

(A company limited by guarantee)

# ANNUAL REPORT For the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Company registration number: 07415399 Charity registration number: 1151868

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

### Report of the Trustees for the year ending 31 December 2022

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report tagether with the consolidated financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 December 2022 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charilies Act 2011, the 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **OUR AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

#### Purpose and Alms

We are an agile and forward-thinking organisation that co-creates impactful programmes with our service users and partners.

Our vision is to create a welcoming environment that removes life-improving barriers for people from disadvantaged and minoritized backgrounds.

Our mission enables our beneficiaries to become confident and productive in their communities so they can have a sense of purpose, access resources, and skills that could turn their aspirations into reality, and make positive changes in their lives to aspire and achieve their full potential.

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's Memorandum of Articles and Association are:

- The relief of unemployment for the benefit of the public in such ways as may be thought fit, including assistance to find employment.
- The advancement of education by way of developing individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals; including the provision of preschool and out-of-school education.
- The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in the UK and International (Africa) by
  providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the
  necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be
  self-sufficient.
- To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society through the advancement of the arts, culture and heritage.
- To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the Black and Asian groups and those whom English isn't their first language of the UK in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.
- The promotion of the voluntary sector by providing training and development, support for people working within the voluntary sector and the provision of meeting and office space for voluntary sector organisations.

#### THE FOCUS OF OUR WORK

#### Ensuring our work delivers our aims

The aim of the charity is to address wellbeing, unemployment, social isolation, poverty and inequality. We do this by developing and increasing the knowledge and skills of individuals who are at the margins of society, enabling those individuals to develop and increase their chances of sustainable employment so that their quality of life is improved and are able to lead full and productive lives. Our aims fully reflect the purposes that the charity was set up to further.

We offer a wide range of services that directly meet the needs of our client groups. These services are grouped into three main categories:

- Youth leadership development that creates opportunities for young people to overcome barriers; empowering them to be leaders who affect social change.
- Community support activities such as foodbank, coffee and lunch clubs, well-being activities, creative arts, and cultural and heritage events.
- Business and Entrepreneurial support that develops the entrepreneurial abilities of long-term unemployed clients through one-to-one mentoring and training sessions.

Through the above services, we address and strengthen clients' immediate financial circumstances. This situation has been worsened by the COVID-19 pandemic and the increasing cost of living crises. We strengthen our client's financial hardship through the provision of specific services, such as foodbank to help families reduce their shopping costs, providing advice and guidance on how they can access appropriate state benefits to ease their hardships, and signposting them to other local services such as citizen advice, local family hubs and social supermarkets across the city that could further help them to reduce the financial hardships. We also subsidise travel costs to and from services to make them accessible.

For employment aspirations and ambitions, we predominantly focus on supporting unemployed and long-term unemployed clients to consider self-employment as an alternative to employment. This is a niche area and we are the only organisation delivering culturally appropriate support to minority groups in Coventry and Warwickshire. We provide flexible and interactive training and one-to-one mentoring business and enterprise support service that takes clients through developing their confidence, business awareness, business planning, marketing, finance, and legal matters up to the stage when they are ready to register their business. Additionally, we also provide post-start support that includes hot-desking and business incubation spaces.

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to individuals and groups we are set up to serve.

The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

#### Acknowledgements

We continue to appreciate all our staff, volunteers, partners and most importantly our principal funders who without them would not have achieved our impact.

#### Principal Funding Sources

The principal funding sources for the charity are currently by way of grant and contract income from the following funding bodies:

- The National Lottery Community Fund
- The National Lottery Heritage Fund
- Arts Council England
- Coventry City of Culture
- European Social Fund
- Coventry City Council

#### **OUTLINING OUR PERFORMANCE & ACHIEVEMENTS**

We delivered the following projects in the 2022 financial year.



The Act-Up Heritage Project - Funded by The National Loffery Heritage Fund 2021/2022.

The Act-Up Heritage Project is a youth-led history, heritage, and identity education project for young people to explore and learn about their heritage and develop pathways to transfer heritage leadership to the younger generation and develop sustainable programmes to inspire the younger generation.

#### Output

- 58 workshops
- 242 children and young people
  - 1042 diverse audience
- 128 volunteers
- 641 diverse visitors



Coventry Black Community Taskforce - Funded by The National Lottery Community Fund 2021/2022.

The project improved the living conditions of people, increase understanding of services available, reduced mental health and stress of people, reduced isolation, and improved the educational attainment of children and young people.

#### Output

- Coffee mornings and Food Parcels 2036 attendees
- Holiday Clubs 105 children attended
- Online Tuition 30 children accessed the service



Youth Vision Project - Funded by The National Lottery Community Fund 2021/2026.

The project improves the leadership aspiration and skills of young people and equip them to articulate their voices across various platforms, seizing opportunities that foreground their influence, and create a sea change in local leadership.

#### Output

# 36 young people engaged and supported in 2022, engaging in:

- Leadership Training
- Events Management
- Active Citizenship
- Volunteering
- Work Experience
- Enterprise activities



# This Is Africa 2021/2022 - Funded by The Coventry City Of Culture

Contracted by the Coventry City of Culture Trust to create and deliver a series of events and workshops under the "This is Africa" Programme i.e. New Beginnings – Health and Wellbeing Conference, She Speaks – International Women's Month and Next Stop – Celebrating Africa Day 2022

#### Output

- 244 Participants
- 23 Partners and vendors
- 781 Audiences
- 32 Volunteers

# ERS

### Emergency Resource Fund - Funded by the Arts Council

Short-term fund to cover core costs during the recovery period post covid, and for essential capability development work, enabling the organisation to reach financial viability.

# Heritage Continuity Project

### Heritage Continuity Project Funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund

The Heritage Continuity fund covered financial shortfall in operations whilst the organisation transitions to full-time operations following the Covid-19 pandemic. We have continued to build the organisation's capacity, resilience, and progressing towards full operations.



#### Confidence Building and Business Awareness Project – Funded by European Social Fund

A Confidence Building and Business Awareness project that offers the participant a flexible and fluid service tailored around their needs and commitments. Activities included training sessions over 16 weeks and one-to-one sessions to move them towards the labour market.

#### Output

 17 participants engaged and supported, 3 progressed into employment and self-employment.



#### Wava Hall Jubilee Project – Funded by The National Lotfery Community Fund

10 weekly uplifting sessions at our WAVA Hall centre for the Queen's Jubilee celebration from July 2022 to December 2022 including Breakfast and Brunch Club, Mums and tots, Zumba, Yoga, Drum therapy, and betriending gatherings aimed at improving participant's well-being, reducing loneliness and improve their stress levels.

#### Output

- 51 people attended the breakfast and brunch club.
- 53 children attended holiday clubs
- 19 participants attended the pampering event
- 11 elders improved their wellbeing
- 8 volunteers.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

We continued with the three key strategic aims of:

## Providing impactful services

We delivered eight impactful projects this year. These created a significant and lasting impact on over 5K participants, audiences, visitors, volunteers and partner organisations. They reported outcomes that improved their lives, their communities and their families.

#### 2. Resilience and Growth

For resilience and growth, we continued to deliver recovery programmes that developed the capacity and capability of senior management as well as a refresh of our strategic plan for the next five years.

#### 3. Reserves Policy

The board has re-examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the Charity should be three months of the core running costs of the charity. The cost of expenditure for 2022 is expected to remain the same as in 2021, approximating the operating cost associated with running the new premises at £34.626 per quarter (Including staff salaries and on costs). The trustees are confident that they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

#### PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

For the financial year 2022, the organisation will continue to deliver the activities around these three core services:

- Youth leadership development that creates opportunities for young people to overcome barriers; empowering them to be leaders who affect social change.
- Community support activities such as foodbank, coffee and lunch clubs, well-being activities, creative arts, and cultural and heritage events.
- Business and Entrepreneurial support that develops the entrepreneurial abilities of long-term unemployed clients through one-to-one mentoring and training sessions.

We will confinue to deliver recovery projects in 2023, exploring social investment, housing and climate and sustainability opportunities. We will continue to seek grant funding for new and existing projects and seek opportunities to build capacity and ensure the organisation is resilient in the future years. Increasing unrestricted funds will be our focus for 2023 and future years.

# STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### **Governing Document**

The Highlife Centre is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21st October 2010 and registered as a charity on 2nd May 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

# Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as Directors. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the directors are elected to serve for a period of two years after which they must be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting. All directors give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in the notes to the accounts. The directors seek to ensure that the needs of beneficiaries are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body where all five directors are from minority backgrounds. In an effort to maintain this broad skill mix, the directors have been selected as having the following skills: business, strategy, community and finance.

## Trustee Induction and Training

All trustees are familiar with the practical work of the charity. Project and activities updates are prepared and presented at each board meeting to ensure that trustees understand the work of the Charity. All Trustees receive up-to-date governing documents and any documents setting up the framework of the Charity. Resources and financial positions are set out in the latest published accounts and presented to Trustees in advance prior to board meetings. New trustees inducted are sent a welcome pack containing the following documents:

- Memorandum and Articles.
- Organisational Chart
- Trustee handbook
- Information about existing trustees
- Latest financial statement
- Organisational Framework

#### Risk management

The chief executive and the trustees review and update the risk register annually. Systems and procedures are established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. The board and the senior management team work on a strategic plan. The plan has led to the establishment of a sustainability arm. WAVA Hall in this financial year, and for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions and projects.

Appropriate procedures are in place to ensure compliance with the health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the centre. The continuing implementation of a code of practice, financial policies and procedures, safeguarding and complaints procedure and a business continuity policy ensure a consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the charity. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the charity.

#### Organisational Structure

The five trustees are from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity govern the Highlife Centre. The chief executive sits on the board but has no voting rights and prepares all documents in advance for review prior to board meetings. The day-to-day responsibility for the provision of the services rests with the chief executive who works closely with the chair of Trustees. The chief executive is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and that key performance indicators are met. They are also responsible for the day-to-day operational management of the Centre, individual supervision of the staff team and also ensuring that the team continues to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD**

Company law requires the board of directors/trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date. The statement also includes incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year, in preparing those financial statements, the Trustees follow best practices and:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate
  to assume that the company will continue on that basis.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The board of Trustees is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### Members of the Board

The Board of Trustees, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 2. In accordance with company law, as the company's directors, we certify that:

- So far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information on the company's Auditors are unaware of; and
- As the directors of the company, we have taken all the steps in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's accountants are aware of that information.

### Accountants and Independent Examiners

McGlone and Wardzynski Limited were re-appointed as the charitable company's accountants during the year and have expressed their willingness to confinue in that capacity. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice:

Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Trustees on Sep 16, 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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Daisy Oppon Chair of Trustees Company registration number 07415399 (England and Wales)

# THE HIGHLIFE CENTRE LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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# STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees, who are also the directors of The Highlife Centre Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity 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 Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE HIGHLIFE CENTRE LIMITED

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Highlife Centre Limited (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination. I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Association of Accounting Technicians, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

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Mr James Rose FMAAT

Eagle House 14 Queens Road Coventry CV1 3EG

Dated: Sep 17, 2023

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Current financial year		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
		2022	2022	2022	2021
	Notes	£	£	£	£
income and endowments from:		00101320			500 700
Donations and legacies	3	17,446	279,589	297,035	326,709
Investments	4				5
Other income	5	6,335		6,335	6,473
Total Income		23,781	279,589	303,370	333,187
Expenditure on:		5/13/55/	785728525	53373132 <u>2</u> 57	100000000
Charitable activities	6	26,768	306,615	333,383	423,302
Net outgoing resources before transfers		(2,987)	(27,026)	(30,013)	(90,115)
Gross transfers between funds		39,948	(39,948)		
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/					
Net movement in funds		36,961	(66,974)	(30,013)	(90,115)
Fund balances at 1 January 2022		20,830	95,633	116,463	206,578
Fund balances at 31 December 2022		57,791	28,659	86,450	116,463

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Prior financial year		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
		2021	2021	2021
	Notes	£	£	£
ncome and endowments from:				30,000,000
Donations and legacies	3	19,054	307,655	326,709
Investments	4	5		5
Other income	5	6,473		6,473
Total income		25,532	307,655	333,187
Expenditure on:		700000	00000000	100.0000
Charitable activities	6	7,747	415,555	423,302
Net outgoing resources before transfers		17,785	(107,900)	(90,115)
Gross transfers between funds		867	(867)	
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/		SUNSTAN	2000000	1028 112
Net movement in funds		18,652	(108,767)	(90,115)
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		2,178	204,400	206,578
Fund balances at 31 December 2021		20,830	95,633	116,463

### **BALANCE SHEET**

#### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022			202	1
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					9.70000
Tangible assets	11		8,831		10,178
Current assets					
Debtors	12	0.00		19,054	
Cash at bank and in hand		80,804		96,635	
		80,804		115,689	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	13	(3,185)		(9,404)	
Net current assets			77,619		106,285
Total assets less current liabilities			86,450		116,463
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Income funds					
Restricted funds	14		28,659		95,633
Unrestricted funds			57,791		20,830
			86,450		116,463
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The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on Sep 16, 2023



Mrs D Oppon Trustee

Company registration number 07415399

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### **Charity Information**

The Highlife Centre Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 31 Barras Green, Coventry, West Midlands, CV2 4LY.

Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value). The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Charity.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.5 Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings 15% reducing balance method Computers 33% straight line method

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the Charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1,8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

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

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

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

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

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

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

#### Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

#### 1.10 Taxation

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

#### 1,11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

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

#### 1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

#### 1.13 Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

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

#### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants received	11,500	245,589	257,089	19,054	267,468	286,522
Contracts received	5,946	34,000	39,946		40,187	40,187
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#### 4 Investments

restricted funds	Total Uni
2021 £	2022 £
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#### 5 Other income

Other income

Interest receivable

nrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
2021 £	2022 £
6,473	6,335

Other income includes £1,060 (2020: £3,300) employers allowance.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 6 Charitable activities

	Business, youth & community development	Business, youth & community development	
	2022	2021	
	£	£	
Staff costs	167,220	136,169	
Depreciation and impairment	1,347	1,796	
Rent & utilities	36,159	29,077	
Insurance	3,754	526	
Office costs and administration	15,341	6,542	
Food Supplies	21,145		
Sundry expenses	13,215	8,861	
Professional, accountancy and legal fees	288	21,164	
Advertising & marketing	13,337	34,769	
Consultancy fees	23,108	75,091	
Bank Charges	216	188	
Equipment	9,497	43,504	
PPE costs		6,644	
Repairs & maintenance		10,330	
Events & exhibition costs	26,794	46,671	
	331,421	421,332	
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	1,962	1,970	
	333,383	423,302	
		-	
Analysis by fund			
Unrestricted funds	26,768	7,747	
Restricted funds	306,615	415,555	
	333,383	423,302	

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7	Support costs	Support Go	overnance	2022	2021
		costs	costs		
		¢	£	£	£
	Accountancy fees		1,962	1,962	1,970
			1,962	1,962	1,970
	Analysed between		15775046	0.000.000	DOBLING
	Charitable activities	1.0	1,962	1,962	1,970

Governance costs includes costs for independent examination.

#### 8 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year.

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year. (2021 - £Nil)

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year. (2021 - £Nil)

#### 9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was: 5

	2022	2021
	Number	Number
Administration Staff	4	1
Chief Executive Office	1	1
Total		
TOTAL	5	2
Employment costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and sessional staff	159,379	134,496
Social security costs	6,355	1,060
Other pension costs	1,486	613
	167,220	136,169

Included in wages and sessional staff was gross wages £75,243 (2021 £14,540) and £84,136 (2021 £119,956) for self-employed sessional workers.

The Executive Officer received remuneration of £47,180 (2021 £5,125). They received gross salary of £41,424 (2021 £5,444), employers national insurance of £4,700 (2021 £549) and employer pension costs of £1,056 (2021 £132).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

# 9 Employees (Continued)

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

#### 10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxationof Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

11	Tangible fixed assets			
		Fixtures and fittings	Computers	Total
		£	£	£
	Cost			
	At 1 January 2022	35,897	939	36,836
	At 31 December 2022	35,897	939	36,836
	Depreciation and impairment	-		-
	At 1 January 2022	25,719	939	26,658
	Depreciation charged in the year	1,347		1,347
	Depreciation dialiges in the year	-1,041	2,55	
	At 31 December 2022	27,066	939	28,005
	Carrying amount	0.004		0.004
	At 31 December 2022	8,831		8,831
	At 31 December 2021	10.178	_	10,178
	At 31 December 2021	===		===
12	Debtors			
			2022	2021
	Amounts falling due within one year:		£	£
	Trade debtors			19,054
13	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
			2022	2021
			£	£
	Other taxation and social security		1,085	326
	Other creditors			6,978
	Accruals and deferred income		2,100	2,100
			3,185	9,404

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 14 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Move	ement in funds			Move	ment in funds		
	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming	Resources expended	Transfers 1	Balance et January 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 31 December 2022
	c		£	£	£	£	E	E	£
Heart of England	9,537	1.4	(10,971)	1,434	9,537		14	2.4	20.00
Inspiring to Achieve	(384)			384					
Arts Council Research Project	371			(371)					
Active Citizens	484			(484)					
Accerterate Project		26,091	(26,654)	563				-	
Heart of England Covid	822			(822)	20				
Arts Council Culture Recovery	65,544	24,776	(90,586)	266					
Heritage Fund Emergency	49,980	6,084	(55,104)	(960)				-	
Heritage Continuity Project				100		47,816	(32,476)	(15,340)	-
Arts Council Emergency Resource Fund						75,316	(45,471)	(29,845)	
NLCF Covid Crisis Management	78,046		(13,178)	(2,164)				1000	
This is Africa	2.000	1,000	(1,150)	150		34,000	(38,912)	4,912	
Coventry Black Community Taskforce		47,029	(13,998)		33,031	15,676	(48,707)	1,100.00	
Coventry Community Champions		14,096	(15,233)	1,137					
Youth Vision Project		99,119	(47,578)		51,541	67,649	(93,256)	325	26,259
Hertitage Fund Art-up		89,460	(78,399)	- 2	11,061	9,940	(21,001)		,
WAVA Hall Jubilee Fund				-		9,938	(7,538)		2,400
Confidence Building and Business							6.1000		
Awareness project			+0		3 32	19,254	(19,254)	- 3	
							4.5,00		
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	204,400	307,655	(415,555)	(867	95,633	279,589	(306,615)	(39,948	28,659
				-			(1.30)		

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

14 Restricted funds (Continued)

The unrestricted grants this year were:-

- Heart of England
   Food and travel supplies
- Inspire to Achieve Groundworks
   Business and employment support to unemployed and inactive individuals.
- Arts Council Research Project / Active Citizens / Heart of England Covid
  To deliver covid-19 crisis management and recovery plan for arts and outural projects for 2021.
- Arts Council Culture Recovery Fund
   To deliver covid-19 crisis management and recovery plan for arts and cultural projects for 2021.
- Heritage Fund Emergency / Heritage Continuity Project
   To deliver an emergency project with three key deliverables: Run risk management reviews, develop long term strategic and sustainable plan, conduct consultations with a wider and diverse audience.
- Arts Council Culture Emergency Resource Fund Short-term funds to cover core costs during this period of transition as well as pay for essential development that will enable the organisation to reach financial viability.
- NLCF Covid Crisis Management Reducing immediate impact of covid-19 crisis has had the Highlife Centre and its beneficiaries, specifically young people from the BME communities.
- This is Africa Deliver 'Unity through Sports' as part of This is Africa for City of Culture Programme.
- The National Lottery Community Fund Coventry Black Community Taskforce
   The project is to improve the living conditions of people, increase understanding of services available, reduced mental health and stress of people, reduce isolation, and improve the educational attainment of children and young people.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

14 Restricted funds (Continued)

- Coventry City Council Coventry Community Champions Programme
   The project is to recruit community champions to pass on the key COVID-19 messages to the community in line with national and local guidance.
- The National Lottery Community Fund Youth Vision Project
   The project will generate a cohort of young leaders and equip them to articulate their voices across various platforms, seizing opportunities that foregrounds their influence, and create a sea-change in local leadership amongst the youth.
- Heritage Fund Art Up
   The Act-Up Heritage Project is a youth-fed history, heritage, and identity education project for young people to explore and learn about their heritage and develop pathways to transfer heritage leadership to the younger generation, and develop sustainable programmes to inspire the younger generation.
- WAVA Hall Jubilee Fund
   The project aims to deliver sessions for the Queen's Jubilee celebration including Breakfast and Brunch Club, Murra and tots, Zumba, Yoga, Drum therapy, and befriending gatherings aimed at improving participant's well-being, reducing loneliness and improve their stress levels.
- Confidence Building and Business Awareness Project
   A project that offers the participant a flexible and fluid service tailored around their needs and commitments. Activities included training sessions over 16 week's and one to one session to move them into towards the labour market.

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15	Related party transactions		
	There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).		
16	Cash generated from operations	2022 £	2021 €
	Deficit for the year	(30,013)	(90,115)
	Adjustments for:		
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	0.00	(5)
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	1,347	1,796
	Movements in working capital:		
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors	19,054	(5,667)
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(6,219)	41
	Cash absorbed by operations	(15,831)	(93,950)