

SOUTHSIDE FAMILY PROJECT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Company Registration Number 03368679

Charity Number 1069637

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
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Company Information

Registered Charity Name: Southside Family Project

Charity Registration Number: 1069637

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Company Registered Office: Meade House
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Mary Clark
Sarah Hamblin
David Hobdey
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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).

Governing Document

Southside Family Project was constituted as a company limited by guarantee on 9th May 1997. The governing documents are the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

Public Benefit

In setting the aims and objectives of Southside Family Project, the Trustees have complied with their duty in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Purposes of the Charity and Main Activities

The charity's objects as set out in the governing document are:

To provide the relief of suffering and distress for those persons who have been victims of rape/child abuse, or any other forms of abuse or deprivation, by the provision of counselling, advice and support services and also raising public awareness of their needs.

Southside aims to ensure that children, young people, adults and families experiencing multiple and complex challenges in Bath and North East Somerset access the care and support they need to improve their safety, wellbeing, positive relationships, sense of identity and belonging and resilience, so that each individual and family we support can thrive, not just survive. Southside's work is trauma-informed and therapeutically focused. We have deep roots in local communities and are known and trusted.

We provide whole family support, domestic abuse crisis support and advocacy to meet the needs of children, young people and adults across our communities who are affected by issues such as poverty, domestic abuse, mental ill-health, SEND, serious challenges in school, being victimised or harassed, bereavement, struggling with cost-of-living pressures and debt, addiction and/or homelessness. Many families and individuals we support have previously found it very challenging to engage with or make use of other services.

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The charity has a strong track record over 28 years supporting thousands of children, young people and adults who have experienced trauma through violence, abuse and neglect, helping them to find safety and build resilience, wellbeing, relationships, connections and sense of identity.

Achievements and Performance

During 2024-25, individuals, families and communities we support continued to face challenges through ongoing cost-of-living pressures and the long-term impact of the Covid pandemic on health, wellbeing and other services. Southside provided food, resources and crisis support where possible, and we also helped families and individuals to access practical and financial support through other support services.

During the year, over 230 families with a range of complex problems were referred and over 710 children, young people and adults received targeted support through the Family Support and Play Service. In addition, we supported children, young people and adults already engaged with our services and supported by our highly skilled and experienced Family Support Team.

Throughout the year, Southside supported whole family support for children, young people and families facing multiple and complex challenges across our local communities, with regular contact, home visits, coordinating multi-agency support and connecting them to our Community Hub Groups, Therapeutic Play, Young Advocates and other services. Our trauma-informed, whole family support helps strengthen bonds and attachment between children and their parents/carers, build resilience and wellbeing, helping families make positive changes to prevent needs escalating.

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local communities in Writhlington, Foxhill, Keynsham and Twerton and Whiteway. Parents took on leadership roles through the Steering Group in Writhlington, now being replicated in other groups.

These groups are early intervention services in warm, safe spaces in pockets of deprivation and isolation, enabling parents and carers to come together each week to access peer support from each other, as well as help and advice through Southside Family Support Workers. The groups start after school so that all children can be involved and enjoy creative play activities, ending with a freshly prepared, nutritious meal for families to enjoy eating together and go home well fed and having connected with lots of other families and our team.

Throughout the group sessions, experienced Southside workers are available to discuss any difficulties raised and arrange follow-up calls to discuss options of support and/or signposting. We also connect families with specialist advice, support and resources through the groups.

Southside's Domestic Abuse Services provided targeted support and advocacy for people affected by domestic abuse across Bath and North East Somerset throughout the year. Over the year, we received over 570 referrals for both our IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advocate) and Support Worker Services and our IRIS (Identification and Referral to Improve Safety) Service.

Our IRIS Service received 77 referrals for domestic abuse support from 17 GP surgeries during 2024-25. Southside's IRIS Advocate/Educators also train health professionals across Bath and North East Somerset to build their knowledge, skills and understanding of domestic abuse to support their patients and make referrals directly to us for specialist support.

Southside's Intake Support Service provided a central point of information, advice and signposting for victims and survivors of domestic abuse, friends or family, professionals and local agencies. This open and accessible service provided critical support for victims and people supporting them. Our workers are highly trained and experienced, directly supporting people affected by domestic abuse who are not at immediate risk until there is IDVA capacity to take on the case.

Southside's Supporting Families programme trained and engaged people who have used our services to provide peer support and advocacy, using their lived experience, and others interested in learning more about supporting families. Our training courses help local people to build their knowledge, understanding, skills and confidence and can lead to volunteering opportunities and career pathways with Southside and other local organisations.

Southside supports people with lived experience to provide expertise, advocacy and insight to improve local services from their personal, lived experience of abuse, trauma, and particularly the child protection system. Southside's Parent Advocates work alongside Social Care to support families on Child in Need plans to listen, support and help them understand processes, documents and meetings that are often daunting. Our Lived Experience Mentors support individual young people who have been exploited or at risk of involvement in serious violence to promote healthy relationships, self-esteem, confidence and engagement in education.

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Southside also provided individual therapy and counselling for individuals supported by our Family Support and Domestic Abuse Services. We provide training for professionals and local services, work closely with other local charities and agencies to support families and individuals, and support our local community through the Twerton and Whiteway Community Network.

As for many other community-based charities, Southside faced increased demand for our services and support during 2024-25, with more complex needs and costs continuing to rise. We cautiously managed finances throughout the year and sought funding to ensure that services could develop and continue as set out in our Strategic Plan. From November 2024, the variation and cut to the B&NES Council Family Support and Play Service contract no longer contributed to the costs of our Community Hub Groups, Therapeutic Play and Counselling services.

Further information included in our Annual Review is available on our website.

Board of Trustees

The members of the company consist solely of the Trustees, who act as the Management Committee. Trustees are appointed by election at the Annual General Meeting.

Trustee recruitment is undertaken through an inclusive and transparent process to find new Trustees with the skills and experience needed to strengthen the Board and the charity's governance, as identified through reviews and skills audits. The charity encourages and invites people from the local community, both professionals and service users, to become Trustees.

New Trustees undergo a thorough induction process as set out in the Southside Trustee Induction Checklist. The induction includes: accessing information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a Trustee; meetings with key Southside personnel involved in the day-to-day operational and financial facets of the charity; the reading of key Southside policies and procedures; familiarisation with Southside's premises, including health and safety, administrative and IT matters; the signing of a declaration form concerning non-disqualification from acting as a Trustee; the signing of a declaration form relating to pecuniary and personal interests; the signing of a confidentiality agreement; the completion of a skills audit; accessing information about training requirements, for example in respect of safeguarding; and learning about training and development opportunities.

At any point during the year, the Board may appoint further Trustees. However, such persons only remain in office until the next AGM, when they can stand for formal election to a full term of office.

The Trustees have four scheduled meetings each year and are involved in meeting on other occasions as required, including the Finance Sub-Committee and AGM. The Trustees' governance role includes focusing on:

- Strategic Plan review and development
- Operational performance review
- Financial performance against annual plans and budgets

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- Risk management
- Safeguarding

All Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the charity during the 2024-25 financial year. Note 9 in the accounts shows that no expenses were claimed by Trustees during this period.

Risk Management, and Principal Risks and Uncertainties

Southside has an established Risk Management Record that is reviewed regularly during the year by the Board of Trustees and Senior Management Team. This record reviews all the major risks to which the charity is exposed and shows the systems or procedures which have been established to manage them.

Internal control risks are managed by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions, management of any conflict of interests and robust systems and processes to safeguard children, young people and adults we support, staff, volunteers and visitors.

The principal risks and uncertainties are managing the increasing, more complex demand for our services; reductions in funding and the challenging fundraising environment for smaller charities.

Operational Management

The day-to-day management of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, Penny McKissock MBE, who reports to the Board of Trustees. The CEO is supported by an experienced management team which meets at least once a month.

Remuneration Policy

The Trustees are responsible for authorising senior management remuneration and do so with reference to benchmark data for similar roles in other charities and other relevant organisations. Southside is committed to family-friendly and flexible working practices to promote a good work-life balance for staff and volunteers.

Reserves Policy

Southside aims to retain free reserves equivalent to between three-six months' expenditure to enable the charity to meet any unforeseen costs during the year or cope with unexpected shortfalls in income. Total funds at 31st March 2025 were £323,518, of which £113,285 is held as restricted funds. Free reserves are therefore £210,233, equivalent to almost three months' expenditure, so we need to build unrestricted funds to meet the targeted level in the Reserves Policy.

Supporters

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Southside's work is made possible through the support of our partners and supporters: statutory funders, philanthropic and corporate supporters, community groups and individuals who support us to help children, young children and families across our local communities.

On behalf of all the people and communities we work with, we would like to thank Southside's Development Board and all those who provides support through grants and donations, fundraising, volunteering time and expertise and providing pro bono support, training and mentoring.

Financial Review

Our income of £822,992 came from various sources:

- £626,540 in contracts and funding from or managed by Bath and North East Somerset Council, BSW ICB (Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board) and Avon and Somerset PCC (Police and Crime Commissioner).
- £129,042 in grants and donations from Charitable Trusts/Foundations, companies and community organisations for core funding and specific projects.
- £67,410 in unrestricted grants, donations and from other sources.

Our expenditure of £859,548 breaks down as follows:

- £434,514 on Family Support Services (including Community Hub Groups, Therapeutic Play Service and Advocacy and Volunteering).
- £411,510 on Domestic Abuse Services (including Counselling).
- £13,524 on raising funds.

Fundraising Activities

Southside raises funds for services through applications to Charitable Foundations and Trusts, bids for appropriate statutory contracts, individual and corporate donations, and community fundraising activities and support. The charity employs a part-time Fundraiser.

Southside is registered with the Fundraising Regulator, has a Fundraising Complaints Policy and Procedure and adheres to The Code of Fundraising Practice. Any fundraising complaints received by the charity are recorded and acted upon as set out in the procedure. In 2024-25, the charity received no fundraising complaints.

Plans for Future Periods

During the second year of our 2023-26 Strategic Plan, Southside made good progress within a challenging funding environment towards the aims: to build strategic partnerships; influence and collaborate with other stakeholders; and deliver quality, trauma-informed services to support children, young people and families to thrive. Aims for year three of the Strategic Plan include to:

- further develop Southside's Community Hub Groups, Steering Groups and partnerships.
- build unrestricted reserves to support future development.
- implement In-Form as Southside's new case management system, identified through in-depth analysis, with comprehensive support and training for staff and volunteers.

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- build on the Young Advocates programme to develop our youth volunteering and advocacy.

Southside and other local organisations face a highly challenging funding environment, with costs continuing to rise; increasing, more complex demand for our services; and potential reductions in funding for commissioned services. We continue to work hard to raise the charity's profile, build and diversify our fundraising, and achieve sustainable growth and development to continue to build our services and capacity to meet the growing need within the communities we serve.

We will continue to develop our Evaluation Framework for Southside services, which enables us to measure 'distance travelled' for the individuals and families we support using the outcomes identified in our Theory of Change. The outcomes all contribute to the five impact areas of:

- Improved Feeling of Safety
- Improved Family Wellbeing
- Improved Sense of Identity and Belonging
- Improved Relationships and Connections
- Improved Resilience

The data is monitored at the start and end of the work, and this supports our qualitative evaluation through detailed case studies. These provide a clear picture of the challenges faced at the start of the work, the trauma-informed support and other services provided, developments during the Southside support, the difference this has made and outcomes achieved.

There is no quick 'fix' for trauma and multiple, complex challenges; individuals and families know that we are there for them if needed again. Many get involved in our Community Hub Groups and offer peer support to others in their communities. Some build their skills and knowledge through our Supporting Families training programme, leading to volunteering and other opportunities.

Southside's Evaluation Framework will be embedded in our new case management system to improve the ease, efficiency and effectiveness of our data collection, analysis and reporting. We look forward to being able to analyse the monitoring and evaluation information more fully in future to share more evidence of impact, powerful (anonymised) stories of change and distance travelled and add more to and inform the local and national evidence base.

Approved by the Trustees on ...29/09/2025.....and signed on their behalf by:



Jill Oldham
Chair of Trustees



David Hobdey
Treasurer

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Southside Family Project**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Southside Family Project ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company 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 your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 accounts 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 accounts to be reached.



James Gare DChA FCA

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Date: 03 October 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	62,887	129,042	191,929	318,754
Charitable activities	4				
Domestic Abuse		-	336,855	336,855	333,455
Family Support		-	289,685	289,685	305,707
Investment income	3	4,523	-	4,523	4,371
Total		<u>67,410</u>	<u>755,582</u>	<u>822,992</u>	<u>962,287</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	5	13,524	-	13,524	12,163
Charitable activities	6				
Domestic Abuse		39,919	371,591	411,510	380,656
Family Support		43,248	391,266	434,514	437,098
Total		<u>96,691</u>	<u>762,857</u>	<u>859,548</u>	<u>829,917</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(29,281)	(7,275)	(36,556)	132,370
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		239,514	120,560	360,074	227,704
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>210,233</u>	<u>113,285</u>	<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
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	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	16,322	-	16,322	77,618
Cash at bank and in hand		241,135	113,285	354,420	349,652
		<u>257,457</u>	<u>113,285</u>	<u>370,742</u>	<u>427,270</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(47,224)	-	(47,224)	(67,196)
		<u>210,233</u>	<u>113,285</u>	<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>210,233</u>	<u>113,285</u>	<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>210,233</u>	<u>113,285</u>	<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>210,233</u>	<u>113,285</u>	<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>
FUNDS					
	16				
Unrestricted funds				210,233	239,514
Restricted funds				113,285	120,560
				<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>323,518</u>	<u>360,074</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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 29/09/2025 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee Jill Oldham

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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	245	78,387
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>245</u>	<u>78,387</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		4,523	4,371
Net cash provided by investing activities		<u>4,523</u>	<u>4,371</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period			
		4,768	82,758
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>349,652</u>	<u>266,894</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>354,420</u></u>	<u><u>349,652</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)	(36,556)	132,370
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	-	2,233
Interest received	(4,523)	(4,371)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	61,296	(42,588)
Decrease in creditors	(19,972)	(9,257)
Net cash provided by operations	<u>245</u>	<u>78,387</u>

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	<u>349,652</u>	<u>4,768</u>	<u>354,420</u>
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Total	<u>349,652</u>	<u>4,768</u>	<u>354,420</u>

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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 the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the 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 financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going concern

The majority of the charity's income comes from contracts with the local authority and the NHS. The Health Inequalities Fund grant has been extended to March 2026. The Family Support and Play Service contract has been extended to October 2026 and, as far as the charity is aware, is likely to be recommissioned and could further develop with increased commitment to the Parent Advocacy service. Should the organisation fail to secure the bid, or the contract is awarded at a lower value to their current value, this may have a detrimental impact on the organisation's operations and cash flows. However, the charity has unrestricted reserves of some £210k and the balance sheet is strong. On this basis, the trustees consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis. This assumes that the charity will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. In making this assessment the trustees have reviewed the balance sheet, the likely future cash flows of the charity and have considered the funds available at this point in time.

On this basis, the trustees consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis. This assumes that the charity will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. In making this assessment the trustees have reviewed the balance sheet, the likely future cash flows of the charity and have considered the funds available.

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.

Income from donations/grants is included in income when these are receivable and can be quantified with reasonable accuracy, except as follows:

- i) When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods.
- ii) When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-conditions have been met.

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.

Most expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities, and has been included in those cost categories. Support costs have been allocated 100% towards the charitable activities of the charity.

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. Support costs are allocated based on direct staff time.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to strategic management of the charity, these costs are included within charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Computers and office equipment - 33% on straight line basis

Only assets with a cost of more than £1,000 are capitalised.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

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.

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any discounts due.

Cash

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

Leasing commitments

Rentals applicable to operating lease agreements where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations and grants	191,929	318,754

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	4,523	4,371

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4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		2025	2024
	Activity	£	£
Contracts	Domestic Abuse	336,855	333,455
Contracts	Family Support	289,685	305,707
		<u>626,540</u>	<u>639,162</u>

5. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs	12,592	12,163
Direct costs	535	-
Support costs	397	-
	<u>13,524</u>	<u>12,163</u>

6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Domestic Abuse	291,157	120,353	411,510
Family Support	304,132	130,382	434,514
	<u>595,289</u>	<u>250,735</u>	<u>846,024</u>

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Raising donations and legacies	337	60	-	397
Domestic Abuse	116,443	94	3,816	120,353
Family Support	126,146	102	4,134	130,382
	<u>242,926</u>	<u>256</u>	<u>7,950</u>	<u>251,132</u>

8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	-	2,233
Independent examination	4,800	4,800
Operating lease - rent	10,000	10,000
	<u>14,800</u>	<u>17,033</u>

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9. 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

1 trustee was paid expenses totalling £230 (2024: none)

10. STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	684,783	616,734
Social security costs	41,954	36,794
Other pension costs	11,920	12,278
	738,657	665,806

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

	2025	2024
Employees	33	31

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

Included within Wages and Salaries are costs of self employed workers totalling £18,194 (2024: £20,848).

The key management personnel are defined as the Trustees (none of whom received any remuneration payments during the current or prior period) and the posts of CEO and Operations Director. The total employee benefits for key management personnel of the charity were £82,093 (2024 - £79,326).

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	65,146	253,608	318,754
Charitable activities			
Domestic Abuse	-	333,455	333,455
Family Support	-	305,707	305,707
Investment income	4,371	-	4,371
Total	69,517	892,770	962,287
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	11,650	513	12,163
Charitable activities			
Domestic Abuse	-	380,656	380,656
Family Support	9,529	427,569	437,098
Total	21,179	808,738	829,917
NET INCOME	48,338	84,032	132,370
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	191,177	36,527	227,704

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11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<u>239,515</u>	<u>120,559</u>	<u>360,074</u>

TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Computers
and
office
equipment
£

COST

At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025

6,699

DEPRECIATION

At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025

6,699

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 March 2025

-

At 31 March 2024

-

13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	3,476	69,528
Prepayments	12,846	8,090
	<u>16,322</u>	<u>77,618</u>

14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	10,105	6,839
Social security and other taxes	9,450	9,317
Other creditors	2,625	2,539
Accruals and deferred income	25,044	48,501
	<u>47,224</u>	<u>67,196</u>

Deferred income

	2025 £	2024 £
Deferred Income at 1 April 2024	36,403	56,449
Resources deferred in the year	18,296	36,403
Amounts released from previous years	(36,403)	(56,449)
Deferred Income 31 March 2025	<u>18,296</u>	<u>36,403</u>

Deferred income relates to income received in advance for contracts relating to post year end service delivery.

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15. LEASING AGREEMENTS

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

	2025 £	2024 £
Within one year	10,000	10,000
Between one and five years	8,333	18,333
	<u>18,333</u>	<u>28,333</u>

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	239,514	(29,281)	210,233
Restricted funds			
Family Support Services	4,484	(4,484)	-
Advocacy and Volunteering (Building Bridges)	52,748	(576)	52,172
Core Funding	40,948	(15,000)	25,948
Therapeutic Play Service	7,412	12,588	20,000
Individual Support Funds / Resources	4	(4)	-
Digital	-	4,000	4,000
Training and Outreach	11,364	(2,052)	9,312
Community Hub Groups	3,600	(1,747)	1,853
	<u>120,560</u>	<u>(7,275)</u>	<u>113,285</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>360,074</u>	<u>(36,556)</u>	<u>323,518</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	67,410	(96,691)	(29,281)
Restricted funds			
Domestic Abuse Services	281,876	(281,876)	-
Family Support Services	215,292	(219,776)	(4,484)
Advocacy and Volunteering (Building Bridges)	29,000	(29,576)	(576)
Core Funding	80,508	(95,508)	(15,000)
Therapeutic Play Service	33,162	(20,574)	12,588
Individual Support Funds / Resources	2,350	(2,354)	(4)
Digital	11,430	(7,430)	4,000
Counselling	22,727	(22,727)	-
Training and Outreach	9,860	(11,912)	(2,052)
Community Hub Groups	45,026	(46,773)	(1,747)
Business Support	23,851	(23,851)	-
Advocacy and Volunteering (Young Advocates)	500	(500)	-
	<u>755,582</u>	<u>(762,857)</u>	<u>(7,275)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>822,992</u>	<u>(859,548)</u>	<u>(36,556)</u>

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	191,177	48,337	239,514
Restricted funds			
Family Support Services	-	4,484	4,484
Advocacy and Volunteering (Building Bridges)	-	52,748	52,748
Core Funding	16,948	24,000	40,948
Therapeutic Play Service	(97)	7,509	7,412
Advocacy and Volunteering (Supporting Families)	7,239	(7,239)	-
Individual Support Funds / Resources	7,108	(7,104)	4
Digital	3,308	(3,308)	-
Training and Outreach	-	11,364	11,364
Community Hub Groups	2,021	1,579	3,600
	<u>36,527</u>	<u>84,033</u>	<u>120,560</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>227,704</u>	<u>132,370</u>	<u>360,074</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	69,517	(21,180)	48,337
Restricted funds			
Domestic Abuse Services	311,269	(311,269)	-
Family Support Services	297,317	(292,833)	4,484
Advocacy and Volunteering (Building Bridges)	67,890	(15,142)	52,748
Core Funding	95,000	(71,000)	24,000
Therapeutic Play Service	35,722	(28,213)	7,509
Advocacy and Volunteering (Supporting Families)	-	(7,239)	(7,239)
Individual Support Funds / Resources	18,250	(25,354)	(7,104)
Digital	-	(3,308)	(3,308)
Counselling	22,186	(22,186)	-
Training and Outreach	16,000	(4,636)	11,364
Community Hub Groups	29,136	(27,557)	1,579
	<u>892,770</u>	<u>(808,737)</u>	<u>84,033</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>962,287</u>	<u>(829,917)</u>	<u>132,370</u>

Description of funds

Domestic Abuse Services - Funding to provide IDVA and other support for victims of domestic abuse, and the IRIS programme to support GP surgeries to identify, support and refer victims of domestic abuse.

Family Support Services - Funding to provide the Family Support and Play Service and other whole family support.

Advocacy and Volunteering (Building Bridges) - Funding for the Building Bridges project to provide expertise, advocacy and insight to improve services from lived experience.

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Core Funding - Grants for core funding and costs. This includes funding received in advance for costs in the following financial years.

Therapeutic Play Service - Funding to provide the therapeutic play support for children, young people and parents/carers affected by trauma and abuse.

Advocacy and Volunteering (Supporting Families) - Funding to provide the Supporting Families training programme and support volunteering.

Individual Support Funds / Resources - Funding to provide crisis support, the Hardship Fund, resource packs and festive care packs for families.

Digital - Funding to support the development of the case management system, IT infrastructure and capacity.

Counselling - Funding to provide counselling and coaching.

Training and Outreach - Funding to develop and provide training and outreach services.

Community Hub Groups - Funding for the Keynsham, Writhlington, Twerton and Foxhill Community Hub Groups, providing community food and support, previously called Family Food Hub Groups.

17. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The costs for the period was £11,920 (2024: £12,278). At 31 March 2025 contributions totalling £2,625 (2024: £2,539) were outstanding.

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

19. FUNDS HELD AS AN AGENT

During this year and the previous year Southside Family Project delivered family support and play services with Bath Area Play Project for BANES council. As part of the agreement £77,592 (2024: £137,668) was received by the charity from the council, administered and paid as an agent to Bath Area Play Project in the current year with no outstanding balances held at the year end. These balances have been excluded from the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet.