

Charity registration number 501935

Company registration number 01077517 (England and Wales)

DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	N J Townsend R Gauld T J Booker M J Collins G E Murphy W P Bancroft S Chadwick A E Cox
Secretary	K O'Neill
Charity number	501935
Company number	01077517
Principal address	The Dukes Moor Lane Lancaster United Kingdom LA1 1QE
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DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The committee of management, who are directors of the company and trustees of the charity, present their annual report on the affairs of the charity, together with the financial statements and auditors' report for the year ended 31 March 2023. This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

Structure, governance, and management

Dukes Play House Limited (The) (referred to either as "The Dukes Playhouse" or "The Dukes" throughout these financial statements) is a company limited by guarantee incorporated under the Companies Act under company no. 1077517 and is governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 19th October 1972 as amended dated 21 January 1999, 6 September 2005, 7th November 2017, and 18th October 2018.

The company is also a registered charity, charity no. 501935 and operates on a not-for-profit basis.

Its registered office is The Dukes Playhouse Ltd, Moor Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1QE. Its principal operating address is The Dukes, Moor Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1QE.

The company is governed by the Board of Trustees ("Board") as Directors of the company. Board members are appointed by the committee by simple majority. There are a maximum of 12 Trustees who may serve a maximum term of 4 years and then reappointment for 4 years. All are independently appointed members. Representatives of the major funders are invited to attend Board meetings.

The regular cycle of six formal meetings was maintained with an additional six subcommittee meetings to oversee Finance.

The Board is responsible for the overall policy and scrutiny of the financial performance of the organisation. The Board ensures the accountability to key funders and stakeholders and the appointment of the Director/CEO and pay and remuneration of the Director/CEO.

The day-to-day management of the company is delegated by the Board to the Director overseeing the senior management team of Head of Finance, Head of Marketing & Sales, Head of Creative Communities, Head of Film, Head of Technical & Production, Talent Development and Programme Manager and Head of Visitor Experience.

Review of the Year

Vision

The Dukes' Mission

To bring the best in live performance and cinema to the communities of Lancashire in our venue and other spaces.

To create and actively support the opportunities for communities, individuals, and artists to develop their own creative work and its delivery.

The Dukes' Vision

The Dukes creates and presents a diverse collection of storytelling through a range of art forms that delivers excellence, inspiration, and challenge.

The Dukes is a catalyst for communities, individuals, and artists to develop their own creativity and practice.

The Dukes is a place of cultural leadership and imaginative conversation.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Artistic and Audience Development

The last twelve months have been a period of recovery for the Dukes post the COVID impact. During this period, we have strived to rebuild the organisation both in its delivery and internally building upon the groundwork pre pandemic and the COVID closure period.

Moving towards a more stable and well-resourced business model has been vital building back our programmes, audiences, participants, and impact. Financially the Dukes is in an increasingly stable position with strong reserves and designated funds supporting a positive cashflow situation which has been achieved through continued streamlining of costs, good investment in the organisation structure and proactive income generation.

The Dukes continues to develop its artistic programme and grow audiences through our own programmes and partnership working.

Our key achievements over the last financial year include:

- Welcoming over 66k audiences to film or a live performance both at the Dukes and off-site events across Lancaster and Morecambe
- Our live performance programme achieved a 70% average capacity.
- Our Play in the Park show completely sold out and welcomed 49% new audiences and 68% from outside Lancaster.
- Co delivered Light Up Lancaster in partnership with Lancaster BID and Lancaster City Council which brought international artists to Lancaster and was experienced by 58,000 audiences.
- We launched two new film festivals Dark Dukes and Green Screen with audiences of over 5500 enjoying films, workshops, talks and themed activities. We partnered with the BFI to offer film makers opportunities.
- Sun Square cinema was launched with Lancaster BID and Lancaster City Council with headphone screenings in Sun Square on Sundays.
- Introduced new cinema programmes including food and film, film quiz, film talks and continued to work with LA1 Shorts film festival.
- Blast Fest our new work festival supporting North West based artists was launched and commissioned 5 artists to create new work. Over 130 people attended a free sharing at the Dukes.
- Lancaster Playwriting Prize in partnership with Lancaster University had 24 entries from Neurodiverse/disabled Playwrights from across the North West and was won by Matthew Gabrielli with 'Fools Gold.'
- Partnered with our first Creative Collaborator company One Tenth Human as a part of an 18-month support programme.
- Supported 30 artists locally with space for R&D and exhibitions space free of charge.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Dukes is an audience focused organisation, making the arts and creativity available and accessible to all members of our community, and developing a diverse and highly engaged audience base. The Dukes achieves this through by synergising the strategies of long term committed community engagement and strategic marketing/communications, creating access points to move from participation to attendance to creation through special events, offers, and support for developing artists. The Dukes invests in assets, data management, engagement strategies and creative output.

We continue to consolidate our programme and grow our community work with ambitions to reach deeper into our communities, spread our creativity wider and continue to push higher as a key cultural asset and talent hub for Lancaster/Morecambe.

In 22/23 we:

- Grew our team with new roles in marketing, technical and programming.
- Supported young people to explore creative careers in partnership with Lancaster University through our MAKE programme and Memorandum of Agreement – 98 young people completing paid and volunteer internships, placements, and yearlong programme. Many have now gone on to secure full time roles in the creative sector, education, the third sector and business.
- Welcomed 64 schools to performances and cinema at the Dukes.
- Had 13000 participations across our Creative Communities programme including young carers, older people, schools, students and young people across Lancaster and Morecambe
- Established our new advisory groups Community Forum and Youth Board.
- Secured our 3-year NPO funding from Arts Council England and continued our successful partnership with Lancaster City Council as a core funder.
- Secured over £290k of additional funding from grants and foundations to support our programme and work within the community.
- Brought together Arts leaders and Chairs of the Board for Lancashire's first Governance Conference 'In Governance We Trust' in partnership with Arts Lancashire and Clore Leadership.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Organisational Development

With the strong governance of our Board and the support our team of amazing volunteers the Dukes is a dynamic resilient cultural organisation with a high level of engagement with audiences and the community hosting a vibrant and diverse programme of relevant live performance and cinema that places the Dukes at the heart of the Lancaster/Morecambe cultural offer and as a leading organisation regionally. We are committed to investing in our people, artists, audiences, and place.

The Dukes has continued to push along its trajectory of an inclusive, resilient, exciting, high-quality organisation with audiences and artists at its heart. The Dukes is in a strong position to continue its growth as a core cultural and arts leader.

The Dukes has also worked extremely hard to maintain the organisation and ensure the future resilience of the Dukes after such a previous growth period of growth. We are still dealing with the impact of COVID and additionally this year we have faced the challenges of rising inflation and the cost-of-living crisis. This situation has seen costs increased across all areas and a reduction in sales/donations as people make difficult choices.

The Dukes business model is heavily weighted to earned income (80% of turnover) and over the last 12 months we have been working steadily to grow back that income generation as funding resources reduced. We have worked strategically on audience development with a focus on audience experience and marketing and comms to support a strong artistic programme reflecting the quality of the Dukes. The Dukes continues to actively source all resources of additional income and support whilst reviewing and restricting all expenditure to ensure the organisation is lean and adaptable.

The Dukes delivered new business plan and budget for 22/23 and has developed outline plans until 2026 which have been approved by the Board and consulted with the staff team. This plan will be under constant review.

The Dukes has also secured continuing support from Arts Council England as a National Portfolio Organisation and a Service Level Agreement with Lancaster City Council.

The Dukes team is an experienced team supported by the Director and Board at a senior level to adapt as needed. The Director has significant background in cultural leadership with previous experience of financial turnaround, commercial operations, fundraising & organisational development. The Board has a range of skills, from charity operations, financial expertise, HR, legal & creative engagement. The Dukes has a system of robust financial monitoring with detailed financial reports, business modelling, cost control measures, reported monthly to a Finance & Audit Committee led by the Treasurer who has significant financial experience running large institutions. The Director oversees all aspects of the organisation's financial viability, resilience & sustainability.

The year-end saw the organisation deliver an even position through strong financial management in this period. This enabled the Dukes to further stabilise and invest.

The successes of the last year could not have been delivered without the energy and drive of the whole staff team. The Trustees are grateful for the dedication and commitment that underpins a year of high achievements.

The Dukes continues to be grateful for the assistance of volunteers. This work is vital to the Dukes and our volunteers also act as ambassadors for the theatre. We must also record our appreciation for the dedication of the Board and the Members who provide clear governance, support, and advocate for the Dukes.

The Dukes continues to have a positive relationship with Lancaster City Council and Arts Council England. The Trustees recognise the importance of the generous support from these two key stakeholders.

The Trustees recognise the risk of future cutbacks and the impact of inflation and cost of living. The Trustees are working alongside Lancaster City Council to secure a lease for the Dukes and a new Service Level agreement for 23/24 has been secured.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Year Ahead

The Dukes is looking forward to 23/24 with a renewed sense of focus and determination to move forward. The Dukes will continue to build upon the successes of the last few years and further embed its work within the local community and creative sector. The Dukes recognises that the next period will be challenging due to the impact of the cost-of-living crisis.

Trustee Induction and Training

All Trustees are given a complete welcome pack including information on the Organisational Plan, information of the Trust's work and achievements, copies of the Articles of Association, key organisational policies, Charity Commission - The Essential Trustee- What You Need To Know and a skill and contact audit. All Trustees are invited to meet the Director and have a tour of the building.

Risk Management

Board governance and decision-making is managed through several key documented processes which are reviewed by Board members and further scrutinised by the Finance and Audit Committee. These documents and processes including the Financial Authorities, Business Continuity Plan, Profit and Loss breakdown and bi monthly management accounts are tailored to the needs of the organisation and the risks it is exposed to. The Board adopted a full organisational risk assessment developed in house. This will be a live document that will be updated on 6 monthly basis. It should be noted that COVID has an individual risk register and monitoring process via the COVID Response Team. Additional ongoing process and actions to mitigate risk are detailed in the Organisational Plan. Monitoring and evaluation take place across the organisation to inform programme, project, and service development.

Investment powers

The Trustees have wide powers of investment

Reserves policy

The Trustees aspire to retain 12 weeks operating costs in reserve.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

A J Hatton-Yeo MBE	(Resigned 19 July 2022)
N J Townsend	
R Gauld	
T J Booker	
A P Odon	(Resigned 24 January 2023)
C B Tyrer	(Resigned 24 January 2023)
D Rigby	(Resigned 18 July 2023)
M C Whitehead	(Resigned 22 May 2022)
M J Collins	(Appointed 21 November 2022)
G E Murphy	(Appointed 21 November 2022)
W P Bancroft	(Appointed 23 May 2023)
S Chadwick	(Appointed 23 May 2023)
A E Cox	(Appointed 23 May 2023)

Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Azets Audit Services be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.



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R Gould
Chair

Date: 25 / 10 / 23 .

DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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

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

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

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

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

DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Dukes Play House Limited (The) (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 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 *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity 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 charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. 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. 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 course of 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 our audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE MEMBERS OF DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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 prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose 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 charity'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.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE MEMBERS OF DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

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 auditor's 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.

Azets Audit Services

Susanna Cassey (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Azets Audit Services

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

16 Nov '23

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DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Current financial year

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	292,422	-	292,422	372,903
Charitable activities	3	1,073,544	71,699	1,145,243	894,297
Other trading activities	4	138,873	-	138,873	119,773
Investments	5	2,902	-	2,902	80
Other income	6	97,367	-	97,367	83,999
Total income		1,605,108	71,699	1,676,807	1,471,052
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds	7	146,590	-	146,590	101,334
Charitable activities	8	1,373,532	70,148	1,443,680	1,193,752
Other expenditure	12	71,589	-	71,589	70,049
Total expenditure		1,591,711	70,148	1,661,859	1,365,135
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		13,397	1,551	14,948	105,917
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		633,741	392	634,133	528,216
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		647,138	1,943	649,081	634,133

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Prior financial year

		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes			
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>				
Donations and legacies	2	372,903	-	372,903
Charitable activities	3	882,722	11,575	894,297
Other trading activities	4	119,773	-	119,773
Investments	5	80	-	80
Other income	6	83,999	-	83,999
Total income		1,459,477	11,575	1,471,052
<u>Expenditure on:</u>				
Raising funds	7	101,334	-	101,334
Charitable activities	8	1,178,341	15,411	1,193,752
Other expenditure	12	59,024	11,025	70,049
Total expenditure		1,338,699	26,436	1,365,135
Gross transfers between funds		47,738	(47,738)	-
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		168,516	(62,599)	105,917
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		465,225	62,991	528,216
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		633,741	392	634,133

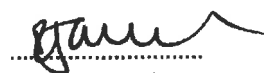
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	14		37,415		56,351
Current assets					
Stocks	15	2,313		2,295	
Debtors	16	173,394		107,198	
Cash at bank and in hand		597,914		930,591	
		<u>773,621</u>		<u>1,040,084</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	<u>(161,955)</u>		<u>(258,135)</u>	
Net current assets			611,666		781,949
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>649,081</u>		<u>838,300</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	18		-		(204,167)
Net assets			<u>649,081</u>		<u>634,133</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	21		1,943		392
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds:					
Operating reserve		200,000		200,000	
Other designated funds		150,000		150,000	
	22	<u>350,000</u>		<u>350,000</u>	
General unrestricted funds		297,138		283,741	
			<u>647,138</u>		<u>633,741</u>
			<u>649,081</u>		<u>634,133</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 25/10/23.



Mr Roderick Gauld

Company Registration No. 01077517

DUKES PLAY HOUSE LIMITED (THE)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	26		(85,579)		285,016
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		(47,494)	
Investment income received		2,902		80	
		<u>2,902</u>		<u>80</u>	
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities			2,902		(47,414)
Financing activities					
Proceeds from new bank loans		-		250,000	
Repayment of bank loans		(250,000)		-	
		<u>(250,000)</u>		<u>-</u>	
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities			(250,000)		250,000
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			(332,677)		487,602
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			930,591		442,989
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			<u>597,914</u>		<u>930,591</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Dukes Playhouse Limited is a private charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is The Dukes, Moor Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1QE.

The nature of the its operations and its principle activities are detailed in the trustees report attached to these financial statements.

1.1 Accounting convention

The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

These financial statements show net unrestricted income of £13,397 and unrestricted funds at the year end of £647,138. The trustees have prepared financial forecasts and budgets which incorporate the ACE funding to March 2026 and new service level agreement with Lancaster City Council and incorporate the COVID-19 considerations discussed in the trustees report which demonstrate the future viability of the charitable company and its ability to meet its debts as they fall due.

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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

1.4 Income

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

Income in respect of productions is recognised in the period in which the production occurs.

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

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

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Income from Government and other grants, whether capital grants or revenue grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be reliably measured.

Income received in advance of a theatrical performance or provision of other specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Other trading income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Investment income is recognised in the SoFA in the year in which it is receivable.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be reliably measured. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs of trading of the bar and catering facilities.

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to those activities and those of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Other costs represent those items not falling into the categories above.

Support costs relate to those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the Charity's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated between costs of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. Support costs are apportioned on an appropriate basis eg floor area, per capita or estimated usage.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

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

Leasehold improvements	term of lease
Fixtures and fittings	4-10 years

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

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

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1 Accounting policies

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1.8 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling. Cost is based on the cost of the purchase on a first in first out basis.

1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.10 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

1.11 Taxation

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.12 Employee benefits

When employees have rendered services to the charity, short term employee benefits to which the employee is entitled are recognised at the amount expected to be paid for that service.

The charity operates a defined contribution pension plan for the benefit of its employees. Contributions are expensed as they become payable.

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

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

1.13 Retirement benefits

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

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023 £	2022 £
Donations and gifts	31,518	64,896
Arts Council England	260,904	308,007
	<u>292,422</u>	<u>372,903</u>

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3 Charitable activities

	Theatre	Independent cinema	Creative learning	Total 2023	Theatre	Independent cinema	Creative learning	Total 2022
	2023	2023	2023		2022	2022	2022	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	597,918	148,486	-	746,404	424,933	101,081	-	526,014
Performance related grants	286,221	38,744	-	324,965	280,344	9,930	1,645	291,919
Other income	28,802	-	45,072	73,874	45,345	-	31,019	76,364
	<u>912,941</u>	<u>187,230</u>	<u>45,072</u>	<u>1,145,243</u>	<u>750,622</u>	<u>111,011</u>	<u>32,664</u>	<u>894,297</u>
Analysis by fund								
Unrestricted funds	876,586	151,886	45,072	1,073,544	750,622	101,081	31,019	882,722
Restricted funds	36,355	35,344	-	71,699	-	9,930	1,645	11,575
	<u>912,941</u>	<u>187,230</u>	<u>45,072</u>	<u>1,145,243</u>	<u>750,622</u>	<u>111,011</u>	<u>32,664</u>	<u>894,297</u>

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4 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	39,203	56,410
Trading activity income: Bar and Catering	99,670	63,363
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Other trading activities	138,873	119,773
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Interest receivable	2,902	80
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

6 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Other income	22,241	16,211
Theatre tax credit	75,126	36,968
Coronavirus job retention scheme grant	-	30,820
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	97,367	83,999
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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7 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
<u>Trading costs</u>		
Other trading activities	48,252	27,493
Staff costs	58,465	40,666
Depreciation and impairment	558	558
Support costs	39,315	32,617
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Trading costs	146,590	101,334
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	<u>146,590</u>	<u>101,334</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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8 Charitable activities

	Theatre Independent cinema		Creative learning	Total 2023	Theatre Independent cinema		Creative learning	Total 2022
	2023	2023	2023		2022	2022	2022	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	167,064	66,990	55,731	289,785	171,510	61,838	47,342	280,690
Depreciation and impairment	17,035	832	511	18,378	25,320	832	4,643	30,795
Production costs	122,216	-	-	122,216	67,948	-	-	67,948
Film hire and carriage	-	89,566	-	89,566	-	46,817	-	46,817
Marketing	73,110	5,935	-	79,045	29,360	10,802	-	40,162
Creative learning	-	-	56,022	56,022	-	-	53,464	53,464
Incoming tours	132,010	-	-	132,010	112,512	-	-	112,512
SRO Box Office costs	27,586	-	-	27,586	23,540	-	-	23,540
Other	1,855	-	-	1,855	711	-	-	711
	<u>540,876</u>	<u>163,323</u>	<u>112,264</u>	<u>816,463</u>	<u>430,901</u>	<u>120,289</u>	<u>105,449</u>	<u>656,639</u>
Share of support costs (see note 9)	406,258	157,261	52,420	615,939	337,044	130,469	43,490	511,003
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	11,278	-	-	11,278	26,110	-	-	26,110
	<u>958,412</u>	<u>320,584</u>	<u>164,684</u>	<u>1,443,680</u>	<u>794,055</u>	<u>250,758</u>	<u>148,939</u>	<u>1,193,752</u>
Analysis by fund								
Unrestricted funds	958,412	287,183	127,937	1,373,532	789,824	240,828	147,689	1,178,341
Restricted funds	-	33,401	36,747	70,148	4,231	9,930	1,250	15,411
	<u>958,412</u>	<u>320,584</u>	<u>164,684</u>	<u>1,443,680</u>	<u>794,055</u>	<u>250,758</u>	<u>148,939</u>	<u>1,193,752</u>

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9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Staff costs	499,235	-	499,235	371,843	-	371,843	Staff time
Rent and rates	31,475	-	31,475	26,373	-	26,373	Usage
Heat and light	34,123	-	34,123	36,460	-	36,460	Usage
Cleaning	9,848	-	9,848	8,197	-	8,197	Staff time
Repairs and maintenance	9,140	-	9,140	11,081	-	11,081	Usage
Telephone	5,049	-	5,049	3,783	-	3,783	Usage
Insurance	11,213	-	11,213	15,654	-	15,654	Floor area
Stationery and computer	15,585	-	15,585	21,501	-	21,501	Usage
Licences and subscriptions	2,621	-	2,621	8,606	-	8,606	Usage
Staff recruitment and training	(694)	-	(694)	3,004	-	3,004	Usage
Office & sundry expenditure	37,659	-	37,659	37,118	-	37,118	Usage
Audit fees	-	9,430	9,430	-	8,050	8,050	Governance
Governance costs	-	1,848	1,848	-	18,060	18,060	Governance
	<u>655,254</u>	<u>11,278</u>	<u>666,532</u>	<u>543,620</u>	<u>26,110</u>	<u>569,730</u>	
Analysed between							
Trading	39,315	-	39,315	32,617	-	32,617	
Charitable activities	615,939	11,278	627,217	511,003	26,110	537,113	
	<u>655,254</u>	<u>11,278</u>	<u>666,532</u>	<u>543,620</u>	<u>26,110</u>	<u>569,730</u>	

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10 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or expenses from the charity during the year. All trustees can receive two free tickets for the guest night performance of a Dukes theatre production.

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Technical - Full time	4	5
Technical - Part time	1	-
Front of house - Full time	2	2
Front of house - Part time	14	14
Administrative - Full time	6	6
Administrative - Part time	4	4
Creative communities - Full time	1	1
Creative communities - Part time	1	1
	<u>33</u>	<u>33</u>

Employment costs

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	782,261	646,643
Social security costs	44,268	29,967
Other pension costs	20,956	16,589
	<u>847,485</u>	<u>693,199</u>

The average number of full time equivalent employees is 23 (2022: 24). This is calculated using half the number of part time staff.

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

12 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Net loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	7,762	11,025	18,787
Financing costs	23,227	13,759	-	13,759
Other expenditure	48,362	37,503	-	37,503
	<u>71,589</u>	<u>59,024</u>	<u>11,025</u>	<u>70,049</u>

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12 Other expenditure

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13 Taxation

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

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2022	730,701	548,286	1,278,987
At 31 March 2023	730,701	548,286	1,278,987
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2022	730,701	491,935	1,222,636
Depreciation charged in the year	-	18,936	18,936
At 31 March 2023	730,701	510,871	1,241,572
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2023	-	37,415	37,415
At 31 March 2022	-	56,351	56,351

Included in leasehold property improvements is conversion work carried out on a derelict church to create a Moor Lane Additional Building. The net book value of Moor Lane Additional Building at the year end was £nil. The work originally undertaken amounted to £280,750 and was funded by a National Lottery grant of £194,750 from Arts Council England and a grant of £86,000 from Lancaster City Council. The Dukes Playhouse Limited, as part of its charitable aims, supports Moor Lane Additional Building in its work in providing participation activities for local young people.

Included in leasehold property improvements is refurbishment work to the 'round' theatre. The net book value of the studio refurbishment at the year end was £nil. The work originally undertaken amounted to £380,583 and was funded by a grant of £260,383 from North West Development Agency and a grant of £99,100 from Arts Council England.

15 Stocks

	2023 £	2022 £
Goods for sale and consumables	2,313	2,295

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16 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	7,689	19,463
Other debtors	140,205	67,578
Prepayments	25,500	20,157
	<u>173,394</u>	<u>107,198</u>

17 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Bank loans	20	-	45,833
Other taxation and social security		17,418	7,342
Deferred income	19	34,374	57,883
Trade creditors		31,381	45,140
Other creditors		26,520	27,040
Accruals		52,262	74,897
		<u>161,955</u>	<u>258,135</u>

18 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
Bank loans	20	-	204,167
		<u>-</u>	<u>204,167</u>

During the financial year, The Dukes Playhouse fully repaid the bank loan before any interest became due.

19 Deferred income

	2023	2022
	£	£
Arising from government grants	17,216	15,005
Relating to post year end productions	17,158	42,878
	<u>34,374</u>	<u>57,883</u>

The income in the above note has been deferred as it relates to box office productions which occurred after 31 March 2023 or grants with unfulfilled conditions at the year end.

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20 Loans and overdrafts

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank loans	-	250,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Payable within one year	-	45,833
Payable after one year	-	204,167
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Amounts included above which fall due after five years:		
Payable by instalments	-	4,166
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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21 Restricted funds

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

	Movement in funds				Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Prime Time	-	-	-	-	-	23,000	(23,000)	-
Park equipment funding	58,763	-	(11,025)	(47,738)	-	-	-	-
Fixed asset restricted funds	4,231	-	(4,231)	-	-	-	-	-
Eat for Victory	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Young Carers	-	1,645	(1,250)	-	395	8,355	(8,750)	-
Film Exhibition Fund	-	9,930	(9,930)	-	-	35,343	(33,400)	1,943
Rounding	(3)	-	-	-	(3)	3	-	-
	<u>62,991</u>	<u>11,575</u>	<u>(26,436)</u>	<u>(47,738)</u>	<u>392</u>	<u>71,701</u>	<u>(70,150)</u>	<u>1,943</u>

Park Equipment Funding represents grants received in respect of the upgrading of the equipment used for the park shows.

The fixed asset note to the accounts describes the purpose of the fixed asset restricted fund.

Young Carers represents grants received to operate an arts festival to benefit young carers.

The Film Exhibition Fund represents grants received to hold exhibitions of films including relevant speakers and presentations.

Prime Time represents grants to fund projects for people aged 65+ across Lancaster and Morecambe to explore creativity and social isolation.

Eat for Victory represents grants to fund a project exploring WWII with young people locally in partnership with Lancaster Museums.

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22 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds		Movement in funds		Balance at 31 March 2023 £
	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Movements to 31 March 2022 £	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Movements to 31 March 2023 £	
Operating reserve	200,000	-	200,000	-	200,000
Capital programme	80,000	-	80,000	-	80,000
Artistic Programme Investment	30,000	-	30,000	-	30,000
Audience Development	20,000	-	20,000	-	20,000
Capacity Building	20,000	-	20,000	-	20,000
	<u>350,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350,000</u>

Operating Reserves - £200,000

Removed from the general cash flow and designated as an operating reserve for use when approved by the Board. This is equal to 12 weeks of the Dukes pre COVID turnover.

Capital Programme - £80,000

In light of the Dukes ongoing capital needs and also its future ambitions that this reserve is established and the funds used only for major capital emergency needs (including purchasing of equipment vital to operation) and as match funding for any other major capital bids (including pre bid requirements).

Artistic Programme Investment - £30,000

This fund would be used for investment in artistic programme in the future that would return a level of financial capital back to the organisation. Examples could be further investment in digital programming, match funding for co-productions or to support the growth of the Dukes Home-grown productions.

Audience Development - £20,000

The Dukes faces an uncertain future with regards to audiences. This fund would be used to support audience development and marketing programmes outside the normal marketing budget with clear goals and milestones of delivery. These programmes would be focused on increasing audiences and investing in new marketing practices or training.

Capacity Building - £20,000

The Dukes capacity within the staff team is an ongoing challenge which would benefit at times from additional capacity on a short term basis however budgeting for this support is challenging within the current budget model. This fund would be used to fund additional capacity on short term basis particularly in areas of development such as fundraising, marketing and financial management.

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23 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:					
Tangible assets	37,415	-	37,415	56,351	56,351
Current assets/(liabilities)	611,666	-	611,666	781,557	781,949
Long term liabilities	-	-	-	(204,167)	(204,167)
	<u>649,081</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>649,081</u>	<u>392</u>	<u>634,133</u>

24 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Within one year	21,074	22,797
Between two and five years	-	574
	<u>21,074</u>	<u>23,371</u>

25 Related party transactions

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Aggregate compensation	<u>66,548</u>	<u>55,428</u>

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26	Cash generated from operations		2023	2022
			£	£
	Surplus for the year		14,948	105,917
	Adjustments for:			
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities		(2,902)	(80)
	(Gain)/loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets		-	18,787
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets		18,936	31,353
	Movements in working capital:			
	(Increase) in stocks		(18)	(1,625)
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors		(66,196)	71,080
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors		(26,838)	42,486
	(Decrease)/increase in deferred income		(23,509)	17,098
	Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations		(85,579)	285,016
27	Analysis of changes in net funds			
		At 1 April 2022	Cash flows	At 31 March 2023
		£	£	£
	Cash at bank and in hand	930,591	(332,677)	597,914
	Loans falling due within one year	(45,833)	45,833	-
	Loans falling due after more than one year	(204,167)	204,167	-
		<u>680,591</u>	<u>(82,677)</u>	<u>597,914</u>