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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
FOR
CATCHINGLIVES**

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

This report covers the period from April 2024 to March 2025 and will provide a glimpse into how Catching Lives has performed over the past 12 months.

Chair's Report

The past year has once again highlighted both the urgency and complexity of the challenges we face. The demand for our services has not only remained strong but has, in many areas, intensified. This is a stark reminder of the continuing pressures within our community and of the broader national picture of homelessness, which shows no sign of diminishing.

In response, we have been deliberate in strengthening the organisation at every level. We have continued to develop and refine our internal processes to ensure we are working as efficiently and effectively as possible. We have focused on raising the quality of our service delivery so that we can support more people, more consistently, and with greater impact. At the same time, further work has been done to diversify and stabilise our income, recognising that a resilient financial base is essential to sustaining our mission long-term.

These efforts are not simply about responding to immediate demand; they are about building the foundations of an organisation that can adapt, grow, and remain effective in an environment that is constantly shifting. While the challenges are significant, the progress we have made over the past year, and indeed the last two years, has given us greater confidence in our ability to respond - not only today but in the years ahead. Above all, our focus remains firmly on those we serve, ensuring that their needs, voices, and experiences continue to guide our work.

"Catching Lives have been a life-saver, and I mean that literally. The support, advice, facilities and simply being there to listen have got me through the shock of becoming homeless and given me hope that it won't always be this way"

I want to extend my deepest gratitude to everyone who has supported Catching Lives over the past year - our donors, funders, partners, staff, and volunteers. Your support is invaluable, and without it, the work we do simply would not be possible.

A particular appreciation goes to the many individuals who have given so generously, whether through financial contributions or the donation of food, clothing, and essential items.

Equally, I want to recognise the unwavering dedication of our staff and volunteers. Their compassion, professionalism, and resilience form the heart of our work. It is through their daily efforts, often under challenging circumstances, that we are able to support those who need it most.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

This review reflects the activities of the Charity during the period under review. The Trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Vision and Mission

Catching Lives is an independent charity based in Canterbury, supporting people who are homeless or insecurely housed in Canterbury & East Kent. Our vision is of a society where everyone has a safe place to live and the opportunity to lead a fulfilling life. We work to achieve our vision by supporting people at our Canterbury day centre, providing essential facilities (food, laundry, showers etc) and individual support to improve housing, health and social connection.

Objectives

Catching Lives works with people who are homeless and socially excluded in Canterbury and East Kent to:

- (a) support and enable each client to increase their sense of personal responsibility, motivation and self-worth.
- (b) improve the physical and mental health, of each client, by supporting them to take greater responsibility for their health management recovery.
- (c) motivate each client to achieve positive steps toward independent living.

Short term goals

Our main short-term goal is continuing to respond to the needs of people using our services each day. Catching Lives works to make an immediate difference to the lives of people who are homeless or insecurely housed, based on the needs and goals of each person. The goals we typically achieve with individuals include: ending or preventing homelessness and finding greater stability in accommodation; securing adequate income whether through benefits or work; accessing healthcare services and improving physical and mental health; and growing social connection e.g. through creative or skills-based activities, joining community groups and volunteering.

Long term goals

Catching Lives' long-term goals are to reduce and prevent homelessness in our community, primarily through partnership working and influencing systems change. We are part of partnerships and networks, including the Kent Homeless Forum steering group (alongside Homeless Link, Porchlight, NHS and local authority partners) and the East Kent MEAM steering group. We contribute to the evidence base around homelessness with the long-term goal of supporting effective policy and practice development locally, regionally and nationally - for example, through sharing quantitative data and/or qualitative case studies via national surveys, working groups or communities of practice, and in local authority and NHS workshops and reviews. We also aim to tackle the stigma and exclusion around homelessness, for example by sharing good news stories and celebrating our person-centred, strengths-based ways of working.

Measuring impact

We measure our impact through quantitative measures, recording the number of people we support, the actions taken together, and the resulting changes e.g. improved housing situation, increased income, better health etc. We also use qualitative methods such as surveys and conversations to capture feedback from people about their experience of using our services or joining activities, which also help us to review and improve our delivery.

Activities

The Catching Lives day centre offers:

- A warm welcome and access to basic facilities including food, showers, laundry, computers, clothing etc.
- Support with immediate and ongoing needs e.g. housing, income, ID, access to healthcare.
- Specialist mental health support from in-house staff.
- Access to in-reach services and external partners, for example Canterbury City Council's rough sleeping team, Forward Trust for alcohol and drug support, Rising Sun for domestic abuse support, Citizens Advice Canterbury welfare benefits support, DWP, Social Services, Hep C Trust, and NHS community nurse and vaccination services.
- Activities programme e.g. board games, arts and crafts, yoga, cookery, gardening and table tennis.

We also support people in the community:

- Street outreach to people sleeping rough (in conjunction with the council's Rough Sleeping Initiative team).

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- Tenancy sustainment support to people in accommodation.
- Supporting Thanington Neighbourhood Resource Centre's youth provision.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Palmer House

Over the past year, we have completed an extensive programme of repairs and improvements to the centre, including a new flat roof. These works have addressed long-standing maintenance needs, ensuring that the building is safe, welcoming, and fit for purpose. In addition, we received a VCSE Energy Efficiency Scheme grant from the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) that allowed us to make significant upgrades. Lighting has been replaced with LED fixtures, motion sensors installed to reduce energy use, and windows upgraded to double glazing. These improvements not only reduce our environmental impact but also create a more comfortable space for everyone who uses the centre.

Work previously reported last year, exploring the future of the centre and funded by Homeless Link and the Albert Hunt Trust, has concluded. We now have detailed and costed plans for the development of our premises. It is hoped that over the coming years these can become reality, allowing the charity to work towards an extensive transformation.

Canterbury Community Shelter

This year we delivered a Winter Night Shelter using a rolling, dormitory-style model. The shelter operated across a network of local venues, including church halls and, for the first time, Canterbury Umbrella Centre and Canterbury Cathedral, with guests staying in a different location each night. A hot evening meal was provided at Catching Lives before guests moved on to that night's accommodation, ensuring that those eligible had access to warmth, food, and a safe place to rest.

We'd like to thank our venue partners across the city, the incredible volunteers, and our own CCS evening and night teams who did such an amazing job in delivering this service for 90 nights.

Funding for Canterbury Community Shelter came primarily from grants and donations from individuals, churches and the community. The Board had committed to underwriting the project from our 2023-24 surplus, and this proved necessary.

As in previous years, running the night shelter placed heavy demands on the charity, at a time when rising levels of homelessness nationally were already stretching our team, facilities, and services. While it provided vital support for some people during the coldest months, the experience has shown us the challenges of sustaining this model and the limitations of its reach, especially for women. As we plan for the coming winter, we are exploring different approaches that could better balance our resources while still meeting the needs of those we support.

Fundraising & Comms

As part of our fundraising strategy to build a sustainable financial future for the charity, we recruited to a new Fundraising Officer role. We were pleased to welcome Georgia Jefferson to the team, and to support her to join the University of Kent's Fundraiser Apprenticeship. We continue to work on strengthening our income generation, including through fundraising events and extending our trading activity. Thanks to funding from Fidelity UK to implement a fundraising CRM, we are also improving our communication with our supporters. We've also refreshed our website, making it easier for people to access information about our services and how they make a difference, along with ways for supporters to engage with us through volunteering, community fundraising or donations.

Streets Ahead Collective

Catching Lives is part of Streets Ahead Collective, a partnership between Rock Paper Scissors - a community arts organisation providing workshops and creative opportunities - and EKC Canterbury College. Streets Ahead aims to create enduring change and foster a sense of belonging within local communities through creativity and shared experiences.

Clients from Catching Lives joined Streets Ahead as volunteers to transform a vacant shop in Canterbury City Centre into a creative hub with art studios, alongside a central retail space. Catching Lives was initially funded by a Skills & Employability Grant (through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund with Canterbury Council as the lead authority) so that our clients had the opportunity to work alongside local creatives and students to produce and sell their work, gaining creative and commercial skills in the process. We will continue to sell products designed and/or created by people using our services, to raise trading income that supports our ongoing activities.

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One participant said: "For me the creative workshops and volunteering at Streets Ahead have boosted my confidence and renewed my love of art and design and I now have a hobby for life - my escape and my happy place. I don't know what I would have done without it."

We would like to thank all those involved with the project, particularly Liz Wellstead at Rock Paper Scissors, Catching Lives' Arts & Activities Coordinator Miriam Ellis, and volunteer Lachlan.

Catching Lives Bookshop

Our second-hand Bookshop on Palace Street remains a vital part of Catching Lives' work, not only as a source of income but also as a valued and well-loved part of the charity. We are incredibly grateful to our bookshop volunteers, whose enthusiasm, commitment, and hard work bring the shop to life every day. Their energy and dedication make a real difference, and we want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helps make the Bookshop such a success.

Centre data April 2024 - March 2025

Our daily drop-in from 9am-2pm is at the heart of Catching Lives' services. People in housing need can access essential services (food, showers, laundry etc), one-to-one support, arts and activities, and access to partner agencies who hold their own drop-in sessions at the Centre. I'd like to thank partners including the council's Rough Sleeping Initiative team, Citizens Advice, Rising Sun, Hep C Trust, Porchlight, Kent Community Healthcare and Forward Trust who work with us to offer support to our beneficiaries at the Centre.

	Individual beneficiaries	Footfall (all visits)	New beneficiaries
2024/25	528	13,312	256
% change from 2023-24	+6%	+13%	+13%

Alongside the drop-in, we continue to deliver street outreach, tenancy sustainment, and a programme of arts and activities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

For the year ended 31 March 2025, the charity received income totalling £495,781. This was 12% decrease over the prior year. Total 'revenue' expenditure of £610,703 resulted in a deficit of £114,922 for the year. A deficit was anticipated in the Board's financial planning, with an agreed transfer from designated reserves from our Building Improvement Fund for planned maintenance work, along with reserves designated by the Board from our Operational Fund to underwrite our commitment to deliver the Canterbury Community Shelter alongside core 7-day services.

While we had a less successful year for income generation through grants and donations, Catching Lives has continued to secure funding from new sources, as well as growing its trading income. We are confident that steps taken this year - including additional resources for fundraising, communications and trading - are already having a positive impact on the charity's financial direction. Our aims for 2025-26 include applications for new multi-year funding, better to support forward planning of services and priorities, especially as we will be refreshing our strategy in 2026.

We are pleased to be in receipt of continuing funding and support from Lloyds Bank Foundation and the Enhance programme, which this year has helped to strengthen delivery in our finance and governance functions.

We are grateful to long-term local supporters the Diocese of Canterbury and Herringbone House for their commitment to our work with people who are homeless and insecurely housed. We would also like to give our thanks for repeat grants from Streynshams Trust, Philip and Connie Phillips Foundation, Kent Community Foundation, Albert Hunt Trust, Canterbury City Council, and the National Lottery Community Fund.

Reserves policy

Catching Lives will hold its unrestricted reserves in a general fund (the 'Operational Fund') and in a designated fund (the 'Building Fund').

We will hold Operational Fund reserves equivalent to 3-6 months' running costs. This range provides flexibility for changes to our running costs during the year, for example, if we secure funding for new activities that require recruitment, as well as the potential impact of continued inflationary increases. It includes Exit Fund costs (i.e. the amount needed to close the charity) of £50k.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Going concern

The trustees of Catching Lives consider that the charity will remain a "Going Concern" for the foreseeable future. This is based on an assessment of the latest actual financial results and the budget for 2025/26 presented to the trustees. These sources show the current and projected liquidity position of the charity and its current and projected free reserves, all measured relative to the expectations set out in the charity's Reserves Policy. The Reserves Policy states that the charity should hold free reserves of between 3 and 6 months' regular expenditure. The position halfway through financial year 2025/26 and the budget for the full year, based on prudent assumptions, both indicate a level of free reserves that is slightly above this range. The charity is on track to deliver its full year budget. By the nature of the charity's income sources, there remains a degree of risk to future reserve levels. This risk is under continual review and there are potential mitigations in the event of a downturn in income.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The Company was first incorporated 1 June 1992 as a company limited by guarantee and not having share capital. The Charity was registered with the Charity Commission on 20 October 1992.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

During the last year, we accepted the resignation of George Metcalfe, and I am grateful for the time he spent with us and for his efforts, both as a volunteer and a trustee.

Recruitment of trustees was highly successful, and we welcomed Natalie Archer, Fran Ellis, Gulën Petty, and Bernie Mayall. Each brings a wealth of experience and expertise.

Over the coming year, we will continue our work to strengthen our board of trustees, with a particular focus on increasing diversity. Bringing in a range of voices and perspectives will help ensure the board is inclusive, representative, and well-equipped to guide Catching Lives into the future.

Trustees at Catching Lives are recruited through an open application process, with vacancies advertised online (for example Reach Volunteering, Homeless Link, LinkedIn and our website). Appointments are made by the Board following a shortlisting and interview process. In 2024, advertising for trustee vacancies was supported by TrusteeWorks thanks to funding from Lloyds Bank Foundation. Shortlisting, interview and appointment remained the responsibility of Catching Lives. Trustee inductions include meetings with the Chair and CEO, and visiting the Catching Lives day centre.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational strategy 2023-26

Our vision is of a society where all are included and all, no matter how disadvantaged, can make a contribution. We're working to end the harm caused to individuals and communities by homelessness, rough sleeping, and insecure housing.

Strategic Priorities 2023-26:

1. Responding to homelessness and social exclusion
2. Being part of our community
3. Creating a psychologically informed environment
4. Delivering a quality service
5. Being a resilient organisation

Looking ahead

Over the past year, our focus has been on improving the day centre environment and meeting the increased need for our services. While these efforts have been successful and we have made a significant difference to the lives of people experiencing homelessness and insecure housing, we also have to consider our limitations as a small charity facing increasing need year on year. Looking forward, we see no sign of a reduction in homelessness in the near future. We are responding by focusing on the quality and consistency of our core 7-day services to provide effective support and work in partnership as much as possible, so that people get the right help to improve their situation, in particular to end or prevent their homelessness, as quickly as possible. We will continue to seek funding and new partnerships that strengthen our offer and allow us to innovate to address the needs we see for people in our service, such as gaps in provision for women who are homeless or overcoming barriers to healthcare access among men on the streets.

We remain committed to meeting the needs of people experiencing homelessness, providing practical support, guidance, and opportunities for change. Every day, Catching Lives remains dedicated to helping individuals transform their lives while contributing to the well-being of our wider community.

Risk management

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

The Trustees identified risks during the year and took actions to mitigate them including:

- Changing the structure of the operational team so that we can more effectively respond to increased need for our services.
- Investing in fundraising and communications to improve income generation in the coming years.
- Developing our trading to generate additional unrestricted income.
- Ongoing reviews of policies and procedures, and introduction of new systems, to ensure strategic oversight, support for staff, and quality of service delivery.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

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Registered Charity number

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Registered office

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Trustees

J L Hanford Vice Chair
G F Metcalfe (resigned 24/7/2024)
E Boreham (resigned 29/5/2024)
M Reed Chair
P Astell Director
Ms C L Gremo-Gilham (resigned 20/11/2024)
J G Hughes
G Petty (appointed 29/5/2024)
B Coady-Mayall (appointed 29/5/2024) (resigned 23/4/2025)
F A Ellis (appointed 29/5/2024)
N Archer (appointed 29/5/2024)
M Williams Secretary to the board of trustees

Senior Statutory Auditor

Jonathan Spurling

Auditors

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Registered Charity name

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).

Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

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01 December 2025

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

Signed by:



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M Reed - Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF CATCHINGLIVES

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of CatchingLives (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

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

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

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

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF CATCHINGLIVES

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

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

- the nature of the charity as a charity set up for the purposes of raising funds to support the rough sleepers, homeless and vulnerably housed in Canterbury and East Kent.
- results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charities documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations;
 - the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and did not identify any specific areas of concern.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

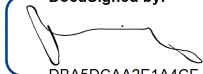
We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the charity operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included The Charity Act, health and safety and tax legislation.

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

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
CATCHINGLIVES**

Use of our report

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

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27 November 2025
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	318,545	71,719	390,264	476,719
Charitable activities					
Relief of Poverty	5	10,012	-	10,012	11,928
Other trading activities	3	70,154	-	70,154	62,393
Investment income	4	14,351	-	14,351	10,854
Total		413,062	71,719	484,781	561,894
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	6	6,668	-	6,668	3,560
Charitable activities					
Relief of Poverty	7	542,788	61,246	604,034	489,269
Total		549,456	61,246	610,702	492,829
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	18	(136,394) (284)	10,473 284	(125,921) -	69,065 -
Net movement in funds		(136,678)	10,757	(125,921)	69,065
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		533,884	12,177	546,061	476,996
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		397,206	22,934	420,140	546,061

The notes form part of these financial statements

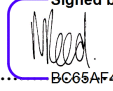
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**BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	13	138,826	143,018
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	14	25,187	24,252
Cash at bank and in hand		280,892	392,253
		306,079	416,505
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(24,765)	(13,462)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		281,314	403,043
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		420,140	546,061
NET ASSETS		420,140	546,061
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	18	397,206	533,884
Restricted funds		22,934	12,177
TOTAL FUNDS		420,140	546,061

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 01 December 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Signed by:

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>(109,767)</u>	<u>73,877</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(109,767)</u>	<u>73,877</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		<u>(1,594)</u>	<u>(70,254)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(1,594)</u>	<u>(70,254)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>392,253</u>	<u>388,630</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>280,892</u></u>	<u><u>392,253</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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

	2025 £	2024 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(125,921)	69,065
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	5,786	7,012
Increase in debtors	(935)	(904)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	11,303	(1,296)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	(109,767)	73,877

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/4/24 £	Cash flow £	At 31/3/25 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	392,253	(111,361)	280,892
	<u>392,253</u>	<u>(111,361)</u>	<u>280,892</u>
Total	<u>392,253</u>	<u>(111,361)</u>	<u>280,892</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of CatchingLives, which is a charitable company limited by guarantee without share capital and using the 'Limited' exemption, incorporated in England and Wales, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The registered office of the charitable company is Canterbury Open Day Centre, Palmer House, Station Road East, Canterbury, Kent, England, CT1 2RB.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The Board has considered the principal risks and uncertainties on the short- and long-term health of the Charity, and is content that the measures taken, combined with sufficient reserves, provides assurance that the going concern basis is appropriate in preparing the financial statements.

Income

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

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable activities

The costs of running the charity are those expenses incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Support costs are those costs directly attributable to supporting income generating activities and in supporting the governance of the charity.

Governance costs

Governance costs are those costs incurred in the governance of its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements. Other expenditure in respect of administration of the charity is not identified separately and is not considered material. This administration is carried out using charity facilities and staff.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Freehold property	- in accordance with the property
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

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

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

Donated goods received

The majority of donated goods received are items of food or clothing. Whilst the charity relies heavily on these donations in order to provide the services it does, these items are difficult to value - the food may be beyond the "Sell by" date or in damaged packaging and items of clothing may have no resale value but the charity is still able to make use of them. The charity's book shop also receives donations of books which it will attempt to sell via the Catching Lives Bookshop but these items may have no realisable value.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations	172,187	218,906
Grants	218,077	257,813
	<u>390,264</u>	<u>476,719</u>

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other grants	218,077	257,813
	<u>218,077</u>	<u>257,813</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

Grants received 2024-25

Unrestricted Funds

	£
Albert Hunt Trust	7,000
Streysham's Trust	2,500
Lloyds Bank Foundation	25,000
Oak Foundation	39,500
The John Swire 1989 Charitable Trust	48,600
Kent Community Foundation	4,000
Fir Tree Trust	1,000
The Oliver Borthwick Memorial Trust	4,000
Neighbourly Foundation	1,500
Whitehead Monckton Charity Foundation	1,250
Canterbury City Council RISE	9,750
Kent Police Property Fund	500
The Antonia Watson Foundation	1,758
	<u>146,358</u>

Restricted Funds

	£
Stagecoach Giving For Good Community Fund 2024	500
DCMS VCSE Energy Efficiency Fund (Groundwork UK)	17,084
NHS England Peer Support Worker Education grant	3,555
Philip & Connie Phillips Foundation	10,000
Fidelity Community Development Fund	6,193
Sainsbury's 'Good Food for all of us' grant	1,500
Albert Hunt Trust	3,362
WM Morrisons Foundation	4,685
Help The Homeless	2,500
CCC UKSPF Skills & Employability grant	7,340
National Lottery Awards for All 2024/25	10,000
Bernard Sunley Foundation	5,000
	<u>71,719</u>

Total grants

218,077

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Shop income	69,076	62,393
Event income	1,078	-
	<u>70,154</u>	<u>62,393</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

4. INVESTMENT INCOME		2025	2024
		£	£
Rents received		7,156	4,855
Interest on cash deposit		7,195	5,999
		<u>14,351</u>	<u>10,854</u>
5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		2025	2024
	Activity	£	£
Other income	Relief of Poverty	10,012	11,928
		<u>10,012</u>	<u>11,928</u>
6. RAISING FUNDS			
Raising donations and legacies		2025	2024
		£	£
Collection agency fees		2,011	1,790
		<u>2,011</u>	<u>1,790</u>
Other trading activities		2025	2024
		£	£
Purchases		2,256	-
Fundraising costs		2,401	1,770
		<u>4,657</u>	<u>1,770</u>
Aggregate amounts		<u>6,668</u>	<u>3,560</u>
7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS			
	Direct	Support	Totals
	Costs	costs (see	
	£	note 8)	£
Relief of Poverty	588,408	15,626	604,034
	<u>588,408</u>	<u>15,626</u>	<u>604,034</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £ <u>15,626</u>
Relief of Poverty	

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

Governance costs

	2025	2024
	Relief of Poverty £	Total activities £
Auditors' remuneration	4,656	3,974
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work	1,164	1,006
Legal and professional costs	9,806	10,075
	<u>15,626</u>	<u>15,055</u>

9. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	4,656	3,974
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work	1,164	1,006
Depreciation - owned assets	5,786	7,012
	<u>11,606</u>	<u>12,002</u>

10. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

Trustee reimbursements for travel, parking and mileage: £88 (2024: £0.00).

11. STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	366,097	302,281
Social security costs	24,361	18,464
	<u>390,458</u>	<u>320,745</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

11. STAFF COSTS - continued

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

	2025	2024
Mental Health	1	1
Open Centre	9	8
Community Shelter	6	6
Outreach	-	1
	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>

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

12. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	408,719	68,000	476,719
Charitable activities			
Relief of Poverty	11,928	-	11,928
Other trading activities	62,393	-	62,393
Investment income	10,854	-	10,854
Total	<u>493,894</u>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>561,894</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3,560	-	3,560
Charitable activities			
Relief of Poverty	398,499	90,770	489,269
Total	<u>402,059</u>	<u>90,770</u>	<u>492,829</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	91,835	(22,770)	69,065
Transfers between funds	84,979	(84,979)	-
Net movement in funds	176,814	(107,749)	69,065
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	357,070	119,926	476,996
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>533,884</u>	<u>12,177</u>	<u>546,061</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	170,215	103,860	274,075
Additions	-	1,594	1,594
At 31 March 2025	170,215	105,454	275,669
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	32,656	98,401	131,057
Charge for year	2,704	3,082	5,786
At 31 March 2025	35,360	101,483	136,843
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	134,855	3,971	138,826
At 31 March 2024	137,559	5,459	143,018

Of the book value of the freehold asset held, £35,025 of this is attributable to the land element and is therefore not depreciated.

14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	2,942	3,101
Other debtors	1,267	857
Prepayments	20,978	20,294
	25,187	24,252

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	2,373	5,411
Other creditors	3,555	-
Deferred income	11,000	605
Accrued expenses	7,837	7,446
	24,765	13,465

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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16. LEASING AGREEMENTS

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Within one year	12,000	10,000
Between one and five years	48,000	60,000
	<u>60,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>

17. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Fixed assets	138,826	-	138,826	143,018
Current assets	269,590	36,489	306,079	416,505
Current liabilities	(11,210)	(13,555)	(24,765)	(13,462)
	<u>397,206</u>	<u>22,934</u>	<u>420,140</u>	<u>546,061</u>

18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds				
Operational Fund	369,607	(133,690)	26,434	262,351
Building Improvements Fund	26,718	-	(26,718)	-
Building Fund	137,559	(2,704)	-	134,855
	<u>533,884</u>	<u>(136,394)</u>	<u>(284)</u>	<u>397,206</u>
Restricted funds				
JCP Flexible Support Fund	2,504	-	-	2,504
EU Mental Health Project	9,717	-	-	9,717
National Lottery Community Fund - Winter 2023-2024	(46)	-	46	-
KCC Hope Community Art Fund	2	(5)	3	-
Morrisons kitchen project	-	(217)	217	-
Albert Hunt Trust	-	(10)	10	-
NHS England Peer Support Worker Education grant	-	2,646	-	2,646
CCC UKSPF Skills and Employability grant	-	(8)	8	-
National Lottery Awards for All grant	-	503	-	503
Sainsburys Good Food for all grant	-	1,500	-	1,500
Fidelity Community Development Fund	-	6,064	-	6,064
	<u>12,177</u>	<u>10,473</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>22,934</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>546,061</u>	<u>(125,921)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>420,140</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Operational Fund	396,562	(530,252)	(133,690)
Building Fund	-	(2,704)	(2,704)
Canterbury Community Shelter 2024/25	16,500	(16,500)	-
	<u>413,062</u>	<u>(549,456)</u>	<u>(136,394)</u>
Restricted funds			
Philip & Connie Philips Foundation (Vol. Co-ord Salary)	10,000	(10,000)	-
KCC Hope Community Art Fund	-	(5)	(5)
Stagecoach Giving For Good Community Fund 2024	500	(500)	-
Morrisons kitchen project	4,685	(4,902)	(217)
Albert Hunt Trust	3,362	(3,372)	(10)
NHS England Peer Support Worker Education grant	3,555	(909)	2,646
CCC UKSPF Skills and Employability grant	7,340	(7,348)	(8)
National Lottery Awards for All grant	10,000	(9,497)	503
Sainsburys Good Food for all grant	1,500	-	1,500
Bernard Sunley Foundation Fund	5,000	(5,000)	-
Help The Homeless Fund	2,500	(2,500)	-
DCMS VCSE Energy Efficiency Fund	17,084	(17,084)	-
Fidelity Community Development Fund	6,193	(129)	6,064
	<u>71,719</u>	<u>(61,246)</u>	<u>10,473</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>484,781</u>	<u>(610,702)</u>	<u>(125,921)</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
Operational Fund	257,070	93,691	18,846	369,607
Building Improvements Fund	100,000	-	(73,282)	26,718
Building Fund	-	(1,856)	139,415	137,559
	<u>357,070</u>	<u>91,835</u>	<u>84,979</u>	<u>533,884</u>
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	74,225	-	(74,225)	-
JCP Flexible Support Fund	2,504	-	-	2,504
EU Mental Health Project	9,717	-	-	9,717
Canterbury City Council Outreach	20,256	(20,256)	-	-
Kent Community Foundation – Support Worker	7,724	-	(7,724)	-
Kent Community Foundation – Arts & Activities	3,258	(65)	(3,193)	-
National Lottery Awards for All – Catching Lives Kitchen	2,242	(2,405)	163	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Winter 2023-2024	-	(46)	-	(46)
KCC Hope Community Art Fund	-	2	-	2
	<u>119,926</u>	<u>(22,770)</u>	<u>(84,979)</u>	<u>12,177</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>476,996</u>	<u>69,065</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>546,061</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Operational Fund	493,894	(400,203)	93,691
Building Fund	-	(1,856)	(1,856)
	<u>493,894</u>	<u>(402,059)</u>	<u>91,835</u>
Restricted funds			
Canterbury City Council Outreach	-	(20,256)	(20,256)
Kent Community Foundation – Arts & Activities	-	(65)	(65)
National Lottery Awards for All – Catching Lives Kitchen	(1)	(2,404)	(2,405)
Philip & Connie Philips Foundation (Vol. Co-ord Salary)	10,000	(10,000)	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Winter 2023-2024	57,001	(57,047)	(46)
KCC Hope Community Art Fund	1,000	(998)	2
	<u>68,000</u>	<u>(90,770)</u>	<u>(22,770)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>561,894</u>	<u>(492,829)</u>	<u>69,065</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds				
Operational Fund	257,070	(39,999)	45,280	262,351
Building Improvements Fund	100,000	-	(100,000)	-
Building Fund	-	(4,560)	139,415	134,855
	<u>357,070</u>	<u>(44,559)</u>	<u>84,695</u>	<u>397,206</u>
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	74,225	-	(74,225)	-
JCP Flexible Support Fund	2,504	-	-	2,504
EU Mental Health Project	9,717	-	-	9,717
Canterbury City Council Outreach	20,256	(20,256)	-	-
Kent Community Foundation – Support Worker	7,724	-	(7,724)	-
Kent Community Foundation – Arts & Activities	3,258	(65)	(3,193)	-
National Lottery Awards for All – Catching Lives Kitchen	2,242	(2,405)	163	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Winter 2023-2024	-	(46)	46	-
KCC Hope Community Art Fund	-	(3)	3	-
Morrisons kitchen project	-	(217)	217	-
Albert Hunt Trust	-	(10)	10	-
NHS England Peer Support Worker Education grant	-	2,646	-	2,646
CCC UKSPF Skills and Employability grant	-	(8)	8	-
National Lottery Awards for All grant	-	503	-	503
Sainsburys Good Food for all grant	-	1,500	-	1,500
Fidelity Community Development Fund	-	6,064	-	6,064
	<u>119,926</u>	<u>(12,297)</u>	<u>(84,695)</u>	<u>22,934</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>476,996</u>	<u>(56,856)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>420,140</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
Operational Fund	890,456	(930,455)	(39,999)
Building Fund	-	(4,560)	(4,560)
Canterbury Community Shelter 2024/25	16,500	(16,500)	-
	<u>906,956</u>	<u>(951,515)</u>	<u>(44,559)</u>
Restricted funds			
Canterbury City Council Outreach	-	(20,256)	(20,256)
Kent Community Foundation – Arts & Activities	-	(65)	(65)
National Lottery Awards for All – Catching Lives Kitchen	(1)	(2,404)	(2,405)
Philip & Connie Philips Foundation (Vol. Co-ord Salary)	20,000	(20,000)	-
National Lottery Community Fund - Winter 2023-2024	57,001	(57,047)	(46)
KCC Hope Community Art Fund	1,000	(1,003)	(3)
Stagecoach Giving For Good Community Fund 2024	500	(500)	-
Morrisons kitchen project	4,685	(4,902)	(217)
Albert Hunt Trust	3,362	(3,372)	(10)
NHS England Peer Support Worker Education grant	3,555	(909)	2,646
CCC UKSPF Skills and Employability grant	7,340	(7,348)	(8)
National Lottery Awards for All grant	10,000	(9,497)	503
Sainsburys Good Food for all grant	1,500	-	1,500
Bernard Sunley Foundation Fund	5,000	(5,000)	-
Help The Homeless Fund	2,500	(2,500)	-
DCMS VCSE Energy Efficiency Fund	17,084	(17,084)	-
Fidelity Community Development Fund	6,193	(129)	6,064
	<u>139,719</u>	<u>(152,016)</u>	<u>(12,297)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,046,675</u>	<u>(1,103,531)</u>	<u>(56,856)</u>

Unrestricted funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is expendable at the discretion of the trustees on furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Building Improvements Fund - a unrestricted fund was created to set aside funds to refurbish, and if necessary extend, the leasehold property (Palmer House, 13 Station Road East) in order to maintain its fabric and ensure the property is fit for purpose for clients, staff and volunteers.

Building Fund

The Building Fund was established in the year ended 31 March 2002 and reflects the net book value of the freehold property known as Palmer House. The property is held in this fund.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Canterbury Community Shelter 2024/25

Designated grants totalling £16,500 towards the salary costs of running the 2024-25 Winter Shelter were received from Canterbury City Council (RISE Strategic Grant), the Oliver Borthwick Memorial Trust, the Whitehead Monckton Charitable Foundation and the Neighbourly Foundation.

Restricted funds:

JCP Flexible Support Fund

This represents the balance of funds from a 2014-15 project with JobCentre Plus to improve employment outcomes or prospects of future employment outcomes for long-term unemployed individuals and groups facing the most complex and intractable barriers to work. The Charity is seeking advice from the funding body as to the deployment of the remaining funds.

EU Mental Health Project

This represents the balance of funds from a 2014-16 transnational partnership project involving partners in the UK, France, Spain and Italy, funded by Erasmus+ to raise standards of literacy for people experiencing disadvantage including homelessness. The Charity is seeking advice from the funding body as to the deployment of the remaining funds.

Philip & Connie Philips Foundation

A £10,000 grant towards the salary of our Volunteer Coordinator, who works 25 hours per week recruiting, coordinating and supervising volunteers. This is a crucial role as Catching Lives' kitchen and bookshop are entirely volunteer-run, as are many of our activities.

Stagecoach Giving For Good Community Fund 2024

A restricted grant of £500 towards catering costs.

Morrisons kitchen project

A restricted grant of £4,685 towards the cost of a replacement cooker.

Albert Hunt Trust

A restricted grant of £3,362 to cover cost of consultancy fees for a redevelopment plan for Canterbury Open Centre.

NHS England Peer Support Worker Education grant

A restricted grant of £3,555 to employ and train two part-time Support Workers, with lived experience of the issues faced by clients, on six month contracts.

CCC UKSPF Skills and Employability grant

A restricted grant of £7,340 from UK Shared Prosperity Fund (via Canterbury City Council) for a project to develop the skills and confidence of recently housed clients, and support progression towards independent living and employment. This involved creative workshops delivered by professional artists helping participants plan and develop products to sell, followed by sessions focused on retail skills and the opportunity to use them in a retail setting. Participants ended by creating a new CV reflecting their new skills and qualifications.

National Lottery Awards for All grant

A restricted grant of £20,000 over two years to be used to part pay the salary of the volunteer coordinator, pay for DBS checks for new volunteers, and contribute towards costs of Catching Lives' kitchen, including catering and equipment.

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18. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Canterbury City Council RISE

A restricted grant of £10,000 towards costs of the Winter Shelter 2024-25 (£9750 received in 2024-25, balance received in 2025-26).

Whitehead Monckton Charitable Foundation

A restricted grant of £1,250 towards costs of the Winter Shelter 2024-25.

Oliver Borthwick Memorial Trust

A restricted grant of £4,000 towards costs of the Winter Shelter 2024-25.

Southern Co-Op Winter Fund

A restricted grant of £1,500 towards costs of the Winter Shelter 2024-25.

Fidelity UK

A restricted grant of £6,193 towards the implementation of a CRM system for fundraising.

19. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	172,187	218,906
Grants	218,077	257,813
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	390,264	476,719
Other trading activities		
Shop income	69,076	62,393
Event income	1,078	-
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	70,154	62,393
Investment income		
Rents received	7,156	4,855
Interest on cash deposit	7,195	5,999
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	14,351	10,854
Charitable activities		
Other income	10,012	11,928
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Total incoming resources	484,781	561,894
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Collection agency fees	2,011	1,790
Other trading activities		
Shop purchases	2,256	-
Fundraising costs	2,401	1,770
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	4,657	1,770
Charitable activities		
Wages	366,097	302,281
Social security	24,361	18,464
Rates and water	4,504	4,268
Rent costs	19,219	18,050
Administration costs	91,259	86,119
Coordinator and consultancy fees	1,290	400
Repairs, furniture & equipment	64,083	14,220
Communication costs	11,809	11,400
Feasibility Study costs	-	12,000
Depreciation of freehold property	2,704	1,856
Depreciation of fixtures & fittings	3,082	5,156
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	588,408	474,214

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CATCHINGLIVES**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Auditors' remuneration	4,656	3,974
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work	1,164	1,006
Legal and professional costs	9,806	10,075
	<u>15,626</u>	<u>15,055</u>
Total resources expended	<u>610,702</u>	<u>492,829</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(125,921)</u>	<u>69,065</u>

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