Company registration number 03055620 (England and Wales)

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023



EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

The Trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and 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 published on 16 July 2014 (as amended by Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016).

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 11 May 1995 and registered as a charity on 25 January 2002. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. The Articles were updated in 2014 to more accurately reflect the modern activity undertaken by the Charity. Under these revised Articles the Board comprises four trustees and the geographical area of scope is extended. The objectives of the Charity are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the East Durham community and in particular for the advancement of education and the furtherance of health and the relief of poverty, illness, distress and sickness.

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purpose of charity law, and throughout the report are collectively referred to as the trustees.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Under the requirements of the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association one third of the trustees are required to retire by rotation at each Annual General Meeting.

New trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting as other trustees stand down. Once elected trustees are given appropriate roles and have one vote each which will contributed to the decision making process.

Trustee induction and training

Trustees undergo an induction period which includes specific training relevant to financial regulations and other responsibilities and accountabilities. Current trustees have attended a formal training programme which will be continually updated. Trustees are kept abreast of current developments by means of Charities Commission bulletins.

Trustees and directors

The following people served during the period:

- K. Hawkridge-Smith (company director)
- M. McNichol (Deputy Chair, company director)
- J.T. McLoughlin (company director)
- B. Hart (Chair, company director)

Organisational structure

The organisational structure has contracted and now consists of a part time Chief Executive Officer and a small team of staff with delegated responsibility, each of whom is in charge of a specific area of activity. The team meet regularly and report back to the trustees who retain ultimate authority for making decisions. The financial manager oversees financial transactions in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer. The board of trustees retains paid consultants who support and advise the board on an ongoing basis with regard to financial audit, Human resources and health and safety. The board can elect to co-opt advisers as and when appropriate to inform the decision making process.

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

Risk management

The Trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. The Charity has been re-accredited with the Matrix Quality standard demonstrating the high level of importance placed on the provision of quality programmes by the trustees and the management of associated risks. External risks to funding have resulted in a strategic plan which allows for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the charitable company. These procedures are periodically reviewed both internally and externally to ensure that they still meet the needs of the charity. Financial controls are monitored regularly and further new controls have been introduced since the end of the period.

Related parties

Mr JT McLoughlin, Trustee, is an employee of the company's bankers Lloyds.

Transactions with related parties are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the company are to promote within the UK any charitable purpose and in particular the advancement of education and the furtherance of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the company's aims and objectives and in planning how the company's future activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set. Trustees aim to be deliberately flexible in their approach to planning and adopt a strategy of adaptation to change in order to be able to direct available staff and resources towards delivery of activities and projects matched to ever changing local needs. The East Durham Community comprises many super output areas where the need exists for action which addresses chronic poverty and hardship. Consequently during 22-23 the Charity has prioritised provision of essential household items and services in collaboration with statutory agencies as a priority, supplemented by provision of a food bank for disadvantaged residents. Staff have significant experience in delivery of such projects and many live and work in disadvantaged areas themselves.

Additionally in 2022-23 The Trustees have planned to provide a menu of activities locally typically those supporting people with mental health issues/loneliness, isolation and dementia including not least the many elderly people resident in care homes in the area or living alone with the support of carers.

The company has endeavoured to achieve its aims for the public benefit by maximising its projects which support third and public sector agencies where the ability to react quickly to new temporary funding is only possible through collaboration. High volume collaborative contract work delivered in particular with DCC and Greggs Foundation has resulted in dual benefit to both disadvantaged residents and to the Charity itself by sustaining employment for 10 staff who would otherwise be unemployed and also offering goods for sale to members of the public who are mostly on low incomes. The volume of activity in this area of work increased substantially due to delivery of sub contracted work funded though local authority household support grants. The warehouse projects also offer work experience for the disadvantaged members of the community.

Trustees have regard to CCNI guidance on public benefit and regularly review the Charity's aims and objectives to reflect this.

The Trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the company's aims and objectives and in planning the company's future activities. The trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

Achievements and performance

The company endeavours to achieve its aims for the public benefit by maximising its projects which support third and public sector agencies to provide household goods for disadvantaged residents and undertaking local community projects (typically those supporting people with mental health issues/loneliness, isolation and dementia). The warehouse facility provides employment for 10 staff who would otherwise be unemployed and also offers goods for sale to members of the public who are mostly on low incomes. The warehouse projects offer work experience for the disadvantaged members of the community. Projects are supported by a number of volunteers

2022-23 was a year of further change following the cost of living increases brought about by the Ukraine issue and supply shortages after Covid.

A continuation grant from the Sir James Knott Foundation alongside support from both County Durham and Tyne and Wear Foundation helped to fund running costs and retain staff.

Succession planning and up skilling of senior members of staff in preparation for the planned retirement of the current CEO has been ongoing.

Financial review

Results

Incoming resources decreased by 2.7% from £775,631 in 2022 to £755,055 in 2023.

Overall funds decreased by £38,174 in the year from £750,868 to £712,694 compared with a decrease in funds of £59,310 in the previous year from £810,178 to £750,868. Included within this are restricted funds totalling £461,451 (2022: £470,022).

The charity retained key staff during the year. The maintenance of its furniture staff presence at its property in Horden, Peterlee is considered fundamental to the operations of the Charity and its public image.

The level of unrestricted reserves of £251,243 and the level of cash held at bank of £158,034 at 31 July 2023 are deemed to be sufficient to allow the charity to continue to operate for a period of at least the next 12 months from the date of signing this report.

Principal funding sources

The main source of income derives from furniture contracts and the sale of furniture and white goods, with the addition of small grants and donations.

Investment policy

The trustees consider that any excess cash funds should be placed on bank deposit. This policy will be reviewed by the management committee should excess funds become significant. An amount of £53,843 was held in an interest-bearing account with Lloyds at the balance sheet date.

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

Reserves policy

The trustees have established a policy whereby unrestricted reserves are maintained at a level sufficient to meet management and administration costs for the foreseeable future. The strict control of unrestricted cash flows and income from the delivery of charitable projects has enabled the charitable company to achieve this aim at the balance sheet date. However, in view of uncertainties facing the charitable sector in the current economic climate, the reported level of reserves may not be maintained in future periods. The trustees have decided that the organisation must aim to retain sufficient reserves to fulfil its financial commitments should income generated from the company's core activities cease. The commitments would include six months operational and salaries costs for existing members of staff. At the balance sheet date, this equates to approx. £130,000 which is more than covered by cash at bank. The level of reserves are monitored on a weekly basis by the financial manager in an attempt to maintain the desired level of reserves.

Plans for future periods

The trustees have agreed to continue with current initiatives such as supporting individuals to access DCC and Greggs Hardship grants and low cost loan support from NEFCU. Local disadvantaged residents will continue to be offered work placements and free advice and guidance. Given the company's long standing presence and reputation for reliability, the Trustees consider that it is essential that the facility is kept open and fully stocked as far as is possible.

Although the financial future is uncertain at this point, we are confident we have sufficient resources and plans in place including additional contracted work resulting from both existing and new collaborations.

Short term planning involves continuation of current projects alongside ongoing modernisation of the premises to meet changing demands (to include leasing of specific unused areas in order to increase income), the purchase of a new vehicle (for transporting increased volumes of essential furniture and appliances) which will replace an existing older van.

The future direction of the Charity is to continue strengthening EDPs establishment in terms of staff and Trustees by becoming more self- reliant whilst simultaneously maximising benefit resulting from collaborative projects.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

B Hart

Trustee

Dated: 5

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

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

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

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

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

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

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of East Durham Partnership Limited (the charitable company) for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charitable company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination. I report in respect of my examination of the charitable company's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charitable company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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

Azets Audit Services

Wynyard Park House Wynyard Avenue Wynyard TS22 5TB United Kingdom

Dated: 9 April 2024

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Totai
		funds	funds		funds	funds	
		2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endow	<u>ments fr</u>	<u>om:</u>					
Donations and	_						
legacies	2	-	49,750	49,750	15,000	5,000	20,000
Charitable activities	3	696,720	-	696,720	755,595	-	755,595
Investments	4	730	-	730	36	-	36
Other income	5	7,855	<u> </u>	7,855		.	-
Total income		705,305	49,750	755,055	770,631	5,000	775,631
Expenditure on:						· · · · · ·	
Charitable activities	6	734,908	58,321	793,229	816,620	18,321	834,941
Net expenditure for year/							
Net movement in fu	inds	(29,603)	(8,571)	(38,174)	(45,989)	(13,321)	(59,310)
Fund balances at 1 / 2022	August	280,846	470,022	750,868	326,835	483,343	810,178
Fund balances at 3 2023	1 July	251,243	461,451	712,694	280,846	470,022	750,868
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2023

			2023		2
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					•
Tangible assets	10		499,986		528,030
Current assets		•			
Stocks	11	42,294		41,739	
Debtors	12	34,510		47,092	
Cash at bank and in hand		158,034		152,865	
		234,838		241,696	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	13	(22,130)		(18,858)	
Net current assets			212,708	, , , ,	222,838
Total assets less current liabilities			712,694		750,868
			====		
Income funds					•
Restricted funds	14		461,451		470,022
Unrestricted funds			251,243		280,846
			712,694		750,868

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

B Hart Trustee

Company registration number 03055620

EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

		2023			
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash absorbed by operations	17		(8,656)		(42,241)
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(910)		-	
Proceeds from disposal of tangible fixed assets		14,005		-	
Investment income received		730		36	
Net cash generated from investing activities			13,825		36
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cae equivalents	sh		5,169		(42,205)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning o	f year	·	152,865		195,070
Cash and cash equivalents at end of ye	ar		158,034		152,865
					

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

East Durham Partnership Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 1 Kilburn Drive, Seaview Industrial Estate, Horden, County Durham, SR8 4TQ, United Kingdom.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)". The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The Covid 19 pandemic has had an impact on every business, due to the nature of the charitable company the effects have so far been limited.

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charitable company.

1.4 Income

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

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

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

Grants, including capital grants, are recognised when the charitable company becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

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1 Accounting policies

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Income from sales of stock is recognised at the date of sale. Donated goods for resale are recognised in the period in which they are sold. A stock of donated goods for resale is also held, but not recognised on the balance sheet, on the basis that valuation of the donated goods is not possible at the time of receipt.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with the provision of management and educational services and operation of the furniture, recycling and other activities.

Charitable expenditure comprises 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.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

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

Freehold land and buildings

2% per annum straight line (4% improvements)

Fixtures and fittings Computers 25% per annum reducing balance

Motor vehicles

40% per annum reducing balance 25% per annum reducing balance

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

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.10 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charitable company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.11 Employee benefits

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

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

2 Donations and legacies

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	2023	2022	2022
	£	£	£
County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF)	15,000	-	-
Poverty Hurts	13,250	-	-
Cree	3,000	-	3,000
Sir James Knott	15,000	15,000	-
Hadrian	1,000	-	-
Cree Plus 1	-	-	1,000
Cree Plus 2	-	-	1,000
Warm Space	2,000	-	-
Charities Trust	500	-	-
			
	49,750	15,000	5,000
	===	-	

3	Charitable activities			
			Furniture	Furniture
			2023	2022
			£	£
	Furniture and White Goods Sales		679,164	745,896
	Rental Income and room hire		14,578	7,210
	Cafe Sales		2,631	139
	Sales of fabrics etc		347	1,539
	Fundraising/Bric a Brac		-	811
			696,720 	755,595 ———
	Principal funding sources	Category	Furniture	Furniture
	Frincipal fullding sources	Category	2023	2022
			3	£
	Sales to individuals	Furniture and		
		sales of fabrics	56,478	53,119
	Greggs voucher scheme	Furniture	287,817	206,236
	Enterprise Durham Partnership Limited	Furniture		62,662
	Durham County Council	Furniture	160,741	255,801
	Hartlepool Borough Council	Furniture	106,221	93,366
	Holistic Temporary Accommodation and Support Service	Furniture	10,985	9,315
	Citizens Advice Bureau	Furniture	13,232	36,232
	Sanctum Housing	Furniture	22,688	-
			658,162	716,731
	Other		38,558	38,864
			696,720	755,595
				
4	Investments			
			Unrestricted U	nrestricted
			funds	funds
	·		2023	2022
			£	£
	Interest receivable		730	36

5	Other income		
		Unrestricted funds	Total
		2023 £	2022 £
	Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	7,855	-
		7,855	-

	Furniture, cafe and education	Mental Go Health	vernance	Total	Furniture, cafe and education	Mental Go Health	vernance	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Direct costs								
Staff costs	26,114	44,500	-	70,614	59,062	4,500	-	63,562
Depreciation	21,740	-		21,740	23,566	-	-	23,566
Furniture, white goods and fabrics	467,579	-	-	467,579	505,333	-	٠-	505,333
Equipment hire	3,120	-	-	3,120	3,120	-	-	3,120
Other running costs	11,385	•	-	11,385	12,029	-	-	12,029
Motor and travelling expenses	20,848	•	-	20,848	18,497	-	-	18,497
	550,786	44,500		595,286	621,607	4,500		626,107
Support costs								
Staff costs	122,861	-	6,143	129,004	133,971	-	6,795	140,766
Premises costs	35,717	•	-	35,717	33,451	-	-	33,451
Depreciation	1,064	-	-	1,064	2,096	-	-	2,096
Bank charges	423	-	-	423	1,179	-	-	1,179
Professional fees	564	-	-	564	200	-	-	200
Insurance	15,808	-	-	15,808	16,595	-	191	16,786
Communications, computer and printing	5,917	-	-	5,917	5,932	-	-	5,932
Accountancy		-	7,822	7,822		-	6,911	6,911
Sundry expenditure	1,624	-	-	1,624	1,513	• -	-	1,513
	183,978	-	13,965	197,943	194,937	-	13,897	208,834
	734,764	44,500	13,965	793,229	816,544	4,500	13.897	834,941

6	Charitable activities								(0	Continued)
	Analysis by fund Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	•	720,943 13,821	44,500	13,965	734,908 58,321	802,723 13,821	4,500	13,897	816,620 18,321
			734,764	44,500	13,965	793,229	816,544	4,500	13,897	834,941

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7 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charitable company during the year.

8 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Project work and activitues for generating funds Administration and support	8 3	8
Total	11	11
Employment costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	177,197 7,593 14,828	180,045 9,528 14,754
	199,618	204,327

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

9 Taxation

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

	Tangible fixed assets	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Computers Mo	tor vehicles	Tota
		£	£	£	£	£
	Cost	700.050	54.045	00.454	07.450	
	At 1 August 2022	738,250	51,015	60,154	67,450	916,869
	Additions	-	910	- (20.046)	(00,005)	910
	Disposals	-	(5,638) ———	(38,246)	(32,685)	(76,569
	At 31 July 2023	738,250	46,287	21,908	34,765	841,210
	Depreciation and impairment					
	At 1 August 2022	238,364	48,512	59,402	42,561	388,839
	Depreciation charged in the year	16,031	758	301	5,714	22,804
	Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(4,871)	(38,086)	(27,462)	(70,419
	At 31 July 2023	254,39 5	44,399	21,617	20,813	341,224
	Carrying amount					
	At 31 July 2023	483,855	1,888	291	13,952	499,986
	At 31 July 2022	499,886	2,503	752	24,889	528,030
1	Stocks				2023 £	2022 £
	Finished goods and goods for resale				42,294	41,739
2	Debtors					
					2023	2022
	Amounts falling due within one year:				£	£
	Trade debtors				33,877	46,436
	Prepayments and accrued income				633	656
					34,510	47,092
3	Creditors: amounts falling due within	n one year				
					2023 £	2022 £
	Other taxation and social security				14,550	9,777
	Trade creditors				118	500
	Other creditors Accruals and deferred income				916 6,546	562 8,519
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					22,130	18,858

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14 Funds

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

		Movement in funds					
	Balance at 1 August 2021	Incoming	Resources expended 1	Balance at August 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 July 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds							
Building and recycling initiative	481,343	`-	(13,821)	467,522	-	(13,821)	453,701
Durham County Council - CREE project	2,000	3,000	(3,500)	1,500	3,000	(3,000)	1,500
County Durham Community Foundation	-	-	-	-	15,000	(12,500)	2,500
Poverty Hurts	-		-	-	13,250	(13,250)	-
Sir James Knott Trust	-	-	-	-	15,000	(11,250)	3,750
Hadrian Trust		-	-	-	1,000	(1,000)	-
Warm Spaces	· •	-	-	-	2,000	(2,000)	-
Charities Trust	•	-	-	-	500	(500)	-
CREE Plus 1	•	1,000	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
CREE Plus 2	-	1,000		1,000	-	(1,000)	-
	483,343	5,000	(18,321)	470,022	49,750	(58,321)	461,451
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Unrestricted funds	326,835	770,631	(816,620)	280,846	705,305	(734,908)	251,243
Total funds	810,178	775,631	(834,941)	750,868	755,055	(793,229)	712,694
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14 Funds (Continued)

Building and Reuse Initiative

Provision of staff and resources with which to operate all new and used furniture and appliance projects either directly, or in support of other funders (under contract).

CREE Project

Grant for contribution to activities supporting mental health.

County Durham Community Foundation (CDCF)

Grant towards specified running costs of cafe and used furniture projects.

Poverty Hurts

Grant contribution towards specified overheads which enable activities which address local poverty inc. food poverty.

Sir James Knott

Grant towards operational costs of projects for elderly and isolated (inc, WEd events for the lonely) and the used furniture project.

Warm Spaces

Contribution to specific staff and heating costs in the cafe to offer a warm space for local residents who cannot afford to use heating in their home due to low income.

Charities Trust

Grant EDP was nominated by our insurers (Park) for £500 grant towards specified overheads.

Cree Plus 1+2

Top ups for the mental heath projects mentioned in Cree above.

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15	Analysis of net assets between funds Unrestricted		***************************************		nrestricted	Restricted	Total
		funds	funds		funds	funds	
		2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Fund balances at 31 July 2023 are represented by:						
	Tangible assets	46,285	453,701	499,986	60,508	467,522	528,030
	Current assets/(liabilities)	204,958	7,750	212,708	220,338	2,500	222,838
		251,243	461,451	712,694	280,846	470,022	750.868
							
16	Related party transactions	S					
	Remuneration of key management personnel						
	The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.						
						2023	2022
						£	£
	Aggregate compensation					23,922	29,687
17	Cash generated from operations					2023	2022
						£	£
	Deficit for the year				(38,174)	(59,310)	
	Adjustments for:						
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities					(730)	(36)
	Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets					(7,855)	(55)
	Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets					22,804	25,662
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	Movements in working capital:						
	(Increase)/decrease in stocks					(555)	5,207
	Decrease in debtors					12,582	2,088
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors					3,272	(15,852)
	Cash absorbed by operations				(8,656)	(42,241)	