

Charity registration number 1157711

Company registration number 04349864 (England and
Wales)

NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees

Charity number

Company number

Registered office

Auditor

Bankers

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Ms N Wood

Mr A Clarke

Ms S Allen
Mr I S Sathi
Mr LA Sutton
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(Appointed 1 September **2024**)
(Appointed 19 September **2024**)

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INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHAIR

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

I am very pleased to welcome you to this year's NCP annual report.

This year has been another **year** of opportunities, **successes**, and challenges for NCP, and for many organisations across Birmingham.

In September 2023, it was announced by Birmingham City Council that a Section 144 notice was being **issued** by the **local** authority. This, in **reality**, meant **that** a huge spending review would take place across the city with potentially many projects being affected by grants and contracts funded by the local authority.

One of the first of these contracts to be affected was the Early Help program, **run** in conjunction **with** Birmingham Children's Trust, which **provides** preventative early interventions **for families across** the city. NCP had been the lead for

this program working **with** over 5000 families per year for over 4 years. It **was** announced that a new structure would **be put** in place **for** the **Early Help programme** across the city, with half **the** original funding and lead community organisations delivering the Early Help programme across two constituencies instead of one.

This led to a damage mitigation exercise by the Board and CEO to establish what affect this would have **on** our current income and delivery. After much **discussion**, and a thorough review, **we** took the decision to withdraw **from** the Early Help program.

This **loss of** income also impacted on **our** overall services, and we had to make the difficult decision to vacate **St Nicholas Place**, where we had been working from since the pandemic.

I am however pleased to report that monies have been secured to keep our Early Help **staff** in place, operating as a Family Wellbeing Team, on one-year contract through funding obtained from **the** Garfield Weston Foundation and the Postcode Lottery Trust. They will continue to deliver support to families **across** Northfield.

I am proud of our **staff's** resilience during these unsettling times and thank them for their loyalty and innovative ways of **working** to embrace the changes.

We also have **had** some real highs this **year** and despite the changes to some of our funding, we have been successful in other areas. This has included being awarded new five-year funding from the Prevention and Communities funding stream, operated by Adult Social Care **at** Birmingham City Council.

This is to support our Future Proof Project, which is **now** running in partnership with Redeemer Church, creating an **extra** aspect to the project by providing weekly social activities **at** Oddingley Hall. We **were** also successful in gaining funding to deliver our new city-wide hoarding project in partnership with Clouds End CIC.

Hoarding **is a** top priority for Adult Social Care but often remains hidden amongst communities. This new project has **two** work streams, working directly with citizens on **house** clearances and psychological support and by building capacity within NNS networks through training advice and designated project workers.

We were successful in gaining significant funding from the Shared Prosperity Fund - this has allowed us to start a new food pantry where citizens **can** obtain **low** costs food items weekly giving them more choice and dignity than using **a** traditional food bank. Alongside the pantry all NCP's external services attend the pantry to give citizens advice both the day and **offer** ongoing **support**.

We have been **awarded** funding to look at our governance and business planning, incorporating **our** sustainability plan, and to shape our thinking on possible future structures **for** NCP.

Monies have also been awarded to NCP to support capacity building work **across** the community. We looked at organisations in need **of** support to continue to **deliver** their **services** such **as** The Project and were able to grant them project funding to keep their Information Advice and Guidance service **viable**. We **have** supported Northfield Arts Forum who have used our grant funding to deliver significant arts activity and food programs across Northfield.

Our staff team has continued to grow, and we have made several appointments which will help to build the capacity **of the** overall team.

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We again delivered two **successful** beach **events** during the 2023 school summer holidays which **were** welcomed during an especially hard financial period for families who are **still** struggling through the cost of living crisis.

I hope you enjoy **reading this** year's report and I would like to **thank** all **our** funders and stakeholders **for** their support. A **special thanks** to our very hardworking **staff** who go **above** and beyond on a daily basis, supporting people across the Northfield constituency.

Genel Gather

Carmel Corrigan

Chair

Date:

30.10.24

NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements **for the** year ended 31 March **2024**.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies **set out in** note **1** to the financial statements **and** comply with the charity'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).

Objectives and activities

The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in **areas** of social and economic deprivation (and in the Area of Benefit) by all **or** any of **the** following means:

(a) the relief of financial hardship

(b) the relief of unemployment

(c) **the** advancement of education, training, or retraining, **particularly** among unemployed people, and providing unemployed people with work **experience**

(d) the provision of financial assistance, technical assistance or **business** advice or consultancy to provide training and employment opportunities for unemployed people in cases of financial or other charitable need through help: (i) in setting up their own business, **or** (ii) to existing businesses

(e) the creation of training and employment opportunities by the provision of workspace, buildings, and/or land **for use** on favourable terms

(f) the provision of housing for those who are in conditions of need and the improvement of housing in the public sector **or** in charitable ownership **provided** that **such power shall** not extend to relieving any local authorities or other bodies of a statutory duty to provide or **improve** housing

(g) the maintenance, improvement, **or** provision of public amenities

(h) the preservation of buildings **or** sites of **historic** or architectural importance

(i) the provision of recreational facilities **for** the public at large or those who by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship **or social** and economic circumstances, have need of **such facilities**: (i) the protection or conservation of the environment: (k) the provision **of** public health facilities and childcare: (1) the promotion of public safety and prevention of crime: (m) such other means **as** may from time to time be determined subject to the prior written consent of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales. 3.2 To develop the capacity and **skills** of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community in the Area of Benefit in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by **the** Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts

Northfield Community Hub - offers a range of Health and Wellbeing Services for public use. These include free internet access, Employment support, **Housing** and Benefit Advice, Sexual Health **clinic**, **BID services**, digital training, volunteering opportunities.

Northfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme working with community **assets** to build **and** resource capacity and preventative activities **across the** Northfield Constituency.

Early Help Programme - providing support and advice for Children, Families and young people across the **Northfield** Constituency.

Digital NNS - working in Birmingham **city wide with** community **assets** to build digital capacity across neighbourhoods.

Future Proof Over 50s Scheme - working with over **50s** to help **Citizens** remain independent for longer. Digital Lending Library - provide support **and** advice and **access** to digital devices.

Household Support Fund - small support **grants to** support **citizens** through the cost-of-living **crisis**.

Foodbank - 5 day per week foodbank.

Fuel bank - provide citizens **with** vouchers **to support** utility **poverty**.

Digital Lending Library - providing training and free devices to address Digital Poverty.

Digital NNS - building digital capacity amongst Neighbourhood Network schemes City Wide.

Chaos to Order - Hoarding project in partnership with Clouds End CIC.

Shared Prosperity Fund Programme - capacity building organisations with infrastructure funding

Food Pantry - Affordable food membership **project**.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the

circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole

NCP delivers a **wide** range of projects and services in a Holistic way, **ensuring** services are delivered in a preventative manner, building strong partnerships across the South of Birmingham which enhance and provide a whole life **course** approach to enable Citizens and communities to flourish.

Below are some of **our** key achievements during 2023/24.

Trustees are informed and make relevant decisions on the nature of activities and projects in alignment with the charities purposes as laid out within our governing document.

The trustees have kept up to date with the guidance issued by the charity commission guidance and have not made any decisions which deviate from this guidance.

Policy on grant making

The Charity **acts as** a broker through contracts such as Northfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme **and** the Household Support Fund, to engage citizens and groups who are recipients of these funds. The NNS **grant** funds are paid through the Heart of England Community Foundation and are overseen by a grants panel which NCP **sits** on. All payment of monies and legal responsibility is facilitated by the Heart of England Foundation. Small Micro grants of up to £500 are administered through NCP, with a full administrative procedure dictated through the Heart of England Foundation.

The Shared prosperity Fund capacity building grants form part of NCP's Condition of **Grants** Aid with Birmingham City Council which cites designated recipients of the grant scheme. The small grants scheme, which was delivered as part of this award, included an approved application form, grants panel and monitoring submitted by the recipient. These grants did not exceed £1000

The Household Support Fund is administered by BVSC with no payments being made by NCP other than to those that **have** no bank account, and to a maximum of £200 which is **paid** in vouchers not in cash, **as** pertained in **our grant** making policy.

Contribution made by volunteers NCP **works** with a large range of volunteers to help to deliver the **services** and **projects** of the charity. Volunteers receive training and induction and DBS checks if required. **The** Trustees recognise the vital role that volunteers play in the delivery of NCP functions.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

18,000+ Seach event

173 Benefits & Welfare

59 Clothes bank

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2376+ Household Support Fund

352 Housing Engagements

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447 Volunteering Sessions

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158 Benefits And Welfare Advice

42

Bridge Builders

175 Computers

455 Computer drop-ins

426 Digital Literacy Engagements

212 Employment Support

343 Warm Welcome Engagements

88 Lending Library"

1358 Futureproof

92 Digital Literacy Employment

Project

10

advice

13 Financial Inclusion

D

1442 Foodbank
221 Futureproof.
referrals
handyman &
gardening
131 Fuel
1829 Foodbank Adults
2019 Foodbank Children
34 632 Foodbank
12 Food Assistance Grant Early Help
525 Foodbank
Fuel

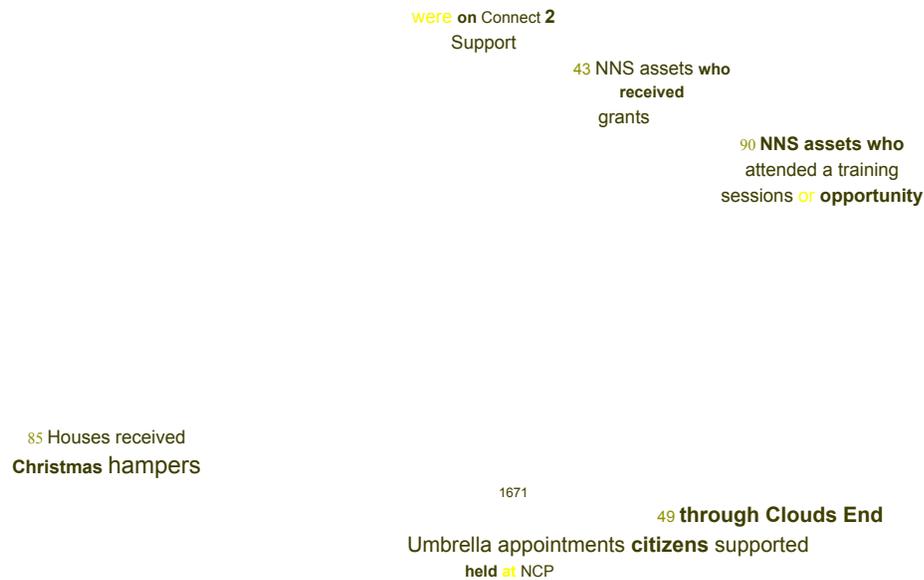
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70 Housing/ Homeless
61 Crisis Bridging Fund Vouchers
20 Laptop loans
173 Christmas hampers
85 Houses received Christmas hampers
Advice

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268 FutureProof
306.5 Volunteer hours
173 Christmas hampers
1738 Children & Families



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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Funding

We are entering our second year of Reaching Communities funding and are working with a consultant to strengthen our core costs through our adopted Sustainability plan, which we have made good progress **on this** year.

The charity has gained significant funding towards **two** new key prevention and Communities projects over a **3-year** period.

Shared Prosperity funding has been secured **for 2** years which has brought significant resource into the partnership and **will** help to create sustainability through our community asset acquisition program.

We have raised **an** extra £100,000 in unrestricted funding which **has** helped us to support the families team.

We are currently implementing other methods **of** income generation and social enterprise.

We have mitigated against significant financial risk and cut out cloth accordingly to **address** financial deficits accordingly

Financial review

Reserves policy

It is the policy of **the** charity **that** unrestricted funds which have not been designated **for** a specific **use should be** maintained at a level equivalent to the charity's needs and ongoing obligations. The **trustees** consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, **they will** be able to continue the charity's current activities on a temporary basis while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. The charity **wishes to work** towards a reserve of six months worth of expenditure.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by **its** governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Governance

The trustees, who **are also** the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the **year and** up to the date of signature **of the financial** statements **were**:

Ms C Corrigan

Mr C Guy

Ms N Wood

Mr L Wright

Mr A Clarke

Ms S Allen

Mr **S** P Round

Mr IS Sathi

Mr LA Sutton

Mrs C E Marler

(Resigned 29 February 2024)

(Resigned 8 February 2024)

(Resigned 4 April 2023)

(Appointed 1 September 2024)

(Appointed 19 September 2024)

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Trustee recruitment **is** carried out by an application process, **and an** interview is held with the Chair and CEO. References are taken up to **ensure** that a Trustee is suitable, and documentation is signed to ensure that a Trustee **is** not disqualified in being unable to fulfil their role.

Trustees are given **an** induction by **the** Chair.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the **trustees** are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event **of a** winding up.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Organisational structure

The Charity's organisational **structure** and any **wider** network with which the charity works The Charity works as the lead for the locality for the Neighbourhood Network Schemes working with community assets to build preventative **opportunities** using a developed gaps analysis.

The charity is the Chair **of** Northfield Stakeholders **group a** network **of** over 300 **organisations working** to address mutual **issues** which impact on Northfield Citizens.

NCP is the Chair for **Arts 50 Alive network** people together.

Induction and training of trustees

which is **an** intergenerational network bringing **older** and younger

Policies and procedures adopted **for** the induction and training of trustees Recruitment and appointment of **trustees** Trustee recruitment is carried out by an application process, and an interview is held with the **Chair** and CEO.

References are taken up to ensure that a Trustee **is** suitable, and documentation is signed to ensure that a Trustee **is** not disqualified in being unable to fulfil their role. Trustees are given an induction by the **Chair**.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event **of a** winding up.

Relationship with any related parties

NCP works with a significant range of partners and stakeholders to deliver their wide-ranging remit- acting as the Community Anchor organisation **for** the Constituency building **networks** and **links** which further resources and **benefits** for those Citizens living **locally**.

These include but **are not limited** too.

NHS through **a sexual** health **clinic**, Local delivery board for the fairer future fund, The integrated care board and Adult **social care**.

The Project - working **in** partnership to **provide** debt, housing, and **financial** support on the Future **Proof** project.

Northfield Arts **Forum** - working in partnership to deliver **art and** creative opportunities and a pay as you feel pop up **Café**

Northfield Stakeholders Group - working with over 300 organisations to share **resources** to **deliver** the beat

outcomes for the Northfield Constituency.

Birmingham City Council- leading locality-based projects through funding provided from the local Authority

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees, who are also the directors of Northfield Community Partnership Ltd 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 charity 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 charity 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 charity 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 charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Ormerod Rutter Limited be reappointed as auditor of the company **will** be put **at** a General Meeting.

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

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Ms C Corrigan

Trustee

Date:

30/10/24

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NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Northfield Community Partnership Ltd (the 'charity') for the **year** ended **31** March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash **flows** and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. **The** financial reporting **framework** that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom

Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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, **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.

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 *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section **of our report**. **We** are independent **of the** charity 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 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** charity'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.

Other information

The other information **comprises** the **information** included in the annual **report** other than the financial statements **and our** auditor's report thereon. The trustees **are** responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements **does** not cover the other information and we do not **express any** form of assurance conclusion thereon. 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 **course** of 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**.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We **have** nothing to report **in** respect **of the** following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in **our** opinion:

the information given in the financial statements **is** inconsistent in any material **respect with the** trustees' **report; or**
sufficient accounting **records have** not been **kept; or**
the financial statements **are** not **in** agreement **with** the accounting

records; or

we have not received **all** the information and explanations **we** require for our audit.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose 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** charity'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**.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made **or** having effect thereunder.

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 an auditor's report 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.

Based on our understanding **of** the company, we identified the principal **risks of** non-compliance **with laws** and regulations, including **those** that have **a** direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements **such as** the Companies Act 2006, and the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect **on the** financial statements. Audit **procedures** performed included discussions with management, review of board meeting minutes, testing of journals, designing and performing audit procedures and challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in relation to accounting estimates.

A further description of **our** responsibilities is available **on** the Financial Reporting **Council's** website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, **as** a body, in accordance with part 4 of the **Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008**. Our audit work has been undertaken **so** that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters **we** are required to state to them 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 trustees as a body, **for** our audit **work**, **for** this report, or **for the** opinions we **have** formed.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

Colm McGrory FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Ormerod Rutter Limited

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditor

The Oakley Kidderminster
Road Droitwich
Worcestershire **WR9 9AY**

Ormerod Rutter Limited is eligible for appointment as auditor **of** the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor **of a** company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Unrestricted funds

Restricted

Total Unrestricted

				Restricted	Total
		funds	funds	funds	funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023
Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies					
Charitable activities					
3					
4					
5					
	3	817,781	817,781	1,000	462,373
					463,373
4					
		108,134 699,804	807,938	492,568	492,568
Investments	5	68,823	68,823	65,444	65,444
Total income		176,957 1,517,585	1,694,542	66,444	954,941

1,021,385

Charitable activities

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214,766 1,113,396 1,328,162

Net income/(expenditure)

(37,809) 404,189 366,380

53,974 1,082,463 1,136,437

12,470 (127,522) (115,052)

Transfers between
funds

(33,415) 33,415

Net movement in
funds

9

(71,224) 437,604

366,380

12,470

(127,522) (115,052)

Reconciliation of funds:

Fund balances as at 1 April
2023

117,409 179,291

296,700

104,939

306,813

411,752

Fund balances at 31 March 2024

46,185

616,895

663,080

117,409

179,291

296,700

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

Fixed assets

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
	13		12,511		13,005
Tangible assets					

Current assets

Debtors

Cash at bank and in hand

	14	111,513		87,587	
		630,340			
			243,153		

		741,853	
			330,740
Creditors: amounts falling due within			
	15		
one year		(91,284)	
			(47,045)
Net current assets			
		650,569	
			283,695
Total assets less current liabilities			
Net assets excluding pension liability			
		663,080	
			296,700
		663,080	
			296,700
The funds of the charity			
Restricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds			
	17		
		616,895	
			179,291
		46,185	
			117,409
		663,080	
			296,700

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 March 2024, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

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 under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, 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

Genel Collier

Ms C Corrigan

Trustee

30/10/2024

Company registration number 04349864 (England and Wales)

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NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	22	321,613	(68,830)
Investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets			
Investment income received			
(3,248) 68,823			
(6,263) 65,444			
Net cash generated from investing			

activities	65,575	59,181
Net cash used in financing activities		
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	387,188	(9,649)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	243,153	252,802
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	630,340	243,153

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Northfield Community Partnership Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales.
The registered office is 693-695 Bristol Road South, Northfield, Birmingham, B31 2JT.

1.1 Accounting convention

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The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with **the charity's** governing **document**, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The **Financial** Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic **of** Ireland" ("FRS 102") and **the** Charities SORP "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 charity is a Public **Benefit** Entity **as** defined by **FRS 102**.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical **cost** convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity 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.

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 **or** grantors **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.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity 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 charity 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 **charity** 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**.

Income from government grants 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 **will be** deferred.

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Accounting policies

(Continued)

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.

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:

Leasehold improvements

Plant and equipment

Computer equipment

Motor vehicles

20% Straight Line

25% Straight Line

25% Reducing Balance

25% 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

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At each reporting end date, the charity 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).

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.

Financial instruments

The charity 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 charity's balance **sheet** when the charity 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.

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NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP LTD

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

Basic financial assets

(Continued)

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 charity's contractual obligations expire **or are** discharged or cancelled.

1.10 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 **charity** is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of **an** employee **or** to **provide** termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

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

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about **the** carrying amount of **assets** and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual **results** may differ **from** these estimates.

The estimates **and** underlying assumptions **are** reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised **in** the period **in** which **the** estimate **is** revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of **the** revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future **periods**.

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Income from donations and legacies

As Restated

Unrestricted

Restricted

Total Unrestricted

Restricted

Total

funds

funds

funds

2024	2023
£	£
803,567	492,568
4,371	
807,938	492,568
108,134	
699,804	492,568
807,938	492,568

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Income from investments

Unrestricted funds

2024	Unrestricted funds	2023
£		£

Rental income Interest receivable

67,392		
1,431		
	65,177	
	267	
68,823		
	65,444	

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Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2024 £	Charitable activities 2023 £
Direct costs		
Staff costs		
Advertising and Promotions		
Beach costs		
Charitable contributions		
Computer costs	672,902	607,337
	7,377	11,552
	106,551	125,262
	41,298	32,384
	5,992	16,904
Legal and professional		
Office and general admin		
Other professional services		
Rent		
Motor and travel expenses		

Sundry		
Project costs		
Staff expenses	3,000	19,282
		6,350
	118,024	131,965
		3,430
	9,390	247
	175,549	31,909
	4,936	1,631
	1,145,019	988,253
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	66,598	42,701
Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)		
Support	73,798	62,505
Governance	42,747	42,978
	1,328,162	1,136,437
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds		
Restricted funds		

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Grants payable

Grants to institutions:
Other

214,766	53,974
1,113,396	1,082,463
1,328,162	1,136,437
Charitable activities	Charitable activities
2024	2023
£	£
66,598	42,701

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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Support costs allocated to activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation		
Bank charges	3,743	4,335
	99	378

Beach costs		15,200
Conference		3,228
Office and general admin	27,628	25,144
Cleaning	25,340	5,705
Rent and rates	10,862	2,857
Subscriptions	1,182	1,620
Motor and travel expenses	1,559	2,249
Sundry	3,385	1,789
Governance costs	42,747	42,978
	116,545	105,483

Analysed between:

Charitable **activities**

Governance costs comprise:

Audit fees		
Accountancy		
Legal and professional	116,545	105,483

2024

£

2023

£

11,676	14,100
3,492	5,064
27,579	23,814
42,747	42,978

9 Net movement in funds

2024	2023
£	£

The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):

Fees payable for the audit of the charity's financial statements		
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets		
	11,676	14,100
	3,743	4,335

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Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits **from** the charity during the **year**.

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

Employees

Employment costs

Wages and salaries
 Social **security** costs
 Other pension **costs**

2024	2023
Number	Number
24	24
2024	2023
£	£
613,391	559,062
49,013	41,106
10,498	7,169
672,902	607,337

Redundancy and termination payments totalling £7,036 were paid during **the** year relating to two staff.

The number **of** employees whose annual remuneration was **more** than £60,000 (excluding pension contributions) is **as** follows:

£70,001 - **£80,000**
 £90,001 - **£100,000**

2024
Number

Key management personnel

The **key** management personnel **are** represented by **6** employees. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel were £280,268 (2023: £227,387).

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Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

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Tangible fixed assets

Cost

At 1 April 2023

Additions

Leasehold improvements

Plant and

equipment

Computer equipment

	£	£	£	Motor vehicles	Total
				£	£
	46,211	13,834	18,863	3,860	82,768
			3,248		3,248
At 31 March 2024	46,211	13,834	22,111	3,860	86,016
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2023	46,211	13,834	7,078	2,639	69,762
Depreciation charged in the year			3,336	407	3,743
At 31 March 2024	46,211	13,834	10,414	3,046	73,505
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2024			11,697	814	12,511
At 31 March 2023			11,785	1,220	13,005

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Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

2024	2023
£	£
48,896	9,784
62,617	77,803
111,513	87,587

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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Other taxation and social security

Trade **creditors**

Other creditors

Accruals and deferred income

2024	2023
£	£
18,440	12,853
28,595	3,490
5,511	4,757
38,738	25,945
91,284	47,045

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Retirement benefit schemes	2024	
Defined contribution schemes	£	2023
		£
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	10,498	7,169

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Retirement benefit schemes

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The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of **the** charity in an independently administered fund.

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Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on **trust** subject to specific conditions by donors as to how **they** may be used.

At 1 April

2023

Incoming

resources

Resources
expended

Transfers

At 31 March

£

£

£

£

2024

£

Foodbank

	22,812	33,711	(12,819)	43,704
Future Proof	12,248	122,778	(116,249)	18,777
Northfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme	44,802	151,676	(151,864)	44,614
Early Help (BVSC)	23,452	185,025	(172,920)	35,557
Beach Project		67,109	(99,814)	32,705
Household Support Fund	71,333	162,027	(106,771)	126,589
NNS Digital		90,100	(66,860)	23,240
Clouds End		100,000	(73,835)	26,165
SPF NCP		223,147	(67,524)	155,623
Winter Food Aid		5,000		5,000
Cost of Living Fund		74,900	(23,198)	51,702
Dads Programme Compassionate Communities				

		4,000			
			(475)		3,525
		32,000			
			(18,909)		13,091
Building Bridges (Fairer Futures)		9,000			
			(7,926)		1,074
Heart of England - Income Maximisation		49,997			
					49,997
Lottery Fund	4,644	166,167			
			(159,125)		11,686
NNS Micro Grant Fund		12,000			
			(12,710)		
SPF - Loconamey		22,000		710	
			(15,450)		6,550
SPF - The Project		6,947			
			(6,947)		
	179,291				
		1,517,585			
			(1,113,396)		
				33,415	
					616,895

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Restricted funds

Previous year:

(Continued)

	At 1 April	Incoming Resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March
	2022	resources	expended		2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Foodbank					
Future Proof					
Northfield Neighbourhood					
Network Scheme		13,295	(11,483)	21,000	

					22,812
		100,000		(87,752)	
					12,248
		181,210		(136,408)	
					44,802
Early Help (BVSC)		176,215		(152,763)	
					23,452
Beach Project	20,084				
		107,276		(167,360)	
					40,000
Reaching Communities	163,234				
				(138,590)	
					(20,000)
					4,644
Household Support Fund		313,057		(200,724)	
					(41,000)
					71,333
Digital Lending Library	61,247				
		17,964		(79,211)	
Warm Welcome	5,000				
		1,000		(6,000)	
Pathfinder - Early Help	57,248				
				(57,248)	
Digital Literacy (NNS)		44,924			
				(44,924)	
	306,813				
		954,941		(1,082,463)	
					179,291

Foodbank - provides a 5 day per week food and support service to the most vulnerable, funded through Birmingham City Council and donations

Future Proof - **is** a project for older people helping them to remain in their own homes **for** longer, funded through Birmingham City Council

Northfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme **is** a project supporting community assets to build capacity – funded through Birmingham City Council

Beach Project - Northfield Beach is a free community and Arts festival, funded through the Arts Council

Reaching Communities - funding in respect of salary costs and property rental through the National Lottery

Household Support Fund - a project supporting vulnerable **citizens** through the cost of living crisis

Digital Lending Library - provides support and devices to build digital **skills** to citizens over 50, funded through the Heart of England and Birmingham City **Council**

Warm Welcome **a** fund to provide warm spaces for citizens to have a hot drink and a meal, funded through Birmingham City Council

Early Help - work with families to prevent them entering statutory services. funded **via** Birmingham **City** Council

Pathfinder - part of the the Early Help program, funded through Birmingham Children's Trust

Digital Literacy (NNS) - is a project to build digital capacity amongst community assets Birmingham City Wide, funded through Birmingham City Council

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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18 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been **set** aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for **specific purposes**.

	£	£	£	£	£
	At 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
General funds	117,409	176,957	(214,766)	(33,415)	46,185
Previous year:					
	£ 117,409	£ 66,444	£ (53,974)	£	£

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Analysis of net assets between funds

At 31 March 2024:

Tangible assets

Current **assets**/(liabilities)

Unrestricted
funds

Restricted

	2024	funds	Total
	2024	2024	2024
	£	£	£
	12,511		12,511
	33,674	616,895	650,569
	46,185	616,895	663,080
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	funds	funds	
	2023	2023	2023
	£	£	£
At 31 March 2023:			
Tangible assets	13,005		13,005
Current assets/(liabilities)	104,404	179,291	283,695
	117,409	179,291	296,700

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Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments **for** future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due **as** follows:

Within one year

Between two and five **years**

In over five **years**

21

Related party transactions

2024	2023
£	£
45,033	46,817
127,100	117,667
140,425	175,000

312,558

339,484

Transactions with related parties

During the **year**, the charity made payments of £46,750 (2023: £45,650) to Andrew Clarke, a trustee, who is the landlord of a property leased by Northfield Community Partnership.

During the year, the charity made payments of £59,488 (2023: £0) to Northfield Arts Forum for which Naomi Wood, a trustee, acts as Artistic Director and Facilitator.

A balance of £3,000 (2023: £0) is included within trade creditors as at the balance sheet date, owing to **Naomi** Wood in respect of marketing services provided.

These transactions have been conducted under normal market conditions.

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Cash generated from operations

Surplus/(deficit) for the year

Adjustments for:

Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities

Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets

Movements in working capital:

(Increase)/decrease in debtors

Increase in creditors

Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations

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2024

£

2023

£

366,380	(115,052)
(68,823)	
3,743	(65,444)
	4,335
(23,926)	70,647
44,239	36,684
321,613	(68,830)

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Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no material debt **during** the year.

