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**Report of the Trustees and**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**  
**for**  
**Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**  
**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)**

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## **Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the Year Ended 31 March 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 31 March 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**

#### **Vision**

The Upper Andersonstown Neighbourhood is a dynamic and inclusive community providing opportunities for all ages of people to become actively involved in raising the quality of life for all the residents, through community and economic regeneration of the area.

#### **Aims**

'To increase participation of local people in community development by creating developmental Opportunities through the provision of inclusive, quality services which have life- long benefits for the community.'

#### **Strategic Plan**

UACF led an in-depth review (with our strategic partners in the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnership) and all key stakeholders relating to the organisation. The out workings allowed the organisation to update our strategic plan, particularly in the aftermath of the 2020-21 Pandemic and the ongoing Cost of Living crisis. The six strategic aims were agreed and set which include:

1. Building a robust business model with social values at its core  
Key Strategic Aim - To enhance the social economy, organizational and financial mode.
2. Supporting Families - Supporting Children  
Key Strategic Aim - To support families by providing the highest quality, professional care, and educational development
3. Releasing the potential of all our young people  
Key Strategic Aim - Young people will be supported to achieve their full potential
4. Working, learning and living here  
Key Strategic Aim - To support adults with their lifelong learning, employability and health journey
5. Positively support people to live actively as they age  
Key Strategic Aim - To enhance the life experience for people to age well
6. Supporting Communities through a community development approach  
Key Strategic Aim - To support communities in the economic, social and physical regeneration and ensure our organisation supports those in most need, during the cost of living crisis.

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and Activities**

- a) To centralise all policy, procedures and operational frameworks
- b) To continue with the inspire and professionalise the staff and management committee
- c) To increase the social economy income of the organisation

##### **Key Outcomes 2022-25**

To have accredited quality standards - ISO 9001 Standards

To increase the social economy business to generate 50% of the organisational income.

All staff to be paid living wage

#### **Strategic Theme 1 - Building a robust business model with social values at its core**

##### **Key Strategic Aim**

To enhance the social economy, organizational and financial model

Key strategic objectives are:-

- a) to achieve the ISO 9001:2015 quality standards

#### **Strategic Theme 2 - Supporting Families - Supporting Children**

##### **Key Strategic Aim**

To support families by providing the highest quality, professional care, and educational development.

Key strategic objectives are:-

- a) Providing the highest quality of Childcare to ensure each child meets their personalise developmental milestone
- b) To offer families affordable Daycare
- c) To support children at each stage of their transition
- d) To provide a rich communication for learning and development
- e) All staff to be trained in the most up to update techniques for child development.

##### **Key Outcomes 2022-25**

- a) To achieve the All-Ireland Centre of Excellence
- b) All senior daycare staff to have achieved their level 5 in CCLD
- c) An outcomes score card will be developed to showcase child development milestones
- d) A sustainability model will be developed and implemented.

#### **Strategic Theme 3 - Releasing the potential of all our young people**

##### **Key Strategic Aim**

Young people will be supported to achieve their full potential

Key strategic objectives are:

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- a) Supporting young people's physical and mental health
- b) To create fun and enjoyable leisure and play programmes
- c) Young people will enjoy learning and achieving
- d) Young people will be encouraged to make positive contribution to society
- e) Young people will know their rights
- f) Promote equality and good relations with young people.

Key Outcomes 2022-25

- a) Young people will be more confident
- b) Young people will experience summer and seasonal educational, health and recreational programmes
- c) More young people will be supported with learning and achieving
- d) To reduce the Impact, the recent Pandemic had on our youths mental wellbeing
- e) To secure Education Authority core funding.

**Strategic Theme 4 - Working, learning and living here.**

**Key Strategic Aim**

To support adults with their lifelong learning, employability and health journey.

Key strategic objectives are:

- a) To provide the highest lifelong learning opportunities for adults
- b) To support and signpost adults into employment
- c) To reduce health inequalities
- d) To support people who are living in poverty.

Key Outcomes 2022-25

- a) To delivery high quality literacy, numeracy and ICT programmes
- b) To support adults into employment
- c) To deliver mental health programme to adults
- d) To provide high quality lifelong learning initiatives.

**Strategic Theme 5 - Positively support people to live actively as they age**

**Key Strategic Aim**

To enhance the life experience for people to age well

Key strategic objectives are:

- a) To provide a range of services to combat social isolation ( particularly Post Covid 19)
- b) To listen and reflect the views of older people to local and central government
- c) To support older people living in poverty
- d) To provide a range of active aging programmes
- e) Older people have better access to statutory, voluntary and community services.

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### Key Outcomes 2022-25

- a) To reduce social isolation
- b) To develop a social economy model for people who have access to self-directed payments
- c) To build pathways to support older people in all aspects of their lives.

#### **Strategic Theme 6 - Supporting Communities through a community development approach.**

##### **Key Strategic Aim**

To support communities in the economic, social and physical regeneration.

Key strategic objectives are:

- a) To develop (reviewed and updated, Sept/Oct 2022) the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnerships membership, vision and operational plans
- b) To ensure capital programmes are designed and developed in partnership with local communities
- c) To respond to government policies and consultations
- d) To promote UACF by sitting on a range of boards which will enhance the lives of the residents
- e) To develop seasonal programmes across the Andersonstown area such as Christmas, St Patrick's Day, Halloween, Summer
- f) To lobby for additional resources for the Andersonstown area
- g) To support community interest groups who support residents including people from across section 75 groups.
- h) To Support The Development of The Casement Park stadium

##### Key Outcomes 2022-25

- a) To support residents through physical regeneration projects - Casement, Glenmona
- b) To work closely with government to develop an anti-poverty strategy
- c) To work with community, voluntary and statutory partners to bring additional resources into the area.
- d) The underlying principle of the Forum is inclusiveness and this ethos is translated into practice throughout the entire organisation and is reflected in the provision of quality services for children with special needs. In physical terms the building is designed to be fully accessible for people with disabilities thereby ensuring full inclusion of all members of the community.

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Public benefit**

##### **Purpose A**

Advance community development and, in particular, the promotion of the community and voluntary sector for the benefit of the public by providing

1. support,
2. information,
3. services,
4. facilities and amenities to community and voluntary groups
5. and encouraging such organisations to co-operate to achieve their aim.

The direct benefits flowing from this purpose include

1. the strengthening of individual and community relationships,
2. the dissemination of information and services that improve the quality of life and range of opportunities available to individuals and the community,
3. the development of campaigning and networking skills within the community and the availability of "fit for purpose" community centre.

These benefits can be demonstrated by the amount of people utilizing the local community centre for a variety of programmes and the improved opportunities for people to develop social contacts at a variety of different stages in their life, for example, through attendance at our youth project or as a senior citizen in our Utopia project. The community centre enables the community to organise campaigns on issue of importance. The varieties of meetings, workshops and courses have the benefit of increasing community engagement and community solidarity.

##### **Purpose B**

Provide and maintain a Forum where member organisations can join together to find mutual support, exchange views, share common issues and information, create a collective voice for the community and voluntary sector and work in partnership with statutory agencies and authorities.

The direct benefits flowing from this purpose include

1. The ability to mobilise the community on issues of mutual concern to campaign for change.
2. The reduction of social isolation through collective action is another direct benefit.
3. The establishment of community-based mechanism for directly engaging and working with government departments, statutory bodies and other community and voluntary organisations.

These benefits can be demonstrated by;

1. Successful campaigns to improve disability access to the community centre,
2. The extension of Surestart 2 year old programme to the community centre
3. The delivery of a bespoke "One to One" service to local schools and our input into the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Renewal Plan.
4. The delivery of a Well-Being strategy for the Greater Andersonstown Community
5. Delivery of a Belfast City Council, Fuel Hardship Fund

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**Purpose C**

Relieve those in need by reason of;

1. Youth,
2. Age,
3. Ill-health,
4. Disability,
5. Financial hardship or other disadvantage.

The direct benefits flowing from this purpose are:

1. That we can offer a range of youth activities to our young people through our Youth Project.
2. Our senior Citizens project works to reduce social isolation and build community networks by engaging seniors in a range of stimulating social, intellectual and physical activities.
3. We offer a range of health activities with a preventative objective in terms of local health outcomes, for example, the "Cook It and Physical" activities programme delivered to local primary schools.
4. We work with the local family hub in offering support to Families and children who have disabilities and we offer a base for the local Parkinson's support group and a local group whose members have a learning disability.
5. We also offer welfare advice two days per week to assist in addressing financial hardship and or other detriments suffered by welfare reforms.

These benefits can be demonstrated by

1. The popularity of our youth project with young people.
2. The rapidly increasing success of our "Beacon's" Womens Group
3. Also we have we are in the process of establishing a senior citizens committee to campaign on issues that concern them and to participate in the design, delivery and decision making process around our Utopia senior citizens programme.
4. We have facilitated the meetings for the local Parkinson's support group, which has enabled the group to offer a range of activities in our centre.
5. We have a walking group that encourages local people to engage in physical exercise as a way of preventing or delaying the onset of illness.
6. Our Afterschool offers additional support to children with learning difficulties.

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Principal Activities / Objectives / Services**

The UACF was formed in 1995 and is a community led, community driven organisation that has developed and succeeded in delivering a comprehensive Community Development Strategy for over 25 years.

The Forum has a sound record in managing projects, we provide a comprehensive range of Community and Family Support Services including, Social Economy Day-care provision, Youth Services, Youth Training and Employment Scheme, Essential Skills Programme for parents and long termed unemployed, ICT Training, Training Placements, Employment support Programme, support programme for People with disabilities, community education programme and the Utopia senior citizens project.. The UACF are the Lead and Accountable Agency for the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership and the chair of the Outer West Sure Start and a member of the local Family Support Hub.

The Forum operates a Financial Management System based on NI audit Green Book guidance and ESF guidelines and criteria. The Forum works with a wide variety of government departments, statutory bodies and community and voluntary bodies.

The Upper Andersonstown Community Forum are the Lead and Accountable Agency for Andersonstown Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership which is the delivery agent of Neighbourhood Renewal in the Greater Andersonstown Area and are in a working partnership with all other West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships to implement area action plans in conjunction with Department of Communities.

The Department of Communities is the lead department in relation to Neighbourhood Renewal strategy across the region. The Community Empowerment Divisions of the Department of Communities is specifically tasked with ensuring that the City's most deprived communities are regenerated through targeting the most acute areas of deprivation, leveraging mainstream funding, empowering local communities and developing innovative partnerships.

The UACF has brought to the ANP a track record of experience in community development and accessed additional extra funding for a range of community projects.

The UACF is tasked to work with the ANP to implement the current Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan for the greater Andersonstown area. In this last year, covered by this report, Upper Andersonstown Community Forum continued to have an ongoing positive impact in a wide range of thematic areas, which met all our charitable purposes, including delivering a series of programmes specifically aimed

The UACF in 2023/24, despite the challenges of the austerity agenda and the negative impact of a suspended N.I Executive, continued to deliver real and significant benefits to the community. The Upper Andersonstown Community Forum worked through a very challenging and productive year, and we continue to deliver services to our local community namely, (UTOPIA) Older Peoples Services, Youth services, Daycare, Afterschool's, Tullymore Beacon's women's group, Training services and Welfare advice clinic. Throughout 2023 the Forum was involved in dealing with the realities of the cost of living crisis and the strain socially, economically and mentally it had on our local people. We continue our partnership with The National Energy Agency and the Belfast City Council and facilitated the distribution of fuel Hardship vouchers to the most vulnerable, while providing a "Warm Hub" facility for our seniors. Over the last year, we have continued supporting those most affected by the ongoing cost of living crisis and formed a stronger partnership with Housing providers across the Greater Andersonstown area. We delivered a very well attended summer scheme (over 100 young people and oversubscribed) alongside summer activities for our seniors, with shopping trips, centre based art and creativity classes. All in all, a very productive year.

#### **Supporting Families - Supporting Children-**

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Over the past 12 months had a very successful year in supporting the emotional, physical and social well-being of children using our facility. Our dedicated and professional team worked tirelessly with families and children to provide the highest quality and services, support and care.

We successfully delivered upon our social services contracts which helped support children to reach their milestones and provide a safe, caring and developmental setting.

We worked with our partners in Outer West Sure Start to support families with young children. We have the pleasure to sit on the management committee to help design and deliver support to families most in need from within the area.

Through our Outer West Sure Start contract, we delivered upon our programme for 2 year olds which seen us supporting children to reach their developmental milestones and support parents with the challenges which they face as parents.

Through our Afterschool provision we were able to help and support children in Key stage 1 and 2, and also to have a fun, social and educational experience.

The holistic approach we adopt in supporting the entire family unit helps to support both the child and parent/guardian to reach their potential.

Releasing the potential of all our young people.

We continued to be supported by the Lottery (Awards for All), Education Authority, Belfast City Council and Ican contracts. We want to thank our funders for allowing a flexible approach to supporting children and young people through this very difficult period.

We continued to provide generic youth work through our youth club, which operated 4 nights per week for over 100 children and young people. The youth club gave a safe space for children and young people to come together socialise, learn and play.

The young people completed a range of projects to tackle mental health and create positive well-being.. Our Youth participated in Resilience awareness, anger management, mindfulness and personal development. This has helped build self-esteem and reduce isolation in our young people.

We have also developed an intense model of youth mentoring to support young people on a one to one basis to work through their problems and issues. This mentoring has been very effective in delivering a person centred approach to helping young people through their life journey and helping to make positive choices.

Throughout the year, we delivered our amazing seasonal programmes to support children and young people. The summer programme seen over 100 children and young people participate in a 6-week summer scheme, which was based around tackling poverty, isolation and equality. The children and young people had an enriched experience over the summer period. Over this period, we completed youth divisionary programme (over 11th July and 8th August) which created positive alternatives at historical times of tension and we worked closely with Féile an Phobail ( Europe's biggest community arts festival), providing volunteer support and added activities for our local residents.

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Over the Halloween period we had a range of children and young people's programme (over 100 participants) to provide fun activities and a sense of normality as we move away from the Pandemic. We delivered a highly successful Christmas carnival event, incorporating Santa sleigh rides around the area, with over 500 participants with Santa visits and traditional carol singing at our centre creating a positive spirit of community at the end of the year.

Our youth team helped to deliver a number of accredited and non-accredited training to young people to help with their education journey. The courses completed included OCN's in mental health, diversity and youth work. The non-accredited courses ranged from anti bullying, yoga, invisible trafficking, transition support and being active.

We continued to work with our Primary School outreach programme, which included (John the Baptist, St Oliver Plunkett, Holy Child, St Theresa's), and Post Primary outreach (St Genevieves, St Gerards, St Marys, De La Salle)

#### **Working, learning and living here**

The services we provided helped to support adults with their lifelong learning, employability and health journey. This year we have helped and supported residents and offered numerous and varied training and alternate provisions.

- a. Introduction to Complimentary Therapy training.
- b. Level 1 Reiki Training.
- c. OCN level 1 Community Development
- d. Money Matters
- e. Mentoring support
- f. Stress management
- g. Life coaching / Life skills
- h. Personal Development
- i. Environmental
- j. Personal development
- k. Health Check MOT
- l. OCN Level 1 ICT
- m. iPad classes
- n. Basic ICT
- o. Driving Theory
- p. Job search skills
- q. Adult mental health one to one mentoring
- r. Adult self-esteem classes
- s. Access NI

#### **Positively support people to live actively as they age**

The project provides opportunities for our older generation to socialise, to meet people their own age, to make friends, to feel part of the community, to get to grips with information technology, increase confidence, be stimulated physically, mentally and emotionally and to engage in creative, cultural and healthy recreational activities.

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Within our traditional Utopia Over 60's Programme we have continued to deliver a hybrid programme of activities:- activities held by zoom, face to face, one to one and group activities. We are currently working with 100+ people participating on our weekly programme, who attend one or more activities per week.

- a. Participation in social activities / tea dances
- b. Health related activities, Tai Chi, Pilates, walking, cycling, gardening, bowling
- c. Creative activities acrylic art, knitting, crafts, ceramics
- d. Air-fryer classes
- e. Craft Class
- f. Flower arranging
- g. Drop in tablet support one - one
- h. Gardening group
- i. Line dancing
- j. 3 Tablet/computer classes per week
- k. Winter Warm Packs Distributed to elderly
- l. St Patrick's Celebrations / Christmas Party celebrations
- m. Walk Leader Training
- n. Volunteers -gardening group
- o. UTOPIA's social tea
- p. UTOPIA celebration events
- q. Attending day trips
- r. Nature Walks
- s. Museum tours

#### **Supporting Communities through a community development approach**

Upper Andersonstown Community Forum has a robust ethos of community development approaches to supporting individuals, families and communities. Over the past year we have continued to work in partnership with our community to identify their needs and to advocate on their behalf to ensure they receive quality, professional and assessable services.

Over the winter period, 2023/24, we worked with The National Energy Agency to deliver a "Warm and Well initiative, providing 90+ of our elderly and vulnerable community with additional programmes and Home insulating consultations. We will enhance this in the year ahead, to provide local residents with up to date assessment of their home insulation needs.

We formed part of the West Belfast " Resilient West" Group, collaborating on all new and essential health initiatives, working toward an online App/Portal for all West residents.

Upper Andersonstown Community Forum continue to be the coordination body for the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnership. This work continues to coordinate, support, advocate and connect all citizens to improve the social, environmental, and physical regeneration of the locality.

We delivered:

- 20- completed child protection training
- 8- Driving theory test
- 10- Food and Hygiene
- 10 Autism awareness course
- 10 Job skills training

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10 Emergency first aid  
27 school children receiving homework support  
12 Maths GCSE support  
6 English GCSE support  
10 OCN youth work  
10 OCN level 1 in ICT  
1 OCN level 2 in ICT  
10 OCN in Mental health awareness  
10 OCN level 2 stress management  
10 completed a suicide prevention course with PIPs  
85 children receiving mindfulness classes through the youth outreach in schools  
10 OCN level 2 in youth work  
11 completed inclusion & diversity training  
70- Participated in Gym training  
15- Mental health awareness workshops  
12- Mindfulness workshops  
25- Healthy eating and nutrition workshops  
45- Aware courses x3  
12- Diabetes information event  
15- Move more & eat well programme  
16- Alcohol & drug awareness  
16- Vaping/smoking/ underage drinking workshop  
18- Health & wellbeing workshop  
26- Football coaching  
22- Life skills support  
28- 1 to 1 stress management support  
50- Health day  
20- Air fryer healthy eating classes  
12- involved with AA  
14- Mind your mate  
14 Dementia awareness course  
24- Art classes  
18 participated in craft workshops  
30 children going on residential  
26 participating in sports coaching  
55 youth outreach in schools  
24 people having 1 to 1 support  
100 children attended the summer scheme  
175 places with over 40 sessions per week in day care and after schools  
15 attended the women's group  
18 Gardening group  
15 attended a workshop with the men's shed  
15 completed a photography classes  
40 attended a photography exhibition  
16 people attended iPad classes  
100+ Santa carnival event  
50 information days x 2  
420 accessed benefit advice/universal credit in Tullymore  
24 money matters  
30 line dancing classes

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

12 pottery class  
15 community development workshops  
20 involved in a reimaging campaign  
100+ Halloween event  
40 intergenerational workshop  
20 music workshops  
12 crafty mouse classes  
90 certificate celebrations- formal/non-formal  
50+ Health Days x2  
100+ St. Patrick's Day events  
50 Youth stay awake  
20 Wreath making classes  
15 Bach Flower Workshop  
16 Essential oils and aromatherapy workshop

#### **UACF strategic work included:**

- a. DfC West Coordinator to develop the Neighbourhood Renewal Report structure (OBA Cards)
- b. West Coordinator for National Energy Agency
- c. An active member on the Casement Park Community Engagement Committee
- d. Cycle Safe West Belfast Lobby Group.
- e. An active member on Féile Community Engagement Sub Group
- f. Worked with Translink on Community Safety Initiatives/ Glider Safety
- g. People and Place Strategy on Outcomes Based Accountability
- h. DfC workshops on place making and planning
- i. Independent Chair of the west Belfast DPCSP
- j. Outer West coordination of the Executive Office CIT (Communities in Transition) Initiative
- k. Lead Partner/Coordinator in Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnership
- l. Partner organisation in the "Resilient West" Health initiative.

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#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

##### **Charitable activities**

The Upper Andersonstown Community Forum (UACF) is a company limited by guarantee and as stated in the Governing document works collectively to establish a multi- agency approach that tackles the legacy of inequalities in Health, Education, Training and Employment within the Andersonstown area. The UACF proactively promotes the ethos of Community Development and the process of building a strong Community Infrastructure. Our core principles encourage ongoing consultations and engagement with local people, facilitating involvement and participation in decision making, promoting empowerment and innovation and measuring impact. This approach ensures that our projects are strategically and successfully implemented maximising the benefits and impacts for the local community.

At a community level we endeavour to link our projects into a range of Government Strategies and initiatives including the Programme for Government, the Anti-poverty Strategy, Children and Young Peoples Strategic Partnership, People and Place strategy, Family Support Hub, Surestart and numerous Department of Economy, Department of Community and Belfast City Council initiatives. In the coming year, we are delighted to be part of the Casement Park Community Engagement Forum, which will hopefully see the completion of the Casement Stadium, a huge economic boost for the Greater Andersonstown area.

As stated above, UACF had another successful year, delivering real and significant benefits to the community; particularly those in most need, who have benefitted significantly from our "In house" advice and support clinic. In spite of the many challenges facing the sector, UACF has continued to provide high quality services and programmes that make a measurable difference to the lives of our residents and those seeking support from our neighbouring communities.

The Tullymore Community Centre is the main community centre within the Greater Andersonstown area. Our strength is local people who are fully committed to delivering and maintaining social and economic changes within the area. The community engages and participates in the design, delivery and evaluation of all of the UACF projects and they are represented on the Board of Directors of the UACF. Each Project is carefully planned, seeking the opinions of local people and other relevant stakeholders by involving them in a consultation process that will help them contribute to and participate in decision-making about the types of services that would make a difference to their lives.

We have proven that not only do we deliver, but we also exceed our targets, achieve our outcomes, are better placed and more cost effective than many Government funded schemes. The UACF are members of the Equality Commission, a registered umbrella centre for Access N.I. and the Lead and Accountable Agency for the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnership Board. We also sit on the Board of the West Belfast Partnership Board and are playing a consultative role with all local Housing providers on the development of the Glenmona Social Housing project. The Glen View Development (Radius) and on providing support for the Blacks Gate Development

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Financial position**

The company had net outgoing resources for the year of £141,414 (2023: net incoming resources of £13,999, which reflected the completion of a number of projects during the year. Unrestricted funds decreased by £7,524, while restricted funds decreased by £133,890.

The charity continues to work tirelessly to secure income from sources in addition to its grant funding to provide new or complementary programmes, services and venues that meet emerging local needs but cannot be funded through the core budget that has been reducing in real terms for the last three years. These additional sources of funding are grants received from various bodies as disclosed in note 4 in the financial statements.

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Relevant Agencies and Partnerships**

Department for Communities  
Belfast City Council  
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust  
The N.I. Executive Office (Communities in Transition)  
Health and Social Care commissioning  
Belfast Trust's Community Development, Health Improvement and User Engagement Strategy  
Belfast City Council and Community Planning Partnership  
Education Authority  
Neighbourhood Renewal Forum  
Surestart  
Family Support Hub  
Community Investment Fund  
Local Primary and Post Primary's (9)  
National Energy Agency

**Financial Review**

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#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Reserves policy**

UACF's reserves policy is to maintain a sufficient level of reserves to enable operating activities to be maintained for a period of at least six months in the event of major funding streams ending. It also takes account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time. The Directors review the policy annually.

UACF's total unrestricted reserves include its designated fund and is consequently excluded from free reserves.

In addition, amounts are set aside to meet financial risks associated with potential contingencies and uncertainties relating to the charity's operating activities. These include:

The provision for an orderly winding-down of operations in the event of a significant adverse event that is outside the control of the charity.

The funding of unforeseen major projects that have not been provided for in the normal financial planning process.

The unrestricted reserves of the charity are designated and allocated to meet the above risks and contingencies and are summarised in our annual audited accounts.

Voluntary and community sector organisations that hold reserves are able:

To absorb set backs and to take advantage of change and opportunity;

To demonstrate that they have thought through how they might secure their viability beyond the immediate future and provide reliable services over the longer term.

To demonstrate to potential funders that they are effectively managing their resources and have given consideration to their long-term plans and viability.

How secure is the organisation's present funding?

How long would it take to find alternative sources of funding?

If the organisation had to close, how long would it take to wind up in an orderly manner?

What costs could be involved in winding up. Consider:

redundancy costs, legal and accountancy costs defined benefit pension scheme (see Charity Commission guidance on Reserves and Defined Benefit). This will centre on identifying, cash flow implications, the time to the expiry of leases on property and office equipment.

As a general guide (the following should not be applied without due consideration of the circumstances in each organisation), an acceptable level of free reserve might be considered to be:

Sufficient free reserves to provide cover for between 3 - 6 months in relation to known liabilities

A smaller additional provision of free reserves for unforeseen liabilities

## Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

UACF will continue to work towards our strategic plan for the next 3 years. This will be a difficult process due to the current cost of living crisis and lack of an operating Stormont Executive; however, we will continue to serve and advance the aspirations of our local population.

Throughout the next financial period, we will work with Department of Communities and Belfast City Council as a strategic partner, to help shape and guide local government policy in supporting residents. We will help with the support of essential needs, mental health support and delivering key services.

We aim to continue to provide a first class service within our Daycare that will help support local people to continue to work and help children's to reach their key milestones.

We will continue to engage with central and local government to obtain resources to support the work we provide. We will also work with our funding partners to meet our contractual obligations.

#### **Impact of Cost of Living Crisis.**

Throughout the year we supported all those dealing with the effects of rising fuel prices, heating costs and the rising cost of basic food items. The "cost of living crisis", saw our in house numbers continue to increase, as our elderly residents sought a friendly hub, where they could keep warm, socialise and seek additional support. Our dynamic team of staff, Board and volunteers re-booted and our services to meet the additional community need, provide support toward heating and basic day-to-day needs. As throughout our organisational history, we shape our strategic vision, principles and values, to meet the most pressing community need.

The development of key operational and financial plans are devised in partnership with Board members, staff and funders. The plans completed will evolve and flow during the next financial period in line with government advice/guidelines, funder's requirements and operational ability.

We continue to monitor and evaluate this economic crisis on a regular basis and take decisions, which are based on evidence at hand and will do all in our power to mitigate against any negative impact upon our services, finances and staff.

As Lead and Accountable Agency for the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnership, the UACF remains the central vehicle for overseeing the delivery of the area plan. Key principles for effective delivery include:

An agreed and practical plan of action that can change and respond to needs and opportunities as they arise:-

- a. The ANP as a driving force for making decisions and taking actions forward. Clear communications channels are established with all stakeholders of the action plan.
- b. A Social Audit to ensure we meet the needs of our local community with their input.
- c. A realistic and genuine approach to the allocation of resources and expenditure by Departments and Agencies working in the Andersonstown area to meet the locality expressed need.
- d. Positive and timely monitoring of progress in relation to the actions, and appropriate engagement with the community / funders / stakeholders where necessary.
- e. Ongoing engagement and involvement of the local community in the renewal process.
- f. Develop an action plan which will provide a clear basis for partnership delivery and buy-in from all of the stakeholders needed to deliver positive and long-term change in Andersonstown.
- g. The UACF will link in with the Neighbourhood Renewal Forum through the West Belfast Partnership Board to ensure the effective delivery of area plans and consultation processes with Government initiatives.
- h. Deliver an area plan for developing and improving the community, economic, social and environmental infrastructure of the Andersonstown neighbourhood.
- i. Work with all relevant agencies (particularly DfC and the GAA) to ensure a smooth transition, in planning and developing the Casement Park Stadium.

## **Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

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j. Developing an Andersonstown/Glen Wide Housing Providers forum, strengthening partnerships with all main Housing Providers ( Apex, Choice, Clanmil, Radius).

The UACF will continue to maintain the highest standard of management, financial planning, monitoring and evaluation ensuring that all the projects and programmes continue to meet their targets and objectives while providing best value for money. The UACF complies with the Charity Commission NI and our new charity number is NIC105782.

In terms of impacts and outcomes, we will continue to target our work on both the individual and the community. The individual outcomes will focus on increasing confidence, social cooperation, increasing the ability to avail of educational and training opportunities and strengthening family relationships. The outcomes for the community in the future will include improved social cohesion, a reduction in anti-social behaviour, more involvement of children and young people in community life, user-friendly services for young people, gains in skills and knowledge that increase employability and improved opportunities for senior citizens to engage and participate in community life.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

Upper Andersonstown Community Forum is a company registered in N. Ireland, which was incorporated under Companies (NI) Order 1986 on 15 April 1997. The company is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association. The company's objectives are charitable in nature and it has established charitable status.

The charitable company's activities are managed by the Directors/Trustees who are considered to be the members of the company.

## **Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Board and Accountability**

##### Trustee's Appointment and Training

The trustee's recruit and select new members as set out in the governing document. The Board holds annual general meeting which is open to members of the community to hear the work of the organisation. The public who agree with the values and ethos of the organisation can nominate themselves onto the Board.

The Board predicates trustee's appointments on our organisational values and make new members aware of their legal responsibilities under charity and company law. Our members' induction pack outlines our Articles of Association, board structure, organisational structure, decision making processes and financial management. Our formal induction provides new board members with the information and training they need to take up their appointment as effectively as possible.

##### Finance, Pay and Remuneration

Upper Andersonstown Community Forum operates a robust financial policy and procedures which the Board regularly review and independently assess. We have clear financial management systems to ensure effective and appropriate use of spend, administering resources cost effectively, transparently and accountably with clear audit trails.

All Board members give their time freely and no member received any remuneration during the year.

UACF base the senior staff team's pay on the NJC Salary Scale as a guide to appropriate remuneration for all staff pay.

#### **CONCLUSION**

On a personal note, I would like to thank all staff, volunteers, management and local politicians and residents for their hard work, energy and commitment in achieving the ongoing regeneration of this local area. Their expertise is to be commended and congratulated and I believe through collective teamwork we will expand in the near future to create a dynamic and safe environment for all local people.

## Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Risk management & analysis**

The UACF Risk Analysis is a process that enables us to identify and manage potential problems that could undermine key initiatives and projects. Senior staff members carry out a risk analysis which identifies the possible threats that we face, and then estimate the likelihood that these threats will materialize.

Risk Analysis is used when we are planning projects, to help identify threats, anticipate and neutralize possible problems. This enables us to check the systems, processes, structures and analyze risks to any part of these.

Building on improving people's lives is a continual, ever changing, journey that will not end. This is the reason why capacity building is central to community development. Continual learning and keeping your eye on the ball in terms of the raft of strategies and statutory obligations is again central to consolidation and expansion of community regeneration.

We continue to forward plan and we plan to review our Neighbourhood Renewal Plan. The Networks we have collectively built up over the years are central to future survival of all community led organisations within West Belfast. Securing funding for much needed services within the community take priority and to this effect it is our firm belief that as part of the wider social economy within West Belfast, and as lead partner of the Andersonstown Neighbourhood Partnership, we will collectively continue to make a positive and ongoing contribution to community, economic and social development.

##### **Risk Management**

The UACF have a long track record of successful Management and operate a Financial Management System based on NIO audit and ESF guidelines and criteria. The UACF Directors are local people with the necessary experience and knowledge to act in the best interest of the organisation and community. The Forum's policies and procedures are essential elements in the day-to-day management of the organisation. These are revised and updated on a regular basis ensuring that all Management, Staff, Volunteers and participants share codes of good practice.

The UACF has a risk management policy which forms the basis of our approach. Internal review systems are a necessary pre-requisite for each project as risks can be associated with the implementation of any project. Risks are minimised through establishing a fall back, plan which is both flexible and adaptable. For example, the target number of participants may fall short or the project may have difficulties in meeting the timescale. Monthly monitoring can identify gaps, and these can be addressed when required. Internal and external communications through meetings, weekly and quarterly reports, reviews will ensure the project information is shared and decisions are made on a collective basis.

SMART objectives will be established for the project. Monitoring criteria will be implemented at the start of the project, both quantitative and qualitative targets for achievement will be set. Targets will be set against objectives and be measured and reviewed by the Project Management Team on a monthly basis. Through monitoring and evaluation mechanisms, the number of people using and benefiting from the project will be recorded. Satisfaction levels will be quantified through continuous feedback sessions.

In addition, the views of people are collated by using questionnaires, surveys and interviews. Internal evaluations assist the team develop methods that assess the impact of each project in the short, medium and long term. We have in place registers to collect details of attendance and we identify baselines and match individual learning plans to needs of each participant.

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Quantitative results will be monitored e.g. numbers attending; numbers entering employment or further training, numbers of women or other target groups participating etc. Qualitative results will be monitored through recording soft outcomes such as increased confidence, changes in attitude and social skills development.

#### **EVENTS SINCE THE END OF THE YEAR**

Information relating to events since the end of the year is given in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd 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) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

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;
- 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, Lynn Drake & Co Ltd, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

**Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

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 7 November 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barney Kane".

Barney Kane - Trustee

**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees and Members of  
Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Cash Flows 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), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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 2024 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, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'; 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 the provisions available for small entities, in the circumstances set out in note 17 to the financial statements, 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.

## **Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees and Members of Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

### **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.

### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

### **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.

**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees and Members of  
Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue 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:

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, we identified the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations as those that have a direct impact on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements and determined that the principal risks related to revenue recognition. We communicated the identified laws and regulations throughout the audit team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit. Audit procedures performed included, but were not limited to:

Discussions with management including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;

Reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation;

Review of board meeting minutes of those charged with governance;

In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:-

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charities internal control.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.

Perform analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud or error.

**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees and Members of  
Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charities ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.

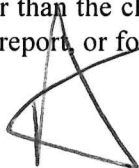
Evaluate the overall presentation, structure, and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charge with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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 members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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7 November 2024

**Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>	3				
Grants Receivable		41,001	492,098	533,099	1,012,837
Other trading activities	2	221,351	-	221,351	263,457
Other income		-	-	-	500
<b>Total</b>		<u>262,352</u>	<u>492,098</u>	<u>754,450</u>	<u>1,276,794</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>	4				
Direct Charitable Expenses		265,719	625,988	891,707	1,234,911
Governance		4,157	-	4,157	27,884
<b>Total</b>		<u>269,876</u>	<u>625,988</u>	<u>895,864</u>	<u>1,262,795</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(7,524)	(133,890)	(141,414)	13,999
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		407,041	291,549	698,590	684,591
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>399,517</u></u>	<u><u>157,659</u></u>	<u><u>557,176</u></u>	<u><u>698,590</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Statement of Financial Position**

**31 March 2024**

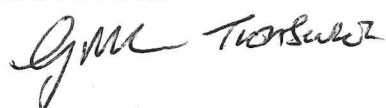
	Notes	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	10	191,346	247,460
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	11	74,008	9,667
Cash at bank		308,186	469,398
		<u>382,194</u>	<u>479,065</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(16,364)	(27,935)
		<u>365,830</u>	<u>451,130</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
		<u>557,176</u>	<u>698,590</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
		<u>557,176</u>	<u>698,590</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
		<u>557,176</u>	<u>698,590</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	14		
Unrestricted funds		399,517	407,041
Restricted funds		157,659	291,549
		<u>557,176</u>	<u>698,590</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>557,176</u>	<u>698,590</u>

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 7 November 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

  
Barney Kane - Trustee

Gerard Meehan - Trustee



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**Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Notes	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	(161,212)	137,776
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(161,212)</u>	<u>137,776</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(5,157)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		-	500
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>(4,657)</u>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>			
		(161,212)	133,119
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		<u>469,398</u>	<u>336,279</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<u><u>308,186</u></u>	<u><u>469,398</u></u>

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**Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd**

**Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)</b>	(141,414)	13,999
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation charges	56,114	56,162
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	-	(500)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(64,341)	49,047
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(11,571)	19,068
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>Net cash (used in)/provided by operations</b>	<u>(161,212)</u>	<u>137,776</u>

**2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS**

	At 1/4/23	Cash flow	At 31/3/24
	£	£	£
<b>Net cash</b>			
Cash at bank	469,398	(161,212)	308,186
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
	469,398	(161,212)	308,186
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>469,398</u>	<u>(161,212)</u>	<u>308,186</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

**(a) General information and basis of preparation**

Upper Andersonstown Community Forum Ltd is constituted as a company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland (NI 032258). In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2013, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

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.

**(b) Funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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

**(c) Income recognition**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled. Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when receivable. Income received from collections is recognised when received.

Donated facilities and donated professional services are recognised in income at their fair value when their economic benefit is probable, it can be measured reliably and the charity has control over the item. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102). Further detail is given in the Trustees' Annual Report.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received. At this point income is recognised. On occasion legacies will be notified to the charity however it is not possible to measure the amount expected to be distributed. On these occasions, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed.

Income from trading activities includes income earned from fundraising events and trading activities to raise funds for the charity. Income is received in exchange for supplying goods and services in order to raise funds and is recognised when entitlement has occurred.

The charity receives government grants which are detailed within the notes to these financial statements. Income from government and other grants are recognised at fair value when the charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. If entitlement is not met then these amounts are deferred.

**(D) Expenditure recognition**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis, inclusive of VAT which cannot be recovered and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

Costs of raising funds includes the costs associated with attracting voluntary incomes;  
Expenditure on charitable activities includes those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them; and  
Other expenditure represents those items not falling into the categories above.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

Grants payable to third parties are within the charitable objectives. Where unconditional grants are offered, this is accrued as soon as the recipient is notified of the grant, as this gives rise to a reasonable expectation that the recipient will receive the grants. Where grants are conditional relating to performance then the grant is only accrued when any unfulfilled conditions are outside of the control of the charity.

**(e) Support costs allocation**

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out at Headquarters. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Premises overheads have been allocated on an insert detail basis and other overheads have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.

**(f) Tangible fixed assets**

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

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a systematic basis over its expected useful life as follows:

New Building	- 4% Straight Line
Fixtures & Fittings	- 20% Straight Line
Minibus	- 20% Straight Line

**(g) Financial Instruments**

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provision of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amounts receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or relived and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designed hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain is recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

**(h) Impairment**

Assets not measured at fair value are reviewed for any indication that the asset may be impaired at each balance sheet date. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, or the asset's cash generating unit, is estimated and compared to the carrying amount. Where the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount where the impairment loss is a revaluation decrease.

**(i) Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the charity has an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably estimated.

**(j) Leases**

Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and the expected useful life of the asset. Minimum lease payments are apportioned between the finance charge and the reduction of the outstanding lease liability using the effective interest method. The related obligations, net of future finance charges, are included in creditors.

Rentals payable and receivable under operating leases are charged to the SoFA on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**(k) Tax**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

No provision is required for taxation as the company is defined as a charity for taxation purposes. The charity is a registered charity and so such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the charity's primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes.

**(l) Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

**(m) Accounting estimates and areas of judgement**

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The items in the financial statements where these judgements and estimates have been made include:

- (i) estimating the useful economic life of tangible fixed assets
- (ii) property valuation
- (iii) allocation of expenditure and support costs

**Taxation**

The company is a registered charity and so such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the charity's primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes.

**Fund accounting**

The Charity has various types of funds for which it is responsible, and which require separate disclosure. These are as follows:

**Restricted Funds**

Grants or donations received, which are earmarked by the donor for specific purposes within the overall aims of the organisation.

**Unrestricted Funds**

Funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Directors in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Such funds may be held in order to finance capital investment and working capital.

**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.

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**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Shop income	-	156
Vetting Income	1,004	228
BHSCT Sponsored Daycare	60,643	57,173
Crèche Fees	125,463	180,108
Tutors & Training	14,598	7,073
Insurance Proceeds	-	4,500
Fundraising & Donations	10,981	8,179
CIT Health Wellbeing	8,662	6,040
	<u>221,351</u>	<u>263,457</u>

**3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Grants	533,099	1,012,837
	<u>533,099</u>	<u>1,012,837</u>

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Children in Need	-	21,788
Awards for All re Youth	10,000	-
Belfast City Council re Revenue	41,001	18,000
Belfast City Council re Summer Scheme	11,624	-
Belfast City Council re Festival	-	85
West Belfast Partnership Board	-	1,760
Belfast Health And Social Care Trust	-	76,790
Brightstart	12,162	15,733
Education Authority - Belfast Region	63,605	67,451
Henry Smith	58,100	87,000
Big Lottery - New Youth Account	-	30,953
Early Years Pathway Fund - Covid Grant	-	10,167
Department for Communities - Infrastructure	114,631	108,776
Department For Communities - Education	75,517	59,347
Department For Communities - Job Start	-	4,577
BHSCT Home Help	-	71,346
Active Community Network	-	51,487
CIT Community Safety	-	2,400
Department for Communities - Running Costs	-	16,411
Department for Communities - Investment Fund	107,000	60,820
Pathways Fund	29,981	29,904
Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful	-	2,972
Belfast City Council - Medium	-	3,968
Clear Project	4,684	2,736
	<u>528,305</u>	<u>744,471</u>
Carried forward	528,305	744,471

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**3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - continued**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Brought forward	528,305	744,471
Belfast City Council - Cost of Living	-	267,866
Belfast City Council - Small	-	500
National Energy Action	4,794	-
	<u>533,099</u>	<u>1,012,837</u>

**4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS**

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Direct Charitable Expenses	877,551	14,156	891,707
Governance	-	4,157	4,157
	<u>877,551</u>	<u>18,313</u>	<u>895,864</u>

**5. SUPPORT COSTS**

	Governance costs £
Direct Charitable Expenses	14,156
Governance	4,157
	<u>18,313</u>

**6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Accountancy Fee	2,940	2,880
Audit Fee	3,000	3,000
Depreciation - owned assets	56,114	56,162
Surplus on disposal of fixed assets	-	(500)
	<u>62,054</u>	<u>114,542</u>

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**7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**8. STAFF COSTS**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Wages and salaries	578,496	627,406
Social security costs	23,983	32,934
Other pension costs	12,442	24,856
	<u>614,921</u>	<u>685,196</u>

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
Management & Administration	<u>32</u>	<u>35</u>

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

The key management personnel of the charity comprise of the Chief Executive Officer and Senior management team. The salaries paid to key management personnel being the Chief Executive Officer, Centre Manger, Programme and Childcare Co-ordinators and Finance Manager, during the year totalled £129,594 (2023: £121,431).

**9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Grants Receivable	-	1,012,837	1,012,837
Other trading activities	263,457	-	263,457
Other income	500	-	500
<b>Total</b>	<u>263,957</u>	<u>1,012,837</u>	<u>1,276,794</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Direct Charitable Expenses	176,192	1,058,719	1,234,911
Governance	27,884	-	27,884

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**9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>Total</b>	204,076	1,058,719	1,262,795
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	59,881	(45,882)	13,999
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	347,160	337,431	684,591
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	407,041	291,549	698,590

**10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	New Building £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>			
At 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024	1,211,040	316,200	1,527,240
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1 April 2023	981,405	298,375	1,279,780
Charge for year	48,442	7,672	56,114
At 31 March 2024	1,029,847	306,047	1,335,894
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31 March 2024	181,193	10,153	191,346
At 31 March 2023	229,635	17,825	247,460

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**11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Trade debtors	11,943	5,181
Brightstart	-	3,847
Department for Communities	58,495	-
BHSCT	2,660	-
Prepayments	910	639
	<u>74,008</u>	<u>9,667</u>

**12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Trade creditors	375	1,441
Accruals and deferred income	15,989	26,494
	<u>16,364</u>	<u>27,935</u>

**13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31.3.24 Total funds	31.3.23 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	25,412	165,934	191,346	247,460
Current assets	390,469	(8,275)	382,194	479,065
Current liabilities	(16,364)	-	(16,364)	(27,935)
	<u>399,517</u>	<u>157,659</u>	<u>557,176</u>	<u>698,590</u>

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**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	327,041	(7,524)	319,517
Designated Fund	80,000	-	80,000
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	407,041	(7,524)	399,517
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Capital Grant Fund	196,430	(46,061)	150,369
Belfast City Council - Capital	800	(400)	400
Education Authority - Belfast Region	10,833	(10,833)	-
Henry Smith	29,000	(29,000)	-
Big Lottery - New Youth Account	3,886	(3,886)	-
Big Lottery Awards for All - Capital	2,709	(480)	2,229
Big Lottery new Youth Account - Capital	3,200	(1,600)	1,600
Community Fund - Capital	3,192	(1,596)	1,596
Halifax for Northern Ireland - Capital	139	(70)	69
Rural Community Network - Capital	792	(396)	396
Tudor Trust - Capital	2,000	(1,000)	1,000
BHSCT Home Help	38,568	(38,568)	-
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	291,549	(133,890)	157,659
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
	698,590	(141,414)	557,176

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**14. 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	262,352	(269,876)	(7,524)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Capital Grant Fund	-	(46,061)	(46,061)
Awards for All	10,000	(10,000)	-
Belfast City Council re Summer Scheme	11,624	(11,624)	-
Brightstart	12,162	(12,162)	-
Belfast City Council - Capital	-	(400)	(400)
Education Authority - Belfast Region Henry Smith	63,605	(74,438)	(10,833)
58,100	58,100	(87,100)	(29,000)
Big Lottery - New Youth Account	-	(3,886)	(3,886)
Big Lottery Awards for All - Capital	-	(480)	(480)
Big Lottery new Youth Account - Capital	-	(1,600)	(1,600)
Community Fund - Capital	-	(1,596)	(1,596)
Halifax for Northern Ireland - Capital	-	(70)	(70)
Rural Community Network - Capital	-	(396)	(396)
Tudor Trust - Capital	-	(1,000)	(1,000)
Department for Communities - Infrastructure	114,631	(114,631)	-
Department For Communities - Education	75,517	(75,517)	-
BHSCT Home Help	-	(38,568)	(38,568)
Department for Communities - Investment Fund	107,000	(107,000)	-
Pathways Fund	29,981	(29,981)	-
Clear Project	4,684	(4,684)	-
National Energy Action	4,794	(4,794)	-
	<u>492,098</u>	<u>(625,988)</u>	<u>(133,890)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>754,450</u>	<u>(895,864)</u>	<u>(141,414)</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	307,160	59,881	(40,000)	327,041
Designated Fund	40,000	-	40,000	80,000
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	347,160	59,881	-	407,041
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Capital Grant Fund	242,491	(46,061)	-	196,430
Volunteer Now	75	(75)	-	-
Brightstart	10,197	(10,197)	-	-
Belfast City Council - Capital	1,200	(400)	-	800
Volunteer Now	400	(400)	-	-
Utopia - Self funded	1,337	(1,337)	-	-
Education Authority - Belfast Region	-	10,833	-	10,833
Henry Smith	26,603	2,397	-	29,000
Big Lottery - New Youth Account	23,577	(19,691)	-	3,886
Big Lottery Awards for All - Capital	3,189	(480)	-	2,709
Big Lottery new Youth Account - Capital	4,800	(1,600)	-	3,200
Community Fund - Capital	4,788	(1,596)	-	3,192
Halifax for Northern Ireland - Capital	209	(70)	-	139
Rural Community Network - Capital	1,188	(396)	-	792
Tudor Trust - Capital	3,000	(1,000)	-	2,000
Covid Food Donations	1,793	(1,793)	-	-
Belfast City Council - Covid Grant	2,410	(2,410)	-	-
Covid Pathway Fund	1,281	(1,281)	-	-
Department for Communities - Infrastructure	2,653	(2,653)	-	-
Education Authority - TBUC	753	(753)	-	-
Community Fund Bike Shelters	3,150	(3,150)	-	-
Education Authority - Capacity	2,337	(2,337)	-	-
BHSCT Home Help	-	38,568	-	38,568
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	337,431	(45,882)	-	291,549
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>684,591</b>	<b>13,999</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>698,590</b>
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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
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**14. 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	263,957	(204,076)	59,881
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Capital Grant Fund	-	(46,061)	(46,061)
Children in Need	21,788	(21,788)	-
Belfast City Council re Revenue	18,000	(18,000)	-
Belfast City Council re Festival	85	(85)	-
Volunteer Now	-	(75)	(75)
West Belfast Partnership Board	1,760	(1,760)	-
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust	76,790	(76,790)	-
Brightstart	15,733	(25,930)	(10,197)
Belfast City Council - Capital	-	(400)	(400)
Volunteer Now	-	(400)	(400)
Utopia - Self funded	-	(1,337)	(1,337)
Education Authority - Belfast Region	67,451	(56,618)	10,833
Henry Smith	87,000	(84,603)	2,397
Big Lottery - New Youth Account	30,953	(50,644)	(19,691)
Big Lottery Awards for All - Capital	-	(480)	(480)
Big Lottery new Youth Account - Capital	-	(1,600)	(1,600)
Community Fund - Capital	-	(1,596)	(1,596)
Halifax for Northern Ireland - Capital	-	(70)	(70)
Rural Community Network - Capital	-	(396)	(396)
Tudor Trust - Capital	-	(1,000)	(1,000)
Early Years Pathway Fund - Covid Grant	10,167	(10,167)	-
Covid Food Donations	-	(1,793)	(1,793)
Belfast City Council - Covid Grant	-	(2,410)	(2,410)
Covid Pathway Fund	-	(1,281)	(1,281)
Department for Communities - Infrastructure	108,776	(111,429)	(2,653)
Department For Communities - Education	59,347	(59,347)	-
Department For Communities - Job Start	4,577	(4,577)	-
Education Authority - TBUC	-	(753)	(753)
Community Fund Bike Shelters	-	(3,150)	(3,150)
Education Authority - Capacity	-	(2,337)	(2,337)
BHSCT Home Help	71,346	(32,778)	38,568
Active Community Network	51,487	(51,487)	-
CIT Community Safety	2,400	(2,400)	-
Department for Communities - Running Costs	16,411	(16,411)	-

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**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Department for Communities -			
Investment Fund	60,820	(60,820)	-
Pathways Fund	29,904	(29,904)	-
Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful	2,972	(2,972)	-
Belfast City Council - Medium	3,968	(3,968)	-
Clear Project	2,736	(2,736)	-
Belfast City Council - Cost of Living	267,866	(267,866)	-
Belfast City Council - Small	500	(500)	-
	<u>1,012,837</u>	<u>(1,058,719)</u>	<u>(45,882)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,276,794</u>	<u>(1,262,795)</u>	<u>13,999</u>

**15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

A contingent liability exists to repay grants received should certain conditions not be fulfilled by the charity.

**16. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**17. FRC ETHICAL STANDARD - PROVISIONS AVAILABLE FOR SMALL ENTITIES**

In common with many other businesses of our size and nature we use our auditors to prepare and submit returns to the tax authorities and assist with the preparation of the financial statements.

**18. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

There were no events after the reporting period therefore no material issues need disclosed.

**19. DESIGNATED FUNDS**

In accordance with best practice the company directors have agreed a comprehensive reserves policy. As such, the designated fund is the result of the company's strategic objective to establish reserves which can be used to fund future expenditure on refurbishment or replacement of capital items. Such capital items include the new lift, toilets and safety and disability doors..

The aim is also to provide sufficient funds to cover any working capital requirements associated with receiving grant funding in arrears, any unforeseen costs which may arise, as well as allowing for the payment of any liabilities which would arise should the company cease to operate. Although Upper Andersonstown Community Forum may not be in a position to maintain this level of reserves at a particular point in time, it will strive to achieve a reserve which equates to this level.

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**19. DESIGNATED FUNDS - continued**

Designated funds are transferred from Unrestricted funds and are made up as follows -

	<b>31/03/2023</b>	<b>Fund Transfer</b>	<b>31/03/2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Contingency Building Reserves	80,000	-	80,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>80,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,000</b>

**20. WINDING UP**

Every member of the Company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Company, in the event of the same being wound up while it is a member, or within one year after it ceases to be a member, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Company contracted before it ceases to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributor's among themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding one pound.

**21. SHARE CAPITAL**

The Company is limited by guarantee and has no Share Capital

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Shop income	-	156
Vetting Income	1,004	228
BHSCT Sponsored Daycare	60,643	57,173
Crèche Fees	125,463	180,108
Tutors & Training	14,598	7,073
Insurance Proceeds	-	4,500
Fundraising & Donations	10,981	8,179
CIT Health Wellbeing	8,662	6,040
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	221,351	263,457
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Grants	533,099	1,012,837
<b>Other income</b>		
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	500
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<b>Total incoming resources</b>	754,450	1,276,794
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Wages	578,496	627,406
Social security	23,983	32,934
Pensions	12,442	24,856
Water Rates	3,946	2,853
Insurance	9,267	9,392
Light and heat	51,715	39,010
Telephone & Internet	5,500	5,273
Postage and stationery	2,711	1,608
Publicity & Advertising	1,428	1,194
Sundries	1,917	172
Repair to Premises & Equipment	26,412	29,579
Transport & Minibus Costs	16,351	10,076
Donations	-	1,300
Hospitality & Cleaning	7,767	20,047
Grant Income Refunded	-	2,654
Volunteer & Researchers Exp	3,371	892
Staff Travel	-	620
Carried forward	745,306	809,866

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	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Brought forward	745,306	809,866
Training	-	9,620
Tutors/ Facilitators	22,269	38,093
Play Resources, Activities & Materials	4,070	25,716
Affiliation & Membership fees	1,756	1,691
Rental Costs	-	500
Food	2,051	6,666
Covid Emergency Food Distribution	-	268,900
Repaid to Funder	3,424	-
Outreach Work	-	10,991
Local Projects	37,161	6,406
Hire of Equipment	-	300
Staff Cost of Living	5,400	-
Depreciation of New Building	48,442	48,442
Depreciation of Equipment	7,672	7,720
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	877,551	1,234,911
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy Fee	2,940	2,880
Audit Fee	3,000	3,000
IT Costs	8,463	6,541
Professional Fees	2,117	13,540
Bank interest & Charges	1,793	1,923
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	18,313	27,884
Total resources expended	<hr/>	<hr/>
	895,864	1,262,795
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	(141,414)	13,999
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