

**BOSTON WOMEN'S AID  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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## **BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. 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 activities**

The overall objective of Boston Women's Aid is to provide advice, support and temporary accommodation for victims of abuse and their children. The term domestic abuse embraces the physical, mental, emotional, financial or sexual abuse of one person by another with whom they have or have had a close or intimate relationship.

The objective is achieved through the following:

The provision of temporary refuge on request for victims and their children who have suffered domestic abuse.

Encouraging the development of facilities that offer advice, support and practical help to any victim that seeks it, whether or not they are resident of the refuge, and which gives continuing support and aftercare to victims and children after they have left the Boston Women's Aid accommodation.

Research into and promotion of the provision of facilities which meet the emotional and educational needs of children of victims who seek refuge.

Providing information to and working with other organisations for the exchange of information and ideas on all aspects of Women's aid and domestic abuse issues.

Educating and informing the public, the media, the police, the courts, Social Services and other statutory and non-statutory organisations, with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

##### **Reporting for the public benefit**

In compliance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, Boston Women's Aid trustees have consulted the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on operating the Charity for the public benefit and are satisfied that the Charity meets the requirements on public benefit as follows.

Boston Women's Aid has continued to operate two houses to provide temporary refuge on request for female victims and their children within the general public, who have suffered domestic abuse. Suitable accommodation has not been available this year for male victims.

Provision of continuing support to victims and children after they have left the accommodation has been available, as has advice and support to members of the public, male and female, who make contact through the helpline, with support at our Rural Community Hub in Holbeach.

Talks given to organisations and groups of the public, who request them, together with statements to the media, have educated and informed the public with respect to the abuse victims suffer.

Trustees acknowledge the risks associated with COVID-19 since the lockdown on the 21 March 2020. The trustees will meet and discuss plans, responsibilities, and actions during the next financial year. Immediate action was taken with regards to staff working from home where possible and adapting COVID-19 safety measures within the refuges.

## BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

BWA have continued to provide refuge and other support services in Boston and South Holland. The Rural Community Hub service has expanded across Boston & South Holland with the financial support of The Holbeach United Charity, Platform Housing & Longhurst Housing. The Make A Change Survivor Support Service has continued supporting partners or ex partners of perpetrators that are accessing the group support work. BWA have supported over 48 women and 5 children through the Make A Change service.

In 2021/22, BWA have continued to operate as a viable provider of refuge accommodation and services, in the face of a challenging financial environment. The safe houses are in Boston and South Holland where we accept women, men and children from all areas of the UK.

In the refuges 31 women were admitted, of those 26 came with children, the total number of children admitted was 56 during 2021/22. Three Freedom Programmes were delivered along with four Confidence Building courses, a total of 11 women completed the Freedom Programme.

Over the year the team have given numerous talks to statutory and voluntary organisations and attended events, raising awareness of domestic abuse and the services provided by BWA. Training was also given to outside agencies for example the Police and Health Visitors. It is the view of the Board of Trustees that all services provided by BWA were effective in terms of both input and output and adhered to the Trustees' aims to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the charity in line with the Strategic Business Plan.

Working with Platform Housing BWA opened a brand-new purpose-built refuge in February 2022, the accommodation consists of 11 units with full facilities for women and children. We are also able to offer facilities for victims with some disabilities and larger families.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

##### Reserves policy

A reserves policy is recommended by the Charities Commission as part of financial management and strategic planning to explain to interested parties (both donors and beneficiaries) why money is withheld from beneficiaries. It is part of being transparent and accountable to funders and lessens the risk of the accusation of hoarding. It is also necessary so that the charity can meet its obligations even if intended funding sources fail to meet targets. Ongoing risk assessment has identified an increased risk of reduction in available funds for Boston Women's Aid from statutory bodies. National and local financial constraints have made it increasingly hard to obtain new sources of funding, and other income sources may be less reliable and less able to predict. There is increased risk of existing contracts not being renewed even if they have been performed satisfactorily, they may go out to tender and may be awarded to other providers.

The reserves must be able to cover any challenges and opportunities in the medium to long term which includes the costs to safeguard current services and the costs of closure. Such costs include: -

- Likely staff costs in the event of redundancy
- Fees for legal and financial advice in the event of possible insolvency
- Rents on the refuge properties and other property costs
- Any income restricted to specific projects which may need to be repaid.
- Funds for emergencies or to keep the charity's work going if difficulties arise. This may include time to resettle service users in properties or on outreach or counselling programmes. Consideration of the emotional and mental health needs of service users is important as well as their physical needs including attention to child protection and safeguarding needs. These costs are likely to be higher than for a charity that purely makes one off grants

Funds need to be easily accessible for day-to-day spending but will be invested in interest bearing accounts where possible, they are currently held with Lloyds Bank in high interest deposit bonds and a no notice savings account.

There is a regular review of cash flow projections for income and expenditure to ensure that the level of available reserves remains adequate, and that the charity can meet all its commitments. There is ongoing risk assessment to ensure policies and systems are in place to meet any potential risks identified and consider any significant change in the charity's financial circumstances.

Our current unrestricted reserve level is £288,484 (as at 31 March 2022). Our minimum target for the level of unrestricted funds as at 31 March 2022 is £100,000 and therefore we are meeting this requirement at this present time.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW – continued**

**Financial review**

The charity has again had a very pro-active year trying to secure future funding for the medium to long term. The continued role of our Business Development Manager has been instrumental in seeking new lines of funding from varied funders. The net deficit for the year ended 31 March 2022 was (£24,544) (2021 surplus £250,869), although we are showing a deficit for the financial year in question, this is due to a reduction in income as a result of less funding being available post COVID restrictions, and an increase in expenditure for preliminary costs in respect to the new refuge, this on face value is a satisfactory set of results, the Charity has worked hard to control expenditure during the year and because of the deficit the cumulative restricted and unrestricted reserves are now £606,168 for 2022.

**FUTURE PLANS**

The opening of Haven House due to launch and open in June 2022, an opening event planned for May 2022.

Following the success of the Holbeach rural hub the expansion of the service across Spalding & Boston was launched during summer 2021. We now plan to again expand the service at the beginning of 2023 into East Lindsay.

BWA continues to research and submit bids for project funding.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

**Organisational structure**

Boston Women's Aid was established as a Registered Charity in 1987 and its current Constitution was approved in 2003 and amended in July 2009, with a further amendment agreed in October 2010 to allow for support to male victims of abuse and male membership of the Board of Trustees. Two further amendments were made in June 2012 to alter the numbers required for meetings to be quorate and for numbers allowed to sign grants and contracts.

The core activity of Boston Women's Aid is to provide safe, temporary accommodation for victims (and their children) who have suffered from domestic abuse. This core business is achieved by the provision of four refuge spaces and three dispersed accommodation units. These core activities are funded through rental income, housing benefit payments, donations and funding from statutory agencies and grant making bodies.

**Risk management**

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

**BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Membership**

Membership of Boston Women's Aid is open to all people who subscribe to the aims as set out in the Constitution, subject in each case to approval by the Management Committee.

**Management**

The policy and management of the organisation is vested in a Management Committee of Trustees. The recruitment and election of Trustees and the Management Committee is carried out at Boston Women's Aid AGM each year. Trustees can also be nominated and co-opted during the year by The Management Committee, subject to the restrictions on numbers within the Constitution.

The training of new trustees is determined based on individual needs.

**The Management Committee**

Mr W Herbert	- Treasurer
Mrs V R Robinson	
Mrs S Coates	- Chair
Ms J Warnes	
Ms L McKinnell	
Ms M Chapman	- Appointed 1 June 2021
Ms B Owen	- Appointed 1 June 2021, resigned 23 March 2022
Ms L Elliott	- Appointed 30 September 2021
Mrs N Standbrook	- Co-opted October 2019, retired July 2021

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number**

519445

**Principal address**

P O Box 5  
Boston  
Lincolnshire  
PE21 8JP

**Trustees**

Mrs V R Robinson  
Mr W Herbert  
Mrs S Coates  
Ms J Warnes  
Ms B Owen (appointed 1 June 2021, resigned 23 March 2022)  
Ms L McKinnell  
Ms M Chapman (appointed 1 June 2021)  
Ms L Elliott (appointed 30 September 2021)

**Independent Examiner**

Mr T G Godson FCA  
Duncan & Toplis Limited  
5 Resolution Close  
Endeavour Park  
Boston  
Lincolnshire  
PE21 7TT

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 September 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mrs S Coates - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Boston Women's Aid**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Boston Women's Aid (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*T. G. Godson*

Mr T G Godson FCA  
Duncan & Toplis Limited  
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Endeavour Park  
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Lincolnshire  
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Date: 12 October 2022

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	51,088	210,733	261,821	484,432
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Rental income		98,487	920	99,407	102,149
Charitable activities		3,948	-	3,948	157
Investment income	4	57	-	57	379
Other income		<u>70</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>153,650</u>	<u>211,653</u>	<u>365,303</u>	<u>587,117</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
Raising funds	6	-	-	-	5,000
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable activities	7	<u>168,595</u>	<u>221,252</u>	<u>389,847</u>	<u>331,248</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>168,595</u>	<u>221,252</u>	<u>389,847</u>	<u>336,248</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>					
		(14,945)	(9,599)	(24,544)	250,869
Transfers between funds	16	<u>(4,863)</u>	<u>4,863</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(19,808)	(4,736)	(24,544)	250,869
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		<u>308,292</u>	<u>322,420</u>	<u>630,712</u>	<u>379,843</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>288,484</u>	<u>317,684</u>	<u>606,168</u>	<u>630,712</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	12	30,141	2,398	32,539	721
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	13	12,952	1,514	14,466	55,902
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>253,102</u>	<u>314,703</u>	<u>567,805</u>	<u>585,053</u>
		266,054	316,217	582,271	640,955
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(7,711)	(931)	(8,642)	(10,964)
		<u>258,343</u>	<u>315,286</u>	<u>573,629</u>	<u>629,991</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		288,484	317,684	606,168	630,712
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>288,484</u>	<u>317,684</u>	<u>606,168</u>	<u>630,712</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					

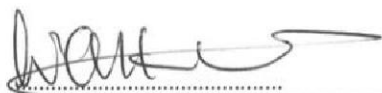
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BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued  
31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>FUNDS</b>	<b>16</b>		
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund		288,484	308,292
Restricted funds:			
DCLG/MOT		35,143	35,148
Great Days Out		11,513	6,626
Medlock Charitable Trust		53	53
Reaching Communities		144,487	131,494
DCLG Resettlement		622	402
ECCF/MOT		379	15,178
Every Childs Chances		6,128	5,547
Holbeach Rural Community Hub		16,817	15,927
Lloyds Bank Foundation		-	16,822
Make A Change		44,897	53,268
MHCLG		5	5
Catalyst Digital Project		-	2,242
Hub - Spalding Longhurst		8,142	5,078
MHCLG Complex Needs		8,177	31,030
Screwfix		243	3,600
Reaching communities 2022		41,078	-
		<u>317,684</u>	<u>322,420</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>606,168</u>	<u>630,712</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on .21 September 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

  
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Mr W Herbert - Trustee

  
.....  
Mrs S Coates - Trustee

**BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>15,294</u>	<u>213,981</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>15,294</u>	<u>213,981</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(32,599)	(1,059)
Interest received		<u>57</u>	<u>379</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(32,542)</u>	<u>(680)</u>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>		(17,248)	213,301
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		<u>585,053</u>	<u>371,752</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<u>567,805</u>	<u>585,053</u>

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NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(24,544)	250,869
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation charges	449	358
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	332	-
Interest received	(57)	(379)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	41,436	(37,357)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	<u>(2,322)</u>	<u>490</u>
<b>Net cash provided by operations</b>	<u>15,294</u>	<u>213,981</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.21	Cash flow	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£
<b>Net cash</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>585,053</u>	<u>(17,248)</u>	<u>567,805</u>
	<u>585,053</u>	<u>(17,248)</u>	<u>567,805</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>585,053</u>	<u>(17,248)</u>	<u>567,805</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Boston Women's Aid is an unincorporated charity, registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered number and principal office address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pound sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the charity.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, 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 Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the 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 on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

**Income**

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

**Expenditure**

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

**Tangible fixed assets**

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

Office Equipment	- 10% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from 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.

**Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

**Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

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

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Donations and sundry income	23,155	10,000	33,155	16,844
Grants	<u>27,933</u>	<u>200,733</u>	<u>228,666</u>	<u>467,588</u>
	<u>51,088</u>	<u>210,733</u>	<u>261,821</u>	<u>484,432</u>

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

	2022 £	2021 £
DCLG Resettlement	1,344	-
ECCF/MOT	-	22,282
Every Childs Chances - CIN	11,493	22,645
Great Days Out	11,354	4,905
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	-	11,132
Lloyds Bank Foundation	-	22,658
Make A Change - Survivor Services	-	73,383
Reaching Communities	111,259	108,948
Catalysts	4,666	4,668
General	25,714	157,443
HUB - Spalding Longhurst	4,954	4,980
MHCLG Complex Needs	-	30,944
Screwfix	-	3,600
Hub Boston Platform	2,000	-
Reaching communities 2022	55,878	-
Other grants	<u>4</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>228,666</u>	<u>467,588</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	<u>57</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>379</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2022 £	2021 £
Rental payers	Rental income	99,407	102,149
Other income	Charitable activities	<u>3,948</u>	<u>157</u>
		<u>103,355</u>	<u>102,306</u>

6. RAISING FUNDS

Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Bad debts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 8) £	Totals £
Charitable activities	<u>383,256</u>	<u>6,591</u>	<u>389,847</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Charitable activities	<u>250</u>	<u>6,341</u>	<u>6,591</u>

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 (2021 - £nil).

10. STAFF COSTS

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	244,034	204,325
Social security costs	15,302	3,152
Other pension costs	<u>17,722</u>	<u>14,300</u>
	<u>277,058</u>	<u>221,777</u>

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

	2022	2021
Management staff	1	1
Front line staff	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>
	<u>12</u>	<u>10</u>

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

## 11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	174,338	310,094	484,432
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Rental income	102,149	-	102,149
Charitable activities	97	60	157
Investment income	<u>379</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>379</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>276,963</u>	<u>310,154</u>	<u>587,117</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	-	5,000	5,000
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable activities	<u>124,972</u>	<u>206,276</u>	<u>331,248</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>124,972</u>	<u>211,276</u>	<u>336,248</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	151,991	98,878	250,869
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	<u>156,302</u>	<u>223,541</u>	<u>379,843</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>308,293</u>	<u>322,419</u>	<u>630,712</u>

## 12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2021	8,505	-	-	8,505
Additions	3,816	26,496	2,287	32,599
Disposals	<u>(7,920)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,920)</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>4,401</u>	<u>26,496</u>	<u>2,287</u>	<u>33,184</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2021	7,784	-	-	7,784
Charge for year	194	-	255	449
Eliminated on disposal	<u>(7,588)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,588)</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>390</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>645</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2022	<u>4,011</u>	<u>26,496</u>	<u>2,032</u>	<u>32,539</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>721</u>

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## 13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other debtors	873	49,290
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>13,593</u>	<u>6,612</u>
	<u>14,466</u>	<u>55,902</u>

## 14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	5,121	6,717
Pension creditor	(263)	(161)
Other creditors	(157)	2,389
Accruals and deferred income	<u>3,941</u>	<u>2,019</u>
	<u>8,642</u>	<u>10,964</u>

## 15. LEASING AGREEMENTS

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	61,801	12,240
Between one and five years	<u>194,923</u>	<u>18,360</u>
	<u>256,724</u>	<u>30,600</u>

## 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	308,292	(14,945)	(4,863)	288,484
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
DCLG/MOT	35,148	(5)	-	35,143
Great Days Out	6,626	4,887	-	11,513
Medlock Charitable Trust	53	-	-	53
Reaching Communities	131,494	12,993	-	144,487
DCLG Resettlement	402	220	-	622
ECCF/MOT	15,178	(8,383)	(6,416)	379
Every Childs Chances	5,547	581	-	6,128
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	15,927	890	-	16,817
Lloyds Bank Foundation	16,822	(16,822)	-	-
Make A Change	53,268	(8,371)	-	44,897
MHCLG	5	-	-	5
Catalyst Digital Project	2,242	(7,105)	4,863	-
Hub - Spalding Longhurst	5,078	(3,352)	6,416	8,142
MHCLG Complex Needs	31,030	(22,853)	-	8,177
Screwfix	3,600	(3,357)	-	243
Reaching communities 2022	-	41,078	-	41,078
	<u>322,420</u>	<u>(9,599)</u>	<u>4,863</u>	<u>317,684</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>630,712</u>	<u>(24,544)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>606,168</u>

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## 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	153,650	(168,595)	(14,945)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
DCLG/MOT	-	(5)	(5)
Great Days Out	11,356	(6,469)	4,887
Reaching Communities	55,451	(42,458)	12,993
DCLG Resettlement	2,264	(2,044)	220
ECCF/MOT	-	(8,383)	(8,383)
Every Childs Chances	11,494	(10,913)	581
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	10,000	(9,110)	890
Lloyds Bank Foundation	-	(16,822)	(16,822)
Make A Change	55,038	(63,409)	(8,371)
Catalyst Digital Project	4,665	(11,770)	(7,105)
Hub - Spalding Longhurst	5,505	(8,857)	(3,352)
MHCLG Complex Needs	2	(22,855)	(22,853)
Screwfix	-	(3,357)	(3,357)
Reaching communities 2022	55,878	(14,800)	41,078
	<u>211,653</u>	<u>(221,252)</u>	<u>(9,599)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>365,303</u>	<u>(389,847)</u>	<u>(24,544)</u>

## Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	156,302	151,990	308,292
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
DCLG/MOT	39,498	(4,350)	35,148
Great Days Out	8,365	(1,739)	6,626
Medlock Charitable Trust	5,790	(5,737)	53
Reaching Communities	85,084	46,410	131,494
DCLG Resettlement	721	(319)	402
ECCF/MOT	7,477	7,701	15,178
Every Childs Chances	2,655	2,892	5,547
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	12,185	3,742	15,927
Lloyds Bank Foundation	18,019	(1,197)	16,822
Make A Change	31,422	21,846	53,268
MHCLG	12,325	(12,320)	5
Catalyst Digital Project	-	2,242	2,242
Hub - Spalding Longhurst	-	5,078	5,078
MHCLG Complex Needs	-	31,030	31,030
Screwfix	-	3,600	3,600
	<u>223,541</u>	<u>98,879</u>	<u>322,420</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>379,843</u>	<u>250,869</u>	<u>630,712</u>

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## 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	276,963	(124,973)	151,990
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
DCLG/MOT	-	(4,350)	(4,350)
Great Days Out	4,906	(6,645)	(1,739)
Medlock Charitable Trust	-	(5,737)	(5,737)
Reaching Communities	108,897	(62,487)	46,410
DCLG Resettlement	60	(379)	(319)
ECCF/MOT	22,283	(14,582)	7,701
Every Childs Chances	22,645	(19,753)	2,892
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	11,133	(7,391)	3,742
Lloyds Bank Foundation	22,657	(23,854)	(1,197)
Make A Change	73,382	(51,536)	21,846
MHCLG	1	(12,321)	(12,320)
Catalyst Digital Project	4,666	(2,424)	2,242
Hub - Spalding Longhurst	4,980	98	5,078
MHCLG Complex Needs	30,944	86	31,030
Screwfix	3,600	-	3,600
	<u>310,154</u>	<u>(211,275)</u>	<u>98,879</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>587,117</u>	<u>(336,248)</u>	<u>250,869</u>

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

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	156,302	137,045	(4,863)	288,484
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
DCLG/MOT	39,498	(4,355)	-	35,143
Great Days Out	8,365	3,148	-	11,513
Medlock Charitable Trust	5,790	(5,737)	-	53
Reaching Communities	85,084	59,403	-	144,487
DCLG Resettlement	721	(99)	-	622
ECCF/MOT	7,477	(682)	(6,416)	379
Every Childs Chances	2,655	3,473	-	6,128
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	12,185	4,632	-	16,817
Lloyds Bank Foundation	18,019	(18,019)	-	-
Make A Change	31,422	13,475	-	44,897
MHCLG	12,325	(12,320)	-	5
Catalyst Digital Project	-	(4,863)	4,863	-
Hub - Spalding Longhurst	-	1,726	6,416	8,142
MHCLG Complex Needs	-	8,177	-	8,177
Screwfix	-	243	-	243
Reaching communities 2022	-	41,078	-	41,078
	<u>223,541</u>	<u>89,280</u>	<u>4,863</u>	<u>317,684</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>379,843</u>	<u>226,325</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>606,168</u>

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## 16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	430,613	(293,568)	137,045
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
DCLG/MOT	-	(4,355)	(4,355)
Great Days Out	16,262	(13,114)	3,148
Medlock Charitable Trust	-	(5,737)	(5,737)
Reaching Communities	164,348	(104,945)	59,403
DCLG Resettlement	2,324	(2,423)	(99)
ECCF/MOT	22,283	(22,965)	(682)
Every Child's Chances	34,139	(30,666)	3,473
Holbeach Rural Community Hub	21,133	(16,501)	4,632
Lloyds Bank Foundation	22,657	(40,676)	(18,019)
Make A Change	128,420	(114,945)	13,475
MHCLG	1	(12,321)	(12,320)
Catalyst Digital Project	9,331	(14,194)	(4,863)
Hub - Spalding Longhurst	10,485	(8,759)	1,726
MHCLG Complex Needs	30,946	(22,769)	8,177
Screwfix	3,600	(3,357)	243
Reaching communities 2022	<u>55,878</u>	<u>(14,800)</u>	<u>41,078</u>
	<u>521,807</u>	<u>(432,527)</u>	<u>89,280</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>952,420</u>	<u>(726,095)</u>	<u>226,325</u>

**Transfers between funds**

An amount of £4,863 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the unrestricted fund for the shortfall of costs not covered by the grant funding in respect of the Catalyst Digital Project Fund.

An amount of £6,416 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the ECCF/MOT fund to the Spalding Hub - Longhurst fund.

**Restricted funds**

Details of the purpose and nature of each restricted fund are given below:

**DCLG/MOT**

This funding is to support the training of specialist volunteers to provide one-to-one support for victims leaving refuge, during and following the Covid pandemic.

**Great Days Out**

Funded by National Lottery Awards for All. This funding is to support family development and cohesion, confidence and socialising, of families in refuge or recovering from domestic abuse through days out as families to educational/recreational venues.

**Medlock Charitable Trust**

This funding is to contribute towards the cost of a part-time Refuge Support Assistant, who ensures that rooms are ready to receive families into refuge.

**Reaching Communities**

This funding is to support four projects:

- Freedom Programme;
- Volcano" Programme in schools;
- Raising awareness of domestic abuse among male employees at larger employers across Boston Borough and South Holland;
- Provision of complex needs support to victims in refuge.

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

**Restricted funds - continued**

**DCLG Resettlement**

This funding is to support women leaving refuge to move into a home of their own to apply to buy either a cooker, washing machine or similar white goods.

**Every Child's Chances - Children in Need**

This funding is to support specialist work with children in refuge.

This project will help support children who have experienced domestic abuse. Targeted support for the children and family will improve educational progress, improve social skills and promote a reduction in challenging behaviour.

**Holbeach Rural Community Hub**

This funding, made by Holbeach United Charities has for the past three years supported the provision of a weekly Community Hub in Holbeach, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

**Lloyds Bank Foundation**

This funding is to support a part-time Complex Needs Worker for victims of domestic abuse in refuge who have additional needs which makes their recovery and ability to move on from the abuse and establish their own family and home life much more complicated and who need this specialist support. The grant also funds some Refuge Support to assist with budgeting training, assistance with applying for schools, doctors, benefits, housing and other services.

Lloyds Bank Foundation also offer in-kind support to help charities become more sustainable during the lifetime of the Invest Fund grant.

**Make A Change (MAC)**

This funding is to support both victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse, where the perpetrator has indicated that they wish to make the necessary changes to their behaviour. Boston Women's Aid is the chosen partner to work across Lincolnshire with the partners of those perpetrators who enrol on the MAC 26-week course delivered by the Jenkins Foundation.

**MHCLG**

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to provide dispersed refuge accommodation for families fleeing abuse, for whom our communal refuge would not be appropriate.

**Catalyst Digital Project**

This was a one-off grant enabling Boston Women's Aid to participate in work to look at digital support for victims of domestic abuse living in very rural areas.

**Spalding Hub - Longhurst**

This funding by the Longhurst Group contributes to our weekly Rural Hub in Spalding, enabling victims of abuse living in the area to be supported by a specialist Domestic Abuse Worker.

**MHCLG Complex Needs**

This funding is to enable Boston Women's Aid to employ an additional Complex Needs Worker throughout the Covid pandemic, when greatly increased levels of abuse were seen, and more women were presenting with complex and additional needs.

**Screwfix**

This one-off grant is to support the purchase of materials and equipment for Haven House.

**Reaching Communities 2022**

This is a three-year phased grant, continuing the funding support for The Freedom Programme, Intervention and Information Work in Schools, Additional Specialist Support in Refuge, and making a contribution towards the cost of Child Support in Refuge.

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17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.

18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.

19. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

The independent examination fee included in the accounts is £2,420 (2021 - £1,746).

**BOSTON WOMEN'S AID**

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>				
<b>Donations and legacies</b>				
Donations and sundry income	23,155	10,000	33,155	16,844
Grants	<u>27,933</u>	<u>200,733</u>	<u>228,666</u>	<u>467,588</u>
	51,088	210,733	261,821	484,432
<b>Investment income</b>				
Deposit account interest	57	-	57	379
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Rental payers	98,487	920	99,407	102,149
Other income	<u>3,948</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,948</u>	<u>157</u>
	102,435	920	103,355	102,306
<b>Other income</b>				
Members subscriptions	<u>70</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>153,650</b>	<b>211,653</b>	<b>365,303</b>	<b>587,117</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
<b>Other trading activities</b>				
Bad debts	-	-	-	5,000
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Wages	78,020	166,014	244,034	204,325
Social security	3,898	11,404	15,302	3,152
Pensions	6,819	10,903	17,722	14,300
Rent	33,879	4,297	38,176	36,008
Rates and water	3,961	-	3,961	920
Insurance	1,068	1,933	3,001	2,938
Light and heat	10,864	-	10,864	8,448
Telephone	1,696	785	2,481	2,770
Postage, stationery and advertising	2,053	2,004	4,057	1,444
COVID-19 expenditure	26	-	26	2,631
Sundries	13,425	5,860	19,285	12,851
Motor and travel costs	3,531	3,433	6,964	1,417
Day trips and activities	46	1,881	1,927	412
Repairs and maintenance	4,359	5,558	9,917	20,295
Staff training and activities	171	952	1,123	1,593
Counselling fees	-	2,191	2,191	840
Supplies	991	450	1,441	2,228
Plant and machinery	-	5	5	358
Computer equipment	206	241	447	-
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	<u>332</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>332</u>	<u>-</u>
	165,345	217,911	383,256	316,930

BOSTON WOMEN'S AID

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>Support costs</b>				
<i>Finance</i>				
Bank charges	-	250	250	50
<i>Governance costs</i>				
Accountancy and legal fees	2,623	2,073	4,696	3,315
Financial management	398	643	1,041	1,090
Legal fees	<u>227</u>	<u>377</u>	<u>604</u>	<u>9,863</u>
	<u>3,248</u>	<u>3,093</u>	<u>6,341</u>	<u>14,268</u>
Total resources expended	<u>168,593</u>	<u>221,254</u>	<u>389,847</u>	<u>336,248</u>
Net income	<u>(14,943)</u>	<u>(9,601)</u>	<u>(24,544)</u>	<u>250,869</u>