# PATH (Scotland) Trustees' report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023

Charity number: SC028889

Company number: SC194698

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### PATH (Scotland)

### Legal and administrative information

Charity name PATH (Scotland)

Charity registration number SC028889

Company registration number SC194698

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The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objects of the charity are to advance education for the benefit of the public by developing the professional and technical skills in housing and other services of persons aged over 16 who may suffer disadvantage by reason of their colour, race, nationality or ethnic origins and the promotion of equality and diversity, including the elimination of discrimination.

The Charity carries out the following activities:

### Training and Education Programme in the housing sector

We run three-year training and education programmes in collaboration with registered social landlords and local authority housing departments and provide the following services in relation to the recruitment process.

- · Draft trainee adverts
- · Send out application packs
- · Assess applications/applicants in association with housing organisations
- · Oversee and participate in the recruitment process
- · Check eligibility/references/qualifications
- · Process university/ college applications

Trainees are placed in particular housing organisations and undertake an academic qualification on a day release basis. Qualifications gained include the post graduate diploma in housing studies and level 4 in housing studies. Once the trainee is in place we carry out an induction process with the trainee and the placement organisation. We work with placement organisations throughout the year and provide six-weekly support and supervision to trainees. We also provide mentoring, coaching and personal development support. We design all assessment materials and have developed a work experience guide which provides placement organisations with a flexible tool when delivering the training programme. We also run specialist training which is intended as a supplement to the trainee work experience.

### Developing Management and Leadership (DMLS) in Employment, Education and Public Life

We run a DMLS Programme in recognition of the absence of BAME communities in senior positions in Employment, Education and Public Life. By the end of the programme, participants are able to:

- explain the nature of racism, its impact and the implications for themselves as managers from black and minority ethnic communities:
- · identify different management and leadership models and the skills necessary to implement them;
- · recognise and acknowledge their own strengths and potential and identify further development goals;
- adopt management strategies appropriate for the situation;
- analyse the strengths and weaknesses of their own communication skills and image, and adopt strategies to develop their 'visibility', personal effectiveness and stress resilience;
- recognise the potential difficulties with managing diverse teams, including cross-cultural communication, and adopt strategies to encourage successful team working;
- identify opportunities to use their management and leadership skills within and outwith their own organisations, within their communities and in wider public life;
- set realistic action points to achieve their identified management and leadership goals;
- build networks to support their continued development beyond the programme.

### **Coaching and Mentoring**

We work in partnership with our beneficiaries to set career related goals, evaluate strategies to progress careers, identify action that can be taken to help people move to desired goals as well as encouraging thinking around leadership impact.

### **Employability**

Support provided includes the following;

- · assistance with researching job roles
- · matching job descriptions and personal profiles to particular vacancies
- · assessing essential and desirable competencies
- · assistance with volunteering opportunities and competency-based interview techniques

### Mental Health and Wellbeing - funded by the Scottish Government

We provide support to unemployed and under-employed people from BAME backgrounds in Glasgow to access volunteering, training, education and paid work as well as building confidence, wellbeing and resilience. We provided 1-1 support in local venues and worked with local housing associations and others to improve community connections and emotional wellbeing. The support was funded via the Scottish Government's Community Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund administered by GCVS.

### Positive Steps - Southside

This was the final year of funding from Glasgow Communities Fund for this project. We supported unemployed or underemployed people from BAME backgrounds in the south side of Glasgow to improve their employment opportunities, build confidence and challenge barriers. We provided 1-1 support with job search, interview skills, networking and labour market research. We also helped individuals to develop their life goals, improve their knowledge and skills and increase resilience. This support was delivered in person, online or via telephone, as required.

We are also very grateful for the funding received from the Robertson Trust and the Endrick Trust towards our running costs.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

After the retirement of our long-standing Director, Najimee Parveen, in May, we successfully recruited a new CEO, Fatima Iftikhar.

The Scottish Government's Workplace Equality Fund supported our Leadership Programme for BAME employees in GGCHB. We delivered an 8-day developmental leadership programme in the form of interactive online sessions for BAME staff and a 3-day programme for their mentors. This programme highlighted how discrimination operates in the workplace and its impact on others. In addition, it highlighted managers' roles and responsibilities in implementing equality and diversity. This programme benefited not only NHSGGC but also the wider community; participants applied their learnings and skills to initiatives focusing on mental health awareness, patient and public involvement, community health improvement, and overall support for the community.

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The charity had net incoming resources of £9,867 for the year (2022- £19,902 outgoing) prior to accounting for a movement in the pension scheme liability in the period. Following the change in the pension scheme liability, the deficit for the period was £17,133 (2022 - £18,098 surplus). The charity has accumulated funds of £106,648 at the balance sheet date (2022 - £123,781).

### Principal funding sources

The principal sources of income of the charity were grant funding from the Scottish Government and Glasgow City Council, support from The Volant Charitable Trust, Robertson Trust, Endrick Trust and the Arnold Clark Community Fund and generated income from Housing Associations and local authorities as part of the PATH training and education programme.

### Reserves policy

The Trustees' policy is to maintain free reserves, i.e. funds not committed or invested in fixed assets, or committed to meeting the pension obligation, at a level equating to up to one year's running costs. The charity's free reserves at 31 March 2023 amounted to £39,551 (2022- £59,091). The Trustees recognise that there are obligations on the charity should it be necessary to wind up the organisation at some point in the future. As such, a designated fund has been set up to which 50% of existing unrestricted funds has been transferred towards these potential liabilities.

### Investment policy

PATH (Scotland) retains all surplus funds in low-risk, interest-bearing bank accounts.

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### Governing document

The charity is a company limited by guaranteed and is a recognised Scottish Charity, No. SC028889. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

### **Appointment of Trustees**

New Trustees are recruited and appointed through a skills audit. Currently we are actively recruiting Trustees with local authority expertise and Trustees from the black voluntary sector. We also ensure that we take ethnicity and gender into account when recruiting for new Trustees.

### Organisational structure

PATH's work is overseen by a board of trustees. Amongst other things the board of trustees provide input to long-term goals, approve the annual objectives, finalise and approve budgets and approve the annual accounts. The board of trustees delegate authority to the director who manages the business of the organisation.

#### Risk management

The charity has an extensive risk management policy which monitors and assesses the major risks the charity may be exposed to. The risk management strategy comprises:

- An annual review of the risks to which it is exposed to;
- Systems and procedures which mitigate identified risks;
- Procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should any of the identified risks materialise.

The Trustees behave with due diligence in considering important topics, such as remaining a member of the Scottish Housing Association Pension Scheme. In taking this decision the charity Trustees have taken into account professional advice to ensure that the charity's best interests are protected.

The Trustees are acutely aware of the risks faced by the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic and have taken steps to mitigate these risks as much as possible to safeguard the future of the charitable company. Working closely with key management, they are monitoring this on a regular basis to ensure that the charitable company continues to manage the risks as far as possible.

### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Full details of the charity's name, registration details and the trustees serving during the year and since the year end are detailed on page 1.

### **Trustees**

The Directors of the charitable company are its Trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the Trustees.

### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees (who are also Directors of PATH (Scotland) 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 Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees (who are also Directors of PATH (Scotland) 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).

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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.

### Independent Examiner

Stuart Aiton, C.A., partner in Aiton & Co, Chartered Accountants, has been appointed as Independent Examiner of the charity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 5 October 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Madhu Satsangi

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Trustee

### PATH (Scotland)

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees on the Unaudited Financial Statements of PATH (Scotland)

I report on the financial statements of PATH (Scotland) for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (the Act) and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity's Trusteess consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of my examination as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeks explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act, Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations; and

to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Stuart Aiton, C.A.

Partner

Aiton & Co Chartered Accountants 50 Wellington Street Glasgow G2 6HJ

5 October 2023

PATH (Scotland)
Statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 March 2023

į	U	nrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	Notes	. £	£	£	£
Income	ú.			,	
Donations and legacies	2	5,000	-	5,000	4,800
Charitable activities	3	15,538	91,257	106,795	111,966
Investment income	4	936	-	936	535
Total income		21,474	91,257	112,731	117,301
Expenditure					
Charitable activities	5	(11,607)	(91,257)	(102,864)	(137,203)
Total resources expended		(11,607)	(91,257)	(102,864)	(137,203)
Net income/(expenditure)		9,867	-	9,867	(19,902)
Other recognised gains and losses					
Actuarial (losses)/gains on defined benefit pension schemes	20	(27,000)		(27,000)	38,000
Net movement in funds		(17,133)	-	(17,133)	18,098
Reconcliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		121,906	1,875	123,781	105,683
Total funds carried forward		104,773	1,875	106,648	123,781

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

# PATH (Scotland) Balance sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
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Fixed assets	4.4	074	
Tangible assets	11	674	<del></del>
Current assets			
Debtors	12	1,678	2,152
Cash at bank and in hand		<u> 150,676</u>	151,539
		152,354	153,691
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(22,058)	(26,185)
Net current assets		130,296	127,506
Total assets less current liabilities		130,970	127,506
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		<u> </u>	
Net assets excluding pension liability		130,970	127,506
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	20	(24,322)	(3,725)
Net assets		106,648	123,781
Funds			
Unrestricted funds			
General funds	16	40,225	59,091
Designated funds	17	40,226	59,090
Pension reserve	18	24,322	3,725
Restricted funds	19	1,875	1,875
		106,648	123,781

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the period ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

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- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 & 395 and which otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Directors on 5 October 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Arnold Black

Trustee

Registered number: SC194698

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

### 1. Accounting policies

### 1.1. Statutory information

PATH (Scotland) is a charitable company limited by guarantee and incorporated in Scotland. The registered office address (and principal place of business) is Suite 2, Firhill Business Centre, 74-76 Firhill Road, Glasgow, Scotland, G20 7BA.

### 1.2. Basis of preparation and Statement of Compliance

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2019), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Companies Act 2006. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

### 1.3. Going concern

The charity meets its day-to-day working capital requirements through the provision of funding and its existing reserves. Our current funding situation has created uncertainty over (a) the level of funding that the charity can access; and (b) the timing of that funding. The charity's forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible changes in performance, show that the charity should be able to operate for the forthcoming twelve months utilising its existing reserves as necessary. After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

### 1.4. Income

Income from donations and legacies, including donations, gifts and legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of general nature are recognised where there is entitlement, probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability. Such income is only deferred when the donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods, or when the donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Income from charitable activities includes income received under contract or where entitlement to grant funding is subject to specific performance is recognised as earned (as the related goods or services are provided). Grant income included in this category provides funding to support performance activities and is recognised where there is entitlement, probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

### 1.5. Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis when a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them. It also includes governance costs.

Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of the charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

### 1.6. Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

### 1.7. Tangible fixed assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows: Furniture & equipment - 33.33% straight line.

#### 1.8. Pensions

PATH (Scotland) participates in the Scottish Housing Association Pension Scheme (SHAPS) defined contribution pension scheme. The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the total contributions payable by the charity during the year.

PATH (Scotland) previously contributed to the SHAPS defined benefit pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund. Until 1 April 2018, assets and liabilities of the scheme relating to a specific employer could not be separately identified and, in accordance with FRS 102, the payments in respect of the past service deficit plan were discounted and recognised as a liability within the financial statements.

From 1 April 2018, assets and liabilities of the scheme relating to a specific employer can be separately identified. In accordance with guidance issued by the Scottish Federation of Housing Associations, the difference between the deficit funding agreement that has been recognised for SHAPS, and the net defined benefit liability, has been recognised in the charity's Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA).

A defined benefit plan defines the pension benefit that the employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent upon several factors including age, length of service and remuneration. A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that is not a defined contribution plan. The liability recognised in the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date less the fair value of the plan assets at the reporting date. The defined benefit obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. The present value is determined by discounting the estimated future payments using market yields on high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in sterling and that have terms approximating the estimated period of the future payments ('discount rate'). The fair value of plan assets is measured in accordance with the FRS 102 fair value hierarchy and includes the use of appropriate valuation techniques. Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to the SOFA. These amounts together with the return on plan assets, less amounts included in net interest, are disclosed in note 20 to these accounts.

### 1.9. Debtors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

#### 1.10. Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

### 1.11. Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are recognised at their settlement amount.

### 1.12. Leasing

Leasing rentals payable under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

### 1.13. Cash flow statement

The charity has taken advantage of its status as a small charity not to present a cash flow statement as the exemptions allow.

### 1.14. Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

### 1.15. Judgements and estimates

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to make estimates and assumptions which affect reported income, expenses, assets and liabilities. Use of available information and application of judgement are inherent in the formation of estimates, together with past experience and expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results in the future could differ from such estimates. The trustees are satisfied that the accounting policies are appropriate and applied consistently. Key sources of judgements and estimation have been applied as follows:

Judgement Basis of judgement:

Defined benefit pension scheme Sufficient information is now available to account for the charity's defined benefit

pension scheme liability.

Estimate: Basis of estimation:

Obligation under defined benefit pension This

scheme

This has relied on the actuarial assumptions of a qualified actuary which have been reviewed and are considered reasonable and appropriate, including the roll-

forward of liabilities as detailed in note 20.

2. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	2023	2022
	£	£
	7	
Donations	·	500
Friends of PATH	5,000	4,300
		4.000
	5,000	4,800
O become form the district and district		
3. Income from charitable activities	2022	2022
	2023	-
	£	£
Scottish Government - Equality Fund	-	20,417
Scottish Government - Workplace Equality Fund	38;800	3,280
Scottish Government - Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund	9,969	-
The Volant Charitable Trust	15,000	10,000
Glasgow City Council - Communities Fund	24,988	25,269
Endrick Trust	2,500	2,500
Robertson Trust	3,750	25,000
WA Cargill Fund		8,000
Arnold Clark Community Fund	1,000	-,
Placement and development	10,788	17,500
*	106,795	111,966

The income from charitable activities was £106,795 (2022: £111,966) of which £15,538 was unrestricted (2022: £50,500) and £91,257 restricted (2022: £61,466).

4. Investment income	4.	Inv	estr	nent	in	come
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	Unrestricted 2023	Unrestricted 2022
	£	£
Interest received	936	535
5. Costs of charitable activities		
	2023	2022
	£	£
Trainee development	17,517	18,612
Staff costs	65,010	96,008
Premises costs	8,091	8,138
Running costs	8,192	9,829
Travel costs	248	56
Pension interest and expense	401	1,402
Governance costs (note 6)	3,405	3,158
	102,864	137,203

The cost of charitable activities was £102,864 (2022: £137,203) of which £11,607 was unrestricted (2022: £68,237) and £91,257 restricted (2022: £68,966).

6. Governance costs		
	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent examination	1,750	1,674
Professional fees	1,554	1,386
Board expenses	101	98
2 dia experience	3,405	3,158
7. Net income for the year		
	2023	2022
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	336	-
Operating lease rentals	7,163	8,326
Independent examiner's remuneration	1,750	1,674
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8. Employees		
Number of employees		
The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were:	<b>\ 2023</b>	2022
The average monthly numbers of employees during the year were.	Number	Number
Management and development staff	3	3
Employment costs		
Employment costs	2023	2022
ê p	£	£
	3	
Wages and salaries	61,231	85,047
Social security costs	812	4,095
Other pension costs	2,967 65,010	6,866 96,008
	05,010	30,000

The key management personnel of the Charity comprise the trustees and the Director. The total cost to the charity of employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity, including national insurance and pension costs, was £39,431 in the period (2022: £70,025). No employee received employee benefits (excluding employer pension and national insurance costs) in the range £60,000-£70,000 (2022- One).

### 9. Trustees' emoluments

No Trustees or any persons connected with them received remuneration. During the year, one Trustee was reimbursed travel expenses totalling £72 (2022- 2 Trustees, £38).

### 10. Pension costs

During the year, the charity operated a defined contribution scheme. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions due from the charity and amounted to £2,750 (2022- £6,866).

Prior to 1 April 2014, the charity operated a defined benefit scheme. Contributions towards past service scheme deficits of £6,403 (2022- £12,432) were made in the year (see also note 20). Contributions ceased to be required after 30 September 2022.

11. Tangible Fixed Assets		
	Furniture &	
	Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	2,458	2,458
Additions in year	1,010	1,010
Disposals in year	(1,345)	(1,345)
At 31 March 2023	2,123	2,123
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2022	2,458	2,458
Disposals in year	(1,345)	(1,345)
Charge for year	336	336
At 31 March 2023	1,449	1,449
Net book value		
At 31 March 2023	674	674
At 31 March 2022	-	
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12. Debtors		
	2023	2022
	£	£
Operating debtors	-	1,250
Prepayments and accrued income	1,678	902
	1,678	2,152
13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Operating creditors	4,962	692
Other taxes and social security costs	1,319	1,857
Other creditors	2,553	10,552
Accruals and deferred income	13,224	13,084
	22,058	26,185

### 14. Lease Commitments

The charity has the following total of future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases:

•				Property	Equipment	Total £
1				r_	T.	£
Lease payments in not later than ?	1 year			-	1,296.	1,296
Lease payments later than 1 year	but within 5 year	ars		-,	648	648
Lease payments later than 5 years	5					
					1,944	1,944
15. Analysis of net assets betwe	en funds					
				Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
				funds	funds	funds
				£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 a	as represented l	bv:		~	~	~
Fixed assets		٠,٠		674	_	674
Current assets .				135,759	16,595	152,354
Current liabilities				(7,338)	(14,720)	(22,058)
Defined benefit pension scheme lia	ability			(24,322)	-	(24,322)
·	•			104,773	1,875	106,648
16. Unrestricted general funds						
	At	Incoming	Outgoing	Recognised		At
	1 April 2022	_		gains/(losses)	Transfers	31 Mar 2023
	£		£	£	£	£
General fund	59,091	21,474	(11,607)	(27,000)	(1,733)	40,225

### Purposes of general funds

### General fund

The general fund encompasses all unrestricted income and expenditure relating to the primary activities of the charity which has not been encompassed through other unrestricted or restricted funds.

	At	At		
	1 April 2022	Transfers	31 Mar 2023	
	£	£	£	
Fixed Obligation Fund	59,090	(18,864)	40,226	
	59,090	(18,864)	40,226	

This fund represents the setting aside of 50% of the unrestricted funds, after separately having designated amounts within the pension reserve, towards liabilities that are estimated to arise should it be necessary to wind up the organisation.

### 18. Pension reserve

		At		At
•		1 April 2022	Transfers	31 Mar 2023
		£	£	£
Pension reserve		3,725	20,597	24,322
•	. ^	3,725	20,597	24,322

The pension reserve has been set up to reflect the charity's obligations under the Scottish Housing Association Pension Scheme.

### 19. Restricted funds

	At 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	At 31 Mar 2023
	£	£	£	£
Scottish Government - Workplace Equality Fund	-	38,800	(38,800)	-
The Volant Charitable Trust	-	15,000	(15,000)	-
Glasgow City Council - Communities Fund	-	24,988	(24,988)	-
Scottish Government - Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund	-	9,969	(9,969)	-
Endrick Trust	1,875	2,500	(2,500)	1,875
	1,875	91,257	(91,257)	1,875

### Purposes of restricted funds

### Scottish Government, Equality Fund

Funding is received from the Scottish Government Equality Fund for the Developing Management and Leadership Programme to assist the Scottish Government meet its strategic outcomes for people from minority ethnic, refugee, asylum seeker and faith communities. The grant funding was spent in full during the year.

### Scottish Government, Workplace Equality Fund

The Scottish Government's Workplace Equality Fund supported our Positive Moves in Health and Employment Programme which aimed to deliver an online programme in the form of interactive webinars to Managers as well as BAME staff at Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS.

### Scottish Government, Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund

The funding will support 20 people who are unemployed or under-employed from a BAME/Refugee and Asylum seeking background in Glasgow to access volunteering, training and education and paid work as well as building confidence, wellbeing and resilience.

### The Volant Charitable Trust

Funding is received under a 3-year-programme from The Volant Charitable Trust towards the Training Co-ordinator Salary.

### Glasgow City Council - Communities Fund

This project aims to support people from BME backgrounds who are unemployed or under-employed in the Southside area to improve their employment opportunities, build resilience and challenge barriers.

### **Endrick Trust**

Funding is received under a 3-year-programme from The Endrick Trust towards the provision of employability support.

#### 20. Retirement benefit scheme

The charity participates in the Scottish Housing Association Pension Scheme, a multi-employer scheme which provides benefits to some 150 non-associated employers. The scheme is a defined benefit scheme in the UK.

The scheme is subject to the funding legislation outlined in the Pensions Act 2004 which came into force on 30 December 2005. This, together with documents issued by the Pensions Regulator and Technical Actuarial Standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council, set out the framework for funding defined benefit occupational pension schemes in the UK.

The last triennial valuation of the scheme for funding purposes was carried out as at 30 September 2021. This valuation revealed a deficit of £27m. A Recovery Plan has been put in place to eliminate the deficit which ran to 30 September 2022.

The scheme is classified as a 'last-man standing arrangement'. Therefore the charity is potentially liable for other participating employers' obligations if those employers are unable to meet their share of the scheme deficit following withdrawal from the Scheme. Participating employers are legally required to meet their share of the scheme deficit on an annuity purchase basis on withdrawal from the Scheme.

For accounting purposes, a valuation of the scheme is carried out with an effective date of 30 September each year. The liability figures from this valuation are rolled forward for accounting year-ends from the following 31 March to 28 February inclusive. The latest actuarial valuation of the scheme was carried out with an effective date of 30 September 2022. The liability figures from this valuation were rolled forward for accounting year-ends from the following 31 March 2023 to 28 February 2024 inclusive. The liabilities are compared, at the relevant accounting date, with the company's fair share of the Scheme's total assets to calculate the company's net deficit or surplus.

### Present values of defined benefit obligation, fair value of assets and defined benefit liability

	31 March 2023 £000s	31 March 2022 £000s
Fair value of plan assets	350	. 486
Present value of defined benefit obligation	(373):	(490)
Defined benefit liability to be recognised	(23)	(4)
Reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the defined benefit obligation		
	Year ending	Year ending
	31 March 2023	31 March 2022
	£000s	£000s
Defined benefit obligation at start of year	490	517
Interest expense	13	11
Actuarial losses (gains) due to scheme experience	39	5
Actuarial losses due to changes in demographic assumptions	(7)	1
Actuarial (gains) losses due to changes in financial assumptions	(150)	(44)
Benefits paid and expenses	(12)	-
Defined benefit obligation at end of year	373	490
Reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the fair value of plan assets		
Fair value of plan assets at start of year	486	464
Interest Income	13	10
Experience (loss) gain on plan assets (excluding amounts included in interest income)	(145)	(1)
Contributions by the employer	8	13
Benefits paid and expenses	(12)	-
Fair value of plan assets at end of period	350	486

The actual return on plan assets (including any changes in share of assets) over the year ended 31 March 2023 was £-132,000 (2022: £9,000).

# 20. Retirement benefit scheme (continued)

# Defined benefit costs recognised in statement of financial activities:

Charitable expenditure		
Net interest expense		1
Other recognised gains and losses		
Experience (loss) on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest expense)	(145)	(1)
Experience (losses) arising on the plan liabilities	(39)	(5)
Effects of changes in the demographic assumptions underlying the present value of the defined benefit obligation - gain/(loss)	7	(1)
Effects of changes in the financial assumptions underlying the present value of the defined benefit obligation - gain	150	44
Actuarial (losses)/gains in respect of pension schemes	(27)	37

Assets		
	31 March 2023	31 Warch 2022
·	£000s	£000s
Global Equity	9	96
Absolute Return	5	22
Distressed Opportunities	11	17
Credit Relative Value	13	16
Alternative Risk Premia	2	20
Emerging Markets Debt	3	18
Risk Sharing	25	16
Insurance-Linked Securities	10	10
Property	15	13
Infrastructure	38	30
Private Debt	16	12
Opportunistic Illiquid Credit	15	16
High Yield	2	5
Opportunistic Credit	-	2
Cash	1	1
Corporate Bond Fund	-	31
Liquid Credit	-	3
Long Lease Property	12	14
Secured Income	23	26
Liability Driven Investment	148	118
Currency Hedging	. 1	(2)
Net current assets	1	2
Total assets	350	486

None of the fair values of the assets shown above include any direct investments in the employer's own financial instruments or any property occupied by, or other assets used by, the employer.

# 20. Retirement benefit scheme (continued)

Key assumptions	•	
1	31 March 2023	31 March 2022
i	% per annum	% per annum
Discount Rate	4.87	2.79
Inflation (RPI)	3:19	3.54
Inflation (CPI)	2.75	3.17
Salary Growth	3.75	4.17
Allowance for commutation of pension for cash at retirement	75% of max.	75% of max.
	allowance	allowance
The mortality assumptions adopted at 31 March 2023 imply the following life	expectancies:	
	Life expectancy at age 65 (years)	
Male retiring in 2023	20.5	21.6
Female retiring in 2023	23.0	23.9
Male retiring in 2043	21.7	22.9
Female retiring in 2043	24.4	25.4

# 21. Related party transactions

There were no transactions with related parties requiring disclosure.