

Company registration number: 06640143
Charity registration number: 1125773

Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

Field Sullivan Limited
70 Royal Hill
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Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name	Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited	
Charlty registration number	1125773	
Company registration number	06640143	
Principal office	MCSC, 39-48 Marsham Street Maidstone Kent ME14 1HH	
Registered office	MCSC, 39-48 Marsham Street Maidstone Kent ME14 1HH	
Trustees	Michael Bourne Kelly Farewell Steven Fox Mina Kesby (appointed 1 July 2017) Amanda McGarrigle (appointed 6 December 2017) Emma-Jane Siers, Chairperson Valerie Boswell (resigned 6 December 2017) Derek Wager (resigned 6 December 2017)	
Secretaries	Andrea Kilvington (appointed 4 January 2018) Gina Williamson (resigned 6 December 2017)	

Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited

Reference and Administrative Details

Bankers

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Accountant

Field Sullivan Limited
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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2018.

This financial year has been particularly challenging with a number of significant changes to the organisation and its direction.

In January 2017 the Kent County Council Integrated Domestic Abuse Service was put out for competitive tender. We were sadly unsuccessful in securing the new contract and the service was awarded to a large housing provider. After a long history of providing both refuge accommodation and community based domestic abuse support services, we were faced with the reality that we would no longer be providing the refuge accommodation and that we would have to rethink our business model.

To that end, the Board made a conscious decision that due to our strong financial position, we would seek to work with the remaining services, reconfigure the organisation and rebuild our services to meet deficits in commissioned service provision. Funding was allocated from our reserves to enable re-organisation and regrouping to meet the new challenges ahead.

As a consequence, our CEOs decided that it would be timely for them both to take early retirement and for a new CEO to be appointed to take Choices forward. With the allocation of funding from reserves it has been possible to re-shape the organisation through the financial year 2017-18 and put in place a robust platform from which to navigate through uncharted waters.

The original budgeted deficit expectation was £183,000 and we have managed to end the year returning a much reduced deficit of £122,883. Reserves were set aside to cover the forecasted deficit and meet the costs of redundancies due to restructuring and relocation. The final deficit figure has been achieved through careful planning and management of finances by the Board, CEO and management team. Expenditure was scrutinised throughout the year, continually reviewed and revised, enabling a much lower than expected year end deficit.

During the year, the organisation has been fortunate to have secured a place on the Pilotlight programme, a scheme that brings together charities and successful business professionals. The programme pulls together the skills of these professionals and those of the organisation towards creating and enabling effective and sustainable social businesses. Over the course of the programme, so far, we have been able to develop resilience in a highly competitive market and work towards developing and implementing comprehensive plans and strategic objectives which will provide a clear focus for the coming 3-5 years.

Services and Projects

Choices continues to provide a broad range of services to beneficiaries across the North, West and Medway areas of Kent. Our key objectives are to provide early intervention, prevention through increased awareness, safety, support and family centred recovery. To this end, the coming year will see Choices focusing on reinforcing and selling our specialisms, driven by service users and identified gaps in service. Our objective is to forge partnerships that benefit our beneficiaries, providing added strength to the services currently on offer and identifying new services that will improve the experience of victims and their families. The property portfolio will expand to generate independent income and develop supplementary services focused on early intervention and support. A new property, in addition to our existing provision, will provide further opportunities to act as safe, temporary, supported accommodation with a preventative focus in relation to domestic abuse, life skills, financial inclusion, tenancy management and reducing the risk of homelessness.

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Trustees' Report

Our children and young people's service will continue to grow, integrating the highly valued schools work with our adult support services to address a more complex needs and family-oriented approach.

We continue to operate as a solution oriented, innovative and quality driven organisation holding both SafeLives and Women's Aid Foundation Accreditation to underpin this culture.

Investment Policy

Choices have always sought to maintain a sustainable source of income through income generation and planning. Through the years, the organisation has operated efficiently and cost effectively enabling sufficient income to set aside significant reserves. One of the key components in building our reserves has been our property and accommodation service. We maintain our cash reserves in a number of accounts which yield very little return. After careful consideration of all potential investment options, the Board has decided that the most sustainable, unrestricted funding is through property investment and rental income. To this end and in line with our Articles of Association in relation to appropriate investment, the Board has agreed to pursue the purchase of a suitable property. This will ensure a long-term stream of independent self-funding.

Reserves Policy

The primary purpose of the maintaining reserves is to provide a contingency fund in the event of unforeseen circumstances that may impact on the financial health of the organisation, and to enable the organisation to take advantage of new opportunities that might arise.

In order to ensure sufficient funds are available to enable any event, or risk to the organisation, or specific service to be managed appropriately, the Board has set aside the equivalent of 6 months operating costs. This amounts to £357,717 and is adjusted each year according to budgeted income and expenditure calculations.

Given the unique nature of the work that we do and our responsibilities to vulnerable service users, alongside the management and on-going maintenance of our property investment, the Board has determined that sufficient reserves will be allocated to fund working capital, unexpected expenditure or shortfalls in income for strategic projects, to support funding areas to retain service levels for a period of time, or any other event or activities required to mitigate risk to the organisation. The reserves policy is reviewed by the Finance Sub Committee at 6-monthly intervals based on the start of the financial year and recommendations are made to the Board as appropriate.

At the year end unrestricted reserves totalled £1,160,945 (2017: £1,283,828), of which free reserves were £690,710 (2017: £810,837).

Risk Management

Choices regularly reviews major risks that may affect the charity and its ongoing operations. Appropriate systems are in place to manage risks both internally and external to the organisation. Comprehensive internal controls, systems and processes ensure that risks within the organisation are minimised particularly those relating to safeguarding both adults and children, their safety and security but also health, safety and security of staff, volunteers and visitors. These are reviewed regularly by the management team and training regarding these key areas is planned accordingly. Choices also retains adequate insurance to cover risks.

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Trustees' Report

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charities Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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

Structure and governance

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and is constituted under its memorandum and articles dated 8 July 2008 which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and how it is governed.

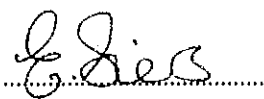
The Charity strives to maintain a balance of skills and expertise on the Board of Trustees to enable it to carry out its obligations. During the period under review members were from: business management; law; human resources; education; private business; drug and alcohol services; journalism; and homeless prevention. We also have a service user representative who attends board meetings to represent the views of our clients. Membership of the board of trustees is by invitation and is drawn from organisations, voluntary and statutory, that have sympathy for, or a duty to provide, or victims of domestic abuse.

Trustees, prior to their appointment, are provided with detailed information about Choices Limited and the expectations of them as a trustee. Care is taken to ensure that the issues surrounding domestic abuse are fully understood. Following their appointment there is an induction programme of familiarisation with the operation of Choices Limited. Trustees are encouraged to attend public seminars, workshops and conferences relating both to the work of the domestic abuse service providers and pertaining to their roles and responsibilities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on 29 November 2018 and signed on its behalf by:



Emma-Jane Siers
Trustee

Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited
Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The trustees (who are also directors of Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

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

Independent Auditors' Report to the Trustees of Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Choices (Formerly known as North Kent Women's Aid) (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2018 which comprise Statement of financial activities, balance sheet, cash flow statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, 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 2018 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 of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Independent Auditors' Report to the Trustees of
Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited**

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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, which includes the directors' report prepared for company law purposes, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the and the directors' report included within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees' were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 6, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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.


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

**Independent Auditors' Report to the Trustees of
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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.


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Field Sullivan Limited

70 Royal Hill
Greenwich
SE10 8RF

Date: 5/12/18.....

Field Sullivan Limited is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited

Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
	Note	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income	2	1,843	170	2,013	5,972
Investment income	3	2,495	-	2,495	5,473
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Other incoming resources	4	152,557	668,703	821,260	1,478,102
	5	7,693	-	7,693	17,777
Total Incoming resources		<u>164,588</u>	<u>668,873</u>	<u>833,461</u>	<u>1,507,324</u>
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	6	287,471	668,873	956,344	1,425,419
Total resources expended		<u>287,471</u>	<u>668,873</u>	<u>956,344</u>	<u>1,425,419</u>
Net movements in funds		(122,883)	-	(122,883)	81,905
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,283,828	46,806	1,330,634	1,248,729
Total funds carried forward		<u>1,160,945</u>	<u>46,806</u>	<u>1,207,751</u>	<u>1,330,634</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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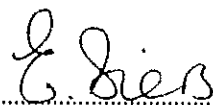
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2018

		2018		2017	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		470,235		472,991
Current assets					
Debtors	12	92,024		114,663	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>761,140</u>		<u>900,171</u>	
		853,164		1,014,834	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(115,648)</u>		<u>(157,191)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>737,516</u>		<u>857,643</u>
Net assets			<u>1,207,751</u>		<u>1,330,634</u>
The funds of the charity:					
Restricted funds			46,806		46,806
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted income funds			<u>1,160,945</u>		<u>1,283,828</u>
Total charity funds			<u>1,207,751</u>		<u>1,330,634</u>

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Approved by the Board on 29 November 2018 and signed on its behalf by:


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Emma-Jane Slers
Trustee

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

		2018	2017
	Note	£	£
Net cash flow from operating activities	18	(135,819)	59,254
Returns on investment and servicing of finance	17	2,495	5,473
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(5,707)	(5,674)
(Decrease)/Increase in cash		<u>(139,031)</u>	<u>59,053</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Choices (Formerly Known As North Kent Women's Aid) Limited
Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

1 Accounting policies

Statutory information

The charity is a private company limited by guarantee with no share capital, domiciled in England and Wales, registration number 06640143. In the event of the charity being wound up the liability in respect of the guarantee is restricted to £1 per member of the company.

The address of the registered office is
MCSC, 39-48 Marsham Street
Maidstone
Kent
ME14 1HH

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the board on 29 November 2018.

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

The presentation currency is £ sterling.

Basis of preparation

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 Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 20.

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Incoming resources

Donations are recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to Incoming resources in the period for which, it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Income from charitable activities includes income recognised as earned (as the related goods or services are provided) under contract.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

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

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Freehold interest in land and buildings	2% straight line basis
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line basis

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the statement of financial activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £	Total Funds 2017 £
Donations and legacies				
Appeals and donations	1,843	170	2,013	5,972

3 Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £	Total Funds 2017 £
Interest on cash deposits	2,495	-	2,495	5,473

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

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4 Incoming resources from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £	Total Funds 2017 £
Housing Benefit	68,643	-	68,643	356,974
Service Charge	8,263	-	8,263	21,515
KCC Supporting People	1,600	-	1,600	263,698
Charitable Services	64,783	668,703	733,486	835,915
Dartford Council	3,384	-	3,384	-
Gravesham Borough Council	5,884	-	5,884	-
	<u>152,557</u>	<u>668,703</u>	<u>821,260</u>	<u>1,478,102</u>

5 Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £	Total Funds 2017 £
Other Income				
Other income	7,693	-	7,693	17,777
	<u>7,693</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,693</u>	<u>17,777</u>

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6 Total resources expended

	Charitable activities	Total 2018	Total 2017
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Wages and salaries	644,830	644,830	952,627
Staff NIC (Employers)	48,026	48,026	77,120
Staff pensions	17,990	17,990	34,673
Clinical Supervision	2,238	2,238	600
Volunteer expenses	315	315	1,617
Rent and rates	21,149	21,149	121,784
Light, heat and power	16,556	16,556	13,813
Insurance	5,405	5,405	7,360
Repairs and maintenance	16,358	16,358	20,433
Telephone and fax	10,528	10,528	14,645
Office expenses	17,756	17,756	9,276
Support Costs	11,396	11,396	85,504
Other expenses	25,920	25,920	32,200
Travel and subsistence	13,066	13,066	23,579
The audit of the charity's annual accounts	6,374	6,374	4,000
Legal and professional fees	74,532	74,532	3,065
	<u>932,439</u>	<u>932,439</u>	<u>1,402,296</u>
Support costs			
Sundry expenses	15,000	15,000	5,224
Travel and subsistence	442	442	3,734
Depreciation of freehold property	5,333	5,333	5,333
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	3,130	3,130	8,832
	<u>23,905</u>	<u>23,905</u>	<u>23,123</u>
	<u>956,344</u>	<u>956,344</u>	<u>1,425,419</u>

7 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

None of the Trustees (or any person related to them) received any remuneration from the Charity during the year. The total expenses reimbursed to trustees during the year was £442 (2017:£432).

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

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8 Net (expenditure)/Income

Net (expenditure)/Income is stated after charging:

	2018		2017	
	£	£	£	£
Auditors' remuneration - audit services		6,374		4,000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets		8,463		14,165
		8,463		14,165

9 Employees' remuneration

The average number of persons employed by the charity (including trustees) during the year was as follows:

	2018 No.	2017 No.
Charitable activities	22	53

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	2018 £	2017 £
Wages and salaries	644,830	952,627
Social security	48,026	77,120
Other pension costs	17,990	34,673
	710,846	1,064,420

10 Taxation

The company is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

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11 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold interest in land and buildings (including heritage assets) £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
As at 1 April 2017	500,000	37,916	537,916
Additions	-	5,707	5,707
As at 31 March 2018	<u>500,000</u>	<u>43,623</u>	<u>543,623</u>
Depreciation			
As at 1 April 2017	31,998	32,927	64,925
Charge for the year	5,333	3,130	8,463
As at 31 March 2018	<u>37,331</u>	<u>36,057</u>	<u>73,388</u>
Net book value			
As at 31 March 2018	<u>462,669</u>	<u>7,566</u>	<u>470,235</u>
As at 31 March 2017	<u>468,002</u>	<u>4,989</u>	<u>472,991</u>

12 Debtors

	2018 £	2017 £
Trade debtors	86,455	98,507
Prepayments and accrued income	5,569	16,156
	<u>92,024</u>	<u>114,663</u>

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13 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2018 £	2017 £
Trade creditors	14,083	42,717
Taxation and social security	15,146	23,585
Other creditors	1,783	3,733
Accruals and deferred income	84,636	87,156
	<u>115,648</u>	<u>157,191</u>

Creditors amounts falling due within one year Includes deferred Income:

	2018 £	2017 £
As at 1 April 2017	74,825	46,400
Amount released to incoming resources	(74,825)	(46,400)
Amount deferred in the year	59,949	74,825
As at 31 March 2018	<u>59,949</u>	<u>74,825</u>

14 Members' liability

The charity is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the members is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £nil towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

15 Post balance sheet events

After the year end the charity had an offer accepted on a Freehold Property of £730,000.

16 Pension scheme

Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to £17,990 (2017 - £34,673).

Contributions totalling £1,783 (2017 - £3,733) were payable to the scheme at the end of the period and are included in creditors.

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17 Analysis of cash flows

	2018	2017
	£	£
Returns on Investment and servicing of finance		
Interest received	2,495	5,473

18 Reconciliation of net movements in funds to operating cash flows

	2018	2017
	£	£
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	(122,883)	81,905
Investment income	(2,495)	(5,473)
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment charges	8,463	14,165
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	22,639	(43,007)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(41,543)	11,664
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	(135,819)	59,254

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19 Related parties

Controlling entity

The charity is controlled by the trustees who are all directors of the company.

20 Analysis of funds

	At 1 April 2017	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 March 2018
	£	£	£	£
General Funds				
Unrestricted Income fund	1,283,828	164,588	(287,471)	1,160,945
Restricted Funds				
KDAC	46,806	-	-	46,806
Big Lottery Fund	-	162,824	(162,824)	-
The Brook Trust	-	32,083	(32,083)	-
The Henry Smith Charity	-	32,891	(32,891)	-
Medway Council	-	96,000	(96,000)	-
Kent County Council - Positive Relationship Service	-	145,027	(145,027)	-
Kent County Council - Victim Specialist Service	-	41,383	(41,383)	-
Comic Relief	-	67,495	(67,495)	-
Kent County Council - Empowering Young Women	-	15,500	(15,500)	-
IDVA - West Kent	-	68,000	(68,000)	-
Other Income	-	7,670	(7,670)	-
	<u>46,806</u>	<u>668,873</u>	<u>(668,873)</u>	<u>46,806</u>
	<u>1,330,634</u>	<u>833,461</u>	<u>(956,344)</u>	<u>1,207,751</u>

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KDAC - Held for future partnership activities.

Big Lottery - West Kent DVA Community Prevention & Support Project

The Brook Trust - Maidstone domestic violence and abuse services

The Henry Smith Charity - Funding of the Young Person's Violence Advisor

Medway Council - To deliver an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor

Kent County Council - Positive relationships service

Kent County Council - Victim Specialist Service

Comic Relief - Young Peoples Domestic Abuse Awareness & Support Fund

Kent County Council - Empowering Young Women - Tonbridge & Malling

IDVA West Kent - To deliver an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor In West Kent

21 Net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	470,235	-	470,235	472,991
Current assets	806,358	46,806	853,164	1,014,834
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(115,648)	-	(115,648)	(157,191)
Net assets	<u>1,160,945</u>	<u>46,806</u>	<u>1,207,751</u>	<u>1,330,634</u>

Net asset by fund - Prior year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Tangible assets	472,991	-	472,991
Current assets	968,028	46,806	1,014,834
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(157,191)	-	(157,191)
Net assets	<u>1,283,828</u>	<u>46,806</u>	<u>1,330,634</u>

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22 Statement of Financial Activities - Prior Year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Incoming Resources			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary Income	5,972	-	5,972
Investment Income	5,473	-	5,473
Incoming resources from charitable activities	378,489	1,099,613	1,478,102
Other incoming resources	17,777	-	17,777
Total incoming resources	<u>407,711</u>	<u>1,099,613</u>	<u>1,507,324</u>
Resources expended			
Charitable activities	343,324	1,082,095	1,425,419
Total resources expended	<u>343,324</u>	<u>1,082,095</u>	<u>1,425,419</u>
 Net movement for the year	 64,387	 17,518	 81,905
 Fund balances at 1 April 2016	 <u>1,219,441</u>	 <u>29,288</u>	 <u>1,248,729</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2017	<u>1,283,828</u>	<u>46,806</u>	<u>1,330,634</u>