Report of the Trustees and

Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

<u>for</u>

Alt Valley Community Trust Limited

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Report of the Trustees

for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Alt Valley Community Trust (AVCT) is a Social Business based in The North East of Liverpool. It serves several electoral wards experiencing significant social and economic challenges (as identified by the 'indices of Multiple Deprivation'). It was founded as an Educational charity in 1988 but has since developed into a multi-faceted anchor organisation contributing to Individual Well-Being and sustainable Communities.

Vision

Sustainable communities where everybody achieves their full potential and leads happy, healthy and fulfilled lives.

Mission

We bring about positive change in Alt Valley and the wider community by developing innovative partnerships to maximise opportunities in community engagement, education and training, sport and wellbeing, and business and enterprise.

The charity's core objectives are

- 1) To contribute to the creation of sustainable communities.
- 2) To provide education and leisure training facilities to enable people to acquire and develop vocational skills.
- 3) To train and educate people through their leisure time activities so their health and wellbeing and conditions of life may be improved.

The charity's objectives are promoted through 4 key operational areas namely;

- Business and Employment
- Community Development
- Education and Training
- Sports and Wellbeing

Public benefit

AVCT was established to provide a range of services to address disadvantage in the Alt Valley and surrounding neighbourhoods of Liverpool. Our activities are intended to improve access to education and training, support for people entering employment and to provide community facilities and well-being activities, all of which build a sustainable community.

AVCT has grown to be one of the biggest social enterprise, community organisations in Liverpool, offering a unique range of services and facilities. AVCT has contracts with Liverpool City Council for the delivery of education and sports activities, the ESFA for the delivery of vocational training and has taken over the management of some City Council community assets to keep them open and to maintain local services for local people. Not only has local provision been retained, the footfall and the community use has increased.

AVCT is increasingly being called on to provide additional support to local community organisations to keep them going. This includes providing advice, staff expertise and affordable office and meeting space. The range of services, resources, partners and experience has made AVCT an invaluable resource for the north east of the city. The Trust's key role as the main 'Anchor' organisation for the Alt Valley communities now extends to the North East wards of Yew Tree and Knotty Ash as well as Croxteth, Norris Green, Clubmoor and Fazakerley.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The policies adopted in furtherance of these objectives are reviewed on an annual basis. The company ensures that robust monitoring, evaluation and review processes are in place to evidence the impact and effectiveness of our community focused work.

Governance

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

All company policies were reviewed & updated and internal financial controls for charities documentation completed at the AGM on 12th March 2022.

Staff and Management

Two consultants assist senior staff and Trustees in developing plans for the future. The Executive Director along with the Assistant Chief Executive retain an overview of all Trust activities including finance. Staff re-structuring is a permanent feature of the organisation and a pre-requisite for adapting to changing needs and contexts.

Community development

All of AVCT's Community hubs have youth and elderly focused provision. Both youth and elderly initiatives have secured exceptional progress from a standing start position.

- Ellergreen centre is full to capacity with 9 partners in situ. Architects are currently drawing up plans to extend Ellergreen community hub.

Ellergreen is the base for the successful DWP Youth Hub who recognised that young people preferred community focused provision to DWP offices. The Kickstart programme targets 16-24 year olds who have experienced barriers to employment. Hope University social work students support service users. Staff have devised detailed case studies of how hard to reach young people with increasing mental health needs have been supported. Intensive intervention is required so arts and creative opportunities provided as a means of improving confidence and self-esteem. There have been 104 referrals to date with 47 young people progressing into employment.

- Dovecot hub has drawn up plans to extend the space dedicated to alternative education. The community café and library will be merged to establish an older persons' hub space. The sports facility to be re-opened in conjunction with new partners. 50% of the first floor space dedicated to youth & community group use. The remainder dedicated to a 'Business Start-up Zone and theatre space.
- Libraries are gradually increasing their activities after the long closure periods. Breck Road is the busiest base and now has a high percentage of BAME service users so this is being addressed. New strategy to be devised in order to make provision more vibrant, stimulating and inclusive.
- Communiversity has two fold provision as the education base and community hub. Successful grant applications provided innovative creative projects such as Yukalalee schemes, community podcasts and drama opportunities with an increased emphasis on additional activities for young people.

Sports & well-being centres.

- Increasing footfall has been secured through initiatives such as holiday play schemes for young people and new class and gym provision.
- More partnerships have been developed with health care services.

Education

The Education team moved into The Communiversity In September 2021 following the 470k LCR investment to upgrade training facilities. NSC designed and refurbished the facilities and overcame supply issues very successfully. LCR project Manager applauded the company for completing the transformation so swiftly during extensive lockdown periods

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for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

- The constantly shifting education landscape requires continuous review. Currently have approximately 200 learners on programmes funded by loans, apprenticeships, traineeships and Include IT Mersey digi bid. The contracts are well managed and funders are continually increasing compliance and administrative procedures. An unsuccessful bid for AEB funding in May 2022 resulted in an inability to offer relevant programmes to many young people so alternative funding streams to be explored.
- AVCT's curriculum offer now focuses upon three pillars; Learning support and Care services/Creative and Digital/Health and Well-Being. Our plans to deliver DEC in partnership with COYO and local secondary schools were abandoned when the LA suspended plans to develop Stonebridge Cross.
- Adult Learning Service. This year we delivered courses for the 19+ age range in Croxteth, Yew Tree and Vauxhall. To date all targets have been met and quality of provision cited in various documents such as an Ofsted Consultant's observation reports.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The Trust continues to operate extremely tight financial margins. All financial years are equally challenging as public funding continues to be put under increasing pressure. The Finance Manager ensures that rigorous systems are applied to secure efficiencies, value for money and contract compliance.

In summary there is total incoming resources in the accounts for year ended 31 August 2022 of £1,322,532 with expenditure on charitable activities £1,341,401 therefore net expenditure of £18,869.

AVCT's financial year finishes in August and whilst we have lost several income streams this year, some of these have been offset by business support income and grants from Power to Change and the lottery to help with on costs and staffing costs. AVCT has also benefited from the continued support from Social Investment Business (SIB) with freezing loan repayments which have been crucial in allowing the company to move forward and plan for the future.

Next financial years forecast will include anticipated losses of revenue, however we anticipate growth going forward. We have retained 31 staff with a robust forward plan which puts AVCT and partners in a good position to respond to community need and provision of services in the future. The government's Furlough scheme ended in October 2021 so staff have resumed their roles.

The SLT have developed improved systems and processes to create synergy between projects and their funding streams. New procedures have strengthened the impact of initiatives such as Kick Start, Elderly and Youth hubs, similarly financial monitoring has secured increased effectiveness and value for money.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. The Trustees regularly review the finances and budget forecasts in the context of the of an ever changing environment and monitor the Trust's working capital requirements.

In line with Charity Commission guidance, the Trustees believe a good reserves policy helps the organisation to be prepared to deal with unforeseen emergencies or other unexpected needs for funds, such as an unexpected large repair bill. There could also be a need to fund short-term deficits in a cash budget whereby money needs to be spent before a funding grant is received.

The Trustees, in line with Charity Commission guidance have therefore established a reserves policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the Charity should be approximately equal to three months of expenditure at current levels. The Trustees are actively planning to build towards the stated level of reserves.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

FUTURE PLANS

Revised strategy map

Following the post pandemic transitional period AVCT developed a new strategic plan in January 2022. An important aspect being the built-in flexibility to respond swiftly to changing circumstances and conditions. The transformational nature of our work requires increased partnership work to secure the resources and services that people need. The basic hub and spoke model ensures the cross fertilisation of ideas and greater consistency in area based provision. AVCT's staff team most efficacious in bringing about significant improvement and impact upon local communities.

Partnerships

AVCT continues to work in collaboration with a range of partners including the City Council, Liverpool City Region, social housing providers, key services and most importantly local community organisations. We are fully committed to partnership working and this aspect is always an integral part of our work.

The Trust continues to develop its work in the wider community, building on its successful partnerships with Neighbourhood Services Company, and Vauxhall Neighbourhood Council.

AVCT has close working relationships with several Universities such as Solent (undergraduate work experience), Hope University (social worker placements) and Uppsala University (developing new approaches to reduce NEET rate amongst young people).

We hosted a study visit on behalf of the Homebaked organisation in April 2022. 15 principals from Swedish Folk Schools spent a day examining community engagement.

In addition Ellergreen Youth hub participated in a QS World Merit literacy initiative with a youth council in Niger and our Community champions worked with Toynbee Hall, London on a peer researcher project exploring community members' access to cash.

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As management agents we have arrested the deterioration and decline in provision by rationalising the premises. A range of services are now established including activities for the Elderly, youth facilities ,adult learning classes, food pantry project and holiday play schemes. This is a major community project requiring further thought and partnership work with organisations such as Everton in the Community. The area desperately needs a community base given that so many community- focused organisations have closed.

Our work and responsibilities as a Community Anchor organisation will continue to be the main driver influencing our future strategies for community sustainability and well-being.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association there will be a minimum of four trustees and no more than seventeen. When considering the appointment of trustees the Board has regard to the requirement of any specialist skills needed. For example Mrs. L Baugh is an experienced Early Years Practitioner with a Safeguarding Specialism and she joined the board to assist in this regard in the delivery of the education and training programmes for the charity.

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

Organisational structure

The board of trustees which can have up to 17 members administers the charity. The board normally meets quarterly and there are link directors who liaise with the Education and Training, Community Development, Sport and Well Being and Business and Employment Managers.

A Chief Executive is appointed by the trustees to manage the day to day operations of the charity. In order to facilitate effective operations the Chief Executive has delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the trustees in operational matters including finance, employment and programme delivery.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

New trustees undergo an induction process to ensure they are aware of their legal obligations under charity and company law, the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and inform them of the content of the Memorandum and Articles of Association as well as the recent financial performance of the charity. Trustees will meet key employees, other trustees and are encouraged to undertake appropriate external training to help facilitate the undertaking of their role.

The Chair of the Board is completing a skills audit to ensure that bespoke support and training is provided to all trustees and that a range of governance competencies are in place.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

04275541 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

519835

Registered office

Communiversity

Alteross House

Altcross Road

Liverpool

Merseyside

L11 0BS

Trustees

Ms A M Mason

Mrs L A Baugh

Mr G Brennan

Mr J Donnelly (resigned 11.7.22)

Mr A Jennings

Dr B McDonough

Mr A L Rimmer

Ms S A Sweeney

Mr R Meredith

Mr P J Hooton (appointed 14.11.22)

Ms P Thornley (appointed 14.11.22)

Company Secretary

Ms S A Sweeney

Auditors

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

AUDITORS

The auditors, Andrew D. Kilshaw, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

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

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Ms A M Mason - Trustee

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Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 August 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

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

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

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

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general commercial and sector experience, and through discussions with the trustees (as required by auditing standards) and discussed with the trustees the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations. We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit. The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

Firstly, the company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation and taxation legislation. We assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

Secondly, the company is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of noncompliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: Charities Act 2011, Health and Safety at Work Act and Employment Law.

Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Through these procedures we did not become aware of any actual or suspected non-compliance.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing noncompliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined below to detect material misstatement due to fraud:

- Matters are discussed amongst the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur
- Identifying and assessing the design and effectiveness of controls that management have in place
- Detecting and responding to the risks of fraud following discussions with management.

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

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Trustees of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Andrew D. Kilshaw

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

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24 May 2023

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31.8.22 Total funds	31.8.21 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	2				
Charitable activities Sports and wellbeing	2	207,045		207,045	107,234
Education		292,421	95,054	387,475	651,699
Community engagement		341,362	325,125	666,487	1,045,303
Covid Funding		39,902	-	39,902	412,697
Other income		21,623	-	21,623	<u>-</u>
Total		902,353	420,179	1,322,532	2,216,933
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Sports and wellbeing		225,330	26,107	251,437	105,033
Education		318,248	112,584	430,832	866,765
Community engagement		371,507	287,625	659,132	632,651
Total		915,085	426,316	1,341,401	1,604,449
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(12,732)	(6,137)	(18,869)	612,484
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS		•			
Total funds brought forward		2,438,120	1,786,505	4,224,625	3,612,141
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		2,425,388	1,780,368	4,205,756	4,224,625

Balance Sheet 31 August 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds £	31.8.22 Total funds £	31.8.21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets Social investments	8 9	1,989,776 82,000	1,780,368 -	3,770,144 82,000	3,802,180 82,000
		2,071,776	1,780,368	3,852,144	3,884,180
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	251,172	-	251,172	134,967
Prepayments and accrued income		9,170		9,170	6,790
Cash at bank and in hand		585,980		585,980	590,959
		846,322	-	846,322	732,716
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	11	(389,077)	-	(389,077)	(265,230)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		457,245		457,245	467,486
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,529,021	1,780,368	4,309,389	4,351,666
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year	12	(103,633)	-	(103,633)	(127,041)
NET ASSETS		2,425,388	1,780,368	4,205,756	4,224,625
ELIMING	1.4				
FUNDS Unrestricted funds	14			2,425,388	2 420 120
Restricted funds	•			2,423,388 1,780,368	2,438,120 1,786,505
TOTAL FUNDS				4,205,756	4,224,625

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The members have not deposited notice, pursuant to Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requiring an audit of these financial statements.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as 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 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been audited under the requirements of Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Balance Sheet - continued

31 August 2022

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 24 May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Ms A M Mason - Trustee

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<u>Cash Flow Statement</u> for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

	Notes	31.8.22 £	31.8.21 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations Interest paid	1	53,853 (4,958)	224,662 (10,658)
Net cash provided by operating activities		48,895	214,004
Cash flows from investing activities		•	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(53,874)	(48,636)
Net cash used in investing activities		(53,874)	(48,636)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period Cash and cash equivalents at the		(4,979)	165,368
beginning of the reporting period		590,959	425,591
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of			
the reporting period		585,980	590,959

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

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Total

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

OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
		31.8.22 £	31.8.21 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the		~	æ.
Statement of Financial Activities)		(18,869)	612,484
Adjustments for:		(10,007)	
•		85,910	72,691
Depreciation charges		4,958	10,658
Interest paid Increase in debtors		(118,585)	(89,847)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors		100,439	(381,324)
Net cash provided by operations		53,853	224,662
Net cash provided by operations		====	====
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS			
	At 1.9.21	Cash flow	At 31.8.22
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	590,959	(4,979)	585,980
	590,959	(4,979)	585,980
Debt			
Debts falling due within 1 year	(23,723)	156	(23,567)
Debts falling due after 1 year	(127,041)	23,408	(103,633)

(127,200)

458,780

23,564

18,585

(150,764)

440,195

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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

Income

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

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets

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

Freehold property

1% on cost

Long leasehold

at varying rates on cost

Improvements to property

- 1% on cost and Straight line over the term of the lease

Plant and machinery Fixtures and fittings

Straight line over 4 years Straight line over 4 years

Computer equipment

Straight line over 3 years

Under FRS 102 section 35.10(c) transitional provisions, the Trustees have elected to use the fair value of certain freehold properties as a 'deemed cost'. The valuation was undertaken by Mason Owen Chartered Surveyors. The buildings will be subject to annual depreciation and no further revaluations will be necessary.

Social investments

Programme related social investments are valued at fair value.

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		31.8.21
Activity	£	£
Sports Centre income Sports and wellbeing	165,413	107,234
Sports Centre recharges Sports and wellbeing	41,632	-
Training income Education	271,086	262,985
Grants Education	116,389	388,714
Library management Community engagement	165,000	165,000
Room hire Community engagement	21,428	6,407
Room rental Community engagement	154,934	181,617
Grants Community engagement	325,125	692,279
Grants Covid Funding	39,902	412,697
	1,300,909	2,216,933
		
Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:		
, ,	31.8.22	31.8.21
	£	£
Sports England	-	54,263
Liverpool City Council	53,011	339,118
Big Lottery	75,317	92,000
Cobalt Housing	3,562	-
Sefton Council for Voluntary Service	35,837	61,683
Liverpool Community College	-	4,811
Other	-	250
Awards For All	9,983	-
Veolia Environmental Trust	50,400	14,664
Merseyside Play in Action	-	2,000
Covid Funding	28,520	417,877
National Lottery Community Fund	-	69,000
Steve Morgan Foundation	14,949	36,127
Liverpool Council for Voluntary Service	36,766	9,980
Department for Work & Pension	54,566	21,725
Social Enterprise Investment Fund	-	173,969
Future Builders England	-	196,223
Sutton Croft	12,962	-
The Clothworkers Foundation	50,000	-
Big Issue National Lottery	13,500	-
New Futures	42,043	· <u>-</u>
	481,416	1,493,690

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

					Support	
				Direct	costs (see	
				Costs	note 4)	Totals
				£	£	£
	Sports and wellbeing			105,695	145,742	251,437
	Education			243,977	186,855	430,832
	Community engagement			398,926	260,206	659,132
				748,598	592,803	1,341,401
4.	SUPPORT COSTS					
					Governance	
			General	Finance	costs	Totals
			£	£	£	£
	Sports and wellbeing		141,616	1,393	2,733	145,742
	Education		181,027	1,967	3,861	186,855
	Community engagement		253,404	2,296	4,506	260,206
			576,047	5,656	11,100	592,803
	Support costs, included in the al	bove, are as follow	ws:		31.8.22	31.8.21
		Cmarta			31.8.22	31.8.21
		Sports and		Community	Total	Total
		wellbeing	Education	engagement	activities	activities
		£	£	£	£	£
	Premises costs	70,878	100,105	116,859	287,842	210,117
	Repairs and renewals	15,895	22,806	76,606	115,307	58,874
	Travel expenses	577	816	1,014	2,407	3,589
	Postage and stationery	1,775	2,507	2,927	7,209	836
	Sundries	497	701	819	2,017	609
	Legal and professional fees	18,555	26,207	30,593	75,355	29,714
	Depreciation of tangible			•	-	
	fixed assets	33,439	27,885	24,586	85,910	72,691
	Bank charges	172	243	283	698	675
	Interest payable and similar			,		
	charges	1,221	1,724	2,013	4,958	10,658
	Auditors' remuneration	2,733	3,861	4,506	11,100	11,100
		145,742	186,855	260,206	592,803	398,863
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5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.8.22	31.8.21
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	11,100	11,100
Depreciation - owned assets	85,910	72,691
		

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

Trustees are reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred whilst carrying out their duties on behalf of Alt Valley Community Trust Limited. The aggregate value reimbursed for the year was £3,611 (2021 £3,661).

7. STAFF COSTS

	31.8.22	31.8.21
·	£	£
Wages and salaries	560,257	506,713
Social security costs	36,683	48,234
Other pension costs	6,765	4,910
	603,705	559,857
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The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:		
	31.8.22	31.8.21
Teaching staff and trainees	4	4
Caretaker / cleaners	4	4
Office and management	10	9
Sports Centre staff	8	9
Library staff	6	6
	32	32

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold property	Long leasehold £	Improvements to property £
COST At 1 September 2021 Additions		1,225,304	1,228,841	1,751,182
At 31 August 2022		1,225,304	1,228,841	1,751,182
DEPRECIATION At 1 September 2021 Charge for year		83,518 12,253	150,078 11,288	202,924 33,637
At 31 August 2022		95,771	161,366	236,561
NET BOOK VALUE At 31 August 2022		1,129,533	1,067,475	1,514,621
At 31 August 2021		1,141,786	1,078,763	1,548,258
	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST At 1 September 2021 Additions	77,298 53,874	522,375	139,950	4,944,950 53,874
At 31 August 2022	131,172	522,375	139,950	4,998,824
DEPRECIATION At 1 September 2021 Charge for year	68,758 16,315	522,375 -	115,117 12,417	1,142,770 85,910
At 31 August 2022	85,073	522,375	127,534	1,228,680
NET BOOK VALUE At 31 August 2022	46,099	-	12,416	3,770,144
At 31 August 2021	8,540	_	24,833	3,802,180

9. SOCIAL INVESTMENTS

y.	SOCIAL INVESTMENTS		Programme related investments equity £
	MARKET VALUE At 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022		82,000
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31 August 2022		82,000
	At 31 August 2021	:	82,000
10.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	21.0.22	21.0.21
		31.8.22 £	31.8.21 £
	Trade debtors	134,737	84,967
	Other debtors	116,435	50,000
		251,172	134,967
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11.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	31.8.22	31.8.21
		£	£
	Other loans (see note 13)	23,567 198,627	23,723 60,928
	Trade creditors Social security and other taxes	196,627	7,880
	Other creditors	122,203	131,451
	Accruals and deferred income	34,565	41,248
		389,077	265,230
12.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
		31.8.22	31.8.21
	Other loans (see note 13)	£ 103,633	£ 127,041
13.	LOANS		
	An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:		
		31.8.22	31.8.21
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year on demand: Other loans	23,567	23,723
	Onici iodiis	====	=====
	Amounts falling between one and two years: Other loans - 1-2 years	23,567	23,723
	Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
	Other loans - 2-5 years	70,700	71,168

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13. LOANS - continued

	31.8.22 £	31.8.21 £
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable by instalments: Other loans more 5yrs instal	9,366	32,150

£700,000 from Futurebuilders England Limited, repayable by instalments over 20 years, commencing April 2007 with an interest rate of 3%. This loan is secured by way of a legal charge on the property at Gillmoss Lane, Liverpool.

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net		
		movement	At
	At 1.9.21	in funds	31.8.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,438,120	(12,732)	2,425,388
Restricted funds			
ERDF	717,578	(17,530)	700,048
SEIF Sports	440,241	(19,522)	420,719
Sports England - Dovecot MAC	34,089	(357)	33,732
Big Lottery - Dovecot MAC	594,597	(6,228)	588,369
The Clothworkers Foundation		37,500	37,500
	1,786,505	(6,137)	1,780,368
TOTAL FUNDS	4,224,625	(18,869)	4,205,756

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

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Steve Morgan Older Persons Hub 14,949 (14,949)
HAF Funding 30,852 (30,852)
Youth Hub 33,231 (33,231)
Big Issue Investment 13,500 (13,500)
Innovation in Communities 7,494 (7,494)
The Clothworkers Foundation 50,000 (12,500) 37,500
420,179 (426,316) (6,137)
TOTAL FUNDS 1,322,532 (1,341,401) (18,869
Comparatives for movement in funds
Net movement At
movement At At 1.9.20 in funds 31.8.21
£ £ £
Unrestricted funds
General fund 1,464,313 973,807 2,438,120
Restricted funds
ERDF 735,108 (17,530) 717,578
SEIF Sports 459,763 (19,522) 440,241
Power to Change 25,000 (25,000)
Sports England - Dovecot MAC 34,446 (357) 34,089
Big Lottery - Dovecot MAC 600,825 (6,228) 594,597
Veolia Environmental Trust 44,156 (44,156)
Skills Capital Funding 222,798 (222,798)
Sport England - Croxteth 25,732 (25,732)
20,102 (20,102)
2,147,828 (361,323) 1,786,505

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,506,132	(532,325)	973,807
Restricted funds			
ERDF	-	(17,530)	(17,530)
SEIF Sports	-	(19,522)	(19,522)
Power to Change	-	(25,000)	(25,000)
Sports England - Dovecot MAC	-	(357)	(357)
Big Lottery - Dovecot MAC	-	(6,228)	(6,228)
Liverpool City Council	86,070	(86,070)	-
Liverpool Community College - Enterprise			
Hub	4,811	(4,811)	-
Big Lottery - Reaching Communities	92,000	(92,000)	-
Other Restricted Funds	5,430	(5,430)	-
Veolia Environmental Trust	14,664	(58,820)	(44,156)
Include - IT Mersey	26,751	(26,751)	-
Skills Capital Funding	253,048	(475,846)	(222,798)
Merseyside Play Action Council	2,000	(2,000)	-
Sport England - Croxteth	8,311	(34,043)	(25,732)
VOLA New Futures	34,932	(34,932)	-
National Lottery Covid Community Fund	69,000	(69,000)	-
· Steve Morgan Older Persons Hub	36,127	(36,127)	-
HAF Funding	9,980	(9,980)	-
Youth Hub	21,725	(21,725)	-
Sports England National Leisure Recovery			
Fund	45,952	(45,952)	-
	710,801	(1,072,124)	(361,323)
TOTAL FUNDS	2,216,933	(1,604,449)	612,484

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, the charity entered into transactions, on an arms length basis, with community organisations The Neighbourhood Services Company Limited, Vauxhall Neighbourhood Council Limited and NSC Care Ltd; all related parties by virtue of there being common directors.

At 31st August 2022, the charity owed The Neighbourhood Services Company Limited the sum of £117,466 by way of other creditors.

During the year £66,435 was loaned to Vauxhall Neighbourhood Council Limited. At 31st August 2022, the charity was owed £116,435 from Vauxhall Neighbourhood Council Limited by way of other debtors.