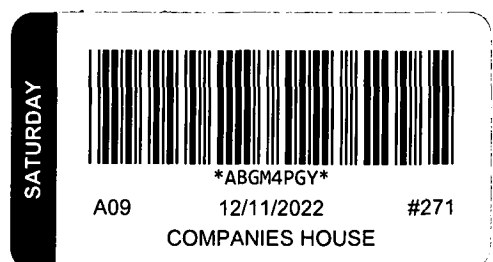


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**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 277927**

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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# **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

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**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**TRUSTEES**

Mr A A Eden (appointed 30.11.2021)  
Ms V Fewkes  
Cllr A Gallagher  
Mr S D O Lancashire  
Ms L McGown  
Ms F J McGregor Treasurer  
Ms V Olisa  
Mr O J Persey  
Mr A Polley  
Mr J Rhodes Chair  
Ms L H Stoy  
Miss K C Thomas (appointed 30.11.2021)  
Mr J Wells (resigned 5.4.2021)

**COMPANY SECRETARY**

Ms S Causer

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## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

Southwark Law Centre was founded in 1976. Our main office is in Peckham. In 2017 a branch office was developed in Lewisham which was recognised as Lewisham Law Centre by the Law Centres Network (LCN) in July 2020. The trustees would like to thank AB Charity, Allen and Overy Foundation, Hogan Lovells LLP, Indigo Charity, The Legal Education Foundation, and London Legal Support Trust for their help in setting up Lewisham Law Centre, and to Citizens Advice Lewisham for hosting the Law Centre's caseworkers.

The objectives set out in the Law Centre's constitution are the relief of poverty, suffering and distress through the provision of free, impartial, and confidential specialist legal advice and representation.

The Law Centre provides specialist legal advice and representation, which is free and of high quality, for those who could not otherwise afford to receive legal services. The Law Centre operates in the areas of discrimination, employment, education, housing, planning and public law, welfare rights, asylum/immigration law, and support with the Windrush Compensation Scheme.

The Law Centre's constitution enables it to take cases from all Greater London Boroughs, but the focus remains mainly for those who live, work or study in the London Boroughs of Southwark and Lewisham. More recently, since the closure of Lambeth Law Centre, casework for residents of Lambeth has increased.

We prioritise cases which involve the prevention of homelessness, destitution, discrimination, breaches of human rights and poverty. We provide training on legal rights for local advice and community agencies. We campaign to influence law, policy and practice and promote human and civil rights.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Significant activities**

During the year the Law Centre provided specialist casework in Southwark and Lewisham, including representation at court, in over 1,500 cases (opening 840 matters between April 2021 and March 2022).

It provided second-tier advice on 332 cases to generalist advice and community organisations.

The Law Centre provided seven training/workshops sessions on social welfare law topics, and planning and regeneration issues, for frontline health and community workers and members of the public reaching over 300 people.

The Law Centre leads or participates in the following partnerships and forums:

##### **- Southwark Legal Advice Network:**

The Network, which is facilitated by Citizens Advice Southwark (CAS), brings together the core advice agencies funded by Southwark Council in order to identify local need for legal advice and strategically plan services.

##### **- Southwark Universal Credit Network, and Strategic Forum**

Funded by United St Saviour's Charity, this is a joint project with CAS and Community Southwark to provide information and training around Universal Credit issues for community agencies in the Borough. A current concern is the planned migration of some of the most vulnerable welfare benefit claimants from legacy benefits onto Universal Credit.

##### **- Housing and Immigration Group:**

Funding from Trust for London enables the Law Centre to coordinate the London-wide Housing and Immigration Group which facilitates the sharing of good practice and information between practitioners and referrals for urgent cases. We would like to thank Trust for London for the continuation of funding for this service.

##### **- Southwark Homelessness Forum:**

The Forum brings together representatives from the voluntary sector and representatives of Southwark Council to try to develop a joined-up approach to tackling issues of homelessness and ensuring policies do not adversely affect local residents. The Law Centre's Executive Director chairs these meetings.

##### **- Quarterly liaison meetings with the Southwark Exchequer Service:**

The Law Centre facilitates and chairs meetings between the core Southwark advice agencies and the Council's Exchequer Service. The aim is to work in partnership particularly around the impact of the pandemic and the cost-of-living increase on tenants ability to pay their rent.

##### **- Forum For Equalities and Human Rights and Equality Human Rights Panel (EHRP)**

The Executive Director of the Law Centre is a member of the EHRP, which acts as a critical friend to Southwark Council, commenting on policy initiatives and equality analysis.

##### **- Regeneration for All Liaison Group**

This group was set up in 2019 to provide a channel for discussion between Southwark Council's planning, public health and community engagement departments, and community agencies leading on planning and regeneration support.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **- Windrush Justice Partnership**

Our project is part of the Windrush Justice Clinics (WJC). The WJC is a collaboration between Southwark Law Centre and North Kensington Law Centre, Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, Greater Manchester Immigration Aid Unit, the University of Westminster Legal Advice Clinic, Kings College University Legal Clinic, London South Bank University Legal Clinic; and community groups, notably the Claudia Jones Organisation, Windrush Lives and the Jigsaw House Society.

Each organisation plays a key role within our three-tier model of support: community engagement, outreach and communications; information and triage; and legal support with more complex applications, particularly those where there is an immigration matter to be resolved.

##### **Public benefit**

The trustees consider that the objectives and activities stated above of the Law Centre provide public benefit within the meaning and terms of the Charities Act 2011.

##### **Volunteers**

During the pandemic the Law Centre had to suspend the office volunteer programme, but has relaunched this in 2022.

In the year 2021/22, 19 students of Kings University London legal department volunteered with the Law Centre, providing support on the Windrush compensation project.

Pro bono support was received from Hogan Lovells to assist in the negotiation of the Law Centre premises lease and to help with the development of the Lewisham Law Centre.

Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner provided pro bono HR support.

Clifford Chance provided assistance on infrastructure issues following the partial return to working in the office and the adoption of an 'Agile Working' policy. Clifford Chance also provided support on the design of the Planning Voice evaluation report.

The Trustees would like to warmly thank Jack Carter Architects and colleagues for their support in considering improvements to our current premises.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **STRATEGIC REPORT**

##### **Achievement and performance**

##### **Charitable activities**

The service the Law Centre provides is casework-based and involves advocacy, preparation for and representation at tribunals, arbitration, and review panels and in the Courts within its specialist areas.

The Law Centre aims to provide support to other agencies which refer cases to it even when it cannot take on particular cases. That support may be telephone advice to assist the referral agency in resolving the problem without the client seeing a lawyer, or help in finding other sources of advice from groups such as the Southwark Housing Lawyers Group or the Housing and Immigration Group.

##### **Areas of Law**

##### **Employment**

In 2021/22 the Law Centre provided advice in 63 employment cases, continuing to provide a regular telephone outreach session for clients referred by Citizens Advice Southwark.

Demand for high quality employment advice has increased as a result of the impact of the pandemic.

##### **Discrimination**

The Law Centre holds a Legal Aid contract to provide discrimination casework.

We aim to identify issues of discrimination across all our areas of work.

##### **Education**

In 2021, in response to identified need, the Law Centre began to develop capacity to provide education advice on areas such as school exclusion and access to Specialist Education and Disability Needs. An advisory group has been set up involving frontline agencies and local parents.

Our approach has been to build on the knowledge and expertise already present within the community. Funding has been secured from the Baring Foundation for the Law Centre to act as a legal hub for education issues. In addition, the Trustees would like to thank the Strategic Legal Fund for support to explore challenges around internal exclusions and SEND support for migrant children.

##### **Housing**

Housing remains one of the main advice needs in Southwark and Lewisham. In the year 2021/22 the Law Centre dealt with 463 cases.

The Law Centre specialises in cases involving homelessness, possession, eviction, disrepair and asylum support law.

The eviction ban imposed during the pandemic was lifted in May 2021. Due to court backlogs and the approach of social landlords, it is only one year on from the ban being lifted that there has been a significant increase in possession hearings. These are expected to continue to rise throughout 2022. The actual levels of arrears that tenants now routinely have is higher than the Law Centre has ever seen, sometimes running into tens of thousands of pounds. This, combined with the cost-of-living increases, is causing a crisis for tenants on low incomes.

In November 2020 the Law Centre received funding from Urban Health, part of the Guy's and St Thomas' Charity, to work on a project in partnership with Kineara, a social enterprise which provides holistic support for vulnerable tenants in the private rented sector. In the period 2021/22 the project helped 38 private tenants.

Since February 2022 the Law Centre has worked with Citizens Advice Southwark on a project to set up a support group for private renters. The Law Centre's role has been to encourage engagement and to provide 'Know your Rights' workshops.

The Law Centre is funded by Trust for London to provide housing advice for destitute migrants. The Law Centre has provided specialist second-tier advice to local frontline agencies to improve triaging for this client group, and enabled sharing of best practice through administrating and co-ordinating the Housing and Immigration Group (HIG).

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **Community Care**

The Law Centre carries out community care work linked to its housing cases, particularly in the areas of homelessness and 'Section 17' support for destitute families who have been given 'No Recourse to Public Funds' status because of problems with their immigration status. Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 (S.17) gives local authorities the power to provide accommodation and financial support to families with 'children in need', even if they have no recourse to public funds.

#### **Asylum and Immigration**

In the year 2021/22 Southwark and Lewisham Law Centres dealt with 235 immigration and asylum cases.

It prioritises cases for vulnerable people such as children, young people, people at risk of gender violence and people with mental and physical health problems. Many of the clients are homeless and destitute.

In 2020/21 the Law Centre received funding and worked in partnership with Southwark Council to provide urgent immigration advice for the rough sleepers with No Recourse to Public Funds ('NRPF') that the council had housed as part of the 'Everyone In' initiative. Over 70 people were assisted as part of this project. In addition, Greenwich Council also provided a grant for similar work on a smaller scale. London Councils has now consolidated this funding and a 3-year grant has been awarded from July 2022. The Law Centre is the Southeast London sub-regional lead, and will work in partnership with Lewisham Refugee and Migrant Network.

The Law Centre has received continued funding from Lewisham Council to take referrals for specialist immigration advice for families and individuals supported by Lewisham's NRPF team.

In 2021/22 the Law Centre has continued the partnership immigration casework project with Action for Refugees in Lewisham funded by Trust for London.

**Homeless Patients Legal Advocacy Service:** A project which provides casework and representation for homeless patients in partnership with the homeless teams at Guy's and St Thomas' hospitals, won second place in the 2021 London Homeless Awards. Funding from January 2022 has been provided by the GSTT Hospital Trust. The project was originally funded by the Samaritan fund, part of the GSTT Charity. Vicky Ling, an independent consultant, carried out an evaluation of year 2 of this project:

<https://www.southwarklawcentre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/HLPAS-Year-2->

As a result of the successful outcomes this project has demonstrated in terms not only of benefits for very vulnerable patients but savings to the NHS, a similar project will be funded to support homeless patients attending Lewisham Hospital in 2022.

During 2021/22 the Law Centre continued to receive funding from the Home Office and from Lambeth and Southwark Councils to provide assistance with more complex applications for settlement from vulnerable EEA nationals. The Law Centre works in partnership with New Europeans and Citizens Advice Southwark on the Home Office funded project and with Citizens Advice Merton and Lambeth and Indoamerican Refugee and Migrant Organisation on the Lambeth element of the project. Despite the deadline for applications being 30 June 2021, there is still significant demand for specialist casework for some of the most vulnerable EEA nationals such as those in care homes or lacking mental capacity.

The Law Centre continues to work with the South London Refugee Association (SLRA), to provide targeted consultancy support for their staff. SLRA has led a partnership involving the Law Centre and Project 17 which has been awarded funding from the Justice Together programme. This project started in July 2022.

Funding from Children in Need to provide immigration advice for children and young people ended in March 2022. The Law Centre will reapply later in 2022.

In 2021/22 the Law Centre continued their partnership with Project 17 funded by Trust for London to provide specialist immigration advice for families with No Recourse to Public Funds.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

Representatives of the Law Centre attend regular King's Health Partnership Pathways team meetings in King's, Guy's, SLAM (South London and Maudsley) and St Thomas' hospitals to provide second-tier immigration advice and support for the homeless support teams funded by the Pathway project.

#### **Windrush Compensation Scheme**

In the Autumn of 2021, the Law Centre was awarded funding from AB Charity, Allen and Overy Foundation and Paul Hamlyn Foundation to begin to provide casework help for victims of the Windrush scandal. The funding enables the Law Centre to employ a part time solicitor to assist with compensation claims and associated immigration advice. It also enables the Law Centre to employ a project coordinator to oversee the wider Windrush Justice Clinic partnership. The Law Centre also has funding from Kings College London to provide support for law students volunteering with this project.

#### **Welfare Rights**

In 2021/22 the Law Centre dealt with 51 welfare rights cases. It specialises in appeals to the First Tier Tribunal (Social Security and Asylum Support), Upper Tribunal, and Judicial Review cases. Legal Aid is rarely available for welfare rights cases and the Law Centre's casework was largely funded thanks to the important Southwark Council contract.

The Law Centre aims to provide training for frontline workers as part of the Universal Credit Network in Southwark.

#### **Planning Voice**

The overall aim of this innovative project is to support and empower local people particularly those from economically and socially disadvantaged communities, to be able to influence developments affecting the environment they live in. In the 1970s and 1980s the Law Centre provided legal advice on planning issues at a time of huge redevelopment in the Borough. In order to respond to local needs, it has been identified that this is an area where the Law Centre should once again support residents.

Initial 3-year funding from United St Saviours Charity enabled Southwark Law Centre to employ a three day per week caseworker to provide group training sessions on planning issues and one-to-one support for local residents, including advocacy and drafting representations. In January 2020 the Law Centre was awarded 3-year funding from the National Lottery which has enabled the planning solicitor post to become full time and to cover a wider area of Southwark. In 2022 the National Lottery provided some additional funding which has enabled the Law Centre to employ a part-time information support officer.

#### **Public Law**

The Law Centre has a small number of Legal Aid Matter Starts in this area. It is important that it maintains its ability to challenge unreasonable decisions made by public bodies.

In the year 2021/22 the Law Centre carried out 11 public law challenges.

#### **Financial review**

##### **Financial position**

The Law Centre's gross income was higher this year at £1,580,961 against £1,514,756 last year, an increase of £66,205. Higher outlay on resources expended, up from £1,409,288 to £1,644,157 resulted in net outgoing resources of £63,196 against £105,468 net incoming resources for the previous year. At the year end restricted funds were £31,039 (2021 - £54,996), whilst unrestricted income funds amounted to £607,729 against £646,968 in the previous year, of which £200,000 (2021 - £280,000) has been designated.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **STRATEGIC REPORT**

##### **Financial review**

##### **Principal funding sources**

Legal Aid funding accounts for around 25% of income, the contract with Southwark Council 10%, with the remainder coming from Charitable grants, donations and a contract with Lewisham Council to provide immigration advice.

The Law Centre acknowledges with gratitude the generosity of those who give it grant funding.

The total amount of funding received from Southwark Council in respect of the specialist advice contract was £172,412.

The amount recorded in the financial statements is the net amount due to the Law Centre after payments made to Cambridge House Law Centre and Migrant Legal Action, which are partner organisations with the Law Centre in the specialist contract with the Borough.

Whilst the Trustees remain grateful for this significant longstanding support it is noted that the contract funding has reduced significantly and there has been no cost-of-living increase for many years.

The Law Centre holds Legal Aid contracts in housing, debt and welfare benefits, public law, discrimination, immigration and asylum law at Southwark Law Centre, with separate housing contract and a discrimination law contracts at Lewisham Law Centre.

The Law Centre is also very grateful to all its other significant funders and supporters, which include:

AB Charity, Access to Justice Foundation, Action for Refugees in Lewisham, Allen and Overy, Children in Need, City Bridge Trust, Hogan Lovells Solicitors, The Home Office, Indigo Charity, Kings Health Partnership (Pathway), Law Centre Network, The Legal Education Foundation, London Legal Support Trust, National Lottery, Paul Hamlyn Foundation, Project 17, South London Refugee Association Trust for London, United St Saviours Charity, Urban Health, and the Walcot Foundation. All of these, along with generous individual supporters, enable us to provide critical help to a wide range of vulnerable clients.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **STRATEGIC REPORT**

##### **Financial review**

##### **Reserves policy**

The Law Centre's reserves have been set in accordance with the Law Centre's reserve policy, which is formulated pursuant to Charity Commission guidance. Best practice suggests that the Law Centre should have an appropriate proportion of its annual outgoings available by way of reserves, and the level of the Law Centre's reserves is regularly monitored by the trustees.

As part of our Financial Management processes, the Board of Trustees has set a target of working towards accumulating and maintaining a reserve fund which represents three months annual operating costs. This amount is reflective of general good practice in the Charity Sector and is even more important in light of the current inflation rates and cost of living increases. In the financial year 2022/23 this would amount to approximately £500,000. These reserves enable the Law Centre to deal with the following contingencies:-

- Reductions in or withdrawal of grant funding
- Reduction in Legal Aid earned income
- In the event of closure, three months running costs to wind up the organisation and pay redundancies, leasehold and other liabilities

In addition we wish to set aside the following amounts :

- £100,000 in anticipation of a move from our current premises
- £50,000 for unforeseen staffing issues;
- £50,000 fund for replacing essential equipment such as telephones or IT.

The total amount of reserves we therefore like to aim for over the year is £700,000.

This policy is reviewed at least annually when the Trustee Board considers the end of-year projections and the audited accounts.

The Trustee Board reviews the overall financial position of the Law Centre at least every three months and records the outcome of their review in the minutes of their meeting.

Policy reviewed and updated: 14th September 2022.

##### **Future plans**

The Law Centre will continue to build on its wide range of experience and deliver the highest quality legal advice to the population of South East London as far as resources allow.

A key challenge for the Law Centre in the coming year is to identify more suitable premises for the Peckham office.

The Trustee Board and staff met in March 2022 to discuss and review the Law Centre's business plan.

The Law Centre has agreed the following key objectives for the period 2022/23:

- Achieve a workforce and Trustee Board that is representative of the diverse communities that live and work within South East London;
- \* Ensure that service delivery is sensitive to users' needs
- \* Ensure we maintain a supportive atmosphere for all members of staff and volunteers
- \* Continue to develop Lewisham Law Centre
- Maintain and develop capacity to provide specialist casework and representation in all the areas of law we currently offer
- \* Continue to ensure that local residents have a voice in planning issues;
- \* Extend capacity to provide employment casework
- \* Maintain and develop infrastructure and administration to underpin all our work

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

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

##### **Governing document**

The Law Centre 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.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

All the trustees who are recruited live or work within the Law Centre's area of benefit. The recruitment of trustees is through advertising with volunteer support agencies, adverts on our website, contact with local community organisations, advice agencies and legal providers in the area of benefit. The Law Centre also encourages former clients and volunteers to be members of the charity and to consider joining the Trustee Board. Prospective trustees are invited to attend and observe at trustees' meetings and are recruited on the basis of relevant skills, experience and knowledge. An annual skills and attendance audit is carried out.

The trustees retire from office on a rotational basis (one third each year at the Annual General Meeting, based on length of service), but may stand for re-election.

##### **Organisational structure**

The Trustee Board meets approximately every two months to oversee the strategic management of the organisation. The trustees met ten times during 2021/22 including meeting with staff for two business planning events, and two training sessions.

The Human Resources sub-committee meets at least quarterly, and reports to the Trustee Board. During 2021/22 the finance sub met approximately monthly to monitor our financial position including cash flow.

In recognition of the need for expert support the trustees have appointed a 2 day per week finance officer on a self-employed basis.

Day-to-day management of the Law Centre is delegated to the Executive Director, Sally Causer, who works full-time. We have a Senior Management Team which includes the Senior Solicitors for Immigration, Housing and Employment. The Senior Solicitors are accountable to the Solicitors Regulation Authority for the conduct of legal cases, and providing day to day supervision of casework. Individual staff specialists provide legal supervision in their areas of specialisation: Housing, Employment, Immigration and Welfare Rights Law.

All members of the company, who include members of the Trustee Board, undertake to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 each in the event that the company is wound up while they are members, or within one year of cessation of membership.

##### **Induction and training of new trustees**

All new trustees have an induction meeting with the Director to observe the work of the Law Centre. All trustees receive full details of the policies and procedures of the Law Centre.

##### **Key management remuneration**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Key management compensation in year	<b><u>69,066</u></b>	<b><u>67,466</u></b>

The remuneration is the total sum of the salaries, social security contributions and pension costs paid to, and in respect of, the Executive Director. No payments were made to any of the trustees for their management responsibilities.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the year ended 31 March 2022**

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

##### **Risk management**

The trustees are keenly aware that their responsibilities include the duty to plan for the future and to prepare the Law Centre for the risks and opportunities they have identified beyond the current financial year.

The Law Centre reviews an annual operational risk assessment and a business continuity plan.

Risks include loss of funding, loss of key staff and failure to perform on grants and contracts.

The Law Centre has developed a separate detailed risk assessment for the Lewisham service.

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

The trustees (who are also the directors of Southwark Law Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Report of the trustees, incorporating a Strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 14/19/2022 and signed on the board's behalf by:

  
Mr J Rhodes - Trustee

## **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Southwark Law Centre (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Cash flow statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 2022 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.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### **Other information**

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the independent auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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

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

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

## **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

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

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the independent auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and error, we considered the following:

- the nature of the industry, control environment and business performance;
- results of our enquiries to management about their own assessment of the risks of fraud and error;
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud may occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

Our procedures to respond to risk include the following:

- reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected areas that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud or error;
- addressing the risk of fraud and error through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journals, assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF  
SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Paul Allan BSocSc FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of Berringers LLP

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Date: 14/9/22

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>						
Donations and legacies	2	75,522	-	-	75,522	13,717
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
Legal representation	4	875,485	-	629,939	1,505,424	1,500,831
Investment income	3	15	-	-	15	208
<b>Total</b>		<b>951,022</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>629,939</b>	<b>1,580,961</b>	<b>1,514,756</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities</b>						
Legal representation	5	990,261	-	653,896	1,644,157	1,409,288
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>(39,239)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(23,957)</b>	<b>(63,196)</b>	<b>105,468</b>
Transfers between funds	14	80,000	(80,000)	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>40,761</b>	<b>(80,000)</b>	<b>(23,957)</b>	<b>(63,196)</b>	<b>105,468</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>						
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		<b>366,968</b>	<b>280,000</b>	<b>54,996</b>	<b>701,964</b>	<b>596,496</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>407,729</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>31,039</b>	<b>638,768</b>	<b>701,964</b>

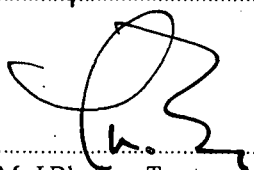
The notes form part of these financial statements

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**BALANCE SHEET  
31 March 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
Tangible assets	11	680	-	-	680	907
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>						
Debtors	12	439,467	-	14,807	454,274	477,210
Cash at bank and in hand		104,083	200,000	122,785	426,868	451,843
		<u>543,550</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>137,592</u>	<u>881,142</u>	<u>929,053</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>						
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(136,501)	-	(106,553)	(243,054)	(227,996)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>407,049</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>31,039</u>	<u>638,088</u>	<u>701,057</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>407,729</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>31,039</u>	<u>638,768</u>	<u>701,964</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>407,729</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>31,039</u>	<u>638,768</u>	<u>701,964</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	14					
Unrestricted funds					607,729	646,968
Restricted funds					31,039	54,996
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					<u>638,768</u>	<u>701,964</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 14/19/2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

  
Mr J Rhodes - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
for the year ended 31 March 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>(22,129)</u>	<u>196,456</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(22,129)</u>	<u>196,456</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		<u>(2,861)</u>	<u>-</u>
Interest received		<u>15</u>	<u>208</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		<u>(2,846)</u>	<u>208</u>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>		<u>(24,975)</u>	<u>196,664</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		<u>451,843</u>	<u>255,179</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<u><u>426,868</u></u>	<u><u>451,843</u></u>

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# SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the year ended 31 March 2022

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

	2022 £	2021 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of financial activities)	(63,196)	105,468
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	3,088	303
Interest received	(15)	(208)
Decrease in debtors	22,936	32,957
Increase in creditors	15,058	57,936
<b>Net cash (used in)/provided by operations</b>	<b>(22,129)</b>	<b>196,456</b>

### 2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.21 £	Cash flow £	At 31.3.22 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	451,843	(24,975)	426,868
	451,843	(24,975)	426,868
<b>Total</b>	<b>451,843</b>	<b>(24,975)</b>	<b>426,868</b>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

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 revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Such income is only deferred where the donor specifies that the grant or donation can be used in a future accounting period, or the donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Income from charitable activities includes income received under contract or where entitlement to grant funding is subject to performance conditions is recognised as earned. Grant income included in this category provides funding to support advice/performance activities and is recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Contract and performance related grant income is deferred when received in advance of the performance of event to which they relate.

Turnover is measured at fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for services provided in the normal course of business, net of VAT.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities include both the direct and support costs relating to these activities. All support costs relate to unrestricted charitable activities.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

##### **Tangible fixed assets**

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

Fixtures and fittings	-25% on reducing balance
Law library	-25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	-100% on cost

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in Note 14 on the financial statements.

##### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

##### **Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

The Centre participates in a Local Authority pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. It is therefore not possible to identify the assets and liabilities for participating employees.

##### **Going concern**

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will remain a going concern and the accounts have been prepared on that basis. Currently, the Centre has stabilised the income from Legal cases, additional grants have been secured and costs have risen only slightly. The trustees will continue to monitor the situation.

#### **2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations	<b>75,522</b>	<b>13,717</b>

#### **3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Deposit account interest	<b>15</b>	<b>208</b>

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
for the year ended 31 March 2022

**4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

		2022	2021
	Activity	£	£
Grants	Legal representation	861,510	932,696
Legal Aid Contract & Representation	Legal representation	395,226	331,278
Prize award	Legal representation	20,000	-
Specialist contracts	Legal representation	228,688	236,857
		<u>1,505,424</u>	<u>1,500,831</u>

**Specialist contract with Southwark Council**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Contract monies received from Southwark Council	336,000	338,800
Grant partners paid	(168,547)	(170,107)
	<u>167,453</u>	<u>168,693</u>

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Lewisham Immigration Specialist Contract</b>	<u>58,734</u>	<u>58,164</u>

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Lambeth Council EU Settlement Scheme</b>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Baring Foundation Project</b>		
Grant partners paid	<u>(7,500)</u>	<u>-</u>

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Southwark Council	-	13,000
Charities Aid Foundation	-	17,815
National Lottery Community Fund	75,073	65,295
Children in Need	20,000	40,000
Trust for London	22,500	30,000
AB Charitable Trust	45,417	7,500
City Bridge Trust	-	10,630
Kings Health Partnership Pathway	12,000	11,716
London Legal Support Trust	10,744	21,771
Project 17	23,178	16,763
United St Saviours Charity	14,440	24,788
Law Centres Network	-	201,000
	<u>223,352</u>	<u>460,278</u>
Carried forward		

# SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2022

### 4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - continued

	2022 £	2021 £
Brought forward	223,352	460,278
The Legal Education Foundation	61,376	118,235
Access to Justice	30,000	5,400
EU Commission	-	23,321
South London Refugee Association	3,000	-
Guy's & St Thomas' Charity	40,000	40,000
The Indigo Trust	103,000	37,000
Allen & Overy Foundation	10,000	7,000
The Home Office	76,172	57,246
Action for Refugees in Lewisham	33,538	16,232
Cin Booster for Migrant Children	-	3,100
Walcot Foundation	-	18,338
Westminster Foundation	-	5,259
Guys & St Thomas Samaritan Project	79,417	33,451
Wave 3 Covid-19 emergency fund	-	29,836
Southwark Immigration Advice	49,283	78,000
Greenwich Council	17,816	-
Strategic Legal Fund	12,530	-
Southwark Council EU Settlement Scheme	68,526	-
King's College London	20,000	-
Paul Hamlyn Foundation	33,500	-
	<u>861,510</u>	<u>932,696</u>

### 5. PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Legal representation	<u>1,491,033</u>	<u>153,124</u>	<u>1,644,157</u>

### 6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Finance £	Other £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Legal representation	<u>2,721</u>	<u>141,803</u>	<u>8,600</u>	<u>153,124</u>

# **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2022**

### **7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£</b>	£
Auditors' remuneration	<b>8,600</b>	7,200
Depreciation - owned assets	<b>3,087</b>	303
Other operating leases	<b>2,721</b>	3,460
	<u><b>14,408</b></u>	<u>10,963</u>

### **8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

#### **Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

### **9. STAFF COSTS**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£</b>	£
Wages and salaries	<b>1,051,938</b>	920,811
Social security costs	<b>108,421</b>	91,991
Other pension costs	<b>233,591</b>	198,966
	<u><b>1,393,950</b></u>	<u>1,211,768</u>

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
Legal advice	<b>25</b>	23
Administration	<b>8</b>	6
	<u><b>33</b></u>	<u>29</u>

The number of employees who received emoluments in excess of £60,000 was 1 (2021: 1).

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**10. CLIENT BANK ACCOUNTS**

	2022 £	2021 £
Monies held in client bank accounts	<u>164,555</u>	<u>120,821</u>
Monies due to clients	<u>164,555</u>	<u>120,821</u>

**11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £	Law library £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2021	32,004	8,650	39,283	79,937
Additions	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,860</u>	<u>2,860</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>32,004</u>	<u>8,650</u>	<u>42,143</u>	<u>82,797</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2021	31,099	8,648	39,283	79,030
Charge for year	<u>226</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2,860</u>	<u>3,087</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>31,325</u>	<u>8,649</u>	<u>42,143</u>	<u>82,117</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2022	<u>679</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>680</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>905</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>907</u>

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

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	419,086	434,397
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>35,188</u>	<u>42,813</u>
	<u>454,274</u>	<u>477,210</u>

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
for the year ended 31 March 2022

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	32,145	27,806
VAT	23,641	18,361
Accrued expenses	65,715	52,362
Deferred income	121,553	129,467
	<u>243,054</u>	<u>227,996</u>

**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	366,968	(39,239)	80,000	407,729
Staff Contingency fund	80,000	-	(30,000)	50,000
Equipment fund	70,000	-	(20,000)	50,000
Lease and premises fund	130,000	-	(30,000)	100,000
	<u>646,968</u>	<u>(39,239)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>607,729</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Partnership with Project 17	-	14,807	-	14,807
Homeless Patients Legal Advocacy Fund	16,726	(16,726)	-	-
Access to Justice	3,700	(3,700)	-	-
Action for Refugees	16,232	-	-	16,232
Walcot Foundation	18,338	(18,338)	-	-
	<u>54,996</u>	<u>(23,957)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,039</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>701,964</u>	<u>(63,196)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>638,768</u>

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	951,021	(990,260)	(39,239)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Migrant Housing Advice Project	15,000	(15,000)	-
Migrant Children & Young People's Project	20,000	(20,000)	-
Partnership with Project 17	23,178	(8,371)	14,807
Universal Credit Mitigation Project	9,896	(9,896)	-
Planning Voice Project	79,617	(79,617)	-
Justice First Fellowship	31,376	(31,376)	-
Homeless Patients Legal Advocacy Fund	119,417	(136,143)	(16,726)
EU Settlement Application Fund	80,445	(80,445)	-
Access to Justice	-	(3,700)	(3,700)
Action for Refugees	33,538	(33,538)	-
Walcot Foundation	-	(18,338)	(18,338)
The Indigo Trust	50,000	(50,000)	-
Windrush Justice Project	63,500	(63,500)	-
AB Charitable Trust	22,917	(22,917)	-
Strategic Legal Fund	12,530	(12,530)	-
Southwark Council EU Settlement Scheme	68,526	(68,526)	-
	<u>629,940</u>	<u>(653,897)</u>	<u>(23,957)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>1,580,961</u></u>	<u><u>(1,644,157)</u></u>	<u><u>(63,196)</u></u>

**SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	368,996	77,972	(80,000)	366,968
Staff Contingency fund	50,000	-	30,000	80,000
Equipment fund	50,000	-	20,000	70,000
Lease and premises fund	100,000	-	30,000	130,000
	<u>568,996</u>	<u>77,972</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>646,968</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Migrant Housing Advice Project	20,000	(20,000)	-	-
Migrant Children & Young People's Project	7,500	(7,500)	-	-
Homeless Patients Legal Advocacy Fund	-	16,726	-	16,726
Access to Justice	-	3,700	-	3,700
Action for Refugees	-	16,232	-	16,232
Walcot Foundation	-	18,338	-	18,338
	<u>27,500</u>	<u>27,496</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,996</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>596,496</u>	<u>105,468</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>701,964</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	1,317,671	(1,239,699)	77,972
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Migrant Housing Advice Project	-	(20,000)	(20,000)
Migrant Children & Young People's Project	-	(7,500)	(7,500)
Justice First Fellowship	88,235	(88,235)	-
Homeless Patients Legal Advocacy Fund	16,726	-	16,726
EU Settlement Application Fund	51,308	(51,308)	-
EU Latin American Mobility & Participation Project	846	(846)	-
Access to Justice	5,400	(1,700)	3,700
Action for Refugees	16,232	-	16,232
Walcot Foundation	18,338	-	18,338
	<u>197,085</u>	<u>(169,589)</u>	<u>27,496</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,514,756</u>	<u>(1,409,288)</u>	<u>105,468</u>

Restricted monies are carried forward to be utilised in the next financial year.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

##### **Restricted**

**AB Charitable Trust:** funding for an Immigration Caseworker at the Windrush Justice Clinic

**Action for Refugees in Lewisham:** Funding for solicitor costs to provide immigration advice for families in Lewisham.

**The Home Office:** funding to provide support on EU settlement applications.

**Guys & St Thomas Samaritan Project:** funds provided for housing and immigration advice for homeless patients.

**Urban Health: Guys & St Thomas Charity:** funding to provide legal support for low income private tenants whose ability to pay rent has been affected by Covid-19.

**The Indigo Trust:** funding for immigration and housing casework and representation at Lewisham Law Centre.

**The Legal Education Foundation:** Justice First Fellowship Training funding towards the salary and supervision of two trainee solicitors.

**Children in Need:** The funding contributes to the salary and related costs of a solicitor to provide immigration advice for young migrants.

**Trust for London:** The funding for Migrant Housing Project and contributes to the salary of a solicitor to provide housing and community care advice for destitute migrants.

**Project 17:** The funding from Trust for London contributes to the salary of a solicitor to provide immigration advice for destitute migrant families with young children.

**The National Lottery Community Fund:** The funding for Planning Voice project which provides for a full time caseworker whose role is to support and empower local people to participate in decisions around major redevelopments in Southwark.

**Strategic Legal Fund:** funding for pre-litigation work to address race discrimination in schools.

**Southwark Council EU Settlement Scheme:** funding to provide access to the EU Settlement Scheme for Southwark residents.

**United St Saviours Charity:** provides funding for Southwark Law Centre to jointly coordinate the Southwark Universal Credit Network in partnership with Citizens Advice Southwark and Community Southwark. A second grant for funding for a housing and welfare rights paralegal.

**Walcot Foundation:** funding for a housing paralegal.

**Windrush Justice Clinic:** funding from Allen and Overy Foundation, Paul Hamlyn Foundation and King's College London to offer legal advice to victims of the Windrush scandal.

##### **Unrestricted**

**Access to Justice:** funding for core costs.

**AB Charitable Trust:** funding for core costs.

**Allen and Overy Foundation:** funding for an immigration paralegal.

**Charities Aid Foundation:** core funding to assist with Covid-19 contingencies.

## **SOUTHWARK LAW CENTRE**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**City Bridge Trust:** funding towards the salary and related costs of two part time welfare rights workers to provide a service to Lambeth residents.

**Children in Need Booster for Migrant Children:** funding for additional staff to support and represent migrant children and young people who are isolated due to Covid-19.

**EU Commission:** funding from the Home Office for supporting vulnerable and at-risk citizens to enable them to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme.

**Law Centres Network:** Community Justice funding.

**The Legal Education Foundation:** funding for core costs.

**The Indigo Trust:** funding for Lewisham Law Centre

**London Legal Support Trust:** core funding as part of the 'Centre of Excellence' project, and funding to expand work with homeless migrants.

**Kings Health Partnership Pathway:** funding for training and second tier advice for health professionals.

**Westminster Foundation:** funding for equipment to enable staff to work from home during the pandemic.

**Wave 3 Covid-19 emergency fund:** funding for a short term immigration advice and training project with Southwark Day Centres for Asylum Seekers.

**South London Refugee Association:** funding for second tier advice.

**Southwark Council:** funding for Covid-19 support.

**Southwark Council Immigration Advice:** funding for immigration advice for homeless people.

**Greenwich Council:** funding for an immigration solicitor providing immigration advice for homeless people.

#### **15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.