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St Vincent's Family Project

Annual Report and Financial Statements

31 March 2014

Charity Registration Number 1142095

Company Registration Number 07638620 (England and Wales)

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# Reference and administration details 31 March 2014

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The trustees present their statutory report together with the financial statements of St Vincent's Family Project (the Project) for the year ended 31 March 2014.

This report has been prepared in accordance with Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011 and constitutes a directors' report for the purposes of company legislation.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 18 and 19 of the attached financial statements and comply with the charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, applicable laws and the requirements of Statement of Recommended Practice on "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005.

#### Principal aims

St Vincent's Family Project aims to support families in Westminster especially those who are experiencing difficulties. The Project aims to address the issues of parenting, child welfare and social exclusion by providing services for parents and children. The Project works with vulnerable families who are experiencing deprivation and the wider effects of poverty. It aims to offer an experience of community that inspires, supports and enables positive change in the lives of those who use its services.

These aims reflect fully the purposes that the charity was set up to further.

The aims, objectives and activities of the Project are reviewed each year. As part of this process, the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The review of activities illustrates the ways in which the charity serves the public benefit.

#### Governance, structure and management

# Governance

The charitable company, which is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association, was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee (Company Registration Number 07638620 (England and Wales)) on 18 May 2011 and is a registered charity (Charity Registration Number 1142095).

The sole member of the company, and thus its parent entity, is DCSVP Services, a registered charity (Charity Registration Number 1149326) and a company limited by guarantee (Company Registration Number 07638065 (England and Wales)), set up by the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul, to safeguard the Vincentian ethos in various projects such as St Vincent's Family Project.

In the event of St Vincent's Family Project winding up, the member is required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

The names of the trustees who served during the period are set out on page 1 of this report and accounts and brief biographical details on each of the trustees are given below:

# Governance, structure and management (continued)

#### Governance (continued)

### Sister Margaret Barrett (Chair from June 2013)

Sister Margaret is a secondary teacher of English and History by profession. After two years teaching deaf children she became a member of staff at St Aidan's High School, Scotland where she taught for ten years and was a member of the administrative staff. She holds an MA in Group Leadership and is an Appreciative Inquiry trained Facilitator. After a year's course on Formation she became Directrice of the new members of the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul. She was then appointed Provincial Leader of the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul in Britain and Ethiopia after which she was elected as General Councillor of the Worldwide Company of the Daughters, subsequently being elected Assistant General of the Company in Paris, France. During this time she established and directed a full time course for English speaking Daughters on Vincentian Spirituality. She is currently Director of St Vincent's Centre Carlisle Place and a trustee of Depaul International.

# Sister Maria Robb (Chair until June 2013) (Resigned 7 November 2013)

Sister Maria is a teacher by profession with over 20 years spent in various teaching posts. She has an MA in Religious Education. She has experience of working with girls with Emotional and Behavioural Disorders (EBD) and also taught deaf children at St John's Catholic School for the Deaf, Boston Spa, Yorkshire, where she became Deputy Head and Head of Pastoral Care. She has been a member of the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul for 30 years and has a keen understanding of Vincentian values and the Vincentian spirit. She serves on the Provincial Council for the Province of Great Britain.

#### Mr Anthony Aldridge

Anthony Aldridge is a Chartered Accountant by profession and a retired finance director of a London reinsurance group. He has been involved with the Project for a number of years, assisting with finances and fundraising. He is connected with several other charities assisting the poor and homeless and is active in the field of education. He is also Vice Chair of St Dominic's Sixth Form College in Harrow and a Director of Terra Nova Pension Trustee Limited.

# Ms Christina Asare-Owusu (Appointed 7 November 2013)

Christina Asare-Owusu has been a member of the congregation at the Methodist Central Hall for over twenty years, teaching in the Junior Church (J C Live!) for over 15 years. She is a member of the Church Council, the Events Committee, a Pastoral Leader, and the Secretary of the Friends of Westminster. She is also a School Governor and serves on the Independent Education Appeals Panel for Wandsworth Council. She\_works-on-the-News-Team-at-the-Mail-on-Sunday.

# Governance, structure and management (continued)

### Governance (continued)

# Miss Elizabeth Gosling MBE (Resigned 7 November 2013)

Elizabeth Gosling trained as a social worker in Western Australia and filled a number of posts in the Department for Children and Families. Since moving to the UK she has gained an MSc in Child Welfare and currently is a Group Manager for the Children and Care Service in the London Borough of Waltham Forest. She was awarded an MBE in the 2011 New Year's Honours List for her work with families. She is a member of the congregation at the Methodist Central Hall.

#### Dr Rosemary Keenan

Dr Rosemary Keenan is a qualified social worker registered with the General Social Care Council. She is particularly interested in improving conditions for children, young people and parents. She is the Chief Executive of the Catholic Children's Society (Westminster) which delivers community services including family centres, early years' provision, counselling and therapy. From 1990 to 2003, Rosemary was a trustee of the Catholic Child Welfare Council, an agency of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, and the predecessor of Caritas Social Action. Rosemary is currently a member of the Marriage and Family Life Committee of the Bishops' Conference. She is on the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Local Safeguarding Children's Partnership Board. She is a member of the British Association of Social Workers and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

#### Sister Esther McDermott

Sister Esther McDermott has years of experience as a qualified social worker. In the course of her career she has worked as Head of Care in a School for Blind and Partially Sighted Children, undertaken chaplaincy work in hospitals and prisons, and co-ordinated pastoral care in a residential nursing home. Sister Esther currently serves on the Provincial Council for the Province of Great Britain of the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul.

### Mrs Judith Mitchell

Judith Mitchell studied Philosophy, Politics and Economics at university and has continued her political involvement as a volunteer both at local and national level. Her volunteer involvement has extended to a number of organisations and she currently volunteers regularly in Family Space, St Vincent's Family Project. She has held a number of appointments as either governor or trustee and is currently a trustee of The Friends of The Courtauld Institute of Art. She serves on the Independent Appeals Panel, Wandsworth. She is a member of the congregation at the Methodist Central Hall where she is also a trustee.

# Governance, structure and management (continued)

# Governance (continued)

Sister Theresa Tighe (Appointed 7 November 2013)

Sister Theresa has been a member of the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul and their community for many years. Her training is in youth and community work and in pursuing that she provides a short counselling course as a way of supporting young people. Most of her experience has involved working with young people with disabilities and their families. She has also engaged with children and families through parish ministry. She regards each child as a unique gift from God and feels it is a wonderful privilege to be able to share and celebrate in the lives of those who use St Vincent's Family Project.

#### Reverend Martin Turner

Reverend Martin Turner is the Superintendent Minister of the Methodist Central Hall, Westminster, where St Vincent's Family Project is based. He is a member of the Methodist Conference and in the past has served on the National Methodist Strategy and Finance Committee and the Methodist Council. For nine years he was the London and South East Regional Chaplain to Action for Children.

# Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are directors of St Vincent's Family Project for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practice (Accounting and Reporting by Charities) (the Charities' SORP);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom 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.

### Governance, structure and management (continued)

# Statement of trustees' responsibilities (continued)

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.

Each of the trustees confirms that:

- so far as the trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Structure and management reporting

The ultimate responsibility for the charity lies with the trustees. The day to day management is delegated to the Director. Meetings are held regularly with the trustees, service users and the staff team to ensure the quality of service and the aims of the charity are being met.

#### Risk management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the specific operational areas of the charity, and its finances. The trustees believe that by monitoring reserve levels, by ensuring controls exist over key financial systems, and by examining the operational and business risks faced by the charity, they have established effective systems to mitigate those risks.

#### Activities, specific objectives and relevant policies

#### **Activities**

As mentioned previously, the principal aim of the charity is to provide professional services to vulnerable families and children in Westminster, where the charity is based.

The charity has achieved these aims through three services.

- Family space supporting young families especially those experiencing need.
  - ◊ Drop in centre
  - ♦ Crèche facilities
  - ♦ The provision of one-to-one work with families going through crisis

# Activities, specific objectives and relevant policies (continued)

#### Activities (continued)

- ♦ Development courses, e.g. in parenting skills, healthy living, etc
- Guidance in child behaviour management
- ♦ Yoga classes
- ♦ Support groups
- ♦ Alternative therapies
- Activities for children and facilitated play for children with their parents
- Programme of visits and trips for families to places of interest locally and out of London
- ♦ Speech and Language assessment and remedial help.
- ♦ AnD Space offering therapeutic help for school children aged 4 to 13 years through the use of art therapy and drama therapy.
  - ♦ Individual sessions
  - ♦ Small group work

Referrals are received from local schools with which we have established links but also from other sources including self referrals.

- ◆ Safe Space provides a range of interventions enabling children separated from one or both parents to maintain contact with them.
  - Child contact centre for supported contact
  - Supervised sessions of child contact
  - Handovers and contact in the community

# Equal opportunities

St Vincent's Family Project strives to apply the principle of equal opportunities throughout the organisation, and to that end regularly reviews its Equal Opportunities and Diversity Policy.

The charity is pleased to welcome families, especially those experiencing difficulties, irrespective of age, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, gender, religion or status. Its aim is always to help those who would otherwise find themselves marginalised and excluded from the means of support they need.

The charity aims to apply equal opportunities for both paid staff and volunteers.

### Activities, specific objectives and relevant policies (continued)

#### Child protection

The charity recognises the need to protect children from harm and promote their welfare and to that end maintains a robust Child Protection Policy.

#### Protection of vulnerable adults

Many of the families who use the services of St Vincent's Family Project are vulnerable for a range of reasons. A Protection of Vulnerable Adults from Abuse policy seeks to protect adults from any kind of exploitation or abuse.

All staff and volunteers are required to be checked through the Disclosure and Barring Service and receive training in child and adult protection and safeguarding issues.

# Achievements and performance

#### Review of activities

St Vincent's Family Project has continued to provide services to vulnerable and isolated families in need. We have been funded by voluntary income and statutory grants. 213 families used our services during the year reflecting the diversity of the local population.

#### Family Space

Support activities for young families have continued to provide a safe and stimulating environment where families meet and discover a sense of community. This is especially important as isolation is one of the main reasons for accessing this service.

Referrals are received from Social Services, the Health Visiting Team, other agencies and professionals, and other families refer themselves.

We aim to provide a friendly base for our families where they feel welcomed, understood and appreciated. Every effort is made to offer consistent support, help and guidance to enable parents and children to enjoy a successful and fulfilling experience of family.

Family Space has continued to grow in scope and its popularity indicates it meets a local need. 144 families used Family Space during the period benefitting 147 adults and 199 children.

We have continued to run the well-established Drop in Centre, crèche facility, and support groups.

We have facilitated 2 Triple P Parenting Courses, 1 Mellow Parenting course, 1 'Strengthening Families, Strengthening Communities' course\_and\_1\_Boys'\_Development course-benefitting 53 parents in total.

'Looking Good' Healthy Living courses have benefitted 30 parents.

### Achievements and performance (continued)

# Review of activities (continued)

### Family Space (continued)

Parents have enjoyed the services of a volunteer cranio-sacral therapist, acupuncturist and masseuse. Dance therapy students provided music and movement activities. Weekly yoga and dance sessions proved popular activities.

We have continued to work with the speech and language team by assessing children for speech and language development. Family Space has provided a crèche with tailored activities for children requiring remedial help to work towards school readiness.

During the year a number of trips were made to places of interest including Kew Gardens, Horniman Museum, Battersea Zoo, Kneller Hall Children's concert, the seaside at Littlehampton, Vauxhall City Farm, Eddie Katz Adventure Centre and the London Aquarium.

A Christmas programme including extra seasonal activities and a party with Father Christmas, and a Summer Fun Day proved to be popular events.

We have enjoyed visits from other professionals enabling parents to discuss problems in a confidential and sympathetic environment.

Family Space has continued to network with other agencies: Outreach Team, Home Start, Speech and Language Team, the Parenting Coordinator for Westminster and the local Children's Centre.

#### AnD Space

The art and drama therapists have provided one to one sessions for children in South Westminster aged 4 to 13 years. Referrals have been received from local schools, Social Services, and from parents concerned for their own children.

We have offered placements to students from the Central School of Speech and Drama and Hertfordshire University. They have provided 1 to 1 sessions and group sessions under the guidance of the therapists.

22 children were helped through the period in a total of 304 sessions.

A holiday art project run in partnership with the Saatchi Gallery provided a 3 day opportunity for 5 children to explore the world of art, express their own creative interests and develop a network of supportive friendships.

### Safe Space

The Safe Space service has continued to provide a range of child contact interventions. Sessions for supported and supervised contact sessions, and 'handovers' and contact in the community were facilitated Saturdays and mid-week.

# Achievements and performance (continued)

#### Review of activities (continued)

#### Safe Space (continued)

Preparation sessions for parents and children helped families derive maximum benefit from the contact sessions and work together to the benefit and wellbeing of the children.

Through the year the team of staff and volunteers has been strengthened to include Saturday Team Leaders and a growing bank of supervisors.

428 child contact sessions were run and 47 families benefitted (involving 68 children and 93 adults.)

#### Fundraising

Fundraising and finding new ways to raise revenue remain key priorities in order to secure the charity's work, expand our services and increase our reserves.

Through 2013/14 the charity has been able to extend further its support base to include new funders. A prudent approach to expenditure combined with successful fundraising has enabled us to end the year satisfactorily with a substantial reserve to start the new financial year.

The charity has successfully delivered its first year of a three year contract with Cafcass for the delivery of Child Contact Interventions.

The charity is a partner with the All Families Matter (AFM) consortium, comprising local voluntary groups working with families, working together to deliver an integrated approach to family support services in Westminster and beyond.

The charity recognises the dangers inherent in becoming overly dependent upon one single source of income, particularly from government contracts. It, therefore, aims not to allow any one source to account for more than 50% of total income. The trustees keep this under regular review. The chart below indicates how income has been derived through the last year. Income from grants and donations came from nearly forty organisations and trusts and, together with the work of the Project, greatly adds social value.

#### Achievements and performance (continued)

Review of activities (continued)

Fundraising (continued)

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#### Volunteering

The work of St Vincent's Family Project depends on volunteers to help us deliver our services. Last year 46 volunteers offered their time and skills in various ways: in child care, family support, child contact support, alternative therapies, events, art and drama therapy, and administration.

Volunteers came to us via the various volunteer websites, volunteer bureaux, local advertising, colleges and universities, and others by word of mouth and recommendation. The Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul and the congregation at the Methodist Central Hall are represented in the volunteer team.

We have been able to offer placements for 11 students studying a range of subjects: NVQ Level 2 in Child Care at Westminster Kingsway College, and Degrees in Drama Therapy at Central School of Speech and Drama and Dance Movement Psychotherapy at Goldsmith, London University. In total, volunteers contributed 2,850 hours.

The Project benefits from the volunteers' friendly and enthusiastic participation and is able to offer, in return, work experience and the development of skills through mentoring and training opportunities. The outcome is often greater confidence to perform and it is always gratifying when volunteers go on to find employment in their chosen career path.

#### Quality Assurance

The Project holds the PQASSO Quality Mark at Level 1 and continues to use the system to evaluate its practices and procedures.

#### Financial review

#### Results for the period

A summary of the results for the year to 31 March 2014 is given on page 16 of the financial statements.

During the year, incoming resources totalled £270,516 (2013 - £244,322) of which £157,945 (2013 - £159,565) was restricted. Donations and similar incoming resources amounted to £249,307 (2013 - £228,866).

Resources expended totalled £272,142 (2013 - £235,267) and included staff costs of £193,974 (2013 - £167,343), premises costs of £33,808 (2013 - £33,728), furniture and equipment costs of £12,967 (2013 - £6,317) and recruitment and training costs of £4,732 (2013 - £3,363).

# Reserves policy

In order to ensure a continuing service to the children and families reliant on its services, to provide sufficient flexibility to cover temporary shortfalls in incoming resources due to timing differences in cash flows and to respond to unforeseen events, the trustees aim to maintain general reserves equal to approximately 3 months' expenditure.

#### Financial position

At 31 March 2014, the charity had total funds of £59,407 (2013 - £61,033). Of this total, £555 (2013 - £3,790) were restricted funds held for specific purposes as specified by the donor. Unrestricted funds of £58,852 (2013 - £57,243) represented tangible fixed assets of £3,545 (2013 - £3,877) and free reserves of £55,307 (2013 - £53,366). This level of free reserves falls slightly short of the above stated ideal, reflecting the investment in recent years in the Project's facilities, its staff and volunteers. Over the next couple of years it is the intention of the trustees to continue to build up these reserves.

# The charity's assets

Acquisitions and disposals of fixed assets during the year are recorded in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Future plans**

Through 2014/15 St Vincent's Family Project will aim to achieve the following objectives:

- Develop the three services through the same programmes of support and respond to fresh need by creatively integrating new activities wherever possible.
- Continue to consolidate our financial position. In a difficult economic climate-we-will-belooking-to-extend-our portfolio of grant providers and gain support from the business community.
- ♦ Through partnership working, the Project will aim to extend its influence and work collaboratively with others to both secure income and enhance social value.

# Future plans (continued)

- Wherever possible we will charge realistic fees for our services without compromising our policy of making services available to everyone regardless of their ability to pay.
- Develop staff and volunteers. We recognise they are the key to quality service provision and we will invest in their further understanding of family work and provide ways of skill enhancement.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sister MARGARET BARRETT

Approved by the trustees on:

#### Independent auditor's report to the member of St Vincent's Family Project

We have audited the financial statements of St Vincent's Family Project for the year ended 31 March 2014, which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the principal accounting policies and the related notes. 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).

This report is made solely to the charity's member, 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 charity's member those matters we are required to state to it in an auditor's 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 charity and the charity's member, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

# Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditor

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statements set out in the trustees' report, 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.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the trustees' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

# Independent auditor's report Year to 31 March 2014

# **Opinion on financial statements**

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 2014 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

# Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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;
- 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.

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Simon Goodridge, Senior Statutory Auditor for and on behalf of Buzzacott LLP, Statutory Auditor 130 Wood Street London

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# Statement of financial activities Year to 31 March 2014

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2014 Total funds £	2013 Total funds £
Income and expenditure				•	
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
. Voluntary income	1	91,362	157,945	249,307	228,866
. Interest receivable		314	_	314	383
Incoming resources from charitable activities		ŕ			
. Crèche and Contact Centre fees		19,163		19,163	14,558
Other incoming resources		1,732		1,732	515
Total incoming resources		112,571	157,945	270,516	244,322
Resources expended Charitable activities					• .
. Provision of services to vulnerable families and children	2		267,099	267,099	231,163
Governance costs	3	5,043		5,043	4,104
Total resources expended		5,043	267,099	272,142	235,267
Net incoming (outgoing) resources before transfers (net income (expenditure))		107,528	(109,154)	(1,626)	9,055
Transfers between funds	10	(105,919)	105,919	-	
Net movement in funds	4	1,609	(3,235)	(1,626)	9,055
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2013		57,243	3,790	61,033	51,978
Balance carried forward at 31 March 2014		58,852	555	59,407	61,033

There is no difference between the net movement in funds stated above, and the historical cost equivalent. All of the charity's activities in the above two financial periods derive from continuing operations.

# Balance sheet 31 March 2014

	Notes	2014 £	2014 £	2013 · £	2013 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		3,545		3,877
Current assets					
Debtors	8	2,662		1,220	
Cash at bank and in hand	•	61,455		64,443	
	_	64,117	_	65,663	
Creditors: amounts falling due					
within one year	9	(8,255)		(8,507)	
Net current assets			55,862		57,156
Total net assets			59,407	-	61,033
Represented by:					
Funds and reserves					
Restricted funds	10		555		3,790
Unrestricted funds					
. General fund			58,852		57,243
			59,407		61,033

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

SISTER MARGARET RARRE

SISTER YMARGARET BARKETT Trustee

Approved by the trustees on: 24 JJy 2014

St Vincent's Family Project – Company Registration Number 07638620 (England and Wales)

#### Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. Applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005) have been followed in these financial statements.

#### Incoming resources

Incoming resources are recognised in the period in which the charitable company is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Items donated to the charity for its own use are included within incoming resources and resources expended at their value to the charitable company. This also includes an estimate of the value of the premises provided rent free for part of the year ended 31 March 2013.

#### Resources expended and the basis of apportioning costs

Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities when incurred and includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Resources expended comprise the following:

- a. Resources expended on charitable activities comprise expenditure on the provision of a safe and stimulating environment where parents and children can take part in activities together and as individuals.
- b. Governance costs are costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charitable company that relate to the general running of the charitable company as opposed to those costs associated with fundraising or charitable activity. Included within this category are costs associated with the strategic as opposed to day to day management of the charitable company's activities.

Costs are apportioned based on the number of sessions provided at the Family Project for each activity.

#### Cash flow

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the charitable company, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cash flow statements'.

# Tangible fixed assets

All assets costing more than £500 and with an expected useful life exceeding one year are capitalised.

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

♦ Furniture and equipment 25% on cost

# Principal accounting policies 31 March 2014

# **Fund accounting**

Restricted funds comprise monies raised for, or their use restricted to, a specific purpose, or contributions subject to donor imposed conditions.

General funds represent monies which are freely available for application towards achieving any charitable purpose that falls within the charitable company charitable objects.

# 1 Voluntary income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2014 Total funds	2013 Total funds £
Government grants				
City of Westminster	_	23,752	23,752	20,222
Other grants				
Sir Harold Hood's Charitable Trust	1,000	_	1,000	1,000
The Westminster Foundation	15,000	_	15,000	11,000
St Giles & William Shelton Education				
Charity		5,000	5,000	5,000
Ironmongers Foundation		10,000	10,000	10,000
Lloyds Foundation for England and Wales		10,000	10,000	10,000
CafCass		18,200	18,200	5,000
Joseph Rank Trust	_	15,000	15,000	15,000
Westminster Amalgamated Charity	_	5,000	5,000	5,000
The Garfield Weston Charitable Trust	_	10,000	10,000	10,000
Porticus	_	19,993	19,993	19,993
The Mercers' Charitable Foundation		5,000	5,000	5,000
Help a Capital Child	_		_	2,500
The Maurice & Hilda Laing Charitable Trust	_	5,000	5,000	5,000
Strand Parishes	5,000	_	5,000	5,000
Mrs LD Rope Third Charitable Settlement	7,500		7,500	7,500
The Hyde Park Estate Charity	4,000	_	4,000	3,000
Edward Harvist Trust	3,000		3,000	_
Drapers Company	_	5,000	5,000	_
London Communities	. —	5,000	5,000	
Trusthouse Charitable Fund		15,000	15,000	. —
Bircham Dyson Bell	1,000		1,000	_
Swire Charitable Trust	2,500		2,500	
,	39,000	151,945	190,945	154,993
Donations				
Methodist Central Hall	43,035	_	43,035	19,800
Other donations and voluntary income	9,327	6,000	15,327	24,351
	52,362	6,000	58,362	44,151
Rent waiver				
Methodist Central Hall (see note 12)				9,500
Total	91,362	157,945	249,307	228,866

# 2 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2014 . Total funds £	2013 Total funds £
Provision of services to vulnerable families and children				
Staff costs	_	193,974	193,974	167,343
Premises	_	33,808	33,808	33,728
Provisions		4,608	4,608	3,406
Furniture and equipment		12,967	12,967	6,317
Postage, telephone and stationery	·	6,030	6,030	4,616
Recruitment and training	. <del>-</del>	4,732	4,732	3,363
Travel and subsistence	_	5,065	5,065	4,966
Professional fees	_	2,045	2,045	3,625
Subscriptions	_	1,411	1,411	1,969
Miscellaneous	_	2,459	2,459	1,830
•		267,099	267,099	231,163

# 3 Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds	2014 Total funds £	2013 Total funds £
Statutory audit services	5,043	_	5,043	4,104

# 4 Net movement in funds

This is stated after charging:

	2014 £	2013 £
Staff costs (note 5)	193,974	167,343
Auditor's remuneration (including VAT)		
. Current year statutory audit services	5,043	4,920
. Prior year overprovision	_	(816)
Depreciation	3,657	2,853

# 5 Staff costs

	2014 £	2013 £
Staff costs during the period were as follows:		
Wages and salaries	163,181	139,250
Social security costs	10,654	9,322
Contract staff	20,139	18,771
·	193,974	167,343
Staff costs per function were as follows:		
Provision of services to vulnerable families and children	193,974	167,343

There were no employees who earned £60,000 per annum or more (including benefits) during the period (2013 – none).

The average number of employees, analysed by function, was:

	2014	2013
Provision of services to vulnerable families and children	18	13

The average number of full time equivalent employees in 2014 was 5 (2013 – 5).

None of the trustees received any remuneration in respect of their services during either period. Expenses were not reimbursed to the trustees.

#### 6 Taxation

St Vincent's Family Project is a registered charity and, therefore, is not liable to income tax or corporation tax on income derived from its charitable activities, as it falls within the various exemptions available to registered charities.

# 7 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2013	21,458
Additions	3,325
Disposals	(9,662)
At 31 March 2014	15,121
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2013	17,581
Charge for period	3,657
On disposals	(9,662)
At 31 March 2014	11,576
Net book values	
At 31 March 2014	3,545
At 31 March 2013	3,877

#### 8 Debtors

	2014	2013
	£	£
Other delaters	2.662	1 220
Other debtors	2,662	1,220

# 9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2014 £	2013 £
Accruals	5,843	6,095
Amount due to related party (note 12)	2,412	2,412
	8,255	8,507

#### 10 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include the following restricted funds:

	At 1 April 2013 £	Incoming resources	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2014 £
Family Space Project	<del></del>	124,745	(131,512)	6,767	_
Art and Drama Space Project	3,790	5,000	(38,914)	30,679	555
Safe Space Project	_	28,200	(96,673)	68,473	_
	3,790	157,945	(267,099)	105,919	555

Restricted projects which have a funding deficit are supported by a transfer from unrestricted funds.

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

# Family Space Project

Funds provided to assist with the Family Space Project.

# Art and Drama Space Project

Funds that have been provided specifically as a contribution towards the costs associated with the Art and Drama Space Project.

# Safe Space Project

Funds that have been provided specifically to assist with the Safe Space Project.

# 11 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2014 Total funds £
Fund balances at 31 March 2014 are represented by:			
Tangible fixed assets	3,545	_	3,545
Current assets	63,562	555	64,117
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(8,255)	_	(8,255)
Total net assets	58,852	555	59,407

#### 12 Connected organisation

St Vincent's Family Project is related to the Methodist Central Hall by virtue of the fact that one of its trustees is a trustee of Methodist Central Hall also, a further trustee is a trustee and senior employee of the Methodist Central Hall and a third trustee is a member of the Methodist Central Hall.

- During the year the Project contributed service charges to the Methodist Central Hall of £5,844 (2013 - £6,496), £512 (2013 - £512) of which was accrued at the period end.
- ◆ During the year the Methodist Central Hall gave a donation of £43,035 (2013 –£19,800) to the Project for use in meeting core costs and net payable.
- ◆ From 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014, the Project paid rent to the Methodist Central Hall of £22,800, £1,900 of which was accrued at the year end. From 1 April 2012 to 31 August 2012 the Project occupied these premises free of charge and the value of this to the charity was £9,500 which was included in the 2013 accounts as a gift in kind. From 1 September 2012 to 31 March 2013 the project paid rent to the Methodist Central Hall of £13,300, £1,900 of which was accrued at the year end.

#### 13 Lease obligations

At 31 March 2014 the charity had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases for property as follows:

	2014	2013
•	£	£
Between 2 and 5 years	22,800	22,800

#### \_14\_\_Liability-of-member-

The charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the charity being wound up its member is required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

# 15 Control

Control of the charitable company lies with its member and parent entity, DCSVP Services, a registered charity (Charity Registration Number 1149326) and a company limited by guarantee (Company Registration Number 07638065 (England and Wales)). The registered office of DCSVP Services is Provincial House, The Ridgeway, Mill Hill, London, NW7 1RE.