Awards 2021.



Picture: Lesley at Outswimming Cancer

Project highlight: Investigating the impact of exercise

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in the UK, and the skeleton is the most common site for it to spread. Dr Ning Wang, is a researcher at the University of Sheffield who studies the impact of exercise on cancer metastasis to the bones. In a research project funded by the charity from 2018-2021, Dr Wang and his lab team studied the short- and long-term effects of different types of exercise on breast cancer spread in pre-clinical models.

They found that exercise does not impact the speed at which breast cancer cells arrive into bones, but can prolong the amount of time those cells remain in the dormant state, which would delay recurrence. We hope that these pre-clinical results can be used as the basis of a clinical trial, and ultimately to improving the advice patients are given on how to reduce their risk of their cancer spreading.

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Re-design our outreach service

We successfully submitted a bid to the National Lottery Community Fund to help address the health inequalities in seven target wards in Sheffield, which are currently underserved by our support services. We were delighted to be awarded £270,000 which will allow us to take our cancer support services out into these communities. Additional funding from partner organisations including, South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Integrated Care System Cancer Alliance and Westfield Health will help us take this service beyond Sheffield, to the wider region where we aim to support 3000 people closer to home over the next 3 years.

“Expanding Weston Park Cancer Charity’s support is a huge step forwards in addressing health inequalities in our region.

Ward level data shows people in some Sheffield communities are three times more likely to die early from cancer than some others. People living in deprivation and those from minority communities overwhelmingly live in the worst affected wards but are currently least likely to access our cancer support services.

By bringing the charity’s support to them, more people will get the help they need, when and where they need it.” Dr Patricia Fisher, Clinical Director of the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Integrated Care System Cancer Alliance and Weston Park Cancer Charity Trustee

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Deliver a safe and reliable transport service

The need to keep patients safe as they travelled to and from appointments became paramount during the pandemic. Alongside this, the cost of a rising ‘cancer commute’; meant that for some, the financial burden of a diagnosis was too much.

The Chesterfield Transport Service was launched in April 2021 followed by Barnsley in December 2021. This ensures that anyone affected by cancer can access free transport for cancer appointments and treatments on any Sheffield Teaching Hospital’s site; including Weston Park Hospital, Northern General, Charles Clifford and Hallamshire Hospital.

Throughout the year the transport service has made 692 journeys to and from hospital, supporting patients to attend vital cancer treatment .

“We wanted to express our thanks for the excellent service we have received from the Weston Park Cancer Charity Transport.

Going to hospital is always an anxious time but travelling to a hospital outside your local area and particularly if the reason for your visit is cancer treatment, then anxiety levels are bound to increase. Add to that not knowing the area, potential traffic hold ups and the parking situation then stress levels rise even further which is not what you need. The transport service removes all of that and leaves you to concentrate on what really matters.

You and the drivers have been brilliant and have delivered over and above the service we ever anticipated.” Anonymous feedback received from someone using the transport service

Picture: Volunteer drivers and charity staff get the new transport service up and running



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Launch a Single Point of Access

We know navigating the health and care system can be a huge challenge and even more difficult when dealing with a cancer diagnosis. Which is why we are committed to making it as straightforward as possible for people to find our support and that of other charities. To overcome this, we are launching a new referral pathway for holistic needs assessments from secondary care and cancer care reviews from primary care. In doing so, we hope to raise awareness amongst healthcare professionals of the services we are able to offer, and improve the referral pathway. Work is underway and due to launch in Winter 2022.

Partnership working

Uniting to face cancer is an important collective effort, made stronger by working in partnership with others.

We're proud of our close working relationship with NHS colleagues at Weston Park Cancer Centre, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals and District General Hospitals across the region, so that we can be there for anyone affected by cancer.

We've also continued our close partnership with the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Cancer Alliance. Our voice as a trusted voluntary sector partner has contributed to the Sheffield Cancer Partnership, a collective of organisations all working to improve cancer survival and experience.

We have also been an active partner in "Nudge The Odds", a campaign to encourage more people to take up cancer screening and visit their GP if experiencing signs or symptoms of cancer.

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Launched a new website

Traditionally, our support service had been heavily reliant on people physically travelling to our cancer support centre for support. We needed to increase our online reach, provide services online, provide accessible advice online and increase our digital fundraising capacity.

So we successfully completed a full re-design and build of the charity's website which better reflects our brand and supports the delivery of the charity's objectives.

Stakeholders and representatives from all areas of the organisation were involved in the discovery process, ensuring decisions were made collaboratively and with a full understanding of everyone's needs. This included online workshops, journey mapping and user testing with staff, trustees, clients, fundraisers and volunteers.

Since it launched, in November 2021, the website has received over 12,000 visits, totalling over 40,000 page views.

“Our website is a vital part of the service we provide so it's equally vital that we design it with inclusion and accessibility at its heart. We're committed to continue to co-design with and understand the needs of people affected by cancer so they can benefit from accessing our services online”. Tim Brazier, Managing Director at Thrive at Leeds and York Partnership Foundation Trust and trustee of Weston Park Cancer Charity.



Picture: www.westonpark.org.uk

Continue to place Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at the heart of our work and development

Our Equality Diversity and Inclusion (ED&I) working group exists to help educate and broaden our approach to caring for individuals living with and beyond cancer.

The group organised five 'Feed Your Mind Sessions', which were made available to all members of staff. All new charity members are encouraged to watch the sessions.

Throughout the year the following sessions have taken:

- Zara Todd on Disability rights
- Stewart O'Callaghan with 'Live Through This', on LGBTQIA+ people with cancer
- Sheffield African Caribbean Mental Health Association (SACHMA), with David Bussue, Shirley Samuels and Janet Houllis speaking on Health and social care needs of people of African and Caribbean descent
- Seren Hughes from Cancer Awareness for Teens and Twenties (CATTs), speaking on Young people with cancer
- Positive Voices, speaking on Living with HIV

Another large aspect of the work carried out was forming a partnership with the Sheffield Carers Centre. Nell Farrell, Assessment and Advice Service Manager visited the ED&I group in August 2021 to tell us more about the services and 'Take a Break Grants' that they offer and the issues that carers face. This aided the healthcare professional team and Carers Centre to improve their working relationship – to ensure mutual understanding of support offered and cross-referral of clients.

Welcome back our longstanding volunteers

We deliver services and support that helps people live with and beyond cancer. We offer everything from emotional support to practical help and advice to thousands of people each year.

None of it would be possible without the contribution made by our volunteers. They change everything for us, and the people who really need us. So we are extremely pleased that we have been able to start welcoming volunteers back, something which was previously restricted due to the pandemic.

Our first volunteers to return were a group of dedicated volunteer drivers to support the launch of our free transport service in Chesterfield. They have been integral to the service; dedicating their time to transport people to and from Chesterfield for hospital appointments in Sheffield.

In the year since the service launched, it has covered more than 14,000 miles, making more than 500 round trips to provide essential access to treatment – which may otherwise have been difficult for people in need of treatment and care which could change or save their lives.

Our volunteer drivers dedicated more than 4,000 volunteer hours, with patients saving more than £33,000 on taxi fares and transport costs collectively, based on a £30 taxi fare each way between Chesterfield and Weston Park.

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Since October 2021, we have expanded the transport service to Barnsley and have recently launched a similar service in Rotherham.

Continue to ensure the charity is a 'Great Place to Work'

At the very heart of our charity is a group of people.

They are people who unite and go above and beyond, so that we can continue to be there for everyone affected by cancer, every step of the way.

The teamwork, the camaraderie, and the support of one another is beautiful to see.

Together we make up Team Weston Park, a passionate group of individuals driven by a desire to make a difference to people in our region.

Throughout the year, our people have continued to demonstrate amazing resilience and a commitment to care in every sense for patients and families, as we emerged from the pandemic. However, our charity and the work we do is only ever as good as its people. They can only do brilliant work when they are happy and healthy. So, looking after our staff and their wellbeing is an essential part of what we do.

We implemented a holistic wellbeing strategy, as part of our winter wellbeing programme, to promote a happier and healthier lifestyle at home and work. The programme was designed to help people feel calmer and better supported to navigate the challenges and opportunities that exist in the workplace.

Key results from staff wellbeing sessions indicated that:

- 100% of staff would recommend the organisation as a great place to work
- 100% of staff find the work they do meaningful
- 100% of staff regularly see acts of kindness and compassion across the team

This was delivered alongside; regular weekly communications, wellbeing walks and other initiatives headed up by our Wellbeing Working Group to support staff and ensure they felt truly connected to our purpose and goals.



Picture: All staff meeting, enjoying the sunshine

Our fundraising

As always, it's our supporters who make our work possible and we can only promise patients and families we'll be there at every step, when we know they're here too. From gifts left in wills, or innovative fundraising activities to the change from people's pockets, every penny helps us support patients and their families.

By the end of the year, our income through fundraising was £1,212,134.

It's thanks to the generosity of business and individuals across the region that we have been able to raise so much, despite such turbulent times.

This year, we celebrated the return of several large events and partnerships. This included;

- The Master Cutler Challenge
- Weston Park Cancer Charity Gala Ball, celebrating 50 years of Weston Park Hospital
- Weston Park Cancer Charity Golf Day

Alongside this, we welcomed new initiatives

- BB with Love, in memory of Bev Croke
- Together at Every Step partnership saw two of the region's football clubs put rivalries aside to launch a season-long partnership between Barnsley FC and Sheffield United

Whilst our income continues to be affected by the pandemic, we remain optimistic about the future and are working as efficiently as we can to ensure that every pound raised makes a real difference to those living with and beyond cancer.



We remain dedicated to uphold the Code of Fundraising Practice to ensure we promote a consistent, high standard of fundraising. We continue to be registered with the Fundraising Regulator

(<https://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk/directory/weston-park-hospital-development-fund-ltd>) and showcase the Fundraising Regulator logo on our website, and fundraising materials.

Reserves, finances, investments

Review of accounts

At 31st March 2022 there was a net increase in funds of £514k (2021: increase of £35k).

Income for the year was £2187k, an increase of £470k from 2020/21. This reflects increased fundraising activities as opportunities open up post-Covid. In addition the charity received £270k of National Lottery funding for a 3 year Outreach programme.

Expenditure costs in the year were £1692k (2021: £1779k), a decrease of £87k. The largest decrease, £178k was in grants payable as a number of our large grants continued to be put on hold while resources were diverted over covid lockdowns.

Designated funds of £1.8m have been set aside by Trustees for projects related to our 'Together at Every Step' strategy. This year some of these funds have supported the charity to emerge safely from the pandemic, redesigning patient spaces and investing in digital technology to support hybrid services and working arrangements. The remaining funds will be drawn down over the next three years to support additional grant-funding rounds and our commitment to community outreach. A full outline is provided in the note 17 of the financial statements.

Investments

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, The Trustees are empowered to invest the resources of the charity in any way they think fit.

At the 31 March 2022 the Charity held £531k (2021: £528k) in investments, an increase of £3k (2021: increase of £92k) since last year.

Reserves Policy

In formulating their reserves policy, Trustees have followed the guidance set out by The Charity Commission in deciding, publishing, implementing and monitoring their charity's reserves policy so that they can comply with their legal duties to:

- Act in the interest of their charity and its beneficiaries
- Protect and safeguard the assets of their charity;
- Act with reasonable care and skill;
- Ensure their charity is accountable.

The Trustees use a risk-based approach to assess the level of unrestricted undesignated reserves that need to be held. The risks are monetised and compared to the value of working capital required. The higher value is used as the reserves level. The Trustees reserves policy sets a minimum of £500k unrestricted, undesignated funds. Reserves are reviewed at least annually.

At 31st March 2022 the charity's total reserves were £4,262,034 (2021: £3,748,247).

Of the £1.8m designated funds £1.1m has been designated to Research Grants, £0.3m to Treatment and Care Grants, and £0.4 Outreach.

This leaves general unrestricted funds of £2.0m (2021: £1.7m). This exceeds the target level of £500k and so the trustees are intending to review the reserves position again during the coming year.

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Our Trustees

The Trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the group and the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is a company limited by guarantee, company number 1480596, and a Charity, registration number 509803. The trustees, listed below, have overall responsibility for the strategic direction and effective governance of the charity.

Board of trustees

Members of the board during the year were;

David Whitney	Chairperson (Retired April 2022) Ex officio member of all sub-committees
Niall Baker	Chairperson (Appointed April 2022) Ex officio member of all sub-committees Member of the Corporate Services Committee, Chairing Risk, Audit and Governance (Retired April 2022)
Patricia Fisher Consultant clinical oncologist	Chair of the Services Committee Member of the Treatment and Care Committee
Julia Delaney	Member of the Corporate Services Committee, Treasurer and Chair of Finance and Resources
Robert Coleman Emeritus professor of medical oncology	Chair of the Research Committee
Pat McGrath	Member of the Corporate Services Committee, Chair of Remuneration and Nomination
David Bussue	Member of the Corporate Services Committee
Nigel Beasley	Member of the Research Committee
Tim Brazier	Member of the Services Committee
Steve Wragg	(Appointed September 2021) Chair of the Treatment and Care Committee Member of the Corporate Services Committee, Chair of Risk, Audit and Governance from April 2022
Melinda Schofield	(Appointed September 2022)
Amy Taylor	(Resigned March 2022)
Martin Robinson	(Retired September 2021)
Kash Purohit	(Retired May 2021)

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How decisions are made

- The Board has an agreed delegated scheme of approval which makes it clearer how decisions are made within the charity and who makes these. This was reviewed, updated and approved by the Board in July 2022.
- Day-to-day operational decisions are delegated to the executive team headed by the Chief Executive Officer.
- The Research Committee and Treatment and Care Committee are chaired by a Trustee and are quorate with three members present, two of whom should be trustees. Each committee makes recommendations to trustees on which projects should or shouldn't be funded and it is for the Board to make the final decision based on these recommendations. The committees have delegated responsibility to oversee the grant application process and monitor grants. The Board look to the committee to shape strategy and suggest budget allocations which Trustees then approve.
- It is important that expertise is sought from a broad range of disciplines and experience to ensure the soundest decisions are made on how grant funding is allocated and managed. Alongside trustees our committees include those with lived experience of cancer and those with specialist clinical research or care knowledge in the area (such as oncologists and nurses).
- The Charity operates a small grant application process through which applications to a maximum of £1,500 can be made with the total fund available being £20k per annum. Trustees delegated responsibility for these decisions to the CEO who, in turn, has delegated this to a small cross-organisational staff group. This empowers staff, is a good way to develop their skills and ensures a wide range of experiences involved in the decision-making process. Staff have enjoyed being involved in this process.

During the year Trustees approved a new governance framework. The following committees form the governance structure. These are:

- Corporate Services Committee this combines
 - Risk, Audit and Governance – gives assurance to the Board on all aspects of the charity's operations and has oversight and scrutiny of the risk register with the top risks being reviewed by the Board at each meeting.
 - Remunerations and Nominations Committee – oversees our objective to 'Create a Great Place to Work', appraisal of the Chair and succession planning to the Board.
 - Finance & Resource – has oversight and scrutiny of finance, premises, IT, oversight of financial performance of the organisation and all of resources to the Board
- Services Committee – is accountable to the Board for all clinically-related services, their evaluation, development and risks.

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- Research Committee – has oversight and scrutiny of research grants and makes recommendations to the Board on research grant applications.
- Treatment and Care Committee - has oversight and scrutiny of treatment and care grants and makes recommendations to the Board on these grant applications.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The skills audit of the Board is reviewed on an ongoing basis and linked to our strategy to try to help us to recruit people with the skills, knowledge and expertise needed to strengthen our leadership. During the year David Whitney prepared to step down after 9 successful years as Chair of the Board. The charity is very grateful for his leadership. Recruitment of a new Chairperson was undertaken in March 2022, with the successful candidate, Niall Baker, taking up the Chair position in April 2022.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are invited to a number of training sessions with the CEO and Senior Leadership Team which cover the responsibilities of being a trustee as well as the specifics of the management of Weston Park Cancer Charity and the ways in which we adhere to, and deliver against, our governing document and charitable objectives. New trustees are also encouraged to participate in training for new trustees delivered by the likes of Civil Society.

Trustees are encouraged to undertake training as and when they are able, and it is the responsibility of each trustee to ensure they have the skills and knowledge to be able to undertake their role. Trustees are encouraged to participate in training provided by external providers on subjects such as governance, change to charity law and codes, finance etc. The CEO provides regular updates on policy changes and information of interest from the sector press. An annual trustee away-day takes place which involves strategy development but also team building.

Linked Charity

The Trustees' Report and Financial Statements also incorporate The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund, a linked charity. The trade and assets were transferred into Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Ltd. on 30th April 2018. There is no continued trade within this charity.

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The Senior Leadership Team

Operational responsibility for the charity is delegated by the Board to the executive team. The Senior Leadership Team comprises the following roles:

- **Chief Executive Officer** –
 - leads the charity, develops, and implements strategy and is accountable for the day-to-day operations of the Charity.
 - responsible for the team which delivers finance, IT, admin, HR, health and safety and premises functions.
 - responsible for the team which delivers our services, the development of future services and effective use of our grants.
- **Deputy Chief Executive Officer** – leads the development of plans to secure income and to market ourselves so that people want to support us or use our services.
- Director of Corporate Services – This post ceases to exist.
- Director of Services and Grant-Giving – This post ceases to exist.

In April 2022 a leadership team was established to work alongside the CEO and Deputy CEO. Each post manages a team who are responsible for delivering their part of the annual plan.

- Head of Cancer Support Services
- Head of Fundraising
- Head of Marketing
- Head of HR & Business Services

Plans for the future

Throughout 2022/2023 we will continue our mission to improve the lives of people affected by cancer, across the region. We will do this by providing the best emotional, financial and practical support, investing in the very best research and treatment, so that the people benefit from the best treatment and care.

Being there at every step means finding new ways to reach and help anyone touched by cancer. We have some big ambitions for the near future — if we can raise the money, they'll become new ways for us to make a real difference.

By 2025 we want...

- Everyone to know about Weston Park Cancer Charity – so that people know about us and how we can help them and their loved ones.
- To address health inequalities across the region, focusing on areas of deprivation where experiences and survival outcomes are worse – so that every person can access excellent cancer care, regardless of who they are or where they live in the region
- To provide free transport to attend hospital appointments for treatment and care, for anyone who needs it – so that people don't decline potentially life-saving treatment due to financial pressures and other concerns
- To support Weston Park to be a leading UK cancer research centre – so that people with cancer are given the opportunity to participate in cutting-edge clinical trials and studies.
- Everyone to be able to access support and donate to us through digital platforms – so that people have greater choice and control over how to engage with us
- People to see the difference we make to the lives of people with cancer and their families – so that people understand the difference their money makes and feel inspired to support our work.

The above objectives have been developed using our collective experiences from supporting people living with and beyond cancer, data and insight. They form the foundation of our new 'Together at Every Step' three-year strategy which puts people affected by cancer at the heart of our cancer care, support and research.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

Dec 20, 2022

This report was approved by the Trustees, on and signed on their behalf by:

Niall Baker

Niall Baker (Dec 20, 2022 13:42 GMT)

Niall Baker

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (continued)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic report.

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (continued)

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable to the charity and the sector in which it operates and considered the risk of acts by the company that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. We designed audit procedures to respond to the risk, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations or through collusion.

We focussed on laws and regulations, relevant to the charity, which could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements. Our tests included agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation, enquiries with management, review of client's operation of controls within the year, in particular, cash controls, and review of expenses, such

Independent auditors' report on the financial statements to the members of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (continued)

as legal costs. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described and, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it.

As part of our audit, we addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including testing of journals and review of nominal ledger. We evaluated whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.


Philip Allsop (Dec 20, 2022 13:53 GMT)

Philip Allsop (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

BHP LLP

2 Rutland Park
Sheffield
S10 2PD

Date: Dec 20, 2022

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited
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Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2022	2022	2022	2021
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,718,532	340,930	2,059,462	1,487,706
Charitable activities		-	-	-	19,644
Fundraising trading activities		106,447	-	106,447	16,464
Other trading activities		7,428	-	7,428	6,730
Investment income		13,743	-	13,743	16,316
Other income	3	-	-	-	169,724
Total Income		<u>1,846,150</u>	<u>340,930</u>	<u>2,187,080</u>	<u>1,716,584</u>
Expenditure on:					
Fundraising	4	606,214	-	606,214	591,404
Charitable activities	5	1,002,722	82,856	1,085,578	1,187,927
Total expenditure		<u>1,608,936</u>	<u>82,856</u>	<u>1,691,792</u>	<u>1,779,331</u>
Net expenditure)/income before net gains/(losses) on investments		237,214	258,074	495,288	(62,747)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	18,499	-	18,499	98,183
Net movement in funds		<u>255,713</u>	<u>258,074</u>	<u>513,787</u>	<u>35,436</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		3,464,357	283,890	3,748,247	3,712,811
Net movement in funds		255,713	258,074	513,787	35,436
Total funds carried forward		<u>3,720,070</u>	<u>541,964</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
The notes on pages 31 to 52 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	12	31,284	47,123
Investments	13	531,360	528,342
		<u>562,644</u>	<u>575,465</u>
Current assets			
Stocks		5,210	6,576
Debtors	14	479,313	225,455
Cash at bank and in hand		4,175,213	4,627,248
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	4,659,736 (947,560)	4,859,279 (1,456,577)
Net current assets		3,712,176	3,402,702
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(12,786)	(229,920)
Net assets excluding pension asset		<u>4,262,034</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>
Total net assets		<u>4,262,034</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds	17	541,964	283,890
Unrestricted funds:			
Designated funds	17	1,709,985	1,755,058
General funds	17	2,010,085	1,709,299
Total unrestricted funds	17	<u>3,720,070</u>	<u>3,464,357</u>
Total funds		<u>4,262,034</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Niall Baker
Niall Baker (Dec 20, 2022 13:42 GMT)

Niall Baker
Date: Dec 20, 2022

The notes on pages 31 to 52 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities - note 20	(468,867)	(202,228)
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Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	13,743	16,316
Purchase of investments	(29,578)	(87,689)
Proceeds from disposal of investments	32,667	93,762
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Net cash provided by investing activities	16,832	22,389
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Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(452,035)	(179,839)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	4,627,248	4,807,087
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	4,175,213	4,627,248

The notes on pages 31 to 52 form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Statement of financial activities (SOFA) and Balance sheet represent the financial statements of the charity. The results of its subsidiary undertaking, Weston Park Trading Limited have not been consolidated within the accounts due to its immaterial nature. Weston Park Trading Limited is a dormant subsidiary with share capital totalling £1. The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund Charity legally merged into the Weston Park Hospital Development Fund on 1 May 2018.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared forecasts of income and expenditure and cash flow for 12 months from authorising these financial statements which shows that they have sufficient reserves to be able to continue for the foreseeable future. The Board will continue to monitor the impact on income and take appropriate action as necessary. The Trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation for these financial statements.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the Charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably, and the Charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the Charity, or the Charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified, and a third party is bearing the costs. No amounts are included in the financial statement for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contribution and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

requirements.

Costs of generating funds are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds. Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities. All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Grants payable

Grant awards are reviewed at least annually and are subject to the grant terms.

Grants payable are recognised in full, for all years of the grant, in the year the offer is made when there are no conditions on the grant. Where grants are conditional, they are recognised when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment and not recognised.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	10 years
IT equipment (over £1,000)	3 years
Fixtures and fittings (over £500)	3 years
Motor vehicles	10 years

1.7 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.11 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

1.12 Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value recognised, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.13 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.14 Pensions

The Charity's main pension schemes are defined contribution pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

The Charity also participates in one of the NHS pension schemes. It is a defined benefit scheme but the Charity is unable to identify its share of the underlying scheme liabilities and so it is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme. See note 23 for further details.

1.15 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.16 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Preparation of the financial statements can require management to make significant judgements and estimates. There were no items in the financial statements which required judgements and estimates in the current or previous periods.

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2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising	1,114,850	340,930	1,455,780	757,402
Legacies	603,682	-	603,682	730,304
	<u>1,718,532</u>	<u>340,930</u>	<u>2,059,462</u>	<u>1,487,706</u>
Total 2021	<u>1,485,831</u>	<u>1,875</u>	<u>1,487,706</u>	

3. Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Transfer of assets	-	-	105,135
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme income	-	-	64,589
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>169,724</u>
Total 2021	<u>169,724</u>	<u>169,724</u>	

In the prior year 2020-21 the Charity merged with Nenna Kind Cancer Drop in Centre (companies house reference 07897112) and the assets of Nenna Kind were transferred into the Charity. The fair value of £105,135 included motor vehicles £23,000 and cash £82,135. The cash balance was not received until after the 2021-22 financial year end due to Nenna Kind Cancer Drop in Centre being struck off at Companies House prior to the cash transfer and therefore the need to reinstate Nenna Kind.

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4. Fundraising trading expenses

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Events and activities	45,641	45,641	14,069
Wages and salaries - note 10	265,782	265,782	348,865
Training and recruitment	5,809	5,809	8,560
Support costs - note 7	110,866	110,866	79,474
Governance costs - note 8	19,546	19,546	30,842
Other	158,570	158,570	109,594
	<u>606,214</u>	<u>606,214</u>	<u>591,404</u>
Total 2021	<u>591,404</u>	<u>591,404</u>	

5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Grants payable	141,407	52,452	193,859	372,313
Patient Services	261,172	404	261,576	229,554
Staff costs - note 10	347,610	30,000	377,610	410,634
Training and recruitment	5,173	-	5,173	8,622
Support costs - note 7	166,300	-	166,300	122,742
Governance costs - note 8	81,060	-	81,060	44,062
	<u>1,002,722</u>	<u>82,856</u>	<u>1,085,578</u>	<u>1,187,927</u>
Total 2021	<u>1,170,456</u>	<u>17,471</u>	<u>1,187,927</u>	

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6. Grants payable

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Grants to institutions				
Research Grants	356,000	16,268	372,268	425,324
Treatment and Care Grants	-	-	-	17,403
Small Grants	11,210	-	11,210	9,164
Research Grants De-allocated	(169,419)	-	(169,419)	(66,845)
Treatment & Care Grants De-allocated	(19,087)	-	(19,087)	(12,801)
Small Grants De-allocated	(1,113)	-	(1,113)	9,164
Other	(36,184)	36,184	-	68
	<u>141,407</u>	<u>52,452</u>	<u>193,859</u>	<u>372,313</u>
Total 2021	<u>354,842</u>	<u>17,471</u>	<u>372,313</u>	

Support cost allocation in relation to these grants is set out below:

Research Grants	£35,600	(2021 - £25,149)
Treatment and Care Grants	£nil	(2021 - £nil)
Small Grants	£1,121	(2021 - £609)

Research Grants De-allocated and Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated show where the relevant committee has taken the decision to withdraw part or all of the funding of a grant either due to a change of circumstances, non-delivery or poor performance against the agreed terms and conditions.

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7. Support costs

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Premises	1,447	1,447	4,063
Telephones	3,600	3,600	2,141
Office equipment & software maintenance	7,960	7,960	11,027
Legal and Professional	16,927	16,927	18,969
Depreciation	15,838	15,838	15,641
Other staff costs	14,848	14,848	10,950
Other costs	24,274	24,274	16,560
Staff costs - note 10	210,748	210,748	131,016
	<u>295,642</u>	<u>295,642</u>	<u>210,367</u>
Total 2021	<u>210,367</u>	<u>210,367</u>	

• **Support costs have been allocated as follows:**

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 4	110,866	110,866	79,474
Charitable activities - note 5	166,300	166,300	122,742
Governance costs - note 8	18,476	18,476	8,151
	<u>295,642</u>	<u>295,642</u>	<u>210,367</u>

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8. Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Wages and salaries - note 10	63,032	63,032	51,310
Auditor's remuneration	13,600	13,600	10,800
Other	5,498	5,498	4,643
Support costs - note 7	18,476	18,476	8,151
	<u>100,606</u>	<u>100,606</u>	<u>74,904</u>
Total 2021	<u>74,904</u>	<u>74,904</u>	

. Governance costs have been allocated to

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 4	19,546	19,546	30,842
Charitable activities - note 5	81,060	81,060	44,062
	<u>100,606</u>	<u>100,606</u>	<u>74,904</u>

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9. Net income/(expenditure)

This is stated after charging:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the charity	15,839	15,641
Auditor's remuneration – audit	10,000	9,600
Auditor's remuneration - other services	<u>-</u>	<u>1,200</u>

10. Staff costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	787,663	790,338
Social security costs	73,318	71,448
Pension costs	49,576	54,423
Temporary staff	-	19,535
Other staff costs	6,615	6,081
	<u>917,172</u>	<u>941,825</u>

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
Average	<u>25</u>	<u>29</u>

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
Fundraising	10	9
Care	8	11
Support	5	6
	<u>23</u>	<u>26</u>

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10. Staff costs (continued)

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	1	1

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity were £198,241 (2021: £198,433).

. Staff costs have been allocated to the activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 4	265,782	265,782	348,865
Charitable activities - note 5	377,610	377,610	410,634
Support costs - note 7	210,748	210,748	131,016
Governance - note 8	63,032	63,032	51,310
	<u>917,172</u>	<u>917,172</u>	<u>941,825</u>

11. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2021 - £nil).

During the year ended 31 March 2022, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2021 - £nil).

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12. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 April 2021	46,003	23,000	68,388	137,391
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	<u>46,003</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>68,388</u>	<u>137,391</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2021	40,253	1,583	48,432	90,268
Charge for the year	5,750	2,990	7,099	15,839
At 31 March 2022	<u>46,003</u>	<u>4,573</u>	<u>55,531</u>	<u>106,107</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>18,427</u>	<u>12,857</u>	<u>31,284</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>5,750</u>	<u>21,417</u>	<u>19,956</u>	<u>47,123</u>

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13. Fixed Asset Investments

	2022	2021
	£	£
Market value at 1 April 2021	528,342	436,260
Purchase of investments	29,578	87,689
Proceeds from disposal of investments	(32,667)	(93,762)
Net investment gains/(losses)	<u>6,107</u>	<u>98,155</u>
	<u>531,360</u>	<u>528,342</u>
Market value at 31 March 2022	<u>531,360</u>	<u>528,342</u>

In addition to the above investments held at market value, a £1 investment in the subsidiary company Weston Park Trading Limited is included in the 2022 figures. Total Investments are therefore £531,361 (2021: £528,343).

However, this £1 investment is not recognised in the financial statements as it is deemed to be immaterial.

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cost at 31 March 2022	<u>390,579</u>	<u>387,608</u>
Unrealised gain	6107	98,155
Realised gain	<u>12,392</u>	<u>28</u>
Net gain on investment	<u>18,499</u>	<u>98,183</u>

The difference between the historical cost and market value of investments has been included in unrestricted funds.

The following investments account for more than five percent of the total market value of investments held by the charitable company:

	Holding	2022	2021
	%	£	£
Vanguard Funds PLC S&P 500 Ucits Etf USD Dis	9%	46,342	54,750
Royal London Utm Sterl Credit Instl Inc Z GBP	6%	29,546	31,482
Brown Advisory Fund US Sustainable Growth	6%	<u>32,604</u>	<u>27,104</u>
		<u>108,402</u>	<u>113,336</u>

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14. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
<i>Due within one year</i>		
Other debtors	82,135	125,163
Prepayments	26,178	38,870
Accrued Income	371,000	61,422
	<u>479,313</u>	<u>225,455</u>

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	195,573	318,537
Deferred income	12,075	42,951
Other creditors	22,795	23,353
Accruals	56,770	67,597
Grants payable	660,347	1,004,139
	<u>947,560</u>	<u>1,456,577</u>

16. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Grants payable	<u>12,786</u>	<u>229,920</u>

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17. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	1,080,000	-	(5,100)	(47,352)	-	1,027,548
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	316,525	-	-	-	-	316,525
Delivery of strategy - outreach	358,533	-	-	-	-	358,533
Other - Emergence	-	-	(42,621)	50,000	-	7,379
	1,755,058	-	(47,721)	2,648	-	1,709,985
General funds						
General Funds	1,709,299	1,846,150	(1,561,215)	(2,648)	18,499	2,010,085
Total Unrestricted funds	3,464,357	1,846,150	(1,608,936)	-	18,499	3,720,070
Restricted funds						
Support Centre Fund	518	-	-	-	-	518
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	10,308	120	(10,428)	-	-	-
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,175	-	-	-	-	2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	16,414	1,095	(249)	-	-	17,260
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542	-	-	-	-	3,542
Betty Waingard Sarcoma Fund	24,424	-	(24,424)	-	-	-
Rochelle Baxter Fund	126,509	8,715	(17,351)	-	-	117,873
Barnsley Transport Fund	-	8,000	(404)	-	-	7,596
Outreach	-	270,000	-	-	-	270,000
Westfield Health Foundation	100,000	30,000	(30,000)	-	-	100,000
SYB ICS Cancer Alliance	-	23,000	-	-	-	23,000
	283,890	340,930	(82,856)	-	-	541,964
Total of funds	3,748,247	2,187,080	(1,691,792)	-	18,499	4,262,034

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

Designated funds

The trustees have designated £1.8m for projects related to our 'Together at Every Step' strategy listed below. These funds will be utilised over a three-year period. Within the year, work has begun to establish new grant-funding rounds and new strategic projects.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy – Research Grants

This fund is to enable us to invest in research and new technologies that can improve the effectiveness, tolerability and/or cost effectiveness of treatment and also to give patients the opportunity to participate in ground-breaking clinical trials.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Treatment and Care Grants

This fund is to enable us to improve the environment where cancer patients across the region receive treatment and to support innovative services that enhance the experience of living with and beyond cancer in the community.

Delivery of Together at Every Step strategy - Cancer Support Community Outreach

This fund is to develop an outreach cancer support service to areas of greatest need.

Other – Emergence from Covid-19

This fund is to assist in moving forward from the Covid-19 pandemic in reopening in-person services.

Suitable fund transfers have occurred to match the funds designated by the trustees at financial yearend.

Restricted fund details:

Betty Waind fund – used to improve diagnosis and treatment of sarcomas

Heads Together fund – used to support projects which benefit head and neck cancer patients

Rochelle Baxter fund – used to improve the lives of cancer patients aged between 16 and 25, and their families

Scott McBride fund – used to support projects which benefit sarcoma patients

Thyroid patient fund – used to support projects which benefit thyroid patients

Barnsley Transport fund – used to support the Barnsley transport service

Outreach – National Lottery Community funds received for the Outreach programme commencing in 2022/23

Westfield - £100,000 towards the Outreach programme; £30,000 to support the charity hub

SYB ICS Cancer Alliance - £10,000 towards the Outreach programme; £13,000 to support the Rotherham bus service

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	As restated Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Income £	As restated Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of strategy - research	869,698	-	(357,490)	567,792	-	1,080,000
Delivery of strategy - treatment and care	1,542,796	-	12,801	(880,539)	-	675,058
	<u>2,412,494</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(344,689)</u>	<u>(312,747)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,755,058</u>
General funds						
General Funds	<u>1,000,831</u>	<u>1,714,709</u>	<u>(1,417,171)</u>	<u>312,747</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>1,709,299</u>
Total Unrestricted funds	<u>3,413,325</u>	<u>1,714,709</u>	<u>(1,761,860)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>3,464,357</u>
Restricted funds						
Support Centre Fund	518	-	-	-	-	518
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	10,198	110	-	-	-	10,308
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,242	-	(67)	-	-	2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	16,364	50	-	-	-	16,414
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542	-	-	-	-	3,542
Betty Waind Sarcoma Fund	24,424	-	-	-	-	24,424
Rochelle Baxter Fund	142,198	1,715	(17,404)	-	-	126,509
Westfield Health Foundation	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
	<u>299,486</u>	<u>1,875</u>	<u>(17,471)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>283,890</u>
Total of funds	<u>3,712,811</u>	<u>1,716,584</u>	<u>(1,779,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

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18. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Designated funds	1,755,058	-	(47,721)	2,648	-	1,709,985
General funds	1,709,299	1,846,150	(1,561,215)	(2,648)	18,499	2,010,085
Restricted funds	283,890	340,930	(82,856)	-	-	541,964
	<u>3,748,247</u>	<u>2,187,080</u>	<u>(1,691,792)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,499</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2020 Restated £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Designated funds	2,412,494	-	(344,689)	(312,747)	-	1,755,058
General funds	1,000,831	1,714,709	(1,417,171)	312,747	98,183	1,709,299
Restricted funds	299,486	1,875	(17,471)	-	-	283,890
	<u>3,712,811</u>	<u>1,716,584</u>	<u>(1,779,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

19. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	31,284	-	31,284
Fixed asset investments	531,360	-	531,360
Current assets	4,117,772	541,964	4,659,736
Creditors due within one year	(947,560)	-	(947,560)
Creditors due in more than one year	(12,786)	-	(12,786)
Total	<u>3,720,070</u>	<u>541,964</u>	<u>4,262,034</u>

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19. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total funds 2021
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	47,123	-	47,123
Fixed asset investments	528,342	-	528,342
Current assets	4,575,389	283,890	4,859,279
Creditors due within one year	(1,456,577)	-	(1,456,577)
Creditors due in more than one year	(229,920)	-	(229,920)
Total	<u>3,464,357</u>	<u>283,890</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

20. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	513,787	35,436
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	15,839	15,641
Gains on investments	(6,107)	(98,155)
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	1,366	(5,156)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(253,858)	296,890
Decrease in creditors	(726,151)	(407,568)
Investment income	(13,743)	(16,316)
Transfer in of fixed assets	-	(23,000)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(468,867)</u>	<u>(202,228)</u>

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21. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash in hand	4,175,213	4,627,248
Total cash and cash equivalents	4,175,213	4,627,248

22. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2021	Cash flows	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,627,248	(452,035)	4,175,213
	<u>4,627,248</u>	<u>(452,035)</u>	<u>4,175,213</u>

23. Pension commitments

Eligible staff belong to one of three pensions:

- All staff who joined the organisation after 1st May 2018 and all staff who were TUPEd over from the Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund charity are in the Charity's auto-enrolment scheme with the Peoples Pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the scheme.
- Four members of staff who were with the charity before the merger are in auto-enrolment compliant stakeholder pensions. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the schemes. The pension funds above are assets of the individual and Weston Park Cancer Charity has no liability nor interest in the value of each fund. Weston Park Cancer Charity contributions are charged to the SoFA as they are incurred.
- Staff who had an NHS pension when they joined the Charity and who were still eligible to be in the NHS scheme remained in the scheme. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes contributions to the NHS superannuation scheme. Employer's pension cost contributions are charged to operating expenses as and when they become due.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2016. It was published in February 2020 and noted a notional deficiency of £19.4Bn. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2020 to 21.88% up from 20.6% (2019) of pensionable pay. The uplift was funded by the Department for Health and Social Care.

The total employer contribution payable to the NHS Pension Scheme in 2021-22 was £13,376 (2020-21 £16,514), £Nil was outstanding at the year end (2021: £Nil). In addition, employees who are members of the Scheme paid salary dependant variable contributions in the range 5.6% to 9.3%.

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24. Operating lease commitments

At 31 March 2022 the Charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	-	3,403
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,403</u>

25. Related party transactions

Donations totalling £1,595 (2021: £3,721) from Trustees were received in the year.

26. Capital commitments

At 31st March 2022 the charity had committed to the purchase of computer equipment totalling £10,617.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR

At the time of writing this report we have just taken an important step in our emergence from the Covid-19 global pandemic as we re-open Weston Park Cancer Support to the public. There is no doubt that the uncertainties of the past 18 months have challenged the charity, as it has the wider voluntary sector, our colleagues in the NHS and social care, and the businesses and individuals who have been loyal supporters over many years. But throughout this time, I have witnessed the very best of people, their resilience, kindness, as well as selfless financial support despite the uncertain economic environment.

Our focus throughout 2020/21 was on what mattered most to keep people safe and to support them and their loved ones as they not only faced cancer, but also fears of contracting COVID-19 and the social isolation many endured whilst shielding. It is why we kept our helpline running throughout the pandemic, staffed by experienced Healthcare Professionals, who provided a compassionate listening ear to people newly diagnosed and those whose treatment was paused or altered.

To minimise feelings of loneliness and to help people remain connected, we introduced our 'We Care' service, a regular phone call for a friendly chat to ensure no one, particularly those living alone, ever felt forgotten. We mobilised swiftly to help those who couldn't get out to the shops or pharmacy. And for those facing financial hardship due to the pandemic, we put in place emergency hardship grants which ensured vital funds were provided within two-working days.

Our well-regarded Welfare Advice service continued via phone and a priority was to ensure no delay in accessing benefits for people who sadly received a terminal diagnosis. We also invested in technology to support our NHS colleagues, so that people attending appointments alone could dial-in a loved one from home or the hospital carpark, and so people staying in hospital could videocall a loved one when visiting was not permitted to help minimise the spread of the virus.

And we embraced digital technology to deliver other services such as 1:1 mindfulness sessions, enabling us to support people experiencing anxiety in the comfort of their own home. Digital channels were used to share information videos about the vaccine, addressing frequently asked questions being received on our helpline.

Although new grant applications were paused, we were proud to honour all existing financial commitments and to work with our grant-holders, supporting them, where appropriate, to adapt their project.

The pandemic year required the charity to adjust from its five-year strategy to deal with a rapidly changing world and uncertain future. As every well-intentioned plan quickly became out of date, what guided the charity was its core values and its commitment to be 'together at every step' for the one in two people facing cancer. My pride in the charity has only grown as I have seen the unwavering resolve of the staff team, our loyal supporters, our partners and my fellow trustees, who have offered time and expertise to help steer the charity through and beyond the pandemic. We are in a strong position for the future and we will take what we have learned through adversity to shape our work in the years to come.

David Whitney

David Whitney
David Whitney (Jan 27, 2022 14:02 GMT)

Jan 27, 2022

OUR CHARITABLE PURPOSE AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

Our vision, which leads us to all that we do, is to provide the best life for everyone living with and beyond cancer, both now and in the future.

We achieve this by delivering three key pillars of work;

We Provide Support - Weston Park Cancer Support is our frontline support service, giving patients and families emotional, practical support, help and guidance, a place to be and people to be with.

We Enhance Treatment - by delivering complementary therapies or improving the environment on wards and facilities for patients and visitors, we enhance the experience and often the impact of treatment.

We Enable Research - we fund vital research and clinical trials of global relevance, enabling our medical professionals to understand and treat cancer better, in a way that changes and saves lives.

And, that's how we achieve our overarching goal, to actively **care in every sense** for the patient and the people around them.

Funding & Fundraising - finally, connecting each of our pillars is fundraising and grant giving which makes our pillars possible as well as building our reputation, cultivating support and inspiring people to get involved.

Who benefits from our work?

The principal beneficiaries of the charity are cancer patients and their families and carers. We see people who use cancer services in Sheffield and their carers and we have a wide catchment area covering South Yorkshire, North Nottinghamshire, North Derbyshire and include people with rare cancers from other parts of the country.

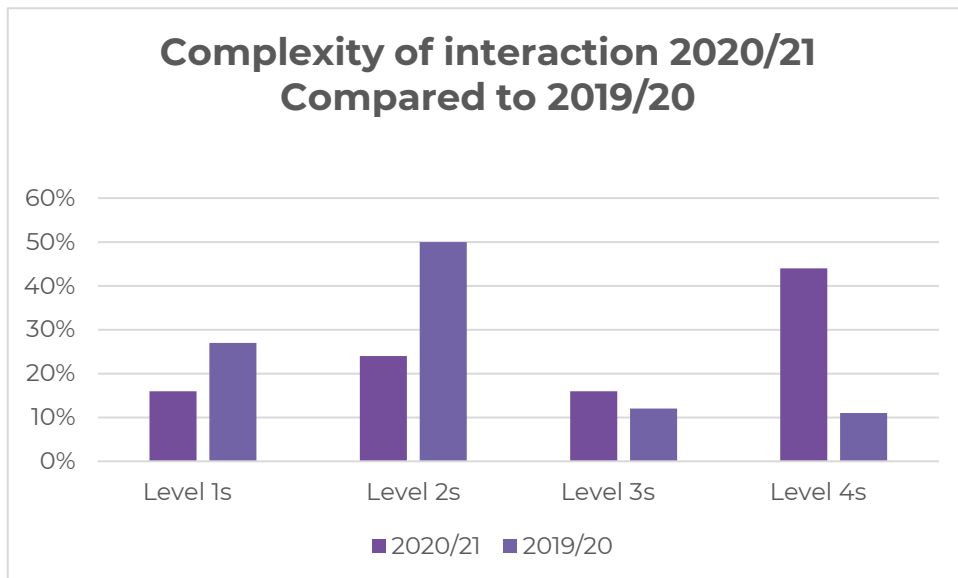
COVID-19 MAKES CANCER EVEN TOUGHER.

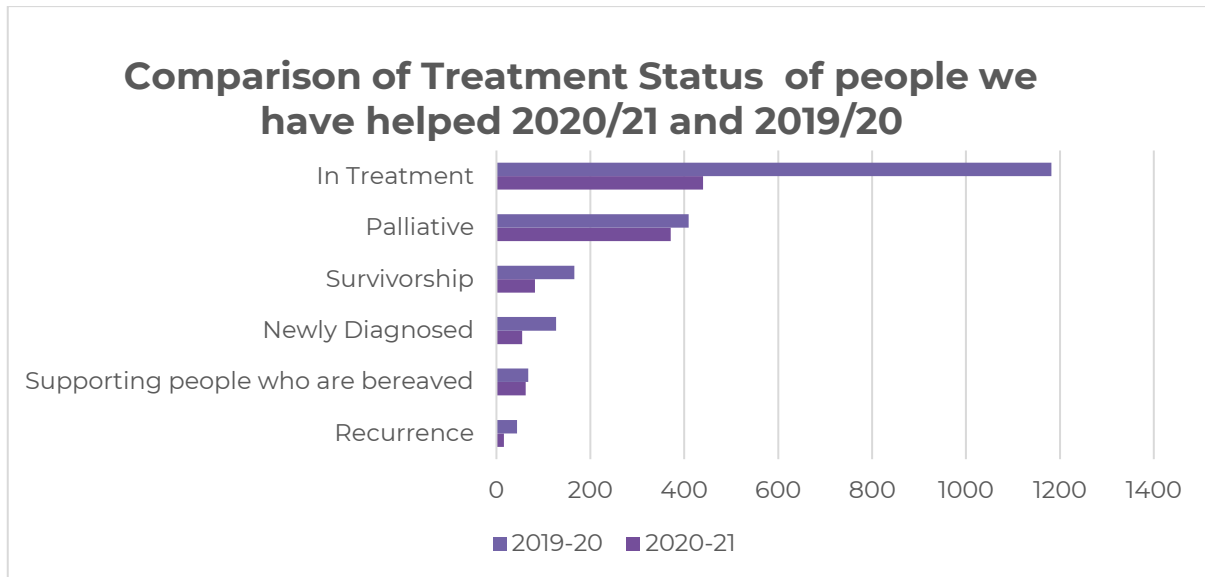
Over the last year, many of the people we support, haven't just faced cancer. The Covid-19 outbreak has had a devastating effect on people with cancer; disrupting so much of the treatment and support that cancer patients and their families rely on.

We've heard from people who have been;

- Concerned about the disruption to cancer screening
- Anxious about delays in treatment
- Clinically vulnerable and unsure about the guidance issued about shielding
- Worried about the Covid-19 vaccine
- Facing unexpected financial challenges due to the pandemic
- Unable to access services and support face-to-face
- Distressed about loved ones in hospital who they are unable to visit or say goodbye to

The impact of the above is reflected in the complexity of the support our Healthcare Professionals have provided and where those people supported have been on their cancer journey. Our data shows a significant increase in level 4 (most complex support) in 2020/21 compared to the previous year. Our data also reflects the wider impact of Covid-19 on the NHS and cancer services with calls from clients 'in treatment' decreasing sharply.





**FOR ONE IN TWO OF US CANCER WILL CHANGE EVERYTHING.
WHEN IT DOES, SO CAN WE.**

On 17th March 2020 our charity offices, including Weston Park Cancer Support, closed ahead of the official UK lockdown on 23rd March. From the moment the pandemic hit, our service delivery changed overnight, and we had to adapt fast to the challenges which people were facing because of shielding and social distancing.

We've always promised to be there, at every step, for patients and families facing cancer so we moved all our non-contact services online and set up new services to meet the new needs of people affected by cancer. Despite, our buildings being closed, we were able to;

- Provide a free, confidential telephone helpline
- Offer bereavement support
- Adjust to new ways of delivering services
- Provide welfare and legal support
- Connect people remotely
- Find new ways to support people
- Raise awareness

OUR FREE, CONFIDENTIAL TELEPHONE HELPLINE



Our free, confidential telephone helpline became a critical part of our Covid-19 response; ensuring that we could continue to be there – every step of the way – for people facing cancer.

Since lockdown began, our Healthcare Professionals have been answering questions such as; What does this mean for my cancer? Will my treatment be stopped – or will it even start? My cancer operation has been cancelled, how long will it be before I can now have surgery?

'The call has been much appreciated thank you, it has been really helpful to know I can get advice and support, especially as the hospital is even busier than normal at this time'

Changes in lockdowns and guidelines have often caused additional fear and anxiety. That is where our helpline can be, in the words of one of our clients 'not just a helpline but an absolute lifeline'.

'I was feeling quite down before about being in isolation for so long, but after this chat I feel so much better and more positive'

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Here at Weston Park Cancer Charity, our Healthcare Professionals not only support patients and their families throughout the difficult times from diagnosis, treatment and beyond, but also during the aftermath of losing a much-loved partner, family member or friend to cancer.

Whilst we are unable to take away the overwhelming pain and sadness, our knowledgeable staff can try to help people understand the grieving process and the wide range of feelings that people go through.

Pre-Covid 19, bereaved people could drop into Weston Park Cancer Support, or book an appointment for one-to-one support, or for those who prefer group settings, attend a six-week bereavement course. Whilst this had to be put on hold due to social distancing, we still actively provided a telephone and online support on a one-to-one basis for people who were struggling with their thoughts and feelings at the loss of a loved one.

Staff reflection:

"Today I took a call from bereaved lady who lost her husband due to a brain tumour - he died sooner than expected. This has been a huge shock, although she knew he wasn't curable, his life expectancy had been several more months. Furthermore the family can't attend his funeral due to current government guidelines."

Call received via our helpline in April 2020 by our bereavement specialist, Vicky.

DELIVERING SERVICES IN THE CONTEXT OF CORONAVIRUS

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It's so easy to be hard on yourself, thinking you should be stronger, more resilient and able to cope. People may be spending time dwelling on the past thinking 'why me' or 'I wish I'd gone to the GP sooner' or you might be lying awake at night worrying about the future. When your mind begins to spiral this is when mindfulness can really help.

Mindfulness is a simple practice which brings your attention to the here and now allowing you to pause and reflect and step away from the whirlwind journey that cancer can be.

Recognising the importance of mindfulness on people's mental health, we moved our mindfulness sessions on to Zoom.

Yoga Nidra

We also moved our guided meditation sessions, yoga nidra, online.

Delivered over the phone, on a 1:1 or group basis via Zoom, our yoga nidra and mindfulness sessions help people with relaxation techniques for people feeling stressed or anxious.

One client commented; "Just to say 'thank you' for your support over the past five sessions. I've been surprised by how well it works using Zoom! I've really valued the sessions- both as a space to receive guided mindfulness and also a regular space to catch up on how I'm feeling and how my treatment is going.

WELFARE AND LEGAL SUPPORT

Cancer can often radically alter the financial circumstances of those affected by it. People may become unable to work and suffer a loss of income, while at the same time being faced with many extra expenses. Carers may also need to give up work in order to care for someone with cancer. Together this can put an enormous financial strain on those affected by cancer, who may find themselves struggling to negotiate the benefits system or sort out employment issues when at their most vulnerable.

"Discovering that either you or a family member has cancer is a dreadful experience and at the same time you have to navigate through a complex financial situation. Simply put this service is invaluable."

At Weston Park Cancer Charity we fund advice workers from Citizens Advice Sheffield to provide specialist advice to people about all benefits they are entitled to – means-tested such as Universal Credit and Pension Credit and Disability Benefits such as Personal Independence Payment and Attendance Allowance - and provide help claiming them when required. We can also provide advice on other issues, for example employment concerns, housing, debt, immigration.

“Thank you so much for your help and support at this time when my family and I are so vulnerable and afraid. Your help has helped us bear this situation a little better. The Covid-19 situation meant that everything was done via telephone and unfortunately mum doesn't hear very well and Dave was brilliant and patient with her. I can't praise the advisors enough.”

CONNECTING PEOPLE REMOTELY

During the pandemic people missed out on family gatherings for birthdays, weddings and other key celebrations. There were no spontaneous get-togethers with friends or family and many spent Christmas alone. We know the power of peer support, to just spend time with others in a similar situation who, without words, just understand. This is why we took our well attended face-to-face coffee mornings online and spent time together over Afternoon Tea. Our Healthcare Professionals helped people to get to grips with technology and facilitated a warm and welcoming atmosphere in the Zoom-room.

We also found a unique way of connecting a mummy and her children while parted due to intensive treatment.



Staff reflection:

“In our work and personal life, we are all facing the reality of social distancing. This feels strange and at times overwhelming. So let me tell you about how we helped a Mummy and her children remain connected during the most challenging of times any family could face.

Mary* has two children, Ivan* who is 4 years old and her daughter, Sarah* who is 7 years old. Mary has a diagnosis of plasma cell leukaemia which is an aggressive form of myeloma. She had three cycles of chemotherapy and an autologous stem cell transplant in 2019. She is now recovering and making the difficult decision about whether to proceed directly into an allogeneic stem cell transplant which would involve more intensive chemotherapy and a three-four week inpatient stay. Mary's

children will not be allowed to visit her during her transplant because of the infection risk.

A social worker has been working with Mary for the last month supporting her to find helpful ways to include her children in her diagnosis and treatment. Mary is very frightened and reports that she and her children find the hospital separations very painful. Nurturing attachments through periods of separation is incredibly important so the charity has paid for a mummy and baby bunny toy to help with this. The idea is that the toys are introduced before the separation and the parent keeps the 'small one' and the child keeps the 'large one' which will represent the parent during the separation, each can then hug their toy when they miss each other."

Emma Clarke, Director of Services and Grant-Giving

FINDING NEW WAYS TO SUPPORT PEOPLE



Being there at every step, means finding new ways to reach people affected by cancer, during the pandemic.

We care

A cancer diagnosis followed by treatment is one of the most difficult experiences patients and those supporting them could ever go through. Despite this bringing about its own challenges, adding a global pandemic to the mix has resulted in a concoction of feelings such as isolation, anxiety and concern for the future, for many people.

Our team of Healthcare Professionals recognised this, and as a potential antidote the 'we care' telephone service was born – to wholeheartedly care in every sense for people who need our help – which was especially important when so many people affected by cancer have been shielding to keep themselves or family members safe.

For those who have benefitted from regular 'we care' calls, many have expressed to the team that it has been 'something that they look forward to all week' and for others 'a ray of sunshine when I am feeling low'.

"I would have hesitated to call you just because I was feeling lonely as that didn't seem like a good enough reason to call when so many people are so much worse off than me. The fact that you bothered to see how I was, was so lovely of you – and very welcome."

Hardship support

Economic uncertainty was a major consequence of the pandemic. Although we saw the Government set up the furlough scheme to stabilise the impact on livelihoods, many still faced immediate hardship as businesses closed, support to those self-employed was delayed and all but essential workers were instructed to 'Stay Home' to protect the NHS.

In response we set up a hardship fund which supported 42 people in immediate need. Many grants were to help with household bills when people advised to shield were unable to work and so had a drop in their income, or to cover the cost of taxis to the hospital for treatment for those who were avoiding public transport. Grants were also used to help bridge the gap while benefits applications were processed.

We have decided to continue to provide hardship grants even as the impact of the pandemic has lessened: a cancer diagnosis still can greatly affect a household's income, and we are still hearing from those in need of additional financial support due to their illness.

Shopping service

As the coronavirus pandemic continued to evolve, we continued to look at ways to adapt our services, including the launch of a brand new food delivery service to support people who were shielding and had no other local support.

Peter, aged 72 who was shielding, commented; "it's been like having a life-line, having support. Not just shopping but seeing and speaking to someone each week really helps." Peter received weekly visits from staff at Weston Park Cancer Charity who delivered weekly food shops along with additional extras like bunting for VE day to help brighten people's day.

Staff reflection:

“I remember taking Peter’s call on our Helpline at the beginning of the pandemic. His enquiry was so simple but so profound: ‘I am having chemo and my consultant has told me to stay at home, but I live alone and I don’t know how I am going to get my weekly shopping’. It was then I knew the charity needed to act, to make sure that no one facing cancer worried about how they were going to eat.” Emma Clarke, our Director of Services and Grant-Giving

RAISING AWARENESS**Supporting the NHS Open for Business Campaign**

The ‘Open For Business’ or the ‘Help Us, Help You’ campaign was established by NHS after evidence showed that four in ten people were too concerned about being a burden on the NHS to seek help from their GP, resulting in significant concerns about delays to diagnosis, for cancer and other serious conditions.

Diagnosing cancer at an early stage is crucial to effective treatment and survival rates so we’ve been particularly concerned about people who have not contacted their GP during the pandemic, despite being worried about signs and symptoms of cancer. So, we’ve supported the NHS Open for Business campaign by increasing our cancer awareness messaging about symptoms and prevention as well as adapting our services for those with more complex needs due to late diagnosis.

In doing so, we worked closely with the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Cancer Alliance to support their Open for Business toolkit; providing video content and best practice examples to share with other charities and healthcare providers across the sector.

Covid Vaccine

We worked with leading cancer professionals across Sheffield to develop our Covid-19 vaccine guidance ensuring that people affected by cancer knew the vaccine was safe and really important – even for people on chemotherapy, targeted anti-cancer drugs, immunotherapy or radiotherapy. This included a detailed Q&A session on our website, videos and working with colleagues at Sheffield Teaching Hospital to inform guidance.

Reaching more people

Christmas football visits to Weston Park Cancer Centre, in Sheffield, are always a highlight of the year for patients undergoing cancer treatment and their families. Yet covid-19 meant players were unable to visit – despite this the team were determined to spread Christmas cheer.

As a result, in 2021 we were proud to win two awards at the European Content Awards for Video Content Campaign of the Year and Collaborative Content Campaign of the Year. Working in partnership with Trunk, Bambi Media and Sheffield United, we were able to find innovative ways to reach more people than ever before.



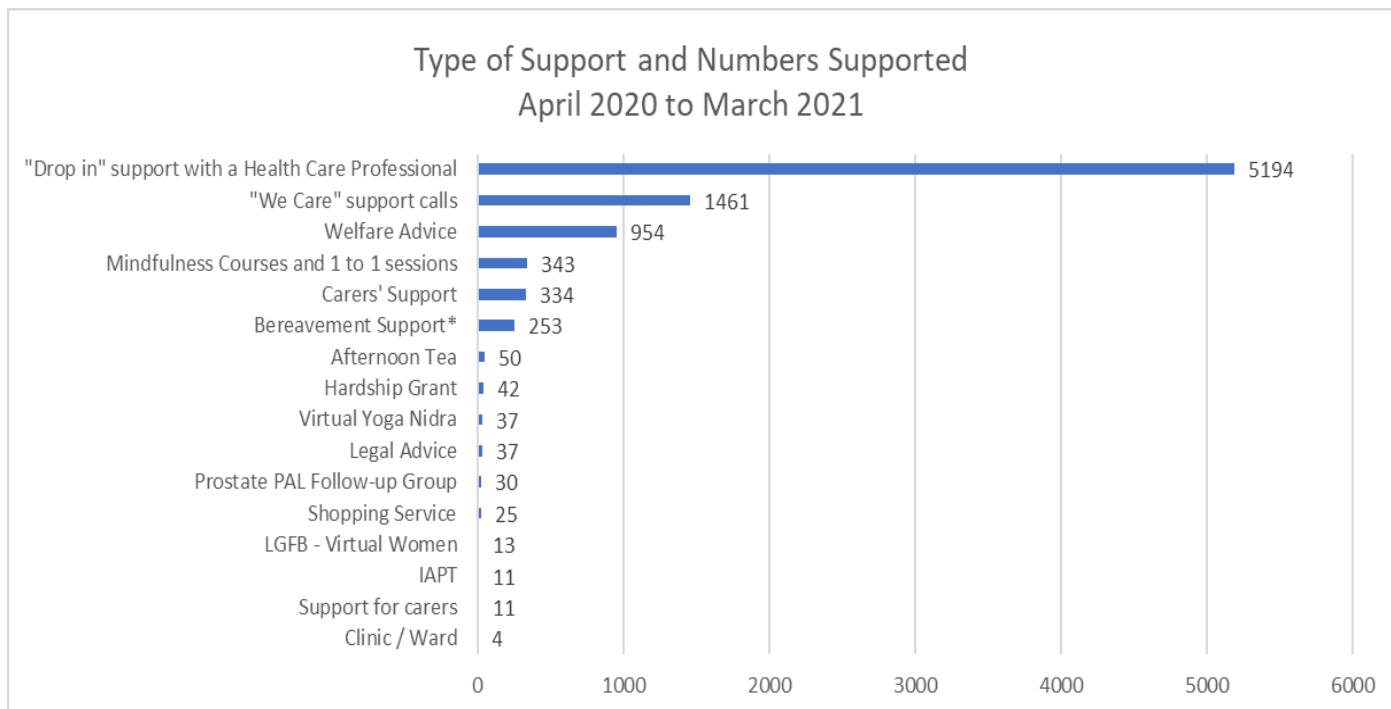
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HOW WE HAVE HELPED IN NUMBERS

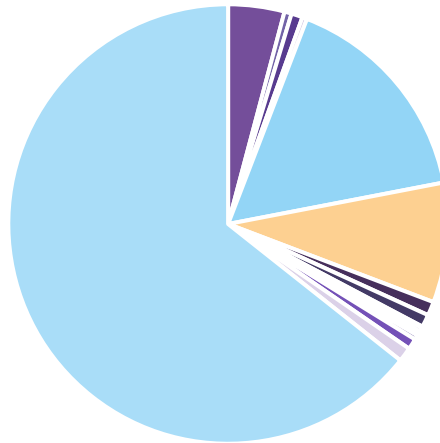
The number of people helped by via our cancer support services reduced on the previous year due to our support centre being closed from mid-March 2020, ceasing of all face-to-face services. Support was transferred to phone and digital, with the majority of being provided on a 1:1 basis. During the year 992 people received help on 8757 separate occasions from one of our experienced health care professionals or welfare advisers, who offered a listening ear when someone received a cancer diagnosis or when a loved one died of cancer; provided information about benefits or legal advice; and who calmed the mind of those experiencing anxiety using guided mindfulness support.

Number of people supported through our own cancer support services (primarily through the cancer support centre)	992 Clients
The number of times in total that we provided support	8757



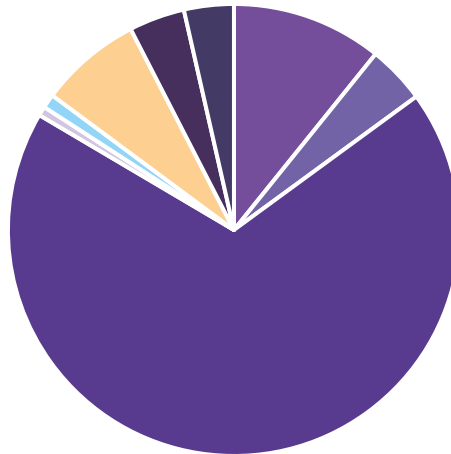
Our grant reach

2019/20 - total 11,346



- Age UK Independent Living Coordinator service
- Brachytherapy/MRT suite refurbishment
- Cancer Clinical Trials Centre
- Chesterfield complementary therapy
- Dancing for Health
- OutSwimming Cancer
- Sarcoma support group
- Teenage and Young Adult Team
- Weston Park library
- Bereavement cards
- Brain tumour cards
- Chemotherapy diaries
- Children's activity packs
- Lung assessment clinic
- Paediatric radiotherapy patient gifts
- Sheffield Cancer Choir
- Weston Park Christmas wards

2020/21 - total 3,004



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- Fans FC

The number of people that can be counted as helped by one of our grants has seen a substantial drop from the previous year, from 11,346 to 2,973. This is in large part to the extended closure of Weston Park library during the pandemic, which served over 7,000 in the previous year. Additionally a number of other hospital-based projects, including children’s activity packs at Weston Park and complementary therapy at Chesterfield Royal Hospital, were not able to continue under pandemic restrictions.

However, some projects were able to continue, such as the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre recruiting and treating patients on clinical trials, Age UK Sheffield Independent Living Coordinators supporting older people affected by cancer, the Fans FC programme providing opportunities for physical activity both in person and online, and Sheffield Cancer Choir learning how to practice over videocall.

The true number of people helped by our grants will be higher than this due to the nature of some of our projects. For example, we cannot count how many patients may have made video calls while staying on the wards or had smoother remote consultations, thanks to the tablets we purchased for the hospital, or who enjoyed watching the fish tank we rent for the radiotherapy waiting room.

OUR TREATMENT AND CARE GRANTS

In addition to the people we support, our beneficiaries, particularly for grants, includes:

- Weston Park Cancer Centre and its affiliates who receive grants that will directly improve treatment and care provided to patients of the hospital.
- Other organisations, primarily voluntary organisations, which provide services which benefit cancer patients, their families and carers.
- We continued to support all of our exiting grant holders where they were still able to deliver services. Treatment and care grant payments made in the year was £96,759.

125 people have stayed in the refurbished suite of rooms for patients receiving brachytherapy or molecular radiotherapy, forms of radiotherapy that require patients to remain isolated in their rooms for up to five days. A grant of £88,940 was used during the refurbishment work in 2019 to improve the rooms beyond NHS standard, including more comfortable furniture, a range of entertainment technology, and state-of-the-art ceiling radiation monitors.

£512.57 was claimed from a small grant to support paediatric radiotherapy patients. This was used to help encourage 20 children who came to Weston Park for radiotherapy through their therapy. All had sticker charts to count down their sessions and an end-of-treatment gift; extra gifts were bought for four children who were in treatment on their birthday and one child in treatment at Christmas. 11 of the children required a face mask or vacuum bag to hold them in position during their radiotherapy, and these were decorated using materials purchased with the grant.

Our grant to the Teenage and Young Adult team helped them to support 219 patients this year. During lockdown and the shielding period, £250 hardship grants have been used to buy computing equipment to be able to study remotely, home gym equipment to stay active and healthy, and to help with household bills while unable to work. Although patients have not been able to spend time on the Teenage Cancer Unit to take part in activities, the staff have used the grant money to buy and send hobby and comfort items directly to the patients' homes.

SUPPORTING NHS STAFF ON THE FRONTLINE

We awarded £3,900 of small grants to Sheffield Teaching Hospitals to purchase 19 tablets, so that people could stay connected with medical teams and loved ones.

- Ten tablets were used on the inpatient wards at both Weston Park Hospital and the Royal Hallamshire Hospital to allow in-patients to video call loved ones when visitor were not permitted to assist infection control measures. Staff also used the tablets to give carers remote training in post-surgery aftercare
- Two of the tablets were used in Outpatients at Weston Park Hospital to allow patients to have someone else virtually join their consultation even if they couldn't be physically present.
- Seven of the tablets were used by Consultants and other clinical staff to undertake remote consultations which minimised patient visits to the hospital during the height of the pandemic.

“I am delighted that Weston Park Cancer Charity has bought ipads so that our patients who are currently inpatients can use them to talk to loved ones who cannot visit them due to the current covid-19 restrictions.” Consultant clinical oncologist, Kash Purohit, pictured.



“The tablets are extremely useful and will help with the care of our patients who have surgery for cancer. We are a regional centre and therefore take in patients from across South Yorkshire and Derbyshire and a lot of these patients when they come back from theatre with no means of communicating through their voice, they feel very isolated. Especially at the moment when people aren’t allowed visitors - we’re really struggling with their emotional needs too. We also see that it will be very useful to train district nurses and carers who aren’t able to come into the hospital on managing, caring and supporting their loved ones when they have a tracheostomy and also a speaking valve as a result of the laryngectomy.” Jane Thorton, Speech and Language therapist working on the head and neck at RHH



- We supported Weston Park Cancer Centre colleagues to create a series of online video guides; including guidance on caring for your PICC line, orientation videos for people undergoing chemotherapy, immunotherapy and targeted therapies. This helped to reduce the number of times patients visited hospital so that we could help reduce the risk of catching and spreading COVID-19.
- With more hospital staff conducting appointments over the phone, or via video, additional space was needed so that calls could be delivered in a confidential environment. With limited space available in the hospital, we supported our NHS colleagues by donating our Whitham Road office to run some of their telephone clinics.
- We also recognised the tireless commitment of Weston Park staff by giving hard-working colleagues a small gift of thanks at a time when it was needed the most.

- We continued to show our support at Christmas time, lighting up the hospital and providing food and soft drinks for those that were working on Christmas day. We also provided an individually wrapped gift for patients who had to stay in Weston Park Hospital on Christmas day.
- We delivered over £1,000 worth of hand moisturiser to the healthcare professionals, hospital staff, nurses and doctors who are working tirelessly to care for vulnerable patients at Weston Park Cancer Centre. Our thanks go to our long-standing supporters, Pricecheck for the generous donation.

“I just wanted to say a great big thank you to the charity for our Christmas goody bags. Staff absolutely loved them, they were very well received and this generous gesture has not gone unappreciated.”
Feedback received from a staff member at Weston Park Cancer Centre.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Independent Living Coordination Service

Our partnership with Age UK Sheffield funds two Independent Living Coordinators, who support people over the age of 50 affected by cancer to retain or regain their independence. This can include completing benefits and blue badge applications; organising home adaptation and mobility aids; arranging home support such as carers, cleaners or gardeners; and booking onto community transport services.

"I just felt so lost with all these papers and forms; I was coping, but felt on my own. I'm highly delighted that Sarah came to see us, she was marvellous. Please let everyone there at Age UK Sheffield know how much of a difference it has made."

During lockdown the service had to move away from home visits, but quickly adapted so that all clients had personalised Covid-19 plans to ensure all needs were met during lockdown, including food and medication deliveries, transport to any appointments, help with setting up remote bill payments, and continuing telephone support.

The grant cost £79,077 for this year and 324 people were supported. In addition to the practical and emotional support provided by the Independent Living Coordinators, the service also secured £411,017 in annual benefits increases and £69,837 in arrears payments for these clients.

"My sincerest thanks and gratitude for all you have done to help me and my family. Since your telephone call and registering me Sainsbury's have emailed me and I have managed to place an order online for groceries to be delivered tomorrow."

"Thank you so much for all your help. It's taken so much stress and worry away from me knowing that I can call up and know you're there for me when I need it. You've sorted everything out for me. You helped with incorrectly calculated overpayment of Housing Benefit and Council Tax Support of over £1500. Got them to recalculate down to 2 pence overpayment."

Free online singing therapy

We are proud to work in partnership with Sheffield Cancer Choir – the first choir of its kind in Sheffield. During the pandemic they offered free online singing therapy to anyone affected by cancer.

Fans FC

Fans FC is a programme designed to support those diagnosed with, affected by, or to help prevent, cancer. In partnership with the Premier League Charitable Fund and Weston Park Cancer Charity the Fans FC programme aims to provide free mental and physical support to those that need it.

- During the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Health & Wellbeing team reached out across South Yorkshire with Care Packages as part of Fans FC. The Care Packages were for anyone that may have felt isolated or frustrated at not being able to do their normal day to day activities. The care packages were made up of essential items such as hand sanitiser, face masks, books and puzzles. They even came with a Sheffield United Community Foundation bag and pen!
- Online exercise sessions such as chairrobix and social gatherings were run on a weekly basis to keep people moving and connected.

“I’ve really enjoyed it and I feel like I’m getting health benefits from it as well, and the fact that the sessions are designed for people with cancer makes me feel like I am able to take part and reassured me that I’d be with similar people.” Claire has taken part in SUFC sessions both in-person pre Covid-19 and digitally during the pandemic after the programme moved online.

OUR RESEARCH GRANTS

Providing access to new treatments unavailable on the NHS and furthering our understanding of cancer is vital while it remains the major cause of death in the UK today. Therefore, funding and enabling research has remained a top priority, despite the challenges on income generation.

Covid-19 has slowed us down, but our commitment to research remained the same.

Research grants

We honoured all our committed funding, at a time when many national cancer charities announced a significant drop in research funding.

During this time, some projects were able to continue from home; with researchers analysing data. Others were paused as experiments could not be done at home, but we worked with our research team to agree new timescales and honour the funding. Total research grant payments made in the year was £553,619 across 17 research grants.

Clinical trials

We also reaffirmed our commitment to support clinical trials to aid the cancer sector's Covid-19 recovery, after figures suggested significant falls in cancer referral numbers and diagnoses during the pandemic.

As a result of the fall in referrals and diagnoses, it is anticipated that an increased number of cancers will also be diagnosed later.

“The drop in cancer referrals and diagnoses during Covid-19 will inevitably lead to many cancers being diagnosed at a later stage, meaning that support for clinical trials and research is more important now than ever.”

Weston Park Cancer Charity Trustee, Professor Robert Coleman, Emeritus Professor of Medical Oncology

Recruitment to many clinical trials was paused due to safety concerns, either because of the treatment itself or the required visits to the Centre, and so only 159 patients were recruited to clinical trials in this year. However, a further 1,900 patients already on trials continued to be supported by the clinical trials team, who set up both drive-through pick-up and home delivery for trial medication, to save patients from entering the building where possible.

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Our investment in clinical and early phase trials capability ensures people across the region can continue to benefit from the latest scientific advances in cancer treatment.

- A twelve-month grant to the Cancer Clinical Trials Centre of £247,000 and
- A twelve-month grant to the Early Phase Trials of £172,309.

EXTENDING OUR REACH

Weston Park Cancer Charity is here, together at every step, for people in Chesterfield and North Derbyshire



From Monday 30th November 2020 Weston Park Cancer Charity took over operations at Nenna Kind, in a move which saw the Chesterfield based charity adopt the Weston Park Cancer Charity name.

Barbara and David Wallace set up Nenna Kind after their daughter Helen, affectionately known as Nenna Kind, was diagnosed with cancer. Through their personal experience they developed a cancer support service which has been an

incredible support for people in Chesterfield and beyond. It's a privilege to be asked to continue their legacy and we look forward to launching the transport service as a priority in April 2021.

OUR RESOURCES

'Our resources are wide-ranging but whether our staff, volunteers or donations we will manage and govern all of our resources as effectively and efficiently as possible.'

In 2019 we launched a brand-new five-year strategy, yet we hadn't foreseen a global pandemic as part of these plans. Throughout 2020/21 we have changed and adapted an unprecedented level. During this time, our trustees and senior leadership team have met more frequently; we've been able to respond more quickly and adapt to the ever-changing needs of people affected by cancer, due to the coronavirus. This has included;

- Investment in IT so that our staff have the right tools to work from home
- Streamlining our fundraising and rebuilding some more traditional income streams as restrictions began to ease
- Focusing our efforts and resources on what mattered most to people affected by cancer

At the time of writing, some of our original plans remain on pause and our five-year strategy is under review so that we can determine how best to support the post-pandemic recovery.

FUNDRAISING

We understand how difficult it has been for many people – businesses have struggled, people have lost jobs and community groups haven't been able to meet in the same way. It's meant that some of our traditional fundraising methods haven't worked or haven't been as effective during the pandemic and you won't be surprised to hear that Covid-19 hit our fundraising hard, just as people needed us the most.

We were expecting an increase in income from a special programme of fundraising events to celebrate Weston Park Hospital's 50th birthday yet we've had to cancel most of these events and most of the associated fundraising activity throughout 2020/21.

Our ability to fundraise during the pandemic was limited and our income dropped by just under one million pounds in the year to £1.7million. The effect of the pandemic on fundraising has continued into 2021/22 and we know that this is not going to change overnight – just as the impact of the pandemic will roll on, so will the effects of our reduced funds and we don't expect to reach pre-covid income until 2023.

In 2020/21 we raised £1,717k (£2,595k, in 2019-20) this was £1,263k less than our budget which was set in December 2019. The biggest decrease has been in our fundraising activities which are down by £625k on last year, legacies and grants were both just over were £100k less than last year. Furlough income was £65k.

Despite the drop in our income our reserves enabled us to keep our services and grant commitments going at a time when our services were needed the more than ever. The £63k of reserves that we spent has meant that we are still there for the people who need us the most.



CREATING A GREAT PLACE TO WORK AND VOLUNTEER

“We want to create a workplace where every volunteer and staff member: Trusts the people they work for, has pride in what they do, enjoys their work and the people with whom they work”



Our staff

At Weston Park Cancer Charity we have set out to create the best life for everyone living with and beyond cancer; and our staff are an important part of making this real. Not just in the work that they do, but because everything they say and do is a vital part of reinforcing our commitment to be there – together at every step for people affected by cancer.

Covid-19 has changed the way we operate as a charity and we've faced challenges on an unprecedented scale. The pandemic meant that all of our staff moved from an office-based work environment to home working on the 18th March 2020 – including our Healthcare Professionals so that they could continue to keep our telephone helpline open.

"I just want to say thank you to you all for continuing to run the service. Coming to the centre has always made a massive difference to me and just to know that you are still there is so incredibly comforting. Please say thank you to the whole team."

Staff wellbeing

Ensuring the wellbeing of our staff was of paramount importance throughout the year. We set up a Wellbeing Group to look at and implement ways to keep our staff connected, whilst working remotely, and well. This included weekly coffee and catch-ups, quiz es, The Weston Arms virtual Friday night out, encouraging staff to take breaks away from their screens, buddy system, a duvet day, Christmas shopping day and a virtual afternoon tea.

We also completed a new banding and grading system and introduced a new Total Rewards Package that looked not only at salary but at other benefits including Westfield Health for all staff, Death in Service and a holiday purchase scheme.



Staff reflection:

“Working for Weston Park Cancer Charity is extremely rewarding, and I really am honoured to be able to meet the most incredible people, hear their stories, meet their families and friends, and hopefully in some of the most difficult of times, create some light and hope. The smallest of thing can make the biggest of difference, and no matter what role in the charity you play, you create this change each and every day.” Charlotte Swinhoe, Fundraising Executive and winner of the 2020 Glu Recruit Office Heroes Awards!

Staff changes

As always, we are committed to working as efficiently as possible to ensure every pound raised makes a real difference to those living with and beyond cancer and it is with great regret that we have made a number of our valued staff redundant. This was a very difficult decision but our work has changed, and will continue to change as a result of Covid.

Our staff team decreased from 32 to 26 and we lost some long-standing staff members due to the changes. However, we also introduced a small number of new roles and welcomed five new members of staff whose roles reflect the emerging needs of the organisation: one in September and four in March.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

We want to ensure that our charity is a welcoming and inclusive place for everyone. In response to Black Lives Matters we set up an EDI working group to enable colleagues to share experiences, ideas and take action to bring about greater diversity and equity. The group meets monthly and has a focus on education and cultural change and working alongside those with lived experience to ensure marginalised voices are heard and amplified.

Our volunteers

The safety of our volunteers has been of paramount importance and therefore we stopped all volunteering activity in March 2020, following the national lockdown. With many of our volunteers aged over 70 or classified as clinically vulnerable we have not yet resumed any volunteer activity.

In the meantime, we supported our volunteers with regular 'We Care' calls and look forward to welcoming them back in the upcoming year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Review of accounts

At 31st March 2021 there was a net increase in funds of £35k (2019/20 Increase of £273k).

In 2020/21 the merger of Nenna Kind resulted in income and transfer in of assets of £105k.

Expenditure costs in the year were £1779k (2020 £2,276k) decrease of £497k. The largest decrease, £426k was in grants payable as a number of our large grants were put on hold due to researchers being called back to front line service or were furloughed.

The year ended much better than we had expected when our first reforecasts were produced.

Investments

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, The Trustees are empowered to invest the resources of the charity in any way they think fit.

At the 31 March 2021 the Charity held £528k (2020 £436k) in investments an increase of £92k (2019: decrease of £71k) since last year. The market value of the portfolio increased by £96k compared to book cost and there was a net £4k reduction in the book cost of stocks held.

Reserves Policy

In formulating their reserves policy, Trustees have followed the guidance set out by The Charity Commission in deciding, publishing, implementing and monitoring their charity's reserves policy so that they can comply with their legal duties to:

- Act in the interest of their charity and its beneficiaries
- Protect and safeguard the assets of their charity;
- Act with reasonable care and skill;
- Ensure their charity is accountable.

The Trustees use a risk-based approach to assess the level of unrestricted undesignated reserves that need to be held. The risks are monetised and compared to the value of working capital required. The higher value is used as the reserves level. The Trustees reserves policy sets a minimum of £500k unrestricted, undesignated funds. Reserves are reviewed at least annually.

At 31st March 2021 the charity's total reserves were £3,748,247 (2020: £3,712,811).

Of the £1.8m designated funds £1.1m has been designated to Research Grants and £0.7m to Treatment and Care Grants.

This leaves general unrestricted funds of £1.7m (2020: £1.0m). This exceeds the target level of £500k and so the trustees are intending to review the reserves position again during the coming year.

STRUCTURE & GOVERNANCE

Our Trustees

The Trustees present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the group and the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Weston Park Cancer Charity is a company limited by guarantee, company number 1480596, and a Charity, registration number 509803. The trustees, listed below, have overall responsibility for the strategic direction and effective governance of the charity.

Board of trustees

Members of the board during the year were;

David Whitney Chair

(Ex officio member of all sub-committees)

Niall Baker

Vice Chair and Chair of Risk, Audit and Governance Committee

Julia Delaney

Treasurer and Chair of the Finance and Resources Committee and member of the Risk Audit and Governance Committee

Consultant clinical oncologist Kash Purohit

Member of Treatment & Care committee (retired May 2021)

Roland Panek

Member of Finance and Resource Committee (retired March 2021)

Martin Robinson

Chair of the Clinical Scrutiny Panel and a member of the Research Committee and the Risk Audit and Governance Committee (retired September 2021)

Pat McGrath

Chair of Remuneration and Nomination Committee and member of the Finance and Resources Committee.

Consultant clinical oncologist

Patricia Fisher

Member of the Treatment and Care Committee

Emeritus professor of medical oncology Robert Coleman

Chair of the Research Committee

Steve Wragg

Member of Finance and Resources Committee
Chair of Treatment and Care Committee

David Bussue

Appointed December 2020

Amy Taylor

Appointed March 2021

Nigel Beasley

Appointed March 2021

Tim Brazier

Appointed March 2021

How decisions are made

- The Board has an agreed delegated scheme of approval which makes it clearer how decisions are made within the charity and who makes these.
- Day-to-day operational decisions are delegated to the executive team headed by the Chief Executive Officer.
- The Research Committee and Treatment and Care Committee are chaired by a Trustee and are quorate with three members present, two of whom should be trustees. Each committee makes recommendations to trustees on which projects should or shouldn't be funded and it is for the Board to make the final decision based on these recommendations. The committees have delegated responsibility to oversee the grant application process and monitor grants. The Board look to the committee to shape strategy and suggest budget allocations which Trustees then approve.
- It is important that expertise is sought from a broad range of disciplines and experience to ensure the soundest decisions are made on how grant funding is allocated and managed. Alongside trustees our committees include those with lived experience of cancer and those with specialist clinical research of care knowledge in the area (such as oncologists, nurses).
- The Charity operates a small grant application process through which applications to a maximum of £1,500 can be made with the total fund available being £20k per annum. Trustees delegated responsibility for these decisions to the CEO who, in turn, has delegated this to a small cross-organisational staff group. This empowers staff, is a good way to develop their skills and ensures a wide range of experiences involved in the decision-making process. Staff have enjoyed being involved in this process.

The Charity has other committees as part of its governance structure. These are:

- Risk, Audit and Governance (RAG) – gives assurance to the Board on all aspects of the charity's operations and has oversight and scrutiny of the risk register with the top risks being reviewed by the Board at each meeting.
- Clinical Scrutiny Panel – is accountable to RAG for all clinically-related risks.
- Remunerations and Nominations Committee (RemComm) – oversees our objective to 'Create a Great Place to Work', appraisal of the Chair and succession planning to the Board.
- Finance & Resource – has oversight and scrutiny of finance, premises, IT, oversight of financial performance of the organisation and all of resources. Recommends the budget to The Board.
- Research Committee – has oversight and scrutiny of research grants and makes recommendations to the Board on research grant applications.

- Treatment and Care Committee - has oversight and scrutiny of treatment and care grants and makes recommendations to the Board on these grant applications.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The skills audit of the Board is reviewed on an ongoing basis and linked to our five-year strategy to try to help us to recruit people with the skills, knowledge and expertise needed to strengthen our leadership. We appointed four new trustees in the year to bolster the following areas:

- Clinical/ governance/ nursing
- Digital strategy
- Organisational development

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

Our trustees share the passion for our cause and understand the voluntary commitment involved to fulfil the position to a high standard. Those interested are invited to an interview with Remunerations and Nominations Committee and may then be invited to become a trustee of the charity.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are invited to a number of training sessions with the CEO and Senior Leadership Team which cover the responsibilities of being a trustee as well as the specifics of the management of Weston Park Cancer Charity and the ways in which we adhere to, and deliver against, our governing document and charitable objectives. New trustees are also encouraged to participate in training for new trustees delivered by the likes of Civil Society.

Trustees are encouraged to undertake training as and when they are able, and it is the responsibility of each trustee to ensure they have the skills and knowledge to be able to undertake their role. Trustees are encouraged to participate in training provided by external providers on subjects such as governance, change to charity law and codes, finance etc. The CEO provides regular updates on policy changes and information of interest from the sector press. An annual trustee away-day takes place which involves strategy development but also team building.

Linked Charity

The Trustees' Report and Financial Statements also incorporate The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund, a linked charity. The trade and assets were transferred into Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Ltd. on 30th April 2018. There is no continued trade within this charity.

The senior leadership team

Operational responsibility for the charity is delegated by the Board to the executive team. The Senior Leadership Team comprises the following roles:

- Chief Executive Officer – leads the charity, develops and implements strategy and is accountable for the day-to-day operations of the Charity.
- Director of Corporate Services – responsible for the team which delivers finance, IT, admin, HR, health and safety and premises functions.
- Director of Fundraising and Marketing – leads on the development of plans to secure income and to market ourselves so that people want to support us or use our services.
- Director of Services and Grant-Giving – responsible for the teams who deliver our services, the development of future services and effective use of our grants.
- Each Director manages a team who are responsible for delivering their part of the annual plan.

Plans for Future Periods

One of the greatest threats posed by Covid-19 is the potential to create a cancer epidemic. With less people being diagnosed and referred we know that patients and families will need our help and support services more than ever.

In our region, we serve over 1.5 million people, so that's a lot of support, care, treatment and help we have to be ready to deliver. So, we still have ambitious plans for the future which will help us to support more people in more ways, even as covid-19 continues to affect us and the people we support over the months and years ahead.

So we're looking ahead, at the changes we'll need to make, our ambitions for the future and how our brilliant supporters can continue to make this all possible.

As we strive to be there – at every step – for the one in two people who will face cancer, we will;

- re-open Weston Park Cancer Support and rebuild our range of face-to-face services for people facing cancer, while retaining those which work well remotely for people who do not wish or who are too unwell to travel to our Centre
- refurbish and open our space within Weston Park Hospital as our new Charity Hub which will provide easier access to our services, our transport and for those who wish to fundraise for or donate to us
- reopen our Grants Programme, investing in future research, treatment and care projects which will enable expert partners to deliver ground-breaking research and innovative support
- re-design our outreach service with learning from the pandemic and engage with community and funding partners during 2021/22 and aim to commence our work in communities with the lowest cancer screening rates and highest cancer mortality in 2022/23
- deliver a safe and reliable transport service to people in Chesterfield and North Derbyshire undergoing cancer treatment at Sheffield Teaching Hospitals. And we will look for opportunities to expand our transport offer across the wider region
- launch a Single Point of Access which will see a greater number of patients signposted to our specialist cancer support services by their Clinical Nurse Specialist, GP, social care and voluntary sector organisations.
- continue to engage with partners such as Voluntary Action Sheffield; CommUNITY Chesterfield; SACMHA; South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Cancer Alliance and Clinical Commissioning Groups to play our part in the Covid-19 recovery
- launch a new website which will provide easy access to our services, provide an engaging experience for our dedicated donors and let the public know about the impact of our work
- continue to place Equality, Diversity and Inclusion at the heart of our work and our development, with our EDI working group actively driving cultural and practical change

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Charity registration number 509803

Registered number 1480596

- welcome back our longstanding volunteers and devise a plan to bolster our volunteering infrastructure for the coming years
- continue to ensure the charity is a 'Great Place to Work and Volunteer', maintaining 'Wellbeing' and 'Learning & Development' as the priorities. This will be through both cultural change and investment in our team

Because when cancer changes everything, so can we.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

Jan 27, 2022

This report was approved by the Trustees, on and signed on their behalf by:

David Whitney

David Whitney
David Whitney (Jan 27, 2022 14:02 GMT)

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY AND ITS ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Senior management team

Ms S Dixon, CEO (resigned May 2021)

Ms E Clarke, Interim CEO (appointed May 2021)

Ms C Rhone, Director of Fundraising and Marketing

Ms I Hartland, Director of Corporate Services

Ms E Clarke, Director of Services and Grant Giving (Changed role May 2021)

Company registered number

1480596

Charity registered number

509803

Registered Office

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Independent auditors

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Bankers

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WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic report.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable to the charity and the sector in which it operates and considered the risk of acts by the company that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. We designed audit procedures to respond to the risk, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

We focussed on laws and regulations, relevant to the charity, which could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements. Our tests included agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation, enquiries with management, review of client's operation of controls within the year, in particular, cash controls, and review of expenses, such as legal costs. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described and, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it.

As part of our audit, we addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including testing of journals and review of nominal ledger. We evaluated whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Philip Allsop
Philip Allsop (Jan 27, 2022 14:05 GMT)

Philip Allsop (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

BHP LLP

2 Rutland Park

Sheffield

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Date: Jan 27, 2022

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 Restated £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,485,831	1,875	1,487,706	2,393,834
Charitable activities		19,644	-	19,644	78,574
Other trading activities		23,194	-	23,194	82,985
Investment income		16,316	-	16,316	32,403
Other income	3	169,724	-	169,724	7,727
Total income		1,714,709	1,875	1,716,584	2,595,523
Expenditure on:					
Fundraising	4	591,404	-	591,404	649,691
Charitable activities	5	1,170,456	17,471	1,187,927	1,626,103
Total expenditure		1,761,860	17,471	1,779,331	2,275,794
Net (expenditure)/income before net gains/(losses) on investments		(47,151)	(15,596)	(62,747)	319,729
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	98,183	-	98,183	(46,405)
Net movement in funds		51,032	(15,596)	35,436	273,324
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		3,413,325	299,486	3,712,811	3,439,487
Net movement in funds		51,032	(15,596)	35,436	273,324
Total funds carried forward		3,464,357	283,890	3,748,247	3,712,811

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 47 to 71 form part of these financial statements.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED**(A company limited by guarantee)**REGISTERED NUMBER: 1480596

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 Restated £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	12	47,123	39,740
Investments	13	528,342	436,260
		<u>575,465</u>	<u>476,000</u>
Current assets			
Stocks		6,576	1,420
Debtors	14	225,455	522,345
Cash at bank and in hand		4,627,248	4,807,087
		<u>4,859,279</u>	<u>5,330,852</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(1,456,577)	(1,471,419)
Net current assets		3,402,702	3,859,433
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(229,920)	(622,622)
Net assets excluding pension asset		3,748,247	3,712,811
Total net assets		3,748,247	3,712,811
Funds			
Restricted funds	17	283,890	299,486
Unrestricted funds			
Designated funds	17	1,755,058	2,412,494
General funds	17	1,709,299	1,000,831
Total unrestricted funds	17	<u>3,464,357</u>	<u>3,413,325</u>
Total funds		3,748,247	3,712,811

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 1480596

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

David Whitney
David Whitney (Jan 27, 2022 14:02 GMT)

David Whitney

Date: Jan 27, 2022

The notes on pages 47 to 71 form part of these financial statements.

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	2021	2020
	£	Restated £
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities - note 20	(202,228)	131,552
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Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	16,316	32,403
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	-	(32,083)
Purchase of investments	(87,689)	-
Proceeds from disposal of investments	93,762	24,608
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Net cash provided by investing activities	22,389	24,928
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Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(179,839)	156,480
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	4,807,087	4,650,607
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	4,627,248	4,807,087
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The notes on pages 47 to 71 form part of these financial statements

WESTON PARK HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND LIMITED

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. Accounting policies**1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited Weston Park Hospital Development Fund Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Statement of financial activities (SOFA) and Balance sheet represent the financial statements of the charity. The results of its subsidiary undertaking, Weston Park Trading Limited have not been consolidated within the accounts due to its immaterial nature. Weston Park Trading Limited is a dormant subsidiary with share capital totalling £1. The Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund Charity legally merged into the Weston Park Hospital Development Fund on 1 May 2018.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared forecasts of income and expenditure and cash flow for 12 months from authorising these financial statements which shows that they have sufficient reserves to be able to continue for the foreseeable future. The Board will continue to monitor the impact on income and take appropriate action as necessary. The Trustees therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of preparation for these financial statements.

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the Charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably, and the Charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the Charity, or the Charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified, and a third party is bearing the costs. No amounts are included in the financial statement for services donated by volunteers.

Donated services or facilities are recognised when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

On receipt, donated professional services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount it would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Expenditure (continued)

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contribution and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Costs of generating funds are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds. Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities. All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Grants payable

Grant awards are reviewed at least annually and are subject to the grant terms.

Grants payable are recognised in full, for all years of the grant, in the year the offer is made when there are no conditions on the grant. Where grants are conditional they are recognised when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment and not recognised.

A prior year adjustment has been made in these financial statements to account for a change in accounting policy for the recognition of multi-year grants payable. Such grants were previously recognised on a payment basis and the future year amount due not recognised. In prior years the future grant commitment was disclosed in the financial statements and included as part of the designated reserves. See note 26 for the impact of the prior year adjustment.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	- 10 years
IT equipment (over £1,000)	- 3 years
Fixtures and fittings (over £500)	- 3 years
Motor vehicles	- 10 years

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1. Accounting policies (continued)**1.7 Investments**

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the statement of financial activities.

Investments in subsidiaries are valued at cost less provision for impairment.

1.8 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.9 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.10 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.11 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.12 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.13 Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value recognised, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

1.14 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.15 Pensions

The Charity's main pension schemes are defined contribution pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

The Charity also participates in one of the NHS pension schemes. It is a defined benefit scheme but the Charity is unable to identify its share of the underlying scheme liabilities and so it is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme. See note 23 for further details.

1.16 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.17 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Preparation of the financial statements can require management to make significant judgements and estimates. There were no items in the financial statements which required judgements and estimates in the current or previous periods.

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2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Donations and fundraising	755,527	1,875	757,402	1,562,372
Legacies	730,304	-	730,304	831,462
	<u>1,485,831</u>	<u>1,875</u>	<u>1,487,706</u>	<u>2,393,834</u>
Total 2020	<u>2,289,941</u>	<u>103,893</u>	<u>2,393,834</u>	

3. Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Transfer of assets	105,135	105,135	-
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme income	64,589	64,589	7,727
	<u>169,724</u>	<u>169,724</u>	<u>7,727</u>
Total 2020	<u>7,727</u>	<u>7,727</u>	

During the year the Charity merged with Nenna Kind Cancer Drop in Centre (companies house reference 07897112) and the assets of Nenna Kind were transferred into the Charity. The fair value of £105,135 included motor vehicles £23,000 and cash £82,135. The cash balance has not yet been received due to Nenna Kind Cancer Drop in Centre being struck off at Companies House prior to the cash transfer and therefore the need to reinstate Nenna Kind. This is considered fully recoverable.

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4. Fundraising trading expenses

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Events and activities	14,069	14,069	31,721
Wages and salaries - note 10	348,865	348,865	385,364
Training and recruitment	8,560	8,560	5,670
Support costs - note 7	79,474	79,474	101,723
Governance costs - note 8	30,842	30,842	28,618
Other	109,594	109,594	96,595
	<hr/> 591,404 <hr/>	<hr/> 591,404 <hr/>	<hr/> 649,691 <hr/>
Total 2020 as restated	<hr/> 649,691 <hr/>	<hr/> 649,691 <hr/>	

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5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 Restated £
Grants payable	354,842	17,471	372,313	798,173
Patient Services	229,554	-	229,554	189,473
Staff costs - note 10	410,634	-	410,634	444,783
Training and recruitment	8,622	-	8,622	3,820
Support costs - note 7	122,742	-	122,742	148,672
Governance costs - note 8	44,062	-	44,062	41,182
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	1,170,456	17,471	1,187,927	1,626,103
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total 2020	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	
	1,596,652	29,451	1,626,103	
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6. Grants payable

	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020 Restated
	£	£	£	£
<i>Grants to institutions</i>				
Teenage Cancer Unit	-	17,403	17,403	26,194
Cancer Clinical Trials	247,000	-	247,000	299,491
Early Phase Trials	172,309	-	172,309	193,390
Small Grants	9,164	-	9,164	36,195
Other Research	6,015	-	6,015	301,882
Other Treatment and Care	-	-	-	128,974
Research Grants De-allocated	(66,845)	-	(66,845)	(136,129)
Treatment & Care Grants De-allocated	(12,801)	-	(12,801)	(57,801)
Other	-	68	68	5,977
	<u>354,842</u>	<u>17,471</u>	<u>372,313</u>	<u>798,173</u>
Total 2020	<u>768,722</u>	<u>29,451</u>	<u>798,173</u>	

Support cost allocation in relation to these grants is set out below:

Cancer Clinical Trials - £14,820 (2020 - £14,742)

Early Phase Trials - £10,339 (2020 - £11,603)

Small Grants - £609 (2020 - £2,061)

Other Research - £nil (2020 - £19,355)

Other Treatment and Care - £nil (2020 - £13,141)

Research Grants De-allocated and Treatment and Care Grants De-allocated show where the relevant committee has taken the decision to withdraw part or all of the funding of a grant either due to a change of circumstances, non-delivery or poor performance against the agreed terms and conditions.

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7. Support costs

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Premises	4,063	4,063	22,821
Telephones	2,141	2,141	10,249
Office equipment & software maintenance	11,027	11,027	61,468
Legal and Professional	18,969	18,969	14,195
Depreciation	15,641	15,641	14,144
Other staff costs	10,950	10,950	7,813
Other costs	16,560	16,560	29,963
Staff costs - note 10	131,016	131,016	100,175
Total 2021	210,367	210,367	260,828
Total 2020	260,828	260,828	

Support costs have been allocated as follows:

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Costs of raising funds - note 4	79,474	79,474	101,723
Charitable activities - note 5	122,742	122,742	148,672
Governance costs - note 8	8,151	8,151	10,433
	210,367	210,367	260,828

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8. Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Wages and salaries - note 10	51,310	51,310	47,699
Auditor's remuneration	10,800	10,800	10,100
Other	4,643	4,643	1,568
Support costs - note 7	8,151	8,151	10,433
Total 2021	<u>74,904</u>	<u>74,904</u>	<u>69,800</u>
Total 2020	<u>69,800</u>	<u>69,800</u>	

Governance costs have been allocated to

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Costs of raising funds - note 4	30,842	30,842	28,618
Charitable activities - note 5	44,062	44,062	41,182
	<u>74,904</u>	<u>74,904</u>	<u>69,800</u>

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9. Net income/(expenditure)

This is stated after charging:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the charity	15,641	14,144
Auditor's remuneration - audit	9,600	10,100
Auditor's remuneration - other services	1,200	2,014
	<u>16,441</u>	<u>26,258</u>

10. Staff costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	790,338	795,019
Social security costs	71,448	69,270
Pension costs	54,423	57,834
Temporary staff	19,535	49,228
Other staff costs	6,081	6,671
	<u>941,825</u>	<u>978,022</u>

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
	No.	No.
Average	<u>29</u>	<u>28</u>

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10. Staff costs (continued)

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2021	2020
	No.	No.
Fundraising	9	9
Care	11	10
Support	6	6
	26	25

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2021	2020
	No.	No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	1	1

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity were £198,433 (2020: £187,381).

Staff costs have been allocated to the activities

	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds
	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds - note 4	348,865	348,865	385,364
Charitable activities - note 5	410,634	410,634	444,783
Support costs - note 7	131,016	131,016	100,175
Governance - note 8	51,310	51,310	47,699
	941,825	941,825	978,021

11. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2020 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 March 2021, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2020 - £NIL).

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12. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<i>Cost or valuation</i>				
At 1 April 2020	46,003	-	68,364	114,367
Additions	-	23,000	24	23,024
At 31 March 2021	<u>46,003</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>68,388</u>	<u>137,391</u>
<i>Depreciation</i>				
At 1 April 2020	35,653	-	38,974	74,627
Charge for the year	4,600	1,583	9,458	15,641
At 31 March 2021	<u>40,253</u>	<u>1,583</u>	<u>48,432</u>	<u>90,268</u>
<i>Net book value</i>				
At 31 March 2021	<u>5,750</u>	<u>21,417</u>	<u>19,956</u>	<u>47,123</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>10,350</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,390</u>	<u>39,740</u>

13. Fixed Asset Investments

	2021 £	2020 £
Market value at 1 April 2020	436,260	483,699
Additions	87,689	34,098
Disposals	(92,410)	(26,296)
Net investment gains/(losses)	96,803	(55,241)
	<u>528,342</u>	<u>436,260</u>
Market value at 31 March 2021	<u>528,342</u>	<u>436,260</u>

In addition to the above investments held at market value, a £1 investment in the subsidiary company Weston Park Trading Limited is included in the 2021 figures. Total Investments are therefore £528,343 (2020: £436,261).

However, this £1 investment is not recognised in the financial statements as it is deemed to be immaterial.

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	2021	2020
	£	£
Cost at 31 March 2021	<u>387,608</u>	<u>392,328</u>
Unrealised gain	96,803	(55,241)
Realised gain	<u>1,380</u>	<u>8,836</u>
Net gain on investment	<u>98,183</u>	<u>(46,405)</u>

The difference between the historical cost and market value of investments has been included in unrestricted funds.

The following investments account for more than five percent of the total market value of investments held by the charitable company:

	Holding	2021	2020
	%	£	£
Vanguard Funds PLC S&P 500 Ucits Etf USD Dis	10%	54,750	28,147
Royal London Utm Sterl Credit Instl Inc Z GBP	6%	31,482	-
Brown Advisory Fund US Sustainable Growth	5%	27,104	-
JP Morgan Funds Ltd US equity		-	23,516
Legal & General UT All Stock Gilt Index Trust		-	27,420
		<u>113,336</u>	<u>79,083</u>

14. Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
<i>Due within one year</i>		
Other debtors	125,163	375,181
Prepayments	38,870	50,164
Accrued Income	61,422	97,000
	<u>225,455</u>	<u>522,345</u>

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15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021	Restated
	£	2020
		£
Trade creditors	318,537	396,498
Deferred income	42,951	28,543
Other creditors	23,353	26,180
Accruals	67,597	15,304
Grants payable	1,004,139	1,004,894
	<hr/> 1,456,577 <hr/>	<hr/> 1,471,419 <hr/>

16. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Grants payable	229,920	622,622
	<hr/> 229,920 <hr/>	<hr/> 622,622 <hr/>

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17. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2020 Restated £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of 5 year strategy - research	869,698	-	(357,490)	567,792	-	1,080,000
Delivery of 5 year strategy - treatment and care	1,542,796	-	12,801	(880,539)	-	675,058
	2,412,494	-	(344,689)	(312,747)	-	1,755,058
General funds						
General Funds	1,000,831	1,714,709	(1,417,171)	312,747	98,183	1,709,299
Total Unrestricted funds	3,413,325	1,714,709	(1,761,860)	-	98,183	3,464,357
Restricted funds						
Support Centre Fund	518	-	-	-	-	518
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	10,198	110	-	-	-	10,308
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,242	-	(67)	-	-	2,175
Heads Together Support Group Fund	16,364	50	-	-	-	16,414
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,542	-	-	-	-	3,542
Betty Waind Sarcoma Fund	24,424	-	-	-	-	24,424

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - current year (continued)

	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Rochelle Baxter Fund	142,198	1,715	(17,404)	-	-	126,509
Westfield Health Foundation	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
	<u>299,486</u>	<u>1,875</u>	<u>(17,471)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>283,890</u>
Total of funds	<u>3,712,811</u>	<u>1,716,584</u>	<u>(1,779,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

Designated funds

The trustees have designated £1.8m for projects in the two strands of our strategy listed below.

Delivery of 5 year strategy - Research

This fund is to enable us to invest in research and new technologies that can improve the effectiveness, tolerability and/or cost effectiveness of treatment and also to give patients the opportunity to participate in ground-breaking clinical trials.

Delivery of 5 year strategy - treatment and care

This fund is to:

- Allow us to improve the environment where cancer patients across the region receive treatment.
- Develop an outreach cancer support service to areas of greatest need.
- Deliver our services across the region at the point of need.

In previous accounts designated funds have included commitments made in relation to multi-year grants. As explained in note 26, those commitments have been recategorised in these accounts as creditors, with the comparative figures also being restated. The continuing designated funds in the above table reflect the designation of funds by the trustees to other projects.

Suitable fund transfers have occurred to match the funds designated by the trustees at financial yearend.

Restricted fund details:

Betty Waing fund – used to improve diagnosis and treatment of sarcomas

Heads Together fund – used to support projects which benefit head and neck cancer patients

Rochelle Baxter fund – used to improve the lives of cancer patients aged between 16 and 25, and their families

Scott McBride fund – used to support projects which benefit sarcoma patients

Thyroid patient fund – used to support projects which benefit thyroid patients

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	As restated Balance at 1 April 2019 £	Income £	As restated Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	As restated Balance at 31 March 2020 £
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Delivery of 5 year strategy - research	978,224	-	(535,526)	427,000	-	869,698
Delivery of 5 year strategy - treatment and care	1,498,571	-	(215,775)	260,000	-	1,542,796
	<u>2,476,795</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(751,301)</u>	<u>687,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,412,494</u>
General funds						
General Funds	<u>737,648</u>	<u>2,491,630</u>	<u>(1,495,042)</u>	<u>(687,000)</u>	<u>(46,405)</u>	<u>1,000,831</u>
Total Unrestricted funds	<u>3,214,443</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,246,343)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(46,405)</u>	<u>3,413,325</u>
Restricted funds						
Support Centre Fund	1,338	-	(820)	-	-	518
Scott McBride Sarcoma Fund	10,333	310	(445)	-	-	10,198
Brain Tumour Support Group Fund	2,242	-	-	-	-	2,242
Heads Together Support Group Fund	17,731	525	(1,892)	-	-	16,364
Thyroid Patients Fund	3,642	-	(100)	-	-	3,542

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Statement of funds - prior year (continued)

	As restated Balance at 1 April 2019 £	Income £	As restated Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2020 £
Betty Waind Sarcoma Fund	24,424	-	-	-	-	24,424
Rochelle Baxter Fund	165,334	3,058	(26,194)	-	-	142,198
Westfield Health Foundation	-	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
	<u>225,044</u>	<u>103,893</u>	<u>(29,451)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>299,486</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>3,439,487</u></u>	<u><u>103,893</u></u>	<u><u>(2,275,794)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(46,405)</u></u>	<u><u>3,712,811</u></u>

18. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2020 Restated £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Designated funds	2,412,494	-	(344,689)	(312,747)	-	1,755,058
General funds	1,000,831	1,714,709	(1,417,171)	312,747	98,183	1,709,299
Restricted funds	299,486	1,875	(17,471)	-	-	283,890
	<u>3,712,811</u>	<u>1,716,584</u>	<u>(1,779,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

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18. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 April 2019 Restated £	Income Restated £	As restated Expenditure Restated £	Transfers in/out Restated £	Gains/ (Losses) Restated £	Balance at 31 March 2020 Restated £
Designated funds	2,476,795	-	(751,301)	687,000	-	2,412,494
General funds	737,648	2,491,630	(1,495,042)	(687,000)	(46,405)	1,000,831
Restricted funds	225,044	103,893	(29,451)	-	-	299,486
	<u>3,439,487</u>	<u>2,595,523</u>	<u>(2,275,794)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(46,405)</u>	<u>3,712,811</u>

19. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	47,123	-	47,123
Fixed asset investments	528,342	-	528,342
Current assets	4,575,389	283,890	4,859,279
Creditors due within one year	(1,456,577)	-	(1,456,577)
Creditors due in more than one year	(229,920)	-	(229,920)
Total	<u>3,464,357</u>	<u>283,890</u>	<u>3,748,247</u>

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19. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year (restated)

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	39,740	-	39,740
Fixed asset investments	436,260	-	436,260
Current assets	5,030,274	300,578	5,330,852
Creditors due within one year	(1,470,327)	(1,092)	(1,471,419)
Creditors due in more than one year	(622,622)	-	(622,622)
Total	3,413,325	299,486	3,712,811

20. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 Restated £
Net income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	35,436	273,324
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	15,641	14,144
Gains/(losses) on investments	(98,183)	46,405
Increase in stocks	(5,156)	(830)
Decrease in debtors	296,890	161,110
Decrease in creditors	(407,540)	(330,198)
Investment income	(16,316)	(32,403)
Transfer in of fixed assets	(23,000)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	(202,228)	131,552

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21. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2021	2020
	£	£
Cash in hand	4,627,248	4,807,087
Total cash and cash equivalents	4,627,248	4,807,087

22. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2020	Cash flows	At 31 March 2021
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,807,087	(179,839)	4,627,248
	4,807,087	(179,839)	4,627,248

23. Pension commitments

Eligible staff belong to one of three pensions:

- All staff who joined the organisation after 1st May 2018 and all staff who were TUPEd over from the Weston Park Hospital Cancer Care and Research Fund charity are in the Charity's auto-enrolment scheme with the Peoples Pension. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the scheme.
- Four members of staff who were with the charity before the merger are in auto-enrolment compliant stakeholder pensions. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes an employer's contribution to the schemes. The pension funds above are assets of the individual and Weston Park Cancer Charity has no liability nor interest in the value of each fund. Weston Park Cancer Charity contributions are charged to the SoFA as they are incurred.
- Staff who had an NHS pension when they joined the Charity and who were still eligible to be in the NHS scheme remained in the scheme. Weston Park Cancer Charity makes contributions to the NHS superannuation scheme. Employer's pension cost contributions are charged to operating expenses as and when they become due.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2016. It was published in February 2020 and noted a notional deficiency of £19.4Bn. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2020 to 21.88% up from 20.6% (2019) of pensionable pay. The uplift was funded by the Department for Health and Social Care.

The total employer contribution payable to the NHS Pension Scheme in 2020-21 was £16,514 (2019-20 £24,472), £Nil was outstanding at the year end (2020: £Nil). In addition, employees who are members of the Scheme paid salary dependant variable contributions in the range 5.6% to 9.3%.

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24. Operating lease commitments

At 31 March 2021 the Charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	3,403	5,949
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	-	3,403
	<hr/> 3,403 <hr/>	<hr/> 9,352 <hr/>

25. Related party transactions

Donations totaling £3,721 (2020: £3,956) from Trustees were received in the year.
A grant of £nil (2020: £100,000) was received from Westfield Charitable Foundation.
David Whitney is a Trustee of this Foundation.

Irwin Mitchell staff voted for the charity as their charity of the year in the prior year.
They raised over £120,000. Niall Baker is the Regional Managing Partner of Irwin Mitchell.

All funds were given without conditions attached.

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26. Prior year adjustments

A prior year adjustment has been made to the financial statements to account for a change in the recognition of multi-year grants payable. Such grants were previously recognised on a payment basis with the future commitment shown as a designated fund. They are now accrued as a liability at the time the agreement is completed, unless there are clear conditions which the recipient needs to meet before drawing down a future instalment.

The adjustments made are as follows:

Impact on charity funds

	2020	2019
	£	£
Charity funds carried forward - as previously reported	5,340,327	5,383,692
Grants payable adjustment - current year impact	316,689	(1,944,205)
Grants payable adjustment - prior year impact	(1,944,205)	-
<i>Charity funds carried forward - as adjusted</i>	<u>3,712,811</u>	<u>3,439,487</u>

Impact on charity surplus/(deficit) for the year

	2020
	£
Surplus/(deficit) as previously reported	(43,365)
Decrease in grants payable (reduction from £1,114,862 to £798,173)	316,689
<i>Surplus/(deficit) as adjusted</i>	<u>273,324</u>



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