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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 800988

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024
FOR
THE DOVER COUNSELLING CENTRE**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

TRUSTEES	Mr D N R Foley Ms N E G Hodgkinson Dr W T Moses MBE (resigned 1.4.24) Mrs L Soliman Mr S L Weaver (Chair) Ms P Vernieuve Ms A Wiggins
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REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	02334448 (England and Wales)
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	McCabe Ford Williams Chartered Accountants Charlton House Dour Street DOVER Kent CT16 1BL

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

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 30 September 2024. 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 principal objectives of the organisation are:

- To promote any charitable object for the benefit of the community in the United Kingdom ("the area of benefit") and in particular to protect health and relieve sickness and distress and to advance education by the provision of a counselling service.

-To provide education and training in marriage and family life and in personal relationships, in alcohol and drug abuse and in the effect of loss and bereavement, to professional workers and employers.

Following the end of the contract with NHS Talking Therapies as from 31 March 2024, our immediate priority, given the significant loss of income and staff, was to stabilise the operation financially which has now been achieved.

Moving forward, the same offer is not viable, (as the new operator provides the same offer for free on the NHS!) as has subsequently been seen by the low take up since the new operation was established.

We are assessing the best direction to take - and have had early discussions to test cooperation with other charities in adjacent fields - which are not yet fruitful.

However, as we are just coming out of "survival mode," it is too early to provide details on objectives, activities etc. Our key objective has been to stabilise the operation, protect the cash position to ensure we have a solid financial footing going forward, and develop our strategic direction/partnerships - so specifics are not available at this stage.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty as prescribed in the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Review of activities

In the first half of the year, whilst DCC was operating effectively and providing essential support to our clients, the NHS consolidated their outsourced counselling services.

As such, mid-year, the NHS contract was transferred to a new supplier and the transfer of undertaking process instigated. Councillors, associated support staff and key members of the Management team were transferred, under TUPE, to the new operator.

As a result, income for the year was 55% down on the previous year, and the operational and intellectual capacity within DCC significantly impaired. Staffing comprised of one (later two) salaried employee/s with trustee assistance, all based on a three-day week. The team focussed on reducing historic costs, most of which were committed when Dover Counselling Centre (trading as DCC) was more successful. The cancellation of long-term agreements was time consuming, challenging and debilitating.

Against a modest backdrop it was the team's responsibility to attract counselling work from individuals and companies, the former being a mixture of those desperately in need but only capable to pay a contribution towards costs and those able to pay a market rate.

On 1 April 2024, DCC was transported from a healthy business supporting the local community and generating a surplus, to one that suddenly competed with a government sponsored business that provided a tailored service at nil cost to the client. The only advantage that DCC had was a far more customer facing, sympathetic face-to-face approach and a prompt reaction which contrasted with the competitor's significant waiting list.

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With limited resources we have been able to provide some support to needy clients, unable to get a speedy response from the new provider as their operation settles down. We have also, albeit at a reduced level, continued to support the "Get Away Garden" in partnership with Future Skills and Town & Country Housing providing education, wellbeing and social interaction for the local community.

It is clear that mental health provides limited scope to develop subsidiary opportunities although two have more recently been explored such as mental health related training courses and the concept of Companion Care, (not to be confused with home-help), where aged individuals and/or couples are supported in their homes as opposed to the need for them to resort to a nursing or care home.

Having significantly reduced, or eliminated, legacy costs, the board is now focussed on providing mental health support to the local community on a stand alone basis or in partnership with relevant parties.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The trustees aim to maintain a sufficient level of free reserves in unrestricted funds to ensure the delivery of the charity's services and enable investment into service development and innovation to deepen the charity's impact, when appropriate, outside of income patterns and funder dependencies.

In 2023/24 there was a deficit of £193,011 (2022/23 surplus of £193,111) and expenditure was £1,023,217 (2022/23 £1,660,048). With the loss of the NHS contract from March 2024, significant funding from other sources is needed to continue.

The board will ensure careful management of forward commitments to ensure that DCC can maintain momentum and drive targeted growth without over-committing from a cash flow perspective.

The trustees are comfortable that the charity has sufficient cash to meet its short-term financial liabilities and contractual obligations as they fall due.

Pay and remuneration

The aim of Dover Counselling Centre's remuneration policy is to maintain sustainable, fair levels of pay at the same time as attracting and retaining the right people to deliver our services.

In setting appropriate levels of senior management pay, the board considers the skills, experience and competencies required for each role, and the remuneration level for those roles in sectors where suitable candidates would be found.

Risk management

The trustees have overall responsibility for the system of internal control that is designed by senior management to ensure effective and efficient operations, including financial reporting and compliance with laws and regulations. The trustees acknowledge that such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

Management of core risks around funding, data privacy, information security, ethics and clinical quality are integral to the success of DCC.

There are regular reviews and updates of policies and procedures and appropriate legal and professional advice sought and followed as appropriate.

FUTURE

As we look to the future, the external environment is likely to continue to be a challenge, and prudent financial planning will be as important as income generation.

DCC will continue to build on insights from previous years to develop more efficient and robust ways to drive and grow income opportunities as we seek to reduce income related risk.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The charity is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 5 December 1988 and is a registered charity (number 800988).

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

The charity is organised in such a way that trustees meet regularly in order to manage its affairs whilst day to day responsibility is delegated to the management team.

Induction and training of new trustees

Recommendations to become a trustee tend to come from within the organisation, particularly if the board has identified that they need someone with a particular skill e.g Finance. If personal recommendations were not to be successful then the position would be advertised.

Candidates are required to complete an interview with the chair and another trustee prior to being nominated, to ensure they fully understand the role and responsibilities of a trustee prior to election/appointment. Trustees newly elected to the board of trustees during the period receive an induction pack, which contains reading material concerning both general trustee and governance issues. They also attend meetings with the senior management team to learn and better understand how DCC operates.

Specific training would be provided if the trustee did not already have the skills and knowledge necessary.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27 June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr S L Weaver (Chair) - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE DOVER COUNSELLING CENTRE**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Dover Counselling Centre ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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

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27 June 2025

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	350	-	350	3,000
Charitable activities					
Counselling	5	756,517	22,843	779,360	1,610,198
Supervision		875	-	875	3,685
Training		29,998	-	29,998	135,290
Recruitment, team building events and wellbeing		-	-	-	26,125
Covid impact salary support		-	-	-	70,844
Office decoration		-	5,000	5,000	-
Investment income	4	13,009	-	13,009	4,017
Other income		1,614	-	1,614	-
Total		<u>802,363</u>	<u>27,843</u>	<u>830,206</u>	<u>1,853,159</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Counselling	6	967,346	55,871	1,023,217	1,660,048
Office decoration		(5,000)	5,000	-	-
Total		<u>962,346</u>	<u>60,871</u>	<u>1,023,217</u>	<u>1,660,048</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(159,983)	(33,028)	(193,011)	193,111
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		1,896,272	33,028	1,929,300	1,736,189
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>1,736,289</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,736,289</u></u>	<u><u>1,929,300</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE DOVER COUNSELLING CENTRE (REGISTERED NUMBER: 02334448)

**BALANCE SHEET
30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	12	223,589	-	223,589	236,292
Investments	13	1	-	1	1
		<u>223,590</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>223,590</u>	<u>236,293</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	14	13,716	-	13,716	612,956
Cash at bank and in hand		1,514,699	-	1,514,699	1,217,159
		<u>1,528,415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,528,415</u>	<u>1,830,115</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(15,716)	-	(15,716)	(137,108)
		<u>1,512,699</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,512,699</u>	<u>1,693,007</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>1,929,300</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>1,929,300</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>1,929,300</u>
FUNDS					
	17			1,736,289	1,896,272
Unrestricted funds					
Restricted funds				-	33,028
				<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>1,929,300</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>1,736,289</u>	<u>1,929,300</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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.

BALANCE SHEET - continued
30 SEPTEMBER 2024

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27 June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr S L Weaver (Chair) - Trustee

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	285,002	280,816
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>285,002</u>	<u>280,816</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(1,321)	(3,104)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		850	-
Interest received		13,009	4,017
Net cash provided by investing activities		<u>12,538</u>	<u>913</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period			
		297,540	281,729
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>1,217,159</u>	<u>935,430</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>1,514,699</u></u>	<u><u>1,217,159</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(193,011)	193,111
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	10,258	14,228
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	2,916	648
Interest received	(13,009)	(4,017)
Decrease in debtors	599,240	45,118
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(121,392)	31,728
Net cash provided by operations	<u>285,002</u>	<u>280,816</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.10.23	Cash flow	At 30.9.24
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	1,217,159	297,540	1,514,699
	<u>1,217,159</u>	<u>297,540</u>	<u>1,514,699</u>
Total	<u>1,217,159</u>	<u>297,540</u>	<u>1,514,699</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE DOVER COUNSELLING CENTRE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Dover Counselling Centre is an incorporated charity registered in England. The Charitable company's registered number, principal address and nature of operations can be found in the Report of Trustees.

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

2. 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.

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.

Amounts recoverable on contract are based on the stage of completion of ongoing counselling cases. These are calculated on a sessions basis.

Income from donations or grants are recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

Interest income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

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.

Freehold property	- Straight line over 50 years
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on cost

Investments

Unlisted equity investments are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently measured at fair value. If fair value cannot be reliably measured, assets are measured at cost less impairment.

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.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

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

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	350	3,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	13,009	4,017
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		2024	2023
	Activity	£	£
AQP counselling	Counselling	688,069	1,430,755
Counselling	Counselling	91,291	179,443
Supervision	Supervision	875	3,685
HEE funding	Training	22,843	132,380
Training	Training	7,155	2,910
Innovation fund	Recruitment, team building events and wellbeing	-	26,125
Covid cost reimbursement	Covid impact salary support	-	70,844
Other grants	Office decoration	5,000	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		<u>815,233</u>	<u>1,846,142</u>

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Screwfix foundation	5,000	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Counselling	629,931	393,286	1,023,217

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Counselling	388,138	5,148	393,286

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

Other

	2024 Counselling £	2023 Total activities £
Wages, national insurance and pensions	106,562	203,792
Staff training and supervision	20,049	33,112
Agency fees	15,041	-
Hire of equipment	6,501	7,988
Rates and water	1,559	990
Insurance	6,083	3,522
Light and heat	10,221	8,621
Telephone	12,898	8,873
Repairs and maintenance	29,003	19,469
Office expenses	73,385	95,784
Legal fees	10,179	-
Recruitment Expenses	8,516	-
Bad and doubtful debts	6,228	(11,249)
Advertising	430	168
Garden therapy	27,711	15,020
Consultancy fees	21,679	-
Sundry	17,461	25,279
Bank charges	1,458	1,395
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	10,258	14,228
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	2,916	648
	388,138	427,640

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. SUPPORT COSTS - continued

Governance costs

	2024	2023
	Counselling	Total activities
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	-	8,024
Independent examination fees	5,148	-
	<u>5,148</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>5,148</u>	<u>8,024</u>

8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	10,258	14,228
Hire of plant and machinery	6,501	7,988
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	2,916	648
	<u>19,675</u>	<u>22,864</u>

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Trustees' expenses

Trustees expenses amounting to £5,024 (2023 £807) were reimbursed to four Trustees during the year (2023 - three) for travel expenses.

10. STAFF COSTS

Total staff costs were as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	560,380	1,038,699
Social security costs	62,290	98,995
Pensions	10,341	18,199
	<u>633,011</u>	<u>1,155,893</u>

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

	2023	2023
Average number of employees	16	33

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2023 - 1).

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11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	3,000	-	3,000
Charitable activities			
Counselling	1,610,198	-	1,610,198
Supervision	3,685	-	3,685
Training	2,910	132,380	135,290
Recruitment, team building events and wellbeing	-	26,125	26,125
Covid impact salary support	70,844	-	70,844
Investment income	4,017	-	4,017
Total	<u>1,694,654</u>	<u>158,505</u>	<u>1,853,159</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Counselling	<u>1,548,856</u>	<u>111,192</u>	<u>1,660,048</u>
NET INCOME			
Transfers between funds	145,798	47,313	193,111
	29,476	(29,476)	-
Net movement in funds	<u>175,274</u>	<u>17,837</u>	<u>193,111</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	1,720,998	15,191	1,736,189
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>1,896,272</u></u>	<u><u>33,028</u></u>	<u><u>1,929,300</u></u>

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12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 October 2023	252,057	113,687	365,744
Additions	-	1,321	1,321
Disposals	-	(25,564)	(25,564)
	252,057	89,444	341,501
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 October 2023	29,766	99,686	129,452
Charge for year	5,041	5,217	10,258
Eliminated on disposal	-	(21,798)	(21,798)
	34,807	83,105	117,912
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 September 2024	217,250	6,339	223,589
At 30 September 2023	222,291	14,001	236,292

13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group undertakings £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 October 2023 and 30 September 2024	1
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 September 2024	1
At 30 September 2023	1

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

The company's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of companies include the following:

Inspire-Compassion Ltd

Registered office: Horizon House, Gordon Road, Whitfield, Dover, CT16 2ET

Nature of business: Dormant

Class of share:	%
Ordinary	holding 100

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14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2024	2023
		£	£
Trade debtors		13,716	474,235
Amounts recoverable on contract		-	138,721
		<u>13,716</u>	<u>612,956</u>
15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2024	2023
		£	£
Social security and other taxes		813	27,475
Sundry creditors and deferred income		14,903	109,633
		<u>15,716</u>	<u>137,108</u>
16. LEASING AGREEMENTS			
Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:			
		2024	2023
		£	£
Within one year		6,436	5,987
Between one and five years		-	5,488
		<u>6,436</u>	<u>11,475</u>
17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
	At	Net	At
	1.10.23	movement	30.9.24
	£	in funds	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,896,272	(159,983)	1,736,289
Restricted funds			
Health Education England	9,333	(9,333)	-
Innovation Fund	23,695	(23,695)	-
	<u>33,028</u>	<u>(33,028)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,929,300</u>	<u>(193,011)</u>	<u>1,736,289</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	802,363	(962,346)	(159,983)
Restricted funds			
Health Education England	22,843	(32,176)	(9,333)
Innovation Fund	-	(23,695)	(23,695)
Screwfix Foundation grant	5,000	(5,000)	-
	<u>27,843</u>	<u>(60,871)</u>	<u>(33,028)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>830,206</u>	<u>(1,023,217)</u>	<u>(193,011)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.10.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30.9.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,720,998	145,798	29,476	1,896,272
Restricted funds				
Health Education England	15,191	23,618	(29,476)	9,333
Innovation Fund	-	23,695	-	23,695
	<u>15,191</u>	<u>47,313</u>	<u>(29,476)</u>	<u>33,028</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,736,189</u>	<u>193,111</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,929,300</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,694,654	(1,548,856)	145,798
Restricted funds			
Health Education England	132,380	(108,762)	23,618
Innovation Fund	26,125	(2,430)	23,695
	<u>158,505</u>	<u>(111,192)</u>	<u>47,313</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,853,159</u>	<u>(1,660,048)</u>	<u>193,111</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1.10.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30.9.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,720,998	(14,185)	29,476	1,736,289
Restricted funds				
Health Education England	15,191	14,285	(29,476)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,736,189</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,736,289</u>

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 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,497,017	(2,511,202)	(14,185)
Restricted funds			
Health Education England	155,223	(140,938)	14,285
Innovation Fund	26,125	(26,125)	-
Screwfix Foundation grant	5,000	(5,000)	-
	<u>186,348</u>	<u>(172,063)</u>	<u>14,285</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,683,365</u>	<u>(2,683,265)</u>	<u>100</u>

Health Education England:

Restricted Funds

Funding for Training:

The charity received funding from Health Education England totalling £22,843 (2023 £132,380) during the year to contribute to the salaries, study costs and expenses of staff members who were studying to become either a qualified High Intensity Therapist or Psychological Wellbeing Practitioner. Expenses during the year totalled £32,176 (2023 £108,762).

Surplus funds transferred across to unrestricted funds once staff members' training was completed was £nil (2023 £29,476).

Innovation Fund

In the year ended 30 September 2023, funding of £26,125 was received to aid recruitment and retention of the workforce in particular, the counsellors workforce, and provide wellbeing/team building events through the year. Expenses during the year ended 30 September 2024 totalled £23,695 (2023 £2,430).

Screwfix Foundation grant

A grant of £5,000 (2023 nil) was received in the year from the Screwfix Foundation to be used to fix, repair, maintain and improve properties and community facilities. Expenditure during the year ended 30 September 2024 totalled £5,000 (2023 nil).

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18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, a total of £18,603 for consultancy fees and expenses were payable to Dr W Moses, a former trustee. All transactions were carried out on an arms length basis.

There were no other related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2024.

19. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The charitable company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. Every member of the company undertakes, in the event of the winding up of the company, to contribute such amount as may be necessary not exceeding £1 each.

20. GOING CONCERN

With effect from 31 March 2024, the Charitable Company withdrew from providing the NHS Talking Therapies contract for Kent and Medway on behalf of NHS England. At the end of the contract, staff linked to providing the service were transferred under TUPE to the replacement provider.

The Trustees appraised the advantages available from its existing activities, and to build on its current reputation for quality and level of service. They have set up plans for future action to enable the Charitable Company to continue as a going concern.

As part of their plans, they have created a new, more modern identity, and established new counselling and mental health services, with new projects to come on stream in the following few months.

They have met with other mental health providers with a view to future joint-cooperation, which has received positive feedback, and recruited new staff to best suit the opportunities and challenges facing the Charitable Company going forward. The Trustees have assessed that the current and future sources of funding and support for the Charitable Company will be more than adequate for the Charitable Company's needs.