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Project Seventeen

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Timothy Bull, Treasurer Mary Awoniyi Clare Jennings Gwawr Thomas, Chair Claire McGuinness Olaitan Abiola Stephanie Kleynhans Jessie Porter
Senior Management Team	Abigail Brunswick, Director
Principal Office	St Joseph's Hospice Mare Street London E8 4SA
Charity Registration Number	1152621
Independent Examiner	Eva Stevens, employee of Community Accounting Plus Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:	Timothy Bull, Treasurer
	Mary Awoniyi
	Elizabeth Fry (resigned 25 April 2026)
	Clare Jennings
	Gwawr Thomas, Chair
	Claire McGuinness
	Olaitan Abiola
	Stephanie Kleynhans
	Jessie Porter

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is operated under the rules of its constitution adopted 18th May 2013.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Advertising externally and among relevant groups and bodies; reviewing CVs and cover letters; interviews with the Chair and Director; shadowing trustee meetings; voting to join the board.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The relief of financial hardship amongst migrants with no recourse to public funds living in the UK by the provision of free advice and assistance to such persons.

For the public benefit to advance education of the public in the needs of migrants with no recourse to public funds by providing training and advice to other relevant agencies.

Project 17 works to reduce homelessness and severe poverty among migrants excluded from mainstream welfare by their immigration status.

Ultimately, we want to see laws and policies that do not perpetuate poverty and inequality. Until then, our specialist focus is around working with families experiencing exceptional poverty to improve their access to support from social services under a law called section 17 Children Act 1989.

We believe that everyone has the right to a home and enough to eat, regardless of their immigration status. To achieve our vision, we provide advice, advocacy and support for individuals. We build capacity in other organisations and we campaign for the improved implementation of statutory support.

Project 17 works towards ensuring that local authorities comply with the duties imposed on them by Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 to safeguard and promote the welfare of children in need. Section 17 enables local councils to provide accommodation and financial support to avoid children being taken into the care of the local authority.

This duty exists even if the family has no right to work, no access to welfare benefits and social housing and no leave to remain in the UK. Project 17 exists to ensure that individuals eligible for support under Section 17 are able to access it effectively.

This year we prepared to expand our specialist focus to include working under the Care Act 2014, working with adults with care needs who are facing poverty and homelessness, taking on Care Act work from May 2026.

The formal objectives set out in our governing document are:

•The relief of financial hardship amongst migrants with no recourse to public funds living in the UK by the provision of free advice and assistance to such persons.
•For the public benefit to advance education of the public in the needs of migrants with no recourse to public funds by providing training and advice to other relevant agencies.

Objectives, strategies and activities

Advice and advocacy: working directly with families with no recourse to public funds to improve access to accommodation and financial support under section 17 of the Children Act 1989 and related support.

Capacity building: working with organisations to improve their ability to work with families with no recourse to public funds. This includes training, case advice for professionals, and online resources.

Systemic change: ultimately, we believe that everyone should be entitled to a welfare safety net. Until then, our strategic work addresses systemic problems with the implementation of section 17 support and other issues affecting people with no recourse to public funds. Activities include engaging with local and national government, campaigns and litigation. We also resource and facilitate a group of people with personal experience of poverty caused by no recourse to public funds to build solidarity and work towards strategic change.

Public benefit

a) Reducing homelessness and destitution among migrant families with no recourse to public funds.
b) Increasing awareness of rights and entitlements among individuals, professionals and the wider public.
c) Improving the implementation of support for migrant families with no recourse to public funds.
d) Improving public awareness of the issues facing families with no recourse to public funds.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Advice and advocacy:

We provide frontline advice, advocacy and casework to families facing homelessness and severe poverty because they have no recourse to public funds. We also provide emergency practical support, such as grants and support in kind.

In 2025-26, we worked with 457 families, including taking on 202 new clients.

54% of our clients were undocumented when we started working together, 13% had Highly Skilled Work visas, mostly as health and care workers, and 13% had limited leave to remain on the family life route. We also worked with clients with student and visit visas, and with small numbers of refused asylum seekers and people with pre-settled status.

92% of our clients were women, and 78% were lone parents.

We worked with clients from 63 different countries. 42% were Nigerian and 15% were Ghanaian.

We worked with families living in 68 local authorities across England, although 60% of clients lived in London.

64% of clients had tried to access support under section 17 before they approached us, but they came to Project 17 because they had been refused (71%), or because the support they received was inadequate or was being terminated (29%). Families who had been turned away from social services experienced a wide range of problems, including inadequate housing and homelessness, not having enough money, domestic abuse, threats to safety and exploitation.

60% of families had been destitute for more than 3 months when they approached us, and 27% had been destitute for more than a year.

With our support, 60% (275 families) accessed support under section 17 Children Act 1989. 52% accessed financial support, and 51% accessed accommodation. 42% accessed both.

We continue to be concerned about the adequacy of support provided by local authorities. 25% of families receiving financial support were given less than the lawful minimum, and a further 6% received vouchers instead of cash. Only 15% of those accessing accommodation found it to be suitable, with many housed in hotels and HMOs, far away from schools and support networks.

89% of families benefitted from at least one positive outcome following our intervention. Alongside section 17 support, 60% accessed emergency financial support from our Destitution Fund, and 41% accessed larger grants. 67% used foodbank vouchers. We funded emergency hotel stays for 4%. Other outcomes included Healthy Start vouchers, nursery placements and free prescriptions.

64 clients provided feedback about the service via an anonymous online form. 69% of respondents had their first appointment within a week of contacting us. 94% said their advisers helped them to understand their options ‘very well’. 72% said their situation was ‘a lot better’ after working with us, and 78% rated their experience as 10/10. Comments included ‘It was a great moment that shaped my circumstances for good by coming in contact with this commission (PROJECT 17) More especially with my case worker who took it upon herself as a call for duty in making sure that me and my kids got a roof over us also other good things that follows it such as financial support from the local authority and so on.’ And, ‘Thank you so much for helping me to get free accommodation through Children Social Service. I'm now moving to Council and looking forward to go back to work. I am fully recovered. I really appreciate your assistance be Blessed.’

Capacity building:
We build knowledge and expertise in other organisations, supporting them to work with people excluded from the welfare safety net more effectively. Our capacity building work includes training; case advice for professionals; and online factsheets, booklets and letter templates.

This year, we delivered 13 training sessions to a range of voluntary sector staff and social services teams, reaching over 361 participants. We delivered a range of sessions, including joint sessions with the Care Rights Project and United Impact. 85% of participants rated the training 'excellent' and 13% rated it 'good'. Most participants reported that the training increased their knowledge and understanding of the issues: just 26% rated their knowledge as 'good' or 'excellent' before the training, increasing to 99% afterwards. One person said 'This was an excellent session, the best I've attended on this issue, very knowledgeable trainer, well-paced. Would highly recommend.'

We responded to 331 calls on our advice line for professionals, providing advice on individual cases. 47 callers provided feedback, and 76% found the advice 'very helpful'.

This year we updated our online resources and made a series of video explainers to improve accessibility. These pages were visited over 6000 times this year.

Strategic work:
Our strategic work calls for an end to NRPF and the dismantling of the hostile environment. We use our specialist expertise and data to address systemic problems with section 17 support and demonstrate the need for wider reform through influencing, complaints and litigation.

In 2025-26 our work included providing evidence to Module 10 of the Covid Inquiry; feeding into consultations regarding the Child Poverty Strategy and proposals around 'earned settlement' and family returns. We also worked with UCL to produce a briefing on children's experiences of NRPF, updating our 2019 report 'Not Seen, Not Heard'. At the local level our complaints in Bexley and Greenwich were upheld, leading to changes in practice. Clients also brought successful legal action against Barnet and Cambridgeshire.

We continue to resource and facilitate United Impact, a solidarity and action group made up of around 60 Project 17 clients. This year the group made an animation about their experiences; attended a mass lobby of Parliament and met with ministers to discuss the root causes and effects of NRPF. The group has also been focusing on wellbeing, commissioning a series of workshops around peer support, active listening and safeguarding, with a view to become self-sustaining.

Looking ahead:
We are preparing to expand our remit to include work under the Care Act 2014. The Care Act gives councils powers to support adults with care needs, including the provision of accommodation, money and care, regardless of immigration status. We intend to begin by taking on direct casework and expand to include capacity building and strategic work over the next year.

We are also preparing for significant changes to the immigration rules which will dramatically increase the amount of time until most migrants can settle in the UK. The government also intends to make changes to s.17 Children Act for undocumented families, and to the available support for refused asylum seeking families. If these proposals are enacted, we expect demand for support from local authorities will dramatically increase in the coming years.

Financial review

Project 17's total income for the year was £516,826, an increase compared to the prior year comparative of £482,167. Total expenditure for the year was £512,525 compared to £423,300 for the year ended 31 March 2025. Overall, this resulted in net income of £4,301 for the year, compared to net income of £58,867 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The increase in both income and expenditure, relative to the prior year, reflects the continued growth of Project 17 and recognition from funders around the importance of the work carried out by the organisation. As evident through the further designation of unrestricted funds by the Trustees, as well as reserve transfers, Project 17 remains reliant on unrestricted funding to support the work of our restricted funds. This reliance is expected to persist over the foreseeable future as restricted funding continues to be challenging to secure.

Policy on reserves

Project 17's reserve policy states that unrestricted funds should be maintained at a level equivalent to three to six months of expenditure. At this level the Trustees feel the reserves appropriately support Project 17's resilience against the key financial risks facing the organization, being the unforeseen loss of funding or incurring unforeseen expenditure, and are sufficient to cover associated expenditure commitments were Project 17 to be wound down. The reserves policy is reviewed by the Trustees on a regular basis, at least once a year.

At 31 March 2026, reserves were £253,889, equivalent to five months of Project 17's total budgeted expenditure for the following financial year and consistent with Project 17's reserve policy.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 10/10/2026.. and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Gwawr Thomas
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Project Seventeen

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Project Seventeen
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Project Seventeen (the Charity) for the year ended 31 March 2026.

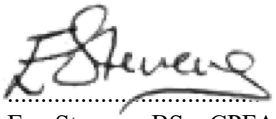
Responsibilities and basis of report
As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA), which is one of the listed bodies.
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.



Eva Stevens, BSc, CPFA, employee of Community Accounting Plus
member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

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Date: 23/10/2026

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	127,334	-	127,334	136,970
Charitable activities	3	7,652	381,840	389,492	345,197
Total Income		134,986	381,840	516,826	482,167
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	(43,632)	(468,893)	(512,525)	(423,300)
Total Expenditure		(43,632)	(468,893)	(512,525)	(423,300)
Net income/(expenditure)		91,354	(87,053)	4,301	58,867
Gross transfers between funds		(39,742)	39,742	-	-
Net movement in funds		51,612	(47,311)	4,301	58,867
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		358,894	157,668	516,562	457,695
Total funds carried forward	11	410,506	110,357	520,863	516,562

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 11.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026 (continued)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

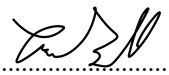
	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	136,970	-	136,970
Charitable activities	3	13,732	331,465	345,197
Total Income		150,702	331,465	482,167
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	(30,196)	(393,104)	(423,300)
Total Expenditure		(30,196)	(393,104)	(423,300)
Net movement in funds		120,506	(61,639)	58,867
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		238,388	219,307	457,695
Total funds carried forward	11	358,894	157,668	516,562

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2026

	Note	2026 £	2025 £
Current assets			
Debtors	8	3,097	1,264
Cash at bank and in hand	9	519,362	516,798
		522,459	518,062
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(1,596)	(1,500)
Net assets		**520,863**	**516,562**
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	11	110,357	157,668
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		410,506	358,894
Total funds	11	520,863	516,562

The financial statements on pages 9 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 10/10/2026 ..... and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Timothy Bull
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance
The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation
Project Seventeen meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement
Under the exemption available to smaller charities the Board of Trustees has chosen not to include a Statement of Cash Flows within the financial statements.

Going concern
The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments
Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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

Charitable activities

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.

Taxation

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

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Fund structure

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

Designated funds are unrestricted funds and resources set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

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

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	-	-	6,700
Donations from individuals	6,885	6,885	5,951
Grants, including capital grants;			
Grants from other charities	120,449	120,449	124,319
	127,334	127,334	136,970

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds Designated £	Restricted funds £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Grants	-	381,840	381,840	331,465
Training income	7,652	-	7,652	13,707
Sundry income	-	-	-	25
	7,652	381,840	389,492	345,197

4 Grants and donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
AB Charitable Trust	30,000	20,000	50,000
Baring Foundation	-	30,000	30,000
Bromley Trust	15,000	-	15,000
Children In Need	13,449	6,724	20,173
Global Dialogue	-	15,000	15,000
Legal Education Foundation	-	55,000	55,000
Client Grant Partners	-	8,950	8,950
John Ellerman	-	20,000	20,000
Oak Foundation	-	19,750	19,750
Masonic Charitable Fund	-	5,000	5,000
City Bridge	-	22,031	22,031
Caerlow Trust	25,000	-	25,000
Hillcote Trust	5,000	-	5,000
Paul Hamlyn Foundation	-	63,500	63,500
Reaching Communities	-	92,926	92,926
Smallwood Trust	-	10,500	10,500
Anonymous	30,500	-	30,500
Trust for London	-	12,000	12,000
General Donations	8,385	459	8,844
	127,334	381,840	509,174

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Client grants	-	21,930	21,930	16,571
Clinical supervision	3,855	-	3,855	5,565
Equipment	1,962	752	2,714	2,476
Insurance	892	-	892	650
Interpreting costs	-	1,494	1,494	3,596
Office supplies	826	558	1,384	1,189
Other expenses	4,957	2,939	7,896	1,959
Printing	-	1,062	1,062	1,066
Rent	1,555	13,994	15,549	14,308
Wages, Tax & NI	20,057	403,382	423,439	361,210
Solidarity group expense	-	18,995	18,995	6,996
Staff expenses	-	-	-	56
Subscription	47	45	92	80
Telephone, internet & fax	192	1,724	1,916	1,789
Training	5,846	468	6,314	1,270
Trustee expenses	611	-	611	749
Website and database	-	1,550	1,550	2,270
Legal & professional fees	1,596	-	1,596	1,500
Recruitment costs	1,236	-	1,236	-
	43,632	468,893	512,525	423,300

6 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

Claire McGuinness
£276 (2025: £345) of expenses were reimbursed to Claire McGuinness during the year.

Trustee was reimbursed travel and childcare costs.

Mary Awoniyi
£477 (2025: £632) of expenses were reimbursed to Mary Awoniyi during the year.

Trustees travel and child care costs were reimbursed. They are also part of a client group where they receive compensation.

Jessie Porter
£326 (2025: £205) of expenses were reimbursed to Jessie Porter during the year.

Trustees travel and child care costs were reimbursed. They are also part of a client group where they receive compensation.

Kamena Dorling
£Nil (2025: £25) of expenses were reimbursed to Kamena Dorling during the year.

Trustees travel and child care costs were reimbursed.

Olaitan Abiola
£96 (2025: £253) of expenses were reimbursed to Olaitan Abiola during the year.

Trustees travel and child care costs were reimbursed. They are also part of a client group where they receive compensation.

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

7 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2026 £	2025 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	377,395	310,973
Social security costs	31,333	37,416
Pension costs	14,711	12,821
	423,439	361,210

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2026 No	2025 No
Monthly paid staff	11	9

11 (2025 - 9) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £14,711 (2025 - £12,821).

During the year, the charity made redundancy and/or termination payments which totalled £12,000 (2025 - £Nil).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £55,469 (2025 - £52,374).

8 Debtors

	2026 £	2025 £
Prepayments	3,097	1,264

9 Cash and cash equivalents

	2026 £	2025 £
Cash at bank	519,362	516,798

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2026 £	2025 £
Other creditors	1,596	1,500

11 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2026 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
General fund	195,187	127,334	(43,632)	(25,000)	253,889
Designated					
Advice Designated	100,000	-	-	(14,742)	85,258
Capacity Building Designated	28,707	7,652	-	-	36,359
Policy Designated	35,000	-	-	-	35,000
	163,707	7,652	-	(14,742)	156,617
Total unrestricted funds	358,894	134,986	(43,632)	(39,742)	410,506
Restricted funds					
S.17 Advice	37,242	125,456	(202,440)	39,742	-
Capacity Building	35,881	47,724	(67,009)	-	16,596
Policy	60,542	162,300	(177,513)	-	45,329
Destitution Fund	6,697	1,667	(8,349)	-	15
Hotel Fund	6,474	2,076	(2,619)	-	5,931
Small Grants Fund	10,832	1,667	(2,013)	-	10,486
Client Grant	-	8,950	(8,950)	-	-
Care Act Advice	-	32,000	-	-	32,000
Total restricted funds	157,668	381,840	(468,893)	39,742	110,357
Total funds	516,562	516,826	(512,525)	-	520,863

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

S.17 Advice: to provide direct advice and advocacy services to migrant families with no recourse to public funds;

Capacity building: to build capacity in other organisations working with migrant families with no recourse to public funds;

Client grants: to facilitate the provision of direct financial support to clients in cash or in kind;

Destitution fund: to provide emergency financial support to clients for food or other urgent essential items;

Hotel fund: to provide funding for short term stays in emergency accommodation for families left street homeless by a refusal of local authority support;

Policy: creating systemic change to improve the implementation of support for migrant families with no recourse to public funds, through engaging with local and national government, campaigning and strategic litigation;

Small grants fund: to provide direct financial support to clients in cash or in kind;

Care Act Advice: to provide direct advice and advocacy services to adults with care needs with no recourse to public funds.

The transfers from the General and Advice Designated funds to the S.17 Advice fund is to cover the deficit on this activity.

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	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
General fund	238,388	150,702	(30,196)	(163,707)	195,187
Designated					
Advice Designated	-	-	-	100,000	100,000
Capacity Building Designated	-	-	-	28,707	28,707
Policy Designated	-	-	-	35,000	35,000
	-	-	-	163,707	163,707
Total unrestricted funds	238,388	150,702	(30,196)	-	358,894
Restricted					
S.17 Advice	93,875	120,829	(177,462)	-	37,242
Capacity Building	45,529	49,278	(58,926)	-	35,881
Policy	48,888	151,800	(140,146)	-	60,542
Destitution Fund	12,333	1,667	(7,303)	-	6,697
Hotel Fund	7,060	1,667	(2,253)	-	6,474
Small Grants Fund	11,622	1,667	(2,457)	-	10,832
Client Grant	-	4,558	(4,558)	-	-
Total restricted funds	219,307	331,466	(393,105)	-	157,668
Total funds	457,695	482,168	(423,301)	-	516,562

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted			
	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	2026 Total funds £
Current assets	255,485	156,617	110,357	522,459
Current liabilities	(1,596)	-	-	(1,596)
Total net assets	253,889	156,617	110,357	520,863

	Unrestricted			
	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	2025 Total funds £
Current assets	196,687	163,707	157,668	518,062
Current liabilities	(1,500)	-	-	(1,500)
Total net assets	195,187	163,707	157,668	516,562

13 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

14 Independent examiner's fees

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner Community Accounting Plus are analysed as follows:

	2026 £	2025 £
Independent examination	1,330	1,250
	1,330	1,250