



Safe Housing and Support Services for Women and Children who have experienced Domestic Abuse

Annual Report and Accounts

1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

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WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic violence is about power and control, how one person uses an intimate relationship to control their partner, former partner or family member. Domestic violence is not any single behavior but rather a pattern of many physical, emotional, sexual, psychological or economic behaviors.

These coercive behaviors are designed to manipulate, control and dominate the partner to achieve compliance and dependence.

Domestic violence occurs across all of society, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnic or religious group, class, disability, sexuality, ability, lifestyle and geography. It can also occur in a range of relationships including heterosexual, LGBTQ and the extended family. It can include 'honour-based' violence, female genital mutilation and forced marriage. The figures show, however, that the majority of domestic violence is experienced by women and children and perpetrated by men.

Many women do not recognise that they are experiencing domestic violence which can take many forms and may include the following behavior(s)

- Physical abuse/ threats of violence
- Verbal attacks
- Being prevented from leaving the house
- Deliberate destruction of personal possessions
- Being controlled or prevented from seeing friends or family
- Constantly being checked up on or followed
- Financial constraints
- Being prevented from starting or continuing with work or studies
- Being prevented from accessing healthcare

Whatever form it takes, domestic violence is rarely a one-off incident, it tends to increase in severity over time and continue beyond the ending of the relationship

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Newark Women's Aid aims and objectives are to ensure women and children feel safe, protected and supported emotionally, enabling them to discuss issues relating to their experiences of domestic abuse freely and without judgement; to empower women and children by ensuring that they are provided with information on options available, and access to those options; to support women in whatever decisions they make and provide access to other specialist services.

To meet these objectives we provide the following specialist domestic violence services throughout Newark & Sherwood DC.

- A Refuge where women and their children who have been made homeless due to any form of domestic violence or abuse can enjoy temporary rest and protection from attack or persecution.

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- Emotional and practical support, advocacy and information on options available, including medical, legal, educational, housing and financial.
- Assistance in obtaining education and play facilities for children.
- Move-on and resettlement support - ongoing support and advocacy for women after they have left the Refuge.
- A Women's Community Outreach Service providing one-to-one support, information and advocacy for women who have experienced or are living with domestic violence and abuse from a current or former partner.
- Information to Agencies and individuals to raise awareness and contribute to a better understanding of the needs of women, children and young people who have experienced domestic abuse.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY STATEMENT

Newark Women's Aid (NWA) provides temporary accommodation, support and advocacy to women and children fleeing domestic abuse and supports their long-term future needs. This means challenging the abuse that women and children experience and recognising that violence against women is a result of their disadvantaged social and economic position in society.

NWA is committed to the principles of equality and diversity in all its practices. NWA is working towards the elimination of all types of abuse against women, children and young people. We are also working towards the elimination of all other forms of sexism and all forms of racism, anti-Semitism, heterosexism, class oppression, mental health oppression, and discrimination against people of different ages, people with a disability, and people responsible for children. We are trying within our organisation to actively promote equality of opportunity and good relations between women and children of different racial, ethnic and cultural groups, classes, ages, sexual orientation and ability/disability.

We declare, therefore, that we will introduce measures that will challenge all direct or indirect discrimination in our employment practices and in our management and provision of services, and will work to achieve these ends.

We intend to ensure that equal opportunities become a reality in practice and not simply a paper commitment. We will seek to implement a programme of positive action to make NWA's Equality & Diversity Policy fully effective by ensuring that no NWA member, job applicant, employee, student or volunteer, user of the service, or members and agencies of other Women's Aid groups that we work with, receive less favourable treatment on the grounds of race, colour, class, gender, gender reassignment, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion, marital status, civil partnership, sexual orientation, mental health history, disability, age, union activity, or responsibility for children.

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CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS STATEMENT

Newark Women's Aid, (NWA) provides temporary accommodation, support and advocacy in Refuge for women and children who have been made homeless because of domestic violence. A confidential women's outreach support service for women whose lives have been affected by domestic violence and abuse. This often involves challenging the abuse that women and children experience, and recognising that violence against women is the result of their disadvantaged social and economic position in society.

NWA has a Customer Care & Complaints Policy which includes: Customer Care, Service User Involvement, Confidentiality, Training, Equal Opportunities, Health & Safety and Complaints Procedure.

The Policy is operated to ensure that women and children have a safe and positive experience during their stay. By promoting this Policy women and children are encouraged to feel part of and involved in the running of the Refuge.

NWA is committed to reviewing its own policies, procedures and practice and to willingly take part in and co-operate with external reviews and monitoring.

Our Customer Care Policy also includes a Complaints Procedure and all women are given a copy of this in their Welcome Pack on arrival.

NWA welcomes the philosophy that complaints should be viewed in a positive light enabling the organisation to improve its practice, service and resources.

NWA acknowledges that residence in a Refuge is a unique experience for women and children, and as such any complaint, suggestion or comments from women or children will be taken seriously and positively acted upon.

CHAIR'S REPORT

I speak for the Trustees and residents in expressing our sincere thanks to Marlene and her team for all their hard work during the past twelve months. Between them they have devoted 93 years' of service to our Charity, and we can count ourselves very fortunate indeed to have such a dedicated and experienced team.

It has been another very busy year in the Refuge where we have provided shelter and support for 22 women and 28 children.

The following case study illustrates the support provided to survivors on their journey to recovery:

Case Study: Support for a Woman Fleeing Domestic Abuse and Forced Marriage

Background

A woman was admitted into the refuge after fleeing an arranged marriage characterised by domestic abuse, coercion, and escalating threats to her safety. She had recently given birth via caesarean section and arrived with her newborn daughter, just two weeks postpartum.

At the time of arrival, she had no recourse to public funds due to her spousal visa status. Her family had disowned her for leaving the marriage and subsequently issued death threats, leaving her with no

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safe support network apart from a single friend she had met prior to fleeing. The refuge became her sole source of safety, stability, and practical assistance.

Upon arrival, the resident presented with:

- Significant physical pain following her caesarean section
- Emotional distress linked to trauma, isolation, and fear of reprisals
- No financial support or access to public funds
- No stable housing options
- Limited understanding of her legal rights
- Anxiety around caring for her newborn as a first-time mother

She required immediate safeguarding, emotional reassurance, and practical support.

Support Provided

1. Physical and Emotional Support
2. Staff provided daily emotional support, offering a safe environment where she could express her fears and begin processing her trauma. Practical assistance was given to help her manage pain and mobility challenges associated with her recent surgery.
3. Postnatal and Childcare Support

As a new mother recovering from major surgery, she required guidance and reassurance in caring for her baby. Staff supported her with:

- Understanding feeding, bathing, and safe sleeping routines
- Responding to newborn health concerns
- Building confidence in her parenting abilities

The refuge coordinated midwife home visits and ensured she was linked into appropriate postnatal healthcare services.

3. Legal and Immigration Support

Due to her NRPF status and the breakdown of her marriage, she urgently needed legal advice regarding her immigration position. Staff:

- Sourced a specialist immigration solicitor
- Supported her to submit an application for Leave to Remain under domestic violence provisions
- Assisted with gathering evidence and preparing supporting letters
- Attended legal appointments to ensure she felt supported and understood the process
- Accompanied her to Birmingham for her biometric enrolment appointment

This legal support was essential in securing her safety, rights, and long-term stability.

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4. Access to Financial Support

With guidance from the solicitor, staff helped her apply for Universal Credit once she became eligible. This included:

- Completing online applications
- Providing supporting documentation
- Liaising with relevant agencies to ensure her case was processed correctly

This financial support allowed her to begin planning for independent living.

5. Housing and Resettlement

Once her immigration status and financial support were secured, staff worked with local authorities and housing providers to identify safe, long-term accommodation. After several months in the refuge, she was successfully relocated to a secure area where the risk from her family was significantly reduced.

Outcome

Through sustained emotional, practical, and legal support, the resident was able to:

- Secure her immigration status
- Access financial support
- Build confidence as a new mother
- Recover physically and emotionally
- Move into safe, independent accommodation
- Begin rebuilding her life free from abuse

She left the refuge empowered, stable, and optimistic about her future with her child

Beverley Mackinder
Chair of the Board of Trustees

WORKERS' REPORT

Newark Women's Aid has provided refuge accommodation and support services for women and children who have experienced domestic violence and abuse, since 1975. We have supported 5,3184 women and 6,3073 children in Refuge and through our Women's Outreach Service, which clearly demonstrates the continued need for our specialist support. We never lose sight of the fact that however abusive a relationship may be, the prospect of leaving an abusive partner can feel as daunting as the prospect of staying. It takes courage for a woman to seek help; the process can be painful and distressing. Breaking free from an abusive relationship can be a lengthy and dangerous process. Many women try to seek help or leave the perpetrator a number of times before they finally make the break.

During the past year we have provided safe accommodation and support for women with or without children in our refuge, and supported women in our local community through our Outreach Service. We

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have also provided telephone advice and support to numerous women and agencies. We have supported women with additional complex needs including mental health, alcohol and drug misuse, which has reinforced the importance of close partnership working with other specialist agencies to ensure appropriate levels of support for our clients. We have worked closely with Children's Services to support children at risk and in need.

Our support workers understand the complex feelings and anxieties a woman experiences when she escapes from her abusive partner and comes into refuge. However staying in Refuge can be a very positive experience for many women, children and young people, enabling them to recover from their traumatic experience; take stock of their lives and feel safe in the knowledge that there are support workers on hand to provide emotional support, which enables women to make informed decisions to determine their future, and provides information and assistance regarding; claiming welfare benefits, legal, issues, housing and education options, support and safety planning. Refuge provides a lot more than just safe accommodation; it also offers one to one support aimed at informing and supporting women, and facilitating access to other specialist services. The huge burden of having to find out about which services are available, where those services are, who to speak to, making appointments and travelling from one to the other, often with young children, at possibly the most traumatic time of her life, is much less stressful with the support we provide, as the help can be accessed under one roof.

Our Children's Worker supports children and young people to settle into Refuge, she creates an inviting, colourful and interesting environment in the playroom, which all the children can enjoy and where they can feel supported, and safe. She works with children both individually and in groups providing stimulating play opportunities which encourage the children to develop and express themselves. She provides one to one support, which is aimed at increasing confidence, improving the level of understanding of their situation, and ensuring their needs are met. Stay and Play sessions where mothers are involved in the activities. Sessions have included, art, crafts, reading, dancing, music, baking, gardening and sand and water play.

During the summer the families had outings to animal farms, the seaside, swimming and celebrated birthdays, Christmas, Halloween and bonfire night, all thanks to the generosity of our supporters.

For the past year we have received grant funding from the MHCLG. The County Council administer the funding for the four Women's Aid organisations who deliver domestic abuse services in the County; Midlands Women's Aid, Newark Women's Aid, Nottinghamshire Women's Aid and Juno Women's Aid. Quarterly meetings take place with the Nottinghamshire Safer Accommodation Group to share information and monitor service provision. We were fortunate to receive additional Flexi Funding, which is used to enable women to access refuge, and to help with removal costs and essential items when they are rehoused. This funding is invaluable and has helped many women and children.

It has been another busy year, however, due to the shortage of move on permanent housing countrywide, families are resident in refuge for a longer period of time. The volume of calls for advice and support remained very high.

In June of this year we received an amazing donation of £80,000 from the postcode Lottery, for which we were very grateful. This enabled us to totally refurbish and redecorate the refuge, arrange outings for the families, update our aged IT equipment and provide white goods and furniture for families when they were rehoused.

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During the past year our Outreach Worker has supported women who have accessed our Community Outreach Service, which provides support, advocacy and information to women who live in the Newark & Sherwood area who are experiencing domestic abuse, or have left an abusive partner. The service ensures that women can access emotional support to talk in confidence about the impact domestic violence has had on their life, their fears and concerns, and address any related issues including housing options, welfare benefits, legal options, safety planning, home security, budgeting, relationship breakdown, further education, training and employment, and access to refuge and other agencies.

Despite current countrywide financial difficulties we received tremendous support from our local community, businesses and agencies who have continued to support us both financially and 'in kind'. We have also received private donations, for which we are most grateful. Members of the local community have donated clothing, household goods, harvest produce, and much, much more, which has benefitted all of the women and children in the refuge and families supported through our outreach service. Our sincere thanks go to everyone who has supported our charity during the past year. Your kindness and support is invaluable.

All the families in refuge had a really lovely Christmas. Once again our generous donors provided beautiful gifts for each child and adult. Turkey and all the trimmings were donated for Christmas dinner, as well as lots of goodies, sweets and puddings. There were also Christmas dinners and gifts for families supported through our outreach service. We had a wonderful Christmas party with a visit from Santa, who handed out gifts to the children and Mums. The children were thrilled and everyone had a wonderful time.

Feedback from the women we have supported has been really positive. They said that they had been helped by the support and services they and their children had received. They felt safe, cared for and looked after by staff. They felt the support of Newark Women's Aid in protecting and supporting them and their children; from safety planning and support to leave a violent partner, to practical assistance with benefits, housing applications, registering with health services, getting children into schools etc; to much needed emotional support, resettlement in the community and building skills for their future, really did help them to rebuild their lives.

Thanks go to all of our Trustees for their advice, encouragement and continued support.

Newark Women's Aid Support Team

TREASURER'S REPORT

The refuge has six large family bedrooms and a small bedroom for a single woman, or a young person of a large family. During the 2024/25 financial year, this room generated income for 31 additional weeks. Hence, there was a potential of 343 weeks of occupancy during this financial year' (2023/24:323 weeks). However, occupancy rates decreased from 89.5% to 86.6%.

Room rates and service charges were increased overall by 4.83% (2023/24: 7.8%) and there was an increase in the rent receivable by the refuge from £71,827 in 2022/23 to £76,434 in 2024/25. The number of bad debts in 2023/24, amounting to £11,367 increased in 2024/25 to £14,072. These continued to occur due to several factors: women who had no recourse to public funds; women changing over to Universal Credit which left most of them owing a month's rent; a number of short term stays where no payment was received and women leaving owing rent or not providing necessary documentation to enable Housing Benefit claims to be processed.

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There is a net profit for the year on the unrestricted funds (as shown on page 3 of the financial statements) of £94,750 (2023/24: £18,294). The overall profit for 2024/25, including restricted funds, was £94,750 (2023/24: £18,294). Other income increased during the year, with donations increasing by £95,758, mainly attributable to an £80,000 receipt in the year from the postcode community lottery.

The overall Balance Sheet total has increased by £94,750, which is due to the profit referred to above. Cash reserves have increased by £85,114 over the course of the year (from £392,913 at 31st March 2024 to £478,027 at 31st March 2025).

In line with previous years, the Redundancy Reserve has been amended to reflect the current position, with an increase of £3,768

Pension contributions have increased marginally in the year from £6,1248 in 2023/24 to £6,273 in 2024/25.

As always, the Refuge remains very heavily dependent on grant support of which there was a total of £135,992 received in 2024/25 (£131,630) received in (2023/24) from the MHCLG.

Our thanks to Notts County Council for continuing to provide the Flexi Fund, which has enabled us to provide transport costs for women travelling to our refuge, white goods, furniture, flooring and removal costs for women when they are rehoused.. It has been invaluable.

Kate Hayes
Treasurer

A MESSAGE OF THANKS TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL DONORS

We acknowledge with grateful thanks, everyone who has made a donation either in cash or 'in kind', in support of our Charity during the financial year ending 31st March 2025.

Your continued support always overwhelms us, and it is thanks to you that we have been able to continue providing support for women and children whose lives have been devastated by domestic violence and abuse.

We can never thank you enough, your help and support for all our families is invaluable. Every donation however large or small means so much.

We couldn't have done it without you!

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 511685

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended
31 March 2025
for
Newark Women's Aid**

**Bourne & Co
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of 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' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
511685

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19th January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

B. A. Mackinder
Mrs B Mackinder - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Newark Women's Aid**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages three to nine.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I have examined your charity's accounts as required under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. that the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
4. that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

**K L Moul FCA
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Date:26/01/2026.....



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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Income received		328,920	-	328,920	224,193
Investment income	2	2,034	-	2,034	1,777
Total incoming resources		330,954	-	330,954	225,970
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of generating funds					
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other costs		829	-	829	-
Governance costs		2,758	-	2,758	2,757
Other resources expended		232,617	-	232,617	204,919
Total resources expended		236,204	-	236,204	207,676
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		94,750	-	94,750	18,294
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		400,127	-	400,127	381,833
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		494,877	-	494,877	400,127

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet At 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	15,474	-	15,474	3,281
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	4,823	-	4,823	10,084
Cash at bank and in hand		478,027	-	478,027	392,913
		<u>482,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>482,850</u>	<u>402,997</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(3,447)	-	(3,447)	(6,151)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>479,403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>479,403</u>	<u>396,846</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>494,877</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>494,877</u>	<u>400,127</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>494,877</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>494,877</u>	<u>400,127</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				494,877	400,127
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>494,877</u>	<u>400,127</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19th January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

B. A. Mackinder
Mrs B Mackinder -Trustee

Ms T Lee
Ms T Lee -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- Straight line over 3 years

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Deposit account interest	2,034	1,777

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

No remuneration was paid to trustees during the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

4. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Wages and salaries	129,364	121,438
Social security costs	7,829	6,775
Other pension costs	6,273	6,248
	<u>143,466</u>	<u>134,461</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Support staff	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	12,974	12,212	25,186
Additions	-	16,554	16,554
Disposals	(795)	(6,752)	(7,547)
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At 31 March 2025	12,179	22,014	34,193
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	9,780	12,125	21,905
Charge for year	745	2,787	3,532
Eliminated on disposal	(594)	(6,124)	(6,718)
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At 31 March 2025	9,931	8,788	18,719
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	2,248	13,226	15,474
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At 31 March 2024	3,194	87	3,281
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6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,463	4,667
Other debtors	2,360	5,417
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	4,823	10,084
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Taxation and social security	-	2,623
Other creditors	3,447	3,528
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	3,447	6,151
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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General income and expenditure account	265,839	94,750	(3,768)	356,821
Redundancy contingency reserve	124,340	-	3,768	128,108
Charitable reserve	9,948	-	-	9,948
	<u>400,127</u>	<u>94,750</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>494,877</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>400,127</u>	<u>94,750</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>494,877</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General income and expenditure account	330,954	(236,204)	94,750
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>330,954</u>	<u>(236,204)</u>	<u>94,750</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General income and expenditure account	266,737	18,294	(19,192)	265,839
Redundancy contingency reserve	105,148	-	19,192	124,340
Charitable reserve	9,948	-	-	9,948
	<u>381,833</u>	<u>18,294</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>400,127</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>381,833</u>	<u>18,294</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>400,127</u>

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General income and expenditure account	225,970	(207,676)	18,294
TOTAL FUNDS	225,970	(207,676)	18,294

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General income and expenditure account	266,737	113,044	(22,960)	356,821
Redundancy contingency reserve	105,148	-	22,960	128,108
Charitable reserve	9,948	-	-	9,948
TOTAL FUNDS	381,833	113,044	-	494,877

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General income and expenditure account	556,924	(443,880)	113,044
TOTAL FUNDS	556,924	(443,880)	113,044

The Charitable Reserve relates to funds donated to the Charity for purposes other than the day-to-day running of the Hostel. As at 31st March 2025, £9,948 remained unexpended.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Income received		
Rent	76,434	71,827
Donations	116,494	20,736
DCLG Grant	135,992	131,630
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	328,920	224,193
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	2,034	1,777
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Total incoming resources	330,954	225,970
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other costs		
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	829	-
Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,758	2,757
Support costs		
Management		
Payroll	129,364	121,438
Social security	7,829	6,775
Pensions	6,273	6,248
Water	2,195	1,991
Insurance	2,798	2,753
Light and heat	11,388	8,089
Telephone	3,978	4,745
Postage and stationery	603	768
Sundries	5,802	3,904
Registration fees	607	811
Payments to NCHA	30,771	26,376
Bank charges	69	71
Furniture and equipment	669	2,629
Garden maintenance	15	410
Communal cleaning	626	1,375
Security and health	402	372
Service and repairs to domestic equipment	2,191	3,049
Carried forward	205,580	191,804

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Management		
Brought forward	205,580	191,804
Minor domestic equipment	1,686	907
First aid	-	22
TV licence	163	159
Responsive maintenance	59	147
Children and play costs	251	445
Other travel expenses	2,969	3,659
Women's centre rent	5,090	5,090
Women's centre costs	13,287	719
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	229,085	202,952
Depreciation		
Fixtures and fittings	745	1,061
Computer equipment	2,787	906
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	3,532	1,967
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Total resources expended	236,204	207,676
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Net income	<u>94,750</u>	<u>18,294</u>

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 511685

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended
31 March 2025
for
Newark Women's Aid**

**Bourne & Co
Chartered Accountants
6 Lichfield Street
Burton-on-Trent
Staffordshire
DE14 3RD**

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of 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' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
511685

Principal address
P.O. Box 28
Newark-On-Trent
Nottinghamshire
NG24 4WD

Trustees
Mrs B Mackinder
Miss S Roberts
Mrs K Hayes
Ms T Lee

Independent examiner
Bourne & Co
Chartered Accountants
6 Lichfield Street
Burton-on-Trent
Staffordshire
DE14 3RD

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19th January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

B. A. Mackinder

Mrs B Mackinder - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Newark Women's Aid**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages three to nine.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I have examined your charity's accounts as required under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. that the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
4. that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

**K L Moul FCA
Bourne & Co
Chartered Accountants
6 Lichfield Street
Burton-on-Trent
Staffordshire
DE14 3RD**

Date:26/01/2026.....



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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Income received		328,920	-	328,920	224,193
Investment income	2	2,034	-	2,034	1,777
Total incoming resources		330,954	-	330,954	225,970
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of generating funds					
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other costs		829	-	829	-
Governance costs		2,758	-	2,758	2,757
Other resources expended		232,617	-	232,617	204,919
Total resources expended		236,204	-	236,204	207,676
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		94,750	-	94,750	18,294
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		400,127	-	400,127	381,833
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		494,877	-	494,877	400,127

The notes form part of these financial statements

Newark Women's Aid

Balance Sheet At 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	15,474	-	15,474	3,281
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	4,823	-	4,823	10,084
Cash at bank and in hand		478,027	-	478,027	392,913
		482,850	-	482,850	402,997
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(3,447)	-	(3,447)	(6,151)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		479,403	-	479,403	396,846
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		494,877	-	494,877	400,127
NET ASSETS		494,877	-	494,877	400,127
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				494,877	400,127
TOTAL FUNDS				494,877	400,127

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19th January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

B. A. Mackinder
Mrs B Mackinder -Trustee

Ms T Lee
Ms T Lee -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Newark Women's Aid

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- Straight line over 3 years

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Deposit account interest	2,034	1,777

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

No remuneration was paid to trustees during the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

4. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Wages and salaries	129,364	121,438
Social security costs	7,829	6,775
Other pension costs	6,273	6,248
	<u>143,466</u>	<u>134,461</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Support staff	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	12,974	12,212	25,186
Additions	-	16,554	16,554
Disposals	(795)	(6,752)	(7,547)
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At 31 March 2025	12,179	22,014	34,193
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	9,780	12,125	21,905
Charge for year	745	2,787	3,532
Eliminated on disposal	(594)	(6,124)	(6,718)
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At 31 March 2025	9,931	8,788	18,719
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	2,248	13,226	15,474
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At 31 March 2024	3,194	87	3,281
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6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,463	4,667
Other debtors	2,360	5,417
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	4,823	10,084
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Taxation and social security	-	2,623
Other creditors	3,447	3,528
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	3,447	6,151
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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General income and expenditure account	265,839	94,750	(3,768)	356,821
Redundancy contingency reserve	124,340	-	3,768	128,108
Charitable reserve	9,948	-	-	9,948
	<u>400,127</u>	<u>94,750</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>494,877</u>
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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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Total resources expended	236,204	207,676
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Net income	<u>94,750</u>	<u>18,294</u>

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