

Foyle Women's Aid

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103223

Details

Known as	FWA
Status	Received
Registered	2015-12-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: The Objects of the Charity for the benefit of the public are: 3.1. to relieve distress and suffering by the provision of safe temporary accommodation for women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents who are, or have been, experiencing domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse; 3.2. to relieve distress and suffering experienced by women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents by providing and/or promoting a range of support services such as information, advice centres, confidential services, counselling, outreach, court support, training and advocacy; 3.3. to relieve those in need by the provision of information and advice for those affected by domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse and referral to relevant support agencies; 3.4. to advance education on violence against women and girls, including trafficking and exploitation, and its effects, and to relieve those in need by promoting its prevention and the protection of those affected; 3.5. to advance education on domestic, sexual and gender based violence and abuse and their effects, and to advocate for and to relieve those in need by promoting their prevention and the protection of those affected; 3.6. to advance women's and children's human rights and gender equality to relieve the suffering and distress caused by violence emanating from the violation, impairment or nullification of enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of education, The advancement of health or the saving of lives, The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

How the charity works: Accommodation/housing,Advice/advocacy/information,Criminal justice,Education/training,Volunteer development,Youth development

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds),Preschool (0-5 year olds),Victim support,Women,Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,954,795	£1,806,285	£-533,539	40

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ms Amanda Biega		
Ms Geraldine O'hare		
Ms Jacinta Mccool		
Ms Karen O'leary		
Ms Margaret Kelly		
Ms Marie Brown		
Ms Suzie Mcaneney		
Therese Mckernan		

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Accounts

**Foyle Women's Aid
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**Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2025 £	Totals 2024 £
Income:					
Income from charitable activities	5	59,623	1,737,194	1,796,817	1,307,870
Income from Donations and Legacies	5	36,222	(206)	36,016	25,490
Investment income	5	1,289	14	1,303	841
Other trading activities	5	120,659	-	120,659	1,897
Total		<u>217,793</u>	<u>1,737,002</u>	<u>1,954,795</u>	<u>1,336,098</u>
Expenditure:					
Other trading activities	6	48,203	-	48,203	7,124
Charitable activities	6	260,278	1,475,774	1,736,052	1,426,347
Raising Funds	7	1,248	20,782	22,030	12,248
Total resources expended		<u>309,729</u>	<u>1,496,556</u>	<u>1,806,285</u>	<u>1,445,719</u>
Net (expenditure)/ income		(91,936)	240,446	148,510	(109,621)
Transfers between funds		<u>103,693</u>	<u>(103,693)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		11,757	136,753	148,510	(109,621)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2024		<u>1,035,594</u>	<u>1,486,835</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,632,050</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2025		<u>1,047,351</u>	<u>1,623,588</u>	<u>2,670,939</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>

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Investment income	5	1,289	14	1,303	841
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Total		<u>217,792</u>	<u>1,737,002</u>	<u>1,954,794</u>	<u>1,336,098</u>
Expenditure					
Other trading activities	6	48,169	-	48,169	7,124
Charitable activities	6	260,081	1,475,774	1,735,855	1,426,119
Costs of raising funds	7	1,008	20,782	21,790	10,908
Total		<u>309,258</u>	<u>1,496,556</u>	<u>1,805,814</u>	<u>1,444,151</u>
Net (expenditure)/ income		(91,466)	240,446	148,980	(108,053)
Transfer between funds		<u>103,693</u>	<u>(103,693)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		12,227	136,753	148,980	(108,053)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2024		<u>1,081,520</u>	<u>1,486,835</u>	<u>2,568,355</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2025		<u>1,093,747</u>	<u>1,623,588</u>	<u>2,717,335</u>	<u>2,568,355</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Notes	Group 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2025 £	Charity 2024 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	11	2,655,870	2,556,059	2,655,869	2,556,057
Investments	12	-	-	34,000	34,000
Total fixed assets		<u>2,655,870</u>	<u>2,556,059</u>	<u>2,689,869</u>	<u>2,590,057</u>
Current Assets					
Stocks	13	285	-	285	-
Debtors	14	168,631	128,647	219,829	172,043
Cash at bank and in hand		379,692	364,682	350,333	335,125
Total current assets		<u>548,608</u>	<u>493,329</u>	<u>570,447</u>	<u>507,168</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>162,172</u>	<u>147,280</u>	<u>171,614</u>	<u>149,193</u>
Net current assets		<u>386,436</u>	<u>346,049</u>	<u>398,833</u>	<u>357,975</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>3,042,306</u>	<u>2,902,108</u>	<u>3,088,702</u>	<u>2,948,032</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	16	<u>(371,367)</u>	<u>(379,679)</u>	<u>(371,367)</u>	<u>(379,679)</u>
Net assets		<u>2,670,939</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,717,335</u>	<u>2,568,353</u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted capital funds	18	1,573,863	1,361,188	1,573,863	1,361,188
Restricted funds	18	49,725	125,647	49,725	125,647
Unrestricted funds	18	1,047,351	1,035,594	1,093,747	1,081,518
Total Charity Funds		<u>2,670,939</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,717,335</u>	<u>2,568,353</u>

These consolidated accounts are prepared in accordance with section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act (NI) 2008 and applicable regulations. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 8 December 2025 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Biega', written over a horizontal line.

**Ms Amanda Biega (Chairperson)
Director**

The attached notes form part of these accounts.

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**Statement of cash flows (continued)
Year ended 31 March 2025**

	Group		Charity	
	2025 £	2024 £	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities				
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	148,511	(109,619)	148,980	(108,053)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>				
Depreciation of tangible assets	120,894	116,629	120,894	116,629
Other interest receivable and similar income	(1,303)	(845)	(1,303)	(845)
Interest payable and similar expenses	32,725	33,664	32,725	33,664
Accrued expenses/(income)	(1,646)	(31,039)	(566)	(31,976)
Rounding	(1)	(1)	2	-
<i>Changes in:</i>				
Stocks	(285)	-	(285)	-
Trade and other debtors	(39,984)	51,208	(47,787)	44,195
Trade and other creditors	16,614	50,221	23,063	47,453
Cash generated from operations	<u>275,525</u>	<u>110,218</u>	<u>275,723</u>	<u>101,067</u>
Interest paid	(32,725)	(33,664)	(32,725)	(33,664)
Interest received	1,303	845	1,303	845
Net cash from operating activities	<u>244,103</u>	<u>77,399</u>	<u>244,301</u>	<u>68,248</u>
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchase of tangible assets	(220,705)	(47,143)	(220,705)	(47,143)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(220,705)</u>	<u>(47,143)</u>	<u>(220,705)</u>	<u>(47,143)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from borrowings	(8,388)	(7,567)	(8,388)	(7,566)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(8,388)</u>	<u>(7,567)</u>	<u>(8,388)</u>	<u>(7,566)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents	15,010	22,689	15,208	13,539
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	364,682	341,993	335,125	321,586
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>379,692</u>	<u>364,682</u>	<u>350,333</u>	<u>335,125</u>

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**Notes to the financial statements
Year ended 31 March 2025**

1. General information

The company is a private charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 24 Pump Street, Derry, BT48 6JG.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

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

Foyle Women's Aid meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Consolidation

The financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly owned subsidiary on a line-by-line basis. The subsidiary company is detailed below.

Subsidiary Name	Company Number	Charity Registration Number	Parent Company Control
Avert Enterprises Limited	NI603937	Non-charity	100% Shareholder

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured.

Income represents the total value of grants received and receivable as well as other income arising from other operating and fundraising activities during the year.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred

Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

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Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Some expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading activities.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Taxation

During the current year the company has only been involved in charitable activities in furtherance of its charitable objects and is not liable to Income Tax or Corporation Tax.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and are subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment	- 25%	straight line
Fittings fixtures and equipment	- 25%	straight line

If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of tangible assets, the depreciation is revised prospectively to reflect the new estimates.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Listed investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognised in profit or loss.

Impairment

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

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Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the company will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised using the accrual model and the performance model.

Under the accrual model, government grants relating to revenue are recognised on a systematic basis over the periods in which the company recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. Grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs are recognised in income in the period in which it becomes receivable.

Under the performance model, where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the company, 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.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

3. Limited by guarantee

Foyle Women's Aid is a registered charity limited by guarantee without a share capital.

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4. Funds

- Unrestricted Revenue Funds - comprise those revenue funds which the management committee are free to use in accordance with the company objectives.
- Restricted Revenue Funds - comprise those revenue funds which have been given for particular purposes and projects.
- Unrestricted Capital Funds - comprise those net assets which the trust is able to apply freely in pursuit of its own charitable objectives and related purposes.
- Restricted Capital Funds - comprise those net assets which at the end of the accounting period have specific grant and other conditions restricting either their use or their disposability for defined periods.
- Designated Funds - comprise of unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

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5. Income	Group		Charity	
	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £
Incoming from charitable activities				
<i>Grants</i>				
NIHE-Supporting people grant	474,779	458,289	474,779	458,289
NIHE-Housing benefit	335,651	246,017	335,651	246,017
NIHE-Floating support grant	292,228	284,304	292,228	284,304
Dept of Justice	28,717	-	28,717	-
WHSCT	66,658	60,214	66,658	60,214
WHSCT-Cook-it Project	5,000	-	5,000	-
BBC Children in Need	-	9,810	-	9,810
Education Authority	-	6,000	-	6,000
PBNI - Community (Ivan)	-	825	-	825
PBNI - Partner Support Worker (JS)	12,000	9,500	12,000	9,500
Comic Relief	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
DCC-PCSP	7,014	-	7,014	-
The Pathway Fund	19,931	17,931	19,931	17,931
The Clear Project	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Southall Black Sisters Project	116,866	95,637	116,866	95,637
Homeless Connect	2,669	-	2,669	-
Kids out UK	-	600	-	600
DOH SPPG	-	2,000	-	2,000
DFC	-	3,502	-	3,502
Childcare Partnership Regional	-	800	-	800
National lottery	257,521	10,000	257,521	10,000
Garfield Weston	40,000	-	40,000	-
UCD	7,983	-	7,983	-
DFC - Jobstart	8,331	-	8,331	-
DCSDC - EVASG	5,000	-	5,000	-
All State Funding	15,000	28,500	15,000	28,500
Room hire	250	375	250	375
Rent receivable	6,667	-	6,667	-
Service charges income	13,673	9,703	13,673	9,703
Other income	3,256	6,253	3,256	6,253
Total	1,737,194	1,268,260	1,737,194	1,268,260

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**Notes to the financial statements (continued)
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	Group		Charity	
	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £
Income from Donations and Legacies				
Donations received	(206)	111	(206)	111
Total	(206)	111	(206)	111

Investment income				
Bank interest received	14	-	14	-
Total	14	-	14	-

	Group		Charity	
	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £
Incoming from charitable activities				
Room hire	1,529	840	1,529	840
Rental income	48,987	34,092	48,987	34,092
Other income	9,106	4,678	9,106	4,678
Total	59,622	39,610	59,622	39,610

Income from Donations and Legacies				
Donations received	36,222	25,379	36,222	25,379
Total	36,222	25,379	36,222	25,379

Investment income				
Bank interest received	1,289	841	1,289	841
Total	1,289	841	1,289	841

Other trading activities				
Cafe sales	120,659	1,897	120,659	1,897
Total	120,659	1,897	120,659	1,897

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6. Expenditure	Group 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2025 £	Charity 2024 £
Expenditure on other trading activities				
Cafe purchases	47,282	2,219	47,282	2,219
Closing stock	285	-	285	-
Cafe supplies & renewals	1,172	4,905	1,172	4,905
General expenses	34	-	-	-
	48,203	7,124	48,169	7,124

Expenditure on other trading activities was £48,203 (31 March 2024 - £7,124) of which £48,203 (31 March 2024 - £7,124) was unrestricted and £Nil (31 March 2024 - £Nil) was restricted.

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**Notes to the financial statements (continued)
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	Group 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2025 £	Charity 2024 £
Expenditure on charitable activities				
Wages and salaries	817,878	656,866	817,878	656,866
Employer's social security contributions	71,792	61,684	71,792	61,684
Staff pension - defined contribution	62,272	64,203	62,272	64,203
Staff training	2,173	616	2,173	616
Employee expenses	40,660	34,763	40,660	34,763
Grants payable	103,153	44,910	103,153	44,910
HR support	8,187	-	8,187	-
Recruitment expenses	2,413	2,389	2,413	2,389
Rent payable	157,365	124,696	157,365	124,696
Rates	766	538	766	538
Insurance	9,989	8,380	9,989	8,380
Light and heat	66,382	53,260	66,382	53,260
Cleaning	17,333	18,661	17,333	18,661
Accommodation misc expenses	13,211	17,771	13,211	17,771
Repairs and maintenance	43,251	30,499	43,251	30,499
Conferences & course notes	5,434	3,798	5,434	3,798
Printing, postage and stationery	6,402	4,393	6,402	4,393
Advertising & marketing	366	-	366	-
Fundraising expenses	1,331	-	1,331	-
Telephone	33,846	30,429	33,846	30,429
Computer costs	31,229	31,371	31,229	31,371
Motor expenses	5,578	3,932	5,578	3,932
Client expenses	28,526	23,823	28,526	23,823
DFS expenses	154	4,065	154	4,065
Travelling and entertainment	11,126	8,757	11,126	8,757
Legal and professional	6,606	19,572	6,606	19,572
Bank charges	1,234	1,044	1,037	816
Credit card charges	1,488	22	1,488	22
Bad debts	20,097	16,298	20,097	16,298
Subscriptions	12,221	9,322	12,221	9,322
Depreciation of tangible assets	120,894	116,629	120,894	116,629
Bank interest paid	32,695	33,660	32,695	33,660
Other interest received	-	(4)	-	(4)
Total	1,736,052	1,426,347	1,735,855	1,426,119

Expenditure on charitable activities was £1,736,052 (2024 - £1,426,347) of which £260,278 was unrestricted (2024 - £125,967) and £1,475,774 restricted (2024 - £1,300,380).

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7. Expenditure	Group 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2025 £	Charity 2024 £
Expenditure on raising funds				
Accountancy fees	14,180	4,884	13,940	3,544
Auditors remuneration	7,820	7,360	7,820	7,360
Interest on overdue taxation	30	4	30	4
Total	22,030	12,248	21,790	10,908

Expenditure on raising funds was £22,030 (2024 - £12,248) of which £1,248 was unrestricted (2024 - credit £1,344) and £20,782 restricted (2024 - £10,904).

8. Operating income/(expenditure)	Group 2025 £	Group 2024 £	Charity 2025 £	Charity 2024 £
Depreciation of tangible assets	120,894	116,629	120,894	116,629
Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements	7,820	7,360	7,820	7,360

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9. Staff costs

The average number of persons employed by the charity company during the year, including the trustees was 36 (2024: 26).

The aggregate payroll costs incurred during the year were:

	Year ended	Year ended
	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	817,878	656,866
Social security costs	71,792	61,684
Other pension costs	62,272	64,203
	<u>951,942</u>	<u>782,753</u>

One employee had employee benefits totalling between £60,000 and £70,000 (2024 - one between £80,000 and £90,000).

The charity trustees were not paid or received any other benefits from employment with the company in the year, neither were they re-imbursed expenses during the year. No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity.

The key management personnel of the charity company comprise the Trustees, the Chief Executive and the Financial Controller. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the company were £120,819 for the year to 31 March 2025 (2024: £151,692).

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10 Avert Enterprises Limited

The wholly owned subsidiary Avert Enterprises Limited is incorporated in Northern Ireland (company number NI603937). Avert Enterprises Limited is involved in projects or services to provide training and therapy services complimentary to the charitable objects of its parent charity, Foyle Women's Aid. A summary of the financial results is shown below.

The summary financial performance of the subsidiary alone is:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Expenditure	(472)	(1,568)
Net (outgoing) resources for the year	(472)	(1,568)
The assets and liabilities of the subsidiary were:		
Fixed assets	-	-
Current Assets	36,761	36,959
Current liabilities	(49,160)	(48,886)
Long term liabilities	-	-
Net assets/(liabilities)	(12,399)	(11,927)
Total Company Funds	(12,399)	(11,927)

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11. Tangible assets - Group

	Freehold and leasehold properties	Office Equipm't	Fixtures & fittings	Motor vehicles	Property fixtures & fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 April 2024	2,907,972	100,584	462,066	28,794	8,931	3,508,347
Additions	210,592	5,363	4,750	-	-	220,705
At 31 March 2025	3,118,564	105,947	466,816	28,794	8,931	3,729,052
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2024	529,762	90,965	305,669	17,037	8,855	952,288
Charge for the year	57,875	5,829	51,355	5,759	76	120,894
At 31 March 2025	587,637	96,794	357,024	22,796	8,931	1,073,182
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2025	2,530,927	9,153	109,792	5,998	-	2,655,870
At 31 March 2024	2,378,210	9,619	156,397	11,757	76	2,556,060

11. Tangible assets - Charity

	Freehold and leasehold properties	Office Equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Motor vehicles	Property fixtures & fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 April 2024	2,907,972	100,584	458,623	28,794	8,931	3,504,904
Additions	210,592	5,363	4,750	-	-	220,705
At 31 March 2025	3,118,564	105,947	463,373	28,794	8,931	3,725,609
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2024	529,762	90,965	302,227	17,037	8,855	948,846
Charge for the year	57,875	5,829	51,355	5,759	76	120,894
At 31 March 2025	587,637	96,794	353,582	22,796	8,931	1,069,740
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2025	2,530,927	9,153	109,791	5,998	-	2,655,869
At 31 March 2024	2,378,210	9,619	156,396	11,757	76	2,556,058

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12. Investments

The charity holds 34,001 ordinary shares of £1 each in the wholly owned subsidiary Avert Enterprises Limited. These are the only shares allotted, called up and fully paid. This subsidiary company is incorporated in Northern Ireland. The financial results for this company are summarised in note 10.

13. Stocks

	2025	2024
	£	£
Raw materials and consumables	285	-

14. Debtors

	Group		Charity	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	107,785	71,426	107,785	71,426
Prepayments and accrued income	13,209	11,425	13,209	11,425
Other debtors	47,637	45,796	98,835	89,192
	168,631	128,647	219,829	172,043

15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Charity	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	41,106	41,182	41,106	41,182
Trade creditors	89,694	70,097	89,694	70,097
Accruals and deferred income	9,060	10,706	7,500	8,066
Social security and other taxes	-	-	10,014	3,564
Other creditors	22,312	25,295	23,300	26,283
	162,172	147,280	171,614	149,192

16. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group		Charity	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Other creditors	371,367	379,679	371,367	379,679
	371,367	379,679	371,367	379,679

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17. Employee benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in profit or loss in relation to defined contribution plans was £62,272 (2024: £64,203).

18. Analysis of charitable funds

	At 1 April 2024	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2025
Analysis of movements in group unrestricted funds					
General Fund	904,994	217,793	(309,729)	103,693	916,751
Designated Fund	130,600	-	-	-	130,600
	<u>1,035,594</u>	<u>217,793</u>	<u>(309,729)</u>	<u>103,693</u>	<u>1,047,351</u>
Analysis of movements in charity unrestricted funds					
General Fund	950,920	217,792	(309,258)	103,693	963,147
Designated Fund	130,600	-	-	-	130,600
	<u>1,081,520</u>	<u>217,792</u>	<u>(309,258)</u>	<u>103,693</u>	<u>1,093,747</u>
Analysis of movements in group restricted funds					
Restricted Fund	125,647	1,497,802	(1,496,556)	(77,168)	49,725
Restricted Capital Fund	1,361,188	239,200	-	(26,525)	1,573,863
	<u>1,486,835</u>	<u>1,737,002</u>	<u>(1,496,556)</u>	<u>(103,693)</u>	<u>1,623,588</u>
Analysis of movements in charity restricted funds					
Restricted Funds					
Restricted Fund	125,647	1,497,802	(1,496,556)	(77,168)	49,725
Restricted Capital Funds	1,361,188	239,200	-	(26,525)	1,573,863
Total Charity Restricted Funds	<u>1,486,835</u>	<u>1,737,002</u>	<u>(1,496,556)</u>	<u>(103,693)</u>	<u>1,623,588</u>

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19. Net Assets by Funds - Group

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Restricted Capital Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	1,128,674	-	1,527,196	2,655,870	2,556,059
Current assets	452,216	49,725	46,667	548,608	493,329
Creditors: due within one year	(162,172)	-	-	(162,172)	(147,280)
Creditors: due more than one year	(371,367)	-	-	(371,367)	(379,679)
Net assets	<u>1,047,351</u>	<u>49,725</u>	<u>1,573,863</u>	<u>2,670,939</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>

20. Analysis of changes in net debt

Group changes in cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2024	Cash flows	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>364,682</u>	<u>15,010</u>	<u>379,692</u>

Charity changes in cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2024	Cash flows	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>335,125</u>	<u>15,208</u>	<u>350,333</u>

21. Contingent assets and liabilities

During the years ended 31st March 2018, 2019 and 2020, Foyle Women's Aid has incurred additional salary costs in pursuit of its overall charitable objectives which are included in the accounts as a charitable activities expense. The charity has made certain efficiencies in its operations in the current year to absorb these ongoing costs. However, these historical costs are to be grant funded by one of the company's main funders, but the timing of the receipt of these incoming resources is not certain and outside the control of the charity.

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22. Related party transactions

During the year the parent company entered into the following transactions with related parties:

	Transaction value		Balance owed by/(owed to)	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Wholly owned subsidiaries	283	1,053	47,518	47,235

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**Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
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	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2024 £	Totals 2023 £
Income:					
Income from charitable activities	5	39,610	1,268,260	1,307,870	1,398,807
Income from Donations and Legacies	5	25,379	111	25,490	26,121
Investment income	5	841	-	841	173
Other trading activities	5	1,897	-	1,897	-
Total		<u>67,727</u>	<u>1,268,371</u>	<u>1,336,098</u>	<u>1,425,101</u>
Expenditure:					
Other trading activities	6	7,124	-	7,124	-
Charitable activities	6	125,967	1,300,380	1,426,347	1,318,776
Raising Funds	7	1,344	10,904	12,248	12,383
Total resources expended		<u>134,435</u>	<u>1,311,284</u>	<u>1,445,719</u>	<u>1,331,159</u>
Net (expenditure)/ income		(66,708)	(42,913)	(109,621)	93,942
Transfers between funds		<u>20,613</u>	<u>(20,613)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(46,095)	(63,526)	(109,621)	93,942
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2023		<u>1,081,689</u>	<u>1,550,361</u>	<u>2,632,050</u>	<u>2,538,108</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2024		<u>1,035,594</u>	<u>1,486,835</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,632,050</u>

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**Charity Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2024 £	Totals 2023 £
Income					
Income from charitable activities	5	39,610	1,268,260	1,307,870	1,398,807
Income from Donations and Legacies	5	25,379	111	25,490	26,121
Investment income	5	841	-	841	173
Other trading activities	5	1,897	-	1,897	-
Total		<u>67,727</u>	<u>1,268,371</u>	<u>1,336,098</u>	<u>1,425,101</u>
Expenditure					
Other trading activities	6	7,124	-	7,124	-
Charitable activities	6	125,739	1,300,380	1,426,119	1,312,771
Costs of raising funds	7	4	10,904	10,908	10,680
Total		<u>132,867</u>	<u>1,311,284</u>	<u>1,444,151</u>	<u>1,323,451</u>
Net (expenditure)/ income		(65,140)	(42,913)	(108,053)	101,650
Transfer between funds		20,613	(20,613)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(44,527)	(63,526)	(108,053)	101,650
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2023		<u>1,126,047</u>	<u>1,550,361</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>	<u>2,574,758</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2024		<u>1,081,520</u>	<u>1,486,835</u>	<u>2,568,355</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	Group 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2024 £	Charity 2023 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	11	2,556,059	2,625,545	2,556,057	2,625,545
Investments	12	-	-	34,000	34,000
Total fixed assets		<u>2,556,059</u>	<u>2,625,545</u>	<u>2,590,057</u>	<u>2,659,545</u>
Current Assets					
Debtors	13	128,647	179,855	172,043	216,238
Cash at bank and in hand		364,682	341,993	335,125	321,586
Total current assets		<u>493,329</u>	<u>521,848</u>	<u>507,168</u>	<u>537,824</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>147,280</u>	<u>128,321</u>	<u>149,193</u>	<u>133,939</u>
Net current assets		<u>346,049</u>	<u>393,527</u>	<u>357,975</u>	<u>403,885</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		2,902,108	3,019,072	2,948,032	3,063,430
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	15	<u>(379,679)</u>	<u>(387,023)</u>	<u>(379,679)</u>	<u>(387,022)</u>
Net assets		<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,632,049</u>	<u>2,568,353</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted capital funds	17	1,361,188	1,330,067	1,361,188	1,330,067
Restricted funds	17	125,647	220,294	125,647	220,294
Unrestricted funds	17	1,035,594	1,081,688	1,081,518	1,126,047
Total Charity Funds		<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,632,049</u>	<u>2,568,353</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>

These consolidated accounts are prepared in accordance with section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act (NI) 2008 and applicable regulations. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 23 January 2025 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

E. Webster

**Ms Eileen Webster
Director**

The attached notes form part of these accounts.

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**Statement of cash flows (continued)
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	Group		Charity	
	2024 £	2023 £	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities				
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(109,619)	93,943	(108,053)	101,650
<i>Adjustments for:</i>				
Depreciation of tangible assets	116,629	47,498	116,629	47,498
Other interest receivable and similar income	(845)	(173)	(845)	(173)
Interest payable and similar expenses	33,664	19,127	33,664	19,127
Accrued expenses/(income)	(31,039)	(27,849)	(31,976)	(26,576)
Rounding	(1)	(1)	-	(2)
<i>Changes in:</i>				
Trade and other debtors	51,208	18,483	44,195	3,792
Trade and other creditors	50,221	9,992	47,453	12,985
Cash generated from operations	110,218	161,020	101,067	158,301
Interest paid	(33,664)	(19,127)	(33,664)	(19,127)
Interest received	845	173	845	173
Net cash from operating activities	<u>77,399</u>	<u>142,066</u>	<u>68,248</u>	<u>139,347</u>
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchase of tangible assets	(47,143)	(127,830)	(47,143)	(127,830)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(47,143)</u>	<u>(127,830)</u>	<u>(47,143)</u>	<u>(127,830)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from borrowings	(7,567)	80,039	(7,566)	80,039
Net cash (used in)/from financing activities	<u>(7,567)</u>	<u>80,039</u>	<u>7,566</u>	<u>80,039</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents	22,689	94,275	13,539	91,556
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	341,993	247,719	321,586	230,030
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>364,682</u>	<u>341,994</u>	<u>335,125</u>	<u>321,586</u>

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1. General information

The company is a private charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 24 Pump Street, Derry, BT48 6JG.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

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

Foyle Women's Aid meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Consolidation

The financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly owned subsidiary on a line-by-line basis. The subsidiary company is detailed below.

Subsidiary Name	Company Number	Charity Registration Number	Parent Company Control
Avert Enterprises Limited	NI603937	Non-charity	100% Shareholder

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured.

Income represents the total value of grants received and receivable as well as other income arising from other operating and fundraising activities during the year.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred

Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

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Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Some expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading activities.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Taxation

During the current year the company has only been involved in charitable activities in furtherance of its charitable objects and is not liable to Income Tax or Corporation Tax.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and are subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment	- 25%	straight line
Fittings fixtures and equipment	- 25%	straight line

If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of tangible assets, the depreciation is revised prospectively to reflect the new estimates.

Impairment

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

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Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the company will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised using the accrual model and the performance model.

Under the accrual model, government grants relating to revenue are recognised on a systematic basis over the periods in which the company recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. Grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs are recognised in income in the period in which it becomes receivable.

Under the performance model, where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the company, 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.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

3. Limited by guarantee

Foyle Women's Aid is a registered charity limited by guarantee without a share capital.

NI Charity Commission Reference Number: NIC103223

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4. Funds

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|------------------------------|---|
| Unrestricted Revenue Funds - | comprise those revenue funds which the management committee are free to use in accordance with the company objectives. |
| Restricted Revenue Funds - | comprise those revenue funds which have been given for particular purposes and projects. |
| Unrestricted Capital Funds - | comprise those net assets which the trust is able to apply freely in pursuit of its own charitable objectives and related purposes. |
| Restricted Capital Funds - | comprise those net assets which at the end of the accounting period have specific grant and other conditions restricting either their use or their disposability for defined periods. |
| Designated Funds - | comprise of unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. |

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5. Income	Group		Charity	
	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £
Incoming from charitable activities				
<i>Grants</i>				
NIHE-Supporting people grant	458,289	446,204	458,289	446,204
NIHE-Housing benefit	246,017	177,705	246,017	177,705
NIHE-Floating support grant	284,304	274,601	284,304	274,601
WH SCT	60,214	57,325	60,214	57,325
BBC Children in Need	9,810	10,310	9,810	10,310
Education Authority	6,000	-	6,000	-
Enkalon Foundation	-	13,000	-	13,000
PBNI - Community (Ivan)	825	300	825	300
PBNI - Partner Support Worker (JS)	9,500	10,750	9,500	10,750
Comic Relief	13,000	36,693	13,000	36,693
The Pathway Fund	17,931	17,803	17,931	17,803
The Clear Project	5,000	-	5,000	-
NIHE-Tenancy Programme	-	13,367	-	13,367
Cash for Kids 2020	-	4,375	-	4,375
Southall Black Sisters Project	95,637	114,688	95,637	114,688
PIF (Provider Innovation Fund)	-	9,354	-	9,354
Steel Charitable Trust	-	19,513	-	19,513
Kids out UK	600	750	600	750
DOH SPPG	2,000	-	2,000	-
DFC	3,502	3,144	3,502	3,144
Childcare Partnership Regional	800	-	800	-
National lottery	10,000	-	10,000	-
All State Funding	28,500	15,031	28,500	15,031
Land Aid	-	1,100	-	1,100
Room hire	375	-	375	-
Service charges income	9,703	9,187	9,703	9,187
Other income	6,253	10,879	6,253	10,879
Total	1,268,260	1,246,079	1,268,260	1,246,079

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	Group		Charity	
	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £
Income from Donations and Legacies				
Donations received	111	300	111	300
Total	111	300	111	300
Investment Income				
Bank interest received	-	12	-	12
Total	-	12	-	12
	Group		Charity	
	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £
Incoming from charitable activities				
Room hire	840	-	840	-
Rental income	34,092	-	34,092	-
Other income	4,678	13,829	4,678	13,829
<i>Grants</i>				
NWDO-tampon tax	-	3,500	-	3,500
PBNI - Perpetrator programme	-	2,948	-	2,948
Dress for Success - Various Projects	-	3,143	-	3,143
NIHE - FJC	-	52,968	-	52,968
All State Funding	-	10,714	-	10,714
Land Aid	-	50,000	-	50,000
Homeless Connect	-	1,932	-	1,932
Power NI - FJC opening	-	1,000	-	1,000
PSNI - FJC	-	1,056	-	1,056
TWN	-	11,639	-	11,639
Total	39,610	152,729	39,610	152,729

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Income from Donations and Legacies

Donations received	25,379	25,821	25,379	25,821
Total	25,379	25,821	25,379	25,821

Investment income

Bank interest received	841	161	841	161
Total	841	161	841	161

Other trading activities

Cafe sales	1,897	-	1,897	-
Total	1,897	-	1,897	-

6. Expenditure

	Group 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2024 £	Charity 2023 £
Expenditure on other trading activities				
Cafe purchases	2,219	-	2,219	-
Cafe supplies & renewals	4,905	-	4,905	-
	7,124	-	7,124	-

Expenditure on other trading activities was £7,124 (31 March 2023 - £Nil) of which £7,124 (31 March 2023 - £Nil) was unrestricted and £Nil (31 March 2023 - £Nil) was restricted.

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Expenditure on charitable activities				
Wages and salaries	656,866	723,295	656,866	719,046
Employer's social security contributions	61,684	69,643	61,684	69,538
Staff pension - defined contribution	64,203	58,545	64,203	58,339
Staff training	616	4,241	616	4,241
Employee expenses	34,763	25,807	34,763	25,807
Grants payable	44,910	73,006	44,910	73,006
HR support	-	138	-	138
Recruitment expenses	2,389	2,227	2,389	2,227
Rent payable	124,696	41,371	124,696	41,371
Rates	538	813	538	813
Insurance	8,380	14,526	8,380	14,526
Light and heat	53,260	48,097	53,260	48,097
Cleaning	18,661	14,177	18,661	14,177
Accommodation misc expenses	17,771	10,732	17,771	10,732
Repairs and maintenance	30,499	12,942	30,499	12,942
Conferences & course notes	3,798	-	3,798	-
Printing, postage and stationery	4,393	7,105	4,393	7,105
Advertising & marketing	-	827	-	827
Telephone	30,429	25,325	30,429	25,325
Computer costs	31,371	37,611	31,371	36,959
Motor expenses	3,932	3,312	3,932	3,312
Pathways expenses	-	12,410	-	12,410
Client expenses	23,823	19,016	23,823	19,016
DFS expenses	4,065	10,102	4,065	10,102
Travelling and entertainment	8,757	6,179	8,757	6,179
Legal and professional	19,572	15,847	19,572	15,847
Bank charges	1,044	938	816	746
Credit card charges	22	20	22	20
Bad debts	16,298	417	16,298	417
Subscriptions	9,322	13,482	9,322	12,881
Depreciation of tangible assets	116,629	47,498	116,629	47,498
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	-	-	-	-
Bank interest paid	33,660	19,127	33,660	19,127
Other interest received	(4)	-	(4)	-
Total	1,426,347	1,318,776	1,426,119	1,312,771

Expenditure on charitable activities was £1,318,776 (2023 - £1,318,776) of which £125,967 was unrestricted (2023 - £68,833) and £1,300,380 restricted (2023 - £1,249,943).

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7. Expenditure	Group 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2024 £	Charity 2023 £
Expenditure on raising funds				
Accountancy fees	4,884	3,540	3,544	3,540
Auditors remuneration	7,360	8,843	7,360	7,140
Interest on overdue taxation	4	-	4	-
Total	<u>12,248</u>	<u>12,383</u>	<u>10,908</u>	<u>10,680</u>

Expenditure on raising funds was £12,248 (2023 - £12,383) of which a credit of £1,344 was unrestricted (2023 - £269) and £10,904 restricted (2023 - £12,652).

8. Operating (expenditure)/income	Group 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2024 £	Charity 2023 £
Depreciation of tangible assets	116,629	47,498	116,629	47,498
Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements	<u>7,360</u>	<u>8,843</u>	<u>7,360</u>	<u>8,843</u>

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9. Staff costs

The average number of persons employed by the charity company during the year, including the trustees was 26 (2023: 28).

The aggregate payroll costs incurred during the year were:

	Year ended	Year ended
	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	656,866	723,295
Social security costs	61,684	69,643
Other pension costs	64,203	58,545
	<u>782,753</u>	<u>851,483</u>

One employee had employee benefits totalling between £80,000 and £90,000 (2023 - one between £60,000 and £70,000).

The charity trustees were not paid or received any other benefits from employment with the company in the year, neither were they re-imbursed expenses during the year. No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity.

The key management personnel of the charity company comprise the Trustees, the Chief Executive and the Financial Controller. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the company were £151,692 for the year to 31 March 2024 (2023: £134,058)

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10 Avert Enterprises Limited

The wholly owned subsidiary Avert Enterprises Limited is incorporated in Northern Ireland (company number NI603937). Avert Enterprises Limited is involved in projects or services to provide training and therapy services complimentary to the charitable objects of its parent charity, Foyle Women's Aid. A summary of the financial results is shown below.

The summary financial performance of the subsidiary alone is:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Expenditure	(1,568)	(7,709)
Net (outgoing) resources for the year	(1,568)	(7,709)
The assets and liabilities of the subsidiary were:		
Fixed assets	-	-
Current Assets	36,959	36,537
Current liabilities	(48,886)	(46,896)
Long term liabilities	-	-
Net assets/(liabilities)	(11,927)	(10,359)
Total Company Funds	(11,927)	(10,359)

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11. Tangible assets - Group

	Freehold and leasehold properties £	Office Equipm't £	Fixtures & fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Property fixtures & fittings £	Total £
Cost						
At 1 April 2023	2,892,536	94,241	436,702	28,794	8,931	3,461,204
Additions	15,436	6,343	25,364	-	-	47,143
At 31 March 2024	2,907,972	100,584	462,066	28,794	8,931	3,508,347
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2023	471,974	84,601	259,401	11,278	8,405	835,659
Charge for the year	57,788	6,364	46,268	5,759	450	116,629
At 31 March 2024	529,762	90,965	305,669	17,037	8,855	952,288
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2024	2,378,210	9,619	156,397	11,757	76	2,556,059
At 31 March 2023	2,420,562	9,640	177,301	17,516	526	2,625,546

11. Tangible assets - Charity

	Freehold and leasehold properties £	Office Equipment £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Property fixtures & fittings £	Total £
Cost						
At 1 April 2023	2,892,536	94,241	433,260	28,794	8,931	3,457,762
Additions	15,436	6,343	25,364	-	-	47,143
At 31 March 2024	2,907,972	100,584	458,624	28,794	8,931	3,504,905
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2023	471,974	84,601	255,959	11,278	8,405	832,217
Charge for the year	57,788	6,364	46,268	5,759	450	116,629
At 31 March 2024	529,762	90,965	302,227	17,037	8,855	948,846
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2024	2,378,210	9,619	156,397	11,757	76	2,556,059
At 31 March 2023	2,420,562	9,640	177,301	17,516	526	2,625,545

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12. Investments

The charity holds 34,001 ordinary shares of £1 each in the wholly owned subsidiary Avert Enterprises Limited. These are the only shares allotted, called up and fully paid. This subsidiary company is incorporated in Northern Ireland. The financial results for this company are summarised in note 10.

13. Debtors

	Group		Charity	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	71,426	71,403	71,426	71,403
Prepayments and accrued income	11,425	11,662	11,425	11,662
Other debtors	45,796	96,790	89,192	133,173
	<u>128,647</u>	<u>179,855</u>	<u>172,043</u>	<u>216,238</u>

14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Charity	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	41,182	41,405	41,182	41,405
Trade creditors	70,097	12,619	70,097	12,619
Accruals and deferred income	10,706	41,745	8,066	40,042
Social security and other taxes	-	8,390	3,564	14,723
Other creditors	25,295	24,162	26,283	25,150
	<u>147,280</u>	<u>128,321</u>	<u>149,192</u>	<u>133,939</u>

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

	Group		Charity	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Other creditors	379,679	387,023	379,679	387,022
	<u>379,679</u>	<u>387,023</u>	<u>379,679</u>	<u>387,022</u>

16. Employee benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in profit or loss in relation to defined contribution plans was £64,203 (2023: £58,545).

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17. Analysis of charitable funds

	At 1 April 2023	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
Analysis of movements in group unrestricted funds					
General Fund	951,089	67,727	(134,435)	20,613	904,994
Designated Fund	130,600	-	-	-	130,600
	<u>1,081,689</u>	<u>67,727</u>	<u>(134,435)</u>	<u>20,613</u>	<u>1,035,594</u>
Analysis of movements in charity unrestricted funds					
General Fund	995,447	67,727	(132,867)	20,613	950,920
Designated Fund	130,600	-	-	-	130,600
	<u>1,126,047</u>	<u>67,727</u>	<u>(132,867)</u>	<u>20,613</u>	<u>1,081,520</u>
Analysis of movements in group restricted funds					
Restricted Fund	220,294	1,268,371	(1,311,284)	(51,734)	125,647
Restricted Capital Fund	1,330,067	-	-	31,121	1,361,188
	<u>1,550,361</u>	<u>1,268,371</u>	<u>(1,311,284)</u>	<u>(20,613)</u>	<u>1,486,835</u>
Analysis of movements in charity restricted funds					
Restricted Funds					
Restricted Fund	220,294	1,268,371	(1,311,284)	(51,734)	125,647
Restricted Capital Funds	1,330,067	-	-	31,121	1,361,188
Total Charity Restricted Funds	<u>1,550,361</u>	<u>1,268,371</u>	<u>(1,311,284)</u>	<u>(20,613)</u>	<u>1,486,835</u>

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18. Net Assets by Funds - Group

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Restricted Capital Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Tangible assets	1,194,871	-	1,361,188	2,556,059	2,625,545
Current assets	367,682	125,647	-	493,329	521,848
Creditors: due within one year	(147,280)	-	-	(147,280)	(128,321)
Creditors: due more than one year	(379,679)	-	-	(379,679)	(387,023)
Net assets	<u>1,035,594</u>	<u>125,647</u>	<u>1,361,188</u>	<u>2,522,429</u>	<u>2,632,049</u>

19. Analysis of changes in net debt

Group changes in cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2023 £	Cash flows £	At 31 March 2024 £
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>341,993</u>	<u>22,689</u>	<u>364,682</u>

Charity changes in cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2023 £	Cash flows £	At 31 March 2024 £
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>321,586</u>	<u>13,539</u>	<u>335,125</u>

20. Contingent assets and liabilities

During the years ended 31st March 2018, 2019 and 2020, Foyle Women's Aid has incurred additional salary costs in pursuit of its overall charitable objectives which are included in the accounts as a charitable activities expense. The charity has made certain efficiencies in its operations in the current year to absorb these ongoing costs. However, these historical costs are to be grant funded by one of the company's main funders, but the timing of the receipt of these incoming resources is not certain and outside the control of the charity.

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21. Related party transactions

During the year the parent company entered into the following transactions with related parties:

	Transaction value		Balance owed by/(owed to)	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Wholly owned subsidiaries	1,053	24,490	47,235	46,182

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Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the consolidated financial statements of the Charity and its subsidiary for the year ending 31 March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act (NI) 2008, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (NI) 2015, Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019.)

Structure, Governance and Management:

Foyle Women's Aid is a registered charity with Northern Ireland Charity Commission, NIC 103223, and a company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland, NI23041. The organisation was founded in 1975 and in 1989 was established under Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. We are also members of the Women's Aid Federation Northern Ireland (WAFNI) and a representative from our management committee is invited to sit on the WAFNI board. This promotes effective communication across the organisation and ensures a regional commitment and joined up approach to managing the strategic direction for Women's Aid in Northern Ireland.

Directors and trustees

The Directors of the company, as at the year-end are listed at the front of this report, are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the Company's Articles are known as members of the Management Committee. The Board comprises of six members who meet every month and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors are elected to serve for a period of 3 years, after which they must be re-elected at the following AGM. The Director's liability is limited by guarantee. The chair and Vice Chair are appointed from within the board and can remain in office for 3 years although they are reappointed annually at the AGM.

The trustees during the year and at the 31 March 2024 were as follows:

Ms Eileen Webster
Ms Jacinta McCool
Ms Suzie McAneney
Ms Karen Breslin

Ms Catherine McMinn (Resigned 01 June 2024)
Ms Karen O'Leary
Ms Amanda Biega

Objects and Activities

The Charity's objects are specifically restricted to the following:

- a) To relieve distress and suffering by the provision of safe temporary accommodation for women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents who are, or have been, experiencing domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse;
- b) To relieve distress and suffering experienced by women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents by providing and/or promoting a range of support services such as information, advice centres, confidential services, counselling, outreach, court support, training and advocacy;
- c) To relieve those in need by the provision of information and advice for those affected by domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse and referral to relevant support agencies;

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d) to advance education on violence against women and girls, including trafficking and exploitation, and its effects, and to relieve those in need by promoting its prevention and the protection of those affected;

e) To advance education on domestic, sexual and gender based violence and abuse and their effects, and to advocate for and to relieve those in need by promoting their prevention and the protection of those affected;

f) to advance women's and children's human rights and gender equality to relieve suffering and distress caused by violence emanating from the violation, impairment or nullification of enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Foyle Women's Aid Activities - core services and activities:

Foyle Women's Aid provide a range of accommodation and support services to women and children who have experienced, or are at risk of domestic abuse. Our core services are:

Support:

- Emergency, secure, temporary housing;
- Community based Floating Support Services;
- Practical and emotional support;
- Dedicated childcare unit and specialist provision for children from birth to 18 years old;
- Support for victims of men undergoing domestic violence perpetrator programmes.

Prevention:

- Specialist and generic education & training programmes for sexual & domestic violence survivors of all ages.
- The oversight of the Family Justice Centre, which will house a wide range of expert agencies providing information support and services to all sexual and domestic violence survivors.
- Collaboration with others to deliver and monitor the impact of the perpetrator programme.
- Collaboration with other partners locally, regionally, and internationally, and participate in initiatives to address needs, improve outcomes, and improve safety of all victims.
- We will continue to work with probation, supporting victims whilst they challenge and treat perpetrators of domestic violence in the area.

Protection & Justice:

- Supporting women who engage with the Criminal Justice System, including Court, meeting with Solicitors, PSNI, MARAC and agreed initiative related to domestic violence.
- Offering information and support to victims and their families and signposting them to other partner support services on site and off site of the Family Justice Centre.

During the year ended 31 March 2024 Foyle Women's Aid continued to provide a range of services including: Residential Services, Resettlement, Floating Support Service, Safety Planning, Specialised Group Work, Criminal Justice Support, Children's Services, Training, Information, Policy Development, Court Support, Dress For Success and Volunteer Management.

Achievements and Performance:

Foyle Women's Aid once again continued in the delivery of exceeded targets despite all ongoing challenges, whilst the very committed staff team achieved these targets it was a struggle, and we continue to have waiting lists for support services. We experienced a twelve percent turnover of staff whilst this is not a high figure by any means but any staff shortages at all are an added pressure when demand for services is so high. We have remained committed to a high-quality provision and we continue to raise the need for additional funding resources with Supporting people and WHSST. The adult and children's services also continue to plan for inspections and Quality Assurance Frameworks for both the WHSST and Supporting People we are look forward to demonstrating the detail volume and quality of the work carried out in the Foyle Group.

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We experienced a continuing upward trend in referrals, in total, 932 referrals were received, 801 women were supported during the year, 7924 support sessions took place, 90 Women completed the Journey to Freedom programme, 246 women were supported by other agencies and 24 high-risk cases were referred to MARAC.

The board and managers continue to place the families we work with of high importance and ensure that it is clearly reflected across the crucial support services provided. We are experiencing increasing demand and complexity of the work has increased whilst we are seeing other statutory services contracting. We are confident that the development of the Family Justice Centre and the achievements to date have contributed to our pledge to increase need and improve the delivery of joined up services for all service users. We will continue to advocate lobby and campaign to address the many gaps and barriers that hinder access to justice right to life protected and equality for high-risk victims of crime.

We were very proud to finally launch the research on strangulation in the University of Ulster Magee campus. This research commissioned by the Foyle group and the Department of Justice has provided the first factual insight of the position in NI and provided us with solid evidence and recommendations to move forward. We are very grateful to Alyson Kilpatrick, Human Rights Commissioner, who carried out the work, and we would also like to thank Judge Barney McElholm, the Patron of the Family Justice Centre, who worked with our task team and within the judiciary to raise awareness of support training for the judiciary and the first strangulation training to be delivered across a range of disciplines in NI.

It is also important to acknowledge the staff who give their all in a range of high demand positions so we as management took steps to increase staff support and enhance their wellbeing and recognise and acknowledge their ongoing commitment to the organisation.

We continue to raise this issue of inequality of financial recourses for the extended services delivered at our yearly Supporting People at the yearly contract meetings and the WHSST.

As always much of our campaigning work involves working with media and highlighting key topics that impact on women's lives. This year was no exception as we raised on need for action on the consistently high levels of homicide of women. The homelessness crisis and its impact on women experiencing domestic abuse. We worked with the BBC's Mandy McCauley to raise awareness of high numbers of women suffering abuse who have suicidal ideology or took their own lives. We would like to thank all the women who came forward to share their lived experiences in the hope that those in positions of power learn and use their positions in power take appropriate action so that others coming behind them don't experience the same human rights violations or inequalities.

Review of Activities in the past year

Cafe Central

We were delighted to begin our new financial year with the very successful launch of the Café Central. Not long after we opened, we had a review of the café in the Irish news that praised the food, decor and friendly service. The café less than a year on has transitioned into a lovely welcoming hub on the street and has already become a key space that we can utilise after hours for client activities as it was designed to do. We were delighted to welcome and serve our local community who have always been so supportive and generous to the services. John and staff are already adept at welcoming giving direction and support to tourists and of course we have even welcomed a few celebrities that have delighted our Facebook followers.

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Children and Young People's Services

2023-24 was a busy year for all the services within the Creche and POD15.

We have received our report from The Early year's inspection that took place on the 22nd of February, we are delighted to share that we have received no requirement for compliance or recommendations for improved in this inspected area of Quality of the physical environment and monitoring and evaluations. We are also inspected every year on safeguarding and child protection.

On the 26th of October POD15 held our very first Christmas toy pop-up shop in Pump Street. This was a great success; we managed to support 47 families with a total of 70 children a great head start on Christmas and avoid women getting into debt.

We hosted a magical Christmas experience for all services users to attend at Ashleywood we lit up the tree of Hope and had a night of fun and celebrations.

Completion of our annual WHSCT audit took place with no recommendations for improvement.

We have had an area in our outdoor play space resurfaced to allow for a more child friendly safe space for all to enjoy. Crèche continued five days per week at POD15, we also offered a city side crèche for 12 weeks every Friday at the Foyle Family Contact Centre to support women's attending the Journey to Freedom program.

132 new referrals were received and actioned for children and young people with 101 children and young people supported. 342 sessions took place between April and March and a total of 873 hours of direct work delivered. We delivered 78 KidsOut toy packs to both residential and community families at Christmas and 24 children who lived in residential services during the Christmas period received Christmas eve packs. 9 women and 11 children attended our Christmas Eve breakfast at POD15, each service user including children left with a gift. Derry City & Strabane District Council leisure centres donated many easter eggs at Easter which we then distributed to both community and residential clients. 25 children completed the Helping Hands Program at POD15 and we facilitated 9 Stay and Play session with Mums including Well baby clinics with linked health visitor.

Accommodation

2023/2024 was a busy year for our Accommodation and Community Support Services with increased referrals and multiple pressures on families coming forward for help. The impact of increased cost of living was evident with many women not having enough money to cover even the basics such as food and clothes. Financial abuse, delays in awarding benefits and higher food and fuel costs left many families facing poverty. Support staff were able to access over 40 food bank parcels for clients during the year and support women and children due to generous donations from the public and corporate funders.

This year also saw an increase in clients with mental ill health, including anxiety, depression and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Figures show that 67% of women coming into service suffered with mental health ill-health and 25% had a drugs or alcohol addiction. Foyle Women's Aid continued to work with other agencies to raise awareness of the links between domestic violence and mental health and to support in place for women who need a multi-agency involvement in their recovery.

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The further criminalization of patterns of abusive behaviour with the introduction of two pieces of legislation, the Domestic Abuse & Civil Proceedings Act (NI) 2021, which came into force in February 2022 and the introduction of a new offence of Non-Fatal Strangulation on June 26, 2023, has increased the legal redress available to victims. Increased awareness that coercive control and Non-Fatal Strangulation are now crimes that attract substantial sentences has led to an increase in women coming forward reporting that they have experienced this type of abuse. Non-Fatal Strangulation, which is now internationally recognised as a red flag for escalating violence in intimate partner relationships, and a possible indicator for future risk of murder or attempted murder was very prevalent among our client group this year. A lot of work was carried out by staff highlighting the risk of non-fatal strangulation and supporting women to report these crimes which could see attackers jailed for up to 14 years.

Despite new challenges and pressure, the support team have worked hard to keep over 800 women safe and supported this year as they recover from trauma and rebuild their lives. Many of these women are now living safe and independent lives in the community.

Southall Black Sisters Partnership

Foyle Women's Aid continued to meet its target in Year 2 of the Home Office pilot project to provide practical and emotional support to migrant victims of domestic abuse, in conjunction with Southall Black Sisters. This year has seen an increase in referrals from across Northern Ireland, evidence of our work in promoting the scheme and engaging with our colleagues in the other Women's Aid Groups.

Good working relationships with other organisations including NIHE, NI Migrant's forum, local women's groups, and community organisations has ensured continued information about funding and supports available to support BAME clients. Outcomes for clients this year have included access to safe accommodation, information and support to access healthcare, signposting to immigration and legal advice and ongoing one to one support. Challenges this year included resourcing issues related to limited access to solicitors that specialise in immigration law. New staff involved with overseeing the Southall Black Sisters programme this year, further developed the initiative, participated in specialised training, and continued to build networks and liaise with internal and external groups to promote both the services available and challenges face by migrant victim of abuse.

Promoting Positive Relationships Programme

Foyle Women's Aid support team continued to provide the Partner Support Service for the perpetrator programmes facilitated by the Probation Service of Northern Ireland in partnership with the Western Health and Social Care Trust. Nine women whose partners or ex partners were attending the programme were supported by Foyle Women's Aid.

Dress for Success

Dress for Success key highlights and successes throughout the year are detailed below.

In the summer we secured £10k funding from 'The Community Fund's Awards for All', to deliver Survive & Thrive, co-created with a focus group of Transit Forward participants from the first quarter of 2023. It is a 10-month programme which delivers one activity per month with a focus on socialising, empowerment, employability and financial wellbeing. It has been attended by a steady group of 8-10 women and wraps up in June with a celebratory lunch.

September to October was a busy month, we partnered with the Belfast Met to deliver a 'Women Returners' style session, the session included 'what to wear for interview' as well as being provided with a full interview outfit to get them started on their course work placements. We were also invited to deliver a series of sessions to Year 13 students in St Cecilia's College as part of their enrichment programme. Volunteer from Allstate NI, Garreth Harvey supported the delivery of the sessions discussing growth mindset and personal brand.

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In the New year, with the support of a student placement and volunteers we set up a Vinted Page selling clothes online, so far generating almost £400 in sales.

In February we partnered with Café Central and Derry City and Strabane District Council to develop a Hospitality Academy via the Labour Market Partnership. Craft NI won the tender to deliver the programme which provided seven women a safe space to train as they overcome barriers from lack of opportunity. Over 8 weeks they completed qualifications and work experience in hospitality to give them a start at a fulfilling career and guidance in building towards a positive future.

The Allstate Foundation have funded the development and delivery of a Financial Wellbeing Programme for women. Sarah has completed a City & Guilds accredited course, delivered by Map's, that supports the Foundation attributes of the Money Guidance Competency Framework. The programme covers knowledge required to deliver non-regulated, impartial guidance on money management and financial wellbeing. A series of Financial Wellbeing workshops will be delivered from May 2024.

We were delighted to work with Causeway and Mid Ulster Women's Aid to develop a bespoke employability programme as part of their Star Fish Programme. Weekly sessions were delivered over 6 weeks focusing on boosting confidence to return to work.

Financial Review:

To achieve its targets of assisting those in need the Trust must continue to maintain and strengthen its financial position. To this end the Trust can report that this year it has produced adequate resources.

Consolidated Accounts: Foyle Women's Aid (including its subsidiary company) have posted a net expenditure in funds of £109,621 for the year to 31 March 2024 (31 March 2023: net income £93,942). Total funds carried forward as at 31 March 2024 now stand at £2,522,429 (31 March 2023: £2,632,050).

Foyle Women's Aid (parent charity) have posted a net expenditure in funds of £108,053 for the year to 31 March 2024 (31 March 2023: net income £101,650). Total funds carried forward as at 31 March 2024 now stand at £2,568,355 (31 March 2023: £2,676,408).

Restricted funds (including restricted capital funds) for the group comprise £1,486,835 as at 31 March 2024 (31 March 2023: £1,550,361), with unrestricted funds comprising £1,035,594 as at 31 March 2024 (31 March 2023: £1,081,689).

Plans for future:

Going forward our key priorities for the incoming year will be the following:

- We will continue to successfully lead in the provision of a range of domestic and sexual abuse services to women and children and young people across the Foyle area including; Derry/Londonderry, Strabane and Limavady districts.
- We will continue to work with the Foyle Women's Aid board and our stakeholders to implement our strategy for the next four years.
- We will work with the Family Justice Centre Board and our interagency partners, to implement the targets of the first One Safe Place strategy.
- We will continue to develop our services in line with need and demand, and in partnership with all our service users, our funders and in line with our own and departmental strategies.

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- We will continue to consolidate on the progress made in the Dress for Success project and expand the activities and training to support service users into employment and economic independence.
- We will continue to review and develop our policies and procedures in line with expansion into new services and good governance.
- We will work with our architect to oversee the refurbishment our current Pathways building to house the extended services planned.
- We will continue to work within the Family Justice Centre on further development of collaborative and progressive partnerships working to tackle the silo mentality and barriers to support high risk victims of
- We will continue to meet with our interagency stakeholders to successfully complete the comprehensive targets and plans for an integrated service.
- We continue to work with APEX and Supporting People to agree and implement the management agreement and internal structure to support the new accommodation provision and address homelessness.
- Having successfully achieved our target to have a successful opening Cafe Central. We will work with the staff and costumers to continue to deliver on good quality food and service. This project was created to increase opportunity to promote ethical giving and choice. We will continue to develop this social economy space to enhance incomes to victim services and we will carry out activities that will further support survivors of abuse.
- We will continue to work as a management partner with Belfast and Lisburn Women's Aid and Men's Advisory Project to support and manage ASSIST NI and pursue development opportunities to increase our reach to all victims including children.
- We will launch the Camp Hope project in April 2025. We will work with our interagency partners to the implementation of the Camp plan Evaluation across all our projects.
- We will continue to grow and develop the Voices Forums for both women and young people to inform local and regional policy in Northern Ireland.
- We will continue to work regionally with other Women's Aid groups the executive Derry and Strabane council and other key partners to support and inform the EVAWAG and strengthen regional services for victims and advisors of abuse in Northern Ireland.
- We will strengthen relationships with the Southall Black Sisters project and work together and in tandem with the Executive Office and other key agencies under the (EVAWG) to deliver improved joined up services for BAME communities in Northern Ireland.

Reserves policy

Foyle Women's Aid aims to maintain 6 months reserves to enable us to manage financial risk and deliver on our commitments. Our reserves policy is to ensure that there is no disruption to our services at short notice, due to lack of funds, an unforeseen reduction in income or an increase in expenditure, while at the same time ensuring that reserves are no higher than necessary and not retained for longer than required. This gives time in the event of a drop in funding to seek alternative funds, restructure and cut costs whilst continuing to provide current services.

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The Trustees assess the risks Foyle Women's Aid could be exposed to, and the appropriate level of reserves that we should maintain. The current assessment of the target range of free reserves funds that are freely available to be used for our general charitable purposes - held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months' expenditure. This decision is considered to reflect the organisational needs and has been determined by taking account of the strategic plan, operating budgets and known commitments and liabilities. The actual levels of reserves are reviewed regularly, and if the level looked likely to move significantly outside the target range, action would be taken to bring it back in line with the target.

The total unrestricted reserves of the group for 2023/2024 are £1,035,594 (2022/23: £1,081,689). In assessing our level of free reserves, we exclude the designated funds of £130,600 (2022/23: £130,600), held in unrestricted funds, which leaves free reserves of £904,994 (2022/23: £951,089).

The unrestricted reserves are further analysed in note 18 to these financial statements. This analysis note shows that a significant component of the free reserves are held as tangible fixed assets, such as property and equipment. The free reserves held as current assets, totalling £367,682 at 31st March 2024 consists of both bank balances and debtor balances. These free reserves of £367,682 are required to be held to cover other short-term liabilities and as an ongoing working capital facility for the organisation.

Given the ongoing uncertainties that our organisation faces, our future plans are to maintain our levels of general reserves to meet the working capital requirements of the organisation. The Trustees are confident that, at this level, there are sufficient reserves held at the year end to enable it to continue to further its aims and goals in the event of a significant drop in funding and they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity for the foreseeable future.

Designated funds (unrestricted) for the group - are those unrestricted funds that have been allocated by the Trustees for particular purposes. The designated funds for Redundancy of which £50,000 (2022/23: £50,000) has been ring fenced to cover any/all potential redundancies should core funding cease.

Restricted funds for the group - These funds are tied to particular purposes, specific areas or activities, as specified by the donor, or as identified at the time of receiving the funds. At 31 March 2024, restricted funds were £1,486,835 (2023: £1,550,361).

The Trustees believe that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to successfully manage operational and financial risk. The Board therefore considers there is a reasonable expectation that the organisation has adequate resources to continue our core work for the foreseeable future. Whilst the current economic and public sector funding situation is expected to remain challenging for some time to come, Foyle Women's Aid has had a good track record over the years of being able to maintain income as we deliver valued and cost-effective services.

Risk management

The Directors have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced, so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. Committees, where appropriate, have been established to cover all risk areas and these committees report regularly to the Board of Directors.

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Principal Risks & Uncertainties:

Risk Policy and Internal Control Framework:

Foyle Women's Aid has established a risk management process, which will ensure that the organisation manages and mitigates risk in line with the agreed risk of the organisation. The Risk Analysis Matrix and the Risk Register are regularly reviewed and thoroughly assessed and takes account of uncertainty, the nature of that uncertainty and how it can be addressed. Having primary responsibility for risk management, the Board regularly consider the main strategic, business and operational risks facing the organisation. The Directors confirm effective controls and reporting systems are in place to lessen these risks.

Information Security and Continuity:

At all times Foyle Women's Aid strives to ensure that we operate a secure environment in relation to data security. We are dependent on IT and communication systems for processing and storing data. To prevent disruption to operations due to damage to systems or unauthorised access to data, Foyle Women's Aid has developed robust information security and data recovery measures.

Compliance and regulation:

Significant damage to Foyle Women's Aid's reputation could be caused due to non-compliance with laws, regulations or codes of best practice. Foyle Women's Aid implements well established policies and procedures and adheres to the sector's recommended codes of practice (such as the Statement of Recommended Practices -SORP) to ensure compliance with applicable regulatory and legal standards.

Environmental and External Risks:

Foyle Women's Aid monitors the external environment in order to anticipate political, social or economic risks, so that plans can be put in place to minimise any negative impact on organisational activities or the reputation of the organisation. We have robust procedures to assess and implement effective measures to reduce the likelihood and the potential impact of risks occurring.

We have confidence in the need for our support services, the effectiveness in our approach and the backing of our partners and we will endeavour to make every effort to continue to provide sustainable, responsive, high quality and effective services that meet the needs of women and children living with domestic violence. We will continue to negotiate with government departments to extend their commitment to ensure that our core work can effectively continue and secure the sustainability of all our projects.

Related Parties

Foyle Women's Aid has an investment in Avert Enterprises Limited (a trading organisation). They are related parties by virtue of the fact that Foyle Women's Aid is the sole shareholder in Avert Enterprises Limited.

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Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Foyle Women's Aid for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors 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 income and expenditure of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- state whether applicable UK 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 company will continue in business.

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

In so far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

Fergus McAteer & Co. are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

By Order of the Board

E. Webster

Ms Eileen Webster
Director
23 January 2025

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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Foyle Women's Aid for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, Company Statement of Financial Activities, Consolidated Balance Sheet, Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of the group loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the 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 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 other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. 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 there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

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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 Trustee's report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Trustee's report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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 the returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustee's remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; and
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustee's report and take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the trustees 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 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 company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Identifying and assessing potential risks related to irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations we considered the following:

- the nature of the industry and sector and control environment.
- the legal and regulatory framework applicable.
- the results of our enquiries of management and other key persons about their own identification and assessment of the risks and irregularities.

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- the Charity own policies and procedures on compliance with laws and regulations including any instances of non-compliance.

Audit response to risk identified:

As a result of performing the above we identified and performed the following procedures:

- enquiry of management, those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- enquiry of entity staff in compliance functions to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. we also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity'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 charity'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 charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Fergus McAteer & Co

Conor McAteer (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of
Fergus McAteer & Co., Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
31/33 Clarendon Street
Derry
BT48 7ER



23 January 2025

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Legal and Administrative Information

Status :

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, and is recognised as a charity by Northern Ireland Charity Commission. The governing document is the Articles of Association, updated and adopted in December 2016.

Trustees :

Ms Eileen Webster (Chairperson)
Ms Catherine McMinn (Treasurer)
Ms Jacinta McCool (Assistant Treasurer)
Ms Karen O'Leary
Ms Suzie McAneney (Appointed 13 April 2022)
Ms Amanda Biega (Appointed 17 August 2022)
Ms Karen Breslin (Appointed 17 August 2022)

Company Secretary :

Marie Brown

Auditors & Accountants :

Fergus McAteer & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors
31/33 Clarendon Street
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BT48 7ER

Main Bankers :

Danske Bank
6 Shipquay Place
Derry

Registered Office :

24 Pump Street
Derry
BT48 6JG

NI Charity Commission Reference No:

NIC103223

Company Number :

NI023041

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**Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2023 £	Totals 2022 £
Income:					
Income from charitable activities	5	152,728	1,246,079	1,398,807	2,183,256
Income from Donations and Legacies	5	25,821	300	26,121	21,816
Investment income	5	161	12	173	9
Total		<u>178,710</u>	<u>1,246,391</u>	<u>1,425,101</u>	<u>2,205,081</u>
Expenditure:					
Commercial trading operations	6	-	-	-	1
Charitable activities	6	68,833	1,249,943	1,318,776	1,312,987
Raising Funds	7	(269)	12,652	12,383	17,871
Total resources expended		<u>68,564</u>	<u>1,262,595</u>	<u>1,331,159</u>	<u>1,330,859</u>
Net income		110,146	(16,204)	93,942	874,222
Transfers between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		110,146	(16,204)	93,942	874,222
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2022		<u>971,543</u>	<u>1,566,565</u>	<u>2,538,108</u>	<u>1,663,886</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2023		<u>1,081,689</u>	<u>1,550,361</u>	<u>2,632,050</u>	<u>2,538,108</u>

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**Charity Statement of Financial Activities
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2023 £	Totals 2022 £
Income					
Income from charitable activities	5	152,728	1,246,079	1,398,807	2,181,280
Income from Donations and Legacies	5	25,821	300	26,121	20,746
Investment income	5	161	12	173	9
Total		<u>178,710</u>	<u>1,246,391</u>	<u>1,425,101</u>	<u>2,202,035</u>
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	6	62,828	1,249,943	1,312,771	1,304,377
Costs of raising funds	7	(1,972)	12,652	10,680	16,102
Total		<u>60,856</u>	<u>1,262,595</u>	<u>1,323,451</u>	<u>1,320,479</u>
Net income		117,854	(16,204)	101,650	881,556
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		117,854	(16,204)	101,650	881,556
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2022		<u>1,008,193</u>	<u>1,566,565</u>	<u>2,574,758</u>	<u>1,693,202</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2023		<u>1,126,047</u>	<u>1,550,361</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>	<u>2,574,758</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	11	2,625,545	2,545,213	2,625,545	2,545,213
Investments	12	-	-	34,000	34,000
Total fixed assets		<u>2,625,545</u>	<u>2,545,213</u>	<u>2,659,545</u>	<u>2,579,213</u>
Current Assets					
Debtors	13	179,855	198,338	216,238	220,029
Cash at bank and in hand		341,993	247,719	321,586	230,030
Total current assets		<u>521,848</u>	<u>446,057</u>	<u>537,824</u>	<u>450,059</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>128,321</u>	<u>144,088</u>	<u>133,939</u>	<u>145,440</u>
Net current assets		<u>393,527</u>	<u>301,969</u>	<u>403,885</u>	<u>304,619</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>3,019,072</u>	<u>2,847,182</u>	<u>3,063,430</u>	<u>2,883,832</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	15	<u>(387,023)</u>	<u>(309,074)</u>	<u>(387,022)</u>	<u>(309,074)</u>
Net assets		<u>2,632,049</u>	<u>2,538,108</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>	<u>2,574,758</u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted capital funds	17	1,330,067	1,330,067	1,330,067	1,330,067
Restricted funds	17	220,294	236,498	220,294	236,498
Unrestricted funds	17	1,081,688	971,543	1,126,047	1,008,193
Total Charity Funds		<u>2,632,049</u>	<u>2,538,108</u>	<u>2,676,408</u>	<u>2,574,758</u>

These consolidated accounts are prepared in accordance with section 398 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act (NI) 2008 and applicable regulations. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 18 December 2023 and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Ms Catherine McMinn
Director

The attached notes form part of these accounts.

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**Statement of cash flows (continued)
Year ended 31 March 2023**

	Group		Charity	
	2023 £	2022 £	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities				
Profit for the financial year	93,943	874,227	101,650	881,556
<i>Adjustments for:</i>				
Depreciation of tangible assets	47,498	49,088	47,498	48,768
Other interest receivable and similar income	(173)	(9)	(173)	(9)
Interest payable and similar expenses	19,127	17,776	19,127	17,776
Accrued expenses/(income)	(27,849)	27,245	(26,576)	27,185
Rounding	(1)	(3)	(2)	-
<i>Changes in:</i>				
Trade and other debtors	18,483	112,325	3,792	100,081
Trade and other creditors	9,992	(400,425)	12,985	(396,038)
Cash generated from operations	<u>161,020</u>	<u>680,224</u>	<u>158,301</u>	<u>679,319</u>
Interest paid	(19,127)	(17,776)	(19,127)	(17,776)
Interest received	173	9	173	9
Net cash from operating activities	<u>142,066</u>	<u>662,457</u>	<u>139,347</u>	<u>661,552</u>
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchase of tangible assets	(127,830)	(886,599)	(127,830)	(886,599)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(127,830)</u>	<u>(886,599)</u>	<u>(127,830)</u>	<u>(886,599)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from borrowings	80,039	(25,069)	80,039	(25,069)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities	<u>80,039</u>	<u>(25,069)</u>	<u>80,039</u>	<u>(25,069)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents	94,275	(249,211)	91,556	(250,116)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	247,719	496,930	230,030	480,146
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>341,994</u>	<u>247,719</u>	<u>321,586</u>	<u>230,030</u>

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1. General information

The company is a private charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland. The address of the registered office is 24 Pump Street, Derry, BT48 6JG.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

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

Foyle Women's Aid meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Consolidation

The financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly owned subsidiary on a line-by-line basis. The subsidiary company is detailed below.

Subsidiary Name	Company Number	Charity Registration Number	Parent Company Control
Avert Enterprises Limited	NI603937	Non-charity	100% Shareholder

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured.

Income represents the total value of grants received and receivable as well as other income arising from other operating and fundraising activities during the year.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred

Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

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Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Some expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading activities.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Taxation

During the current year the company has only been involved in charitable activities in furtherance of its charitable objects and is not liable to Income Tax or Corporation Tax.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and are subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment	- 25%	straight line
Fittings fixtures and equipment	- 25%	straight line

If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of tangible assets, the depreciation is revised prospectively to reflect the new estimates.

Impairment

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

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Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the company will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised using the accrual model and the performance model.

Under the accrual model, government grants relating to revenue are recognised on a systematic basis over the periods in which the company recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. Grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs are recognised in income in the period in which it becomes receivable.

Under the performance model, where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the company, 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.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

3. Limited by guarantee

Foyle Women's Aid is a registered charity limited by guarantee without a share capital.

NI Charity Commission Reference Number: NIC103223

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4. Funds

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|------------------------------|---|
| Unrestricted Revenue Funds - | comprise those revenue funds which the management committee are free to use in accordance with the company objectives. |
| Restricted Revenue Funds - | comprise those revenue funds which have been given for particular purposes and projects. |
| Unrestricted Capital Funds - | comprise those net assets which the trust is able to apply freely in pursuit of its own charitable objectives and related purposes. |
| Restricted Capital Funds - | comprise those net assets which at the end of the accounting period have specific grant and other conditions restricting either their use or their disposability for defined periods. |
| Designated Funds - | comprise of unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. |

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5. Income	Group		Charity	
	Restricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Restricted Funds
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Incoming from charitable activities				
<i>Grants</i>				
NIHE-Supporting people grant	446,204	415,175	446,204	415,175
NIHE-Housing benefit	177,705	185,146	177,705	185,146
NIHE-Floating support grant	274,601	255,505	274,601	255,505
LandAid - FJC	-	800,000	-	800,000
WH SCT	57,325	65,152	57,325	65,152
BBC Children in Need	10,310	-	10,310	-
Hear her Voice	-	12,000	-	12,000
Education Authority	-	5,920	-	5,920
Victoria Homes - Childcare	-	2,500	-	2,500
Enkalon Foundation	13,000	-	13,000	-
HSC - Childcare	-	2,321	-	2,321
Arnold Clarke - Community Fund	-	1,000	-	1,000
PBNI - Community (Ivan)	300	2,880	300	2,880
PBNI - Partner Support Worker (JS)	10,750	-	10,750	-
Comic Relief	36,693	21,693	36,693	21,693
The Pathway Fund	17,803	17,803	17,803	17,803
NIHE - Special Recognition Payment	-	15,963	-	15,963
NIHE-Tenancy Programme	13,367	-	13,367	-
Tampon Tax DFS	-	(10,000)	-	(10,000)
Strangulation Training	-	6,105	-	6,105
Comic Relief Big Night In	-	18,000	-	18,000
Cash for Kids 2020	4,375	1,755	4,375	1,755
The Clothworkers Foundation	-	26,000	-	26,000
Southall Black Sisters Project	114,688	59,894	114,688	59,894
PIF (Provider Innovation Fund)	9,354	137,468	9,354	137,468
Steel Charitable Trust	19,513	-	19,513	-
Kids out UK	750	-	750	-
DFC	3,144	-	3,144	-
All State Funding	15,031	-	15,031	-
Land Aid	1,100	-	1,100	-
PBNI - Perpetrator programme	-	11,000	-	11,000
Covid 19 Funding	-	65,866	-	63,892
Service charges income	9,187	11,254	9,187	11,254
Other income	10,879	550	10,879	550
Total	1,246,079	2,130,950	1,246,079	2,128,976

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	Group		Charity	
	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £
Income from Donations and Legacies				
Donations received	300	412	300	412
Total	300	412	300	412

Investment income				
Bank interest received	12	6	12	6
Total	12	6	12	6

	Group		Charity	
	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
Incoming from charitable activities				
Other income	13,829	28,170	13,829	28,170
<i>Grants</i>				
NWDO-tampon tax	3,500	-	3,500	-
PBNI - Perpetrator programme	2,948	-	2,948	-
Dress for Success - Various Projects	3,143	24,134	3,143	24,134
NIHE - FJC	52,968	-	52,968	-
All State Funding	10,714	-	10,714	-
Land Aid	50,000	-	50,000	-
Homeless Connect	1,932	-	1,932	-
Power NI - FJC opening	1,000	-	1,000	-
PSNI - FJC	1,056	-	1,056	-
TWN	11,639	-	11,639	-
Total	152,729	52,304	152,729	52,304

Income from Donations and Legacies				
Donations received	25,821	21,404	25,821	20,334
Total	25,821	21,404	25,821	20,334

Investment income				
Bank interest received	161	3	161	3
Total	161	3	161	3

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6. Expenditure	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £
Expenditure on trading activities				
Commercial trading operations	-	1	-	-
	-	1	-	-

Expenditure on commercial trading was £Nil (31 March 2022 - £1) of which £Nil (31 March 2022 - £1) was unrestricted and £Nil (31 March 2022 - £Nil) was restricted.

Expenditure on charitable activities				
Wages and salaries	723,295	657,501	719,046	650,772
Employer's social security contributions	69,643	57,677	69,538	57,569
Staff pension - defined contribution	58,545	54,184	58,339	53,904
Staff training	4,241	17,804	4,241	17,804
Employee expenses	25,807	16,042	25,807	16,042
Grants payable	73,006	39,895	73,006	39,895
HR support	138	22,746	138	22,746
Recruitment expenses	2,227	3,279	2,227	3,279
Rent payable	41,371	56,653	41,371	56,653
Rates	813	615	813	615
Insurance	14,526	14,116	14,526	14,116
Light and heat	48,097	32,490	48,097	32,490
Cleaning	14,177	12,660	14,177	12,660
Accommodation misc expenses	10,732	9,795	10,732	9,795
Repairs and maintenance	12,942	25,878	12,942	25,878
Printing, postage and stationery	7,105	6,584	7,105	6,584
Advertising & marketing	827	222	827	222
Telephone	25,325	13,072	25,325	13,072
Computer costs	37,611	44,239	36,959	43,609
Motor expenses	3,312	2,426	3,312	2,426
Pathways expenses	12,410	31,564	12,410	31,564
Client expenses	19,016	18,384	19,016	18,384
DFS expenses	10,102	7,989	10,102	7,989
Travelling and entertainment	6,179	1,488	6,179	1,488
Legal and professional	15,847	70,164	15,847	70,164
Bank charges	938	1,156	746	621
Credit card charges	20	65	20	65
Bad debts	417	15,621	417	15,621
Subscriptions	13,482	11,814	12,881	11,814
Depreciation of tangible assets	47,498	49,088	47,498	48,768
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	-	-	-	-
Bank interest paid	19,127	17,776	19,127	17,768
Total	1,318,776	1,312,987	1,312,771	1,304,377

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Expenditure on charitable activities was £1,318,776 (2022 - £1,312,987) of which £68,833 was unrestricted (2022 - £64,319) and £1,249,943 restricted (2022 - £1,248,668).

7. Expenditure	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £
Expenditure on raising funds				
Accountancy fees	3,540	5,112	3,540	3,348
Auditors remuneration	8,843	6,940	7,140	6,940
Bookkeeping services	-	5,819	-	5,814
Interest on overdue taxation	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>12,383</u>	<u>17,871</u>	<u>10,680</u>	<u>16,102</u>

Expenditure on raising funds was £12,383 (2022 - £17,871) of which a credit of £269 was unrestricted (2022 - £1,194) and £12,652 restricted (2022 - £16,677).

8. Operating Income	Group 2023 £	Group 2022 £	Charity 2023 £	Charity 2022 £
Depreciation of tangible assets	47,498	49,088	47,498	48,768
Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements	<u>8,843</u>	<u>6,940</u>	<u>7,140</u>	<u>6,940</u>

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9. Staff costs

The average number of persons employed by the charity company during the year, including the trustees was 28 (2022: 27).

The aggregate payroll costs incurred during the year were:

	Year ended	Year ended
	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	723,295	657,501
Social security costs	69,643	57,677
Other pension costs	58,545	54,184
	<u>851,483</u>	<u>769,362</u>

One employee had employee benefits totalling between £60,000 and £70,000 (2022 - one between £50,000 and £60,000)

The charity trustees were not paid or received any other benefits from employment with the company in the year, neither were they re-imbursed expenses during the year. No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity.

The key management personnel of the charity company comprise the Trustees, the Chief Executive and the Financial Controller. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the company were £134,058 for the year to 31 March 2023 (2020: £126,645)

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10 Avert Enterprises Limited

The wholly owned subsidiary Avert Enterprises Limited is incorporated in Northern Ireland (company number NI603937). Avert Enterprises Limited is involved in projects or services to provide training and therapy services complimentary to the charitable objects of its parent charity, Foyle Women's Aid. A summary of the financial results is shown below.

The summary financial performance of the subsidiary alone is:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income	-	3,044
Expenditure	(7,709)	(10,376)
Net (outgoing) resources for the year	(7,709)	(7,332)
The assets and liabilities of the subsidiary were:		
Fixed assets	-	-
Current Assets	36,537	22,335
Current liabilities	(46,896)	(24,985)
Long term liabilities	-	-
Net assets/(liabilities)	(10,359)	(2,650)
Total Company Funds	(10,359)	(2,650)

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11. Tangible assets - Group

	Freehold and leasehold properties	Office Equipm't	Fixtures & fittings	Motor vehicles	Property fixtures & fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 April 2022	2,892,536	94,241	308,872	28,794	8,931	3,333,374
Additions	-	-	127,830	-	-	127,830
At 31 March 2023	2,892,536	94,241	436,702	28,794	8,931	3,461,204
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2022	440,064	76,568	258,718	5,519	7,292	788,161
Charge for the year	31,910	8,033	683	5,759	1,113	47,498
At 31 March 2023	471,974	84,601	259,401	11,278	8,405	835,659
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2023	2,420,562	9,640	177,301	17,516	526	2,625,545
At 31 March 2022	2,452,472	17,673	50,154	23,275	1,639	2,545,214

11. Tangible assets - Charity

	Freehold and leasehold properties	Office Equipment	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Motor vehicles	Property fixtures & fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 April 2022	2,892,536	94,241	305,430	28,794	8,931	3,329,932
Additions	-	-	127,830	-	-	127,830
At 31 March 2023	2,892,536	94,241	433,260	28,794	8,931	3,457,762
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2022	440,064	76,568	255,276	5,519	7,292	784,719
Charge for the year	31,910	8,033	683	5,759	1,113	47,498
At 31 March 2023	471,974	84,601	255,959	11,278	8,405	832,217
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2023	2,420,562	9,640	177,301	17,516	526	2,625,545
At 31 March 2022	2,452,472	17,673	50,154	23,275	1,639	2,545,213

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12. Investments

The charity holds 34,001 ordinary shares of £1 each in the wholly owned subsidiary Avert Enterprises Limited. These are the only shares allotted, called up and fully paid. This subsidiary company is incorporated in Northern Ireland. The financial results for this company are summarised in note 10.

13. Debtors

	Group		Charity	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	71,403	9,696	71,403	9,696
Prepayments and accrued income	11,662	12,151	11,662	12,151
Other debtors	96,790	176,491	133,173	198,182
	<u>179,855</u>	<u>198,338</u>	<u>216,238</u>	<u>220,029</u>

14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Charity	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	41,405	39,315	41,405	39,315
Trade creditors	12,619	2,393	12,619	2,392
Accruals and deferred income	41,745	69,594	40,042	66,618
Social security and other taxes	8,390	16,285	14,723	19,862
Other creditors	24,162	16,501	25,150	17,253
	<u>128,321</u>	<u>144,088</u>	<u>133,939</u>	<u>145,440</u>

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

	Group		Charity	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Other creditors	387,023	309,074	387,022	309,074
	<u>387,023</u>	<u>309,074</u>	<u>387,022</u>	<u>309,074</u>

16. Employee benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in profit or loss in relation to defined contribution plans was £58,545 (2022: £54,184).

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17. Analysis of charitable funds

	At 1 April 2022	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2023
Analysis of movements in group unrestricted funds					
General Fund	840,943	178,710	(68,564)	-	951,089
Designated Fund	130,600	-	-	-	130,600
	<u>971,543</u>	<u>178,710</u>	<u>(68,564)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,081,689</u>
Analysis of movements in charity unrestricted funds					
General Fund	877,593	178,710	(60,856)	-	995,447
Designated Fund	130,600	-	-	-	130,600
	<u>1,008,193</u>	<u>178,710</u>	<u>(60,856)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,126,047</u>
Analysis of movements in group restricted funds					
Restricted Fund	236,498	1,246,391	(1,262,595)	-	220,294
Restricted Capital Fund	1,330,067	-	-	-	1,330,067
	<u>1,566,565</u>	<u>1,246,391</u>	<u>(1,262,595)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,550,361</u>
Analysis of movements in charity restricted funds					
Restricted Funds					
Restricted Fund	236,498	1,246,391	(1,262,595)	-	220,294
Restricted Capital Funds	1,330,067	-	-	-	1,330,067
Total Charity Restricted Funds	<u>1,566,565</u>	<u>1,246,391</u>	<u>1,262,595</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,550,361</u>

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18. Net Assets by Funds - Group

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Restricted Capital Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Tangible assets	1,295,478	-	1,330,067	2,625,545	2,545,213
Current assets	301,554	220,294	-	521,848	446,057
Creditors: due within one year	(128,321)	-	-	(128,321)	(144,088)
Creditors: due more than one year	(387,023)	-	-	(387,023)	(309,074)
Net assets	1,081,688	220,294	1,330,067	2,632,049	2,538,108

19. Analysis of changes in net debt

Group changes in cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2022 £	Cash flows £	At 31 March 2023 £
Cash and cash equivalents	247,719	94,274	341,993

Charity changes in cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2022 £	Cash flows £	At 31 March 2023 £
Cash and cash equivalents	230,030	91,556	321,586

20. Contingent assets and liabilities

During the years ended 31st March 2018, 2019 and 2020, Foyle Women's Aid has incurred additional salary costs in pursuit of its overall charitable objectives which are included in the accounts as a charitable activities expense. The charity has made certain efficiencies in its operations in the current year to absorb these ongoing costs. However, these historical costs are to be grant funded by one of the company's main funders, but the timing of the receipt of these incoming resources is not certain and outside the control of the charity.

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21. Related party transactions

During the year the parent company entered into the following transactions with related parties:

	Transaction value		Balance owed by/(owed to)	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Wholly owned subsidiaries	<u>24,490</u>	<u>12,198</u>	<u>46,182</u>	<u>21,691</u>

Foyle Women's Aid

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Annual report

Foyle Women's Aid

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the consolidated financial statements of the Charity and its subsidiary for the year ending 31 March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act (NI) 2008, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (NI) 2015, Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019.)

Structure, Governance and Management:

Foyle Women's Aid is a registered charity with Northern Ireland Charity Commission, NIC 103223, and a company limited by guarantee, registered in Northern Ireland, NI23041. The organisation was founded in 1975 and in 1989 was established under Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. We are also members of the Women's Aid Federation Northern Ireland (WAFNI) and a representative from our management committee is invited to sit on the WAFNI board. This promotes effective communication across the organisation and ensures a regional commitment and joined up approach to managing the strategic direction for Women's Aid in Northern Ireland.

Directors and trustees

The Directors of the company, as at the year-end are listed at the front of this report, are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the Company's Articles are known as members of the Management Committee. The Board comprises of six members who meet every month and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Directors are elected to serve for a period of 3 years, after which they must be re-elected at the following AGM. The Director's liability is limited by guarantee. The chair and Vice Chair are appointed from within the board and can remain in office for 3 years although they are reappointed annually at the AGM.

The trustees during the year and at the 31 March 2023 were as follows:

Ms Eileen Webster	Ms Catherine McMinn
Ms Jacinta McCool	Ms Karen O'Leary
Ms Suzie McAneney (Appointed 13 April 2022)	Ms Amanda Biega (Appointed 17 August 2022)
Ms Karen Breslin (Appointed 17 August 2022)	

Objects and Activities

The Charity's objects are specifically restricted to the following:

- a) To relieve distress and suffering by the provision of safe temporary accommodation for women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents who are, or have been, experiencing domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse;
- b) To relieve distress and suffering experienced by women and their children, young people and vulnerable adult dependents by providing and/or promoting a range of support services such as information, advice centres, confidential services, counselling, outreach, court support, training and advocacy;
- c) To relieve those in need by the provision of information and advice for those affected by domestic, sexual or gender based violence or abuse and referral to relevant support agencies;

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d) to advance education on violence against women and girls, including trafficking and exploitation, and its effects, and to relieve those in need by promoting its prevention and the protection of those affected;

e) To advance education on domestic, sexual and gender based violence and abuse and their effects, and to advocate for and to relieve those in need by promoting their prevention and the protection of those affected;

f) to advance women's and children's human rights and gender equality to relieve suffering and distress caused by violence emanating from the violation, impairment or nullification of enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Foyle Women's Aid Activities - core services and activities:

Foyle Women's Aid provide a range of accommodation and support services to women and children who have experienced, or are at risk of domestic abuse. Our core services are:

Support:

- Emergency, secure, temporary housing;
- Community based Floating Support Services;
- Practical and emotional support;
- Dedicated childcare unit and specialist provision for children from birth to 18 years old;
- Support for victims of men undergoing domestic violence perpetrator programmes.

Prevention:

- Specialist and generic education & training programmes for sexual & domestic violence survivors of all ages.
- The oversight of the Family Justice Centre, which will house a wide range of expert agencies providing information support and services to all sexual and domestic violence survivors.
- Collaboration with others to deliver and monitor the impact of the perpetrator programme.
- Collaboration with other partners locally, regionally, and internationally, and participate in initiatives to address needs, improve outcomes, and improve safety of all victims.
- We will continue to work with probation, supporting victims whilst they challenge and treat perpetrators of domestic violence in the area.

Protection & Justice:

- Supporting women who engage with the Criminal Justice System, including Court, meeting with Solicitors, PSNI, MARAC and agreed initiative related to domestic violence.
- Offering information and support to victims and their families and signposting them to other partner support services on site and off site of the Family Justice Centre.

During the year ended 31 March 2023 Foyle Women's Aid continued to provide a range of services including: Residential Services, Resettlement, Floating Support Service, Safety Planning, Specialised Group Work, Criminal Justice Support, Children's Services, Training, Information, Policy Development, Court Support, Dress For Success and Volunteer Management.

Achievements and Performance:

Foyle Women's Aid continued in the delivery of exceeded targets despite ongoing challenges and this can be attributed to the experience and commitment of the staff team here in Foyle. We experienced a continuing upward trend in referrals, in total, 993 referrals were received, 834 women were supported during the year, 7649 support sessions took place, 109 Women completed the Journey to Freedom programme, 227 women were supported by other agencies and 57 high-risk cases were referred to MARAC. This work was all achieved despite very challenging circumstances on the ground where it was difficult to access statutory services support teams due to home working and staff shortages.

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We were delighted to have finally opened The Family Justice Centre One Safe Place in September 2022 this centre is the first of its kind in the UK and Ireland. The Family Centre and the follow up developments will improve the way we deliver services to victims and survivors with the voices of women and children at the heart of what we do. The launch was a great success celebrated on the day with a range of prominent leaders within the legal and justice professions. This was a great day for all the team in Foyle and the culmination of years of hard work.

Children and Young People's Services

2022-23 was a busy year for all the services within the Creche and POD15.

The creche returned to operating five days a week, post COVID, offering up to 15 childcare places per day. These sessions are all child led, recognising the trauma that children within our services have been impacted by. The newly developed sensory room is widely utilised and a much-loved space with-in the centre for all ages.

76 new referrals were received and actioned for children and young people with 101 children and young people being supported. 312 direct sessions took place at the POD. We delivered 80 Kids Out toy packs at Christmas and Easter. 30 children completed the Helping Hands Program on site at POD15. We provided Christmas toy packs and pj's to 92 children in the community and at our residential settings. Mum attended 12 Stay and Play sessions with their children and 6 well baby clinics were facilitated by our attached Health Visitor Lucy Doherty.

The childcare team continued to be creative in developing and delivering a wide range of programmes and activities for all the children and young people, to help them address and deal with the devastating impact of experiencing and witnessing abuse at home.

The childcare team completed Dr Karen Tresiman's Trauma Informed training as well as, Designated officer's training, Food Hygiene, Health and Safety, Fire Awareness, Epi Pen Training and Nutrition Matters. The whole team worked extremely hard to ensure that all the courses were fully completed, and learning implemented. This year Derry City Environmental Health gave the Creche a 5-star enhanced hygiene rating after they carried out a random spot check.

Review of activities in the past year and plans for the future

Referrals continued to rise for the Floating Support Service this year, with an average of 83 women a month contacting us for help. Our Domestic abuse support team demonstrated professionalism, adaptability and commitment in responding to increased demand. The Referral and Intake team processed and triaged more women than ever before, identifying high risk cases and responding to all requests for help.

The Floating Support team also found time to achieve the Domestic Abuse Practitioner Award, a nationally recognised level 3 qualification, endorsed by the Home Office as suitable for the Independent Domestic Violence Advocate Role. The year-long training delivered by Women's Aid Federation Northern Ireland covered a number of comprehensive topics including the understanding domestic abuse within social and historical context, the role of a Domestic Abuse Practitioner, the impact of domestic abuse on children and young people, and working in partnership through a coordinated community response.

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A challenge came in June in terms of a major inspection of our service by our funder Supporting People. We had to provide evidence that we deliver a strategically relevant service from access to exit; that the client receives person centred housing related support; and that our clients are supported and safeguarded by appropriately trained and competent staff. The Floating Support Team passed with flying colours guaranteeing continued funding. The Supporting People team commented in their report that: Managers and staff are very experienced and knowledgeable about the housing related support the service provides. Staff could provide examples covering a wide range of activities to support housing, benefits and wellbeing. Confirmed by clients who spoke highly of support staff and the service.

Accommodation:

Demand for our emergency accommodation continued to be high with 57 women and 51 children accommodated in our safe, self-contained units. The average stay was 189 days as specialist support staff worked with families to find suitable permanent accommodation in the community. In December the Accommodation Support Assistant team were successful in winning an award from Derry City and Strabane Council during Homeless Awareness Week Awards Ceremony. The team was nominated because of the difference they are making to the lives of women and children who have had to flee their homes due to domestic and sexual violence. The commendation read: 'This team is at the very front of our frontline service, working days, evenings and weekends with have a positive, can-do spirit and positive attitude which can be hard to find these days.' Work continued during early 2023 for the opening of 9 new units at the Family Justice Centre in Bishop Street bringing our capacity to 32 families later this year.

Southall Black Sisters Partnership:

Foyle Women's Aid has partnered with Southall Black Sisters and the Home Office, again this year, to provide support for 50 victims of domestic abuse who have no recourse to public funds. The project provides support for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) migrant victims/survivors of domestic abuse who have no recourse to public funds or housing. They receive 12 weeks rent and £40 a week living expenses while they are supported to obtain housing; other eligible assistance and immigration advice. Foyle Women's Aid manages this regional project in Northern Ireland and we are hopeful that that the data collected will help to inform change and that the decision-makers at government level will implement changes so these vulnerable victims can avail of the same support as other victims in Northern Ireland.

Promoting Positive Relationships Programme:

Foyle Women's Aid support team continued to provide the Partner Support Service for the perpetrator programmes facilitated by the Probation Service of Northern Ireland in partnership with the Western Health and Social Care Trust. Nine women whose partners or ex partners were attending the programme were supported by Foyle Women's Aid.

Dress for Success:

It has been another busy year for Dress for Success Northern Ireland. We have developed several partnerships with local partners, including, schools, corporates and other organisations. We have supported and empowered 125 women this year via our Dress for Success services, including, interview, employment and court suiting's, career centre support and participation on our programmes. In September 2022 we received an extension fund from the Department for Communities under Phase I of the Developing Women in the Community Programme, which previously funded the first cohort of Transit Forward. We held a focus group with previous participants and subsequently delivered volunteer training with some parental support and wellbeing activities incorporated. The training was completed in March 2023, this feedback was shared by two of the participants.

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In partnership with Alchemy, NWRC, UU, First Source, and Fujitsu we delivered a Vocational Skills Day for St Brigid's College in October. Attended by a group of A Level pupils, we delivered a presentation on 'How to Make a Good First Impression', pupils were challenged in their groups to dress a mannequin. It was a fun, interactive session and Fujitsu have invited us to support a similar programme running in St Cecilia's in June 2023.

We were successful in applying to the Allstate Foundation for funding to support the development of Dress for Success and future delivery of Transit Forward in the Northwest and Belfast. In November 2022 we teamed up with the Zero Waste Hub and Little Footprints, to deliver a Pop-Up Closet social event for our current clients, the Voices, volunteers and refugees - 'Threads of Hope'. The evening was aimed at bringing women together over a shared vision of 'Hope and Connection'. It was a great success with lovely feedback from clients and refugees. The event was kindly supported by Seagate.

From Jan - March 2023 we delivered Transit Forward to a second cohort of women, funded by Training for Women Network Tampon Tax fund. 13 women completed the programme all of whom were current or closed clients of Foyle Women's Aid. The feedback was very positive, and the women reported a 100% increase in their confidence levels, they continue to support each other even though the programme has finished.

We were delighted to work with Causeway and Mid Ulster Women's Aid to develop a bespoke employability programme as part of their Star Fish Programme. Weekly sessions were delivered over 6 weeks focusing on boosting confidence to return to work.

Financial Review:

To achieve its targets of assisting those in need the Trust must continue to maintain and strengthen its financial position. To this end the Trust can report that this year it has produced adequate resources.

Consolidated Accounts: Foyle Women's Aid (including its subsidiary company) have posted a net movement in funds of £93,942 for the year to 31 March 2023 (31 March 2022: £874,222), Total funds carried forward as at 31 March 2023 now stand at £2,632,050 (31 March 2022: £2,538,108).

Foyle Women's Aid (parent charity) have posted a net movement in funds of £101,650 for the year to 31 March 2023 (31 March 2022: £881,556). Total funds carried forward as at 31 March 2023 now stand at £2,676,408 (31 March 2022: £2,574,758).

Restricted funds (including restricted capital funds) for the group comprise £1,550,361 as at 31 March 2023 (31 March 2022: £1,566,565), with unrestricted funds comprising £1,081,689 as at 31 March 2023 (31 March 2022: £971,543).

Plans for future:

Going forward our key priorities for the incoming year will be the following;

- We will continue to successfully lead in the provision of a range of domestic and sexual abuse services to women and children and young people across the Foyle area including; Derry/Londonderry, Strabane and Limavady districts.

- We will implement the new Foyle Women's Aid strategy for the next three years.

- We will work with the Family Justice Centre Board and our interagency partners, to implement the targets of the first One Safe Place strategy.

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- We will continue to develop our services in line with need and demand, and in partnership with all our service users, our funders and in line with our own and departmental strategies.
- We will continue to consolidate on the progress made in the Dress for Success project and expand the activities and training to support service users into employment and economic independence.
- We will continue to follow our operational plan to monitor progress against targets and outcomes, across the key objectives in our strategic plans.
- We will continue to review and develop our policies and procedures in line with expansion into new services and good governance.
- We will continue to fundraise to conduct the much-needed capital investment for our current Pathways building.
- We will continue to work on further development of the Family Justice Centre.
- We will continue to meet with our interagency stakeholders to successfully complete the comprehensive targets and plans for an integrated service.
- We continue to work with APEX and Supporting People to agree and implement the management agreement and internal structure to support the new accommodation provision and address homelessness.
- We will seek funding/finance to support in line with our business plan and to open Café Central as an onsite social economy business. This café will provide income directly to victim services and we will carry out activities that will further support survivors of abuse.
- We will make available literature and create awareness of all forms of domestic abuse across the council area.
- We will continue to work as a management partner with BLWA and MAP to support and provide oversight and pursue development opportunities to the ASSIST project and work together to overcome the challenges in partnership with DOJ.
- We will work with the funders and architects to establish the Camp Hope project on site this year. We will review the implementation of the Hope Evaluation across all our projects.
- We will continue to grow and develop the Voices Forum to inform local and regional policy in Northern Ireland.
- We will continue to work with WAFNI and other key partners to lobby, campaign and strengthen regional services for victims and advisors of abuse in Northern Ireland.
- We will strengthen relationships with the Southall Black Sisters project and work together to deliver services for BAME communities in Northern Ireland.

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Reserves policy

Foyle Women's Aid aims to maintain 6 months reserves to enable us to manage financial risk and deliver on our commitments. Our reserves policy is to ensure that there is no disruption to our services at short notice, due to lack of funds, an unforeseen reduction in income or an increase in expenditure, while at the same time ensuring that reserves are no higher than necessary and not retained for longer than required. This gives time in the event of a drop in funding to seek alternative funds, restructure and cut costs whilst continuing to provide current services.

The Trustees assess the risks Foyle Women's Aid could be exposed to, and the appropriate level of reserves that we should maintain. The current assessment of the target range of free reserves funds that are freely available to be used for our general charitable purposes - held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months' expenditure. This decision is considered to reflect the organisational needs and has been determined by taking account of the strategic plan, operating budgets and known commitments and liabilities. The actual levels of reserves are reviewed regularly, and if the level looked likely to move significantly outside the target range, action would be taken to bring it back in line with the target.

The total unrestricted reserves of the group for 2022/2023 are £1,081,689 (2021/22: £971,543). In assessing our level of free reserves, we exclude the designated funds of £130,600 (2021/22: £130,600), held in unrestricted funds, which leaves free reserves of £951,089 (2021/22: £840,943).

The unrestricted reserves are further analysed in note 18 to these financial statements. This analysis note shows that a significant component of the free reserves are held as tangible fixed assets, such as property and equipment. The free reserves held as current assets, totalling £317,531 at 31st March 2023 consists of both bank balances and debtor balances. These free reserves of £317,531 are required to be held to cover other short-term liabilities and as an ongoing working capital facility for the organisation.

Given the ongoing uncertainties that our organisation faces, our future plans are to maintain our levels of general reserves to meet the working capital requirements of the organisation. The Trustees are confident that, at this level, there are sufficient reserves held at the year end to enable it to continue to further its aims and goals in the event of a significant drop in funding and they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity for the foreseeable future.

Designated funds (unrestricted) for the group - are those unrestricted funds that have been allocated by the Trustees for particular purposes. The designated funds for Redundancy of which £50,000 (2021/22: £50,000) has been ring fenced to cover any/all potential redundancies should core funding cease.

Restricted funds for the group - These funds are tied to particular purposes, specific areas or activities, as specified by the donor, or as identified at the time of receiving the funds. At 31 March 2023, restricted funds were £1,550,361 (2022: £1,566,565).

The Trustees believe that there are sufficient reserves held at the year-end to successfully manage operational and financial risk. The Board therefore considers there is a reasonable expectation that the organisation has adequate resources to continue our core work for the foreseeable future. Whilst the current economic and public sector funding situation is expected to remain challenging for some time to come, Foyle Women's Aid has had a good track record over the years of being able to maintain income as we deliver valued and cost-effective services.

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Risk management

The Directors have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced, so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. Committees, where appropriate, have been established to cover all risk areas and these committees report regularly to the Board of Directors.

Principal Risks & Uncertainties:

Risk Policy and Internal Control Framework:

Foyle Women's Aid has established a risk management process, which will ensure that the organisation manages and mitigates risk in line with the agreed risk of the organisation. The Risk Analysis Matrix and the Risk Register are regularly reviewed and thoroughly assessed and takes account of uncertainty, the nature of that uncertainty and how it can be addressed. Having primary responsibility for risk management, the Board regularly consider the main strategic, business and operational risks facing the organisation. The Directors confirm effective controls and reporting systems are in place to lessen these risks.

Information Security and Continuity:

At all times Foyle Women's Aid strives to ensure that we operate a secure environment in relation to data security. We are dependent on IT and communication systems for processing and storing data. To prevent disruption to operations due to damage to systems or unauthorised access to data, Foyle Women's Aid has developed robust information security and data recovery measures.

Compliance and regulation:

Significant damage to Foyle Women's Aid's reputation could be caused due to non-compliance with laws, regulations or codes of best practice. Foyle Women's Aid implements well established policies and procedures and adheres to the sector's recommended codes of practice (such as the Statement of Recommended Practices -SORP) to ensure compliance with applicable regulatory and legal standards.

Environmental and External Risks:

Foyle Women's Aid monitors the external environment in order to anticipate political, social or economic risks, so that plans can be put in place to minimise any negative impact on organisational activities or the reputation of the organisation. We have robust procedures to assess and implement effective measures to reduce the likelihood and the potential impact of risks occurring.

We have confidence in the need for our support services, the effectiveness in our approach and the backing of our partners and we will endeavour to make every effort to continue to provide sustainable, responsive, high quality and effective services that meet the needs of women and children living with domestic violence. We will continue to negotiate with government departments to extend their commitment to ensure that our core work can effectively continue and secure the sustainability of all our projects.

Related Parties

Foyle Women's Aid has an investment in Avert Enterprises Limited (a trading organisation). They are related parties by virtue of the fact that Foyle Women's Aid is the sole shareholder in Avert Enterprises Limited.

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Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Foyle Women's Aid for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the directors 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 income and expenditure of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- state whether applicable UK 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 company will continue in business.

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

In so far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

Fergus McAteer & Co. are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

By Order of the Board



Ms Catherine McMinn

Director

18 December 2023

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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Foyle Women's Aid for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, Company Statement of Financial Activities, Consolidated Balance Sheet, Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of the group profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the 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 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 other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. 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 there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

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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 Trustee's report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Trustee's report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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 the returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustee's remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; and
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustee's report and take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the trustees 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 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 company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Identifying and assessing potential risks related to irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations we considered the following:

- the nature of the industry and sector and control environment.
- the legal and regulatory framework applicable.
- the results of our enquiries of management and other key persons about their own identification and assessment of the risks and irregularities.

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- the Charity own policies and procedures on compliance with laws and regulations including any instances of non-compliance.

Audit response to risk identified:

As a result of performing the above we identified and performed the following procedures:

- enquiry of management, those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- enquiry of entity staff in compliance functions to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. we also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity'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 charity'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 charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Fergus McAteer & Co

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