

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 2230876 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 0700138

**Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
for
Birmingham Crisis Centre**



Birmingham Crisis Centre

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, 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 aims

The principal activity of the charity is the provision of a safe haven for victims of domestic abuse.

The charity is supported by funding from the City of Birmingham and other charitable bodies as well as by donations.

Public benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Our main aim is to provide emergency, temporary accommodation offering safety and security to women and children fleeing domestic abuse, enabling them to fulfil their own potential and determine their future, in a non-judgmental environment. During their stay with us a team of trained professional family and childcare Support Workers, working in partnership with outside agencies, support, encourage and empower our residents to move forward to a safer and healthier future.

Established in 1988, Birmingham Crisis Centre is one of the largest independent refuges for supporting domestically abused women and children in Europe, providing a safe haven for mothers and children. Members of our support staff are on hand, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to offer practical and emotional support and advice with accessing benefits, healthcare professionals and legal services, liaison with statutory and other agencies, and support with housing re-settlement with the ultimate aim of rebuilding lives and avoiding similar situations in the future. We are one of the only places in the UK that can house up to 5 children and a mother together and, unlike many other centres, we also accept male children up to 16 years of age, as we are committed to keeping the family together wherever possible. We also have the benefit of a communal lounge and garden facilities for families to socialise in. Up to 60 children aged 0-16 can be living in the centre at any one time. To enable children to have some routine and education from arrival, away from their previous geographical location, we have a purpose built nursery on site which OFSTED rated as "Good" on their last inspection in September 2019. Thanks to the generosity of supporters, several years ago we were able to complete the building of an extension to our nursery which provides facilities for babies under two years of age, and makes us fully compliant with current legislation as well as providing badly needed extra space for children's activities.

During the year women and children from diverse backgrounds and cultures have used the facilities of the Centre which in itself brings complications of language and custom. Irrespective of such differences each new arrival has been treated with the same courtesy and kindness that are hallmarks of the Centre staff throughout the duration of their stay.

During the year the news regarding the financial crisis within Birmingham City Council was announced. At the time as our contractual arrangements were secure until the end of November 2024, and Birmingham City Council has already committed to honour its contractual arrangements, there was no immediate impact on the revenue. The management committee decided that any non-essential spend should go through a more rigorous review before being approved and this would continue until we had greater clarity on the plans of Birmingham City Council and particularly in relation to the contractual arrangements after November 2024. During the current year we have continued this process and although we have ensured essential maintenance or capital spend has continued, we have not commenced any significant new projects although we continue to consider these for the future.

The trustees were delighted when in November 2022, the quality of the hard work of all our staff was recognised, when the Centre was named winner of the Charity of the Year Award at the 7th Birmingham Awards Ceremony, after being shortlisted with five other local charities. We were also shortlisted in the final ten for the same award in the following year. We also continue to receive praise from Social Inclusion for our ongoing Therapy and counselling work with the residents and their children.

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In addition to the in house services provided to residents we operate a twenty four hour helpline, available to anyone, who may be a victim of domestic abuse, or those supporting a friend or relative and are seeking refuge, help, confidential advice and support. Further information about our activities can be found on our website: www.birminghamcrisis.org.uk Furthermore, the Centre staff regularly make Domestic Abuse presentations, at suitable local events covering all types of sectors, to promote and increase the awareness of signs and the frequency of victims.

STRATEGIC REPORT
Financial position

The results for the year are shown in the attached financial statements. In October 2022, immediately before the end of the existing Birmingham City Council Social Inclusion funding contract we were advised that the contract was to be extended for a further two years until November 2024. This recognised the fact that we continued to exceed the outcomes and hours of support required under the terms of the contract, and at the time the trustees recognised this was a significant achievement particularly during the period of the Pandemic which brought so many incremental challenges and restrictions that the Centre had to deal with. Since then the news of the Birmingham City Council financial crisis broke, bringing increased uncertainty about future funding availability. Thus we were delighted to hear in Autumn 2024 that we have been awarded a new Social Inclusion funding contract with Birmingham City Council. The new contract term is for a minimum of two years with an option for to be extended for a further five years thereafter, and will commence from 1 December 2024, with a modest increase in the annual funding amounts. This provides certainty for the foreseeable future for both the trustees, staff and residents of this important funding source.

The rehousing of residents as they reach the end of their stay at the Centre continues to be more challenging than in the past, and our staff continue to work very hard to support the women and children as they seek their future accommodation. This slowing down also prolongs the duration of residents stay at the Centre and prevents other potential residents taking those spaces as they become free.

The impact of continued high inflation over the last 2 years has inevitably affected the results in the current year, with our day-to-day running costs showing an increase on prior years, and making the contributions from our supporters even more important to the Centre. Although the increased challenges and restrictions arising during the Pandemic generally ceased during the prior financial year, we continue to ensure the high standards of hygiene are maintained as business on an ongoing basis. We will continue to rigorously review all non-essential spending, and continue to seek new and innovative ways to introduce further funding to supplement our principal funding sources, but the charity continues to rely on the generosity of friends and supporters of the charity and the support of both its staff and trustees to provide services of a high standard to all residents.

Investment policy and objectives

All investments made in the year have been made in accordance with the Trustees' power of investment. The Trustees consider the income requirements, the risk profile and the investment manager's view of the market prospects in the medium term. The investment strategy is set within an overall policy of investing in low and medium risk investments which generate both income and capital growth. The Management Committee consider the return on investments in the year to be satisfactory.

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Reserves policy

Birmingham Crisis Centre needs reserves to:

- cover up to six months cash flow as some grants and accommodation charges are paid in arrears.
- cover unexpected salary or employee contingencies.
- ensure that there are sufficient funds to cover any unexpected items of expenditure.
- ensure that it can manage any major expenditure requirements on the premises that it manages.
- ensure that staff are fully trained in all aspects of their work and are kept up to date with changes in laws and regulations impacting on their work.

Based on the above, the trustees ensure that the charity always has sufficient free reserves to ensure a minimum of £400,000 is available in the designated and general reserves. The charity is currently holding higher reserves which will be used to finance its ongoing support of our residents.

The main reserves of the charity and their purposes are set out in note 18 to the accounts.

Going concern

The trustees have made a statement in note 1 to the accounts regarding their continued belief that no material uncertainties exist and therefore they have concluded that the accounts can be prepared on a going concern basis.

Principal risks and uncertainties

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.

The Management Committee has completed its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and ensure that systems have been established to mitigate those risks. The continuing implementation of the new Birmingham Standard, to which Social Inclusions providers are expected to work, ensures a consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the charity. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

Future plans

Our main focus continues to be to protect the health and wellbeing of our residents and our hardworking staff. As stated above the impact of the Pandemic has eased over the last 12 months, but we remain committed to maintain our Health & Safety programme to control virus infections. At the same time we are seeking opportunities and ways of increasing our wellbeing programmes and outcomes.

With the recent news in September 2023 about the financial status of Birmingham City Council the management committee recognised the importance of monitoring closely any potential impact that may have on the funding received from the Council. The recent news, in late 2024, that we have been awarded a further Social Inclusion funding contract by Birmingham City Council has alleviated any immediate concerns in that area. However, we recognise the importance of continuing to maintain our high operational standards to ensure future funding is secured both from current and alternative sources, alongside our continuous rigorous cost control.

We will continue to consider ways we can bring our expertise and support to help anybody who maybe experiencing domestic abuse in the wider community.

In addition to continuing to deliver a consistent quality of care and support to victims of domestic abuse and maintaining the high standard of facilities, Birmingham Crisis Centre also has a Moving Forward fund to provide services to residents to move forward once they have been re-housed.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Birmingham Crisis Centre is constituted as a charitable company limited by guarantee. Each member of the company undertakes to contribute a sum, not exceeding £10, to the company's assets if it is wound up whilst a member or within one year after ceasing to be a member. Its Memorandum and Articles of Association govern the charity and the policies made by the Board of Trustees and Management Committee.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

New Trustees receive an introduction to all aspects of the charity and are subject to Disclosure and Barring Services checks. The Trustees and Management Committee meet every two months and are responsible for overseeing the strategic direction of services, undertaking responsibilities as an employer, ensuring good governance and ensuring that services are of a high standard. The day-to-day responsibility for the provision of the services is delegated to the Chief Executive, Alan Fleming.

Risk management

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

2230876 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

0700138

Registered office

PO Box 3634
Birmingham
B19 1ET

Trustees

Dr N E Farrow (resigned 27.7.23)
Mr M Hooper
Dr C B Ghosh
Mrs S R Broughton
Dr A D Hardie
Mrs C J Ankcorn
Mr J Winfield
Ms L Bloom
Mr T H Byrne (resigned 15.11.23)
Mr K W Wood (appointed 1.3.24)
Dr D G Jaddoo MBE (appointed 11.8.24)

Company Secretary

Mr M Hooper

Auditors

JW Hinks LLP
19 Highfield Road
Edgbaston
Birmingham
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INDEMNITY INSURANCE

Indemnity insurance was purchased on behalf of the trustees during the year at a premium of £818 (2023 : £811).

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of Birmingham Crisis Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

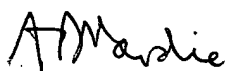
In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, J W Hinks LLP, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Report of the trustees, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 19 December 2024..... and signed on the board's behalf by:



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Dr A D Hardie - Trustee

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Birmingham Crisis Centre

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Birmingham Crisis Centre (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

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

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Birmingham Crisis Centre

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements and discussed the policies and procedures regarding compliance.

Specific areas considered were as follows:

- Enquiring with management and others to gain an understanding of the organisation itself including operations, financial reporting and known fraud or error.
- Evaluating and understanding the internal control system.
- Performing analytical procedures as expected or unexpected variances in account balances or classes of transactions appear.
- Testing documentation supporting account balances or classes of transactions.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected all irregularities including those leading to material misstatements in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards.

This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of
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Use of our report

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



Peter Smith ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
J W Hinks LLP JW Hinks LLP
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Date: 19 December 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies	2	32,866	-	32,609	65,475	52,368
Charitable activities	4					
Operation of the centre		717,500	-	17,716	735,216	808,733
Investment income	3	19,556	-	-	19,556	15,679
Other income		633	-	-	633	-
Total		<u>770,555</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,325</u>	<u>820,880</u>	<u>876,780</u>
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds	5	5,150	-	-	5,150	4,409
Charitable activities	6					
Operation of the centre		<u>737,452</u>	<u>73,437</u>	<u>61,766</u>	<u>872,655</u>	<u>899,809</u>
Total		<u>742,602</u>	<u>73,437</u>	<u>61,766</u>	<u>877,805</u>	<u>904,218</u>
Net surplus/(deficit) before gains		27,953	(73,437)	(11,441)	(56,925)	(27,438)
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>33,822</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,822</u>	<u>(16,031)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		61,775	(73,437)	(11,441)	(23,103)	(43,469)
Transfers between funds	18	<u>(58,447)</u>	<u>51,472</u>	<u>6,975</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		3,328	(21,965)	(4,466)	(23,103)	(43,469)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		<u>93,515</u>	<u>1,099,458</u>	<u>207,670</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>	<u>1,444,112</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>96,843</u>	<u>1,077,493</u>	<u>203,204</u>	<u>1,377,540</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

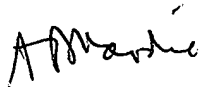
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Balance Sheet 31 March 2024

	Notes	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	12	546,239	573,846
Investments	13	<u>570,423</u>	<u>511,984</u>
		1,116,662	1,085,830
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	14	38,430	37,589
Cash at bank		<u>248,551</u>	<u>321,835</u>
		286,981	359,424
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>(26,103)</u>	<u>(44,611)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>260,878</u>	<u>314,813</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,377,540</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,377,540</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>
FUNDS	18		
Unrestricted funds		96,843	93,515
Includes revaluation reserve of £74,887 (2023- £46,469)			
Designated funds		<u>1,077,493</u>	<u>1,099,458</u>
Restricted funds		<u>203,204</u>	<u>207,670</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,377,540</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



Dr A D Hardie - Trustee

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**Cash Flow Statement
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Notes	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>(68,223)</u>	<u>5,371</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(68,223)</u>	<u>5,371</u>
 Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(2,168)
Purchase of fixed asset investments		<u>(64,570)</u>	<u>(158,929)</u>
Sale of fixed asset investments		<u>39,953</u>	<u>21,343</u>
Interest received		<u>3,272</u>	<u>2,818</u>
Dividends received		<u>16,284</u>	<u>12,861</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(5,061)</u>	<u>(124,075)</u>
 Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<u>(73,284)</u>	<u>(118,704)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>321,835</u>	<u>440,539</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>248,551</u></u>	<u><u>321,835</u></u>

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Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Net expenditure for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(23,103)	(43,469)
Adjustments for:		
(Gain)/losses on investments	(33,822)	16,031
Interest received	(3,272)	(2,818)
Dividends received	(16,284)	(12,861)
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	27,607	29,192
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(841)	8,962
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	<u>(18,508)</u>	<u>10,334</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	<u>(68,223)</u>	<u>5,371</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Cash flow £	At 31.3.24 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank	<u>321,835</u>	<u>(73,284)</u>	<u>248,551</u>
	<u>321,835</u>	<u>(73,284)</u>	<u>248,551</u>
Total	<u>321,835</u>	<u>(73,284)</u>	<u>248,551</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

Birmingham Crisis Centre is a charity incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the charity's registered office is PO Box 3634, Birmingham, B19 1ET.

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the Charitable company, 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 United Kingdom 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", the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared using the historic cost convention as modified by the revaluation of investments and are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity, rounded to the nearest £1.

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.

Company status

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the Charity are the trustees named in the Report of the Trustees. In the event of the Charity being wound up the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the Charity.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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.

For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. It includes dividends and interest receivable. Interest income is recognised using the effective interest rate method and dividend income is recognised as the Charities right to receive payment is established. Investment management costs are included in expenditure.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

It is categorised under the following headings.

- Expenditure on charitable activities.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

- Other expenditure representing those items not falling into the above categories.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Support costs are those that assist with the work of the Charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs and other administrative costs.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Long leasehold	- 99 years on a straight line basis, 5 or 50 years on a straight line basis
Fixtures and fittings	- 3, 7 or 20 years on a straight line basis
Motor vehicles	- 5 years on a straight line basis

Fixed asset investments

Investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in "net gains/(losses) on investments" in the Statement of Financial Activities if the investments are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Fund accounting

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

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The trustees intermittently review the designated funds as is necessary when circumstances change and changes to the designation may be required. The intended aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

Contributions to the personal pension schemes of certain employees are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period in which they relate. The assets of these personal pension schemes are held separately from those of the charitable company in independently administered funds.

Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the Charity, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the Charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefit.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 "Basic Financial Instruments" and Section 12 "Other Financial Instruments Issues" of FRS 102 to all of its financial statements.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charities balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Other financial assets

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

Trade debtors, loans and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as "loans and receivables". Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

Interest is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial. The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating the interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the debt instrument to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through income and expenditure, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected.

If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in the income and expenditure account.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in the income and expenditure account.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the Charity transfers the financial asset and substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Financial instruments

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods and services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Other financial liabilities

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in the income and expenditure account in finance costs or finance income as appropriate unless hedge accounting is applied and the hedge is a cash flow hedge.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The expected level of income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Donations	32,866	18,482
Grants	32,609	33,886
	<u>65,475</u>	<u>52,368</u>

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Sundry	32,609	33,886

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Investment income	16,284	12,861
Bank deposit and other interest	<u>3,272</u>	<u>2,818</u>
	<u>19,556</u>	<u>15,679</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Charges to residents	31,104	35,377
Housing benefit	319,060	353,953
Social inclusion	367,336	399,644
Early Education		
Entitlement funding	<u>17,716</u>	<u>19,759</u>
	<u>735,216</u>	<u>808,733</u>

5. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Portfolio management	<u>5,150</u>	<u>4,409</u>

6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Operation of the centre	<u>758,069</u>	<u>114,586</u>	<u>872,655</u>

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Operation of the centre	<u>88,429</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>25,995</u>	<u>114,586</u>

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7. SUPPORT COSTS - continued

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	Operation of the centre £	Total activities £
Wages	71,869	78,215
Social security	6,554	6,871
Pensions	10,006	9,800
Bank charges	162	206
Auditors' remuneration	4,080	3,960
Professional fees	<u>21,915</u>	<u>15,547</u>
	<u>114,586</u>	<u>114,599</u>

8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	4,080	3,960
Depreciation - owned assets	27,607	29,192
Operating lease rentals	<u>19,577</u>	<u>16,996</u>

9. 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

During the year the trustees claimed £0 in expenses (2023- £160).

Indemnity insurance was purchased on behalf of the trustees during the year at a premium of £818 (2023 - £811).

10. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Wages and salaries	560,033	561,818
Social security costs	37,642	32,797
Other pension costs	<u>10,006</u>	<u>9,800</u>
	<u>607,681</u>	<u>604,415</u>

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
Chief executive	1	1
Support and nursery staff	28	26
Administrative and finance staff	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>33</u>	<u>32</u>

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10. STAFF COSTS - continued

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

Key management personnel

The trustees consider that the Chief Executive is the key management personnel. During the year the Chief Executive received a gross salary of £30,721 (2023 - £30,072). The social security costs on this salary amounted to £2,984 (2023 - £3,045).

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	19,381	-	32,987	52,368
Charitable activities				
Operation of the centre	788,974	-	19,759	808,733
Investment income	<u>15,679</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,679</u>
Total	<u>824,034</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,746</u>	<u>876,780</u>
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	4,409	-	-	4,409
Charitable activities				
Operation of the centre	<u>744,969</u>	<u>97,558</u>	<u>57,282</u>	<u>899,809</u>
Total	<u>749,378</u>	<u>97,558</u>	<u>57,282</u>	<u>904,218</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	<u>(16,031)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(16,031)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	58,625	(97,558)	(4,536)	(43,469)
Transfers between funds	<u>(64,913)</u>	<u>64,913</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	(6,288)	(32,645)	(4,536)	(43,469)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	<u>99,803</u>	<u>1,132,103</u>	<u>212,206</u>	<u>1,444,112</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>93,515</u>	<u>1,099,458</u>	<u>207,670</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>

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12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024	<u>557,044</u>	<u>131,706</u>	<u>29,215</u>	<u>717,965</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2023	61,385	67,639	15,095	144,119
Charge for year	<u>13,773</u>	<u>7,991</u>	<u>5,843</u>	<u>27,607</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>75,158</u>	<u>75,630</u>	<u>20,938</u>	<u>171,726</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2024	<u>481,886</u>	<u>56,076</u>	<u>8,277</u>	<u>546,239</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>495,659</u>	<u>64,067</u>	<u>14,120</u>	<u>573,846</u>

13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2023	511,984
Additions	64,570
Disposals	(39,953)
Revaluations	<u>33,822</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>570,423</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2024	<u>570,423</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>511,984</u>

The fair value of listed investments is determined by reference to the quoted price for identical assets in an active market at the balance sheet date.

The historical cost of the listed investments amounted to £495,536 (2023 - £465,515).

14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Other debtors	33,606	33,982
Prepayments	<u>4,824</u>	<u>3,607</u>
	<u>38,430</u>	<u>37,589</u>

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15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Trade creditors	7,062	10,111
Social security and other taxes	3,521	479
Other creditors	63	8,699
Accruals and deferred income	<u>15,457</u>	<u>25,322</u>
	<u>26,103</u>	<u>44,611</u>

16. LEASING AGREEMENTS

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Within one year	17,590	16,872
Between one and five years	50,140	47,085
In more than five years	<u>666,862</u>	<u>467,152</u>
	<u>734,592</u>	<u>531,109</u>

The charitable company signed a 99 year lease on its premises in February 2013.

17. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
Fixed assets	28,559	321,634	196,046	546,239	573,846
Investments	49,179	521,244	-	570,423	511,984
Current assets	45,208	234,615	7,158	286,981	359,424
Current liabilities	<u>(26,103)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(26,103)</u>	<u>(44,611)</u>
	<u>96,843</u>	<u>1,077,493</u>	<u>203,204</u>	<u>1,377,540</u>	<u>1,400,643</u>

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18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	93,515	61,775	(58,447)	96,843
Activities and Wellbeing for All	222,825	-	-	222,825
Wider Community Support reserve	80,000	-	-	80,000
Major Repair and Maintenance reserve	35,557	(9,361)	-	26,196
Residents' Assistance reserve	23,911	(492)	-	23,419
Moving Forward reserve	10,000	-	-	10,000
Room Refurbishment reserve	35,000	-	-	35,000
Nursery Operational reserve	65,000	(51,472)	51,472	65,000
Ongoing Return to Happiness Reserve	293,419	-	-	293,419
Fixed Asset reserve - Property lease	98,792	(1,111)	-	97,681
Fixed Asset reserve - Sundry assets	<u>234,954</u>	<u>(11,001)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>223,953</u>
	1,192,973	(11,662)	(6,975)	1,174,336
Restricted funds				
Fixed Asset reserve - Return to				
Happiness fund for nursery extension	197,219	(1,173)	-	196,046
Moving Forward fund	1,931	1,532	-	3,463
Children's fund	-	(6,975)	6,975	-
Equipment grant fund	153	(153)	-	-
Covid-19 Support fund	595	-	-	595
Summerhouse fund	<u>7,772</u>	<u>(4,672)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,100</u>
	<u>207,670</u>	<u>(11,441)</u>	<u>6,975</u>	<u>203,204</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,400,643</u>	<u>(23,103)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,377,540</u>

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18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	770,555	(742,602)	33,822	61,775
Major Repair and Maintenance reserve	-	(9,361)	-	(9,361)
Residents' Assistance reserve	-	(492)	-	(492)
Nursery Operational reserve	-	(51,472)	-	(51,472)
Fixed Asset reserve - Property lease	-	(1,111)	-	(1,111)
Fixed Asset reserve - Sundry assets	-	(11,001)	-	(11,001)
	770,555	(816,039)	33,822	(11,662)
Restricted funds				
Fixed Asset reserve - Return to				
Happiness fund for nursery extension	-	(1,173)	-	(1,173)
Moving Forward fund	32,609	(31,077)	-	1,532
Children's fund	-	(6,975)	-	(6,975)
Early Education Entitlement fund	17,716	(17,716)	-	-
Equipment grant fund	-	(153)	-	(153)
Summerhouse fund	-	(4,672)	-	(4,672)
	50,325	(61,766)	-	(11,441)
TOTAL FUNDS	820,880	(877,805)	33,822	(23,103)

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18. 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	99,804	58,624	(64,913)	93,515
Activities and Wellbeing for All	222,825	-	-	222,825
Wider Community Support reserve	80,000	-	-	80,000
Major Repair and Maintenance reserve	55,000	(19,443)	-	35,557
Residents' Assistance reserve	25,000	(1,089)	-	23,911
Moving Forward reserve	10,000	-	-	10,000
Room Refurbishment reserve	35,000	(3,162)	3,162	35,000
Nursery Operational reserve	65,000	(61,751)	61,751	65,000
Ongoing Return to Happiness Reserve	293,419	-	-	293,419
Fixed Asset reserve - Property lease	99,903	(1,111)	-	98,792
Fixed Asset reserve - Sundry assets	<u>245,955</u>	<u>(11,001)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>234,954</u>
	1,231,906	(38,933)	-	1,192,973
Restricted funds				
Fixed Asset reserve - Return to				
Happiness fund for nursery extension	201,590	(4,371)	-	197,219
Moving Forward fund	-	1,931	-	1,931
Equipment grant fund	319	(166)	-	153
Covid-19 Support fund	853	(258)	-	595
Summerhouse fund	<u>9,444</u>	<u>(1,672)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,772</u>
	<u>212,206</u>	<u>(4,536)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207,670</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>1,444,112</u></u>	<u><u>(43,469)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,400,643</u></u>

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18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	824,034	(749,379)	(16,031)	58,624
Major Repair and Maintenance reserve	-	(19,443)	-	(19,443)
Residents' Assistance reserve	-	(1,089)	-	(1,089)
Room Refurbishment reserve	-	(3,162)	-	(3,162)
Nursery Operational reserve	-	(61,751)	-	(61,751)
Fixed Asset reserve - Property lease	-	(1,111)	-	(1,111)
Fixed Asset reserve - Sundry assets	-	(11,001)	-	(11,001)
	824,034	(846,936)	(16,031)	(38,933)
Restricted funds				
Fixed Asset reserve - Return to				
Happiness fund for nursery extension	-	(4,371)	-	(4,371)
Moving Forward fund	32,287	(30,356)	-	1,931
Children's fund	701	(701)	-	-
Early Education Entitlement fund	19,758	(19,758)	-	-
Equipment grant fund	-	(166)	-	(166)
Covid-19 Support fund	-	(258)	-	(258)
Summerhouse fund	-	(1,672)	-	(1,672)
	52,746	(57,282)	-	(4,536)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>876,780</u>	<u>(904,218)</u>	<u>(16,031)</u>	<u>(43,469)</u>

Purpose of restricted and designated funds

The following are explanations for the restricted and designated reserve funds held at the balance sheet date:

The Activities and Wellbeing for All reserve has been designated for projects which enhance both the activities and facilities available and the wellbeing of our residents, including creating or enhancing the play areas for children. The current projects are at an early stage and are expected to run through the next financial year, emerging plans include replacing the temporary portacabin in the grounds with a permanent building. Additionally a review is underway of all our energy and heating infrastructure to ensure it is effective to provide the most up to date and cost effective safe and comfortable accommodation for the residents, particularly with the increasing climate variations that we are now dealing with.

The Wider Community Support reserve is funds put aside to support plans to seek opportunities to bring expertise and support to help anybody who maybe experiencing domestic abuse in the wider community.

The Major Repair and Maintenance reserve is to meet planned future expenditure on the maintenance and up keep of the Birmingham Crisis Centre to ensure it is of a high standard for its residents. The programme of works is reviewed each year. Where major items are capitalised then the amount is transferred to the Fixed Asset reserve -Sundry assets.

The Fixed Assets reserve - Return to Happiness fund included within restricted funds has been used to build an extension to the charity's nursery facility in order to comply with legislative requirements, and is being released against the depreciation of these assets.

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18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Purpose of restricted and designated funds - continued

The **Residents' Assistance reserve** is used to meet the costs of providing assistance to those residents without entitlement to benefits or other sources of income.

The **Moving Forward reserve** is to provide assistance to residents to move forward once they have been re-housed, the trustees have decided, given the current cost of living pressures, to keep this topped up by allocating further unrestricted funds for this purpose.

The **Room Refurbishment reserve** is monies received or set aside towards the trustees rolling refurbishment program to ensure that the accommodation is always of an acceptable standard for our residents comfort.

The **Nursery Operational reserve** represents funds put aside to ensure the nursery operations are maintained at a high standard to adequately support the children while they are residents, despite the fact that specific nursery grants received do not cover the full cost of this. This is reviewed annually and topped up if no immediate funding is anticipated at the time of that review.

The **Ongoing Return to Happiness reserve** - the trustees have recognised that the level of uncertainties existing in the world and environment in which the centre operates continue to increase, and along with the increased impact of fast technological changes this introduces increased uncertainty and challenges for organisations, including the centre. As a result the Ongoing Return to Happiness reserve was created a few years ago to enable the centre to continue to avoid any interruption or disruption to its normal high standard of care, and to provide continued support to its residents, ensuring their continued wellbeing and that opportunities for them to rebuild their lives are available during times of uncertainty or increased challenge. This will be used in the event of interruption or disruption in both the centre's sources of income and increased running costs of the centre required to meet the high standards of safeguarding, health & safety and other requirements including future essential projects. This fund will be reviewed on a regular basis for appropriateness and adequacy.

The **Fixed Asset reserve - Property lease** represents the amount paid for the 99 year lease on the premises from which the Charity operates, and is being released against the depreciation of the asset.

The **Fixed Asset - Sundry reserve** has been set up to move the amounts from other reserves which have been spent on capital assets. This reserve will be released against the depreciation on these assets over their useful life.

The **Childrens' fund** represents money and grants specifically donated for the running of the nursery and the costs of activities and outings for the children.

The **Summerhouse fund** represents grants received for the building of the summerhouse and will be released against the depreciation on this asset and the building works.

19. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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