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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
HULL COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY
SERVICES GROUP**

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The purpose of the charity is to support the development and sustainability of the voluntary and community sector; to bring together voluntary and community organisations with statutory, public and private sector partners; and to deliver projects that support local residents and communities.

The trustees have referred to and paid due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on the public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activity.

STRATEGIC REPORT

**Achievement and performance
Activities, Projects & Performance**

Voluntary and Community Sector Infrastructure Support

Sector Connect Hull

We are pleased to announce that for the first time in over 10 years, we have this year been awarded funding to deliver voluntary sector infrastructure support in Hull. In partnership with Forum CIO, we have been funded by Hull City Council to develop the Sector Connect service. This service provides anyone who volunteers, governs or works for a local VCSE organisation with free impartial advice, guidance, information and safeguarding support, as well as sector specific training. Since its launch the team has directly supported 127 groups, with 663 interventions made.

Members Services

Despite this external funding being granted, the Board of trustees have continued to uphold their annual commitment from reserves to the delivery of VCSE Infrastructure support. This has meant we have been able to dedicate further capacity and offer a broader range of support through two funded positions. Our Funding and Grants Officer supports the sector in identifying new funding opportunities and supports groups in understanding funding requirements; and our Communications and Development Lead provides support in a range of digital and communications solutions that helps organisations streamline their operations and better demonstrate the impact of their work. This overall increased capacity has also enabled us to offer greater synergy and a more joined up service across our operations; build a greater presence with VCSE and public sector partners; as well as enabling us to be further involved in local partnerships and strategic developments.

Networks & Partnerships

The Be Connected Network (previously known as the Loneliness Network) continues to bring together cross sector organisations to systematically develop approaches to tackle loneliness in the city. Hull CVS has recently started chatting the Hull Engagers Network which brings cross sector agencies together to increase the effectiveness of public engagement and enhance collaboration. The Community Centre Network has also been launched this year by Hull CVS and Hull City Council and brings together and encourages collaborative working between Community Centres in Hull. Hull CVS also continues to be an active participant and contributor to the Building Forwards Together programme, NHS Health Champions, Older People's Partnership, the Police Independent Advisory Group, Hull Voice and Influence Partnership, and the Humberside VCSE Local Resilience Sub Group.

Volunteering

Volunteer Centre

Hull CVS is delighted to announce we were one of the first five organisations nationally to be successful in achieving the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) new Volunteer Centre Quality Accreditation. This accreditation is awarded to organisations that demonstrate impact in their delivery of Volunteer Centre services in their local area, by demonstrating delivery of strategic development, good practice development, brokerage, promoting volunteering opportunities and also enhancing the voice of volunteers. During the year we have serviced 184 face to face appointments within the centre.

Time2Volunteer

Delivered in partnership with the HEV Smile Foundation, this year we proudly launched the Time2Volunteer platform and partnership. Time2Volunteer is a bespoke volunteering platform launched in October 2022, created with support from public, private and voluntary sector partners who invest in, value and celebrate volunteers. The aim of this platform is to address local needs and to simplify the process of volunteering, for both volunteers and voluntary organisations. Between October 2022 and March 2023, 120 organisations had registered to the platform, advertising a total of 247 opportunities, to the 362 volunteers so far signed up to the platform.

Celebrating volunteers and trustees

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During November and December as part of the postponed Hull CVS 40th anniversary, we launched the 40 Thank You's campaign which involved organisations nominating volunteers to receive recognition and a big 'Thank You' from their respective organisations. All volunteers nominated were presented with a certificate, with 40 of these volunteers chosen at random to become winners of a prize draw and each given a £10 gift voucher.

Volunteer Managers and Coordinators Network

The Volunteer Managers and Coordinators Network continues to be an invaluable asset to the VCSE sector with 71 organisations now registered. In addition to sharing important updates to the network and encouraging conversation between organisations, the arena has also been adapted to provide opportunity for organisations to collaborate and share information with members with a view for this to be promoted to the wider sector through each member's individual associations.

Scoping of Volunteering Practices within Humber and North Yorkshire

During 2022/23, Hull CVS were commissioned by the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership to conduct research to understand the volunteering practices and processes that are in place within Health and Social Care settings across our region. Enlisting the support of a specialist consultant we worked closely with a range of NHS Trusts and providers to determine the level and scope of volunteering taking place. A report and associated framework for the development of an improved approach to volunteer recruitment and management has been produced, and it is hoped that we will be able to expand on this work further in the coming year.

Know Your Neighbourhood Fund

This year saw the arrival of £1.2 million of funding from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport into the city to support meaningful and impactful volunteering and to support initiatives to reduce loneliness. Hull CVS were successful in the first round of this fund, which has provided vital funding to enable us to raise the quality of volunteering through accredited development, and to also lay the foundations for developing improved volunteering to workforce pathways.

Community Vaccine Champions

With other partners in the city, Hull CVS has been successful in securing funds as part of the Government's programme to increase vaccination uptake, and also greater engagement in other public health initiatives. As part of this programme, our role has been to support greater volunteering infrastructure, to enable volunteer 'champions' to be able help engage communities in such health initiatives. It has been through this programme that we have been able to develop the Time2Volunteer platform..

Grants Programmes

Funded by the Sir James Reckitt Charity and the Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust, Hull CVS administers small grants to voluntary and community sector organisations delivering support to the local community of Bransholme, by way of 'The Bransholme Trust'. This year, the Hull & East Riding Charitable Trust provided additional funds to support groups delivering extra activity in relation to the cost of living crisis. As a result of this funding, we were able to expand our criteria and grant award, and awarded our highest ever number of grant payments, totally 36 applications and £17,000 in funds.

Again funded by the Sir James Reckitt Charity, Hull CVS administers the 'Starter Grants' programme for small organisations during their set up period. Applications to this fund have now returned to their pre pandemic levels. This year we have seen a variety of new groups start up under this theme, ranging from support to the Ukrainian community, support to families with additional needs, and women's wellbeing activities.

Since 2017, Hull CVS has provided grant administration support to the Hull Aid in Sickness Trust (HAIST). HAIST fund items to eligible individuals who are sick or are recovering from illness and have no other means of accessing vital items. In addition to providing grants administration, Hull CVS also prepares all accounts and financial statements, as well as advising on charitable compliance.

Operational Support

This year saw Hull CVS support the delivery of a new grant programme; the Renew Community Fund. This fund has provided opportunities to VCSE organisations to apply for funding up to £5000, for projects that encourage people to feel supported throughout their recovery journey, tackle loneliness in adults, or that promote alcohol free social activities. Over the course of the year 14 applications have been successful with £37,000 awarded to local organisations.

Office Accommodation

Over the last year, Hull CVS has welcomed new tenants to our office spaces as well as new and returning customers for our room hire service across both of our sites, The Strand on Beverley Road and Centre 88 on Anlaby Road.

Room Hire & Training Facilities

During this year we have seen a gradual increase in our room hire facilities, with use returning to near pre-pandemic levels. Across our two sites we continue to offer a choice of 6 training rooms and 5 interview rooms suitable to different audience levels, layouts and use.

VCSE Payroll Service

A payroll service is provided to small charities employing paid members of staff. During this financial year, the service provided payroll to 34 organisations employing 154 local employees. This is a 15% increase from last year, and can be linked to Hull CVS's growing association with fellow voluntary sector organisations as well as the continued hard work from colleagues across the organisation.

Community Provision

Direct Payments Payroll Service

Under a grant agreement from Hull City Council, a payroll service is provided to individuals in receipt of a Direct Payment and who employ a carer/personal assistant. During the financial year, over 600 individuals have been supported, providing payroll services to over 750 Personal Assistants.

Healthwatch Hull

During this year we were successful in being awarded a 3 year extension to the delivery of this contract. The main areas of focus this year have been investigating the impact of the cost of living crisis on health and wellbeing; informing the design of the housing related support service specification; and working in partnership with Healthwatch East Riding on the development of the neurodiversity pathway. Our Chief Executive has this year also been appointed as the Healthwatch representative on the newly formed Integrated Care Board, representing the whole Healthwatch Network across the Humber and North Yorkshire ICS region.

Health Captains

Funded by NHS Charities Together, this year has seen the launch of this brand new programme of delivery by Hull CVS. Utilising our experience around volunteering and the delivery of health and care programmes, the Health Captains programme is a pilot initiative to identify ways that volunteering can help reduce pressures on NHS services and empower people in their health and care journey. So far the programme has conducted extensive mapping of health volunteering initiatives across the Humber and has engaged 65 partner organisations. In the coming months the programme will aim to work with partners organisations to introduce new volunteering initiatives within their services, as well as recruiting our own cohort of volunteers for deployment.

Subsidiary Arms

In 2010 the trustees decided to diversify into alternative markets and geographical areas, to support the longer term sustainability of the charity. These primary areas of diversification have reached a level of maturity whereby they have repaid the initial financial investment made by Hull CVS and are consistently generating a surplus which is donated to Hull CVS to support the charity's core objectives.

Meeting New Horizons CIC

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Meeting New Horizons CIC are a wholly owned subsidiary, set up to deliver community based activity in the wider Yorkshire & Humber region.

In the year to 31 March 2023 the company had achieved turnover of £652,738 and generated a surplus of £70,040.

This turnover included amounts invoiced to group members, therefore, turnover attributable to the group was £654,156.

Programmes delivered under Meeting New Horizons include:

Doncaster Macmillan Benefit Advice and Advocacy Service

Delivered by a team of advisors and volunteers, the service acts as a one-stop-shop for people affected by cancer to access independent and confidential advice and information. The service supports people from the point of diagnosis through treatment and onwards, and provides advice on welfare benefits and entitlements, offers advocacy and support at benefit Tribunals, and provides access to Macmillan and other charity grants. This programme has been running since January 2014 and is currently funded to December 2024. During the last 12 months the service has supported 963 families affected by cancer and has helped people with cancer secure over £3.8m of funds by way of state benefits and grants.

Healthwatch East Riding

Meeting New Horizons has held this contract since its inception in 2013, with the current contract in place up until March 2024. During this year the service has conducted enter and view visits to 5 care homes, delivering 27 recommendations; worked with young people to understand their barriers to mental health support; and has worked closely with the community in Bridlington to listen to their concerns about GP services.

Healthwatch North Lincolnshire

Again, Meeting New Horizons has held this contract since its inception in 2013, and this year we were successful in being re-awarded the contract for this service, which has the potential to run to January 2027. This year Healthwatch North Lincolnshire has worked collaboratively with Healthwatch North East Lincolnshire to obtain the views of service users accessing the End of Life Pathway; worked with young people on their experiences of sexual health services; as well as targeted engagement around the local Community Equipment Service.

Healthwatch North East Lincolnshire

Meeting New Horizons has held this contract since 2018, and this year has been awarded a further year extension to the contract. In addition to the partnership with Healthwatch North Lincolnshire on the end of life pathway, the service this year has focussed on Supported Living Services; pharmacy provision and the barriers to sex workers in accessing services.

North Lincolnshire Children's Direct Payments Advice and Payroll Service

Meeting New Horizons have delivered this service since 2018, and this year were successful in being awarded the contract again for a further 3-5 years. In addition to payroll provision, the service provides full end to end recruitment and HR support and guidance for the users of the Direct Payment system for children in North Lincolnshire.

Rainbow Nursery

We have continued to provide early years provision via our two settings. Rainbow Nursery provides day care facilities for children ages from 6 weeks to 3 years; and Rainbow Preschool supports children aged 3-5. A total of 89 places are available across the settings, with funded places available to those who are eligible. At year end we had a total of 87 children registered with us. Both settings have a Good Ofsted rating; follow the Government's Early Years Foundation Framework (EYFS); and are able to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities, and those who speak English as an additional language.

In the year to 31 March 2023 the company had achieved turnover of £468,056 and generated a surplus of £16,629.

This turnover included amounts invoiced to group members. Therefore, turnover attributable to the group was £486,889.

STRATEGIC REPORT

Financial review

Financial position

The trustees' decision to diversify in to alternative markets and geographic areas has proved to be a major factor in the continued growth of Hull CVS. Both Meeting New Horizons and Rainbow Nursery have now repaid their financial commitments to Hull CVS and are now in a position to donate to Hull CVS, supporting the charity's core objectives. The group is in a position of stability and is in a position to commit annual consecutive resources to delivering the core objectives of the charity.

The estates portfolio of the Strand and Centre 88 has created a significant asset base, providing Hull CVS with two freehold properties with a combined book value in excess of £815k according to new valuations conducted during 2023.

Reserves policy

General funds are to be retained and re-invested in accordance with the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the charity's objectives.

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation.

The aspiration is to maintain a general reserve of unrestricted funds sufficient to meet at least three months running costs, and to also be responsive to any major needs arising from our estates portfolio

Future plans

The future plans for the organisation during 2023/24 include:

-Developing a refreshed strategy for Hull CVS and our subsidiaries.

-Re-securing contracts for current services that are due for re-tender in the coming year.

-Expanding our grants administration provision.

-Increasing the office rental and training provision occupancy across our estates.

-Enhancing our delivery within the loneliness arena to increase partnership involvement.

-To commence delivery of intensive embryonic and incubatory support to voluntary sector organisations.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 5 June 1981 and registered as a charity on 10 October 1983. The company was established under a Memorandum and Articles of Association which established the objectives and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the Company being wound up its members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

The governing document for the organisation was refreshed in 2022, to bring it up to date with current legislation and Charity Commission guidelines.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of New Trustees

The directors of the company are also Charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's' articles are known as the Executive Committee. A third of members of the Executive Committee retire by rotation at each Annual General Meeting.

If the vacancy arising from retiring rotation is not filled, the Board member can stand for re-appointment. New members of the Executive Committee are generally elected from within the membership of the charity. Trustees can also be co-opted to supply additional expertise not found within the membership, following a recruitment process in which we reach out to our network of relationships and through formal advertisements.

The membership of the Board of Trustees seeks to reflect the diversity of the membership from the voluntary sector and statutory partners. It also seeks to maintain a relevant skill mix within the Board of Trustees in order to be able to fulfil its duties as a trustee body.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the overall governance and strategic direction of Hull CVS, developing the organisation's aims, objectives and goals in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and legal and regulatory guidelines; and for reviewing the activity of the charity.

Organisational structure

The Executive Committee meet at least quarterly and are responsible for the strategic direction of the charity. The Chief Executive is appointed by the Trustees to manage the day to day operations and finance of the charity. A representative from the management executive acts as a Company Secretary and sits on the Executive Committee but has no voting rights.

Induction and training of new trustees

A trustee induction pack has been prepared for new trustees. This includes information on the roles and responsibilities of charity trustees, drawn from Charity Commission publications and a specific trustees role description drawn up by Hull CVS. New trustees are invited to undertake a short training session with the Chief Officer in order to understand the work of the charity and their role within it. Trustees are encouraged to undertake further training and also receive regular updates from the Charity Commission about issues relating to their role as trustees.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place.

The charity has formalised the process of risk management through the use of a risk register adopted by the trustees and is reviewed on a regular basis. A performance monitoring process, based on an exception reporting system, highlights areas of risk in service delivery.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

1570120 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

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Mr A M Dorton COE Social Responsibility
J Slater Strategic Engagement Officer
Cllr. L E Tock
Reverend M R B Hills (resigned 14.11.2022)
M Handley Hospital Business Manager (resigned 14.11.2022)

Company Secretary

Mrs H Grimwood

Auditors

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

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

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

AUDITORS

The auditors, Rackhams Accountants Limited, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

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Report of the trustees, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 4 December 2023 and signed on the board's behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Slater". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a long horizontal stroke.

J Slater - Trustee

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Hull Community and Voluntary Services Group (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

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

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF
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Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

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

As part of our planning process:

- We enquired of management the systems and controls the company has in place, in the areas of the financial statements that are mostly susceptible to the risk of irregularities and fraud, and whether there was any known, suspected, or alleged fraud.
- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the company and we determined that the following were most relevant: FRS 102, Companies Act 2006, Health and Safety at Work Act and Employment Law.
- We considered the incentives and opportunities that exist in the company, including the extent of management bias, which present a potential for irregularities and fraud to be perpetrated, and tailored our risk assessment accordingly.
- Using our knowledge of the company, together with the discussions held with the company at the planning stage, we formed a conclusion on the risk of misstatement due to irregularities, including fraud, and tailored our procedures according to this risk assessment.

The key procedures we undertook to detect irregularities including fraud during the course of the audit included:

- Identifying and testing journal entries and the overall accounting records. In particular, we tested items that were significant and unusual.
- Reviewing the financial statement disclosures and determining whether accounting policies have been appropriately applied.
- Reviewing and challenging the assumptions and judgments used by management in their significant accounting estimates. In particular, we considered going concern and impairment of trade debtors.
- Assessing the extent of compliance, or lack of, with the relevant laws and regulations.
- Testing key revenue lines.
- Performing physical verification of key assets.
- Obtaining third party confirmation of material balances.
- Documenting and verifying all significant related party balances and transactions.
- Reviewing documentation such as the company board minutes, correspondence with solicitors, for discussions of irregularities including fraud.


Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. The primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of irregularities and fraud rests with the directors.

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

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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Rackhams Accountants Limited

Statutory Auditors

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

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4 December 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2022	2023		Notes	
	Total funds	Total funds	Restricted funds		
	£	£	£		
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	24,000	223,374	55,000	2	168,374
Charitable activities					
Incoming resources from charitable activities	922,500	1,367,344	-	4	1,367,344
Income from subsidiary	1,145,732	1,141,046	-		1,141,046
Investment income	166	2,954	-	3	2,954
Total	2,092,398	2,734,718	55,000		2,679,718
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Direct charitable expenditure	1,052,954	1,415,101	47,622	5	1,367,479
Governance costs	3,456	3,660	-		3,660
Expenditure from subsidiary	959,152	1,071,845	-		1,071,845
Total	2,015,562	2,490,606	47,622		2,442,984
Net gains on investments	-	50,000	-		50,000
NET INCOME					
Other recognised gains/(losses)	76,836	294,112	7,378		286,734
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets	-	55,000	-		55,000
Net movement in funds	76,836	349,112	7,378		341,734
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	853,424	930,260	15,425		914,835
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	930,260	1,279,372	22,803		1,256,569

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET
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	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	491,440	436,800
Investments			
Investments	12	3	3
Investment property	13	325,000	275,000
		816,443	711,803
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	14	290,317	233,171
Cash at bank and in hand		840,059	501,051
		1,130,376	734,222
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(512,273)	(328,126)
		618,103	406,096
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		1,434,546	1,117,899
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		1,434,546	1,117,899
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(155,174)	(187,639)
		1,279,372	930,260
NET ASSETS			
		1,279,372	930,260
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds	19	1,256,569	914,835
Restricted funds		22,803	15,425
		1,279,372	930,260
TOTAL FUNDS			
		1,279,372	930,260

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not deposited notice, pursuant to Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requiring an audit of these financial statements.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

These financial statements have been audited under the requirements of Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

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J Slater - Trustee



signed on its behalf by:

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 4 December 2023 and were

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
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	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	344,394	39,946
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>344,394</u>	<u>39,946</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(1,992)
Interest received		2,954	166
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>2,954</u>	<u>(1,826)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Loan repayments in year		(8,340)	(29,067)
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>(8,340)</u>	<u>(29,067)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>501,051</u>	<u>491,998</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>840,059</u></u>	<u><u>501,051</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
2023	2022
£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	294,112
Adjustments for:	
Depreciation charges	360
Losses on investments	(50,000)
Interest received	(2,954)
Increase in debtors	(57,146)
Increase in creditors	160,022
Net cash provided by operations	344,394
	39,946

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

At 1.4.22	Cash flow	At 31.3.23
£	£	£
501,051	339,008	840,059
501,051	339,008	840,059
Net cash		
Cash at bank and in hand		
Debt		
Debts falling due within 1 year	736	(8,331)
Debts falling due after 1 year	7,604	(50,939)
(67,610)	8,340	(59,270)
433,441	347,348	780,789
Total		

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income

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

Voluntary Income

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full when received. Gifts in kind are valued at their estimated value to the charity are included under appropriate headings.

Grants Receivable

Revenue grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) in the year for which they are received.

Deferred income represent amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources over the lifetime of the project.

Expenditure

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

Staff costs and overhead expenses

Staff costs and overhead expenses are allocated to activities on the basis of time spent, unless otherwise identified to a particular fund.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are used by the charity in fulfilling its main charitable objectives and are capitalised and depreciated or amortised.

Depreciation and amortisation is provided at the following rates calculated to write off the cost or revalued amount of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- Not depreciated
Goodwill	- 5 years straight line
Fixture and equipment	- 5 years straight line
Computer equipment	- 3 years straight line

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

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

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

Pension contributions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. Contributions are charged to the Statements of Financial Activities as the become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Group Accounts

The financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly owned subsidiaries MNH Meeting New Horizons and Rainbow Nursery (Hull) Ltd on a line-by-line basis. A separate Statement of Financial Activities and income and expenditure account for the charity has not been presented because the Trust has taken advantage of the exemption afforded by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

2.

DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations
Grants

2023	2022
£ 223,374	£ 24,000
39,042	-
184,332	24,000

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

2023	2022	
£ 184,332	£ 13,000	Sir James Reckitt Charity
32,900	10,000	Hull & East Riding Charitable Trust
95,634	11,000	Two Ridings Community
6,898	-	HAIST
1,900	-	Other
37,000	-	Renew Community Fund
184,332	24,000	

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	2,954	166

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Central government	671,164	486,386
Local government	198,000	142,000
Services Recharged	498,180	294,114
Rainbow Nursery (Hull) Limited	486,890	448,745
MNH Meeting New Horizons CIC	654,156	696,987
	<u>2,508,390</u>	<u>2,068,232</u>

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs	Support costs (see note 6)	Totals
	£	£	£
Direct charitable expenditure	1,415,101	-	1,415,101
Governance costs	-	3,660	3,660
Expenditure from subsidiary	1,071,845	-	1,071,845
	<u>2,486,946</u>	<u>3,660</u>	<u>2,490,606</u>

Apportionment of costs

Finance and administrative staff salaries which are not covered by services charges to beneficiaries are apportioned to individual projects based on the number of full time equivalent staff.

Management staff salaries which are not covered by services charged to beneficiaries are apportioned to individual projects based on the number of full time equivalent staff.

6.	SUPPORT COSTS	
	Governance costs	3,660
		£
		costs
		Governance

7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	Auditors' remuneration	3,660	3,456	514		
	Depreciation - owned assets	360				
		£	£	£		
		2023	2022	2022		

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

During the year travel expenses were paid to Trustees of NIL (2022 - £55).

9. STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries

	Wages and salaries	754,301	743,381	£		
	Redundancy provision	-	2,014			
	Social security costs	62,378	60,550			
	Pension costs	20,652	25,280			
	Healthcare costs	4,566	4,807			
		841,897	836,032			
		£	£			
		2023	2022			

In response to the trading position the trustees have streamlined the management structure and have fine-tuned delivery methods to increase efficiency and performance whilst maintaining cost effectiveness.

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

	Management and administration	8	9			
	Project staff	51	57			
		59	66			
		2023	2022			

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

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	13,000	11,000	24,000
Charitable activities			
Incoming resources from charitable activities	922,500	-	922,500
Income from subsidiary	1,145,732	-	1,145,732
Investment income	166	-	166
Total	<u>2,081,398</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>2,092,398</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Direct charitable expenditure	1,049,124	3,830	1,052,954
Governance costs	3,456	-	3,456
Expenditure from subsidiary	959,152	-	959,152
Total	<u>2,011,732</u>	<u>3,830</u>	<u>2,015,562</u>
NET INCOME	69,666	7,170	76,836
Transfers between funds	<u>63,742</u>	<u>(63,742)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	133,408	(56,572)	76,836
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	781,427	71,997	853,424
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>914,835</u></u>	<u><u>15,425</u></u>	<u><u>930,260</u></u>

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property	Plant and machinery	Computer equipment	Totals
COST OR VALUATION				
At 1 April 2022	435,000	164,220	718	599,938
Revaluations	55,000	-	-	55,000
At 31 March 2023	490,000	164,220	718	654,938
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2022	-	162,626	512	163,138
Charge for year	-	319	41	360
At 31 March 2023	-	162,945	553	163,498
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2023	490,000	1,275	165	491,440
At 31 March 2022	435,000	1,594	206	436,800

Cost or valuation at 31 March 2023 is represented by:

	Freehold property	Plant and machinery	Computer equipment	Totals
Valuation in 2017	(96,370)	-	-	(96,370)
Valuation in 2023	55,000	-	-	55,000
Cost	531,370	164,220	718	696,308
490,000	164,220	718	654,938	

If Freehold Land and Buildings had not been revalued they would have been included at the following historical cost:

	2023	2022
Cost	531,370	531,370
	£	£

Freehold land and buildings were valued on an open market basis on 10 May 2023 by PPH Commercial.

12. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Group

	Unlisted investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	3
	<u>3</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2023	3
	<u>3</u>
At 31 March 2022	3
	<u>3</u>

Charity

	Unlisted investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	3
	<u>3</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2023	3
	<u>3</u>
At 31 March 2022	3
	<u>3</u>

13. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

The valuation of the property was conducted by PPH Commercial on 10 May 2023 who valued the investment property at £325,000.

Fair value at 31 March 2023 is represented by:

	£
Valuation in 2017	53,598
Valuation in 2023	50,000
Cost	221,402
	<u>325,000</u>
	<u>325,000</u>

14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022	2023	2022
Trade debtors	246,990	198,640	156,710	124,312
Doubtful debt	-	(2,676)	-	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	165,677	70,054
Other debtors	43,326	6,029	10,481	6,029
Prepayments	290,316	229,170	332,868	208,285
Group	512,273	328,126	362,345	182,229
Charity	16,461	6,110	11,529	2,586

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022	2023	2022
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 16)	8,331	9,067	8,331	9,067
Trade creditors	199,745	184,233	159,709	144,766
Social security and other taxes	19,369	9,871	8,040	4,304
Other creditors	23,867	25,345	20,236	21,506
Accruals and deferred income	244,500	93,500	154,500	-
Accrued expenses	16,461	6,110	11,529	2,586
Group	512,273	328,126	362,345	182,229
Charity	16,461	6,110	11,529	2,586

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022	2023	2022
Bank loans (see note 17)	50,939	58,543	50,939	58,543
Pension	104,235	129,096	104,235	129,096
Group	155,174	187,639	155,174	187,639
Charity	155,174	187,639	155,174	187,639

Security disclosure

The bank loan is secured by a first legal charge dated 24 September 2010 over The Strand, Hull, HU3 1XL.

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17. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Mortgage	8,331	9,067
Amounts falling between one and two years:		
Mortgage	50,939	58,543

18. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Fixed assets	491,440	-	491,440	436,800
Investments	325,003	-	325,003	275,003
Current assets	1,107,573	22,803	1,130,376	734,222
Current liabilities	(512,273)	-	(512,273)	(328,126)
Long term liabilities	(155,174)	-	(155,174)	(187,639)
	<u>1,256,569</u>	<u>22,803</u>	<u>1,279,372</u>	<u>930,260</u>

19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	898,960	341,734	-	1,240,694
Designated Redundancy Fund	15,875	-	-	15,875
	<u>914,835</u>	<u>341,734</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,256,569</u>
Restricted funds				
Start Grants/ Bransholme Trust	15,425	3,864	(7,000)	12,289
Cost of Living Fund	-	(4,168)	7,000	2,832
Renew Community Fund	-	7,682	-	7,682
	<u>15,425</u>	<u>7,378</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,803</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>930,260</u>	<u>349,112</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,279,372</u>

19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Income resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds	£ 2,679,718	£ (2,442,984)	£ 105,000	£ 341,734
General fund				
Restricted funds	18,000	(14,136)	-	3,864
Start Grants/ Bransholme Trust				
Cost of Living Fund	-	(4,168)	-	(4,168)
Renew Community Fund	37,000	(29,318)	-	7,682
	55,000	(47,622)	-	7,378
TOTAL FUNDS	2,734,718	(2,490,606)	105,000	349,112

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
Unrestricted funds	£ 767,566	£ 69,666	£ 61,728	£ 898,960
General fund				
Designated Redundancy Fund	13,861	-	2,014	15,875
	781,427	69,666	63,742	914,835
Restricted funds	26,989	7,170	(18,734)	15,425
Start Grants/ Bransholme Trust				
Switch (BIG Lottery)	25,008	-	(25,008)	-
Big Lottery	20,000	-	(20,000)	-
	71,997	7,170	(63,742)	15,425
TOTAL FUNDS	853,424	76,836	-	930,260

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,081,398	(2,011,732)	69,666
Restricted funds			
Start Grants/ Bransholme Trust	11,000	(3,830)	7,170
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,092,398</u>	<u>(2,015,562)</u>	<u>76,836</u>

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

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	767,566	411,400	61,728	1,240,694
Designated Redundancy Fund	13,861	-	2,014	15,875
	<u>781,427</u>	<u>411,400</u>	<u>63,742</u>	<u>1,256,569</u>
Restricted funds				
Start Grants/ Bransholme Trust	26,989	11,034	(25,734)	12,289
Switch (BIG Lottery)	25,008	-	(25,008)	-
Big Lottery	20,000	-	(20,000)	-
Cost of Living Fund	-	(4,168)	7,000	2,832
Renew Community Fund	-	7,682	-	7,682
	<u>71,997</u>	<u>14,548</u>	<u>(63,742)</u>	<u>22,803</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>853,424</u>	<u>425,948</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,279,372</u>

19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Income resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	4,761,116	(4,454,716)	105,000	411,400
Restricted funds				
Start Grants/ Bransholme Trust	29,000	(17,966)	-	11,034
Cost of Living Fund	-	(4,168)	-	(4,168)
Renew Community Fund	37,000	(29,318)	-	7,682
	66,000	(51,452)	-	14,548
TOTAL FUNDS	4,827,116	(4,506,168)	105,000	425,948

Restricted funds

The purpose of these funds is to enable new groups to apply for small start-up grants and groups in Bransholme to apply for grants to help with start up and running costs. They are funded by annual donations from the Sir James Reckitt Charitable Trust and East Riding Charitable Trust.

Designated funds

In accordance with best practice, designated funds are specific funds set aside by the trustees where there is a reasonable certainty of expenditure being incurred in the forthcoming year. The trustees believe that there is no longer a requirement for a specific provision for separate training and building maintenance funds. Redundancy provision is made in respect of pending redundancy liabilities.

General funds

General funds represent the balance of funds which are available for the objects of the charity and were no specific purpose has been attributed to such funds.

20. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The company operated a defined pension contribution scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charged represents contributions payable by the company to the fund amounting to £25,778 (2022 £38,648). The outstanding contributions at the year end were £103,318 (2022 £129,096).

21. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year the Charity had the following related party transactions with its Trustees and the organisations they represent on the Board of Hull Community and Voluntary Services Limited or alternatively organisations in which they hold an officer position which is not individually represented on the board of Hull Community and Voluntary Services Limited.

No disclosure is made in respect of transactions which are made on an arms length basis and on normal commercial terms.

At the year end the following transactions were outstanding:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Debtors - Amounts owed to Hull CVS from group undertakings		
Amounts owed to Hull CVS by Rainbow Nursery (Hull) Ltd	40,188	30,648
Amounts owed to Hull CVS by MNH Meeting New Horizons CIC	125,489	39,406
	<u>165,677</u>	<u>70,054</u>

22. PENSION SCHEME LIABILITIES

(a) Hull Community and Voluntary Services Limited (Hull CVS) participates in the Pensions Trust's Growth Plan (the Plan). The plan is funded and is not contracted out of the State Scheme. The plan is a multi-employer pension plan.

(b) Contributions paid into the Plan up to and including September 2001 were converted to defined amounts of pension payable from normal retirement from October 2001 contributions were invested in personal funds which have a capital guarantee and which are converted to pension on retirement, either within the Plan or by the purchase of an annuity.

(c) The rules of the Plan allow for the declaration of bonuses and/or investment credits if this is within the financial capacity of the Plan assessed on a prudent basis. Bonus/Investment credits are not guaranteed and are declared at the discretion of the Plan's Trustee.

(d) The Trustee commissions an actuarial valuation of the Plan every three years. The purpose of the actuarial valuation is to determine the funding position of the plan by comparing the assets with the past liabilities as at the valuation date. Asset values are calculated by reference to market levels. Accrued past service liabilities are valued by discounting expected future benefit payments using a discounted rate calculated by reference to the expected future investment returns.

(e) The rules of the Plan give the Trustee the power to require employers to pay additional contributions in order to ensure that the statutory funding objective under the Pension Act 2004 is met. The statutory funding objective is that a pension scheme should have sufficient assets to meet its past service liabilities, known as Technical Provisions.

(f) If the actuarial valuation reveals a deficit, The Trustee will agree a recovery plan to eliminate the deficit over a specified period of time either by way of additional contributions from employers, investment Returns or a combination of these.

22. PENSION SCHEME LIABILITIES - continued

(g) The rules of the Plan state that the proportion of obligatory contributions to be borne by the member and the members employer shall be determined by agreement between them. Such agreement shall require the employer to pay part of such contributions.

(h) Hull CVS paid contributions at the rate of 10% during the accounting period. Members contributions are voluntary, and members paid contributions at the rate of 1.85% during the accounting period. Contribution rates are calculated with reference to the total gross wages.

(i) At the balance sheet date there were 23 active members of the Plan employed by Hull CVS. The existing Growth Plan 3 scheme is now closed to new entrants. Hull CVS offers a Money Purchase Pension Scheme to eligible employees.

(j) It is not possible in the normal course of events to identify a reasonable and consistent basis the share of underlying assets and liabilities belonging to individual participating employers. The Plan is a multi-employer scheme, where the assets are co-mingled for investment purposes, and benefits are paid out of the Plan's total assets. Accordingly, due to the nature of the Plan, the accounting charge for the period under FRS17 represents the employer contribution payable.

(k) The valuation results at 30 September 2011 were completed in 2012 and have been formalised. The valuation of the Plan was performed by a professionally qualified Actuary using the Projected Unit Method. The market value of the Plan's assets at the valuation date was £780 million and the Plan's Technical Provisions (i.e. past service liabilities) were £928 million. The valuation therefore revealed a shortfall of assets Compared with a value of liabilities of £148 million, equivalent to a funding level of 84%.

23. GOING CONCERN

The trustees continue to be confident that both the charity, operating in its own right and its trading subsidiaries will achieve their forecasts for the next twelve months. The trustees are also aware of their continued dependence on the grants and contracts issued from the Public Sector and continue to seek other forms of income by maximising their resources and infrastructure.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	39,042	-
Grants	184,332	24,000
	<u>223,374</u>	<u>24,000</u>
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	2,954	166
Charitable activities		
Central government	671,164	486,386
Local government	198,000	142,000
Services Recharged	498,180	294,114
Rainbow Nursery (Hull) Limited	486,890	448,745
MNH Meeting New Horizons CIC	654,156	696,987
	<u>2,508,390</u>	<u>2,068,232</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>2,734,718</u>	<u>2,092,398</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Premises & operating costs	939,102	637,394
Staff costs	475,999	415,560
Rainbow Nursery (Hull) Limited	469,338	394,581
MNH Meeting New Horizons CIC	602,507	564,571
	<u>2,486,946</u>	<u>2,012,106</u>
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Auditors' remuneration	3,660	3,456
Total resources expended	<u>2,490,606</u>	<u>2,015,562</u>
Net income	<u><u>244,112</u></u>	<u><u>76,836</u></u>

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