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**Inverness Badenoch and
Strathspey Citizens
Advice Bureau**

**Company Limited
by Guarantee**

Financial Statements

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2022

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Inverness Badenoch and Strathspey Citizens Advice Bureau
Charity registration number	SC003951
Company registration number	SC136118
Principal office and registered office	29-31 Union Street Inverness IV1 1QA Scotland

The trustees

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G Carter	
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Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 21 January 1992. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Appointment of Board of Directors

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the board are re-elected at each Annual General Meeting.

Trustee Induction and Training

Most of the Trustees are familiar with the aims and principles of the service and have been encouraged to visit the bureaux. In addition, the Scottish Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux organises specific courses and training sessions covering:-

- The obligations of Trustees and Directors Annual Training
- Employment Procedures
- Financial Management
- Future Planning

The Board ensures that part of its regular executive meetings have a training element attached to the proceedings.

Organisational Structure

The Board meets approximately every 6 weeks and is responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

Operational services are conducted from 3 main sites as well as through home visiting or telephone.

Operational matters are delegated to paid staff and performance and results reviewed by the Board.

Risk Management

The Board reviews at regular intervals all aspects of its exposure including:-

- Governance risks - e.g. inappropriate organisational structure, difficulties recruiting trustees with relevant skills, conflict of interest;
- Operational risks- e.g. service quality and development, contract pricing, employment issues; health and safety issues; fraud and misappropriation;
- Financial risks- e.g. accuracy and timeliness of financial information, adequacy of reserves and cash flow, diversity of income sources, investment management;
- External risks- e.g. public perception and adverse publicity, demographic changes, government policy.
- Compliance with law and regulation- e.g. breach of trust law, employment law, and regulative requirements of particular activities such as fund-raising or the running of care facilities.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The organisation is fully dependent on grants and contracts for income and the reduction in funding from Central and Local Government to the Bureau resulted in the Board and Staff taking necessary action to plan for financial stability and sustainability. On an ongoing basis the main risk facing the organisation will be incoming revenue streams.

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The Board meets every 6 weeks and reviews the financial sustainability of all projects taking appropriate steps to ensure that there is no financial exposure or risk. We have established timelines for all projects and engage with funders early in the process for extension funding.

Coronavirus

In the spring of 2020 the UK was impacted heavily as a result of the Covid-19 virus pandemic. The Officers of the Trustee Board met fortnightly with the General Manager and Company Secretary to review the situation and any risk posed to staff and the financial sustainability of the organisation. This fortnightly meeting was in addition to regular full Board Meetings. As the Bureau was able to carry on advising clients albeit not face to face and was in receipt of public funds that were not going to be reduced as a result of the pandemic there was considered to be no financial risk. The impact of Coronavirus and the organisations response was maintained throughout 2021/22.

Related Parties

The Company is a member of Citizens Advice Scotland and follows their procedures and is audited to ensure that it follows recognised procedures and that the quality of the service is satisfactory.

Objectives and activities

The Inverness Badenoch and Strathspey Citizens Advice Bureau is a fully independent registered charity with its own Trustee Board. The bureau is a member of the national Citizens Advice Association. The aims of Citizens Advice are:-

To ensure that individuals do not suffer through lack of knowledge of their rights and responsibilities or of the services available to them, or through an inability to express their needs effectively.

And equally

To exercise a responsible influence on the development of social policies and services, both locally and nationally.

The Citizens Advice service is independent and provides free, confidential and impartial advice to everybody regardless of race, sex, disability or sexuality.

The main objectives and activities for the year continued to focus upon the giving of advice, empowering clients to solve their issues and acting as advocates or negotiators for those more vulnerable clients.

In the year ended 31st March 2022 the organisation distributed grants of £911,263 (2021 - £891,424) – Note 12 to other Citizens Advice Bureaux and Citizens Advice Scotland. These grants were distributed as the Charity was the Lead Bureau in consortiums with Funders for a number of projects and this represented those institutions share of the Grant award.

Achievements and performance

Advice and Information

The Citizens Advice service acts both as a first point of contact and a last resort for people. There would be a greater call on Government and other services for assistance without it, and those who need help to negotiate their way through the complex systems and processes of modern life would be at greater risk of poverty and social exclusion.

The Citizens Advice service helps people to resolve their:

- Legal Problems
- Discrimination Issues
- Money or Debt Problems

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- Benefit Issues
- Family Law Matters
- Employment Issues and Disputes

An indication of the volume and type of advice given in the year is shown below.

Advice Area	Number	(%)
Benefits	13830	47.73%
Consumer	185	0.64%
Debt	3773	13.02%
Discrimination	108	0.37%
Education	53	0.18%
Employment	1239	4.28%
Finance and Charitable Support	1442	4.98%
Health and community care	638	2.20%
Housing	1904	6.57%
Immigration, Asylum and Nationality	803	2.77%
Legal Proceedings	1096	3.78%
NHS Concern or Complaint	382	1.32%
Relationship	520	1.79%
Tax	851	2.94%
Travel, transport and holidays	724	2.50%
Utilities and communications	1427	4.92%
Total Contacts 2021/22	28,975	100%
Total Contacts 2020/21	26,264	

The Bureaux, through its trained staff can inform clients using our vast resource of literature, leaflets, computerised reference system or specialist caseworkers to ensure that the client receives all the information and options to enable them to make decisions.

Access to the service is either through emergency drop in, appointment, telephone, letter or email. The Bureaux also has a very close relationship with other professional services and accepts referrals from these organisations. The Board is continually reviewing improving access to the service.

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Financial review

Against the backdrop of limited resources and insecurities over funding it has been increasingly difficult to plan and develop future services. The main finding is received from the Highland Council and the existing contract which covers the period 1/4/18 to 31/3/21 has been extended to 31/3/23. This present contract is for Advice and Information services across Highland Council regional area and resulted in subcontracts being issued to other Citizens Advice Bureaux across Highlands. Nevertheless the charity, with the support of the Board, Volunteers and Staff has ensured that Bureaux is in a healthy financial position. The Bureaux in Highland have commenced work preparing for the next contract award process.

Principal Funding Sources

The Bureaux is solely dependent upon Grants from Organisations and it is the ability to retain these income streams that will affect the charity going forward. The details of the Income are shown later on in the Accounts. The Board records its gratitude to the Highland Council, Macmillan Cancer, NHS Highland, the Scottish Government and all other funders for their support. Without these grants the service would not exist.

Investment Policy

Previously any amounts of excess "cash funds" held are invested through the Royal Bank of Scotland. However this policy changed in 2021/22 as a result of a review by the Board and excess funds are managed and invested by ABRDN PLC

Reserves Policy

The Board has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of the expenditure.

Budgeted unrestricted and non-grant funding expenditure for 2022/23 is £542,111 (2021 - £540,660) and therefore the target is £135,528 to £271,056 (2021 - £135,165 to £270,330) in general funds. These reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity. The present level of unrestricted reserves available to the charity is £1,289,843 (2021 - £1,093,557) and therefore meets this policy.

In addition to this the charity deems it prudent to hold provisions amounting to £580,000 in relation to the possibility of reduction or cessation of core funding, redundancies, business continuation, pay awards, price pressures and building renovations repairs. This leaves £438,787 of unrestricted free reserves which we are looking at how best to utilise to the further the charity's purposes.

Results

The results for the year and the charity's financial position are shown in the attached financial statements. The charity has achieved a surplus £190,665 (2021 - £134,407), of which £132,521 (2021 - £164,464) surplus relates to unrestricted funds and £58,144 surplus (2021 - £30,057 deficit) relates to restricted funds before transfers between funds.

At 31 March 2022, total reserves amounted to £2,345,893 (2021 - £2,155,228) of which £2,021,686 (2021 - £1,821,774) are unrestricted and £324,207 (2021 - £333,454) are restricted. Of the unrestricted reserves £1,296,916 (2021 - £1,093,557) are not tied up in fixed assets or long term liabilities.

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Plans for future periods

These are detailed in the Charity's Business Plan but can be summarised as follows:-

Staffing Levels

- Increase Volunteer General Advisors to 90 by 31 March 2024.
- Increase Specialist Advisers in Money Advice, Welfare Rights, Employment and Housing Matters.
- Employ and sustain dedicated Training Manager on full-time hours with a small team of support trainers.

Service Consolidation

- Protect Raigmore Outreach Advice Service.
- Sustain the Aviemore bureau service and outreach services.

Service Developments

- Expand other bureaux participation in Highland Call Centre for Telephone Advice.
- Improve access to service through Satellites, increased opening hours and information kiosks/e-Government.

IT & Premises Developments

Replace all IT equipment by the end of 2025 and then keep in place rolling programme for future replacements.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The trustees, who are also directors for the purposes 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 charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, for that period.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and 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.

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Auditor

Each of the persons who is a trustee at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
- they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as a trustee to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The auditor is deemed to have been re-appointed in accordance with section 487 of the Companies Act 2006.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 15/9/22 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



A Christie
Charity Secretary

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Inverness Badenoch and Strathspey Citizens Advice Bureau

Year ended 31 March 2022

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Inverness Badenoch and Strathspey Citizens Advice Bureau (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account), statement of financial position, statement of cash flows and the related notes, 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, including FRS 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 charity'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;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

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 the provisions available for small entities, in the circumstances set out in note 32 to the financial statements, 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.

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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. 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 there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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 trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) 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; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

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Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees (who are also the directors 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 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 charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's 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 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.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

As part of the audit planning process, the engagement partner and the engagement team obtained an understanding and discussed the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable, focusing on those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the company. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included Companies Act 2006, Financial Report Standard 102 (FRS 102), employment and tax laws and health and safety legislation.

The engagement partner and the engagement team discussed non-compliance with laws and regulations at the audit team planning meeting. The engagement partner made enquiries of management regarding their assessment of the likelihood of fraud or error or non-compliance with laws and regulations which could lead to material misstatements in the financial statements and whether they were aware of any instances of fraud or non-compliance. The engagement partner was satisfied that the engagement team had the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify or recognise non-compliance with laws and regulations during the audit.

The engagement team also enquired of management as part of the audit, including obtaining and reviewing supporting documentation and reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance. The engagement team did not identify any key audit matters relating to irregularities, including fraud.

Part of the engagement team's assessment of non-compliance with laws and regulations included a review of the risk of management override of controls. This was carried out by reviewing journals posted to the financial records and reviewing accounting estimates identify any material misstatement which may be due to fraud.

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The audit team also considered whether there could be fraudulent revenue recognition. This was carried out by reviewing the revenue recognition policies, testing of material revenue streams and testing cut off at the year end date.

The disclosures in the financial statements were reviewed and tested to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations. A Disclosure Check was carried out to confirm that the financial statements comply with current accounting requirements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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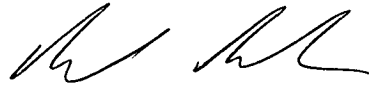
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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members 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 members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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20 September 2022

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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2022

			2022		2021
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	134,582	960,886	1,095,468	1,041,435
Charitable activities	6	1,148,970	79,059	1,228,029	1,229,605
Investment income	7	86	1	87	717
Other income	8	840	–	840	280
Total income		<u>1,284,478</u>	<u>1,039,946</u>	<u>2,324,424</u>	<u>2,272,037</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Investment management costs	9	2,456	–	2,456	–
Expenditure on charitable activities	10,11	1,159,119	981,802	2,140,921	2,137,630
Total expenditure		<u>1,161,575</u>	<u>981,802</u>	<u>2,143,377</u>	<u>2,137,630</u>
Net gains on investments	13	(9,618)	–	(9,618)	–
Net income		<u>132,521</u>	<u>58,144</u>	<u>190,665</u>	<u>134,407</u>
Transfers between funds		67,391	(67,391)	–	–
Net movement in funds		<u>199,912</u>	<u>(9,247)</u>	<u>190,665</u>	<u>134,407</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,821,774	333,454	2,155,228	2,020,821
Total funds carried forward		2,021,686	324,207	2,345,893	2,155,228

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

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	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	18	901,552	925,340
Current assets			
Debtors	19	309,959	664,663
Investments	20	657,162	—
Cash at bank and in hand		852,501	1,109,974
		<u>1,819,622</u>	<u>1,774,637</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21	<u>375,281</u>	<u>543,908</u>
Net current assets		1,444,341	1,230,729
Total assets less current liabilities		2,345,893	2,156,069
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	22	<u>—</u>	<u>841</u>
Net assets		<u>2,345,893</u>	<u>2,155,228</u>
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		324,207	333,454
Unrestricted funds		2,021,686	1,821,774
Total charity funds	26	<u>2,345,893</u>	<u>2,155,228</u>

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

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 15/4/2022 and are signed on behalf of the board by:



D Alexander
Trustee

Company registration number: SC136118

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

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	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	190,665	134,407
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	28,231	29,275
Net gains on investments	(9,618)	–
Other interest receivable and similar income	(87)	(717)
Interest payable and similar charges	132	229
Accrued expenses/(income)	(18,657)	(103,487)
<i>Changes in:</i>		
Trade and other debtors	373,400	(331,445)
Trade and other creditors	(168,468)	154,321
Cash generated from operations	395,598	(117,417)
Interest paid	(132)	(229)
Interest received	87	717
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	<u>395,553</u>	<u>(116,929)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible assets	(4,445)	(17,353)
Purchases of other investments	(657,162)	–
Proceeds from sale of other investments	9,618	–
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(651,989)</u>	<u>(17,353)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Payments of finance lease liabilities	(1,037)	(941)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(1,037)</u>	<u>(941)</u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(257,473)	(135,223)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,109,974	1,245,197
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>852,501</u>	<u>1,109,974</u>

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2022

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in Scotland and a registered charity in Scotland. The address of the registered office is 29-31 Union Street, Inverness, IV1 1QA, Scotland.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

Due to confirmed funding agreements and the charity's strong financial position there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Funds held by charity are either

Unrestricted general funds -

General funds - General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds - Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the directors for particular purposes.

Restricted funds - these are funds which can 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 purposes.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants that provide funding of a general nature are recognised where there is an entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability. Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis. Income from charitable activities includes income recognised as earned (as the related goods or services are provided) under contract or where entitlement to grant funding is subject to specific performance conditions. Grant income included in this category provides funding to support programme activities and is recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost. The directors set the threshold for the capitalisation of assets at £200.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Land and buildings	- 2% straight line
Plant and Machinery	- 33% straight line
Fixtures and Fittings	- 33% straight line
Office Equipment	- 33% straight line

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date. For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments, which include debtors, bank and cash balances and creditors are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Where investments in shares or preference shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment. Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised. Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense in income or expenditure immediately. Termination benefits are recognised as a liability and expense only when the company is demonstrably committed either to terminate the employment of an employee or group of employees before the normal retirement date or to provide termination benefits as a result of an offer made in order to encourage voluntary redundancy.

4. Limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in event of the company being wound up is restricted to £1.

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5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations			
Donations	150	–	150
Grants			
Citizens Advice Scotland	95,148	362,135	457,283
Safe Deposits Scotland	–	34,927	34,927
Nationwide	–	41,911	41,911
Race, Religion & Refugee	–	14,000	14,000
Inverness Foodstuff	–	7,500	7,500
Changeworks	–	50,200	50,200
Access to Work	–	4,674	4,674
Home Office	–	173,517	173,517
Pension Wise Service	9,087	141,709	150,796
Kickstart	2,000	12,129	14,129
The Highland Council	–	2,250	2,250
Highland NHS Healthboard	21,197	–	21,197
MacMillan Cancer Relief	–	115,934	115,934
Albert Hunt Trust	7,000	–	7,000
	<u>134,582</u>	<u>960,886</u>	<u>1,095,468</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Donations			
Donations	50	–	50
Grants			
Citizens Advice Scotland	132,414	323,963	456,377
Race, Religion & Refugee	–	24,000	24,000
Changeworks	–	85,389	85,389
Scottish Government Wellbeing Fund	–	11,728	11,728
Highland Alcohol and Drugs Partnership	–	9,250	9,250
Corra Foundation	–	35,000	35,000
Access to Work	–	7,112	7,112
Home Office	–	104,087	104,087
Pension Wise Service	11,250	144,871	156,121
Lottery RSL Project	–	16,031	16,031
Highland NHS Healthboard	21,197	–	21,197
MacMillan Cancer Relief	–	115,093	115,093
	<u>164,911</u>	<u>876,524</u>	<u>1,041,435</u>

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6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Highland Council - Service Level Agreement	1,148,000	–	1,148,000
PASS	970	79,059	80,029
	<u>1,148,970</u>	<u>79,059</u>	<u>1,228,029</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Highland Council - Service Level Agreement	1,146,000	–	1,146,000
PASS	1,590	82,015	83,605
	<u>1,147,590</u>	<u>82,015</u>	<u>1,229,605</u>

7. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Bank interest receivable	86	1	87

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Bank interest receivable	713	4	717

8. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Other income	840	840	280	280

9. Investment management costs

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Portfolio management	2,456	2,456	–	–

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10. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Inverness Badenoch & Strathspey CAB	1,159,119	857,584	2,016,703
Macmillan CAB	–	124,218	124,218
	<u>1,159,119</u>	<u>981,802</u>	<u>2,140,921</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Inverness Badenoch & Strathspey CAB	1,149,030	855,938	2,004,968
Macmillan CAB	–	132,662	132,662
	<u>1,149,030</u>	<u>988,600</u>	<u>2,137,630</u>

11. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Grant funding of activities £	Total funds 2022 £	Total fund 2021 £
Inverness Badenoch & Strathspey CAB	1,105,440	911,263	2,016,703	2,004,968
Macmillan CAB	124,218	–	124,218	132,662
	<u>1,229,658</u>	<u>911,263</u>	<u>2,140,921</u>	<u>2,137,630</u>

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12. Analysis of grants

	2022 £	2021 £
Grants to institutions		
Ross and Cromarty CAB	213,998	218,499
Lochaber CAB	157,448	152,963
Argyll and Bute CAB	9,150	17,268
East Sutherland CAB	84,091	86,387
North West Sutherland CAB	39,026	39,026
Caithness CAB	126,152	129,903
Skye and Lochalsh CAB	104,437	111,631
Nairn CAB	116,363	121,546
Orkney CAB	–	8,154
Shetland CAB	–	6,047
Citizens Advice Scotland	60,598	–
	<u>911,263</u>	<u>891,424</u>
Total grants	<u>911,263</u>	<u>891,424</u>

The company is the Lead Bureau for four (2021 - five) Projects, PASS, Changeworks - Scottish Power, Changeworks - Eon, Home Office EU Settlement Scheme and the Core contract with the Highland Council, as such they are required to distribute the grant funding to the other Bureaux. During the year £51,093 (2021 - £58,260) was distributed relating to the PASS Project, £8,741 (2021 - £11,312) was distributed relating to the Changeworks - Scottish Power Project, £nil (2021 - £7,384) was distributed relating to the Changeworks - Eon Project, £100,023 (2021 - £63,062) was distributed in relation to the Home Office EU Settlement Scheme Project and £751,406 (2021 - £751,406) was distributed relating to the Highland Council Core Contract.

13. Net gains on investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Gains/(losses) on listed investments	<u>9,618</u>	<u>9,618</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>

14. Net income

Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	28,231	29,275
Interest on obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	132	229
Auditors' remuneration		
- Audit of the financial statements	6,200	6,000
- Other non-audit services	<u>100</u>	<u>–</u>

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15. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	959,331	982,310
Social security costs	76,448	74,845
Employer contributions to pension plans	51,997	52,087
Other employee benefits	–	3,690
	<u>1,087,776</u>	<u>1,112,932</u>

During the year termination payments of £nil (2021 - £3,690) were paid to no (2021 – one) members of staff. This was funded from the charity's general reserves.

Pension costs are allocated to projects by employee.

The average head count of employees during the year was 48 (2021: 48). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
Number of staff	<u>37</u>	<u>37</u>

The number of employees whose remuneration for the year fell within the following bands, were:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
£60,000 to £69,999	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel include all persons that have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charity. The total compensation paid to key management personnel for services provided to the charity was £127,287 (2021:£135,368).

16. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No trustee received any remuneration during the year nor were any reimbursed for any expenses incurred during the year (2021 - £nil).

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17. Transfers between funds

An amount of £203 (2021 - £203) was transferred from the Fixed Asset restricted fund in favour of the unrestricted funds to cover the depreciation charge on the assets purchased from restricted funds.

An amount of £1,538 (2021 - £14,862) was transferred from unrestricted funds to the Highland Diversity Project restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £3,029 (2021 - £5,194) was transferred from unrestricted funds to the PASS Project restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £7,970) was transferred from unrestricted funds to the CAS - Welfare Reform Project restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £5,585 (2021 - £4,274) was transferred from the Pension Wise restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to the 25% salary uplift received as part of the grant funding.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £1,753) was transferred from the RSL Lottery restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to grant expenditure allocated against unrestricted funds.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £31,541) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the Robertson Trust restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £18,733 (2021 - £18,733) was transferred from the Highland Council - Union Street restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to the element of the grant that is no longer refundable per the grant paperwork.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £844) was transferred from the Access to Work restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to grant expenditure allocated against unrestricted funds in the previous year.

An amount of £1,173 (2021 - £1,230) was transferred from the Inverness City Heritage restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to the element of the grant that is no longer refundable per the grant paperwork.

An amount of £24,359 (2021 - £23,870) was transferred from the Pension Wise Call Centre restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to the 25% salary uplift received as part of the grant funding.

An amount of £2,016 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the Pension Wise Call Centre restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to grant expenditure allocated against unrestricted funds in prior years.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £4,842) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Help to Claim Call Centre restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £8,361 (2021 - £399) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Money Talk Team - Face 2 Face restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £1,733 (2021 - £2,061) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Gamble Aware restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

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17. Transfers between funds *(continued)*

An amount of £nil (2021 - £4,408) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Scottish Government Debt Impact Funding restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £1,638) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Covid-19 DBEIS restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £3,337) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the Highland Alcohol and Drugs Partnership restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £2,742) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the Scottish Government Wellbeing Fund restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £14,112) was transferred from the Home Office EU Settlement Scheme restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds in relation to costs claimed against the grant allocated to unrestricted funds.

An amount of £nil (2021 - £1,222) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Scottish Government Post Christmas Debt Funding restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £30,629 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the CAS - EU Settlement restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to grant expenditure allocated against unrestricted funds in the current and previous years.

An amount of £7,521 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the Corra Foundation restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £198 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from unrestricted funds in favour of the CAS - Scottish Government Specialist Debt Advice restricted fund to cover the deficit in the fund balance.

An amount of £4,489 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the Changeworks – Scottish Power restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to grant expenditure allocated against unrestricted funds in the current and previous years.

An amount of £2,584 (2021 - £nil) was transferred from the Changeworks – Eon restricted fund in favour of unrestricted funds relating to grant expenditure allocated against unrestricted funds in the prior year.

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18. Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 April 2021	989,893	1,689	23,666	41,543	1,056,791
Additions	961	2,164	620	700	4,445
Disposals	—	(200)	—	(2,316)	(2,516)
At 31 March 2022	990,854	3,653	24,286	39,927	1,058,720
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2021	78,865	929	17,924	33,733	131,451
Charge for the year	19,817	347	3,657	4,410	28,231
Disposals	—	(199)	—	(2,315)	(2,514)
At 31 March 2022	98,682	1,077	21,581	35,828	157,168
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2022	892,172	2,576	2,705	4,099	901,552
At 31 March 2021	911,028	760	5,742	7,810	925,340

The Highland Council holds a standard security over 29-31 Union Street and 15, 17, 19 and 21 Baron Taylor Street, Inverness in relation to the capital grant of £281,000 awarded to the charity, at 31 March 2022 the balance on this grant was £168,602 (2021 - £187,335). The net book value of the property at the year end was £892,172 (2021 - £911,028).

19. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	54,224	460,533
Prepayments and accrued income	215,500	196,804
Other debtors	40,235	7,326
	309,959	664,663

20. Investments

	2022 £	2021 £
Other investments	657,162	—

During the year the Trustees decided to invest surplus funds with ABRDN PLC within their ethical investment portfolio. The investment was divided into 2 income streams the first fund of £500,000 in a long term (5-10 years) growth orientated portfolio which will have income reinvested but may be used for income in the future. This fund could be categorised as medium risk. The second fund £150,000 will accept a lower level of risk and seeks to generate capital growth to offset the impact of inflation/maintain the real value of the fund over the long term as a minimum.

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21. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	20,936	182,387
Accruals and deferred income	298,302	298,264
Social security and other taxes	55,126	56,132
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	841	1,037
Other creditors	76	6,088
	<u>375,281</u>	<u>543,908</u>

22. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	<u>–</u>	<u>841</u>

23. Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

The total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	877	1,170
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	<u>–</u>	<u>877</u>
	877	2,047
Less: future finance charges	<u>(36)</u>	<u>(169)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>841</u>	<u>1,878</u>

24. Deferred income

	2022	2021
	£	£
At 1 April 2021	291,799	336,049
Amount released to income	(291,799)	(336,049)
Amount deferred in year	<u>291,799</u>	<u>291,799</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>291,799</u>	<u>291,799</u>

Deferred income comprises grant and service level agreement income which the donor has specified must be used in future accounting periods.

25. Pensions and other post retirement benefits

At the year end the outstanding pension payments amounted to £76 (2021 - £6,088).

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26. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2022 £
General funds	<u>1,821,774</u>	<u>1,284,478</u>	<u>(1,161,575)</u>	<u>67,391</u>	<u>9,618</u>	<u>2,021,686</u>
	At 1 Apr 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2021 £
General funds	<u>1,672,507</u>	<u>1,313,494</u>	<u>(1,149,030)</u>	<u>(15,197)</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,821,774</u>

General 'free reserves' after allowing for all designated funds.

Restricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2022 £
Fixed Asset Fund	5,473	—	—	(203)	—	5,270
MacMillan Project Highland	28,874	115,935	(124,218)	—	—	20,591
Diversity Project	—	14,000	(15,538)	1,538	—	—
PASS	—	79,059	(82,088)	3,029	—	—
CAS - Welfare Reform	—	27,872	(27,352)	—	—	520
Ward Discretionary Budget - Grantown	232	—	(232)	—	—	—
Pension Wise Highland Council	—	19,915	(14,330)	(5,585)	—	—
- Union Street	187,335	—	—	(18,733)	—	168,602
Access to Work Inverness City	965	4,674	(4,142)	—	—	1,497
Heritage	3,826	—	—	(1,173)	—	2,653
Changeworks - Scottish Power	12,884	50,200	(58,595)	(4,489)	—	—
Pension Wise - Call Centre	2,016	121,794	(97,435)	(26,375)	—	—
Help to Claim - Multi Channel Hub	—	123,628	(121,625)	—	—	2,003
CAS - Money Talk Team - Multi Channel Hub	37,992	47,056	(53,488)	—	—	31,560
CAS - Money Talk Team - Face 2 Face	—	18,416	(26,777)	8,361	—	—
CAS - Universal Support Help to Claim Pilots Project	3,881	—	—	—	—	3,881

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26. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

CAS - Short Term Debt	2,945	-	-	-	-	2,945
CAS - EU Settlement	13,717	45,404	(28,492)	(30,629)	-	-
CAS - Gamble Aware	-	37,800	(39,533)	1,733	-	-
Home Office - EU Settlement	1,930	173,517	(169,415)	-	-	6,032
Corra Foundation	20,779	-	(28,300)	7,521	-	-
Changeworks - Eon	2,584	-	-	(2,584)	-	-
CAS - Fair Work in Action	8,021	41,173	(44,606)	-	-	4,588
PRS Housing Project - Safe Deposits	-	34,927	(11,505)	-	-	23,422
Nationwide	-	41,911	-	-	-	41,911
Inverness Foodstuff	-	7,500	-	-	-	7,500
CAS - SG Specialist Debt Advice	-	20,786	(20,984)	198	-	-
Kickstart	-	12,129	(10,897)	-	-	1,232
Highland Employment Recruitment Officer (HERO)	-	2,250	(2,250)	-	-	-
	<u>333,454</u>	<u>1,039,946</u>	<u>(981,802)</u>	<u>(67,391)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>324,207</u>

	At 1 Apr 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 Mar 2021 £
Fixed Asset Fund	5,676	-	-	(203)	-	5,473
MacMillan Project	46,433	115,097	(132,656)	-	-	28,874
Highland Diversity Project	-	24,000	(38,862)	14,862	-	-
PASS	6,919	82,015	(94,128)	5,194	-	-
CAS - Welfare Reform	-	27,411	(35,381)	7,970	-	-
Ward Discretionary Budget - Granttown	463	-	(231)	-	-	232
Pension Wise	-	25,294	(21,020)	(4,274)	-	-
RSL Project	-	16,031	(14,278)	(1,753)	-	-
Robertson Trust	-	-	(31,541)	31,541	-	-
Highland Council - Union Street	206,068	-	-	(18,733)	-	187,335
Access to Work	36	7,112	(5,339)	(844)	-	965

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Inverness City Heritage	5,056	–	–	(1,230)	–	3,826
Changeworks - Scottish Power Pension Wise - Call Centre	14,591	50,054	(51,761)	–	–	12,884
Help to Claim - Multi Channel Hub	2,693	119,577	(96,384)	(23,870)	–	2,016
CAS - Money Talk Team - Multi Channel Hub	–	105,546	(110,388)	4,842	–	–
CAS - Money Talk Team - Face 2 Face	44,706	50,831	(57,545)	–	–	37,992
CAS - Universal Support Help to Claim Pilots Project	1,711	20,340	(22,450)	399	–	–
CAS - Short Term Debt	3,881	–	–	–	–	3,881
CAS - EU Settlement	2,945	–	–	–	–	2,945
CAS - Gamble Aware	7,136	44,802	(38,221)	–	–	13,717
CAS - Scottish Government Covid Impact	–	37,800	(39,861)	2,061	–	–
Debt Funding	–	8,408	(12,816)	4,408	–	–
CAS - Covid-19 DBEIS	–	14,220	(15,858)	1,638	–	–
Highland Alcohol and Drugs Partnership	–	9,250	(12,587)	3,337	–	–
Scottish Government Wellbeing Fund	–	11,728	(14,470)	2,742	–	–
Home Office - EU Settlement	–	104,087	(88,045)	(14,112)	–	1,930
Corra Foundation	–	35,000	(14,221)	–	–	20,779
Changeworks - Eon	–	35,335	(32,751)	–	–	2,584
CAS - Scottish Government Post Christmas Debt Funding	–	6,124	(7,346)	1,222	–	–
CAS - Fair Work in Action	–	8,481	(460)	–	–	8,021
	<u>348,314</u>	<u>958,543</u>	<u>(988,600)</u>	<u>15,197</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>333,454</u>

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Fixed Asset Fund

This is where we have been gifted or provided equipment mainly for IT services. In recent years the majority of funding has come through Citizens Advice Scotland (CAS).

Macmillan Project

This is funding to provide casework services mainly in the area of benefits to clients or their families where a cancer diagnosis has been made. The Project is mainly funded by MacMillan Cancer Support.

Highland Diversity Project

Funding is from the Scottish Government via Voluntary Action Fund and provides for 1 FTE caseworker to assist clients that feel that their rights have been infringed as a result of being a member of a protected characteristic group as defined by the Equalities Act 2010.

PASS

Provides for funding for 4 caseworkers across Highland to help clients wishing to progress complaints against statutory agencies in connection with NHS treatment. Funding is from Scottish Government via Citizens Advice Scotland.

CAS - Welfare Reform

Funding is from the Scottish Government via Citizens Advice Scotland. 1 FTE caseworker across Inverness, Badenoch and Strathspey to assist clients with welfare rights issues.

Ward Discretionary Budget - Grantown

Awarded by Badenoch and Strathspey Highland Councillors towards start-up refurbishment costs of a small office in Grantown-on-Spey.

Pension Wise

Funded by Westminster Government - provides for 1 FTE caseworker to explain options to clients around their defined benefit pension schemes - targeted at 54+ year olds.

RSL Project

Funded by the Big Lottery - to help tenants access financial advice, prevent transition into debt and improve monetary capabilities.

Robertson Trust

Funded by the Robertson Trust to provide housing advice services.

The Highland Council - Union Street

The Highland Council contributed £281,000 towards the purchase of 29-31 Union Street and 15, 17, 19 and 21 Baron Taylor Street. The Highland Council hold a standard security over the property in relation to this grant and should the property be sold within 15 years the Highland Council may be entitled to clawback part of the grant.

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Access to Work

To provide specialist equipment for members of staff with disabilities.

Inverness City Heritage

Building repair grant to go towards the cost of windows/glazing and roof repairs in 29-31 Union Street and 15, 17, 19 and 21 Baron Taylor Street property.

Changeworks - Scottish Power

This Project works in partnership with Changeworks where they provide Energy Advice and we work with clients to maximise their benefits or deal with any debt matters.

Pension Wise - Call Centre

This delivers Pension guidance to clients across the UK as part of a National Call Centre delivery channel.

Help to Claim - Multi Channel Hub

This delivers advice, information and Pension guidance to clients on dealing with making a new Universal Credit Claim and supports clients through to when they receive their first payment. Clients come from across the Country and are part of a National Call Centre delivery channel.

CAS - Money Talk Team - Multi Channel Hub

The Project aims to advise low income families to seek money and income maximisation advice to improve their outcomes this advice is delivered face to face.

CAS - Money Talk Team - Face 2 Face

The Project aims to advise low income families to seek money and income maximisation advice to improve their outcomes this advice is delivered predominantly by telephone via part of a National Call Centre

CAS - Universal Support Help to Claim Pilots Projects

The Project was to test and evaluate whether Universal Credit had any significant rural issues in addition to what was already identified. The outcome was that the issues previously reported and captured by the CAB Network were still the main challenges i.e. connectivity, social isolation, stigma of claiming benefit and transport costs.

CAS - Short Term Debt

This was additional support through January to March 2019 to advise clients in debt.

CAS - EU Settlement

This project is to support EU Nationals looking to remain and work in the UK post the UK exit from the European Union.

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CAS - Gamble Aware

The project delivers training to frontline workers to help them recognise when people are at risk of, or experiencing, gambling harms. It also supports people in accessing specialist support and treatment services and it aims to raise awareness of gambling harms in Great Britain.

CAS - Scottish Government Debt Impact Funding

Short Term Funding to increase capacity within Bureau to support clients with money advice.

CAS - Covid-19 DBEIS

To enable the continuation of the provision of services during the pandemic both in terms of office equipment, ppe and to enable home working where appropriate.

Highland Alcohol and Drugs Partnership

To provide advice services to clients working with referral organisations in the HADP to access Money Advice, Benefits Advice and Housing Advice.

Scottish Government Wellbeing Fund

To enable the continuation of the provision of services during the pandemic both in terms of office equipment, ppe and to enable home working where appropriate.

Home Office - EU Settlement

To promote the EU Settlement Scheme and support clients through the registration process.

Corra Foundation

To support vulnerable clients who may also have a mental health diagnosis or addiction to claim benefits and sustain housing tenancy.

Changeworks - Eon

Working in partnership with Changeworks where the Bureau provides benefit and debt advice and Changeworks provide energy advice.

CAS - Scottish Government Post Christmas Debt Funding

Short term additional funding to provide targeted advice to clients over a 5 month period.

CAS - Fair Work in Action

To second tier support to Bureau across Scotland in Employment advice matters.

PRS Housing Project - Safe Deposits

The project aims to increase capacity and early access to a fully responsive, holistic, person-centred specialist housing, debt and income maximisation advice service for all private rented sector (PRS) tenants in the Inverness, Badenoch & Strathspey area.

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Nationwide

The Project will deliver a specialist and holistic advice and representation service to vulnerable Private Rented Sector (PRS) tenants and homeowners.

Inverness Foodstuff

Advice to clients who attend the food support service provided by Ness Bank Church.

Kickstart

Employability scheme to support young workers.

Highland Employment Recruitment Officer (HERO)

Employability scheme to support young workers.

27. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	724,770	176,782	901,552
Current assets	1,296,916	147,425	1,444,341
Net assets	<u>2,021,686</u>	<u>324,207</u>	<u>2,345,893</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	728,217	197,123	925,340
Current assets	1,094,398	136,331	1,230,729
Creditors greater than 1 year	(841)	—	(841)
Net assets	<u>1,821,774</u>	<u>333,454</u>	<u>2,155,228</u>

28. Financial instruments

The carrying amount for each category of financial instrument is as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	<u>657,162</u>	<u>—</u>

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29. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 Apr 2021	Cash flows	At 31 Mar 2022
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	1,109,974	(257,473)	852,501
Debt due within one year	(1,037)	196	(841)
Debt due after one year	(841)	841	-
Current asset investments	-	657,162	657,162
	<u>1,108,096</u>	<u>400,726</u>	<u>1,508,822</u>

30. Operating lease commitments

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	13,933	4,934
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	27,101	41,033
	<u>41,034</u>	<u>45,967</u>

The operating lease payments recognised as an expense amounted to £14,850 (2021 - £14,850).

31. Related parties

No Trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year (2021 - £nil).

32. Ethical standards

In common with many other businesses of our size and nature we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of the financial statements.