

HAVEN DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

England & Wales · Charity number 519445

Details

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| Other names | BOSTON WOMEN'S AID |
| Status | Registered |
| Legal form | Other |
| Registered | 1987-11-04 |
| Register | View on the Charity Commission register |

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Activities

Objects: TO PROVIDE ADVICE, SUPPORT AND TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE AND THEIR CHILDREN.

Activities: The provision of refuge accommodation for the female victims of domestic abuse and their children. Also for male and female victims, telephone help lines, counselling and support services and community outreach and development workers.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Accommodation/housing, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lincolnshire

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £694,865 | £707,745 | £716,178 | 15 |
| 2024-03-31 | £687,147 | £634,977 | £729,057 | 15 |
| 2023-03-31 | £638,052 | £567,333 | £676,887 | 14 |
| 2022-03-31 | £365,303 | £389,847 | - | - |
| 2021-03-31 | £587,117 | £336,248 | £630,712 | 10 |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|----------------------------------|-------|------------|
| William Alexander Herbert | Chair | 2014-11-18 |
| Judith Warnes | | 2018-09-26 |
| Karen Brown | | 2025-01-01 |
| Marie Chapman | | 2021-06-01 |
| Sophia Barnes | | 2023-04-27 |
| Veronica Robinson | | 2014-09-30 |

HAVEN DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

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Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 519445

Moore



Thompson

Trusted Advisers

Chartered Accountants

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
Haven Domestic Abuse Service**

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Haven Domestic Abuse Service

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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 Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

Objectives and aims

The overall objective of Haven Domestic Abuse Service (HDAS) is to provide advice, support and temporary accommodation for victims of abuse and their children. The term domestic abuse embraces the physical, mental, emotional, financial or sexual abuse of one person by another with whom they have or have had a close or intimate relationship.

The objective is achieved through the following:

The provision of temporary refuge on request for victims and their children who have suffered domestic abuse.

Encouraging the development of facilities that offer advice, support and practical help to any victim that seeks it, whether or not they are resident of the refuge, and which gives continuing support and aftercare to victims and children after they have left the Haven DAS accommodation.

Research into and promotion of the provision of facilities which meet the emotional and educational needs of children of victims who seek refuge.

Providing information to and working with other organisations for the exchange of information and ideas on all aspects of domestic abuse issues.

Educating and informing the public, the media, the police, the courts, Social Services and other statutory and non-statutory organisations, with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Public benefit

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, Haven DAS trustees have consulted the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on operating the Charity for the public benefit and are satisfied that the Charity meets the requirements on public benefit as follows.

Haven DAS has continued to provide safe accommodation through refuge and dispersed units on request for victims and their children, who have suffered domestic abuse.

Provision of continuing support to victims and children after they have left the accommodation has been available, as has advice and support to members of the public, male and female, who make contact through the helpline, with support at our Rural Community Hubs in Holbeach, Spalding, Boston & Sutton Bridge, this also now includes a Translation Hub service.

Awareness raising workshops are delivered within schools, colleges and Sixth Form settings in Boston & South Holland, this work gives children of school age the opportunity to learn about the effects of Domestic Abuse and the meaning of a Healthy Relationship.

Talks given to organisations and groups of the public, who request them, together with statements to the media, have educated and informed on the effects of Domestic Abuse.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Achievements and performance

In October 2024 we launched our charity's new name "Haven Domestic Abuse Service" following a consultation with service users, volunteers, trustees and staff. This makes it clear that we offer support and services to all genders, ages, cultures and backgrounds across Lincolnshire.

Haven DAS have continued to provide refuge and other support services in Boston and South Holland. The Rural Community Hub service has expanded across Boston & South Holland with the financial support of Shine, The Holbeach United Charity, Platform Housing & Longhurst Housing.

In 2024/25, Haven DAS have continued to operate as a viable provider of refuge accommodation and services, in the face of a challenging financial environment. The safe houses are in Boston and South Holland where we accept women, men and children from all areas of the UK. During the financial year we have operated 12 unites of shared refuge, 3 dispersed properties and 2 move on properties.

The total number of referrals made to refuge services during the year was 323, in the refuge 53 victims were admitted, the total number of children admitted was 110 during 2024/25.

Four Freedom Programmes were delivered along with four Confidence Building courses and Hope to Recover for refuge clients.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by Haven DAS. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors.

It is the view of the Board of Trustees that all services provided by Haven DAS were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity in line with the Strategic Business Plan.

Financial review

Reserves policy

A reserves policy is recommended by the Charities Commission as part of financial management and strategic planning to explain to interested parties (both donors and beneficiaries) why money is withheld from beneficiaries. It is part of being transparent and accountable to funders and lessens the risk of the accusation of hoarding. It is also necessary so that the charity can meet its obligations even if intended funding sources fail to meet targets. Ongoing risk assessment has identified an increased risk of reduction in available funds for Haven DAS from statutory bodies. National and local financial constraints have made it increasingly hard to obtain new sources of funding, and other income sources may be less reliable and less able to predict. There is increased risk of existing contracts not being renewed even if they have been performed satisfactorily, they may go out to tender and may be awarded to other providers.

The reserves must be able to cover any challenges and opportunities in the medium to long term which includes the costs to safeguard current services and the costs of closure. Such costs include:-

- Likely staff costs in the event of redundancy
- Fees for legal and financial advice in the event of possible insolvency
- Rents on the refuge properties and other property costs
- Any income restricted to specific projects which may need to be repaid.
- Funds for emergencies or to keep the charity's work going if difficulties arise

Funds need to be easily accessible for day to day spending but will be invested in interest bearing accounts where possible, they are currently held with Lloyds Bank in high interest deposit bonds and also instant access savings accounts and 32 notice savings accounts.

There is a regular review of cash flow projections for income and expenditure to ensure that the level of available reserves remains adequate and that the charity can meet all its commitments. There is ongoing risk assessment to ensure policies and systems are in place to meet any potential risks identified and consider any significant change in the charity's financial circumstances.

Our current unrestricted reserve level is £433,005. Our minimum target for the level of unrestricted funds as at 31 March 2025 is £150,000 and therefore we are meeting this requirement at this present time.

The charity has again had a very pro-active year trying to secure future funding for the medium to long term it has been instrumental in seeking new lines of funding from varied funders.

The net (deficit)/surplus for the year ended 31 March 2025 was (£12,880), this on face value is a satisfactory set of results. The charity has worked hard to control the expenditure during the year. At the year end the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves totalled £716,178.

Future plans

To add a safe quiet space at the refuge for counselling and one-to-ones in the form of gaining funds to purchase Garden Room.

Haven DAS will be looking to expand our services to non-English speaking victims by setting up a translation hub.

To train staff to deliver PAACE (Positive and Adverse Childhood Experiences) CPD accredited course to deliver to adults and children.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

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

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Structure, governance and management

Organisational structure

Haven DAS was established as a Registered Charity in 1987 and its current Constitution was approved in 2003 and amended in July 2009, with a further amendment agreed in October 2010 to allow for support to male victims of abuse and male membership of the Board of Trustees. Two further amendments were made in June 2012 to alter the numbers required for meetings to be quorate and for numbers allowed to sign grants and contracts.

The object for which the organisation is established is to provide advice, support and temporary accommodation for victims of domestic abuse and their children. These core activities are funded through rental income, housing benefit payments, donations and funding from statutory agencies and grant making bodies.

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.

Membership

Membership of Haven DAS is open to all people who subscribe to the aims as set out in the Constitution, subject in each case to approval by the Management Committee.

Management

The policy and management of the organisation is vested in a Management Committee of Trustees. The recruitment and election of Trustees and the Management Committee is carried out at Haven DAS's AGM each year. Trustees can also be nominated and co-opted during the year by The Management Committee, subject to the restrictions on numbers within the Constitution.

The training of new trustees is determined based on individual needs

The Management Committee as at 31 March 2025

Mr W Herbert - Chair & Treasurer
Mrs V R Robinson
Ms J Warnes
Mrs M Chapman - Vice Chair
Mrs L Hammond
Ms Sophia Barnes
Dr Julie Doddrell
K Brown - Co-opted December 2024

Reference and administrative details

Registered Charity number

519445

Principal address

PO Box 5
Boston
Lincolnshire
PE21 8JP

Trustees

W A Herbert
K Brown (appointed 1.1.25)
S Barnes
L Hammond
M Chapman
J Warnes
V Robinson

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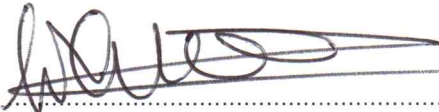
**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Reference and administrative details

Independent Examiner

Heather Bright (FCA)
Moore Thompson
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 1st October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



W A Herbert - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Haven Domestic Abuse Service**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Haven Domestic Abuse Service

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Haven Domestic Abuse Service (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

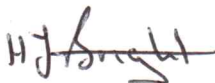
Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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



Heather Bright (FCA)

Moore Thompson
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Date: 1.10.25

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

| | Notes | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted funds £ | 2025 Total funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Income and endowments from | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 3 | 234,375 | 249,114 | 483,489 | 489,753 |
| Charitable activities | 5 | | | | |
| Rental Income | | 189,672 | - | 189,672 | 189,213 |
| Investment income | 4 | <u>21,704</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>21,704</u> | <u>8,182</u> |
| Total | | <u>445,751</u> | <u>249,114</u> | <u>694,865</u> | <u>687,148</u> |
| Expenditure on | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 6 | | | | |
| Charitable activities | | <u>466,862</u> | <u>240,883</u> | <u>707,745</u> | <u>634,977</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | | | | |
| Transfers between funds | 16 | (21,111) <u>(35,942)</u> | 8,231 <u>35,942</u> | (12,880) <u>-</u> | 52,171 <u>-</u> |
| Net movement in funds | | (57,053) | 44,173 | (12,880) | 52,171 |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 490,058 | 239,000 | 729,058 | 676,887 |
| Total funds carried forward | | <u>433,005</u> | <u>283,173</u> | <u>716,178</u> | <u>729,058</u> |

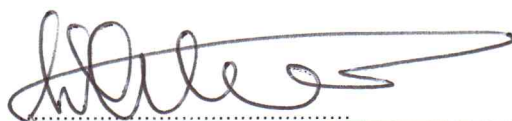
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Statement of Financial Position
31 March 2025

| | Notes | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted funds £ | 2025 Total funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Fixed assets | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 11 | 38,316 | 452 | 38,768 | 48,264 |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 12 | 22,150 | 1,825 | 23,975 | 22,804 |
| Cash at bank | | <u>388,775</u> | <u>281,920</u> | <u>670,695</u> | <u>678,046</u> |
| | | 410,925 | 283,745 | 694,670 | 700,850 |
| Creditors | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 13 | (17,236) | (25) | (17,261) | (20,056) |
| Net current assets | | | | | |
| | | <u>393,689</u> | <u>283,720</u> | <u>677,409</u> | <u>680,794</u> |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | | | | |
| | | <u>432,005</u> | <u>284,173</u> | <u>716,178</u> | <u>729,058</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | | | | |
| | | <u>433,005</u> | <u>283,173</u> | <u>716,178</u> | <u>729,058</u> |
| Funds | | | | | |
| | 16 | | | 433,005 | 490,058 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | <u>283,173</u> | <u>239,000</u> |
| Restricted funds | | | | | |
| Total funds | | | | | |
| | | | | <u>716,178</u> | <u>729,058</u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 1st October 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



W A Herbert - Trustee

Haven Domestic Abuse Service

Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

| | Notes | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|---|-------|-----------------|----------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Cash generated from operations | 1 | <u>(22,600)</u> | <u>46,125</u> |
| Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities | | <u>(22,600)</u> | <u>46,125</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets | | (5,935) | (16,759) |
| Interest received | | <u>21,704</u> | <u>8,182</u> |
| Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities | | <u>15,769</u> | <u>(8,577)</u> |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period | | | |
| | | (6,831) | 37,548 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period | 2 | <u>677,526</u> | <u>639,978</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period | 2 | <u>670,695</u> | <u>677,526</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. Reconciliation of net (expenditure)/income to net cash flow from operating activities

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of financial activities) | (12,880) | 52,171 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Depreciation charges | 15,428 | 15,066 |
| Interest received | (21,704) | (8,182) |
| Increase in debtors | (1,171) | (11,688) |
| Decrease in creditors | <u>(2,273)</u> | <u>(1,242)</u> |
| Net cash (used in)/provided by operations | <u>(22,600)</u> | <u>46,125</u> |

2. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Notice deposits (less than 3 months) | 670,695 | 678,046 |
| Overdrafts included in bank loans and overdrafts falling due within one year | <u>-</u> | <u>(520)</u> |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | <u>670,695</u> | <u>677,526</u> |

3. Analysis of changes in net funds

| | At 1.4.24 £ | Cash flow £ | At 31.3.25 £ |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Net cash | | | |
| Cash at bank | 678,046 | (7,351) | 670,695 |
| Bank overdraft | <u>(520)</u> | <u>520</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>677,526</u> | <u>(6,831)</u> | <u>670,695</u> |
| Total | <u>677,526</u> | <u>(6,831)</u> | <u>670,695</u> |

1. Statutory information

Haven Domestic Abuse Service is an unincorporated charity, registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered number and principal office address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

These financial statements are presented in pound sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the charity.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair value'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

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 Statement of Financial Position. 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.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 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.

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Plant and machinery | - 10% on a straight line basis |
| Fixtures and fittings | - 20% on a straight line basis |
| Computer equipment | - 33% on cost |

2. Accounting policies - continued

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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.

3. Donations and legacies

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2025 Total funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donations and sundry income | 31,513 | (130) | 31,383 | 11,690 |
| Grants | 10,000 | 247,317 | 257,317 | 355,680 |
| Service contract | <u>192,862</u> | <u>1,927</u> | <u>194,789</u> | <u>122,383</u> |
| | <u>234,375</u> | <u>249,114</u> | <u>483,489</u> | <u>489,753</u> |

Grants received, included in the above are as follows:

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Awards for All | 19,726 | - |
| Make A Change - Survivor Series | - | 18,447 |
| General | - | 83,590 |
| Reaching communities | 139,925 | 117,962 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 2,000 | - |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | - | 1,241 |
| HUB Holbeach HUB | 20,000 | 12,001 |
| Big Feed Project | - | 1,501 |
| CIN 2023 - 2025 | 28,000 | 22,001 |
| Cost of Living Grant | - | 63,925 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | - | 1,500 |
| Heinz Fund | - | 1,014 |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund | - | 5,998 |

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

3. Donations and legacies - continued

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 500 | 400 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | - | 500 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 18,348 | 24,500 |
| Toy Trust | - | 1,100 |
| BTAC Small Award Scheme | 1,000 | - |
| MBF - Garden Room | 1,030 | - |
| Neighbourly Toy Bank | 230 | - |
| Numeracy Grant | 1,000 | - |
| Platform - Christmas Party | 700 | - |
| Refuge Income and Expenditure | 10,000 | - |
| Sponsor a Room | 10,988 | - |
| Yorkshire Building Society - White Goods | 870 | - |
| BNA Hubs | 3,000 | - |
| | 257,317 | 355,680 |

4. Investment income

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2025 Total funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Deposit account interest | 21,704 | - | 21,704 | 8,182 |

5. Income from charitable activities

| | Activity | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Rental payers | Rental Income | 189,672 | 189,213 |

6. Charitable activities costs

| | Direct Costs £ | Support costs (see note 7) £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Charitable activities | 692,270 | 15,475 | 707,745 |

Haven Domestic Abuse Service

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

7. Support costs

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| | Governance costs £ <u>15,475</u> |
| Charitable activities | |

8. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

During the year trustees' received expenses paid totalling £86 for the year ended 31 March 2025 (2024 - £25).

9. Staff costs

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Wages and salaries | 395,534 | 344,937 |
| Social security costs | 31,273 | 24,699 |
| Other pension costs | <u>32,302</u> | <u>26,103</u> |
| | <u>459,109</u> | <u>395,739</u> |

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

| | 2025 | 2024 |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Management staff | 1 | 1 |
| Front line staff | <u>15</u> | <u>14</u> |
| | <u>16</u> | <u>15</u> |

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

10. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

| | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Income and endowments from | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 217,662 | 272,091 | 489,753 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Rental Income | 189,213 | - | 189,213 |
| Investment income | <u>8,182</u> | - | <u>8,182</u> |
| Total | <u>415,057</u> | <u>272,091</u> | <u>687,148</u> |
| Expenditure on | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Charitable activities | <u>426,997</u> | <u>207,980</u> | <u>634,977</u> |

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10. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities - continued

| | Unrestricted fund £ | Restricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | (11,940) | 64,111 | 52,171 |
| Transfers between funds | <u>49,507</u> | <u>(49,507)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net movement in funds | 37,567 | 14,604 | 52,171 |
| Reconciliation of funds | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 452,491 | 224,396 | 676,887 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total funds carried forward | <u>490,058</u> | <u>239,000</u> | <u>729,058</u> |

11. Tangible fixed assets

| | Plant and machinery £ | Fixtures and fittings £ | Computer equipment £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Cost | | | | |
| At 1 April 2024 | 4,402 | 62,538 | 8,087 | 75,027 |
| Additions | <u>-</u> | <u>5,935</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>5,935</u> |
| At 31 March 2025 | <u>4,402</u> | <u>68,473</u> | <u>8,087</u> | <u>80,962</u> |
| Depreciation | | | | |
| At 1 April 2024 | 1,352 | 20,574 | 4,839 | 26,765 |
| Charge for year | <u>381</u> | <u>12,607</u> | <u>2,441</u> | <u>15,429</u> |
| At 31 March 2025 | <u>1,733</u> | <u>33,181</u> | <u>7,280</u> | <u>42,194</u> |
| Net book value | | | | |
| At 31 March 2025 | <u>2,669</u> | <u>35,292</u> | <u>807</u> | <u>38,768</u> |
| At 31 March 2024 | <u>3,050</u> | <u>41,964</u> | <u>3,248</u> | <u>48,262</u> |

12. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade debtors | 6,246 | - |
| Other debtors | 6,411 | 3,768 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | <u>11,318</u> | <u>19,036</u> |
| | <u>23,975</u> | <u>22,804</u> |

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13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

| | 2025 | 2024 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 14) | - | 520 |
| Trade creditors | 199 | - |
| Social security and other taxes | 7,031 | 6,386 |
| Pension creditor | 2,691 | 348 |
| Other creditors | 205 | 1,049 |
| Accruals and deferred income | <u>7,135</u> | <u>11,753</u> |
| | <u>17,261</u> | <u>20,056</u> |

14. Loans

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

| | 2025 | 2024 |
|--|----------|------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Amounts falling due within one year on demand: | | |
| Bank overdrafts | <u>-</u> | <u>520</u> |

The comparative bank overdraft referred to above represents the deemed bank balances in respect of two fund pots. Overall there is no formal bank overdraft and the net bank and cash balance held as at the prior year end date was £677,525. This was shown as £678,046 under bank and £520 under creditors.

15. Leasing agreements

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

| | 2025 | 2024 |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Within one year | 66,487 | 56,834 |
| Between one and five years | <u>68,979</u> | <u>89,682</u> |
| | <u>135,466</u> | <u>146,516</u> |

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

16. Movement in funds - continued

| | Restated at 1.4.24 £ | Net movement in funds £ | Transfers between funds £ | Balance at 31.3.25 £ |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General funds | 490,058 | (21,115) | (35,942) | 433,001 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | 14 | 8 | - | 22 |
| Great Days Out | 15,722 | (63) | - | 15,659 |
| Reaching Communities | 3 | - | - | 3 |
| ECCF/MOT | - | (17,028) | 17,188 | 160 |
| Every Child's Chances | 19 | 113 | - | 132 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 6,973 | 2,688 | 17,250 | 26,911 |
| Make A Change | 57,018 | (617) | - | 56,401 |
| Catalysts Digital Project | 66 | (42) | - | 24 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | (810) | (465) | - | (1,275) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 295 | (176) | - | 119 |
| Reaching Communities 2022 | 50,755 | 30,338 | 1,504 | 82,597 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 7,454 | (397) | - | 7,057 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,109 | (2,236) | - | (1,127) |
| Children in Need 2023-2025 | 21,807 | (592) | - | 21,215 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 9,262 | (37,167) | - | (27,905) |
| Big Feed Project | 1,382 | (1,477) | - | (95) |
| Cost of Living Grant | 63,924 | - | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform | 1,295 | (665) | - | 630 |
| Toy Trust | 700 | (676) | - | 24 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | 302 | (265) | - | 37 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 130 | 97 | - | 227 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | 500 | (493) | - | 7 |
| Hub - Boston Platform | (520) | (977) | - | (1,497) |
| Sponsor a Room | 1,600 | 24,277 | - | 25,877 |
| Awards for All | - | 13,544 | - | 13,544 |
| BTAC Small Award Scheme | - | (125) | - | (125) |
| MBF - Garden Room | - | (2,955) | - | (2,955) |
| Neighbourly Toy Bank | - | 230 | - | 230 |
| Platform - Christmas Party 2024 | - | 356 | - | 356 |
| Yorkshire Building Society - White Goods | - | 1 | - | 1 |
| BNA Hubs | - | 3,000 | - | 3,000 |
| | 239,000 | 8,236 | 35,942 | 283,178 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | 729,058 | (12,879) | - | 716,179 |

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

16. Movement in funds - continued

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

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 445,751 | (466,866) | (21,115) |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | - | 8 | 8 |
| Great Days Out | - | (63) | (63) |
| Reaching Communities | - | (624) | (624) |
| ECCF/MOT | - | (17,028) | (17,028) |
| Every Child's Chances | - | 113 | 113 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 20,001 | (17,313) | 2,688 |
| Make A Change | - | (617) | (617) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (42) | (42) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | (1) | (464) | (465) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | (176) | (176) |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 139,795 | (108,834) | 30,961 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 2,001 | (2,398) | (397) |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,178 | (3,414) | (2,236) |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | 28,000 | (28,592) | (592) |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 18,347 | (55,514) | (37,167) |
| Big Feed Project | - | (1,477) | (1,477) |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | - | (665) | (665) |
| Toy Trust | - | (676) | (676) |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | - | (265) | (265) |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 500 | (403) | 97 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | - | (493) | (493) |
| Hub - Boston Platform | - | (977) | (977) |
| Awards for All | 19,725 | (6,181) | 13,544 |
| BTAC Small Award Scheme | 1,002 | (1,127) | (125) |
| MBF - Garden Room | 1,030 | (3,985) | (2,955) |
| Neighbourly Toy Bank | 230 | - | 230 |
| Platform - Christmas Party 2024 | 847 | (491) | 356 |
| Sponsor a Room | 12,589 | 11,688 | 24,277 |
| Yorkshire Building Society - White Goods | 870 | (869) | 1 |
| BNA Hubs | 3,000 | - | 3,000 |
| | <u>249,114</u> | <u>(240,879)</u> | <u>8,235</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>694,865</u> | <u>(707,745)</u> | <u>(12,880)</u> |

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

16. Movement in funds - continued

| Comparatives for movements in funds | Net | | Transfers between funds | Restated | | Restated Balance at 31.3.24 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| | At | Movement | | At | Restated | |
| | 1.4.23 | in funds | 31.3.24 | Transfers | 31.3.24 | |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | | | |
| General funds | 452,491 | (11,940) | (18,287) | 422,264 | 67,794 | 490,058 |
| Restricted funds | | | | | | |
| Postcode lottery | 11,703 | - | - | 11,703 | (11,703) | - |
| DCLG/MOT | 3,888 | - | - | 3,888 | (3,874) | 14 |
| Great Days Out | 21,509 | (5,354) | - | 16,155 | (433) | 15,722 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 52 | - | - | 52 | (52) | - |
| Reaching Communities | 1,444 | (132) | - | 1,312 | (1,309) | 3 |
| DCLG/Resettlement | 622 | - | - | 622 | (622) | - |
| ECCF/MOT | 34,911 | (10,426) | - | 24,485 | (24,485) | - |
| Every Child's Chances | 552 | (91) | - | 461 | (442) | 19 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 24,796 | (1,636) | - | 23,160 | (16,187) | 6,973 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 1 | (12,608) | 12,607 | - | - | - |
| Make A Change | 60,049 | (5,193) | - | 54,856 | 2,162 | 57,018 |
| Catalysts Digital Project | 5,247 | (115) | - | 5,132 | (5,066) | 66 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 9,461 | (11,108) | 1,647 | - | (810) | (810) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 2,368 | (335) | - | 2,033 | (1,738) | 295 |
| Reaching Communities 2022 | 35,539 | 19,263 | - | 54,802 | (4,047) | 50,755 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 11,254 | (3,802) | - | 7,452 | 2 | 7,454 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,000 | 105 | - | 1,105 | 4 | 1,109 |
| Children in Need 2023-2025 | - | 21,727 | - | 21,727 | 80 | 21,807 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | - | 9,216 | - | 9,216 | 46 | 9,262 |
| Big Feed Project | - | 1,382 | - | 1,382 | - | 1,382 |
| Cost of Living Grant | - | 63,924 | - | 63,924 | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform | - | 1,295 | - | 1,295 | - | 1,295 |
| Community Chest | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish | - | (4,033) | 4,033 | - | - | - |
| Grassroots Fund | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Toy Trust | - | 1,100 | - | 1,100 | (400) | 700 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | - | 302 | - | 302 | - | 302 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | - | 130 | - | 130 | - | 130 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | - | 500 | - | 500 | - | 500 |
| Hub - Boston Platform | - | - | - | - | (520) | (520) |
| Sponsor a Room | - | - | - | - | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| | 224,396 | 64,111 | 18,287 | 306,794 | (67,794) | 239,000 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | 676,887 | 52,171 | - | 729,058 | - | 729,058 |

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

16. 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 fund | 415,057 | (426,997) | (11,940) |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Great Days Out | (1) | (5,353) | (5,354) |
| Reaching Communities | 1 | (133) | (132) |
| ECCF/MOT | (1) | (10,425) | (10,426) |
| Every Child's Chances | 1 | (92) | (91) |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 12,000 | (13,636) | (1,636) |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | (12,608) | (12,608) |
| Make A Change | 18,448 | (23,641) | (5,193) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (115) | (115) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | - | (11,108) | (11,108) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | (335) | (335) |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 117,963 | (98,700) | 19,263 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | - | (3,802) | (3,802) |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,241 | (1,136) | 105 |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | 22,001 | (274) | 21,727 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 24,501 | (15,285) | 9,216 |
| Big Feed Project | 1,500 | (118) | 1,382 |
| Cost of Living Grant | 63,924 | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | 1,500 | (205) | 1,295 |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish | | | |
| Grassroots Fund | 5,999 | (10,032) | (4,033) |
| Toy Trust | 1,100 | - | 1,100 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | 1,014 | (712) | 302 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 400 | (270) | 130 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | 500 | - | 500 |
| | <u>272,091</u> | <u>(207,980)</u> | <u>64,111</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>687,148</u> | <u>(634,977)</u> | <u>52,171</u> |

Restricted funds

Details of the purpose and nature of each restricted fund are given below:

DCLG/MOT

This funding is to support the training of specialist volunteers to provide one-to-one support for victims leaving refuge, during and following the Covid pandemic.

Great Days Out

Funded by National Lottery Awards for All. This funding is to support family development and cohesion, confidence and socialising, of families in refuge or recovering from domestic abuse through days out as families to educational/recreational venues.

Medlock Charitable Trust

This funding is to contribute towards the cost of a part-time Refuge Support Assistant, who ensures that rooms are ready to receive families into refuge.

16. Movement in funds - continued

Reaching Communities

This funding is to support four projects:

- Freedom Programme;
- Volcano Programme in schools;
- Raising awareness of domestic abuse among male employees at larger employers across Boston Borough and South Holland;
- Provision of complex needs support to victims in refuge.

DCLG Resettlement

This funding is to support women leaving refuge moving into a home of their own to apply to buy either a cooker, washing machine or similar white goods.

Every Child Chances - Children in Need

This funding is to support specialist work with children in refuge. This project will help support children who have experienced domestic abuse. Targeted support for the children and family will improve educational progress, improve social skills and promote a reduction in challenging behaviour.

Holbeach Rural Community Hub

This funding, made by Holbeach United Charities has for the past three years supported the provision of a weekly Community Hub in Holbeach, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

Make A Chance (MAC)

This funding is to support both victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse, where the perpetrator has indicated that they wish to make necessary changes to their behaviour. Boston Women's Aid is the chosen partner to work across Lincolnshire with the partners of those perpetrators who enrol on the MAC 26-week course delivered by the Jenkins Foundation.

Catalyst Digital Project

This was a one-off grant enabling Boston Women's Aid to participate in work to look at digital support for victims of domestic abuse living in very rural areas.

Spalding Hub - Longhurst

This funding by the Longhurst Group contributes to our weekly Rural Hub in Spalding, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

MHCLG Complex Needs

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to employ an additional Complex Needs Worker throughout the Covid pandemic, when greatly increased levels of abuse were seen and more women were presenting with complex and additional needs.

Reaching communities 2022

This is a three-year phased grant, continuing the funding support for The Freedom Programme, Intervention and Information Work in Schools, Additional Specialist Support in Refuge, and making a contribution towards the cost of Child Support in Refuge.

Hub Sutton Bridge

This funding is to support the rural community hub service.

LCC Numeracy Grant

This one-off grant is to support numeracy skills for clients that are supported.

Children in Need 2023-2025

This is a three year grant to support children and young people living in refuge.

16. Movement in funds - continued

Shine Lincolnshire

This funding is to support the rural community hub service.

Big Feed Project

This funding is to deliver £5 per family cookery sessions in refuge.

Cost of Living Grant

This was a one off grant to cover the increased costs to the charity during the cost of living crisis.

Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest

This funding is to purchase items for families to refuge in support their cultural needs.

Toy Trust

This funding is to purchase equipment for children in refuge with additional needs

Heinz Fund - White Goods

This funding is to purchase equipment for children in refuge with additional needs.

Asda Foundation - White Foods

This funding is to purchase equipment for our move-on accommodation.

Sainsbury's Neighbourly

This funding is to purchase emergency food for families in refuge.

ECCF/MOT

This funding is to provide Moving On Together support to clients leaving refuge and hub services.

Hub - Boston Platform

This funding is to provide hub services in Boston.

Awards for All

This funding is to support families through days out to educational/recreational venues.

BTAC Small Award Scheme

This funding is to deliver the Big Feed Project cookery sessions in refuge. The aim of the sessions is to cook healthy meals on a budget.

Neighbourly Toy Bank

This funding is to purchase Christmas gifts for children.

Platform - Christmas Party 2024

This funding is to provide a Christmas Party for families in refuge.

Sponsor a Room

This funding is received to maintain rooms within refuge.

BNA Hub

This funding is to support the delivery of our Rural Community Hubs.

17. Related party disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

18. Ultimate controlling party

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.

19. Independent examination

The independent examination fee included in the accounts £3,360 (2024 - £4,200).

Haven Domestic Abuse Service

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

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2025 Total funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Income and endowments | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | | | |
| Donations and sundry income | 31,513 | (130) | 31,383 | 11,690 |
| Grants | 10,000 | 247,317 | 257,317 | 355,680 |
| Service contract | <u>192,862</u> | <u>1,927</u> | <u>194,789</u> | <u>122,383</u> |
| | 234,375 | 249,114 | 483,489 | 489,753 |
| Investment income | | | | |
| Deposit account interest | 21,704 | - | 21,704 | 8,182 |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Rental payers | <u>189,672</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>189,672</u> | <u>189,213</u> |
| Total incoming resources | 445,751 | 249,114 | 694,865 | 687,148 |
| Expenditure | | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Wages | 222,572 | 172,962 | 395,534 | 344,937 |
| Social security | 15,339 | 15,934 | 31,273 | 24,699 |
| Pensions | 17,723 | 14,579 | 32,302 | 26,103 |
| Rent | 78,884 | 590 | 79,474 | 77,103 |
| Rates and water | 10,362 | 105 | 10,467 | 12,618 |
| Insurance | 4,036 | 2,930 | 6,966 | 6,415 |
| Light and heat | 30,008 | - | 30,008 | 34,025 |
| Telephone | 4,527 | 136 | 4,663 | 2,138 |
| Postage and stationery | 1,506 | 1,331 | 2,837 | 3,422 |
| Sundries | 16,200 | 17,771 | 33,971 | 33,417 |
| Motor and travel costs | 4,345 | 3,980 | 8,325 | 6,084 |
| Day trips and activities | 4,242 | 3,173 | 7,415 | 4,757 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 18,374 | (7,813) | 10,561 | 30,190 |
| Staff training and activities | 2,293 | 4,632 | 6,925 | 3,412 |
| Counselling fees | 760 | 822 | 1,582 | 1,116 |
| Supplies | 11,903 | 2,636 | 14,539 | 1,817 |
| Plant and machinery & fixtures and fittings depreciation | 12,988 | - | 12,988 | 12,496 |
| Computer equipment depreciation | <u>1,293</u> | <u>1,147</u> | <u>2,440</u> | <u>2,570</u> |
| | 457,355 | 234,915 | 692,270 | 627,319 |
| Support costs | | | | |
| Governance costs | | | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 1,705 | 2,128 | 3,833 | 4,581 |
| Carried forward | 1,705 | 2,128 | 3,833 | 4,581 |

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

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2025 Total funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Governance costs | | | | |
| Brought forward | 1,705 | 2,128 | 3,833 | 4,581 |
| Financial management | 929 | 566 | 1,495 | 1,298 |
| Legal fees | <u>6,877</u> | <u>3,270</u> | <u>10,147</u> | <u>1,779</u> |
| | <u>9,511</u> | <u>5,964</u> | <u>15,475</u> | <u>7,658</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>466,866</u> | <u>240,879</u> | <u>707,745</u> | <u>634,977</u> |
| Net income | <u>(21,115)</u> | <u>8,235</u> | <u>(12,880)</u> | <u>52,171</u> |

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HAVEN DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 519445

Accounts

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities

The overall objective of Boston Women's Aid is to provide advice, support and temporary accommodation for victims of abuse and their children. The term domestic abuse embraces the physical, mental, emotional, financial or sexual abuse of one person by another with whom they have or have had a close or intimate relationship.

The objective is achieved through the following:

The provision of temporary refuge on request for victims and their children who have suffered domestic abuse.

Encouraging the development of facilities that offer advice, support and practical help to any victim that seeks it, whether or not they are resident of the refuge, and which gives continuing support and aftercare to victims and children after they have left the Boston Women's Aid accommodation.

Research into and promotion of the provision of facilities which meet the emotional and educational needs of children of victims who seek refuge.

Providing information to and working with other organisations for the exchange of information and ideas on all aspects of Women's aid and domestic abuse issues.

Educating and informing the public, the media, the police, the courts, Social Services and other statutory and non-statutory organisations, with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Reporting for the public benefit

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, Boston Women's Aid trustees have consulted the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on operating the Charity for the public benefit and are satisfied that the Charity meets the requirements on public benefit as follows.

Boston Women's Aid has continued to provide safe accommodation through refuge and dispersed units on request for victims and their children, who have suffered domestic abuse.

Provision of continuing support to victims and children after they have left the accommodation has been available, as has advice and support to members of the public, male and female, who make contact through the helpline, with support at our Rural Community Hubs in Holbeach, Spalding, Boston & Sutton Bridge.

Awareness raising talks are given within schools in Boston & South Holland, this work gives children of school age the opportunity to learn about the effects of Domestic Abuse and the meaning of a Healthy Relationship.

Talks given to organisations and groups of the public, who request them, together with statements to the media, have educated and informed on the effects of Domestic Abuse.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

BWA have continued to provide refuge and other support services in Boston and South Holland. The Rural Community Hub service has expanded across Boston & South Holland with the financial support of Shine, The Holbeach United Charity, Platform Housing & Longhurst Housing.

In 2023/24, BWA have continued to operate as a viable provider of refuge accommodation and services, in the face of a challenging financial environment. The safe houses are in Boston and South Holland where we accept women, men and children from all areas of the UK. During the financial year we have operated 12 units of shared refuge and 3 dispersed properties.

In the refuges 71 victims were admitted, the total number of children admitted was 106 during 2023/24. Four Freedom Programmes were delivered along with four Confidence Building courses and Hope to Recovery for refuge clients.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by BWA. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors. It is the view of the Board of Trustees that all services provided by BWA were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees' aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity in line with the Strategic Business Plan.

Working with Platform Housing we opened two new Move On houses, to support victims to live more independently with the support from refuge staff.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

A reserves policy is recommended by the Charities Commission as part of financial management and strategic planning to explain to interested parties (both donors and beneficiaries) why money is withheld from beneficiaries. It is part of being transparent and accountable to funders and lessens the risk of the accusation of hoarding. It is also necessary so that the charity can meet its obligations even if intended funding sources fail to meet targets. Ongoing risk assessment has identified an increased risk of reduction in available funds for Boston Women's Aid from statutory bodies. National and local financial constraints have made it increasingly hard to obtain new sources of funding, and other income sources may be less reliable and less able to predict. There is increased risk of existing contracts not being renewed even if they have been performed satisfactorily, they may go out to tender and may be awarded to other providers.

The reserves must be able to cover any challenges and opportunities in the medium to long term which includes the costs to safeguard current services and the costs of closure. Such costs include: -

- Likely staff costs in the event of redundancy
- Fees for legal and financial advice in the event of possible insolvency
- Rents on the refuge properties and other property costs
- Any income restricted to specific projects which may need to be repaid.
- Funds for emergencies or to keep the charity's work going if difficulties arise

Funds need to be easily accessible for day to day spending but will be invested in interest bearing accounts where possible, they are currently held with Lloyds Bank in high interest deposit bonds and also instant access savings accounts and 32 notice savings accounts.

There is a regular review of cash flow projections for income and expenditure to ensure that the level of available reserves remains adequate and that the charity can meet all its commitments. There is ongoing risk assessment to ensure policies and systems are in place to meet any potential risks identified and consider any significant change in the charity's financial circumstances.

Our current unrestricted reserve level is £299,873 (as at 31 March 2024). Our minimum target for the level of unrestricted funds as at 31 March 2024 is £100,000 and therefore we are meeting this requirement at this present time.

The charity has again had a very pro-active year trying to secure future funding for the medium to long term it has been instrumental in seeking new lines of funding from varied funders.

The net surplus for the year ended 31 March 2024 was £52,170, this on face value is a satisfactory set of results, the Charity has worked hard to control expenditure during the year and because of the surplus the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves have grown to £729,057 for 2024.

FUTURE PLANS

Following feedback from external stakeholders and service users we are looking to re-brand the charity this remains ongoing.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

Boston Women's Aid was established as a Registered Charity in 1987 and its current Constitution was approved in 2003 and amended in July 2009, with a further amendment agreed in October 2010 to allow for support to male victims of abuse and male membership of the Board of Trustees. Two further amendments were made in June 2012 to alter the numbers required for meetings to be quorate and for numbers allowed to sign grants and contracts.

The core activity of Boston Women's Aid is to provide safe, temporary accommodation for victims (and their children) who have suffered from domestic abuse. This core business is achieved by the provision of four refuge spaces and three dispersed accommodation units. These core activities are funded through rental income, housing benefit payments, donations and funding from statutory agencies and grant making bodies.

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.

Membership

Membership of Boston Women's Aid is open to all people who subscribe to the aims as set out in the Constitution, subject in each case to approval by the Management Committee.

Management

The policy and management of the organisation is vested in a Management Committee of Trustees. The recruitment and election of Trustees and the Management Committee is carried out at Boston Women's Aid AGM each year. Trustees can also be nominated and co-opted during the year by The Management Committee, subject to the restrictions on numbers within the Constitution.

The training of new trustees is determined based on individual needs.

The Management Committee

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Mr W Herbert | - Chair & Treasurer |
| Mrs V R Robinson | |
| Ms J Warnes | |
| Ms M Chapman | |
| Mrs L Hammond | |
| Ms Sophia Barnes | - Co-opted 21 June 2023 |
| Dr Julie Doddrell | - Co-opted 21 June 2023 |
| Ms Lisa Walmsley | - Co-opted 02 August 2023 |

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

519445

Principal address

P O Box 5
Boston
Lincolnshire
PE21 8JP

Trustees

Mrs V R Robinson
Mr W Herbert
Mrs S Coates (resigned 31.5.23)
Ms J Warnes
Ms M Chapman
Mrs L Hammond
Ms S Barnes (appointed 27.4.23)
Dr J Doddrell (appointed 20.5.23)
Ms L Walmsley (appointed 27.9.23)

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Mr T G Godson FCA
Duncan & Toplis Limited
5 Resolution Close
Endeavour Park
Boston
Lincolnshire
PE21 7TT

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 4 November 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr W Herbert - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Boston Women's Aid

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Boston Women's Aid (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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

Mr T G Godson FCA
Duncan & Toplis Limited
5 Resolution Close
Endeavour Park
Boston
Lincolnshire
PE21 7TT

Date: 25 November 2024

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ | 2023 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 3 | 217,662 | 272,091 | 489,753 | 519,385 |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Rental income | 5 | 189,212 | - | 189,212 | 117,753 |
| Investment income | 4 | <u>8,182</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>8,182</u> | <u>914</u> |
| Total | | <u>415,056</u> | <u>272,091</u> | <u>687,147</u> | <u>638,052</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 6 | 427,004 | 207,973 | 634,977 | 566,047 |
| Domestic Abuse Support | | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>1,286</u> |
| Total | | <u>427,004</u> | <u>207,973</u> | <u>634,977</u> | <u>567,333</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | | | | |
| Transfers between funds | 16 | (11,948) | 64,118 | 52,170 | 70,719 |
| | | <u>(18,287)</u> | <u>18,287</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net movement in funds | | (30,235) | 82,405 | 52,170 | 70,719 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 452,491 | 224,396 | 676,887 | 606,168 |
| | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u>422,256</u> | <u>306,801</u> | <u>729,057</u> | <u>676,887</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2024**

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ | 2023 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 11 | 44,972 | 3,292 | 48,264 | 46,571 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Debtors | 12 | 21,077 | 1,727 | 22,804 | 11,116 |
| Cash at bank | | <u>374,382</u> | <u>304,531</u> | <u>678,913</u> | <u>639,978</u> |
| | | 395,459 | 306,258 | 701,717 | 651,094 |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 13 | (18,168) | (2,756) | (20,924) | (20,778) |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>377,291</u> | <u>303,502</u> | <u>680,793</u> | <u>630,316</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 422,263 | 306,794 | 729,057 | 676,887 |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>422,263</u> | <u>306,794</u> | <u>729,057</u> | <u>676,887</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2024**

| FUNDS | 16 | | |
|---|----|----------------|----------------|
| Unrestricted funds: | | | |
| General fund | | 422,263 | 452,491 |
| Restricted funds: | | | |
| Postcode Lottery | | 11,703 | 11,703 |
| DCLG/MOT | | 3,888 | 3,893 |
| Great Days Out | | 16,155 | 21,509 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | | 52 | 52 |
| Reaching Communities | | 1,312 | 1,444 |
| DCLG Resettlement | | 622 | 622 |
| ECCF/MOT | | 24,485 | 34,911 |
| Every Childs Chances | | 461 | 551 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | | 23,160 | 24,795 |
| Make A Change | | 54,856 | 60,049 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | | 5,132 | 5,247 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | | - | 9,461 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | | 2,033 | 2,366 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | | 54,802 | 35,539 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | | 7,452 | 11,254 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | | 1,105 | 1,000 |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | | 21,727 | - |
| Shine Lincolnshire | | 9,216 | - |
| Big Feed Project | | 1,382 | - |
| Cost Of Living Grant | | 63,924 | - |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | | 1,295 | - |
| Toy Trust | | 1,100 | - |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | | 302 | - |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | | 130 | - |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | | 500 | - |
| | | <u>306,794</u> | <u>224,396</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | <u>729,057</u> | <u>676,887</u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 4 November 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr W Herbert - Trustee

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

| | Notes | 2024 £ | 2023 £ |
|---|-------|----------------|-----------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Cash generated from operations | 1 | <u>46,124</u> | <u>96,350</u> |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | | <u>46,124</u> | <u>96,350</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets | | (16,759) | (28,088) |
| Sale of tangible fixed assets | | - | 2,997 |
| Interest received | | <u>8,182</u> | <u>914</u> |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | <u>(8,577)</u> | <u>(24,177)</u> |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period | | | |
| | | 37,547 | 72,173 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period | 2 | <u>639,978</u> | <u>567,805</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period | 2 | <u>677,525</u> | <u>639,978</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities) | 52,170 | 70,719 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Depreciation charges | 15,066 | 11,051 |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets | - | 8 |
| Interest received | (8,182) | (914) |
| (Increase)/decrease in debtors | (11,688) | 3,350 |
| (Decrease)/increase in creditors | <u>(1,242)</u> | <u>12,136</u> |
| Net cash provided by operations | <u>46,124</u> | <u>96,350</u> |

2. ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Notice deposits (less than 3 months) | 678,913 | 639,978 |
| Overdrafts included in bank loans and overdrafts falling due within one year | <u>(1,388)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | <u>677,525</u> | <u>639,978</u> |

3. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

| | At 1.4.23 | Cash flow | At 31.3.24 |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Net cash | | | |
| Cash at bank | 639,978 | 38,935 | 678,913 |
| Bank overdrafts | <u>-</u> | <u>(1,388)</u> | <u>(1,388)</u> |
| | <u>639,978</u> | <u>37,547</u> | <u>677,525</u> |
| Total | <u>639,978</u> | <u>37,547</u> | <u>677,525</u> |

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Boston Women's Aid is an unincorporated charity, registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered number and principal office address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pound sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the charity.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

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 Statement of Financial Position. 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.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 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.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Office Equipment | - 10% on cost |
| Fixtures and fittings | - 20% on cost |
| Computer equipment | - 33% on cost |

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | 2024 Total funds | 2023 Total funds |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Donations and sundry income | 11,690 | - | 11,690 | 51,777 |
| Grants | 83,589 | 272,091 | 355,680 | 467,608 |
| Service contract | <u>122,383</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>122,383</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>217,662</u> | <u>272,091</u> | <u>489,753</u> | <u>519,385</u> |

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | 27,250 |
| Make A Change - Survivor Services | 18,447 | 73,684 |
| General | 83,590 | 236,663 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 117,962 | 112,238 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | - | 4,772 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,241 | 1,000 |
| HUB Holbeach HUC | 12,001 | 12,000 |
| Big Feed Project | 1,501 | - |
| CIN 2023 - 2025 | 22,001 | - |
| Cost Of Living Grant | 63,925 | - |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | 1,500 | - |
| Heinz Fund | 1,014 | - |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund | 5,998 | - |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 400 | - |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | 500 | - |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 24,500 | - |
| Toy Trust | 1,100 | - |
| Other grants | <u>-</u> | <u>1</u> |
| | <u>355,680</u> | <u>467,608</u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | 2024 Total funds | 2023 Total funds |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Deposit account interest | <u>8,182</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>8,182</u> | <u>914</u> |

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

| | Activity | 2024 | 2023 |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | £ | £ |
| Rental payers | Rental income | <u>189,212</u> | <u>117,753</u> |

6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

| | Direct Costs | Support costs (see note 7) | Totals |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Charitable activities | <u>627,319</u> | <u>7,658</u> | <u>634,977</u> |

7. SUPPORT COSTS

| | Governance costs |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| | £ |
| Charitable activities | <u>7,658</u> |

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for 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 2024 (2023 - £nil).

9. STAFF COSTS

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Wages and salaries | 344,937 | 305,890 |
| Social security costs | 24,699 | 22,651 |
| Other pension costs | <u>26,103</u> | <u>21,594</u> |
| | <u>395,739</u> | <u>350,135</u> |

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

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Management staff | 1 | 1 |
| Front line staff | <u>14</u> | <u>12</u> |
| | <u>15</u> | <u>13</u> |

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 284,048 | 235,337 | 519,385 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Rental income | 117,753 | - | 117,753 |
| Investment income | <u>914</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>914</u> |
| Total | <u>402,715</u> | <u>235,337</u> | <u>638,052</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Charitable activities | 323,163 | 242,884 | 566,047 |
| Domestic Abuse Support | <u>1,286</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>1,286</u> |
| Total | <u>324,449</u> | <u>242,884</u> | <u>567,333</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | | |
| | 78,266 | (7,547) | 70,719 |
| Transfers between funds | <u>85,738</u> | <u>(85,738)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net movement in funds | 164,004 | (93,285) | 70,719 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | <u>288,484</u> | <u>317,684</u> | <u>606,168</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | <u>452,488</u> | <u>224,399</u> | <u>676,887</u> |

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Office Equipment £ | Fixtures and fittings £ | Computer equipment £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| COST | | | | |
| At 1 April 2023 | 4,401 | 46,753 | 7,113 | 58,267 |
| Additions | <u>-</u> | <u>15,786</u> | <u>973</u> | <u>16,759</u> |
| At 31 March 2024 | <u>4,401</u> | <u>62,539</u> | <u>8,086</u> | <u>75,026</u> |
| DEPRECIATION | | | | |
| At 1 April 2023 | 969 | 8,460 | 2,267 | 11,696 |
| Charge for year | <u>381</u> | <u>12,114</u> | <u>2,571</u> | <u>15,066</u> |
| At 31 March 2024 | <u>1,350</u> | <u>20,574</u> | <u>4,838</u> | <u>26,762</u> |
| NET BOOK VALUE | | | | |
| At 31 March 2024 | <u>3,051</u> | <u>41,965</u> | <u>3,248</u> | <u>48,264</u> |
| At 31 March 2023 | <u>3,432</u> | <u>38,293</u> | <u>4,846</u> | <u>46,571</u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Other debtors | 3,768 | 6,135 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | <u>19,036</u> | <u>4,981</u> |
| | <u>22,804</u> | <u>11,116</u> |

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 14) | 1,388 | - |
| Social security and other taxes | 6,386 | 6,335 |
| Pension creditor | 348 | 226 |
| Other creditors | 1,049 | 7,198 |
| Accruals and deferred income | <u>11,753</u> | <u>7,019</u> |
| | <u>20,924</u> | <u>20,778</u> |

14. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|--|--------------|----------|
| | £ | £ |
| Amounts falling due within one year on demand: | | |
| Bank overdrafts | <u>1,388</u> | <u>-</u> |

The bank overdraft referred to above represents the deemed bank balances in respect of two fund pots.

Overall there is no formal bank overdraft and the net bank and cash balance held as at the year end date is £677,525. This is shown as £678,913 under bank and £1,388 under creditors.

15. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Within one year | 56,834 | 57,067 |
| Between one and five years | <u>89,682</u> | <u>139,243</u> |
| | <u>146,516</u> | <u>196,310</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

| | At 1.4.23 £ | Net movement in funds £ | Transfers between funds £ | At 31.3.24 £ |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 452,491 | (11,941) | (18,287) | 422,263 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Postcode Lottery | 11,703 | - | - | 11,703 |
| DCLG/MOT | 3,888 | - | - | 3,888 |
| Great Days Out | 21,509 | (5,354) | - | 16,155 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 52 | - | - | 52 |
| Reaching Communities | 1,444 | (132) | - | 1,312 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 622 | - | - | 622 |
| ECCF/MOT | 34,911 | (10,426) | - | 24,485 |
| Every Childs Chances | 552 | (91) | - | 461 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 24,796 | (1,636) | - | 23,160 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 1 | (12,608) | 12,607 | - |
| Make A Change | 60,049 | (5,193) | - | 54,856 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 5,247 | (115) | - | 5,132 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 9,461 | (11,108) | 1,647 | - |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 2,368 | (335) | - | 2,033 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 35,539 | 19,263 | - | 54,802 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 11,254 | (3,802) | - | 7,452 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,000 | 105 | - | 1,105 |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | - | 21,727 | - | 21,727 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | - | 9,216 | - | 9,216 |
| Big Feed Project | - | 1,382 | - | 1,382 |
| Cost Of Living Grant | - | 63,924 | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | - | 1,295 | - | 1,295 |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund | - | (4,033) | 4,033 | - |
| Toy Trust | - | 1,100 | - | 1,100 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | - | 302 | - | 302 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | - | 130 | - | 130 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | - | 500 | - | 500 |
| | <u>224,396</u> | <u>64,111</u> | <u>18,287</u> | <u>306,794</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u><u>676,887</u></u> | <u><u>52,170</u></u> | <u><u>-</u></u> | <u><u>729,057</u></u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 415,056 | (426,997) | (11,941) |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Great Days Out | (1) | (5,353) | (5,354) |
| Reaching Communities | 1 | (133) | (132) |
| ECCF/MOT | (1) | (10,425) | (10,426) |
| Every Childs Chances | 1 | (92) | (91) |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 12,000 | (13,636) | (1,636) |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | (12,608) | (12,608) |
| Make A Change | 18,448 | (23,641) | (5,193) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (115) | (115) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | - | (11,108) | (11,108) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | (335) | (335) |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 117,963 | (98,700) | 19,263 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | - | (3,802) | (3,802) |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,241 | (1,136) | 105 |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | 22,001 | (274) | 21,727 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 24,501 | (15,285) | 9,216 |
| Big Feed Project | 1,500 | (118) | 1,382 |
| Cost Of Living Grant | 63,924 | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | 1,500 | (205) | 1,295 |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund | 5,999 | (10,032) | (4,033) |
| Toy Trust | 1,100 | - | 1,100 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | 1,014 | (712) | 302 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 400 | (270) | 130 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | 500 | - | 500 |
| | <u>272,091</u> | <u>(207,980)</u> | <u>64,111</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>687,147</u> | <u>(634,977)</u> | <u>52,170</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | At 1.4.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | Transfers between funds £ | At 31.3.23 £ |
|---|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 288,484 | 78,269 | 85,738 | 452,491 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | - | (7) | 7 | - |
| Postcode Lottery | - | - | 11,703 | 11,703 |
| DCLG/MOT | 35,143 | (3) | (31,247) | 3,893 |
| Great Days Out | 11,513 | (3,535) | 13,531 | 21,509 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 53 | - | (1) | 52 |
| Reaching Communities | 144,487 | (878) | (142,165) | 1,444 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 622 | (205) | 205 | 622 |
| ECCF/MOT | 379 | (715) | 35,247 | 34,911 |
| Every Child's Chances | 6,128 | (9,938) | 4,361 | 551 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 16,817 | 7,978 | - | 24,795 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | 11,154 | (11,154) | - |
| Make A Change | 44,897 | 15,152 | - | 60,049 |
| MHCLG | 5 | - | (5) | - |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (11,264) | 16,511 | 5,247 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 8,142 | (3,700) | 5,019 | 9,461 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 8,177 | (29,796) | 23,985 | 2,366 |
| Screwfix | 243 | - | (243) | - |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 41,078 | 10,972 | (16,511) | 35,539 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | - | 6,235 | 5,019 | 11,254 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | - | 1,000 | - | 1,000 |
| | <u>317,684</u> | <u>(7,550)</u> | <u>(85,738)</u> | <u>224,396</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>606,168</u> | <u>70,719</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>676,887</u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

16. 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 fund | 402,715 | (324,446) | 78,269 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | - | (7) | (7) |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (3) | (3) |
| Great Days Out | (2) | (3,533) | (3,535) |
| Reaching Communities | - | (878) | (878) |
| DCLG Resettlement | - | (205) | (205) |
| ECCF/MOT | 1 | (716) | (715) |
| Every Childs Chances | (1) | (9,937) | (9,938) |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 13,464 | (5,486) | 7,978 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 27,251 | (16,097) | 11,154 |
| Make A Change | 73,686 | (58,534) | 15,152 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (11,264) | (11,264) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 1,463 | (5,163) | (3,700) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 2 | (29,798) | (29,796) |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 112,238 | (101,266) | 10,972 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 6,235 | - | 6,235 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 1,000 | - | 1,000 |
| | <u>235,337</u> | <u>(242,887)</u> | <u>(7,550)</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>638,052</u> | <u>(567,333)</u> | <u>70,719</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

| | At 1.4.22 £ | Net movement in funds £ | Transfers between funds £ | At 31.3.24 £ |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 288,484 | 66,328 | 67,451 | 422,263 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | - | (7) | 7 | - |
| Postcode Lottery | - | - | 11,703 | 11,703 |
| DCLG/MOT | 35,143 | (3) | (31,247) | 3,893 |
| Great Days Out | 11,513 | (8,889) | 13,531 | 16,155 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 53 | - | (1) | 52 |
| Reaching Communities | 144,487 | (1,010) | (142,165) | 1,312 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 622 | (205) | 205 | 622 |
| ECCF/MOT | 379 | (11,141) | 35,247 | 24,485 |
| Every Childs Chances | 6,128 | (10,029) | 4,361 | 460 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 16,817 | 6,342 | - | 23,159 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | (1,454) | 1,453 | (1) |
| Make A Change | 44,897 | 9,959 | - | 54,856 |
| MHCLG | 5 | - | (5) | - |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (11,379) | 16,511 | 5,132 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 8,142 | (14,808) | 6,666 | - |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 8,177 | (30,131) | 23,985 | 2,031 |
| Screwfix | 243 | - | (243) | - |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 41,078 | 30,235 | (16,511) | 54,802 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | - | 2,433 | 5,019 | 7,452 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | - | 1,105 | - | 1,105 |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | - | 21,727 | - | 21,727 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | - | 9,216 | - | 9,216 |
| Big Feed Project | - | 1,382 | - | 1,382 |
| Cost Of Living Grant | - | 63,924 | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | - | 1,295 | - | 1,295 |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund | - | (4,033) | 4,033 | - |
| Toy Trust | - | 1,100 | - | 1,100 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | - | 302 | - | 302 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | - | 130 | - | 130 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | - | 500 | - | 500 |
| | <u>317,684</u> | <u>56,561</u> | <u>(67,451)</u> | <u>306,794</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u><u>606,168</u></u> | <u><u>122,889</u></u> | <u><u>-</u></u> | <u><u>729,057</u></u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 fund | 817,771 | (751,443) | 66,328 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | - | (7) | (7) |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (3) | (3) |
| Great Days Out | (3) | (8,886) | (8,889) |
| Reaching Communities | 1 | (1,011) | (1,010) |
| DCLG Resettlement | - | (205) | (205) |
| ECCF/MOT | - | (11,141) | (11,141) |
| Every Child's Chances | - | (10,029) | (10,029) |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 25,464 | (19,122) | 6,342 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 27,251 | (28,705) | (1,454) |
| Make A Change | 92,134 | (82,175) | 9,959 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (11,379) | (11,379) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 1,463 | (16,271) | (14,808) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 2 | (30,133) | (30,131) |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 230,201 | (199,966) | 30,235 |
| Hub Sutton Bridge | 6,235 | (3,802) | 2,433 |
| LCC Numeracy Grant | 2,241 | (1,136) | 1,105 |
| Children in Need 2023 - 2025 | 22,001 | (274) | 21,727 |
| Shine Lincolnshire | 24,501 | (15,285) | 9,216 |
| Big Feed Project | 1,500 | (118) | 1,382 |
| Cost Of Living Grant | 63,924 | - | 63,924 |
| Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest | 1,500 | (205) | 1,295 |
| Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund | 5,999 | (10,032) | (4,033) |
| Toy Trust | 1,100 | - | 1,100 |
| Heinz Fund - White goods | 1,014 | (712) | 302 |
| Asda Foundation - White goods | 400 | (270) | 130 |
| Sainsburys Neighbourly Grant | 500 | - | 500 |
| | <u>507,428</u> | <u>(450,867)</u> | <u>56,561</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>1,325,199</u> | <u>(1,202,310)</u> | <u>122,889</u> |

Restricted funds

Details of the purpose and nature of each restricted fund are given below:

DCLG/MOT

This funding is to support the training of specialist volunteers to provide one-to-one support for victims leaving refuge, during and following the Covid pandemic..

Great Days Out

Funded by National Lottery Awards for All. This funding is to support family development and cohesion, confidence and socialising, of families in refuge or recovering from domestic abuse through days out as families to educational/recreational venues.

Medlock Charitable Trust

This funding is to contribute towards the cost of a part-time Refuge Support Assistant, who ensures that rooms are ready to receive families into refuge..

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Reaching Communities

This funding is to support four projects:

" Freedom Programme;

" "Volcano" Programme in schools;

" Raising awareness of domestic abuse among male employees at larger employers across Boston Borough and South Holland;

" Provision of complex needs support to victims in refuge.

DCLG Resettlement

This funding is to support women leaving refuge to move into a home of their own to apply to buy either a cooker, washing machine or similar white goods.

Every Child's Chances - Children in Need

This funding is to support specialist work with children in refuge.

This project will help support children who have experienced domestic abuse. Targeted support for the children and family will improve educational progress, improve social skills and promote a reduction in challenging behaviour.

Holbeach Rural Community Hub

This funding, made by Holbeach United Charities has for the past three years supported the provision of a weekly Community Hub in Holbeach, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

Lloyds Bank Foundation

This funding is to support a part-time Complex Needs Worker for victims of domestic abuse in refuge who have additional needs which makes their recovery and ability to move on from the abuse and establish their own family and home life much more complicated and who need this specialist support. The grant also funds some Refuge Support to assist with budgeting training, assistance with applying for schools, doctors, benefits, housing and other services.

Lloyds Bank Foundation also offer in-kind support to help charities become more sustainable during the lifetime of the Invest Fund grant.

Make A Change (MAC)

This funding is to support both victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse, where the perpetrator has indicated that they wish to make the necessary changes to their behaviour. Boston Women's Aid is the chosen partner to work across Lincolnshire with the partners of those perpetrators who enrol on the MAC 26-week course delivered by the Jenkins Foundation.

MHCLG

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to provide dispersed refuge accommodation for families fleeing abuse, for whom our communal refuge would not be appropriate.

Catalyst Digital Project

This was a one-off grant enabling Boston Women's Aid to participate in work to look at digital support for victims of domestic abuse living in very rural areas.

Spalding Hub - Longhurst

This funding by the Longhurst Group contributes to our weekly Rural Hub in Spalding, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

MHCLG Complex Needs

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to employ an additional Complex Needs Worker throughout the Covid pandemic, when greatly increased levels of abuse were seen and more women were presenting with complex and additional needs.

Screwfix

This one-off grant is to support the purchase of materials and equipment for Haven House.

Reaching communities 2022

This is a three-year phased grant, continuing the funding support for The Freedom Programme, Intervention and Information Work in Schools, Additional Specialist Support in Refuge, and making a contribution towards the cost of Child Support in Refuge.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Hub Sutton Bridge

This funding is to support the rural community hub service.

LCC Numeracy Grant

This one-off grant is to support numeracy skills for clients that are supported.

Children in Need 2023 - 2025

This is a three year grant to support children and young people living in refuge.

Shine Lincolnshire

This funding is to support the rural community hub service.

Big Feed Project

This funding is to deliver £5 per family cookery sessions in refuge.

Cost of Living Grant

This was a one off grant to cover the increased costs to the charity during the cost of living crisis.

Cultural Needs - Platform Community Chest

This funding is to purchase items for families in refuge to support their cultural needs.

Hope 2 Recovery - Evans Cornish Grassroots Fund

This funding is to deliver the Hope 2 Recovery course within refuge.

Toy Trust

This funding is to purchase equipment for children in refuge with additional needs.

Heinz Fund - White Goods

This funding is to purchase white goods equipment for families leaving refuge.

Asda Foundation - White Goods

This funding is to purchase equipment for our move-on accommodation.

Sainsbury's Neighbourly

This funding is to purchase emergency food for families in refuge.

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.

19. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

The independent examination fee included in the accounts is £4,320 (2023 - £3,940).

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2024 Total funds £ | 2023 Total funds £ |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | | | |
| Donations and sundry income | 11,690 | - | 11,690 | 51,777 |
| Grants | 83,589 | 272,091 | 355,680 | 467,608 |
| Service contract | <u>122,383</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>122,383</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | 217,662 | 272,091 | 489,753 | 519,385 |
| Investment income | | | | |
| Deposit account interest | 8,182 | - | 8,182 | 914 |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Rental payers | <u>189,212</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>189,212</u> | <u>117,753</u> |
| Total incoming resources | 415,056 | 272,091 | 687,147 | 638,052 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Wages | 192,651 | 152,286 | 344,937 | 305,890 |
| Social security | 11,672 | 13,027 | 24,699 | 22,651 |
| Pensions | 13,870 | 12,233 | 26,103 | 21,594 |
| Rent | 76,773 | 330 | 77,103 | 77,072 |
| Rates and water | 12,618 | - | 12,618 | 3,420 |
| Insurance | 3,605 | 2,810 | 6,415 | 3,955 |
| Light and heat | 34,025 | - | 34,025 | 35,699 |
| Telephone | 812 | 1,326 | 2,138 | 1,920 |
| Postage, stationery and advertising | 1,517 | 1,905 | 3,422 | 6,285 |
| Sundries | 21,204 | 12,213 | 33,417 | 26,905 |
| Motor and travel costs | 4,593 | 1,491 | 6,084 | 4,455 |
| Day trips and activities | 3,079 | 1,678 | 4,757 | 3,187 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 28,871 | 1,319 | 30,190 | 20,097 |
| Staff training and activities | 1,309 | 2,103 | 3,412 | 2,791 |
| Counselling fees | 103 | 1,013 | 1,116 | 5,193 |
| Supplies | 1,517 | 300 | 1,817 | 1,439 |
| Plant and machinery | 12,496 | - | 12,496 | 9,038 |
| Computer equipment | 1,343 | 1,227 | 2,570 | 2,012 |
| Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>8</u> |
| | 422,058 | 205,261 | 627,319 | 553,611 |
| Support costs | | | | |
| Governance costs | | | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 3,069 | 1,512 | 4,581 | 6,301 |
| Financial management | 769 | 529 | 1,298 | 1,187 |
| Legal fees | <u>1,101</u> | <u>678</u> | <u>1,779</u> | <u>6,234</u> |
| | <u>4,939</u> | <u>2,719</u> | <u>7,658</u> | <u>13,722</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>426,997</u> | <u>207,980</u> | <u>634,977</u> | <u>567,333</u> |
| Net income | <u>(11,941)</u> | <u>64,111</u> | <u>52,170</u> | <u>70,719</u> |

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HAVEN DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 519445

Accounts

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities

The overall objective of Boston Women's Aid is to provide advice, support and temporary accommodation for victims of abuse and their children. The term domestic abuse embraces the physical, mental, emotional, financial or sexual abuse of one person by another with whom they have or have had a close or intimate relationship.

The objective is achieved through the following:

The provision of temporary refuge on request for victims and their children who have suffered domestic abuse.

Encouraging the development of facilities that offer advice, support and practical help to any victim that seeks it, whether or not they are resident of the refuge, and which gives continuing support and aftercare to victims and children after they have left the Boston Women's Aid accommodation.

Research into and promotion of the provision of facilities which meet the emotional and educational needs of children of victims who seek refuge.

Providing information to and working with other organisations for the exchange of information and ideas on all aspects of Women's aid and domestic abuse issues.

Educating and informing the public, the media, the police, the courts, Social Services and other statutory and non-statutory organisations, with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Reporting for the public benefit

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, Boston Women's Aid trustees have consulted the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on operating the Charity for the public benefit and are satisfied that the Charity meets the requirements on public benefit as follows.

Boston Women's Aid has continued to provide safe accommodation through refuge and dispersed units on request for victims and their children, who have suffered domestic abuse.

Provision of continuing support to victims and children after they have left the accommodation has been available, as has advice and support to members of the public, male and female, who make contact through the helpline, with support at our Rural Community Hubs in Holbeach, Spalding, Boston & Sutton Bridge.

Awareness raising talks are given within schools in Boston & South Holland, this work gives children of school age the opportunity to learn about the effects of Domestic Abuse and the meaning of a Healthy Relationship.

Talks given to organisations and groups of the public, who request them, together with statements to the media, have educated and informed on the effects of Domestic Abuse.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

BWA have continued to provide refuge and other support services in Boston and South Holland. The Rural Community Hub service has expanded across Boston & South Holland with the financial support of The Holbeach United Charity, Platform Housing & Longhurst Housing. The Make A Change Survivor Support Service has continued supporting partners or ex partners of perpetrators that are accessing the group support work, this service ended on the 31/3/23 due to the funding expiring, talks are ongoing for a new Perpetrator programme in Lincolnshire.

In 2022/23, BWA have continued to operate as a viable provider of refuge accommodation and services, in the face of a challenging financial environment. The safe houses are in Boston and South Holland where we accept women, men and children from all areas of the UK. During the financial year we have operated 12 units of shared refuge and 3 dispersed properties.

In the refuges 66 women were admitted, the total number of children admitted was 127 during 2022/23. Three Freedom Programmes were delivered along with four Confidence Building courses.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by BWA. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors. It is the view of the Board of Trustees that all services provided by BWA were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees' aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity in line with the Strategic Business Plan.

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

A reserves policy is recommended by the Charities Commission as part of financial management and strategic planning to explain to interested parties (both donors and beneficiaries) why money is withheld from beneficiaries. It is part of being transparent and accountable to funders and lessens the risk of the accusation of hoarding. It is also necessary so that the charity can meet its obligations even if intended funding sources fail to meet targets. Ongoing risk assessment has identified an increased risk of reduction in available funds for Boston Women's Aid from statutory bodies. National and local financial constraints have made it increasingly hard to obtain new sources of funding, and other income sources may be less reliable and less able to predict. There is increased risk of existing contracts not being renewed even if they have been performed satisfactorily, they may go out to tender and may be awarded to other providers.

The reserves must be able to cover any challenges and opportunities in the medium to long term which includes the costs to safeguard current services and the costs of closure. Such costs include: -

- Likely staff costs in the event of redundancy
- Fees for legal and financial advice in the event of possible insolvency
- Rents on the refuge properties and other property costs
- Any income restricted to specific projects which may need to be repaid.
- Funds for emergencies or to keep the charity's work going if difficulties arise

Funds need to be easily accessible for day to day spending but will be invested in interest bearing accounts where possible, they are currently held with Lloyds Bank in high interest deposit bonds and also instant access savings accounts and 32 notice savings accounts.

There is a regular review of cash flow projections for income and expenditure to ensure that the level of available reserves remains adequate and that the charity can meet all its commitments. There is ongoing risk assessment to ensure policies and systems are in place to meet any potential risks identified and consider any significant change in the charity's financial circumstances.

Our current unrestricted reserve level is £ ? (as at 31 March 2023). Our minimum target for the level of unrestricted funds as at 31 March 23 is £100,000 and therefore we are meeting this requirement at this present time.

The charity has again had a very pro-active year trying to secure future funding for the medium to long term it has been instrumental in seeking new lines of funding from varied funders.

The net surplus for the year ended 31st March 2023 was £ ?, this on face value is a satisfactory set of results, the Charity has worked hard to control expenditure during the year and because of the surplus the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves have grown to £ ? for 2023.

FUTURE PLANS

We are looking to secure two properties for Move On Accommodation to progress families from the refuge with continued support, this will be before they then move into their own tenanted property.

Following the success of the Rural Community Hubs we are looking to expand into the Long Sutton area.

Following feedback from external stakeholders and service users we are looking to re-brand the charity during 23/24.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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Organisational structure

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The core activity of Boston Women's Aid is to provide safe, temporary accommodation for victims (and their children) who have suffered from domestic abuse. This core business is achieved by the provision of four refuge spaces and three dispersed accommodation units. These core activities are funded through rental income, housing benefit payments, donations and funding from statutory agencies and grant making bodies.

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.

Membership

Membership of Boston Women's Aid is open to all people who subscribe to the aims as set out in the Constitution, subject in each case to approval by the Board of Trustees.

Management

The policy and management of the organisation is vested in the Board of Trustees. The recruitment and election of Trustees is carried out at Boston Women's Aid AGM each year. Trustees can also be nominated and co-opted during the year by The Board of Trustees, subject to the restrictions on numbers within the Constitution.

The training of new trustees is determined based on individual needs.

The Management Committee

Mrs S Coates - Chair
Mrs V R Robinson - Secretary
Mr W Herbert - Treasurer

Ms J Warnes

Ms Marie Chapman

Linzi Elliott – resigned 26/6/2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

519445

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Principal address

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27th September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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HAVEN DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 519445

Accounts

**BOSTON WOMEN'S AID
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities

The overall objective of Boston Women's Aid is to provide advice, support and temporary accommodation for victims of abuse and their children. The term domestic abuse embraces the physical, mental, emotional, financial or sexual abuse of one person by another with whom they have or have had a close or intimate relationship.

The objective is achieved through the following:

The provision of temporary refuge on request for victims and their children who have suffered domestic abuse.

Encouraging the development of facilities that offer advice, support and practical help to any victim that seeks it, whether or not they are resident of the refuge, and which gives continuing support and aftercare to victims and children after they have left the Boston Women's Aid accommodation.

Research into and promotion of the provision of facilities which meet the emotional and educational needs of children of victims who seek refuge.

Providing information to and working with other organisations for the exchange of information and ideas on all aspects of Women's aid and domestic abuse issues.

Educating and informing the public, the media, the police, the courts, Social Services and other statutory and non-statutory organisations, with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Reporting for the public benefit

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, Boston Women's Aid trustees have consulted the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on operating the Charity for the public benefit and are satisfied that the Charity meets the requirements on public benefit as follows.

Boston Women's Aid has continued to operate two houses to provide temporary refuge on request for female victims and their children within the general public, who have suffered domestic abuse. Suitable accommodation has not been available this year for male victims.

Provision of continuing support to victims and children after they have left the accommodation has been available, as has advice and support to members of the public, male and female, who make contact through the helpline, with support at our Rural Community Hub in Holbeach.

Talks given to organisations and groups of the public, who request them, together with statements to the media, have educated and informed the public with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Trustees acknowledge the risks associated with COVID-19 since the lockdown on the 21 March 2020. The trustees will meet and discuss plans, responsibilities, and actions during the next financial year. Immediate action was taken with regards to staff working from home where possible and adapting COVID-19 safety measures within the refuges.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

BWA have continued to provide refuge and other support services in Boston and South Holland. The Rural Community Hub service has expanded across Boston & South Holland with the financial support of The Holbeach United Charity, Platform Housing & Longhurst Housing. The Make A Change Survivor Support Service has continued supporting partners or ex partners of perpetrators that are accessing the group support work. BWA have supported over 48 women and 5 children through the Make A Change service.

In 2021/22, BWA have continued to operate as a viable provider of refuge accommodation and services, in the face of a challenging financial environment. The safe houses are in Boston and South Holland where we accept women, men and children from all areas of the UK.

In the refuges 31 women were admitted, of those 26 came with children, the total number of children admitted was 56 during 2021/22. Three Freedom Programmes were delivered along with four Confidence Building courses, a total of 11 women completed the Freedom Programme.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by BWA. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors. It is the view of the Board of Trustees that all services provided by BWA were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees' aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity in line with the Strategic Business Plan.

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- Rents on the refuge properties and other property costs
- Any income restricted to specific projects which may need to be repaid.
- Funds for emergencies or to keep the charity's work going if difficulties arise. This may include time to resettle service users in properties or on outreach or counselling programmes. Consideration of the emotional and mental health needs of service users is important as well as their physical needs including attention to child protection and safeguarding needs. These costs are likely to be higher than for a charity that purely makes one off grants

Funds need to be easily accessible for day-to-day spending but will be invested in interest bearing accounts where possible, they are currently held with Lloyds Bank in high interest deposit bonds and a no notice savings account.

There is a regular review of cash flow projections for income and expenditure to ensure that the level of available reserves remains adequate, and that the charity can meet all its commitments. There is ongoing risk assessment to ensure policies and systems are in place to meet any potential risks identified and consider any significant change in the charity's financial circumstances.

Our current unrestricted reserve level is £288,484 (as at 31 March 2022). Our minimum target for the level of unrestricted funds as at 31 March 2022 is £100,000 and therefore we are meeting this requirement at this present time.

FINANCIAL REVIEW – continued

Financial review

The charity has again had a very pro-active year trying to secure future funding for the medium to long term. The continued role of our Business Development Manager has been instrumental in seeking new lines of funding from varied funders. The net deficit for the year ended 31 March 2022 was (£24,544) (2021 surplus £250,869), although we are showing a deficit for the financial year in question, this is due to a reduction in income as a result of less funding being available post COVID restrictions, and an increase in expenditure for preliminary costs in respect to the new refuge, this on face value is a satisfactory set of results, the Charity has worked hard to control expenditure during the year and because of the deficit the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves are now £606,168 for 2022.

FUTURE PLANS

The opening of Haven House due to launch and open in June 2022, an opening event planned for May 2022.

Following the success of the Holbeach rural hub the expansion of the service across Spalding & Boston was launched during summer 2021. We now plan to again expand the service at the beginning of 2023 into East Lindsay.

BWA continues to research and submit bids for project funding.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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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.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Membership

Membership of Boston Women's Aid is open to all people who subscribe to the aims as set out in the Constitution, subject in each case to approval by the Management Committee.

Management

The policy and management of the organisation is vested in a Management Committee of Trustees. The recruitment and election of Trustees and the Management Committee is carried out at Boston Women's Aid AGM each year. Trustees can also be nominated and co-opted during the year by The Management Committee, subject to the restrictions on numbers within the Constitution.

The training of new trustees is determined based on individual needs.

The Management Committee

| | |
|------------------|---|
| Mr W Herbert | - Treasurer |
| Mrs V R Robinson | |
| Mrs S Coates | - Chair |
| Ms J Warnes | |
| Ms L McKinnell | |
| Ms M Chapman | - Appointed 1 June 2021 |
| Ms B Owen | - Appointed 1 June 2021, resigned 23 March 2022 |
| Ms L Elliott | - Appointed 30 September 2021 |
| Mrs N Standbrook | - Co-opted October 2019, retired July 2021 |

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

519445

Principal address

P O Box 5
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Trustees

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Mr W Herbert
Mrs S Coates
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Independent Examiner

Mr T G Godson FCA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 September 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mrs S Coates - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Boston Women's Aid

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Boston Women's Aid (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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

T. G. Godson

Mr T G Godson FCA
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5 Resolution Close
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PE21 7TT

Date: 12 October 2022

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 3 | 51,088 | 210,733 | 261,821 | 484,432 |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Rental income | | 98,487 | 920 | 99,407 | 102,149 |
| Charitable activities | | 3,948 | - | 3,948 | 157 |
| Investment income | 4 | 57 | - | 57 | 379 |
| Other income | | <u>70</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>70</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total | | <u>153,650</u> | <u>211,653</u> | <u>365,303</u> | <u>587,117</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | | | |
| Raising funds | 6 | - | - | - | 5,000 |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 7 | <u>168,595</u> | <u>221,252</u> | <u>389,847</u> | <u>331,248</u> |
| Total | | <u>168,595</u> | <u>221,252</u> | <u>389,847</u> | <u>336,248</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | | | | |
| | | (14,945) | (9,599) | (24,544) | 250,869 |
| Transfers between funds | 16 | <u>(4,863)</u> | <u>4,863</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net movement in funds | | (19,808) | (4,736) | (24,544) | 250,869 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | <u>308,292</u> | <u>322,420</u> | <u>630,712</u> | <u>379,843</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u>288,484</u> | <u>317,684</u> | <u>606,168</u> | <u>630,712</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2022

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 12 | 30,141 | 2,398 | 32,539 | 721 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Debtors | 13 | 12,952 | 1,514 | 14,466 | 55,902 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>253,102</u> | <u>314,703</u> | <u>567,805</u> | <u>585,053</u> |
| | | 266,054 | 316,217 | 582,271 | 640,955 |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 14 | (7,711) | (931) | (8,642) | (10,964) |
| | | <u>258,343</u> | <u>315,286</u> | <u>573,629</u> | <u>629,991</u> |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| | | 288,484 | 317,684 | 606,168 | 630,712 |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | | | |
| | | <u>288,484</u> | <u>317,684</u> | <u>606,168</u> | <u>630,712</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | | | | |

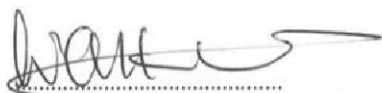
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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2022

| | Notes | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FUNDS | 16 | | |
| Unrestricted funds: | | | |
| General fund | | 288,484 | 308,292 |
| Restricted funds: | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | | 35,143 | 35,148 |
| Great Days Out | | 11,513 | 6,626 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | | 53 | 53 |
| Reaching Communities | | 144,487 | 131,494 |
| DCLG Resettlement | | 622 | 402 |
| ECCF/MOT | | 379 | 15,178 |
| Every Childs Chances | | 6,128 | 5,547 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | | 16,817 | 15,927 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | | - | 16,822 |
| Make A Change | | 44,897 | 53,268 |
| MHCLG | | 5 | 5 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | | - | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | | 8,142 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | | 8,177 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | | 243 | 3,600 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | | <u>41,078</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | | <u>317,684</u> | <u>322,420</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | <u>606,168</u> | <u>630,712</u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on .21 September 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



 Mr W Herbert - Trustee



 Mrs S Coates - Trustee

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

| | Notes | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|---|-------|-----------------|----------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Cash generated from operations | 1 | <u>15,294</u> | <u>213,981</u> |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | | <u>15,294</u> | <u>213,981</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets | | (32,599) | (1,059) |
| Interest received | | <u>57</u> | <u>379</u> |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | <u>(32,542)</u> | <u>(680)</u> |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period | | (17,248) | 213,301 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period | | <u>585,053</u> | <u>371,752</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period | | <u>567,805</u> | <u>585,053</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities) | (24,544) | 250,869 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Depreciation charges | 449 | 358 |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets | 332 | - |
| Interest received | (57) | (379) |
| Decrease/(increase) in debtors | 41,436 | (37,357) |
| (Decrease)/increase in creditors | <u>(2,322)</u> | <u>490</u> |
| Net cash provided by operations | <u>15,294</u> | <u>213,981</u> |

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

| | At 1.4.21 | Cash flow | At 31.3.22 |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Net cash | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | <u>585,053</u> | <u>(17,248)</u> | <u>567,805</u> |
| | <u>585,053</u> | <u>(17,248)</u> | <u>567,805</u> |
| Total | <u>585,053</u> | <u>(17,248)</u> | <u>567,805</u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Boston Women's Aid is an unincorporated charity, registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered number and principal office address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pound sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the charity.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 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.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Office Equipment | - 10% on cost |
| Fixtures and fittings | - 20% on cost |
| Computer equipment | - 33% on cost |

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

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.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donations and sundry income | 23,155 | 10,000 | 33,155 | 16,844 |
| Grants | <u>27,933</u> | <u>200,733</u> | <u>228,666</u> | <u>467,588</u> |
| | <u>51,088</u> | <u>210,733</u> | <u>261,821</u> | <u>484,432</u> |

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| DCLG Resettlement | 1,344 | - |
| ECCF/MOT | - | 22,282 |
| Every Childs Chances - CIN | 11,493 | 22,645 |
| Great Days Out | 11,354 | 4,905 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | - | 11,132 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | 22,658 |
| Make A Change - Survivor Services | - | 73,383 |
| Reaching Communities | 111,259 | 108,948 |
| Catalysts | 4,666 | 4,668 |
| General | 25,714 | 157,443 |
| HUB - Spalding Longhurst | 4,954 | 4,980 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | 30,944 |
| Screwfix | - | 3,600 |
| Hub Boston Platform | 2,000 | - |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 55,878 | - |
| Other grants | <u>4</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>228,666</u> | <u>467,588</u> |

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Deposit account interest | <u>57</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>57</u> | <u>379</u> |

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5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

| | Activity | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Rental payers | Rental income | 99,407 | 102,149 |
| Other income | Charitable activities | <u>3,948</u> | <u>157</u> |
| | | <u>103,355</u> | <u>102,306</u> |

6. RAISING FUNDS

Other trading activities

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bad debts | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>5,000</u> |

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

| | Direct Costs £ | Support costs (see note 8) £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Charitable activities | <u>383,256</u> | <u>6,591</u> | <u>389,847</u> |

8. SUPPORT COSTS

| | Finance £ | Governance costs £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Charitable activities | <u>250</u> | <u>6,341</u> | <u>6,591</u> |

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 (2021 - £nil).

10. STAFF COSTS

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Wages and salaries | 244,034 | 204,325 |
| Social security costs | 15,302 | 3,152 |
| Other pension costs | <u>17,722</u> | <u>14,300</u> |
| | <u>277,058</u> | <u>221,777</u> |

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

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Management staff | 1 | 1 |
| Front line staff | <u>11</u> | <u>9</u> |
| | <u>12</u> | <u>10</u> |

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

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11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 174,338 | 310,094 | 484,432 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Rental income | 102,149 | - | 102,149 |
| Charitable activities | 97 | 60 | 157 |
| Investment income | <u>379</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>379</u> |
| Total | <u>276,963</u> | <u>310,154</u> | <u>587,117</u> |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Raising funds | - | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Charitable activities | <u>124,972</u> | <u>206,276</u> | <u>331,248</u> |
| Total | <u>124,972</u> | <u>211,276</u> | <u>336,248</u> |
| NET INCOME | 151,991 | 98,878 | 250,869 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | <u>156,302</u> | <u>223,541</u> | <u>379,843</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | <u>308,293</u> | <u>322,419</u> | <u>630,712</u> |

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Office Equipment £ | Fixtures and fittings £ | Computer equipment £ | Totals £ |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| COST | | | | |
| At 1 April 2021 | 8,505 | - | - | 8,505 |
| Additions | 3,816 | 26,496 | 2,287 | 32,599 |
| Disposals | <u>(7,920)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(7,920)</u> |
| At 31 March 2022 | <u>4,401</u> | <u>26,496</u> | <u>2,287</u> | <u>33,184</u> |
| DEPRECIATION | | | | |
| At 1 April 2021 | 7,784 | - | - | 7,784 |
| Charge for year | 194 | - | 255 | 449 |
| Eliminated on disposal | <u>(7,588)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(7,588)</u> |
| At 31 March 2022 | <u>390</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>255</u> | <u>645</u> |
| NET BOOK VALUE | | | | |
| At 31 March 2022 | <u>4,011</u> | <u>26,496</u> | <u>2,032</u> | <u>32,539</u> |
| At 31 March 2021 | <u>721</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>721</u> |

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13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Other debtors | 873 | 49,290 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | <u>13,593</u> | <u>6,612</u> |
| | <u>14,466</u> | <u>55,902</u> |

14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Social security and other taxes | 5,121 | 6,717 |
| Pension creditor | (263) | (161) |
| Other creditors | (157) | 2,389 |
| Accruals and deferred income | <u>3,941</u> | <u>2,019</u> |
| | <u>8,642</u> | <u>10,964</u> |

15. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|----------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Within one year | 61,801 | 12,240 |
| Between one and five years | <u>194,923</u> | <u>18,360</u> |
| | <u>256,724</u> | <u>30,600</u> |

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

| | At 1.4.21 | Net movement in funds | Transfers between funds | At 31.3.22 |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 308,292 | (14,945) | (4,863) | 288,484 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | 35,148 | (5) | - | 35,143 |
| Great Days Out | 6,626 | 4,887 | - | 11,513 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 53 | - | - | 53 |
| Reaching Communities | 131,494 | 12,993 | - | 144,487 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 402 | 220 | - | 622 |
| ECCF/MOT | 15,178 | (8,383) | (6,416) | 379 |
| Every Childs Chances | 5,547 | 581 | - | 6,128 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 15,927 | 890 | - | 16,817 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 16,822 | (16,822) | - | - |
| Make A Change | 53,268 | (8,371) | - | 44,897 |
| MHCLG | 5 | - | - | 5 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 2,242 | (7,105) | 4,863 | - |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 5,078 | (3,352) | 6,416 | 8,142 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 31,030 | (22,853) | - | 8,177 |
| Screwfix | 3,600 | (3,357) | - | 243 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | - | 41,078 | - | 41,078 |
| | <u>322,420</u> | <u>(9,599)</u> | <u>4,863</u> | <u>317,684</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>630,712</u> | <u>(24,544)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>606,168</u> |

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 153,650 | (168,595) | (14,945) |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (5) | (5) |
| Great Days Out | 11,356 | (6,469) | 4,887 |
| Reaching Communities | 55,451 | (42,458) | 12,993 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 2,264 | (2,044) | 220 |
| ECCF/MOT | - | (8,383) | (8,383) |
| Every Childs Chances | 11,494 | (10,913) | 581 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 10,000 | (9,110) | 890 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | - | (16,822) | (16,822) |
| Make A Change | 55,038 | (63,409) | (8,371) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 4,665 | (11,770) | (7,105) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 5,505 | (8,857) | (3,352) |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 2 | (22,855) | (22,853) |
| Screwfix | - | (3,357) | (3,357) |
| Reaching communities 2022 | 55,878 | (14,800) | 41,078 |
| | <u>211,653</u> | <u>(221,252)</u> | <u>(9,599)</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>365,303</u> | <u>(389,847)</u> | <u>(24,544)</u> |

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | At 1.4.20 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.3.21 £ |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 156,302 | 151,990 | 308,292 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | 39,498 | (4,350) | 35,148 |
| Great Days Out | 8,365 | (1,739) | 6,626 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 5,790 | (5,737) | 53 |
| Reaching Communities | 85,084 | 46,410 | 131,494 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 721 | (319) | 402 |
| ECCF/MOT | 7,477 | 7,701 | 15,178 |
| Every Childs Chances | 2,655 | 2,892 | 5,547 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 12,185 | 3,742 | 15,927 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 18,019 | (1,197) | 16,822 |
| Make A Change | 31,422 | 21,846 | 53,268 |
| MHCLG | 12,325 | (12,320) | 5 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | 2,242 | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | - | 5,078 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | 31,030 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | - | 3,600 | 3,600 |
| | <u>223,541</u> | <u>98,879</u> | <u>322,420</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>379,843</u> | <u>250,869</u> | <u>630,712</u> |

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16. 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 fund | 276,963 | (124,973) | 151,990 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (4,350) | (4,350) |
| Great Days Out | 4,906 | (6,645) | (1,739) |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | - | (5,737) | (5,737) |
| Reaching Communities | 108,897 | (62,487) | 46,410 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 60 | (379) | (319) |
| ECCF/MOT | 22,283 | (14,582) | 7,701 |
| Every Childs Chances | 22,645 | (19,753) | 2,892 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 11,133 | (7,391) | 3,742 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 22,657 | (23,854) | (1,197) |
| Make A Change | 73,382 | (51,536) | 21,846 |
| MHCLG | 1 | (12,321) | (12,320) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 4,666 | (2,424) | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 4,980 | 98 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 30,944 | 86 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | 3,600 | - | 3,600 |
| | <u>310,154</u> | <u>(211,275)</u> | <u>98,879</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>587,117</u> | <u>(336,248)</u> | <u>250,869</u> |

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

| | At 1.4.20 £ | Net movement in funds £ | Transfers between funds £ | At 31.3.22 £ |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 156,302 | 137,045 | (4,863) | 288,484 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | 39,498 | (4,355) | - | 35,143 |
| Great Days Out | 8,365 | 3,148 | - | 11,513 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 5,790 | (5,737) | - | 53 |
| Reaching Communities | 85,084 | 59,403 | - | 144,487 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 721 | (99) | - | 622 |
| ECCF/MOT | 7,477 | (682) | (6,416) | 379 |
| Every Childs Chances | 2,655 | 3,473 | - | 6,128 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 12,185 | 4,632 | - | 16,817 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 18,019 | (18,019) | - | - |
| Make A Change | 31,422 | 13,475 | - | 44,897 |
| MHCLG | 12,325 | (12,320) | - | 5 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | (4,863) | 4,863 | - |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | - | 1,726 | 6,416 | 8,142 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | 8,177 | - | 8,177 |
| Screwfix | - | 243 | - | 243 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | - | 41,078 | - | 41,078 |
| | <u>223,541</u> | <u>89,280</u> | <u>4,863</u> | <u>317,684</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>379,843</u> | <u>226,325</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>606,168</u> |

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 fund | 430,613 | (293,568) | 137,045 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (4,355) | (4,355) |
| Great Days Out | 16,262 | (13,114) | 3,148 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | - | (5,737) | (5,737) |
| Reaching Communities | 164,348 | (104,945) | 59,403 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 2,324 | (2,423) | (99) |
| ECCF/MOT | 22,283 | (22,965) | (682) |
| Every Child's Chances | 34,139 | (30,666) | 3,473 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 21,133 | (16,501) | 4,632 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 22,657 | (40,676) | (18,019) |
| Make A Change | 128,420 | (114,945) | 13,475 |
| MHCLG | 1 | (12,321) | (12,320) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 9,331 | (14,194) | (4,863) |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 10,485 | (8,759) | 1,726 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 30,946 | (22,769) | 8,177 |
| Screwfix | 3,600 | (3,357) | 243 |
| Reaching communities 2022 | <u>55,878</u> | <u>(14,800)</u> | <u>41,078</u> |
| | <u>521,807</u> | <u>(432,527)</u> | <u>89,280</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>952,420</u> | <u>(726,095)</u> | <u>226,325</u> |

Transfers between funds

An amount of £4,863 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the unrestricted fund for the shortfall of costs not covered by the grant funding in respect of the Catalyst Digital Project Fund.

An amount of £6,416 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the ECCF/MOT fund to the Spalding Hub - Longhurst fund.

Restricted funds

Details of the purpose and nature of each restricted fund are given below:

DCLG/MOT

This funding is to support the training of specialist volunteers to provide one-to-one support for victims leaving refuge, during and following the Covid pandemic.

Great Days Out

Funded by National Lottery Awards for All. This funding is to support family development and cohesion, confidence and socialising, of families in refuge or recovering from domestic abuse through days out as families to educational/recreational venues.

Medlock Charitable Trust

This funding is to contribute towards the cost of a part-time Refuge Support Assistant, who ensures that rooms are ready to receive families into refuge.

Reaching Communities

This funding is to support four projects:

- Freedom Programme;
- Volcano" Programme in schools;
- Raising awareness of domestic abuse among male employees at larger employers across Boston Borough and South Holland;
- Provision of complex needs support to victims in refuge.

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Restricted funds - continued

DCLG Resettlement

This funding is to support women leaving refuge to move into a home of their own to apply to buy either a cooker, washing machine or similar white goods.

Every Child's Chances - Children in Need

This funding is to support specialist work with children in refuge.

This project will help support children who have experienced domestic abuse. Targeted support for the children and family will improve educational progress, improve social skills and promote a reduction in challenging behaviour.

Holbeach Rural Community Hub

This funding, made by Holbeach United Charities has for the past three years supported the provision of a weekly Community Hub in Holbeach, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

Lloyds Bank Foundation

This funding is to support a part-time Complex Needs Worker for victims of domestic abuse in refuge who have additional needs which makes their recovery and ability to move on from the abuse and establish their own family and home life much more complicated and who need this specialist support. The grant also funds some Refuge Support to assist with budgeting training, assistance with applying for schools, doctors, benefits, housing and other services.

Lloyds Bank Foundation also offer in-kind support to help charities become more sustainable during the lifetime of the Invest Fund grant.

Make A Change (MAC)

This funding is to support both victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse, where the perpetrator has indicated that they wish to make the necessary changes to their behaviour. Boston Women's Aid is the chosen partner to work across Lincolnshire with the partners of those perpetrators who enrol on the MAC 26-week course delivered by the Jenkins Foundation.

MHCLG

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to provide dispersed refuge accommodation for families fleeing abuse, for whom our communal refuge would not be appropriate.

Catalyst Digital Project

This was a one-off grant enabling Boston Women's Aid to participate in work to look at digital support for victims of domestic abuse living in very rural areas.

Spalding Hub - Longhurst

This funding by the Longhurst Group contributes to our weekly Rural Hub in Spalding, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

MHCLG Complex Needs

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to employ an additional Complex Needs Worker throughout the Covid pandemic, when greatly increased levels of abuse were seen, and more women were presenting with complex and additional needs.

Screwfix

This one-off grant is to support the purchase of materials and equipment for Haven House.

Reaching Communities 2022

This is a three-year phased grant, continuing the funding support for The Freedom Programme, Intervention and Information Work in Schools, Additional Specialist Support in Refuge, and making a contribution towards the cost of Child Support in Refuge.

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17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.

18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.

19. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

The independent examination fee included in the accounts is £2,420 (2021 - £1,746).

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | | | |
| Donations and sundry income | 23,155 | 10,000 | 33,155 | 16,844 |
| Grants | <u>27,933</u> | <u>200,733</u> | <u>228,666</u> | <u>467,588</u> |
| | 51,088 | 210,733 | 261,821 | 484,432 |
| Investment income | | | | |
| Deposit account interest | 57 | - | 57 | 379 |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Rental payers | 98,487 | 920 | 99,407 | 102,149 |
| Other income | <u>3,948</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>3,948</u> | <u>157</u> |
| | 102,435 | 920 | 103,355 | 102,306 |
| Other income | | | | |
| Members subscriptions | <u>70</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>70</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total incoming resources | 153,650 | 211,653 | 365,303 | 587,117 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | |
| Other trading activities | | | | |
| Bad debts | - | - | - | 5,000 |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Wages | 78,020 | 166,014 | 244,034 | 204,325 |
| Social security | 3,898 | 11,404 | 15,302 | 3,152 |
| Pensions | 6,819 | 10,903 | 17,722 | 14,300 |
| Rent | 33,879 | 4,297 | 38,176 | 36,008 |
| Rates and water | 3,961 | - | 3,961 | 920 |
| Insurance | 1,068 | 1,933 | 3,001 | 2,938 |
| Light and heat | 10,864 | - | 10,864 | 8,448 |
| Telephone | 1,696 | 785 | 2,481 | 2,770 |
| Postage, stationery and advertising | 2,053 | 2,004 | 4,057 | 1,444 |
| COVID-19 expenditure | 26 | - | 26 | 2,631 |
| Sundries | 13,425 | 5,860 | 19,285 | 12,851 |
| Motor and travel costs | 3,531 | 3,433 | 6,964 | 1,417 |
| Day trips and activities | 46 | 1,881 | 1,927 | 412 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 4,359 | 5,558 | 9,917 | 20,295 |
| Staff training and activities | 171 | 952 | 1,123 | 1,593 |
| Counselling fees | - | 2,191 | 2,191 | 840 |
| Supplies | 991 | 450 | 1,441 | 2,228 |
| Plant and machinery | - | 5 | 5 | 358 |
| Computer equipment | 206 | 241 | 447 | - |
| Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets | <u>332</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>332</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | 165,345 | 217,911 | 383,256 | 316,930 |

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2022 Total funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Support costs | | | | |
| <i>Finance</i> | | | | |
| Bank charges | - | 250 | 250 | 50 |
| <i>Governance costs</i> | | | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 2,623 | 2,073 | 4,696 | 3,315 |
| Financial management | 398 | 643 | 1,041 | 1,090 |
| Legal fees | <u>227</u> | <u>377</u> | <u>604</u> | <u>9,863</u> |
| | <u>3,248</u> | <u>3,093</u> | <u>6,341</u> | <u>14,268</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>168,593</u> | <u>221,254</u> | <u>389,847</u> | <u>336,248</u> |
| Net income | <u>(14,943)</u> | <u>(9,601)</u> | <u>(24,544)</u> | <u>250,869</u> |

HAVEN DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 519445

Accounts

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

TO BE UPDATED FOR 2021

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The objective is achieved through the following:

The provision of temporary refuge on request for victims and their children who have suffered domestic abuse.

Encouraging the development of facilities that offer advice, support and practical help to any victim that seeks it, whether or not they are resident of the refuge, and which gives continuing support and aftercare to victims and children after they have left the Boston Women's Aid accommodation.

Research into and promotion of the provision of facilities which meet the emotional and educational needs of children of victims who seek refuge.

Providing information to and working with other organisations for the exchange of information and ideas on all aspects of Women's aid and domestic abuse issues.

Educating and informing the public, the media, the police, the courts, Social Services and other statutory and non-statutory organisations, with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Reporting for the public benefit

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, Boston Women's Aid trustees have consulted the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on operating the Charity for the public benefit and are satisfied that the Charity meets the requirements on public benefit as follows.

Boston Women's Aid has continued to operate two houses to provide temporary refuge on request for female victims and their children within the general public, who have suffered domestic abuse. Suitable accommodation has not been available this year for male victims.

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Talks given to organisations and groups of the public, who request them, together with statements to the media, have educated and informed the public with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Trustees acknowledge the risks associated with COVID-19 since the lockdown on the 21st March 2020. The trustees will meet and discuss plans, responsibilities, and actions during the next financial year. Immediate action was taken with regards to staff working from home where possible and adapting COVID-19 safety measures within the refuges.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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In 2019/20, BWA have continued to operate as a viable provider of refuge accommodation and services, in the face of a challenging financial environment. The two safe houses are in Boston and accept women and children from all areas of the UK.

In the two refuges 46 women and 73 children were accommodated by BWA during 2019/20. There were 2 Freedom Programmes completed over the year, with 39 attendees to the programme.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by BWA. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors. It is the view of the Management Committee that all services provided by BWA were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees' aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

A reserves policy is recommended by the Charities Commission as part of financial management and strategic planning to explain to interested parties (both donors and beneficiaries) why money is withheld from beneficiaries. It is part of being transparent and accountable to funders and lessens the risk of the accusation of hoarding. It is also necessary so that the charity can meet its obligations even if intended funding sources fail to meet targets. Ongoing risk assessment has identified an increased risk of reduction in available funds for Boston Women's Aid from statutory bodies. National and local financial constraints have made it increasingly hard to obtain new sources of funding, and other income sources may be less reliable and less able to predict. There is increased risk of existing contracts not being renewed even if they have been performed satisfactorily, they may go out to tender and may be awarded to other providers.

The reserves must be able to cover any challenges and opportunities in the medium to long term which includes the costs to safeguard current services and the costs of closure. Such costs include: -

- Likely staff costs in the event of redundancy
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Funds need to be easily accessible for day to day spending but will be invested in interest bearing accounts where possible, they are currently held with Lloyds Bank in high interest deposit bonds and a no notice savings account.

There is a regular review of cash flow projections for income and expenditure to ensure that the level of available reserves remains adequate and that the charity is able to meet all its commitments. There is ongoing risk assessment to ensure policies and systems are in place to meet any potential risks identified and consider any significant change in the charity's financial circumstances.

Our current unrestricted reserve level is £156,304 (as at 31 March 2020). Our minimum target for the level of unrestricted funds as at 31 March 20 is £100,000 and therefore we are meeting this requirement at this present time.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity has again had a very pro-active year trying to secure future funding for the medium to long term. The continued role of our Business Development Manager has been instrumental in seeking new lines of funding from varied funders.

The net surplus for the year ended 31st March 2020 was £58,534 (2019 was £90,960), this on face value is a satisfactory set of results, the Charity has worked hard to control expenditure during the year and because of the surplus the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves have grown to £379,843 for 2020.

FUTURE PLANS

BWA are in continued discussions with Waterloo Housing to look at the building of new refuge accommodation. At present plans are being drawn up by a local architect. The new refuge would provide safe accommodation for women, children and a dispersed unit for male victims with or without children. It would also have disabled facilities.

The trustees had been considering securing some accommodation for dispersed units to be opened in the Boston & South Holland area, discussions were started with Longhurst Housing and Platform Housing, this would mean BWA could offer safe accommodation to male and female victims.

Our Business Development Manager continues to research and submit bids for project funding.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

Organisational structure

Boston Women's Aid was established as a Registered Charity in 1987 and its current Constitution was approved in 2003 and amended in July 2009, with a further amendment agreed in October 2010 to allow for support to male victims of abuse and male membership of the Management Committee. Two further amendments were made in June 2012 to alter the numbers required for meetings to be quorate and for numbers allowed to sign grants and contracts.

The core activity of Boston Women's Aid is to provide safe, temporary accommodation for women (and their children) who have suffered from domestic abuse. This core business is achieved by the provision of four refuge spaces and four 'move on' accommodation spaces. These core activities are funded through rental income, housing benefit payments, donations and funding from statutory agencies and grant making bodies.

Due to the increase in projects over the last twelve months, staff are now working on a variety of different services including the Make A Change perpetrator programme, which is funded through the Home Office.

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.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Membership

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Management

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| Ms L Tasker | |
| Mrs S Coates | |
| Mrs E Marshall | |
| Ms J Warnes | |
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| Mrs N Standbrook | - Co-opted October 2019 |

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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Mr W Herbert - Trustee

**BOSTON WOMEN'S AID
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

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In the refuges 42 women and 37 children were accommodated by BWA during 2020/21. There were 2 Freedom Programmes completed over the year, due to COVID they were delivered on-line with 10 attendees to the programme. Occupancy rates and attendees to group programmes have been affected by COVID and the complex issues and needs of some families.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by BWA. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors. It is the view of the Management Committee that all services provided by BWA were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees' aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity. However, over the year due to COVID and related restrictions we became dependant on zoom meetings and social media rather than face to face.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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The net surplus for the year ended 31st March 2021 was £250,869 (2020 was £58,534), this on face value is a satisfactory set of results, the Charity has worked hard to control expenditure during the year and because of the surplus the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves have grown to £630,712 for 2021.

FUTURE PLANS

Contracts were signed 26th February 2021 with Platform Housing (previously Waterloo housing) for supported accommodation in a new purpose built refuge. This will provide 12 units of refuge as well as extensive staff office space and activity rooms for the families. Handover is targeted for 26th February 2022.

During October 2020 BWA secured three dispersed properties in the Boston & South Holland area through Longhurst Housing and Platform Housing.

Following the success of the Holbeach rural hub trustees have agreed to extend this service if funding secured, to expand the service across Spalding & Boston.

Our Business Development Manager continues to research and submit bids for project funding.

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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| Mrs S Coates | |
| Mrs E Marshall | - resigned 9 September 2020 |
| Ms J Warnes | |
| Mr P Marshall | - resigned 2 September 2020 |
| Ms L McKinnell | - appointed 1 September 2020 |
| Ms Marie Chapman | - appointed 1 June 2021 |
| Mrs N Standbrook | - Co-opted October 2019 |

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

519445

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

Principal address

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 30 September 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mrs S Coates - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Boston Women's Aid

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Boston Women's Aid (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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



Mr T G Godson FCA
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Date: 18 October 2021

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 3 | 174,338 | 310,094 | 484,432 | 273,387 |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Rental income | 5 | 102,149 | - | 102,149 | 76,542 |
| Charitable activities | | 97 | 60 | 157 | 430 |
| Investment income | 4 | <u>379</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>379</u> | <u>776</u> |
| Total | | 276,963 | 310,154 | 587,117 | 351,135 |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | | | |
| Raising funds | 6 | - | 5,000 | 5,000 | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | | |
| Charitable activities | 7 | 124,972 | 206,276 | 331,248 | 292,601 |
| Total | | 124,972 | 211,276 | 336,248 | 292,601 |
| NET INCOME | | 151,991 | 98,878 | 250,869 | 58,534 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 156,302 | 223,541 | 379,843 | 321,309 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u>308,293</u> | <u>322,419</u> | <u>630,712</u> | <u>379,843</u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2021**

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 12 | 142 | 579 | 721 | 20 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Debtors | 13 | 10,389 | 45,513 | 55,902 | 18,545 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>308,122</u> | <u>276,931</u> | <u>585,053</u> | <u>371,752</u> |
| | | 318,511 | 322,444 | 640,955 | 390,297 |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 14 | (10,361) | (603) | (10,964) | (10,474) |
| | | <u>308,150</u> | <u>321,841</u> | <u>629,991</u> | <u>379,823</u> |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| | | <u>308,150</u> | <u>321,841</u> | <u>629,991</u> | <u>379,823</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <u>308,292</u> | <u>322,420</u> | <u>630,712</u> | <u>379,843</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>308,292</u> | <u>322,420</u> | <u>630,712</u> | <u>379,843</u> |

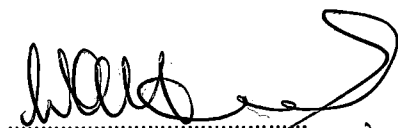
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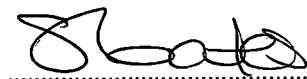
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2021

| | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| FUNDS | 16 | | |
| Unrestricted funds: | | | |
| General fund | | 308,292 | 156,302 |
| Restricted funds: | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | | 35,148 | 39,498 |
| Great Days Out | | 6,626 | 8,365 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | | 53 | 5,790 |
| Reaching Communities | | 131,494 | 85,084 |
| DCLG Resettlement | | 402 | 721 |
| ECCF/MOT | | 15,178 | 7,479 |
| Every Childs Chances | | 5,547 | 2,655 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | | 15,927 | 12,185 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | | 16,822 | 18,019 |
| Make A Change | | 53,268 | 31,420 |
| MHCLG | | 5 | 12,325 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | | 2,242 | - |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | | 5,078 | - |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | | 31,030 | - |
| Screwfix | | <u>3,600</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | | <u>322,420</u> | <u>223,541</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | <u><u>630,712</u></u> | <u><u>379,843</u></u> |

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 30 September 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



 Mr W Herbert - Trustee



 Mrs S Coates - Trustee

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

| | Notes | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|---|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Cash generated from operations | 1 | <u>213,981</u> | <u>80,901</u> |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | | <u>213,981</u> | <u>80,901</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets | | (1,059) | - |
| Interest received | | <u>379</u> | <u>776</u> |
| Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities | | <u>(680)</u> | <u>776</u> |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period | | 213,301 | 81,677 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period | | <u>371,752</u> | <u>290,075</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period | | <u>585,053</u> | <u>371,752</u> |

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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

**NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|---|----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities) | 250,869 | 58,534 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Depreciation charges | 358 | 1,089 |
| Interest received | (379) | (776) |
| (Increase)/decrease in debtors | (37,357) | 17,638 |
| Increase in creditors | 490 | 4,416 |
| Net cash provided by operations | <u>213,981</u> | <u>80,901</u> |

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

| | At 1.4.20 | Cash flow | At 31.3.21 |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Net cash | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | <u>371,752</u> | <u>213,301</u> | <u>585,053</u> |
| | <u>371,752</u> | <u>213,301</u> | <u>585,053</u> |
| Total | <u>371,752</u> | <u>213,301</u> | <u>585,053</u> |

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Boston Women's Aid is an unincorporated charity, registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered number and principal office address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pound sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the charity.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 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.

Equipment - 33% on cost

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donations and sundry income | 16,844 | - | 16,844 | 8,136 |
| Grants | <u>157,494</u> | <u>310,094</u> | <u>467,588</u> | <u>265,251</u> |
| | <u>174,338</u> | <u>310,094</u> | <u>484,432</u> | <u>273,387</u> |

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| DCLG Resettlement | - | 11 |
| ECCF/MOT | 22,282 | 10,000 |
| Every Child's Chances - CIN | 22,645 | 22,123 |
| Great Days Out | 4,905 | 14,650 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 11,132 | 11,132 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 22,658 | 56,537 |
| Make A Change - Survivor Services | 73,383 | - |
| Medlock Trust - Refuge Support Assistant | - | 7,500 |
| Reaching Communities | 108,948 | 110,137 |
| MHCLG | - | 28,163 |
| Catalysts | 4,668 | - |
| General | 157,443 | - |
| HUB - Spalding Longhurst | 4,980 | - |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 30,944 | - |
| Screwfix | 3,600 | - |
| Other grants | - | <u>4,998</u> |
| | <u>467,588</u> | <u>265,251</u> |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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4. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Deposit account interest | <u>379</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>379</u> | <u>776</u> |

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

| | Activity | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Rental payers | Rental income | 102,149 | 76,542 |
| Rental payers | Charitable activities | - | (54) |
| Other income | Charitable activities | <u>157</u> | <u>484</u> |
| | | <u>102,306</u> | <u>76,972</u> |

6. RAISING FUNDS

Other trading activities

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bad debts | <u>-</u> | <u>5,000</u> | <u>5,000</u> | <u>-</u> |

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

| | Direct Costs £ | Support costs (see note 8) £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Charitable activities | <u>316,930</u> | <u>14,318</u> | <u>331,248</u> |

8. SUPPORT COSTS

| | Finance £ | Governance costs £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Charitable activities | <u>50</u> | <u>14,268</u> | <u>14,318</u> |

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9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2020 (2019 - £nil).

10. STAFF COSTS

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Wages and salaries | 204,325 | 190,519 |
| Social security costs | 3,152 | 11,477 |
| Other pension costs | <u>14,300</u> | <u>14,243</u> |
| | <u>221,777</u> | <u>216,239</u> |

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

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|------------------|-----------|----------|
| Management staff | 1 | 1 |
| Front line staff | <u>9</u> | <u>8</u> |
| | <u>10</u> | <u>9</u> |

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

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 25,086 | 248,301 | 273,387 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Rental income | 76,542 | - | 76,542 |
| Charitable activities | 67 | 363 | 430 |
| Investment income | <u>776</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>776</u> |
| Total | 102,471 | 248,664 | 351,135 |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Charitable activities | <u>63,653</u> | <u>228,948</u> | <u>292,601</u> |
| NET INCOME | 38,818 | 19,716 | 58,534 |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total funds £ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | 117,486 | 203,823 | 321,309 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | <u>156,304</u> | <u>223,539</u> | <u>379,843</u> |

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Equipment £ |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| COST | |
| At 1 April 2020 | 7,446 |
| Additions | <u>1,059</u> |
| At 31 March 2021 | <u>8,505</u> |
| DEPRECIATION | |
| At 1 April 2020 | 7,426 |
| Charge for year | <u>358</u> |
| At 31 March 2021 | <u>7,784</u> |
| NET BOOK VALUE | |
| At 31 March 2021 | <u>721</u> |
| At 31 March 2020 | <u>20</u> |

13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Other debtors | 49,290 | 15,641 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | <u>6,612</u> | <u>2,904</u> |
| | <u>55,902</u> | <u>18,545</u> |

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Social security and other taxes | 6,717 | 5,938 |
| Pension creditor | (161) | 733 |
| Other creditors | 2,389 | (21) |
| Accruals and deferred income | <u>2,019</u> | <u>3,824</u> |
| | <u>10,964</u> | <u>10,474</u> |

15. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

| | 2021 | 2020 |
|----------------------------|---------------|------|
| | £ | £ |
| Within one year | 12,240 | - |
| Between one and five years | <u>18,360</u> | - |
| | <u>30,600</u> | - |

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

| | At 1.4.20 | Net movement in funds | At 31.3.21 |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 156,302 | 151,990 | 308,292 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | 39,498 | (4,350) | 35,148 |
| Great Days Out | 8,365 | (1,739) | 6,626 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 5,790 | (5,737) | 53 |
| Reaching Communities | 85,084 | 46,410 | 131,494 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 721 | (319) | 402 |
| ECCF/MOT | 7,477 | 7,701 | 15,178 |
| Every Childs Chances | 2,655 | 2,892 | 5,547 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 12,185 | 3,742 | 15,927 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 18,019 | (1,197) | 16,822 |
| Make A Change | 31,422 | 21,846 | 53,268 |
| MHCLG | 12,325 | (12,320) | 5 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | 2,242 | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | - | 5,078 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | 31,030 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | - | 3,600 | 3,600 |
| | <u>223,541</u> | <u>98,879</u> | <u>322,420</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>379,843</u> | <u>250,869</u> | <u>630,712</u> |

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Movement in funds £ |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 276,963 | (124,973) | 151,990 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (4,350) | (4,350) |
| Great Days Out | 4,906 | (6,645) | (1,739) |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | - | (5,737) | (5,737) |
| Reaching Communities | 108,897 | (62,487) | 46,410 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 60 | (379) | (319) |
| ECCF/MOT | 22,283 | (14,582) | 7,701 |
| Every Childs Chances | 22,645 | (19,753) | 2,892 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 11,133 | (7,391) | 3,742 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 22,657 | (23,854) | (1,197) |
| Make A Change | 73,382 | (51,536) | 21,846 |
| MHCLG | 1 | (12,321) | (12,320) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 4,666 | (2,424) | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 4,980 | 98 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 30,944 | 86 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | 3,600 | - | 3,600 |
| | <u>310,154</u> | <u>(211,275)</u> | <u>98,879</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>587,117</u> | <u>(336,248)</u> | <u>250,869</u> |

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021****16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued****Comparatives for movement in funds**

| | At 1.4.19 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.3.20 £ |
|--|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 117,486 | 38,816 | 156,302 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | 148 | (148) | - |
| DCLG/MOT | 39,669 | (171) | 39,498 |
| Great Days Out | 1,034 | 7,331 | 8,365 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 10,497 | (4,707) | 5,790 |
| Reaching Communities | 70,044 | 15,040 | 85,084 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 2,371 | (1,650) | 721 |
| ECCF/MOT | 3,970 | 3,509 | 7,479 |
| Every Childs Chances | 9,683 | (7,028) | 2,655 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 9,425 | 2,760 | 12,185 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 16,788 | 1,231 | 18,019 |
| Make A Change | 27,528 | 3,892 | 31,420 |
| MHCLG | <u>12,666</u> | <u>(341)</u> | <u>12,325</u> |
| | <u>203,823</u> | <u>19,718</u> | <u>223,541</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>321,309</u> | <u>58,534</u> | <u>379,843</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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16. 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 fund | 102,470 | (63,654) | 38,816 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | - | (148) | (148) |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (171) | (171) |
| Great Days Out | 14,794 | (7,463) | 7,331 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 7,501 | (12,208) | (4,707) |
| Reaching Communities | 105,803 | (90,763) | 15,040 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 240 | (1,890) | (1,650) |
| ECCF/MOT | 15,000 | (11,491) | 3,509 |
| Every Childs Chances | 22,122 | (29,150) | (7,028) |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 11,131 | (8,371) | 2,760 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 21,997 | (20,766) | 1,231 |
| Make A Change | 34,580 | (30,688) | 3,892 |
| MHCLG | 15,497 | (15,838) | (341) |
| | <u>248,665</u> | <u>(228,947)</u> | <u>19,718</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>351,135</u> | <u>(292,601)</u> | <u>58,534</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

| | At 1.4.19 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.3.21 £ |
|---|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 117,486 | 190,806 | 308,292 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | 148 | (148) | - |
| DCLG/MOT | 39,669 | (4,521) | 35,148 |
| Great Days Out | 1,034 | 5,592 | 6,626 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 10,497 | (10,444) | 53 |
| Reaching Communities | 70,044 | 61,450 | 131,494 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 2,371 | (1,969) | 402 |
| ECCF/MOT | 3,970 | 11,210 | 15,180 |
| Every Childs Chances | 9,683 | (4,136) | 5,547 |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 9,425 | 6,502 | 15,927 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 16,788 | 34 | 16,822 |
| Make A Change | 27,528 | 25,738 | 53,266 |
| MHCLG | 12,666 | (12,661) | 5 |
| Catalyst Digital Project | - | 2,242 | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | - | 5,078 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | - | 31,030 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | - | 3,600 | 3,600 |
| | <u>203,823</u> | <u>118,597</u> | <u>322,420</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>321,309</u> | <u>309,403</u> | <u>630,712</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 fund | 379,433 | (188,627) | 190,806 |
| Restricted funds | | | |
| Boston and South Holland Floating support | - | (148) | (148) |
| DCLG/MOT | - | (4,521) | (4,521) |
| Great Days Out | 19,700 | (14,108) | 5,592 |
| Medlock Charitable Trust | 7,501 | (17,945) | (10,444) |
| Reaching Communities | 214,700 | (153,250) | 61,450 |
| DCLG Resettlement | 300 | (2,269) | (1,969) |
| ECCF/MOT | 37,283 | (26,073) | 11,210 |
| Every Childs Chances | 44,767 | (48,903) | (4,136) |
| Holbeach Rural Community Hub | 22,264 | (15,762) | 6,502 |
| Lloyds Bank Foundation | 44,654 | (44,620) | 34 |
| Make A Change | 107,962 | (82,224) | 25,738 |
| MHCLG | 15,498 | (28,159) | (12,661) |
| Catalyst Digital Project | 4,666 | (2,424) | 2,242 |
| Hub - Spalding Longhurst | 4,980 | 98 | 5,078 |
| MHCLG Complex Needs | 30,944 | 86 | 31,030 |
| Screwfix | 3,600 | - | 3,600 |
| | <u>558,819</u> | <u>(440,222)</u> | <u>118,597</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>938,252</u> | <u>(628,849)</u> | <u>309,403</u> |

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2021.

18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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19. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

The independent examination fee included in the accounts is £1,730 (2019 - £1,400).

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | | | |
| Donations and sundry income | 16,844 | - | 16,844 | 8,136 |
| Grants | <u>157,494</u> | <u>310,094</u> | <u>467,588</u> | <u>265,251</u> |
| | 174,338 | 310,094 | 484,432 | 273,387 |
| Investment income | | | | |
| Deposit account interest | 379 | - | 379 | 776 |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Rental payers | 102,149 | - | 102,149 | 76,488 |
| Other income | <u>97</u> | <u>60</u> | <u>157</u> | <u>484</u> |
| | <u>102,246</u> | <u>60</u> | <u>102,306</u> | <u>76,972</u> |
| Total incoming resources | 276,963 | 310,154 | 587,117 | 351,135 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | |
| Other trading activities | | | | |
| Bad debts | - | 5,000 | 5,000 | - |
| Charitable activities | | | | |
| Wages | 38,763 | 165,562 | 204,325 | 190,519 |
| Social security | (4,190) | 7,342 | 3,152 | 11,477 |
| Pensions | 2,322 | 11,978 | 14,300 | 14,243 |
| Rent | 30,512 | 5,496 | 36,008 | 27,038 |
| Rates and water | 920 | - | 920 | 1,429 |
| Insurance | 788 | 2,150 | 2,938 | 2,654 |
| Light and heat | 8,235 | 213 | 8,448 | 5,528 |
| Telephone | 2,517 | 253 | 2,770 | 5,413 |
| Postage, stationery and advertising | 822 | 622 | 1,444 | 1,362 |
| COVID-19 expenditure | 2,631 | - | 2,631 | - |
| Sundries | 8,785 | 4,066 | 12,851 | 10,285 |
| Motor and travel costs | 1,073 | 344 | 1,417 | 6,599 |
| Day trips and activities | 122 | 290 | 412 | 4,108 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 20,224 | 71 | 20,295 | 4,265 |
| Staff training and activities | 585 | 1,008 | 1,593 | 177 |
| Counselling fees | - | 840 | 840 | 793 |
| Supplies | 2,170 | 58 | 2,228 | 1,414 |
| Plant and machinery | <u>67</u> | <u>291</u> | <u>358</u> | <u>1,089</u> |
| | <u>116,346</u> | <u>200,584</u> | <u>316,930</u> | <u>288,393</u> |

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 2021 Total funds £ | 2020 Total funds £ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Support costs | | | | |
| Finance | | | | |
| Bank charges | 50 | - | 50 | 2 |
| Governance costs | | | | |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 1,429 | 1,886 | 3,315 | 1,529 |
| Financial management | 410 | 680 | 1,090 | 1,442 |
| Legal fees | <u>6,738</u> | <u>3,125</u> | <u>9,863</u> | <u>1,235</u> |
| | <u>8,577</u> | <u>5,691</u> | <u>14,268</u> | <u>4,206</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>124,973</u> | <u>211,275</u> | <u>336,248</u> | <u>292,601</u> |
| Net income | <u>151,990</u> | <u>98,879</u> | <u>250,869</u> | <u>58,534</u> |

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Boston Women's Aid

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Boston Women's Aid (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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



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