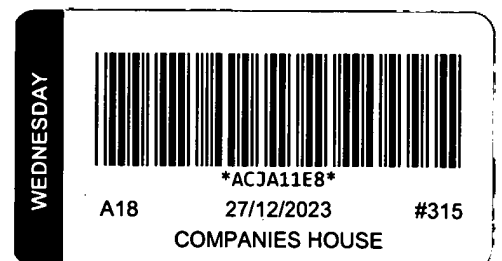


CENTRE FOR JUSTICE

(A company limited by guarantee)

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2023**

Company Number: 6506102



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COMPANY INFORMATION

Status	The organisation is a company limited by guarantee, governed by memorandum and articles of association and incorporated on 18 th February 2008.
Company number	6506102
Registered address and operation address	131 – 133 Cannon Street, London EC4N 5AX
Board of directors	Guy Dehn Anthony Hurndall Peter Newey Elizabeth Reeve Eric Xuereb
Company secretary and Treasurer	Mark Young FCA
Bankers	Lloyds TSB Bank Plc Law Courts Branch 222 Strand London EC4

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Company information on page 1 forms part of the report.

Structure, governance and management

Constitution

Centre for Justice was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 18th February 2008. The liability of each member of the company in the event of its winding up is limited to £1 per member. The company is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

The Board

The members of the board are the directors of the company for Companies Act purposes. They are appointed by its members in accordance with its memorandum and articles of association. The board is responsible for Centre for Justice's compliance with appropriate statutory requirements. It meets four times a year. It is responsible for financial and general management.

The board draws on experience from all sectors:

Guy Dehn is a barrister and has spent many years in the third sector, having been chief executive of the successful charity Public Concern at Work. He is currently chief executive of Witness Confidential.

Peter Newey has been a director of Lazards and was chief executive of Hornby Plc before moving into the third sector with the Eden Project.

Eric Xuereb is a solicitor who has been in senior management and head of legal to a number of different local authorities in the South East.

Anthony Hurndall is a City lawyer who started with Mckenna and co (now CMS Cameron Mckenna) and has been a partner with leading firms Ashurst and SRT (now Stephenson Harwood).

Elizabeth Reeve has a background in medical science and administration and has been responsible for the general management of the company since 2008 and of Civil Justice since 2006.

Mark Young has been a director and accountant to a number of companies in the insurance sector and at Lloyds.

Staff

The day to day operation of the company is carried out by the company's staff under the management of its executive directors, Anthony Hurndall and Elizabeth Reeve. Financial matters are overseen by the Treasurer.

The board regularly reviews the risks that the company may face and establishes systems and procedures to mitigate these risks.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT CONTINUED

Centre for Justice has no other formal or legal relationship with any organisation other than its members. This is to preserve its independence and freedom from the control or influence of any one stakeholder or interest group in accordance with its principles of impartiality.

Objectives and activities

CfJ's works to improve access to justice and provide better and fairer dispute resolution - through research, development and innovation.

Since it was established CfJ has carried out research into the different methods of resolving disputes and making justice available quickly, affordably and reliably. It has in particular looked at the role and benefits of ADR, alternative dispute resolution, and has trialed and promoted a model of ADR which combines the benefits of different methods.

As a result of its work, CfJ is reviewing its role and approach to concentrate on the research and evaluation of dispute resolution methods and institutions with a view to making recommendations and proposals backed by its experience and evidence obtained.

This year its activities remain been scaled back to reflect its financial and personnel resources available, but these activities are to be reviewed to achieve a revised role concentrating on its research and advisory role.

Access to Justice and the future

In view of the present obstacles to ADR and the problems with access to access to justice, CfJ will, in particular, be exploring whether civil justice in the UK would be improved by other means and approaches and the question whether parties should be allowed a right to use ADR.

Review of financial developments

CfJ has been provided with financial support through its members, Civil Justice and Effective Justice Trust, and does not rely on government grants. It is grateful to have been provided with support by Esmée Fairbairn Foundation.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period in accordance with applicable law. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice 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 company will continue in business

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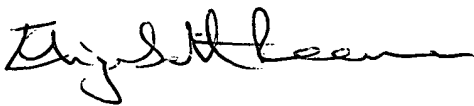
DIRECTORS' REPORT CONTINUED

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Directors

The current directors who served throughout the year are shown on page 1. The board currently consists of five directors, two of whom are executive directors. Members of the board have no beneficial interest in the company.

Approved by the board and signed on its behalf:



Elizabeth Reeve
Director

Dated: 22/12/2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (incorporating income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31ST MARCH 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Incoming resources	46,200	80,840
Resources expended	3,654	3,849
Net (outgoing) resources	<hr/> 42,546	<hr/> 76,991
Fund balance brought forward at 1 April	-125,649	-202,640
Total funds carried forward at 31 March	<hr/> <hr/> £ -83,103	<hr/> <hr/> £ -125,649

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST MARCH 2023

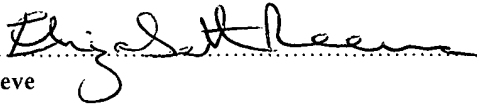
	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Intangible Assets		0	0
Tangible Assets		0	0
Investments		0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	2	0	10
Cash at bank and in hand		2,266	1,710
		<u>2,266</u>	<u>1,720</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	3	30	30
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>2,236</u>	<u>1,690</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,236	1,690
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	4	85,339	127,339
NET ASSETS		<u>£ -83,103</u>	<u>£ -125,649</u>
RESERVES			
Profit and loss account		-83,103	-125,649
		<u>£ -83,103</u>	<u>£ -125,649</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities, effective April 2008.

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 Companies Act 2006, and no notice has been deposited under section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 21 December 2023 and signed on their behalf by:


 Director
 E J Reeve

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31ST MARCH 2023

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities, effective April 2008.

2 Debtors

	2023	2022
Taxes and other social security costs	0	10
Other	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>

3 Creditors, amounts falling due within one year

Taxes and other social security costs	30	30
Other	0	0
	<u>30</u>	<u>30</u>

4 Amounts falling due after more than one year

85,339	127,339
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This loan has been provided in accordance funding arrangements with the Effective Justice Trust and Civil Justice, which are members of the company.