



# Community First Yorkshire Ltd

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Accounts

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## Listing of Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used throughout the report

ABCD – Asset Based Community Development  
ACRE – Action with Communities in Rural England  
BGET – British Gas Energy Trust  
CCG – Clinical Commissioning Group  
CLH – Community Led Housing  
CLHH – Community Led Homes Hub  
DC – District Council  
DCMS – Department for Culture, Media and Sport  
DEFRA - Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs  
ERYC – East Riding of Yorkshire Council  
HCV – Humber, Coast and Vale<sup>1</sup>  
HCP – Health and Care Partnership  
HDC – Hambleton District Council  
HEY – Hull and East Yorkshire  
HHAONB – Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty  
HNY – Humber and North Yorkshire  
HPOC – Harnessing the Power of Community  
HWRA – Humber and Wolds Rural Action  
IVAR – Institute for Voluntary Action Research  
NAVCA – National Association for Voluntary and Community Action  
NHS – National Health Service  
NHS HNY ICB – NHS Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board  
NLCF – National Lottery Community Fund  
NY – North Yorkshire  
NYC – North Yorkshire Council<sup>2</sup>  
NYCC – North Yorkshire County Council  
PCN – NHS Primary Care Network  
RDC – Richmondshire District Council  
REPF – Rural England Prosperity Fund  
SBC – Scarborough Borough Council  
SOFA – Statement of Financial Activities  
TRCF – Two Ridings Community Foundation  
UKSPF – UK Shared Prosperity Fund  
VAL – Voluntary Action Leeds  
VCS – Voluntary and Community Sector  
VCSE – Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise sector  
YNYER – York, North Yorkshire and East Riding  
YNYLEP – York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership

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<sup>1</sup> Humber, Coast and Vale Health and Care Partnership is the antecedent the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership. This latter organisation includes Harrogate when previously Harrogate fell within the West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership.

<sup>2</sup> North Yorkshire Council is the unitary authority comprised of the previous seven district councils: Scarborough, Hambleton, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Harrogate, Selby and Craven along with North Yorkshire County Council.

**COMMUNITY FIRST YORKSHIRE LTD  
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR END 31 MARCH 2023**

## TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and 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 published in October 2019.

### INTRODUCTION

In my last annual report for Community First Yorkshire, I said that the next few years were likely to be challenging for us all, offering both opportunity and renewal and some inevitable casualties through a period of change and evolution. And so it has been.

Challenges have been the cost-of-living crisis, impacting fuel and food prices making it difficult for everyone in our communities, whether VCSE, public or private sector to keep pace with rising inflation. This means our most vulnerable citizens and the organisations supporting them have been the most severely impacted with demand for VCSE sector services higher than ever.

Thank you to all our members for everything you do to contribute to the communities you work in and for your ongoing support of Community First Yorkshire. The differences you make to the quality of life, sense of connection, security and happiness in your local communities is tangible. Whether it's the warm welcome to the new volunteer, play group parent or bewildered asylum seeker.

We have said farewell to some of our key members of the team and have attracted some brilliant new talent to Community First Yorkshire. Inevitably it's a challenge to retain valuable team members in a sector unable to compete on the same salary levels as its public or private sector cousins. The strength, hard work, and goodwill of those we work with most frequently is phenomenal. Whether it's the new recruits taking pay cuts to join us because they crave the sense of job satisfaction and 'giving back' that working in our sector means, or our long-standing team members, who consistently go the extra mile. I salute them all and remain hugely grateful for the commitment of every person in our team.

I'm also deeply thankful for our wonderful board of trustees who give their time, sage advice and faith in the team and me so generously.

In times of change, relationships have been more important than ever, and the adage of treating others as you'd like to be treated yourself has never been more appropriate. Those few extra minutes invested actively listening to the answer when we ask a colleague how they are, all helps to connect with the human in all our contacts. Taking time to get to know the people you work with makes everyone feel more connected to us, enhancing our relationships in both directions. Every single human interaction has a marked effect on those around you, so it's no wonder the volume of mental health issues is increasing as people struggle to come to terms with factors often outside their personal control.

The impact of health and wellbeing on all of us is greater than ever, and if I could have one wish it would be for everyone in our sector to have more 'me time' to invest in their own personal mental health and wellbeing. We can't be all things to all people when we are exhausted and barely coping ourselves.

In North Yorkshire, these macro factors have been added to by the evolving health and care partnerships and the new unitary authority. We have some great relationships with all our partners on which to build the new structures and we look forward to working with you all to improve the lives of people in Yorkshire.

Jane Colthup, Chief Executive

## OUR PURPOSES AND ACTIVITIES

Community First Yorkshire Ltd is an independent charitable organisation that has been working to help improve the quality of life for people living and working in the rural areas of North, South and West Yorkshire since 1937. We are an influential, regional body which works with and for voluntary and community organisations, social enterprises and rural communities, as well as engaging with a wide range of relevant statutory organisations. Community First Yorkshire Ltd is one of 37 rural community councils and a member of the national body, Action for Communities in Rural England (ACRE).

We exist to improve the lives of people living in Yorkshire through more thriving, connected, inclusive and sustainable communities.

What does this mean?

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| Thriving    | ✓ Our local communities will feel vibrant, prosperous and multi-generational. People will actively want to be part of our communities.   |
| Connected   | ✓ People in our communities will not feel isolated or disadvantaged by their location whether in terms of access to services, loneliness, broadband or mobile phone connectivity.  |
| Inclusive   | ✓ Everyone in our communities will feel welcome, accepted and valued; regardless of age, gender, race or sexual orientation.   |
| Sustainable | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ There will be rewarding and worthwhile employment for our citizens whether at the beginning, middle or end of their careers.</li> <li>✓ There will be affordable housing available to our citizens.</li> <li>✓ We will work together towards carbon neutral communities.</li> </ul> |

We strive to embody our **corporate values** of:

**Professionalism** – we have high standards and we are solution-focussed.

**Integrity** – we are open, honest and ethical.

**Consideration** for others – we are mindful of the needs of others.

### Mission

**We will achieve our vision by championing and connecting community and voluntary groups; providing leadership and practical support; encouraging volunteering and building collaboration.**

We know that a strong and resilient community and voluntary sector enables both a strong sense of social cohesion and place in all our local areas so our work is

- ✓ connecting and championing community and voluntary groups;
- ✓ providing leadership and practical support to community and voluntary groups through:
  - training and development,
  - funding and governance advice
  - incubating social enterprises
  - being both a catalyst and a critical friend;
- ✓ encouraging volunteering and building collaboration.

The 4 **themes** we plan to focus on are:

- Leadership – building the capacity and capability of the sector with clear development opportunities, structures and succession planning so organisations are sustainable.
- Partnerships and collaboration – will be our preferred way of working

- Community development and practical support so that people in our communities feel connected and safe and our VCSE organisations have the governance and rigour they need to promote community cohesion.
- Rural communities

Our core services across North, South and West Yorkshire include:

- Information and advice to Parish Councils to enable them to meet the social and wellbeing needs of their residents
- Support to village hall and other community buildings committees to ensure these valuable community assets are well-managed and maintained for community benefit
- Support for community led planning and community engagement enabling groups to determine and achieve their own local vision
- Support to voluntary and community groups and social enterprises to help them to deliver health and social care services in their local areas.
- Support and advice for voluntary and community groups and social enterprises to help them deliver the best service to their beneficiaries
- Delivery of strengths-based community development projects and large-scale partnership programmes.

### ***Charitable Objects***

Community First Yorkshire Limited's charitable aims as stated in the Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community particularly in the geographical area of Yorkshire (hereinafter called the "area of benefit") in particular the advancement of education and health and the relief of poverty and distress, the sustainability of rural life or in pursuing any other charitable purposes by promoting and organising co-operation in the achievement of the said purposes and to that end to bring together representatives of the voluntary organisations, statutory authorities, and other organisations within the area of benefit.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

We thank our many funders for their support in making our work possible. Defra's funding contribution to us as part of the ACRE network, enables us to champion and represent our rural communities. This, along with the considerable knowledge and support of our ACRE network colleagues has amplified the impact we have been able to have.

In this reporting period covering 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023, we delivered a wide range of activity including:

Over the past year, our Marcomms team have run 29 promotional campaigns to raise awareness of issues that are important to our communities including Village Halls Week, Volunteers Week and Small Charities Week, keeping people better informed about the things that matter to them.

Our 24 blogs have been read 3,760 times, helping update people on topics including networks, wellbeing, volunteering, leadership and mentoring, village halls and trusteeship.

We've been active on social media, reaching communities and our partners; we have 4,600 followers on Twitter and 1,300 on Facebook. Over the year, 1,700 posts have been seen by 384K people. This helps to share important information with sector about funding, training, volunteer opportunities and resources whilst highlighting the vital work the sector does.

Our websites have been accessed more than 68K times, sharing information about funding, training, resources and support for communities, organisations and groups.

We've gone more digital in 2022/23 with the exciting creation of video content to engage with a wider audience. We were thrilled to launch our new videos for the leadership mentoring programme and have created animated resources and explainers to share information.

Our programme of projects continues to grow, building on previous successes and our established track record.

The Men's Sheds project surpassed expectations by supporting the development of eight new groups, more than double the target of three. The project we completed in March 2023 has subsequently been awarded additional funding for a further two years to establish a further three sheds and to continue to support the existing sheds to become fully self-sufficient and sustainable.

Other notable successes include the response to the survey for the Voice and Representation Network completed in January 2023, with 449 respondents aged 50+ sharing their views on a variety of health, wellbeing and lifestyle issues, directly informing the development of the network, and the breadth of digital inclusion activities through the Mobile Access North Yorkshire (MANY) project and the subsequent Village Halls as Digital Hubs project, leading to a partnership with Humber and Wolds Rural Action for developing the Digital Inclusion Network funded through the Humber Coast and Vale ICS taken forward in the new financial year.

The Head of Health Collaboration role was created at the end of January 2023. A key focus of the role is on strengthening positive and productive partnerships with, and between, VCSE organisations, local government and health sectors. Since the role's inception, relationships have been strengthened through collaborative working with the local care partnerships across both North Yorkshire Place (as part the Humber and North Yorkshire Health Care Partnership) and Craven (as part of Bradford District & Craven HCP under the West Yorkshire HCP). A number of new initiatives are being developed to improve population health in all localities with a particular focus on rural communities.

## Client Survey

In May/June 2022 we conducted an awareness and engagement survey of our clients and stakeholders to gauge our performance and better understand the areas of interest and importance to those we serve.

Headline results were that:

- Demand for services compared to pre-Covid-19, 41% of respondents reported increased demand, 22% a decrease and 37% reported demand remaining the same, suggesting an overall 19% rise in VCSEs experiencing increased demand.
- Responding to demand is limiting the capacity of organisations to take time for development and involvement in wider networking, collaboration and planning structures.

| <b>Top 5 priorities and challenges – VCSEs only</b> | <b>Priority</b> | <b>Challenge</b> |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| Recruiting volunteers                               | 40%             | 34%              |
| Finance (securing funding, fundraising, donations)  | 36%             | 45%              |
| Supporting the needs of a community                 | 34%             | 21%              |
| Community engagement                                | 31%             | 21%              |
| Recruiting new directors/trustees                   | 22%             | 25%              |

Community First Yorkshire was the most often unprompted named provider of VCSE support services, by 58% of VCSEs compared to 43% in the 2019

The highest levels of awareness were for help with: community buildings/village halls (62%), providing training (61%), governance and legal structures development support (58%) and community engagement, planning and support (52%).



Significantly, awareness of Community First Yorkshire's Leadership support has risen to 43% from 29% in 2019.

### **Community Support North Yorkshire, (CSNY):**

The third year of the commissioned Community Support North Yorkshire Service has seen growth in key areas of the service providing vital support to voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations across North Yorkshire. Over this period delivery of support and meetings continued to be mainly on-line, gradually easing management guidelines towards the end of the period for meeting in person. Training and network meetings remained on-line, as the preferred approach by VCSE organisations involved.

Community First Yorkshire Ltd supported 786 organisations from across North Yorkshire, delivering 1,714 interventions through a mix of one-to-one information, advice and guidance sessions, training, leadership development and peer-to-peer network events. Income achieved in the last year by VCSE organisations with support from us was over £1.2 million, compared to £1.5million in the previous financial year.

Over the past year, the Community Support North Yorkshire team delivered 33 network sessions to 423 attendees. The networks provide peer support and access to specialist advice in four areas: community buildings, volunteer coordinators, treasurers and finance. Subjects included the cost-of-living crisis, volunteer recruitment and charity insurance.

The most frequent enquiries for our bespoke support services were for funding advice and income generation, leadership and governance, financial planning and information,

Over the course of 2022-23, 50 training sessions were delivered to a total of 564 attendees. Sessions offered encompassed trustee training (including areas such as recruitment and succession planning and board and committee dynamics), volunteer management (including recruiting and welcoming volunteers and supporting and celebrating volunteers), and fundraising training. We have also worked with external partners to deliver training on the use of social media. Sessions have been well attended and positively evaluated, with the outcomes from evaluations and wider surveys used to inform the training plan for 2023-24.

The team also supported 234 new volunteer registrations and advertised 325 volunteering opportunities. The team developed a range of factsheets and resources for the website and the Volunteer Managers' Toolkit proved our most downloaded resource. To embed safeguarding a VCSE-led, Checklist and Guide to Resources was produced and launched as part of Safeguarding week in June 2022.

The service also provided a separate website full of information, advice and resources, a weekly e-newsletter, a monthly funding e-newsletter and targeted thematic information for groups as well as an online platform for organisations and volunteers to connect. New interactive services and products this year included blogs, podcasts, YouTube videos and webinars to deliver training and peer learning sessions.

We proactively seek out the voices of the sector through our surveys and our facilitation of strategic multi-agency meetings for North Yorkshire VCSE Leaders, Children and Young People Providers and Partners and the North Yorkshire Equality and Inclusion Group. These groups share intelligence and identify the needs and challenges people are facing, to influence policy and investment, and the development of support services. The latter two have involvement of NYC and NHS, for direct input to shape their plans and developments. In 2022 topics discussed include:

- North Yorkshire All Age Autism Strategy
- North Yorkshire Early Years Strategy
- I-thrive Programme/Thrive Framework
- Children and young people mental health services and community engagement
- North Yorkshire Shared Prosperity Fund investment programme
- UK Rural England Prosperity Fund
- Department for Education Multiply Programme
- On-going sharing of intelligence concerning the impact of the cost of living crisis and safeguarding
- Domestic abuse in rural areas
- All age mental health report briefings and development needs

- Growing up in North Yorkshire Research findings
- Rockwood Frailty Scale.
- What to do together to make North Yorkshire more inclusive
- Community tensions and Prevent programme.

We have continued to have a strong presence on strategic boards and represent the sector's value, its needs and challenges to cross-sector stakeholders including the Voluntary and Community Sector Emergency Partnership where we feed into national policies shaping community responses; Local Resilience Forum Communities sub-group; North Yorkshire and York Chief Executives' Group; the Prevent Strategic Board; York and North Yorkshire LEP Economic Planning meetings; Yorkshire Food Farming and Rural Network, North Yorkshire Rural Commission Task Force to help deliver on actions in NYC's Rural Commission Report with a particular focus on housing; NY Safeguarding Adults Board and Safeguarding Children's Partnership; UKSPF (Investment Plan For North Yorkshire) Steering Group and Programme Strategy Groups; YNY LEP Business Intelligence. A key outcome from our work in these areas has been increased understanding of the role and benefits VCSE organisations bring to improving the lives of people in North Yorkshire, joint design of services and project investment providing back-fill for VCSE involvement.

### **North Yorkshire VCSE Leadership Hub**

This was set up in 2020 to create a sector led forum for sharing leadership experiences and a mentoring programme, to develop the next generation of leaders. Facilitated by Community First Yorkshire, the Hub has had a busy year, providing opportunities for leaders to network, share resources, and consider the challenges and vision for leadership in our region. Significant work on a Theory of Change has been conducted during the latter part of 2022; and is now informing the further development of the Hub in 2023-24 and beyond, including opportunities to refresh the Hub's Steering Group, encouraging an even wider range of leaders to contribute, and also to enhance the current successful mentoring programme.

The Leadership Mentoring programme has supported 46 mentees with 44 individual mentors, some of whom are themselves previous recipients of support in previous cohorts. The third cohort of the mentoring programme completed in March 2023 with positive evaluations regarding the matching and support for all those supported. Planning for the fourth cohort was completed ahead of the new financial year with many of the same mentors continuing to work for us.

### **Ryedale District Council VCSE Support Grant**

The Ryedale Development Officer retired in March 2022. The remaining budget was diverted to refresh of the Climate Change toolkit, which brings together simple to understand and useful resources to help individuals, communities and charitable organisations take steps to reduce their environmental impact and tackle climate change at a local level.

We continue to work with the Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Beauty, primarily supporting the development of Neighbourhood Plans which builds on previous Parish Plan development.

### **York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership (YNYLEP) Decarbonising Community Buildings (LCB)**

This project was active for 12 months between January and December last year, funded through the Community Renewal Fund via York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership, who are leading on the development of a 'Routemap to Carbon Negative' for the North Yorkshire region. This project initially focussed on two areas of North Yorkshire; Richmondshire District and Scarborough Borough, and was later extended to include a further 14 community buildings in the other districts of North Yorkshire. The project provided Phase 1 (options appraisal) and Phase 2 (business plan) to community buildings participating to enable them to decarbonise, reviewing energy efficiency, heating systems, renewable energy generation and storage options. The plans were developed by consultants D3. At the end of the first phase of the project, Community First Yorkshire held community engagement events to share the learnings of the project and give information to community buildings on how to apply for funding to be able to make some of the changes recommended in the reports.

## **North Yorkshire and East Riding Community Led Housing Hub**

The Hub continues to work to raise awareness of community-led housing and encouraging communities to think about building and owning their own affordable housing for the benefit of local residents. Key outputs include establishing a CLH Hub for North and East Yorkshire, led by a steering group of local CLH practitioners and people with appropriate expertise/experience, supported by a dedicated website and resources, including dedicated social media channels, workshops and podcasts. The Hub also hosted a series of Roadshows in each district to raise awareness of CLH to encourage local groups and communities to set up their own projects. It also continues to work with Rural Housing Enablers and others to support and signpost existing groups, including assisting them with funding applications.

The project was established as a joint venture with Humber and Wolds Rural Action, with Community First Yorkshire the lead organisation and accountable body.

The Hub is continuing to work towards being self-sustaining, ideally by 2025/26, applying directly for funding and generating its own income by developing a charging model for the support it provides to groups.

## **Rothwell Asset Based Community Development**

The aim of this project is to adopt ABCD approaches to build on the existing strengths of people in communities, offering support in a way which strengthens capacity and connects people locally around the things that matter to them.

Rothwell ABCD works through a Community Builder in Rothwell, Leeds. This project has continued to build on the previous year's activities, including developing strong connections and supporting the Fair Exchange, a volunteering programme which has been developed by one resident and running for over 10 years, supporting new Community Builders and further developing and supporting the Community Connectors network.

## **Bradford Men's Sheds**

We received funding from Bradford Metropolitan Borough Council, (MBC), to support the start-up and growth of three new, self-sustaining Sheds between 2020-2023. Community First Yorkshire's part time Men's Sheds Development Officer was able to support eight Men's Sheds attended by 103 men, across Shipley, Keighley, Ilkley, Bingley, Burley in Wharfedale, Baildon and Bradford during the project. A project evaluation carried out by consultants CoLibra found that the project clearly had a positive impact on men's wellbeing, with the asset based community development (ABCD) approach to supporting the setup, growth and development of Men's Sheds highly valued by Shed leaders and volunteer co-ordinators as well as partners and stakeholders. Some of the Sheds have gone on to develop specialist sessions, including a regular dementia session, a cycle maintenance workshop and a social programme for areas of mutual interest. This is helping to increase social connections between the men (and women) attending, reduce social isolation and loneliness and create non-judgemental places to make friends. It is giving members a sense of shared purpose when they retire and enables them to use and share their existing skills and learn new ones.

An additional grant was secured from the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council to extend the project for a further two years from April 2023 to provide continuation of support to existing Sheds, and develop two more new Sheds in the areas of Bingley Rural in Wilsden and Cullingworth and either the Queensbury or Thornton Allerton areas of the districts.

## **Mobile Access North Yorkshire**

The Mobile Access North Yorkshire (MANY) project in rural North Yorkshire provided 5G connectivity in areas with limited access to mobile and broadband connection. 15 residents participated including:

- Troubleshooting home visits
- Six people participating in research conducted by Lancaster University supporting 12 students to carry out research using an app produced as part of the project

- Presented an end of project event with 60 attendees, a mixture of residents and industry employees, local Councillors and representatives from DCMS.
- One day testing new mobile phone coverage in Coverdale

Our work on this project in 22/23 has continued to empower the rural voice, listening to communities and ensuring they are given a platform to be heard. Additionally we have continued to support the research aspect of the project, working with both NYCC and the research team at Lancaster University ensuring that people taking part in the research are supported with digital skills, technology and other support where needed.

Due to delays to the project because of external issues with infrastructure supply, a smaller number of residents have received broadband connection than initially anticipated. However, we have continued to support events such as drop in sessions, community surveys and engaging directly with individual residents to offer support or training and updates on the progress of the project, and also produced a community engagement plan, taking on board lessons learnt early in the project and have also provided a route for those residents who do not fully support the installation of 5G to engage and raise any questions and concerns.

The project lead attended Installation Visits for residents, alongside the technical expertise of Quickline, and remained in regular contact with connected participants to help resolve any issues, such as the type of property often causing problems in getting coverage across all rooms.

As a result of the project mobile phone coverage has been rolled out for Coverdale and the Tugill Estate (a local tourist attraction, hotel and restaurant). Finding suitable locations to implement 5G technology was challenging and slow to progress. The project has now come to an end, with some residents in the Coverdale area receiving a broadband service, but problems persist with reliability.

### **Humber and North Yorkshire VCSE Leaders' Wellbeing Hub (HWNY)**

Working together with our partner (placed-based) VCSE infrastructure organisations on the HCV VCSE Leaders Group, Community First Yorkshire led a project as part of the NHSE Workforce Transformation (Enhanced Occupational Health and Wellbeing) Programme. The VCSE Workforce Wellbeing project supported the health and wellbeing of leaders working in the voluntary and community sector (VCSE) as paid employees or as volunteers, in the area covered by the Humber, Coast and Vale Health and Care Partnership. It comprised of three elements, each working towards a different health and wellbeing initiative:

1. Wellbeing Coaching for Leaders through online workshops with average attendance of seven people and a face-to-face coaching programme with six participants
2. Wellbeing Champions, with three people attending the six week online programme, and three Mental Health First Aid online training sessions attended by 16 (maximum attendance), nine and 12 people respectively
3. Wellbeing Toolkit (developed by Community First Yorkshire) with one of our place based partners (HEY Smile) provided with funding to promote the toolkit in their area.

As a result of the success of the project, additional funding was granted in February to deliver additional training, with a focus on attracting a wider demographic. The Down to Earth project combines a series of outdoor activities with space and time to reflect and recharge and will be delivered over the summer of 2023.

### **Woodsmith Foundation Climate Change Study**

Community First Yorkshire commissioned Nick Scott from CoLibra as a consultant to provide a comprehensive overview of climate change activating taking place in Scarborough and North York Moors National Park area (Woodsmith Foundation's eligible area) through desk based research and a survey. The research also sought to assess the likely appetite amongst community based organisations for undertaking climate action projects and to identify any challenges, barriers and future support needs. The study

identified three categories of climate change activities – mitigation, adaptation and raising awareness. The report has been published on the Community First Yorkshire website and shared with funders upon completion, and will be used to inform future funding bids and provide evidence to develop further local environmental protection and improvement projects of benefit to the region.

### **Village Halls as Digital Hubs**

NYCC agreed to use underspend from the MANY project to deliver the Community First Yorkshire Digital Hubs project, which complements the outcomes delivered by MANY and supported continued engagement before the end of March 2023. A pilot project based on a project delivered in East Riding by Humber and Wolds Rural Action, Village Halls as Digital Hubs aims to enhance existing initiatives by enabling eight village halls to ensure they have adequate internet and mobile connection, resources and facilities to enable local residents to use the hall to access online services, including Post Office, banking, job centre, health appointments and grocery shopping. The hubs also provide a workspace to enable people to have an alternative for homeworking in their local area. The village halls are supported to purchase resources, as well as cover some installation costs. The project aims to help residents overcome barriers to digital access and give communities fair access to equipment, information, advice and services, and improve 'rural infrastructure'.

Seven village halls have been engaged to date, with the project put on hold in April 2023 until October 2023 by agreement with partners in order to fulfil the Digital Inclusion Network delivery programme funded by the Humber Coast and Vale ICS and managed by Humber and Wolds Rural Action, which will facilitate the creation of a Humber and North Yorkshire Digital Inclusion Network, bringing digital inclusion representatives together from across the VCSE and beyond to support and empower people with a view to improved levels of care and healthier populations.

### **Voice and Representation Network**

The project is developing a sustainable network of representation of people aged 50+ in North Yorkshire, implementing a Steering Group with lived experience and Partnership Board representing local organisations and services. The focus has been on mapping and research of existing organisations working with people over 50 and developing a survey in collaboration with NYCC and Public Health to establish what is most important to the demographic to support a vision for North Yorkshire to become an All Age Friendly place to live. The survey closed at the end of December with 449 people responding. The results were analysed by Public Health and incorporated into a report, which is directly informing the development of the network, including facilitating communication and connection between the Steering Group and the Partnership Board, and providing opportunities for network engagement through existing groups, creation of new opportunities and giving older people the confidence to engage.

### **Health and Wellbeing Projects and Developments**

We are active members of two integrated care systems, West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership and Humber and North Yorkshire Health Care Partnership (previously known as Humber Coast and Vale Health and Care Partnership). We sit on, and chair, a number of local care partnerships from across both. We also feed into a broad range of steering groups and task and finish groups with both NHS and North Yorkshire Council partners; some examples include, North Yorkshire Autism Strategy Working Group, Social Emotional Mental Health Strategy Group and the Workforce Wellbeing Task and Finish group.

We remain actively involved in the Community Mental Health Transformation Programme through leading on the 'Support to Engage' project which aims to actively engage and enable people with lived experience improve outcomes for people with a serious mental illness through a more resourced and aligned partnership approach.

Wellbeing in the sector remains a priority and we received funding to deliver four half-day nature-inspired leadership wellbeing sessions, which are due to commence in summer 2023. The sessions are aimed at leaders across the VCSE sector so that they can create strategies for managing organisational demands.

We continue to promote understanding and awareness of social prescribing to all partners across our

regions as part of our active membership of the Thriving Communities Development Programme Network, hosted by Voluntary Organisations Network North East (VONNE), the aim of which is to provide innovative VCSE support to improve health and wellbeing in our communities.

We are part of an IVAR national Connecting Health Communities 18 month project, exploring new models to increase the ease of access in rural areas to health appointments. The collaborative submission involved a number of partners from VCSE organisations, a local GP, North Yorkshire CCG, Humber, Coast and Vale ICS, North Yorkshire County Council, Community Transport and more latterly Yorkshire Ambulance Service, who now make up the Steering Group. The project revolves around the premise 'distance=delay'. The ambitions for new approaches and changes to working practices, are shaped by the project group members and through workshops involving wider partners. New approaches now being explored in more detail including continuing to share new models and messages from the project widely across the county, at North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership Place Board, through VCSE organisations working with PCNs, North Yorkshire Council transport and public health colleagues' collaboration activities. We will explore new ways of working to improve access to health care in wider meetings with health colleagues and join up access with community support services.

### **Rural Task Force**

We continue to play an active role in North Yorkshire's Rural Task Force, attending Ripon Cathedral's Rural Forums including the Ripon Cathedral Rural Housing Forum to promote both affordable and community led homes for rural citizens.

### **Rural News**

Over the year, our 11 editions of Rural News have been received by more than 1,300 subscribers. We've shared over 100 articles about funding, rural policy changes, cost of living updates, networks and training, surveys and blogs to keep our subscribers informed about the rural issues that matter to them most.

### **Village Halls Advice Service and Platinum Jubilee Village Halls Fund**

We continued our 1-2-1 Village Hall advisory service supporting 149 cases across 109 community venues. Advice included help with community engagement, supporting legal structures, trustee support and training.

Our Community Buildings Network continues to grow. Over the year, the team delivered 15 network meetings with 319 participants, including quarterly meetings for community buildings, covering a range of topics from safeguarding to finance. We manage a linked Facebook group, facilitating peer support, with 410 members.

During 22/23 we supported 52 Stage 1 and 8 Stage 2 applications for the Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund, running information sessions and receiving over 80 initial enquiries. The success rate for Stage 1 was over 50%.

### **Harrogate Borough Council Strategic Grant**

Our work across the former Harrogate District continues with the support of Harrogate Borough Council's strategic grant funding. This has included connecting people from Nidderdale with health appointments as part of the IVAR Connecting Health Communities project (a collaborative project bringing together VCSEs, ICB, Yorkshire Ambulance Service, PCNs, NHS Foundation Trusts, Healthwatch) to improve people's access to health care; an active role in the Harrogate Local Care Partnership and ensuring Harrogate's VCSE sector colleagues have representation on the North Yorkshire VCSE Sector Health and Care Assembly providing a two way mechanism for communication and influencing between the NHS, public sector health and care services and the VCSE sector to enhance the health and wellbeing of its citizens. Providing infrastructure support, advice and guidance to Harrogate based VCSE sector and ensuring colleagues from the area are represented on the VCSE Leaders Group, the Thriving Communities Partnership and the Chief Executive Officers' Peer Group, all of which meet quarterly.

## PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

We are seeking to:

1. Continue to work with partners and lead activities to support and build capacity and capability within VCSE organisations to ensure community resilience, including through our work with Community Anchor Organisations.
2. Lead work on developing volunteering to benefit both individuals as volunteers and the communities they serve, including through our work on both the Building Better Connections NHS Charities together, our Volunteering Network and our involvement in the Volunteering strand of the HNY HCP Workforce Plan.
3. Continue to monitor the ongoing impact of the pandemic and the changing economic environment on VCSE organisations and work with partners in the public and health sector to ensure key organisations remain sustainable.
4. Work with our partners in local government and health to ensure people in Yorkshire live healthier, happier, more fulfilling lives. This will be enhanced by our work developing the North Yorkshire VCSE Sector Health and Care Assembly.
5. Operational priorities will include continuing to highlight the needs of our rural communities in relation to health and mental health provision and strategies; transport; education, training and employment.
6. Continue work with The Rural Commission Task Force to ensure the actions in The Rural Commission Report are taken forward to improve the lives of people in our rural communities.
7. Continue to support and promote Social Action through a mix of blogs, think-pieces, the VINY platform and involvement in Social Action and Volunteering partner events.
8. Continue our asset based community development projects such as Men's Sheds and Rothwell ABCD to enhance the cohesion and wellbeing in the communities they serve.
9. Continue to monitor and promote the North Yorkshire strategy to tackle loneliness, "Be Social, Be Well" and encourage more VCSE organisations, businesses and individuals to work towards addressing the issue.
10. Continue to develop the North Yorkshire and East Riding Community Led Housing Hub (in partnership with Humber and Wolds Rural Action) to help more communities build the high quality and affordable homes they need.
11. Grow our presence and influence in the environmental space to support and encourage organisations to move closer to carbon-neutral.
12. Continue to build on our work on how communities can contribute to tackling climate change and VCSE organisations can become more sustainable.
13. Continue the project developing the Voice and Representation Network of People over 50.
14. Continue to provide a responsive training and resource offer on our Learning and Development Hub including matching mentors for aspiring leaders through our Leadership Hub.
15. Continue to adapt and introduce new training and resource materials on areas of thematic importance including trusteeship, recruitment, funding, wellbeing and relationship dynamics.
16. Continue to strengthen our leadership development offer through young people focused programmes and bursary funded training options through our Leadership Hub.
17. Continue to promote diversity, equality and inclusion issues across North Yorkshire.
18. We will undertake a third survey awareness and engagement survey in 2024 to provide an update on our earlier two survey findings, identifying the priorities and challenges VCSEs are facing, take-up and perceptions of our services, understanding our impact and what clients and partners most value, and identifying future client needs.
19. Work collaboratively with NHS partners, establishing closer links between PCNs and VCSE organisations.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

### *Reserves Policy*

The Funds and Reserves Policy of Community First Yorkshire Ltd was agreed by the Trustee Board as follows:

Community First Yorkshire Ltd aims to achieve sufficient free reserves (unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets) which will:

- Support those projects and the general costs of the organisations where expenditure is incurred before funding is reclaimed.
- Provide time to seek new funding sources at a project's conclusion or facilitate the running of Community First Yorkshire Ltd whilst meeting ongoing obligations.
- Cover any costs, including redundancy costs in the event of a managed closure of the organisation.

As a guide the Trustees have agreed that free reserves held by the charity should be a minimum of three month's core and non-prepaid project costs plus managed closure costs.

The General Fund is a revenue reserve and therefore is not a designated fund. It will be used to meet any year end shortfall of budgeted income against budgeted expenditure. It will normally include any surplus of income over expenditure subject to a decision of the Trustee Board.

As set out in note 20 to the accounts the trustees have set aside £356,710 as designated funds to invest in areas of work which they see will be of benefit to both the Company and the organisations it supports and to cover managed closure costs in the event that that ever became necessary.

The Company generated a net deficit for the year of £28,729 of which £20,796 was restricted, (2022: net surplus income £136,273, £109,239 of which was restricted).

The General Fund stood at £97,991 at 31 March 2023 which, per the policy, the trustees are confident will allow sufficient time to seek new funding sources.

### ***Investment Policy***

Community First Yorkshire Ltd endeavours to invest its funds wisely and correctly in order to maximise the interest gained for the benefit of the organisation and its programmes of work. In order to do this effectively, Community First Yorkshire Ltd endeavours to keep a maximum of £30,000 in its current account (dependent on required levels of expenditure).

Any remaining funds are invested in accounts to try to ensure that Community First Yorkshire Ltd is protected under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme whilst also attracting the best return.

### ***Principal Funding Sources***

North Yorkshire County Council  
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs  
Ryedale District Council  
Hambleton District Council  
Scarborough Borough Council  
East Riding of York Council  
Humber Coast and Vale NHS partnership (now known as Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership)  
Leeds City Council  
Bradford Metropolitan District Council  
Health Tree Foundation  
Two Ridings Community Foundation

### ***Fixed Assets***

The movement in tangible fixed assets during the year is set out in note 12 to the financial statements.



## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### ***Constitution***

Community First Yorkshire Ltd is a company limited by guarantee (and not having a share capital) and a registered charity, and is therefore not liable to income tax, corporation tax or capital gains tax.

### ***Organisation***

The Trustee Board is elected annually by the membership of Community First Yorkshire Ltd and Trustees hold three year terms of office and retire in rotation. One third of Trustees retire each year and may seek re-election. Trustees are appointed either by being co-opted by the existing trustee board or through open recruitment. Any Trustees co-opted then seek re-election at the next AGM. The maximum number of Trustees is twelve and details of the Trustees who served during the year can be found on page 16. The Trustee Board meets at least quarterly.

Trustees receive an induction which includes meetings with the chair and senior managers. A comprehensive induction pack is provided and ongoing training and personal development opportunities are offered to all Trustees.

The organisation also has the following honorary officers:

|               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| Chairman      | David Sharp    |
| Vice-Chairman | Janet Thornton |

These officers ensure that the Trustee board operates efficiently and help to raise the profile of Community First Yorkshire Ltd. Day to day running of the organisation is delegated to the Chief Officer and the Community First Yorkshire Ltd Senior Management Team which at 31 March 2022 consisted of the Head of Policies and Partnerships, the Head of Community and Volunteer Support, Head of Finance and Administration and Head of Projects.

### ***Members' Liability***

Every member has undertaken to contribute an amount, not exceeding £10, to the assets of the Council in the event of it being wound up, while he or she is a member or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member for payment of the Council's debts and liabilities contracted before he or she ceases to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories amongst themselves.

### ***Related Parties***

All transactions with related parties are set out in note 18 to the financial statements.

### ***Risk Management***

Community First Yorkshire Ltd has examined the principal areas of its operations and built a framework for assessing what major risks may arise in each of these areas. They include: governance, management, operational, financial, external and legal matters. Annual reviews of the risk management process are carried out, and adjustments made as necessary. These are in line with the annual review of the strategic objectives, external factors, service delivery etc.

In the opinion of the Trustees, the resources and monitoring systems set in place should allow the risks identified to be mitigated to an acceptable level in its day-to-day operations.

## ***Fundraising activities***

The charity does not engage in public fundraising and does not use professional fundraisers or commercial participators.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

### ***Company Name***

Community First Yorkshire Ltd (*A company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital*)

### ***Company Registration Number***

01839458

### ***Charity Registration Number***

515538

### ***Principal and Registered Office***

Unit A, Tower House  
Askham Fields Lane  
Askham Bryan  
York YO23 3FS

***Trustee Board (Executive Committee Members) who served during the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 and since the year end were as follows:***

### **DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES**

Rebecca Buckley  
Gary Craig (resigned 5 July 2023)  
Mike Feist  
David Jeffels  
David Sharp  
Janet Thornton MBE  
David Watson  
Adrian Willis

### ***The Chief Officer to whom trustees delegate duties:***

Jane Colthup

### ***The Company Secretary***

Jane Colthup

### ***The Company's Auditors***

JWP Creers LLP, Genesis 5, Church Lane, Heslington, York, YO10 5DQ.

### ***The Company's Bankers***

Unity Trust Bank, PO Box 7193, Planetary Road, Willenhall, WV1 9DG

### ***Registration Details***

Community First Yorkshire Ltd is a company limited by guarantee (and not having a share capital) and a registered charity, and is therefore not liable to income tax, corporation tax or capital gains tax.

## **SUBSCRIBING TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS**

Aiskew and Leeming Bar Parish  
Council  
Allerton Mauleverer with  
Hopperton Parish Meeting  
Barlby & Osgodby Town  
Council  
Beal Parish Council  
Brodsworth Parish Council

Draughton Parish Council  
Finningley Parish Council  
Hepstonstall Parish Council  
Ingleby Greenhow Parish Council  
Laughton-en-le-Morthen Parish  
Council  
Steeton with Eastburn Parish  
Council

Stutton Parish Council  
Thrybergh Parish Council  
Weeton Parish Council

## SUBSCRIBING RURAL COMMUNITY BUILDINGS

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Acaster Malbis Memorial Hall                          | Glusburn Community and Arts Centre                 | Newholm cum Dunsley Village Hall           |
| Amerdale Village Hall                                 | Goathland Village Hall Trust                       | Old Pool Bank Village Hall                 |
| Ampleforth Village Hall                               | Grey Village Hall (Sutton on the Forest)           | Oswaldkirk Village Hall                    |
| Appleton le Street & Amotherby Parish Hall            | Gristhorpe & Lebbertson Village Hall               | Pannal Village Hall                        |
| Arkendale Community Hall                              | Gunnerside Village Hall                            | Pateley Bridge & Beverley Memorial Hall    |
| Atkinson & Clarke Educational Foundation              | Hackness Village Hall                              | Rainton with Newby Village Hall            |
| Beckwithshaw Village Hall                             | Hambleton Village Hall                             | Ravensworth Village Hall                   |
| Bellerby Memorial Hall                                | Harthill & Woodhall Parish Hall                    | Ruswarp Village Hall                       |
| Blaxton Village Hall                                  | Hatfield Woodhouse Village Hall                    | Sand Hutton & Claxton Village Hall         |
| Boltby Village Hall                                   | Hawes Market House                                 | Sawdon Village Hall                        |
| Bolton-cum-Redmire Village Hall                       | Hellifield Institute                               | Scholes Village Hall                       |
| Borrowby Village Hall                                 | Holmfirth Civic Hall Community Trust               | Scotton Village Hall                       |
| Boston Spa Village Hall                               | Hovingham Village Hall                             | Seamer & Irton Memorial Hall               |
| Bradley Village Hall                                  | Hunton & Arrathorne Village Hall                   | Settle Victoria Hall                       |
| Bramham Village Hall                                  | Hutton le Hole Village Hall                        | Sinnington Village Hall                    |
| Brawby Village Hall                                   | Kelfield Village Institute                         | Skeeby Jubilee Village Hall                |
| Brompton by Sawdon Village Hall                       | Kirk Deighton Village Hall CIO                     | Sleights Village Hall                      |
| Burniston & Cloughton Village Hall and Playing Fields | Kirk Hammerton Village Hall                        | Snainton Village Hall and Playing Field    |
| Clapham cum Newby Village Hall                        | Kirkby Malzeard Mechanics Institute & Village Hall | Snape Village Institute                    |
| Copmanthorpe WI Hall                                  | Laughton Village Hall                              | Sproxton Village Hall                      |
| Copt Hewick Village Hall                              | Lawson Hut Badsworth                               | St Wilfrid's Community Centre              |
| Coverdale Memorial Hall                               | Leyburn Arts & Community Centre                    | Staxton Village Hall                       |
| Cracoe & District Community Village Hall              | Long Marston Recreational Ground and Village Hall  | Stillington Village Hall                   |
| Dacre & Hartwith Village Hall                         | Long Preston Village Hall                          | Stutton cum Hazlewood Village Hall         |
| Dalton & Gayles Village Hall                          | Low Bentham Public Hall & Victoria Institute       | Sutton Under Whitestonecliffe Village Hall |
| Dunnington Reading Room                               | Malham Village Hall                                | The Darley Memorial Hall                   |
| East Harlsley Village Hall                            | Masham Town Hall Community Charity Ltd             | Thornton le Dale Village Hall              |
| East Keswick Village Hall                             | Middleton & Aislaby Village Hall                   | Thornton Watless Village Hall              |
| Ebbertson Village Hall                                | Middleton Tyas Memorial Hall                       | Thorpe Willoughby Village Hall             |
| Embsay with Eastby Village Institute                  | Monk Fryston & Hillam Community Association        | Todwick Village Hall                       |
| Eppleby Village Hall                                  | Morton on Swale Village Hall                       | Upperthong Village Hall                    |
| Exelby, Leeming & Londonderry Village Hall            | Muker Public Hall and Literary Institute           | Weaverthorpe Village Hall                  |
| Farndale Village Hall                                 | Muston Village Hall                                | Wetherby town hall                         |
| Ganton Village Hall                                   |  | Wheldrake Recreation Association           |
| Gilling West Village Hall                             |  | Whixley Village Hall                       |
|   |  | Wrelton Village Hall                       |

## **SUBSCRIBING ORGANISATIONS**

Advocacy Alliance  
Art Therapy Yorkshire  
Better Connect Limited  
BlueBoxt Productions  
Brompton-on-Swale Village Society  
Carers Resource (Harrogate/Craven/Airedale)  
Christ Church Community Centre  
Community Counselling (North Yorkshire) Ltd  
Darlington Mind in Hambleton and  
Richmondshire  
Dial a Ride Scarborough & District  
Door 84 Youth and Community Centre  
Easingwold Community Library Association  
Easingwold Town Band  
Eastfield Community Association  
Embsay with Eastby Good Neighbours CIO  
Gamekeepers Welfare Trust  
Garden Village Community Association  
Harrogate & District Community Action  
Jigsaws Childcare Ltd  
Next Steps Mental Health Resource Centre  
Nidderdale Museum Society  
North Yorkshire Business and Education  
Partnership Ltd  
North Yorkshire Music Therapy Centre  
North Yorkshire Youth Ltd  
Older Citizens Advocacy York  
ORB Community Enterprise  
Parents of Special Children  
Pioneer Projects (Celebratory Arts) Ltd  
Richmondshire Leisure Trust  
Ryedale Carers Support  
Ryedale Special Families  
Ryedale YMCA  
Scarborough Disablement Action Group  
Selby Community Trust  
Sessay Community Trust  
Sight Support Ryedale  
St Mary's PCC Sprotbrough  
Stokesley & District Community Care Association  
Supporting Older People  
Tadcaster Swimming Pool Trust Ltd  
Tadcaster Volunteer Cars & Services Association  
The Clothing Bank  
The Hive Silsden CIO  
The Island  
Transition Vamp Youth Support  
Trinity Centre Whitby  
Two Ridings Community Foundation  
Ugthorpe Village Community Fund  
Veterans Woodcraft CIC  
Whitby Area Development Trust  
YMCA Scarborough  
Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust  
Yorkshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs

## **SUBSCRIBING INDIVIDUALS**

B Anderson  
L Holden  
P Holder  
J Power  
J Stubbs

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Trustees (who are also directors of Community First Yorkshire Ltd for the purposes of Company Law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law applicable requires the charity 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 charity 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 Charities SORP;
- make judgements and 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 charity will continue its activities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Trustees 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.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### Statement as to disclosure to our auditors

In so far as the Trustees are aware at the time of approving our Trustees' annual report:

- There is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing their report, of which the charity's auditors are unaware
- 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.

### APPROVAL

This report was approved by the Board of Directors and Trustees on 30 October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



**Jane Colthup**  
Company Secretary



**David Sharp**  
Chairman

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY FIRST YORKSHIRE LTD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Community First Yorkshire Ltd the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, statement of cash flows 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, including Financial Reporting Standard 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 charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023, 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 auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section for 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 Trustee's 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 Trustee's with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### **Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Trustees report. 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. 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 course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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

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

- the information given in the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' 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 charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 require 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 directors' 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.

## **Responsibilities of the Trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustee's responsibilities in relation to the financial statements set out on page 20, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determines 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 concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intends to liquidate the charitable company 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.

The objectives of our audit, in respect to fraud are to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud and obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the



assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses, and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

Our approach was as follows:

- During our planning process we gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charity and determined that the most significant of them, which are directly relevant to specific assertions in the financial statements, are those that relate to the reporting framework and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the UK;
- We gained an understanding of how the charity is complying with these frameworks by making enquiries of the Trustees, key management and if necessary, advisors responsible for legal and compliance matters. We observed key controls and made appropriate enquiries following our review of contracts, interim financial data, board minutes and reports provided to the Trustees;
- We independently assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud or error might occur by meeting with the Management Committee and senior management with the skills and experience necessary to determine the risk factors which they believe expose the company to susceptibility to fraud and error. We also considered the impact of any business targets, the personal financial circumstances of management and staff to create a driver for fraud. We considered the culture and controls that the charity has established to address the risks identified and evaluated the effectiveness of processes and procedures to prevent and detect fraud, and how senior management monitors those processes and controls. Where the risk was considered to be higher, we designed then performed audit procedures to address each identified fraud risk. These procedures included, but were not restricted to, testing large and unusual items, journals, and transactions with high estimation uncertainty. These tests were designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free from fraud and error; and
- Based on our audit plan and understanding of the risks that specifically affect the charity we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations identified above. Our procedures involved substantive testing of transactions and walkthrough testing of appropriate controls, with a focus on transactions in the books of prime entry that have characteristics that may indicate fraud or error. We looked for unusual patterns, large or unusual transactions, weaknesses in the payments system and new supplier transactions based on our understanding of the business; enquiries of trustees and management and the results from previous audit testing; and focused testing, on specific complex areas based on risk. In addition, we completed procedures to conclude on the other information and disclosures in report of the Management Committee and accounts with the requirements of the relevant accounting standards and UK legislation.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nigel Clemit', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

***Nigel Clemit ACA FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)***

For and on behalf of  
JWPCreers LLP  
Statutory Auditor  
Genesis 5  
Church Lane  
Heslington  
York  
YO10 5DQ

30 October 2023

**COMMUNITY FIRST YORKSHIRE LTD**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**  
**ACCOUNT)**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

|                                    | Note | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total Funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                      |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| Donations and legacies             | 2    | -                          | -                        | -                        | -                        |
| Charitable activities              | 3    | 148,464                    | 844,324                  | 992,788                  | 1,135,733                |
| Other trading activities           | 4    | 12,895                     | -                        | 12,895                   | 19,203                   |
| Investment income                  | 5    | 6,884                      | -                        | 6,884                    | 2,557                    |
| <b>Total income</b>                |      | <b>168,243</b>             | <b>844,324</b>           | <b>1,012,567</b>         | <b>1,157,493</b>         |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                 |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| Charitable activities              | 6/7  | (171,008)                  | (870,288)                | (1,041,296)              | (1,021,220)              |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>           |      | <b>(171,008)</b>           | <b>(870,288)</b>         | <b>(1,041,296)</b>       | <b>(1,021,220)</b>       |
| <b>Net</b>                         |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| <b>income/(expenditure)</b>        |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| <b>before transfers</b>            | 9    | (2,765)                    | (25,964)                 | (28,729)                 | 136,273                  |
| Transfer between funds             | 10   | (5,168)                    | 5,168                    | -                        | -                        |
| <b>Net income for the year</b>     |      | <b>(7,933)</b>             | <b>(20,796)</b>          | <b>(28,729)</b>          | <b>136,273</b>           |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |      |                            |                          |                          |                          |
| Total funds brought forward        |      | 462,634                    | 552,129                  | 1,014,763                | 878,490                  |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b> |      | <b>454,701</b>             | <b>531,333</b>           | <b>986,034</b>           | <b>1,014,763</b>         |

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

**The notes on pages 28 to 43 form part of these financial statements.**

**COMMUNITY FIRST YORKSHIRE LTD  
BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

|  | Note | 2023             |                | 2022             |                  |
|--|------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
|  |      | £                | £              | £                | £                |
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                            |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Tangible assets                                | 12   |                  | -              |                  | 333              |
| Investments                                    | 13   |                  | 1              |                  | 1                |
|  |      |                  | <u>1</u>       |                  | <u>334</u>       |
| <b>Current assets</b>                          |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Debtors  | 14   | 46,352           |                | 51,314           |                  |
| Cash at bank and in hand                       |      | 1,058,199        |                | 1,111,979        |                  |
|  |      | <u>1,104,551</u> |                | <u>1,163,293</u> |                  |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>                     |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year | 15   | (113,207)        |                | (143,553)        |                  |
|  |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                      |      |                  | <b>991,344</b> |                  | <b>1,019,740</b> |
|  |      |                  | <u>991,345</u> |                  | <u>1,020,074</u> |
| <b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>   |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| <b>Provision for liabilities</b>               | 16   |                  | <b>(5,311)</b> |                  | <b>(5,311)</b>   |
|  |      |                  | <u>986,034</u> |                  | <u>1,014,763</u> |
| <b>Net assets</b>                              |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| <b>Funds</b>                                   |      |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Restricted income funds                        | 19   | 531,333          |                | 552,129          |                  |
| Unrestricted income funds                      | 20   | 454,701          |                | 462,634          |                  |
|  |      |                  | <u>986,034</u> |                  | <u>1,014,763</u> |
| <b>Total charity funds</b>                     |      |                  |                |                  |                  |

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

These financial statements were approved by the members of the board on 30 October 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:



David Sharp  
Chairman  
Company number: 01839458

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**COMMUNITY FIRST YORKSHIRE LTD  
CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2023**

|   | 2023<br>£        | 2022<br>£ |
|---|------------------|-----------|
| <b>Cash generated/(consumed) in operating activities</b>      | <b>(60,664)</b>  | 219,065   |
| <b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>                   |                  |           |
| Interest Income   | 6,884            | 2,557     |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets                             | -                | -         |
| <b>Cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>        | <b>6,884</b>     | 2,557     |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year  | <b>(53,780)</b>  | 221,622   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year        | <b>1,111,979</b> | 890,357   |
| <b>Total cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b> | <b>1,058,199</b> | 1,111,979 |

**Reconciliation of net movement of funds to net cash flow from operating activities**

|  | 2023<br>£       | 2022<br>£ |
|--|-----------------|-----------|
| Net movement in funds  | <b>(28,729)</b> | 136,273   |
| Add back depreciation charge                                 | <b>333</b>      | 1,000     |
| Deduct interest income shown in investing activities         | <b>(6,884)</b>  | (2,557)   |
| (Increase) Decrease in debtors                               | <b>4,962</b>    | 97,284    |
| (Decrease) Increase in creditors                             | <b>(30,346)</b> | (12,935)  |
| Increase (decrease) in provisions                            | -               | -         |
| <b>Net cash generated/(consumed) in operating activities</b> | <b>(60,664)</b> | 219,065   |

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**COMMUNITY FIRST YORKSHIRE LTD  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. Accounting policies**

**Basis of accounting**

Community First Yorkshire Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee and is registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered office is as stated on the Report of the Board of Trustees.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees have considered future funding sources and consider it appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis. The unrestricted reserves have been maintained at a level to allow time to seek new funding sources as projects conclude whilst meeting ongoing obligations. As set out in note 20 as part of prudent governance a designated fund has been set aside to cover managed closure costs in the event that that ever became necessary.

Community First Yorkshire Ltd meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

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

**Income**

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where a funder specifies that income must be used in future accounting periods or where income is received for future events it is carried forward as deferred income.

**Fund Accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the note 20 to the financial statements. Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions imposed by grant funders.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and allocated to the appropriate heading in the accounts. Project costs represents grants paid to other organisations together with the core and support cost expenditure of the charity. Support costs represent 80% (2021 - 80%) of administration expenses which have not been directly recharged to other organisations.

**Fixed Assets**

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost. Items costing over £1,000 are capitalised.

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**Depreciation**

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

Equipment - 25% straight line

**Operating lease agreements**

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**Pension costs**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund.

**Consolidation**

The company has a dormant subsidiary with total net assets of £1. This subsidiary is not material for the purpose of giving a true and fair view and therefore has been excluded from consolidation in accordance with section 405 of the Companies Act 2006.

As this subsidiary can be excluded from consolidation under section 405 of the Companies Act 2006 the company has not produced consolidated accounts as it has taken advantage of the exemption in section 402 of the Companies Act 2006 which applies to companies whose only subsidiaries can be excluded from consolidation under section 405 of the Act.

The financial statements therefore give information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

**Investments**

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

**Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks.

**Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the charity has an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably estimated.

**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.

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**Basic financial assets**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid at the year end.

**Basic financial liabilities**

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.

**Redundancy costs**

Redundancy costs are recognised as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

**2. Income from Donations and Legacies**

|           | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>Funds<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>and<br/>Total Funds<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Donations | -                                   | -                                     | -  |
|           | <u>          </u>                   | <u>          </u>                     | <u>          </u>  |



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**3. Income from charitable activities**

|                   | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>Funds<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total Funds<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Contract Income   | 71,295                              | -                                 | 71,295                                | 106,774                           |
| Grants receivable | 77,169                              | 844,324                           | 921,493                               | 1,028,959                         |
|                   | <u>148,464</u>                      | <u>844,324</u>                    | <u>992,788</u>                        | <u>1,135,733</u>                  |

In 2022 of the £1,135,733 of income from charitable activities £955,957 was from restricted funds and £179,776 from unrestricted.

**4. Income from other trading activities**

|                                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>Funds<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total Funds<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Charges to other organisations     | 800                                 | 800                                   | 1,595                             |
| Affiliation fees and subscriptions | 4,758                               | 4,758                                 | 7,329                             |
| Courses and conference income      | (3)                                 | (3)                                   | (36)                              |
| Advertising Income                 | 7,340                               | 7,340                                 | 10,315                            |
|                                    | <u>12,895</u>                       | <u>12,895</u>                         | <u>19,203</u>                     |

In 2022 all of the income from other trading activities was unrestricted funds.

**5. Investment income**

|                          | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>Funds<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total Funds<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Bank interest receivable | 6,884                               | 6,884                                 | 2,557                             |

In 2022 all of the investment income was unrestricted funds.

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**6. Costs of charitable activities by fund type**

|               | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total Funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|---------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Project costs | 133,708                    | 870,288                  | 1,003,996                   | 990,881                  |
| Support costs | 37,300                     | -                        | 37,300                      | 30,339                   |
|               | <u>171,008</u>             | <u>870,288</u>           | <u>1,041,296</u>            | <u>1,021,220</u>         |

In 2022 of the £1,021,220 costs of charitable activities, £855,045 related to restricted funds and £166,175 to unrestricted.

**7. Costs of charitable activities by activity type**

|               | Activities<br>undertaken<br>directly<br>£ | Grant<br>funding<br>activities<br>£ | Support<br>costs<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total Funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|---------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Project costs | <u>911,237</u>                            | <u>88,493</u>                       | <u>37,300</u>         | <u>1,037,030</u>            | <u>1,021,220</u>         |

**8. Governance costs**

|            | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total Funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Audit fees | <u>2,200</u>               | <u>2,200</u>                | <u>4,200</u>             |

**9. Net income/(expenditure) for the year**

This is stated after charging:

|  | 2023<br>£    | 2022<br>£    |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Staff pension contributions                                    | 24,476       | 26,157       |
| Depreciation   | 333          | 1,000        |
| Auditors' remuneration:<br>- audit of the financial statements | <u>2,200</u> | <u>4,200</u> |

**10. Fund transfers**

Transfers have been made in line with budgeted expenditure to clear planned deficits on restricted funds projects.

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**11. Staff costs and emoluments**

|   |                            |                     |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Total staff costs were as follows:</b> | <b>2023</b>                | 2022                |
|   | £                          | £                   |
| Wages and salaries                        | <b>652,824</b>             | 681,458             |
| Redundancy costs                          | -                          | 228                 |
| Social security costs                     | <b>46,945</b>              | 47,021              |
| Other pension costs                       | <b>24,476</b>              | 26,157              |
|   | <hr/> <b>724,245</b> <hr/> | <hr/> 754,864 <hr/> |

**Particulars of employees:**

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

|                           |             |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                           | <b>2023</b> | 2022        |
|                           | No          | No          |
| Administrative Staff:     |             |             |
| Full time equivalents     | <b>20</b>   | 22          |
| Total number of employees | <b>29</b>   | 32          |
|                           | <hr/> <hr/> | <hr/> <hr/> |

No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year (2022 - Nil).

Aggregate expenses of £301 (2022 - nil) were paid to a total of 4 (2022 –nil) Trustees during the year.

The key management personnel of the company comprise the Trustees, the Chief Officer, the Head of Finance and Administration, the Head of Community and Volunteer Support the Network and Collaboration Officer, the Head of Projects and the Head of Health Collaboration. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel were £223,815 (2022: £186,909).

**12. Tangible fixed assets**

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
|                         | <b>Equipment</b> |
|                         | £                |
| <b>Cost</b>             |                  |
| At 1 April 2022         | <b>95,587</b>    |
| Additions               | -                |
| Disposals               | -                |
|                         | <hr/>            |
| <b>At 31 March 2023</b> | <b>95,587</b>    |
|                         | <hr/> <hr/>      |
| <b>Depreciation</b>     |                  |
| At 1 April 2022         | <b>95,254</b>    |
| Charge for the year     | <b>333</b>       |
| On disposals            | -                |
|                         | <hr/>            |
| <b>At 31 March 2023</b> | <b>95,587</b>    |
|                         | <hr/> <hr/>      |
| <b>Net book value</b>   |                  |
| <b>At 31 March 2023</b> | -                |
|                         | <hr/> <hr/>      |
| At 31 March 2022        | 333              |
|                         | <hr/> <hr/>      |

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**13. Investments**

|                                    | <b>Group<br/>Undertakings<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                        |                                     |
| At 31 March 2023 and 31 March 2022 | 1                                   |
|                                    | <u>1</u>                            |
| <b>Net book value</b>              |                                     |
| At 31 March 2023 and 31 March 2022 | 1                                   |
|                                    | <u>1</u>                            |

The company owns 100% of the issued share capital (being 1 £1 ordinary share) of Rural Energy Yorkshire Limited, a company registered in England and Wales, company number 06591809.

The reported financial information in respect of the above company is as follows:

| <b>Aggregate Capital and Reserves</b>    | <b>2023<br/>£</b> |
|--|-------------------|
| Rural Energy Yorkshire Limited (dormant) | 1                 |
|  | <u>1</u>          |

**14. Debtors**

|                                | <b>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>2022<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Trade debtors                  | <b>33,163</b>     | 39,954            |
| Other debtors                  | <b>206</b>        | -                 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | <b>12,983</b>     | 11,360            |
|                                | <u>46,352</u>     | <u>51,314</u>     |

**15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

|                                    | <b>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>2022<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Trade creditors                    | <b>18,390</b>     | 21,822            |
| Taxation and Social Security Costs | <b>16,392</b>     | 17,854            |
| Accruals and deferred income       | <b>78,425</b>     | 103,877           |
|                                    | <u>113,207</u>    | <u>143,553</u>    |
| Deferred income included in above  | <u>20,042</u>     | <u>44,237</u>     |

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**15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year (continued)**

Deferred income represents amounts received but not yet earned on contracts:

|                         | <b>2023</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------|
|                         | £           |
| Opening deferred income | 44,237      |
| Released in the year    | (27,674)    |
| Deferred in the year    | 3,479       |
|                         | <hr/>       |
| Closing deferred income | 20,042      |
|                         | <hr/> <hr/> |

**16. Provision for liabilities**

|                         | £            |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| At 31 March 2022        | 5,311        |
| Charged in the year     | -            |
| Released in the year    | -            |
|                         | <hr/>        |
| <b>At 31 March 2023</b> | <b>5,311</b> |
|                         | <hr/> <hr/>  |

The above provision is for office redecoration in accordance with the terms of the lease.

**17. Commitments under operating leases**

At 31 March 2023 the charity had total commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below.

|                                       | <b>Land and buildings</b> |             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
|                                       | <b>2023</b>               | <b>2022</b> |
|                                       | £                         | £           |
| <b>Operating leases which expire:</b> |                           |             |
| Within 1 year                         | 5,814                     | 3,328       |
| Within 2 to 5 years                   | -                         | -           |
|                                       | <hr/> <hr/>               | <hr/> <hr/> |

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**18. Related Party Transactions**

During the year the charitable company undertook the following transactions with companies and organisations with whom they have common Trustees or Directors, at normal market value:-

| <b>Trustee of Charitable Company</b>        | <b>Company/Organisation</b>                           | <b>Nature of Transaction</b> | <b>Amount of Transaction</b>     |
|---|---|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Adrian Willis                               | Yorkshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs           | Contract Income              | <b>£1,340</b> (22:£448)          |
| David Jeffels                               | North Yorkshire County Council                        | Grant Income                 | <b>£507,550</b><br>(22:£479,566) |
|   |   | Contract Income              | <b>£415</b> (22:£78,210)         |
|   |   | Purchases                    | <b>£493</b> (22:£2,592)          |
| David Jeffels                               | Scarborough Borough Council                           | Grant Income                 | <b>£27,500</b> (22:£nil)         |
|   |   | Contract Income              | <b>£15</b> (22:£nil)             |
|   |   | Purchases                    | <b>£110</b> (22:£nil)            |
| Janet Thornton                              | Action with Communities in Rural England              | Grant Income                 | <b>£70,720</b> (22:£70,720)      |
|   |   | Contract Income              | <b>£150</b> (22: £150)           |
|   |   | Purchases                    | <b>£340</b> (22:£340)            |
|   | York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership | Grant Income                 | <b>£3,323</b> (22:£975)          |
| <b>Senior Manager of Charitable Company</b> | <b>Company/Organisation</b>                           | <b>Nature of Transaction</b> | <b>Amount of Transaction</b>     |
| David Sharp                                 | North Yorkshire Youth                                 | Contract Income              | <b>£35</b> (22: £360)            |
| David Watson                                | North Yorkshire Sport                                 | Contract Income              | <b>£707</b> (22: £1,662)         |
|   |   | Grant Payment                | <b>£11,000</b> (22:£nil)         |

At 31 March 2023 amounts totalling £nil (22:£90) are shown as owing from North Yorkshire County Council, £52 (22:£nil) from North Yorkshire Sport and £101 (22:£nil) from Yorkshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs.

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**19. Restricted income funds**

|   | Balance at 1<br>April 2022 | Income<br>£    | Expenditure<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 Mar 2023<br>£ |
|---|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Harrogate Borough Council                                 | -                          | 5,000          | (6,507)          | 1,507          | -                              |
| Ryedale District Council                                  | -                          | -              | (56)             | 56             | -                              |
| NYCC Innovation Fund                                      | 984                        | -              | -                | -              | 984                            |
| NYCC – Warm Homes Healthy People Fund                     | 1,594                      | -              | -                | -              | 1,594                          |
| VAL   | 2,167                      | -              | -                | -              | 2,167                          |
| NYCC – Winter Weather Roadshows                           | 1,751                      | -              | -                | -              | 1,751                          |
| 2 Ridings Community Foundation                            | 4,186                      | -              | -                | -              | 4,186                          |
| NYCC – Selby Village Hall Networks                        | 2,732                      | -              | -                | -              | 2,732                          |
| Kirklees Council – Men in Sheds                           | 123                        | -              | -                | -              | 123                            |
| NYCC and NHS NY – Community Capacity Building             | 191,780                    | 477,054        | (466,410)        | 4,711          | 207,135                        |
| Ministry of Defence – Aged Veterans Fund                  | 19,918                     | -              | -                | -              | 19,918                         |
| Power to Change   | 985                        | -              | -                | -              | 985                            |
| BGET – Warm and Well in North Yorkshire                   | 12,223                     | -              | -                | -              | 12,223                         |
| Ryedale DC, BGET, NYCC, Northern Gas Networks             | 4,434                      | -              | -                | -              | 4,434                          |
| Harrogate and Rural District CCG, Calderdale CCG - HPOC   | 13,933                     | -              | -                | -              | 13,933                         |
| Leeds City Council – Rothwell ABCD                        | 14,429                     | 25,000         | (22,803)         | -              | 16,626                         |
| Bradford Metropolitan District Council – Mens' Sheds      | 10,578                     | 34,241         | (33,869)         | -              | 10,950                         |
| West Yorkshire and Harrogate Partnership – HPOC           | 11,201                     | (11,150)       | (51)             | -              | -                              |
| Harrogate and Rural District CCG, Calderdale CCG – HPOC 2 | 63,836                     | -              | (27,448)         | -              | 36,388                         |
| Carried forward   | <u>356,854</u>             | <u>530,145</u> | <u>(557,144)</u> | <u>6,274</u>   | <u>336,129</u>                 |

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**19. Restricted income funds (continued)**

|   | Balance at 1<br>April 2022 | Income<br>£    | Expenditure<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 Mar 2023<br>£ |
|---|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Brought forward   | 356,854                    | 530,145        | (557,144)        | 6,274          | 336,129                        |
| Ryedale DC – Ryedale<br>VCS   | 6,220                      | 13,300         | (6,393)          | -              | 13,127                         |
| Groundworks –<br>Community Led Housing<br>Hub   | 640                        | -              | (640)            | -              | -                              |
| YNYER Strategic<br>Housing Partnership –<br>Community Led Housing<br>Hub  | 28,179                     | 260            | (28,439)         | -              | -                              |
| RDC – Community Led<br>Housing Hub  | -                          | 27,500         | (10,475)         | -              | 17,025                         |
| HDC – Community Led<br>Housing Hub  | -                          | 27,500         | (10,475)         | -              | 17,025                         |
| SBC – Community Led<br>Housing Hub  | -                          | 27,500         | (10,475)         | -              | 17,025                         |
| ERYC– Community Led<br>Housing Hub  | -                          | 27,500         | (10,475)         | -              | 17,025                         |
| HCV NHS partnership –<br>HCV VCSE Leadership<br>NHS North Yorkshire<br>CCG – Transforming<br>Community Mental<br>Health | 91,416                     | -              | (75,514)         | -              | 15,902                         |
| NHS NY CCG – HCV<br>Health and Wellbeing<br>Hub   | 10,240                     | 17,000         | (13,086)         | -              | 14,154                         |
| IVAR – Connecting<br>Health Communities in<br>North Yorkshire   | 1,251                      | -              | (1,252)          | -              | (1)                            |
| YNYLEP – Community<br>Building Climate<br>Assessment Project  | -                          | 3,323          | (3,323)          | -              | -                              |
| NYCCG – Community<br>Navigation System<br>Pressures   | 20,107                     | -              | (18,746)         | 19             | 1,380                          |
| NHS Vale of York CCG –<br>Voice of Older People<br>Forum  | 5,605                      | -              | (1,868)          | -              | 3,737                          |
| NYCCG – Voice of Older<br>People Forum  | 16,817                     | -              | (5,605)          | -              | 11,212                         |
| NYCC Voice of Older<br>People Forum   | -                          | 27,000         | (22,658)         | -              | 4,342                          |
| Carried forward   | <u>539,829</u>             | <u>721,928</u> | <u>(789,907)</u> | <u>6,293</u>   | <u>478,143</u>                 |



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**19. Restricted income funds (continued)**

|  | Balance at 1<br>April 2022 | Income<br>£    | Expenditure<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 Mar 2023<br>£ |
|--|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Brought forward  | 539,829                    | 721,928        | (789,907)        | 6,293          | 478,143                        |
| Craven Communities<br>Together – Voice of<br>Older People Forum  | -                          | 3,737          | (1,246)          | -              | 2,491                          |
| Sirius Minerals<br>Foundation – Climate<br>Change                | 4,800                      | -              | (4,800)          | -              | -                              |
| NHS Wakefield CCG –<br>Craven Mental Health<br>and Wellbeing Hub | 2,500                      | -              | (169)            | -              | 2,331                          |
| HWRA – Micro Providers   | -                          | 1,561          | (180)            | (1,381)        | -                              |
| NHS Wakefield CCG –<br>Health Creation Alliance                  | 5,000                      | -              | (5,256)          | 256            | -                              |
| Health Tree Foundation<br>– Building Connections                 | -                          | 66,632         | (40,914)         | -              | 25,718                         |
| Supportive Volunteering<br>TRCF – NY VCSE<br>Assemblies          | -                          | 25,000         | (16,983)         | -              | 8,017                          |
| TRCF – Population<br>Health                                      | -                          | 5,050          | (256)            | -              | 4,794                          |
| NHS HNY ICB – Village<br>Halls as Digital Hubs                   | -                          | 15,000         | (5,161)          | -              | 9,839                          |
| Woodsmith Foundation –<br>Support for VCSE<br>Leadership         | -                          | 5,416          | (5,416)          | -              | -                              |
|  | <u>552,129</u>             | <u>844,324</u> | <u>(870,288)</u> | <u>5,168</u>   | <u>531,333</u>                 |

The most significant funds above were for:

NYCC and NHS North Yorkshire – Community Capacity Building. This grant is for the provision of support to VCSE organisations across North Yorkshire and for representing and championing the sector within North Yorkshire. The work includes providing training, running peer support and strategic networks. Developing leaders within the sector and supporting organisations in the management and recruitment of volunteers.

RDC, HDC, SBC, ERYC – Community Led Housing Hub. This grant is for the running of a Community Led Housing Hub. The hub has been set up to provide a central resource of information and support for those who are looking to develop local housing in an area for the benefit of local people. Work is going to develop a plan to give the hub a sustainable future.

NHS North Yorkshire CCG – Transforming Community Mental Health. The purpose of this grant is to improve the support to those experiencing serious mental illness by developing new models of care which improve the links between primary and secondary health services and the local VCSE sector and helping people to access improved support and services closer to home and in ways which meet their needs most closely.

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**19. Restricted income funds (continued)**

Leeds City Council – Rothwell ABCD. This grant is to use an asset based community development way of working to support people to feel better connected and to help communities to thrive. Our development officer is working in Rothwell to build connections and engage local community groups to create spaces that are welcoming and to develop a vision and a plan for what the community can do.

Bradford Metropolitan District Council – Bradford Men’s Sheds. This grant is to develop sustainable Men’s Sheds in different areas of Bradford. The sheds will provide a place where men can come together over a common activity which will bring improvements to well-being and mental health through a reduction in social isolation and loneliness. The original grant period has been extended and several, successful, sheds have been developed. The development officer works with a committee of volunteers in each shed so that, once the grant funding ceases, the shed is in a strong position to continue running.

HCV VCSE Leadership – This grant is for the wider development of the VCSE sector in North Yorkshire to improve cross-sector collaboration. It also provides for ongoing participation as a North Yorkshire place lead and in the VCSE Health and Care Sector Assmby.

NYCC Voice of Older People Forum – This grant, with additional funding to be received from other health partners, is to establish a Forum to capture the diverse voice of people aged 50 plus. This will be done through taking a strengths based approach and will help in shaping the developments, decisions and services which matter most to this cohort. The work is being undertaken as part of the World Health Organisation’s Age Friendly Communities Framework and will look to work collaboratively with local initiatives and partnerships.

Health Tree Foundation – Building Supportive Volunteering. This grant is to progress and test some new approaches to tackling loneliness and isolation and deconditioning through social and supportive volunteering. The work is being delivered in partnership with Carers Plus and Hambleton Community Action.

TRCF – Population Health. This grant is for participation in the Population Health Management programme in North Yorkshire to deepen understanding of the data held within the VCSE sector across Humber & North Yorkshire.

We thank all our funders for the support we have received.

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**20. Unrestricted income funds**

|  | Balance at<br>1 Apr 2022<br>£ | Income<br>£           | Expenditure<br>£        | Transfers<br>£        | Balance at<br>31 Mar 2023<br>£ |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| General Funds  | <u>127,874</u>                | <u>168,243</u>        | <u>(147,203)</u>        | <u>(50,923)</u>       | <u>97,991</u>                  |
| Designated Funds:  |                               |                       |                         |                       |                                |
| Digital transformation   | 27,389                        | -                     | -                       | -                     | 27,389                         |
| Engagement in the<br>health agenda   | 24,307                        | -                     | (8,113)                 | (16,194)              | -                              |
| Quantifying the VCS<br>sector in North<br>Yorkshire – phase 1                                    | 5,000                         | -                     | -                       | -                     | 5,000                          |
| Provision of free<br>employment advice<br>during the coronavirus<br>pandemic                     | 3,046                         | -                     | (725)                   | -                     | 2,321                          |
| Investment of<br>reserves to support<br>the organisation whilst<br>future funding is<br>explored | 115,018                       | -                     | (14,967)                | 61,949                | 162,000                        |
| Provision for a<br>managed closure<br>should that ever be<br>required                            | 160,000                       | -                     | -                       | -                     | 160,000                        |
| Total Designated<br>Funds  | <u>334,760</u>                | <u>-</u>              | <u>(23,805)</u>         | <u>45,755</u>         | <u>356,710</u>                 |
| Total Unrestricted<br>Funds  | <u><u>462,634</u></u>         | <u><u>168,243</u></u> | <u><u>(171,008)</u></u> | <u><u>(5,168)</u></u> | <u><u>454,701</u></u>          |

The above designated funds are for pieces of work which the trustees have identified will be of ongoing benefit both to the company and to the organisations it supports and they have thus approved the investment in them from reserves.

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**21. Analysis of net assets between funds**

|  | <b>Tangible<br/>fixed<br/>assets<br/>£</b> | <b>Other net<br/>assets<br/>£</b> | <b>Total net<br/>assets<br/>£</b> |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted Income Funds:</b>  |  |                                   |                                   |
| NYCC Innovation Fund   | -  | 984                               | 984                               |
| NYCC Warm Homes Healthy People Fund                                      | -  | 1,594                             | 1,594                             |
| VAL – Transforming Leeds Community<br>Anchors                            | -  | 2,167                             | 2,167                             |
| NYCC – Winter Weather Roadshows  | -  | 1,751                             | 1,751                             |
| Kirklees Council – Men in Sheds  | -  | 123                               | 123                               |
| BGET – Warm and Well in North Yorkshire                                  | -  | 12,223                            | 12,223                            |
| Ryedale DC, BGET, NYCC, Northern Gas<br>Networks – Cold Snaps Warm Homes | -  | 4,434                             | 4,434                             |
| 2 Ridings Community Foundation –<br>Emergency Planning                   | -  | 4,186                             | 4,186                             |
| NYCC – Selby Village Halls Network                                       | -  | 2,732                             | 2,732                             |
| NYCC and NHS NY – Community Capacity<br>Building                         | -  | 207,135                           | 207,135                           |
| Ministry of Defence – Aged Veterans Fund                                 | -  | 19,918                            | 19,918                            |
| Power to Change  | -  | 985                               | 985                               |
| Harrogate and Rural CCG, Calderdale<br>CCG – HPOC                        | -  | 13,933                            | 13,933                            |
| Leeds City Council – Rothwell ABCD                                       | -  | 16,626                            | 16,626                            |
| Bradford Metropolitan District Council –<br>Mens’ Sheds                  | -  | 10,950                            | 10,950                            |
| Harrogate and Rural District CCG,<br>Calderdale CCG – HPOC 2             | -  | 36,388                            | 36,388                            |
| YNYER Strategic Housing Partnership –<br>Community Led Housing Hub       | -  | 13,127                            | 13,127                            |
| RDC – Community Led Housing Hub  | -  | 17,025                            | 17,025                            |
| HDC – Community Led Housing Hub  | -  | 17,025                            | 17,025                            |
| SBC – Community Led Housing Hub  | -  | 17,025                            | 17,025                            |
| ERYC – Community Led Housing Hub   | -  | 17,025                            | 17,025                            |
| HCV NHS partnership – HCV VCSE<br>Leadership                             | -  | 10,061                            | 10,061                            |
| NHS NY CCG – Transforming Community<br>Mental Health                     | -  | 15,902                            | 15,902                            |
|  | -----                                      | -----                             | -----                             |
| Total carried forward  | -  | 443,319                           | 443,319                           |

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**21. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)**

|   | Tangible<br>fixed<br>assets &<br>investments<br>£ | Other net<br>assets<br>£ | Total net<br>assets<br>£ |
|---|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total brought forward   | -   | 443,319                  | 443,319                  |
| NHS NY CCG – HCV Health and Wellbeing Hub                                     | -   | 14,154                   | 14,154                   |
| IVAR – Connecting Health Communities in North Yorkshire                       | -   | (1)                      | (1)                      |
| NYCCG – Community Navigation System Pressures                                 | -   | 1,380                    | 1,380                    |
| NHS Vale of York CCG – Voice of Older People Forum                            | -   | 3,737                    | 3,737                    |
| NYCCG – Voice of Older People Forum   | -   | 11,212                   | 11,212                   |
| NYCC – Voice of Older People Forum  | -   | 4,342                    | 4,342                    |
| Craven Communities Together – Voice of Older People Forum                     | -   | 2,491                    | 2,491                    |
| NHS Wakefield CCG – Craven Mental Health and Wellbeing Hub                    | -   | 2,331                    | 2,331                    |
| Health Tree Foundation – Building Connections through Supportive Volunteering | -   | 25,718                   | 25,718                   |
| TRCF – NY VCSE Assemblies   | -   | 8,017                    | 8,017                    |
| TRCF – Population Health  | -   | 4,794                    | 4,794                    |
| NHS HNY ICB – Village Halls as Digital Hubs                                   | -   | 9,839                    | 9,839                    |
| <b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>454,700</b>           | <b>454,701</b>           |
| <b>Total Funds</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>986,033</b>           | <b>986,034</b>           |

**22. Contingencies**

The charity created a rent deposit deed dated 18 January 2010 for securing £1,000 due or to become due by the company.

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**The following pages do not form part of the statutory financial statements which are the subject of the independent auditor's report on pages 21 to 24.**

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|   | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2022<br>£ |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Grants Received</b>  |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| DEFRA   | 69,720                     | -                        | 69,720                      | 69,720                      |
| Harrogate Borough Council   | -                          | 5,000                    | 5,000                       | 5,000                       |
| Ryedale DC  | -                          | -                        | -                           | 10,000                      |
| HHAONB  | -                          | -                        | -                           | 4,961                       |
| BGET – Warm and Well in North Yorkshire<br>NYCC and NHS NY – Community Capacity<br>Building | -                          | -                        | -                           | (1,359)                     |
| NLCF – The Loneliness Campaign  | -                          | 477,054                  | 477,054                     | 476,284                     |
| NYCC – The Loneliness Campaign  | -                          | -                        | -                           | -                           |
| Leeds City Council – Rothwell ABCD  | -                          | 25,000                   | 25,000                      | 26,000                      |
| Bradford Metropolitan District Council –<br>Bradford Mens’ Sheds                            | -                          | 34,241                   | 34,241                      | 25,250                      |
| Nurturing Neighbourhoods – Craven ABCD  | -                          | -                        | -                           | 7,855                       |
| West Yorkshire and Harrogate Partnership –<br>HPOC  | -                          | (11,150)                 | (11,150)                    | 62,113                      |
| Ryedale DC – Ryedale VCS  | -                          | 13,300                   | 13,300                      | 13,100                      |
| Groundworks – Community Led Housing Hub   | -                          | -                        | -                           | 74,336                      |
| YNYER Strategic Housing Partnership –<br>Community Led Housing Hub                          | -                          | 260                      | 260                         | 92,635                      |
| RDC – Community Led Housing Hub   | -                          | 27,500                   | 27,500                      | -                           |
| HDC – Community Led Housing Hub   | -                          | 27,500                   | 27,500                      | -                           |
| SBC – Community Led Housing Hub   | -                          | 27,500                   | 27,500                      | -                           |
| ERYC – Community Led Housing Hub  | -                          | 27,500                   | 27,500                      | -                           |
| NAVCA – Emergency Planning VCSE<br>Liaison  | -                          | -                        | -                           | 4,750                       |
| HCV NHS partnership – HCV VCSE<br>Leadership  | -                          | 20,900                   | 20,900                      | 10,900                      |
| NHS NY CCG – Transforming Community<br>Mental Health  | -                          | -                        | -                           | 65,000                      |
| NHS NY CCG – HCV Health and Wellbeing<br>Hub  | -                          | 17,000                   | 17,000                      | -                           |
| IVAR Leading in Uncertainty   | -                          | -                        | -                           | 250                         |
| IVAR – Connecting Health Communities in<br>North Yorkshire                                  | -                          | -                        | -                           | 2,000                       |
| YNYLEP – Community Building Climate<br>Assessment Project                                   | -                          | 3,323                    | 3,323                       | 959                         |
| Carried Forward   | <b>69,720</b>              | <b>694,928</b>           | <b>764,648</b>              | 949,754                     |

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|   | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>Funds<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>Funds<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Grants Received continued</b>                                      |                                     |                                   |                                       |                                       |
| Brought forward   | <b>69,720</b>                       | <b>694,928</b>                    | <b>764,648</b>                        | 949,754                               |
| NYCCG – Community Navigation System Pressures                         | -                                   | -                                 | -                                     | 41,200                                |
| NHS Vale of York CCG – Voice of Older People Forum                    | -                                   | -                                 | -                                     | 5,606                                 |
| NYCCG – Voice of Older People Forum                                   | -                                   | -                                 | -                                     | 16,817                                |
| NYCC – Voice of Older People Forum                                    | -                                   | <b>27,000</b>                     | <b>27,000</b>                         | -                                     |
| Craven Communities Together – Voice of Older People Forum             | -                                   | <b>3,737</b>                      | <b>3,737</b>                          | -                                     |
| Sirius Minerals Foundation – Climate Change                           | -                                   | -                                 | -                                     | 4,800                                 |
| NHS Wakefield CCG – Craven Mental Health and Wellbeing Hub            | -                                   | -                                 | -                                     | 2,500                                 |
| NHS Wakefield CCG – Health Creation Alliance                          | -                                   | -                                 | -                                     | 5,000                                 |
| NYCC Kickstarter Funding  | <b>4,266</b>                        | -                                 | <b>4,266</b>                          | 3,282                                 |
| HWRA – Micro Providers  | -                                   | <b>1,561</b>                      | <b>1,561</b>                          | -                                     |
| Health Tree Foundation – Building Connections Supportive Volunteering | -                                   | <b>66,632</b>                     | <b>66,632</b>                         | -                                     |
| TRCF – NY VCSE Assemblies   | -                                   | <b>25,000</b>                     | <b>25,000</b>                         | -                                     |
| TRCF – Population Health  | -                                   | <b>5,050</b>                      | <b>5,050</b>                          | -                                     |
| NHS HNY ICB – Village Halls as Digital Hubs                           | -                                   | <b>15,000</b>                     | <b>15,000</b>                         | -                                     |
| Woodsmith Foundation – Support for VCSE Leadership                    | -                                   | <b>5,416</b>                      | <b>5,416</b>                          | -                                     |
| Release of Accrued Provision  | <b>3,183</b>                        | -                                 | <b>3,183</b>                          | -                                     |
|   | <b>77,169</b>                       | <b>844,324</b>                    | <b>921,493</b>                        | 1,028,959                             |



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|   | <b>Administration Expenses</b> |             |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|
|   | <b>2023</b>                    | <b>2022</b> |
|   | <b>£</b>                       | <b>£</b>    |
| Salaries  | <b>121,679</b>                 | 112,883     |
| Employers NI  | <b>6,273</b>                   | 5,476       |
| Pension cost  | <b>4,395</b>                   | 4,120       |
| Rent  | <b>10,957</b>                  | 10,849      |
| Site Charge   | <b>562</b>                     | 562         |
| Heat and Light  | <b>2,716</b>                   | 2,818       |
| Cleaning  | <b>3,334</b>                   | 2,822       |
| Council tax   | <b>1,152</b>                   | 1,152       |
| Telephone   | <b>4,240</b>                   | 3,720       |
| Postage, printing and stationery                                    | <b>(628)</b>                   | (682)       |
| Insurance   | <b>8,707</b>                   | 8,568       |
| Motor and travel  | <b>1,174</b>                   | 859         |
| Office expenses   | <b>17,628</b>                  | 12,376      |
| Public relations  | <b>-</b>                       | 225         |
| Affiliation fees  | <b>6,369</b>                   | 6,496       |
| Staff training and conferences                                      | <b>3,171</b>                   | 7,599       |
| Staff appointment expenses  | <b>399</b>                     | 580         |
| Legal and Consultancy Fees  | <b>2,161</b>                   | 61          |
| Bank charges  | <b>477</b>                     | 552         |
| Sundry expenses   | <b>4,431</b>                   | 5,634       |
| Depreciation - office equipment                                     | <b>333</b>                     | 1,000       |
| Audit fees  | <b>2,200</b>                   | 4,200       |
|   | <hr/> <b>201,730</b>           | 91,870      |
| Charges to special projects and other organisations (cost recovery) | <b>(155,108)</b>               | (153,946)   |
|   | <hr/> <b>46,622</b>            | 37,924      |
| Allocated:  |                                |             |
| Core project work   | <b>9,322</b>                   | 7,585       |
| Support costs   | <b>37,300</b>                  | 30,339      |
|   | <hr/> <b>46,622</b>            | 37,924      |

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| <b>Direct Project Costs</b>                                     | <b>Restricted</b> | <b>Unrestricted</b> | <b>2023</b>    | <b>2022</b>  |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------|
|   | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>            | <b>Total</b>   | <b>Total</b> |
|   |                   |                     | <b>£</b>       | <b>£</b>     |
| Harrogate Borough Council                                       | <b>6,507</b>      | -                   | <b>6,507</b>   | 6,063        |
| Ryedale DC  | <b>56</b>         | -                   | <b>56</b>      | 13,409       |
| HHAONB  | -                 | -                   | -              | 4,961        |
| BGET – Warm and Well in North Yorkshire                         | -                 | -                   | -              | 414          |
| Ministry of Defence – Aged Veterans Fund                        | -                 | -                   | -              | 888          |
| NYCC – Selby Village Hall Network                               | -                 | -                   | -              | 304          |
| NYCC and NHS NY – Community Capacity Building                   | <b>466,410</b>    | -                   | <b>466,410</b> | 442,418      |
| NLCF –The Loneliness Campaign                                   | -                 | -                   | -              | 6            |
| Leeds City Council – Rothwell ABCD                              | <b>22,803</b>     | -                   | <b>22,803</b>  | 19,709       |
| Bradford Metropolitan District Council – Bradford Mens’ Sheds   | <b>33,869</b>     | -                   | <b>33,869</b>  | 26,673       |
| Nurturing Neighbourhoods – Craven ABCD                          | -                 | -                   | -              | 7,353        |
| West Yorkshire and Harrogate Partnership – HPOC                 | <b>51</b>         | -                   | <b>51</b>      | 52,539       |
| Harrogate and Rural District CCG, Calderdale CCG – HPOC 2       | <b>27,448</b>     | -                   | <b>27,448</b>  | 16,860       |
| Ryedale DC – Ryedale VCS  | <b>6,393</b>      | -                   | <b>6,393</b>   | 10,112       |
| Groundworks – Community Led Housing Hub                         | <b>640</b>        | -                   | <b>640</b>     | 81,845       |
| YNYER Strategic Housing Partnership – Community Led Housing Hub | <b>28,439</b>     | -                   | <b>28,439</b>  | 64,456       |
| RDC – Community Led Housing Hub                                 | <b>10,475</b>     | -                   | <b>10,475</b>  | -            |
| HDC – Community Led Housing Hub                                 | <b>10,475</b>     | -                   | <b>10,475</b>  | -            |
| SBC – Community Led Housing Hub                                 | <b>10,475</b>     | -                   | <b>10,475</b>  | -            |
| ERYC – Community Led Housing Hub                                | <b>10,475</b>     | -                   | <b>10,475</b>  | -            |
| NAVCA – Emergency Planning VCSE Liaison                         | -                 | -                   | -              | 4,760        |
| HCV NHS partnership – HCV VCSE Leadership                       | <b>13,339</b>     | -                   | <b>13,339</b>  | 11,129       |
| <b>Total carried forward</b>                                    | <b>647,855</b>    | -                   | <b>647,855</b> | 763,899      |

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| <b>Direct Project Costs (continued)</b>                               | <b>Restricted</b> | <b>Unrestricted</b> | <b>2023</b>      | <b>2022</b>      |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
|   | <b>£</b>          | <b>£</b>            | <b>Total</b>     | <b>Total</b>     |
|   |                   |                     | <b>£</b>         | <b>£</b>         |
| Total brought forward   | 647,855           | -                   | 647,855          | 763,899          |
| NYCCG – Health and Wellbeing Hub                                      | 13,086            | -                   | 13,086           | 29,760           |
| NYCCG – Transforming Community Mental Health                          | 75,514            | -                   | 75,514           | 38,584           |
| IVAR – Connecting Health Communities in North Yorkshire               | 1,252             | -                   | 1,252            | 749              |
| YNYLEP – Community Buildings Climate Assessment Project               | 3,323             | -                   | 3,323            | 959              |
| NYCCG – Community Navigation System Pressures                         | 18,746            | -                   | 18,746           | 21,093           |
| NHS Vale of York CCG – Voice of Older People Forum                    | 1,868             | -                   | 1,868            | 1                |
| NYCCG – Voice of Older People Forum                                   | 5,605             | -                   | 5,605            | -                |
| NYCC – Voice of Older People Forum                                    | 22,658            | -                   | 22,658           | -                |
| Craven Communities Together – Voice of Older People Forum             | 1,246             | -                   | 1,246            | -                |
| Sirius Minerals Foundation – Climate Change                           | 4,800             | -                   | 4,800            | -                |
| Craven Mental Health and Wellbeing Hub                                | 169               | -                   | 169              | -                |
| HWRA – Micro Providers  | 180               | -                   | 180              | -                |
| NHS Wakefield CCG – Health Creation Alliance                          | 5,256             | -                   | 5,256            | -                |
| Health Tree Foundation – Building Connections Supportive Volunteering | 40,914            | -                   | 40,914           | -                |
| TRCF – NY VCSE Assemblies   | 16,983            | -                   | 16,983           | -                |
| TRCF – Population Health  | 256               | -                   | 256              | -                |
| NHS HNY ICB – Village Halls as Digital Hubs                           | 5,161             | -                   | 5,161            | -                |
| Woodsmith Foundation – Support for VCSE Leadership                    | 5,416             | -                   | 5,416            | -                |
| NYCC Kickstarter Funding  | -                 | 4,266               | 4,266            | 3,282            |
| DEFRA/Core Project Work   | -                 | 129,442             | 129,442          | 132,554          |
|   | <b>870,288</b>    | <b>133,708</b>      | <b>1,003,996</b> | <b>990,881</b>   |
| Support Costs   | -                 | 37,300              | 37,300           | 30,339           |
|   | <b>870,288</b>    | <b>171,008</b>      | <b>1,041,296</b> | <b>1,021,220</b> |



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