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James' Place Charity (A Company Limited by Guarantee)
Trustees Report and Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2026
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WHAT WE DO

James' Place works to save the lives of men in suicidal crisis.

We are a charity offering free, life-saving therapy to suicidal men at our centres in Birmingham, Liverpool, London and Newcastle.

We stop men dying by suicide. Our professional therapists get quickly to the heart of a man's suicidal crisis and help him solve it.

We help men in suicidal crisis find hope for the future.



WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT



Treatment – Our treatment works. Men experience a clinically and statistically significant positive change following treatment and reduced levels of psychological distress.

Time – We see men quickly with no waiting list.

People – All our therapists are trained and experienced professionals. Men have the same therapist throughout their treatment.

Place – We deliver treatment in our safe, friendly, non-clinical centres.

Partners – We work alongside the NHS and other local support services, taking on clinical responsibility for the men we treat.

OUR AIMS

- To improve access to services for men feeling suicidal or identified as being at high risk of suicide.
- To contribute knowledge and take innovative approaches to suicide prevention.
- To build the evidence base in effective suicide prevention and support research into the causes of suicidal thoughts and behaviours.
- To increase awareness and knowledge, reduce stigma and help promote understanding of the symptoms and dangers of depression, anxiety and suicide.
- To work cooperatively with other suicide prevention charities, working in partnership with agencies and experts.

OUR VALUES

Focus Respect Bravery Professionalism
Compassion Collaboration Hope

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The trustees have paid due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

OUR YEAR IN NUMBERS

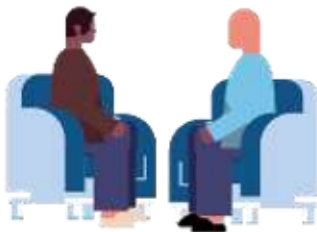
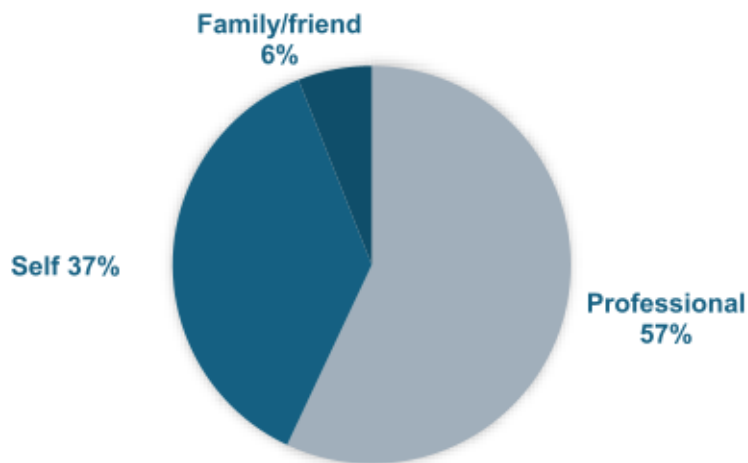


We helped **1,554** men in suicidal crisis this year through **7,076** therapy sessions.

Of the men we helped, **508** were supported at our Liverpool centre, **482** at our London centre, **540** at our centre in Newcastle and **24** at our Darlington pilot satellite service.



WHERE OUR REFERRALS CAME FROM



The top three distress factors at referral were:

Relationship breakdown 19%
Family problems 19%
Work issues 17%

98% of men we supported, who completed our feedback form, were happy with the practical and emotional support they were offered, and **94%** would recommend us to others. **100% of men** felt they were treated with respect and dignity.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR

This year marks twenty years since we lost James, and twenty years since my life changed forever. Every year when I write this message I reflect on just how far the small charity we set up in his name has come. I can hardly believe that we now have four centres open, providing life-saving therapy to hundreds of men in suicidal crisis with nowhere else to turn. I am extremely proud of what we have achieved, and the wonderful team at James' Place who work so hard to ensure as many men as possible get help.



The highlight of my year has undoubtedly been seeing the Birmingham centre plans come together; a building renovated, a new team of therapists recruited and starting to make a real difference to men in crisis in the West Midlands.

Another proud moment this year was listening to the wonderful conversation on BBC Radio 1 Life Hacks, which featured His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, alongside our new Director of Clinical Services Allan Brownrigg, and a man we helped at our Newcastle centre, Nathan. Nathan had found himself in crisis after stress at work, ill-health in his family, and his caring responsibilities at home became overwhelming. I was so moved to listen to his story, and it was amazing to have this opportunity to reach the Radio 1 audience, and to play a part in normalising conversations about suicide.

I was also delighted this year to help spread the word about James' Place on several podcasts, including speaking alongside my son Harry on Spencer Matthews' Untapped podcast. Spencer took on an incredible feat for us at the end of last year, completing seven ironman distance triathlons on seven continents, and we were so pleased he chose to support us. Thank you Spencer.

Another highlight of the last year was attending a garden party at Buckingham Palace in recognition of the work we do at James' Place alongside our trustee Professor Rory O'Connor, Professor Pooja Saini from Liverpool John Moores University who has evaluated our work for the past five years, and our former Clinical Lead Jane Boland who was instrumental in setting up James' Place at the very beginning. It was a lovely afternoon and a chance to reflect on how far we have come over the past few years.

I want to take the chance to say thank you to everyone who makes James' Place what it is today. Our hard-working staff team led by our fantastic Chief Executive Ellen O'Donoghue, the dedicated and compassionate clinical staff who support men in crisis, the enthusiastic and driven Fundraising and Communications team who generate the funding needed to keep our service running and help men find us, and our focused Finance and Operations team who lay the foundations for our success and ensure we can safely open new centres.

I am also hugely grateful to our committed Board of Trustees who have grown in number this year, our volunteer Appeal Board, volunteer mentors and peer support group facilitators and of course all our wonderful donors and fundraisers. I am always amazed at the challenges people take on to help us fund our work, and this year has been no exception.

I would also like to thank our outgoing Trustee Professor Tamar J Thompson for being such a great supporter of ours for the past decade.

Finally, thank you to all James' Place supporters old and new who have helped us get to this point. With your support we can continue to ensure we are there for men in crisis when it matters, and we couldn't do it without you.

Clare Milford Haven, Chair, James' Place

OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

In England and Wales last year 6,190 people died by suicide, three quarters of them men. The year before 6,069 people died. Every death by suicide is a preventable tragedy. As a society we are not doing enough to prevent suicide. There is not enough commitment, funds and attention paid to avoiding this tragedy, which devastates families and communities. This must change, and it must change urgently.

At James' Place we are doing what we can to stop men dying by suicide. This year, over 1,500 men accessed our free, life-saving therapy. We know what we do works, and that it saves lives.



Our confidence in the effectiveness of our treatment, backed up by clinical evidence, led us to an ambitious plan to grow rapidly from one to five centres, so that more men could access our services across the UK. We are excited that we are now reaching the culmination of this period of growth, with our fourth centre in Birmingham now open and treating men, and our fifth centre planned for 2027.

This milestone leads us to look ahead to the future, and what we need to achieve. Ultimately, we want to ensure that everybody in suicidal crisis gets the help they need, when they need it, wherever they live. Whilst the core of what we do remains the free, life-saving therapy for men which we deliver at our four centres, we are looking closely at how we can maximise our impact in innovative ways, sharing our learnings across service delivery, influencing, and funding to prevent suicide.

We were pleased to contribute to the Government's Men's Health Strategy, in which we are featured as a case study. It was important to us that the new strategy should focus attention on the high rates of suicide in men and recognise the factors that put some men at higher risk than others. These men need our support and help, and we are proud not only to treat them in our centres, but to advocate for them on a national level. We also contributed to the London Assembly's consultation on Men's Mental Health, and gave our feedback on the BSI Standard for Suicide Prevention.

This year has been a leap forward for us as we have interrogated our model of treatment and looked at why James' Place is effective in reducing men's suicidality. We have conducted a series of innovation projects, replicating and testing our model in different settings. For the first time we have delivered our life-saving therapy outside a James' Place centre, with a satellite service in the community in Darlington operating from the local Citizen's Advice Bureau. This service has already helped men out of crisis, who might have otherwise been unable to access our help. Another satellite service in St Helens is opening in Summer 2026. This project was made possible by our partnership with The Royal Foundation of The Prince and Princess of Wales' National Suicide Prevention Network. We were very proud to be named as one of five founding partners of the Network in October 2025, and we are working together with these and other partners to deliver tailored, targeted services that prevent suicide across the four nations.

This financial year also saw the completion of another of our innovation projects: The Max Windle Project, a pilot programme providing therapy to 16- and 17-year old young men under the care of CAMHS at Alder Hey hospital. The pilot was evaluated by Liverpool John Moores University, and it is encouraging to hear from James' Place therapists of their success in treating this younger group of men. We are also interested to see the trends observed in this cohort, namely the high number of boys with neurodivergence. We continue to support many neurodivergent men in our centres, and will be continuing to explore and investigate this further in the coming year. Our clinical teams have had specific training in this area, and we are looking at how to maximise our ability to help this group, and other specific groups of men who are at higher risk of suicide, both in terms of how we deliver our service and how we reach them.

As always, I remain incredibly grateful to our amazing clinical team who see men in crisis, day in, day out. I know it can be very emotionally challenging yet also rewarding work, - work that changes the lives of men in suicidal crisis. Our core focus will always be delivering this life-saving service as effectively as possible, and ensuring that the therapists and all our staff working on the front line are properly supported. Developing

our people plan is a key aim for the coming year and our training offer for our clinical team has already been developed and strengthened.

As well as thanking our clinical team for their amazing efforts in helping men find hope for the future, I would like to thank our whole staff team across Fundraising and Communications, and Finance and Operations for all their hard work over the year. A special mention to two senior members of staff who have now moved on, our Clinical Lead Jane Boland, and Head of Finance Ian Chivers, both of whom worked at the charity for many years and played a pivotal role in getting us to where we are today. I also thank IDan Bracken, our former Head of Centre for London, who helped us set up the service in London before moving on last summer.

Thanks too are due to our excellent and committed board of Trustees, which has been boosted by the appointment of five new members in the last year - Dr Nick Broughton, Marcus Davies, Chris Dzikiti, Dr Annalisa Jenkins and Joana Libano Monteiro. They bring a wide range of expertise from different perspectives, and we are very excited that they join us at a pivotal time for James' Place as we look to the future.

We have also welcomed three new Directors to a newly created executive leadership team. Neil Fray who joined us as Director of Finance and Operations, Allan Brownrigg as Director of Clinical Services, and Amy Swart who stepped into a new role as Director of Fundraising and External Affairs. They will be instrumental in developing our strategy for the next few years and taking the charity to the next level. Fourteen new members of staff have joined us this year and we are so pleased to see such passionate and experienced people join us in our mission. I would like to thank our existing team for always making people feel so welcome and supported.

This year marks twenty years since James, in whose memory we were formed, died by suicide. All of us at James' Place think about him in our work, and it is testament to the determination and passion of his family that we have now helped well over 5,000 men out of suicidal crisis in his name. We expect this number to significantly increase in the coming year with our new centre in Birmingham now open.

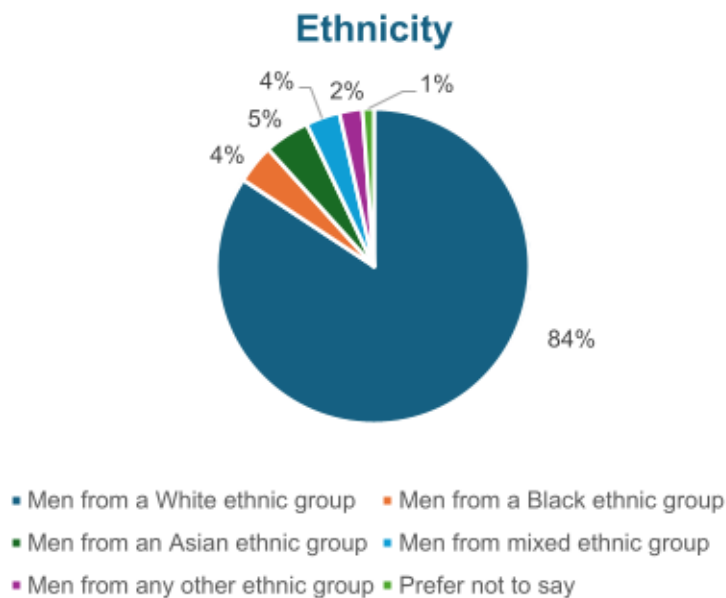
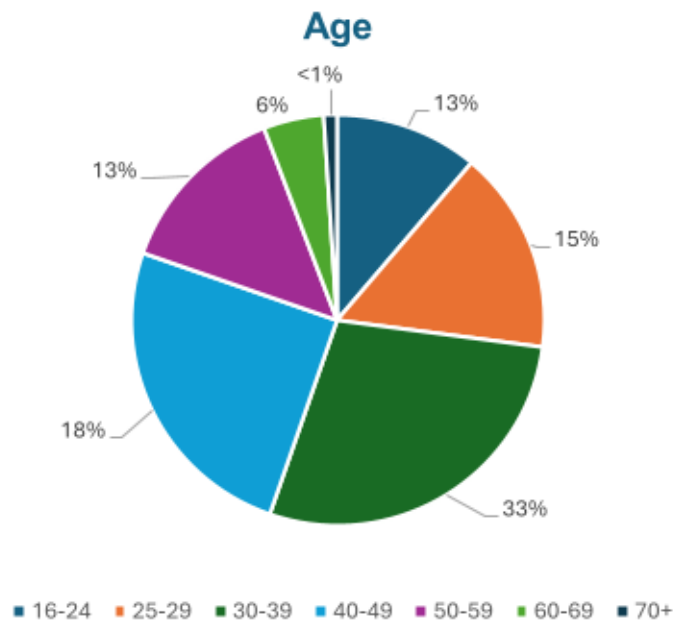
Every man we help is extremely important to all of us. As one man told us recently "I have asked for help a lot in my life, and never really found it until I came to James' Place. I don't know if I would still be here without going to James' Place, it was exactly the right help I needed at the right time, and it saved me."

Knowing that what we do saves lives every day keeps us focused and drives us forward to do more.

Ellen O'Donoghue, Chief Executive, James' Place

ABOUT THE MEN WE HAVE SUPPORTED THIS YEAR*

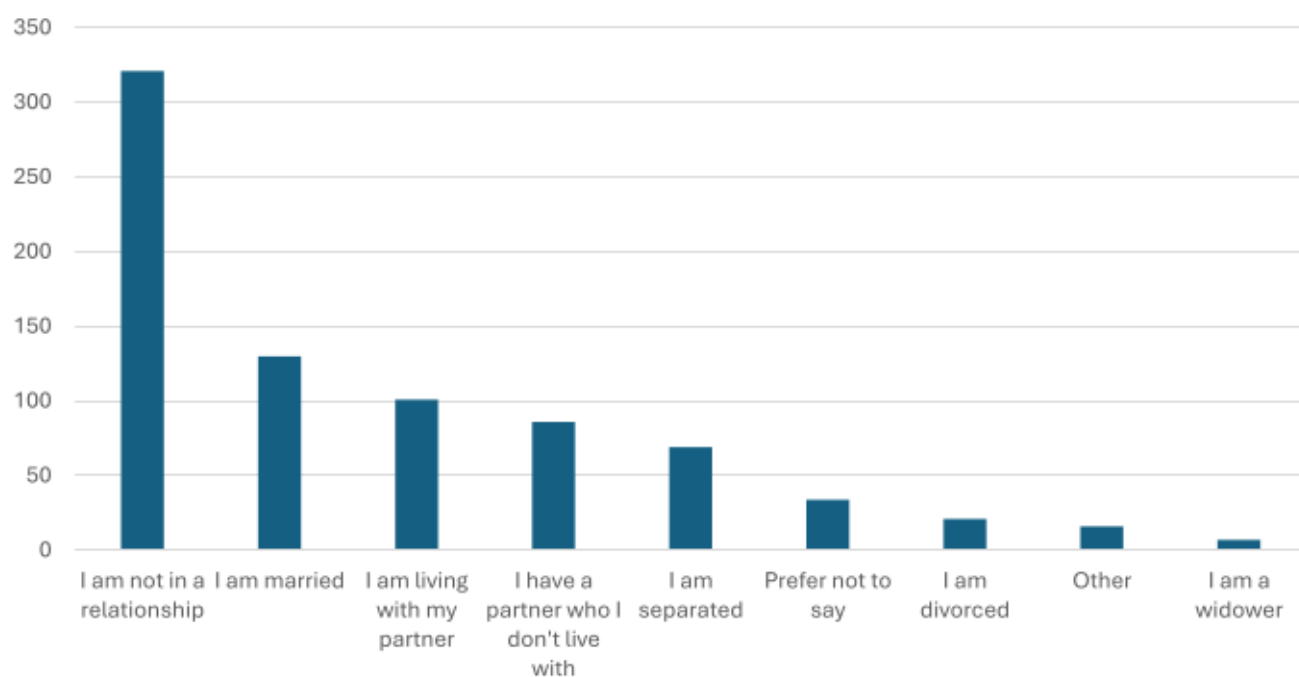
At James' Place we help a wide range of men in suicidal crisis aged 18+, from different backgrounds and demographics. We treat everyone as an individual, as everyone's crisis is different, but here is some information on who we have helped this year based on men who filled in our Diversity and Equality Monitoring Form. This year we also helped some young men between 16-18 years old as part of The Max Windle Project – a pilot programme in Liverpool.



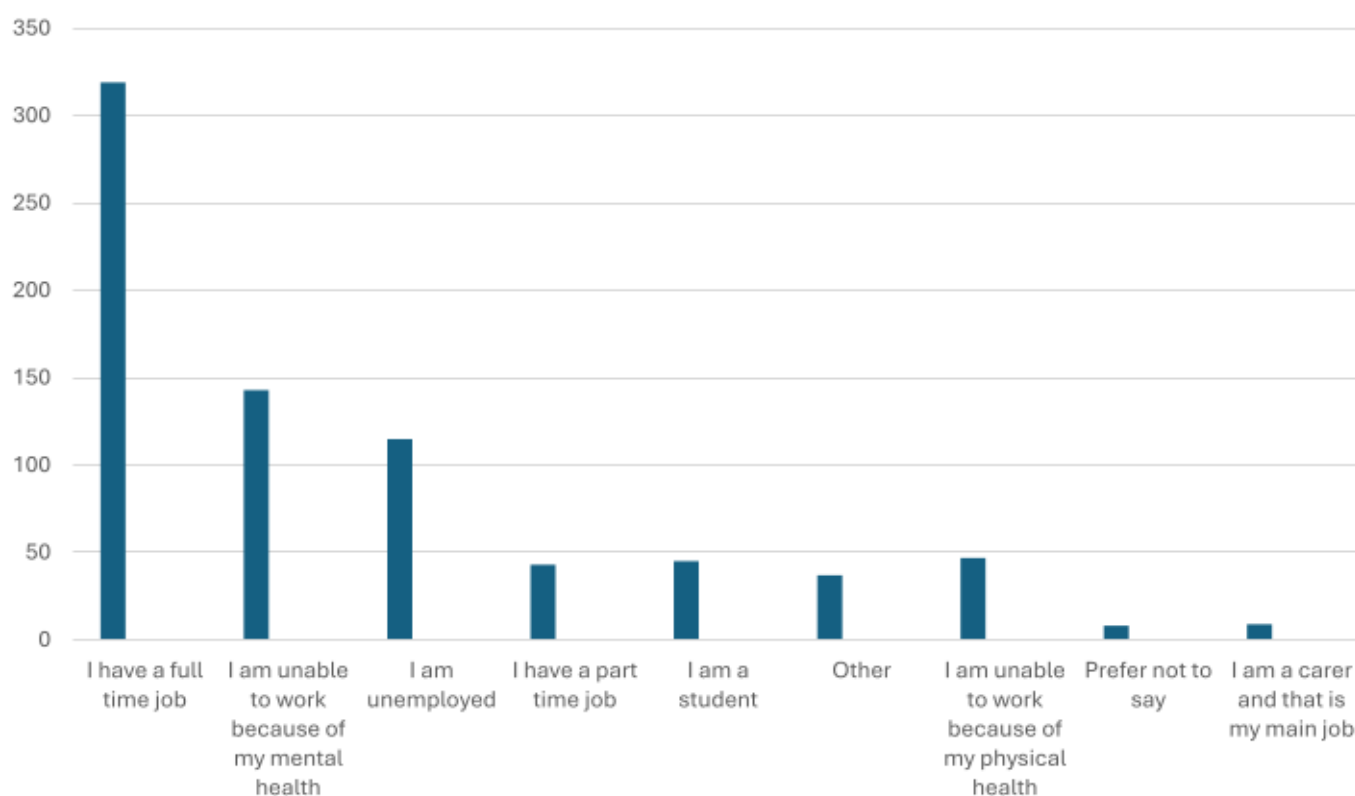
Sexuality

Of the men we helped who filled in our monitoring form, 79% were heterosexual, 10% were gay men, 6% were bisexual, and 5% said other or preferred not to answer.

Relationship status



Employment status



***This data is based on men who completed our Diversity and Equality Monitoring Form, around 50% of all men who used our service.**

JAY'S STORY



29 year old Jay came to James' Place Newcastle in May 2025 after a relationship breakdown and job worries drove him to make an attempt on his life.

"I was in a bad way when I came to James' Place as it felt like everything I had been working for had disappeared overnight. I felt worthless and useless. I just couldn't see a way forward or any point in continuing and tried to take my life. In the hospital afterwards I felt quite dismissed and no-one really seemed to know what to do with me, then a mental health nurse told me about James' Place.

I wasn't expecting much to be honest, I've had therapy before and it always felt quite generic, but this was totally different. First of all, they got me in within 24 hours. As soon as I came into the building I just felt relaxed and comfortable, like I was meant to be there.

The quality of the therapy I received was incredible, it was like my therapist Andrew got me immediately and based the therapy around me personally. If I struggled to express things it was like he knew what I was thinking without me needing to say it. I got such a deeper understanding of myself, why I think and feel certain things, and I learnt tools to stop myself from spiralling into negative thoughts.

Andrew helped me understand it was ok to feel the way I was feeling, and not to be so hard on myself, to treat myself with compassion. I came to realise that it wasn't the end, I am young, I have so much more to give other people and I deserve good things to happen to me. I'm learning how to be vulnerable with others and to be nicer to myself. Going to James' Place has made a huge difference to my life."

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

Number of men in crisis supported continues to grow

Every year the number of men we've helped increases thanks to more centres, more therapists and increased awareness. In 2025/26, 1,554 men in suicidal crisis received therapy across 7,076 sessions, an increase of 15% on the previous year. More than 2 in 5 of those men (43%) referred themselves directly or were referred by a friend or family member. We also held 16 sessions for supporters of men in crisis such as partners or family members. Our peer support groups continue to offer a space for men who have recently finished their therapy with us but need some extra support, and 37 men have attended our groups in the past year. A huge thank you to volunteers Michael Butler and Ryan Johnston for running our groups in London and Liverpool, and to our therapists Sarah Hole and Centre Manager Lisa MacDonald in Newcastle who run the group in the North East. We would also like to say thank you to our volunteer mentors who have supported 17 men this year.

Our new centre in Birmingham



At James' Place we are determined to reach as many men as we can. As part of this our plan to open a centre in Birmingham came to fruition this year, with a building found, leased and renovated, and a fantastic team of therapists in place - Ian, Jodie, Mica, Natalia and Ricky – led by Head of Centre Ciaran Brady and supported by Centre Manager Lisa Hale. Birmingham is our fourth centre and is located just outside the city centre near Five Ways in the Edgbaston area of Birmingham, easily accessible by public transport, and borders some of the areas of Birmingham with the highest levels of socio-economic deprivation.

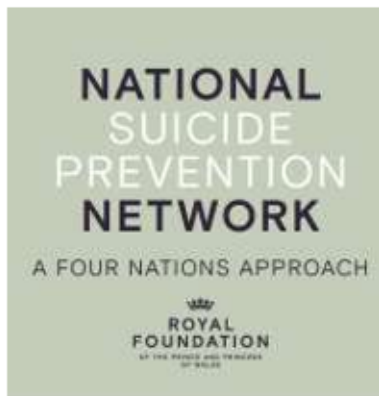
The building has eight therapy rooms as well as a spacious waiting room and a peaceful garden for men using the service to sit and reflect before or after their sessions. Like our other centres, James' Place Birmingham is a warm, welcoming and non-clinical space for men to access treatment. We talked to local charity Ways for Wellbeing to make the building as accessible as possible, and staff across all our teams were consulted on the design and layout of the building.

Around 450-500 men will be able to access treatment at James' Place Birmingham each year.

Funders who have contributed to the opening of the centre include The Eveson Trust, Goodman Family Foundation, Cameron Grant Memorial Trust, Belinda Hill, Julia Rausing Trust, The David Riddell Memorial CIO, Chris Rokos, The Noel Sweeney Foundation, Julia Willoughby, The Ennismore Charitable Trust, The Lockwood Charitable Foundation and a number of other donors. Anomaly Architects, Newmark, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), Savills, and Slaughter and May have generously given their time and expertise pro bono to support the opening of James' Place Birmingham. Louise del Balzo, a long-time supporter of James' Place and James' aunt, kindly designed our garden.



A new partnership with The Royal Foundation, and our first new satellite service up and running



We were delighted to announce this year our role as a founding partner of the new National Suicide Prevention Network, launched by The Royal Foundation of The Prince and Princess of Wales. The Network aims to deliver lasting change in how suicide is understood and prevented across the four nations. Thanks to funding from the Network and a contract with the NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB), the first James' Place satellite service opened in Darlington in November 2025. Darlington was chosen due to high numbers of male suicides in the area.

Over a 12-month pilot, we are testing whether satellite community services linked to the larger centres are an effective way to deliver our unique, life-saving therapy. James' Place therapists are working from Citizens Advice Darlington,

Redcar and Cleveland on Church Row two days a week, supporting suicidal men who may face barriers in accessing our centre in Newcastle. The pilot has demonstrated encouraging early progress in extending access to James' Place support across County Durham and Teesside. Over the first four months, referrals and sessions increased month-by-month, with 26 referrals received in total between November and March, and a growing proportion of professional referrals emerging by February, suggesting increasing awareness of the service. Engagement outcomes have been particularly positive, with six men completing the full intervention and no clients disengaging once sessions had begun. Additionally, three men already referred to the Newcastle centre were able to transfer to Darlington, improving accessibility and reducing travel barriers.



Alongside clinical activity, significant outreach and partnership work has been undertaken to embed the service locally. Presentations and meetings were delivered across crisis teams, social prescribing networks, suicide prevention partnerships, and community forums, with positive feedback and strong engagement from both Darlington and Durham Public Health leads, who have actively supported awareness-raising across their networks. Operational learning during the initial months has led to improvements in processes, infrastructure, and communication, strengthening the foundations for continued growth. Overall, the pilot has successfully established a new presence for James' Place in Darlington, demonstrated strong engagement once men access the service, and shown increasing referral activity and partnership development. However, we do still have capacity and aim to continue to increase referrals and clinical workload in order to maximise the amount of men we are supporting.

A second satellite service in the North West is due to open in St Helens in Summer 2026 at the YMCA Beacon centre. St Helens consistently has the highest suicide rates in Merseyside.

Ten young men in crisis supported through pilot project



Our pilot project, investigating whether the James' Place model of treatment can benefit young men aged 16 and 17 came to an end in August 2025. Ten young men under the care of Alder Hey Children's Hospital's Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS), received therapy at James' Place Liverpool over the duration of the

project which began in February 2024 and was funded by The Max Windle Memorial Trust. The pilot will be fully evaluated, but initial feedback has shown that the James' Place model can work in treating younger men in suicidal crisis.

A powerful conversation on BBC Radio 1

Our Director of Clinical Services Allan Brownrigg and former James' Place client Nathan joined a very special conversation about men's mental health and suicide for BBC Radio 1's Life Hacks in February. The conversation was hosted by Greg James, and His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, Stephen Manderson (aka Professor Green) and Guvna B (aka Isaac Bourquaya) also shared their thoughts and experiences.

We were proud to take part in this conversation as part of our role in The Royal Foundation of The Prince and Princess of Wales' National Suicide Prevention Network.



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Spencer Matthews supports James' Place through Project Se7en

Spencer Matthews – endurance athlete, health advocate, founder, and entrepreneur – achieved two new Guinness World Rerecords on completing his fundraising challenge PROJECT SE7EN for James' Place.

He achieved two new Guinness World Records for the swiftest triathlon on Antarctica, as well as the fastest 140.6-mile triathlon on all seven continents, completed in 21 days, 9 hours and 18 minutes. Spencer's phenomenal achievement raised thousands of pounds and vital awareness for James' Place – with one man referring himself to us after hearing about us through Spencer. The challenge has raised over £250,000 to date.

James' Place contributes to first ever Men's Health Strategy

On International Men's Day in November the Government launched the first ever Men's Health Strategy for England. This was a watershed moment for charities working with men like James' Place, as the dedicated national strategy recognised the urgent need to improve the health and wellbeing of the nation's men and prevent premature deaths from suicide and illness. The strategy recognised that funding was needed for projects targeting middle aged men in the most deprived communities.

We were proud to have played a part in this strategy, sharing our knowledge about what works in preventing suicide in men, and to be included as an example of best practice. We are now part of the Government's stakeholder advisory group. We are looking forward to hearing more detail on the delivery of the strategy over the coming year.

Outreach, key partnerships and working with others

We have worked hard in the last year to increase awareness of James' Place through partnership and collaboration so that we can reach even more men who need us.

We were pleased to be a key stakeholder in the Premier League's Together Against Suicide Campaign. We were present in a consultation capacity from the early pilot meetings and held further meetings with various clubs regarding their applications, and provided signposting and awareness support which has already generated referrals from men in crisis. In addition, we have featured in two matchday programmes for both Liverpool FC and Arsenal FC.



For Mental Health Awareness Week in May, we spent two days at the Primary Care Conference connecting with GPs and other NHS workers. Work across both the University sector and the Construction industry has continued, with us presenting to over 170 employees in September at an event for contractors Overbury, and also at the Balfour Beatty AGM. We established three new university partnerships with the University of the West of Scotland, LSBU and the University of Westminster this year to provide awareness of our service to staff and students. We continued to develop our existing relationships through stalls at college and university events and presenting to university wellbeing teams such as Liverpool Hope

University, Liverpool University and Northumbria University.

This year we took part in our first ever Pride celebrations in London and Newcastle. It is very important to us to be visible and connect with men from the LGBTQIA+ community and both days were a fantastic opportunity to let people know about our service.

In Birmingham, relationships were developed with a large number of NHS services, universities, companies and VCSE organisations across the West Midlands in advance of the centre launch.



In London we met with 63 outreach partners across the NHS and voluntary sector over the course of the year, attended 45 events, and hosted 8 open days and online learning events. Relationships were built with the Cabinet Office, London Armed Forces Network, and the Islington Black Cultural Centre. Over 80 men in London found their way to James' Place due to our outreach work.

In Liverpool, our team have worked hard over the year to raise awareness of our service with the First Response Service, Public Health, Liverpool and Halton Crisis Teams, Liverpool Crisis Resolution Home Treatment Team, Wirral Mental Health Access teams, and workplaces such as Algeos, Nuffield Health and Jaguar Land Rover. The team were also happy to host a reception to celebrate the seventh anniversary of James' Place in Liverpool.

In the North East our teams have presented to the Gateshead Suicide Prevention Alliance, the British Transport Police, the Why Men Die by Suicide conference and the Stand Up, Empowering Men and Boys event, to corporate partners including Esh Group, and Sage UK as well as building relationships with NHS staff in Cumberland, Sunderland, Durham, Teesside, South Tyneside and Darlington. We were pleased to welcome social prescribers to our Newcastle centre on National Social Prescribing Day and we built relationships with a wide range of community partners including Racing Welfare, Walking with the Wounded, Everyturn and Men's Pie Club.



Sharing stories



We would like to say a huge thank you to all our former clients and fundraisers who shared their stories this year to help us connect with more men who might need us and raise awareness of the service we provide.

One of our highlights this year was partnering with NHS communications colleagues in London and the North East on social media posts, a video and press release for World Suicide Prevention Day on 10th September, focusing on the importance of partnership, and how we can all play a part in reducing suicide by working together. We also worked with Hammersmith and Fulham Council on an online social media advertising campaign to drive men seeking help to our website.

Other highlights included: BBC Radio 1's Life Hacks interview which led to additional coverage on BBC News 24, BBC 5 Live Breakfast and BBC Radio 1 Newsbeat; fantastic coverage in numerous national outlets for Spencer Matthews' Project Se7en and fundraiser Angus Collins' row; coverage on ITV news for the launch of the Men's Health Strategy; our CEO Ellen O'Donoghue interviewed on GB News for the launch of The Royal Foundation of the Prince and Princess of Wales' National Suicide Prevention Network; and appearances on a variety of podcasts including Life is a Labyrinth, Untapped, From There to Here, and Word on Health.

We featured in over 120 items of media coverage over the year, an increase of around 16% on the previous year. We would also like to say thank you to Bellco for their pro bono PR support, Harry Berkeley at Digital Touch for his SEO expertise, Open Media for offering free advertising space, and WPP Production for their support with our brand.

Research and evaluation

We now have reached the end of five years' of evaluation by Liverpool John Moores University, led by Professor Pooja Saini, which has consistently shown that men in crisis who received treatment from James' Place experienced a clinically and statistically significant positive change in their mental wellbeing and reduced levels of psychological distress. This year also saw the end of a research project with University College London, analysing data of different cohorts of men after they have been referred to us to see how they have fared since their initial contact with us. We are now developing a new Research Hub and internal research programme to encompass not only evaluation of our services, including our satellite services, but also towards generating new evidence around what works in suicide prevention, supported by academic and clinical collaboration. Over the coming year we plan to also look at two special research projects - one focused on neurodiversity, and another on therapy sessions using interpreters.



Our art project

Our [Art Project](#) has continued to inspire the men who used our service this year, with visitors to our centres regularly commenting on the art and the calm and welcoming space it helps to create. Each of our centres has a collection of artworks donated or lent by a range of wonderful artists who have all chosen to support James' Place and recognise the power of art to calm, soothe and inspire.

One of our artists, Claire Western said if her work '*helps someone feel lighter and contributes to their healing, I'll feel blessed to be part of that journey.*'

Claire's work is in our Liverpool Centre and will also be in our new centre in Birmingham.

The art can have a profound effect on the men we support and one of our therapists shared this:





'I've had a client take a photo of a piece artwork after he used it as a metaphor for how he feels. It's his wallpaper on his phone and he looks at it to remind himself that although life is tough right now there is also hope and calmness'.

We are hugely grateful to all our artists for their generosity and continued commitment to our vision.

Looking ahead to centre five

With our centre in Birmingham open, our plan for the year ahead is to continue to drive our expansion programme forward by confirming a location for our fifth centre. The team are currently visiting cities, looking at buildings and making relationships with key stakeholders with a view to announcing the location of our fifth centre later this year, and opening in Summer/Autumn 2027.

MATT'S STORY

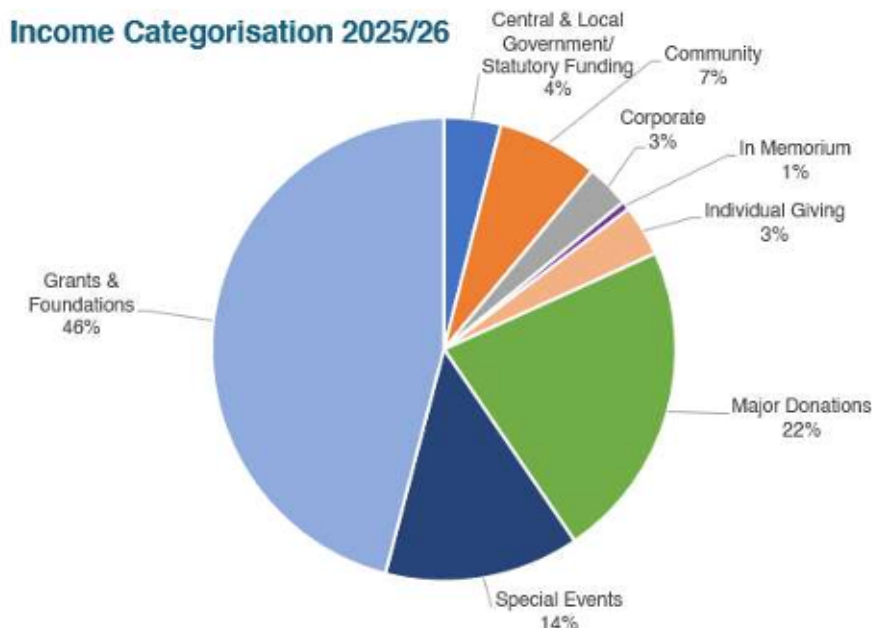
39 year old teacher Matt from Hackney found himself in suicidal crisis after losing his dad to suicide.

"I lost my dad three years ago and it completely changed my world, it was such a traumatic time. Last summer around the anniversary of his death I was spiralling, I just felt utterly apathetic about being here, I'd lost interest in life. My mind went to a dark place and I started thinking about suicide as almost a tribute to my dad, a way to be close to him, to show him how significant his death was. I was seeing a therapist at the time who recognised I needed more support and told me to go to my GP. My GP suggested I contact Hackney Crisis team, who then put me on to James' Place. I was nervous about going for the first time but everyone was so welcoming, respectful and chill. It was a bit strange sitting in the waiting room with other men, knowing we were all there for the same reason.



My therapist was great, he was quite straight-talking, which I needed, very practical and pragmatic. He made me see that I would have to put some work into getting better. We had weekly sessions over the next six weeks, I talked, he gave me tools, methods to cope and helped me overcome some of my negative thinking that had become so entrenched. Using the therapy cards with the emotions and behaviours meant that the vocabulary was right there for you to pick up. I was evaluated before every session and to see my distress scores starting to come down helped me know I was on the right track. It helped that I felt like I was completing a course of treatment, that there was a time limit on it, it made me want to get to the end. After my treatment I was out of crisis and felt a lot safer. People close to me noticed a real difference, I felt I was actually standing straighter and taller, and more able to deal with things. When I went to James' Place I was so lost and had no direction. I couldn't imagine a future, but going there gave me back hope. I'd tell anyone else feeling the same way to give it a try – it's not easy but what have you got to lose? Life is a precious gift and I'm glad I can see it that way again."

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM



It has been another extraordinary year of fundraising for James' Place and we are hugely grateful to each and every person who has supported us with their donations, time, talents, or who through sheer determination has managed to complete a challenge event for us. We could not do this important work without you. This year we have raised £5.3m, by far our most successful year, thanks to the extraordinary efforts and commitment of all our supporters. In particular, we would like to thank our Appeal Board members once again for their continued support, especially our newest members Antonio del Balzo, Louisa Wentworth-Stanley and Emma Grimthorpe who have all joined the board in the past year.

An important new initiative this year has been the setting up of the first James' Place satellite service in Darlington. We are enormously grateful to The Royal Foundation of The Prince and Princess of Wales and the NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB), who have helped fund it. A second satellite service in the North West is due to open in St Helens in summer 2026, with the support of the Erié Foundation.

Our ongoing fundraising efforts have once again benefited from a number of high-profile events. A panel event, entitled 'Suicide Prevention: Make it Your Business', took place at Mansion House in November. Hosted by The Lord Mayor, Alastair King, and with nearly 90 guests attending, the event aimed to broaden our corporate partnerships initiative by engaging senior business leaders. A thought-provoking panel discussion was hosted by David Woode from The Times, and included General Sir Patrick Sanders (former Chief of the General Staff), Victoria McDuff (Senior Partner at Slaughter and May) and Angus Collins (elite Athlete and fundraiser for James' Place).

In addition to this, a significant number of corporate partners have supported us this year including Nexus, who made us their chosen charity of the year, Home Bargains who supported our Liverpool Centre, Parker Dairies, Fenwick and Slaughter and May.

A key focus for the organisation is to diversify our sources of income to ensure our ongoing sustainability, and we were very excited this year continue to develop our individual giving work. At Christmas we launched a social media match funded fundraising campaign for The Big Give Christmas Challenge. The appeal centred around a poem called 'The Door to Hope', co-created with Joseph Roberts and four former

clients, which was our most successful social media campaign to date. It raised £42,375, far exceeding its target.

Once again, we are extremely grateful to everyone who has taken on a challenge for us this year. Here are a few highlights:

Angus Collins, a holder of five world records in ocean rowing, set off on Saturday 28th of June to pioneer a solo circumnavigation of mainland Great Britain. In August 2025 Angus unfortunately had to end his attempt due to intense weather and equipment issues after more than a month at sea. Yet, in spite of the challenges, he raised over £235,000.



Over the past few years Noel Sainsbury has supported James' Place with some incredible fundraising efforts through different events and cycling challenges and this year has seen the total Noel has raised increase to around £75,000. He plans one further cycle challenge in Ireland in May 2026 in support of James' Place and we wish him and all the Olsgeire team the very best for it!



Former client, Connor Doyle with his brother-in-law, a group of five friends and his dad cycled from James' Place Newcastle to our Liverpool centre in June 2025. The group cycled over 200 miles raising over £6,625.

"I always said I wanted to raise money and make other people aware of the service they offer because I wasn't aware of them until it was nearly too late."
Connor Doyle, former client of James' Place.

In July 2025, Dan Howie and Chris Neil cycled 288 miles from our London centre to Newcastle in just 21 hours! The pair raised £7,319 and are already planning their next cycle challenge in aid of James' Place which will take place in 2026.



In September 2025, Gavin Francis and Richard Armstrong, who both work at Sage UK, ran a total of 190 miles from St Bees in Cumbria to Robin Hood's Bay in North Yorkshire across five days. They were joined by other Sage employees along their journey. They raised a total of £9,010 with donations match funded through the Sage Foundation.

"Fundraising for James' Place gave my challenge a real sense of purpose and educated me along the way. Knowing the impact the charity makes made it all worthwhile and the team are super-friendly – they even came to join me at the finish of my challenge!" Gavin, Senior Enablement Manager, Sage UK.

The annual Sam Johnson Memorial Cup and Fun Day was held in June 2025, with proceeds donated to James' Place. More than 250 people took part in the football tournament, which was hosted by Hebburn Town FC in memory of Sam Johnson. A heartfelt thank you goes to Ben Toal, Jacalyn Rivett, UNW, the team of volunteers as well as Sam's friends and family, who together raised almost £10,000.



Siblings Jack, Ben and Sophie Harcourt (left) took on the Paris Marathon in April 2025 in memory of their brother George. The trio raised over £46,000.

Finally, we remain in admiration of everyone who chooses to support James' Place after losing a loved one to suicide. This year life-saving funds were donated in memory of Finn Abberton, Jordan Berry, Tom Brockman, Adrian Hill, Nick Kilhams, David Riddell, James Robson, Omar Sayeed Iqbal, Carlie Tufnell, Nick Kilhams and many others who have asked not to be named.

Every single donation is vital to the long-term success of James' Place and every pound really does make a difference. We are grateful to those who have donated financially or who have given goods or services to James' Place free of charge.

Our Fundraising Statement

James' Place relies on voluntary donations and grants to run our life saving service. We receive donations from trusts and foundations, companies, individuals, central and local government grants, and through fundraising activities like runs, challenges and events that our supporters freely undertake. James' Place is registered with the Fundraising Regulator and adheres strictly to their Code of Fundraising Practice and all legal obligations including data protection under GDPR. We do not engage professional fundraisers to act on our behalf or have commercial participators.

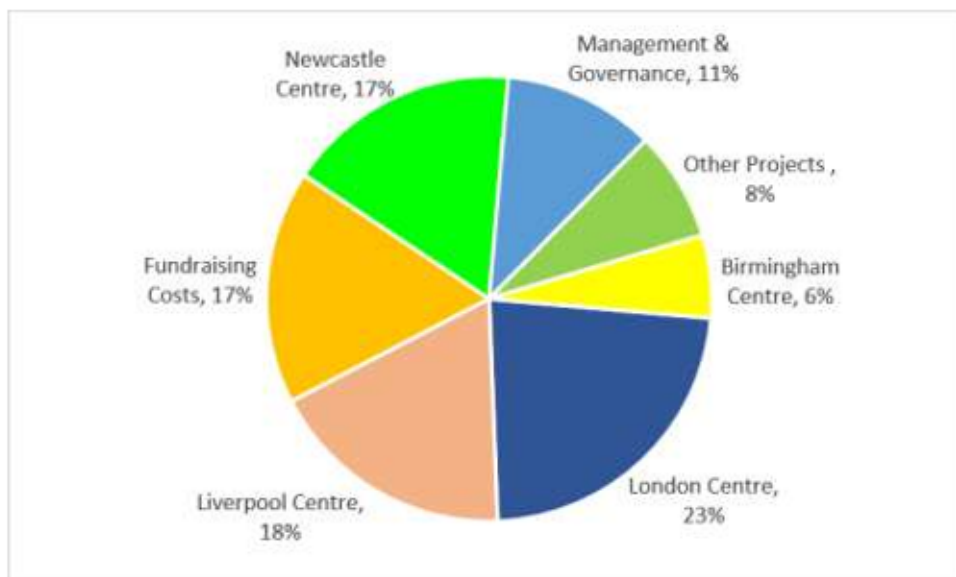
We employ a fundraising team that is tasked with raising all the funds that the charity needs to fulfil its objectives. The charity engages with supporters who wish to fundraise for us in a respectful manner that follows the Code of Fundraising Practice. We are acutely aware that many of those who support us have been impacted by suicide in some way and the charity lives its values of Focus, Bravery, Compassion, Hope, Respect, Collaboration and Professionalism, in all aspects of our fundraising. There have been no complaints about our fundraising activities.



HOW WE SPENT THE MONEY

We spent a total of **£3,262,325** in 25/26.

72p in every pound spent went to directly supporting suicidal men.



Our Birmingham centre cost **£161,758** to run this year, and **£457,525** to refurbish the centre in readiness for opening.

Our Liverpool centre cost **£592,727** to run this year.

Our London centre cost **£745,033** to run this year.

Our Newcastle centre cost **£540,397** to run this year.

It costs £2,100 on average to support one man through James' Place's life-saving intervention.

THANK YOU

We formally thank the following donors and those wishing to remain anonymous, who have each contributed over £5,000 to realising James' Place's ambition and mission this year, including:

Angus and Kelsey Brooksby
Belinda Hill
Cameron Grant Memorial Trust
Catton Foundation
CHK Foundation
City Bridge Foundation
Darbshire Sporting Agents
Eranda Rothschild Foundation
Fishmongers' Company's Charitable Trust
George Cadbury Fund
Giuseppe Ciucci
Home Bargains
Laura Tomlinson
Lockwood Charitable Foundation
Lord Leverhulme's Charitable Trust
Louis Mitchell
Manolo Blahnik Foundation
Mrs Gaynor Rupert
National Philanthropic Trust
Naylor Leyland Family
NHS North East and North Cumbria ICB
Northern
OB Ltd
Omar Naveed Kayaam
Parker Dairies
Q Charitable Trust
Richard Swallow
Simon and Julia Prior-Palmer Charitable Foundation
Sir James Knott Trust
Slaughter and May

Standing Rock Foundation
St Moritz Tobogganing Club
Sylvain and Michelle Hefes
The Army Benevolent Fund
The Baddy Foundation
The Carlie Tufnell Charitable Trust
The Coco Joelle Foundation
The CRH Charitable Trust
The David Riddell Memorial CIO
The Dinning Charitable Trust
The Downing Foundation
The Ennismore Charitable Trust

The Garfield Weston Foundation
The Golden Bottle Trust
The John Horseman Trust
The Julia Rausing Trust
The Nick Kilhams Foundation
The Noel Sweeney Foundation
The Rothschild Foundation
The Roger & Douglas Turner Charitable Trust
The Royal Foundation of The Prince and Princess of Wales
The Stacey Foundation
The Squires Foundation
The Symondson Foundation
The Syncona Foundation
The Ted Senior Foundation
The Underwood Trust

A huge thank you to our pro bono supporters Anomaly Architects, Costello Medical, Good Maintenance Company (Part of The New Greenwich Group), Knight Frank Glasgow, Newmark, Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC), Savills, Slaughter and May, and WPP Production for their support this year.

Financial Review

2025/26 results

With a total income of £5,278,955, this was our most successful fundraising year to date (2025: £3,547,809). As of 31st March 2026, a further £1,436,101 had been secured in pledges to be donated in 26/27 and subsequent years.

Net funds increased by £2,110,602 (2025: £1,034,602). 97% of 2026 income was received from donations and fundraising (2025: 96%). The charity benefited from several substantial donations and fundraising events during the year amounting to £5,127,626:

• The Royal Foundation of The Prince & Princess of Wales	345,000
• NHS North East and North Cumbria ICB	249,000
• The Coco Joelle Foundation	128,200
• The Symondson Foundation	100,000
• The Garfield Weston Foundation	100,000
• The Nick Kilhams Foundation	92,500
• The Syncona Foundation	90,000
• The David Riddell Memorial CIO	79,400
• The Julia Rausing Trust	75,000
• Belinda Hill	70,000
• City Bridge Foundation	54,437
• Sylvain Hefes & Michelle Hefes	50,000
• Legend Holidays & Events	50,000
• E W Arnold	50,000
• The Ted Senior Foundation	50,000
• Lockwood Charitable Foundation	50,000
• Home Bargains	50,000
• Anonymous Donor	45,000
• Slaughter and May	29,000
• The Army Benevolent Fund	28,825
• The Stacey Foundation	25,000
• Omar Naveed Kayaam	25,000
• Angus and Kelsey Brooksby	25,000
• Louis Mitchell	25,000
• Anonymous Donor	25,000
• Q Charitable Trust	25,000
• Anonymous Donors	1,868,341
• Other appeals, events and grants	1,370,507

The Charity had total funds of £7.80 million at year-end (2025: £5.68m), of which £2.0m was restricted (2025: £1.77m) and £5.8m unrestricted (2025: £3.92m). Of the unrestricted funding £3.0m (2025: £2.28m) was designated, £1.5m of which to support the planned set up of a fifth centre (location to be confirmed) and £1.0m in the Fixed Assets reserve, the balance of £0.5m of designated reserves remained allocated to Newcastle & Birmingham centres. General reserves amounted to £2.83m (2024: £1.63m).

Going concern

The appeal, which was launched in February 2023, concluded in March 2026, successfully funding the opening of the Charity's fourth centre in Birmingham. It also generated sufficient reserves to enable the designation of £1.5 million towards the development of a fifth centre (location to be confirmed), which is expected to be open by summer/autumn 2027. The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate in preparing these financial statements and have considered the Charity's financial position, reserves, cash flow forecasts and future funding arrangements. Projections have been prepared covering a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. These projections consider expected income from the Charity's established and diversified donor base, planned expenditure, and the anticipated costs associated with developing a more robust infrastructure required to support a growing Charity. Based on this assessment, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Investment policy

The Trustees have established an investment policy which seeks to balance the need to preserve the value of funds with the requirement to generate a modest level of return, while operating within an acceptable level of risk.

During the 2025/26, no additional funds were added to the Charity's investment portfolio, which remained at £1,200,000. The portfolio is managed by James Hambro & Partners LLP and is diversified across a range of global asset classes, including equities, fixed income and a limited exposure to commodities, in accordance with the Charity's risk profile. At 31 March 2026, the market value of the portfolio was £1,431,900.

In addition, during 2023/24 the Trustees placed £1,250,000 in a Sterling Liquidity Fund managed by BlackRock, with the objective of maintaining capital security while achieving a competitive rate of return on short-term funds. As at 31 March 2026, the value of this holding was £1,394,794.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have assessed the organisation's reserve requirements in accordance with Charity Commission guidance. Both restricted and unrestricted reserves have been generated from donations received during the current and previous years. The Trustees aim to maintain reserves at a level that protects the organisation's financial stability and supports its long-term sustainability. The Board also recognises its legal obligation to apply charitable funds within a reasonable timeframe and therefore avoids holding surplus funds beyond operational needs.

During the year a further £1.0m of the general reserves were designated towards the planned opening and set up of our fifth centre, location to be confirmed.

The Trustees believe that the designated reserves, including the fixed asset reserve, totalling £3.0m are appropriate. They also consider that general funds of £2.83m are consistent with the policy of maintaining sufficient reserves to cover the equivalent of nine months operational cost of the Charity.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Risks to James' Place are identified and assessed through an organisational risk register which is owned by the Executive Leadership Team and regularly reviewed by Trustees.

The principle risks at the time of writing, with appropriate mitigations, are set out below:

RISK	MITIGATION	UNMITIGATED RISK		MITIGATED RISK	
		IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD
FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY Limitations on funding resulting in restrictions on expanded operations	Reserves policy and a new centre fundraising requirement manage short term financial risks Record annual income for 2025-26 boosted short term financial sustainability Fundraising review aimed at growing diverse and sustainable income streams Policy and Influencing work stream will strengthen our fundraising proposition	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM
CYBER THREAT Cyber Attack or data breach resulting in reputational damage or operational disruption	Specialist Data Protection Officer appointed April 2026 GDPR training mandatory for all staff GDPR compliance assessment and tech security review completed and enhancement work initiated James' Place will seek Cyber Essentials Plus accreditation in 2026-27 financial year	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM
LIMITED RESOURCES Failure to manage multiple complex projects result in sub optimal outcomes	New Executive Leadership Team oversee the prioritisation and resourcing of project activity New senior management structure now in place for the clinical team to support the expanded charity Additional therapists recruited in	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM

	all centres to address increased client referrals				
ADVERSE CLIENT OUTCOMES Damage to James' Place reputation undermines service delivery and fundraising potential	Refreshed clinical training programme being rolled out to all clinical staff by summer 2026 James' Place will seek external accreditation with the Royal College of Psychiatrists during 2026-27 financial year Escalation process adopted to manage capacity during referral peaks	HIGH	HIGH	MEDIUM	MEDIUM

Financial controls and policies

Financial controls are maintained through established procedures, robust systems, and oversight by an experienced internal finance team. Comprehensive financial policies and procedures are in place and regularly reviewed to ensure clear segregation of duties to reduce risk and prevent fraud.

Strong controls are in place for cash management, procurement, and payroll, including defined approval limits and multi-level authorisation by senior members of the Charity. Financial performance is routinely monitored against budgets and reported to Trustees, supporting timely review of variances. These measures ensure reliable financial reporting, safeguard assets, and promote accountability and effective risk management.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

James' Place Charity is registered as a Charitable Company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Trust deed. The James Wentworth-Stanley Memorial Fund was created in December 2007. In October 2018 the Charity changed its name to James' Place Charity, to be known as James' Place. The objects of the Charity are set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Its primary charitable purpose is to reduce suicide in the UK amongst men. The charity aims to provide accessible support for men facing a suicidal crisis by delivering a unique and effective suicide prevention service.

Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The composition of the Trustee board is reviewed on an annual basis, along with any training needs. New Trustees are offered an induction and training package appropriate to their experience.

Pay policy for key management personnel

Since 2020 an annual pay review has been adopted to ensure equity and fairness and compatibility with comparable roles, subject to the Charity's ability to pay. The Remuneration Committee, comprising of four trustees, reviews senior management compensation and submits recommendations for approval by the full Board.

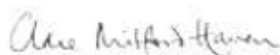
Statement of disclosure to our auditors

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

There is no relevant information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing their report, of which the group's auditor is unaware, and the Trustees, having made enquiries of fellow directors and the group's auditor that they ought to have individually made, have each taken all steps that he/she is obliged to take as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Auditor

Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited has been appointed as auditor to the charitable company for the ensuing year.



Clare Milford Haven
Chair
16th September 2026



Nicholas Wentworth-Stanley
Trustee
16th September 2026

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities For the Year Ended 31 March 2026

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

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102); make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) 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 in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of James' Place Charity

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of James' Place Charity (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2026 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the 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 2026 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, 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 charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual 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

Independent Auditor's report to the members of James' Place Charity (continued)

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 our audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; 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 charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within 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 statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of James' Place Charity (continued)

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.

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

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

We identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and then design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, including obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Identifying and assessing potential risks related to irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance;
- the charity's own assessment of the risks that irregularities may occur either as a result of fraud or error;
- the results of our enquiries of management and members of the Board of Trustees of their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; and
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations and
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud in the following areas:

(i) The presentation of the charity's Statement of Financial Activities, (ii) the charity's accounting policy for revenue recognition (iii) the overstatement of salary and other costs.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of James' Place Charity (continued)

common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the charity operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included the UK Companies Act and the Statement of Recommended Practice - 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued by the joint SORP making body.

In addition, we considered provisions of other laws and regulations that do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the charity's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty.

Audit response to risks identified

As a result of performing the above, we identified the presentation of the charity's Statement of Financial Activities, revenue recognition and overstatement of wages and other costs as the key audit matters related to the potential risk of fraud. The key audit matters section of our report explains the matters in more detail and also describes the specific procedures we performed in response to those key audit matters.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to risks identified included the following:

- reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with relevant laws and regulations described above as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- enquiring of management and members of the Board of Trustees concerning actual and potential litigation and claims;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance and reviewing correspondence with relevant authorities where matters identified were significant;
- in addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

We also communicated relevant identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

Due to 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.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of James' Place Charity (continued)

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://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 auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited

Louise Casey (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited
Accountants
Statutory Auditor

28 September 2026

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**Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating income and expenditure account)
For the Year Ended 31 March 2026**

		Unrestricted Funds 2026	Restricted Funds 2026	Total Funds 2026	Total Funds 2025
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	4	3,131,330	1,996,296	5,127,626	3,395,749
Other Income	5	72,041	24,000	96,041	91,354
Investments	5	55,288	-	55,288	60,707
Total Income		3,258,659	2,020,296	5,278,955	3,547,810
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	6	569,565	-	569,565	371,541
Charitable activities	7, 8 & 9	1,301,807	1,390,954	2,692,760	2,139,169
Total expenditure		1,871,372	1,390,954	3,262,325	2,560,710
Net gains/(losses) on investments	14	93,972	-	93,972	47,502
Net movement in funds		1,481,259	629,342	2,110,601	1,034,602
Transfer between funds		-	(437,854)	- 437,854	-
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		3,917,860	1,766,946	5,684,806	4,650,204
Total funds carried forward	17	5,399,119	1,958,434	7,357,553	5,684,806

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities. The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating income and expenditure account)
For the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Comparative information for the year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted Funds 2025	Restricted Funds 2025	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	4	1,531,429	1,864,320	3,395,748	2,555,086
Other Income	5	67,354	24,000	91,354	45,180
Investments	5	60,707	-	60,707	33,211
Total Income		1,659,490	1,888,320	3,547,809	2,633,477
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	6	374,541	-	371,541	399,545
Charitable activities	7, 8 & 9	835,085	1,354,084	2,189,169	1,562,433
Total expenditure		1,209,626	1,354,084	2,563,710	1,961,978
Net gains/(losses) on investments	14	47,502	-	47,502	95,255
Net movement in funds		500,366	534,236	1,034,602	766,754
Transfer between funds					
				-	-
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		3,417,494	1,232,710	4,650,204	3,883,450
Total funds carried forward	17	3,917,860	1,766,946	5,684,806	4,650,204

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities. The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

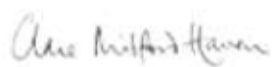
Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Statement of Financial Position as of 31 March 2026

		2026	2025
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	980,856	649,442
Investments	14	<u>2,831,107</u>	<u>2,681,847</u>
		3,811,963	3,331,289
Current assets			
Debtors	15	953,390	165,694
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>3,535,432</u>	<u>2,364,070</u>
		4,488,822	2,529,764
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>(505,377)</u>	<u>(176,247)</u>
Net current assets		3,983,445	2,353,517
Total net assets		<u>7,795,408</u>	<u>5,684,806</u>
Charity funds:			
Restricted funds	17	<u>1,958,434</u>	<u>1,766,946</u>
Unrestricted funds			
Designated funds	17	3,003,419	2,285,267
General Funds	17	<u>2,833,555</u>	<u>1,632,593</u>
Total unrestricted funds		5,836,974	3,917,860
Total funds	17	<u>7,795,408</u>	<u>5,684,806</u>

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

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 16th September 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



Clare Milford Haven
Chair
16th September 2026



Nicholas Wentworth-Stanley
Trustee
16th September 2026

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

	Note	2026 £	2025 £
Cash flows from operating activities	19	<u>1,609,216</u>	<u>1,131,524</u>
Net cash used in other activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(437,854)	0
Addition to Investment Portfolio		<u>(437,854)</u>	<u>0</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents during the year	21	<u>1,171,362</u>	<u>1,131,524</u>
Cash and cash equivalents held at bank at the beginning of the year		<u>2,364,070</u>	<u>1,232,546</u>
Cash and cash equivalents held at bank at the end of the year	20	<u>3,535,432</u>	<u>2,364,070</u>

Note: In addition to cash and cash equivalents held at the bank, £1,399,206 (£1,343,918, 2025) is held in a liquidity portfolio account and a further £1,431,900 (£1,363,722, 2025) cash and cash equivalents is held within our managed investment portfolio.

As the charity holds no debt the charity has not prepared a net debt statement.

The notes on pages 41 to 54 form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

1. General information

James' Place Charity is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales under the Companies Act 2006. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The Charitable Company does not have share capital and each of the Trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the Charity in the event of liquidation. The registered address of the Charity is given on the Reference and Administrative Details page.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP 2nd Edition (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

All amounts are presented in pounds sterling and are rounded to the nearest pound.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Charity's accounting policies (see note 3).

The following principle accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries and reviewing the charity's financial projections in detail, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the Charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the Charity before the Charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the Charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the Charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Investment income

Investment income is recognised in the period to which it relates.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is categorised by activity. The cost of each activity comprises both direct and shared costs, including associated support costs. Direct costs are charged specifically to the activity to which they relate. Shared costs, which benefit more than one activity, and support costs not attributable to a single activity, are apportioned on a basis consistent with resource usage. Central staff costs are allocated according to time spent, while depreciation is apportioned based on the extent of asset utilisation.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional; such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attached are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

2.5 Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

2.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £5,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable, and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Leasehold property	10%
Fixtures and fittings	15%

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Accounting policies (continued)

2.7 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Statement of Financial Position date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of Financial Activities.

2.8 Debtors

Other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered.

2.9 Cash at bank and in hand

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

2.10 Creditors

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Statement of Financial Position date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.11 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, and investments, which are measured at fair value with movements through the Statement of Financial Activities.

2.12 Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2.11 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Charity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid, the Charity has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the Statement of Financial Activities when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in other creditors as a liability in the statement of financial position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

2.12 Fund accounting

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

Designated funds comprise of 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 notes to the financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026
Accounting policies (continued)

3. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Trustees do not consider there to have been any significant areas of estimates or judgements involved in the preparation of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

4. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds 2026	Restricted Funds 2026	Total Funds 2026	Total Funds 2025
Donations				
Anonymous Donor	931,935	-	931,935	392,500
Anonymous Donor	150,000	-	150,000	-
The Symondson Foundation	100,000	-	100,000	-
The Garfield Weston Foundation	100,000	-	100,000	-
The Nick Kilhams Foundation	92,500	-	92,500	40,000
The Syncona Foundation	90,000	-	90,000	90,000
Sylvain Hefes & Michele Hefes	50,000	-	50,000	-
Legend Holidays & Events	50,000	-	50,000	-
E W Arnold	50,000	-	50,000	-
Anonymous Donor	45,000	-	45,000	-
Anonymous Donor	35,000	-	35,000	25,000
Slaughter and May	28,000	-	28,000	-
Anonymous Donor	28,750	-	28,750	-
The Stacey Foundation	25,000	-	25,000	-
Omar Naveed Kayaam	25,000	-	25,000	-
Angus and Kelsey Brooksby	25,000	-	25,000	-
Louis Mitchell	25,000	-	25,000	-
Anonymous Donor	25,000	-	25,000	-
Anonymous Donor	25,000	-	25,000	-
Q Charitable Trust	25,000	-	25,000	-
Anonymous Donor	25,000	-	25,000	-
Belinda Hill	20,000	50,000	70,000	70,000
Anonymous Donor	-	500,000	500,000	-
The Royal Foundation of The Prince and Princess of Wal	-	345,000	345,000	-
NHS North East and North Cumbria ICB	-	185,417	185,417	-
The Coco Joelle Foundation	-	128,200	128,200	168,200
Anonymous Donor	-	86,356	86,356	-
The David Riddell Memorial CIO	-	79,400	79,400	91,000
The Julia Rausing Trust	-	75,000	75,000	-
Anonymous Donor	-	63,300	63,300	96,400
City Bridge Foundation	-	54,437	54,437	69,570
The Ted Senior Foundation	-	50,000	50,000	30,000
Lockwood Charitable Foundation	-	50,000	50,000	-
Home Bargains	-	50,000	50,000	-
The Army Benevolent Fund	-	28,825	28,825	-
Anonymous Donor	-	25,000	25,000	25,000
DHSC Suicide Prevention Fund	-	-	-	478,474
Anonymous Donor	-	-	-	250,000
The Times and Sunday Times Christmas Appeal	-	-	-	194,850
Anonymous Donor	-	-	-	100,000
Anonymous Donor	-	-	-	57,527
Charles Costa Challenge	-	-	-	56,641
Jane Treays & Charles Montanaro	-	-	-	35,000
Anonymous Donor	-	-	-	30,000
Anonymous Donor	-	-	-	25,000
The Baddy Foundation	-	-	-	25,000
Other appeals and donations:	1,161,145	225,361	1,386,506	1,045,787
	3,131,330	1,996,296	5,127,626	3,395,749

5.

Investment Income & Other Income

	Unrestricted Funds 2026	Restricted Funds 2026	Total Funds 2026	Total Funds 2025
Investment Income				
Dividend & Interest Income on investment portfolio	55,288	-	55,288	60,707
Other Income				
Bank Interest	72,041	-	72,041	67,354
Services	-	24,000	24,000	24,000
	72,041	24,000	96,041	91,354

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

6. Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Total Funds 2026 £	Total Funds 2025* £
Costs of raising voluntary income	111,337	-	111,337	77,475
Wages and salaries	458,228	-	458,228	294,066
Total	569,565	-	569,565	371,541

* 2025 all unrestricted

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Total Funds 2026 £	Total Funds 2025 £
Service delivery	1,301,806	1,390,954	2,692,760	2,189,169
Total 2025	835,085	1,354,084	2,189,169	

8. Analysis of expenditure by activity

	Activities Undertaken Directly 2026 £	Support Costs 2026 £	Total Funds £
Service setup and delivery	2,336,229	356,531	2,692,760
Total 2025	1,956,824	232,344	2,189,168

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

8. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Activities 2026	Total Funds 2026	Total Funds 2025
	£	£	£
Staff costs	1,636,316	1,636,316	1,341,431
Depreciation	106,440	106,440	124,884
Rent & Rates	135,617	135,617	100,506
Insurance	12,222	12,222	16,368
Staff training	9,722	9,722	9,324
Staff recruitment	40,411	40,411	6,181
Computer, software and maintenance costs	62,210	62,210	59,446
IT Development	51,633	51,633	50,905
Travel	51,216	51,216	32,398
Repairs and maintenance	22,077	22,077	16,253
Marketing	1,096	1,096	1,885
Office Expenses	98,185	98,185	73,773
Clinical Consultancy	57,942	57,942	77,329
Academic evaluation	9,600	9,600	45,000
Professional fees	41,542	41,542	1,141
	2,336,229	2,336,229	1,956,824

9. Analysis of support costs

	Activities 2026	Total Funds 2026	Total Funds 2025
	£	£	£
Staff costs	171,032	171,032	135,948
Depreciation	-	-	-
Rent & Insurance	5,420	5,420	3,200
Staff training	8,650	8,650	7,445
Staff recruitment	53,687	53,687	12,658
Computer, software and maintenance costs	15,265	15,265	11,602
IT Development	-	-	-
Travel	5,946	5,946	7,660
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	-
Marketing	5,589	5,589	3,329
Office Expenses	6,347	6,347	7,509
Subscriptions	1,221	1,221	4,256
Consultancy	89,901	89,901	17,698
Accountancy & Audit	9,701	9,701	8,020
Legal fees	10,173	10,173	13,019
Academic Evaluation	- 26,400	- 26,400	-
	356,531	356,531	232,344

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

10. Auditors remuneration

	2026 £	2025 £
Fees payable to the Charity's auditors for the audit of the Charity's annual accounts	7,500	6,000

11. Staff costs

	2026 £	2025 £
Wages and salaries	1,824,426	1,502,699
Social security costs	218,011	125,178
Employer contribution to defined contribution pension scheme	126,211	101,777
Termination benefits	49,920	-
	<u>2,218,568</u>	<u>1,729,654</u>

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2026 No.	2025 No.
Employees	49	41

The number of employees whose benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2026 No.	2025 No.
In the band £60,001 to £70,000	1	1
In the band £70,001 to £80,000	-	2
In the band £80,001 to £90,000	1	1
In the band £90,001 to £100,000	-	-
In the band £100,001 - £110,000	1	1
In the band £110,001 - £120,000	1	-

The total employee benefits (including employer pension contributions) of the key management personnel of the Charity were £440,558 (2025 £450,667). During the year, termination benefits of £49,000 were paid to an employee, comprising of payment in lieu of notice and a severance payment made under a formal settlement agreement. This is reflected in the salary band analysis above.

12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2025: £NIL).

During the year ended 31st March 2026, a total of £3,362 was reimbursed to Trustees (2025: £1,253) in relation to general expenses incurred on the Charity's behalf.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold Property £	Fixtures & Fittings £	IT Equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation				
At 1 April 2025	938,664	206,775	9,084	1,154,523
Additions	354,728	83,126	-	437,854
Transfers	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2026	<u>1,293,392</u>	<u>289,901</u>	<u>9,084</u>	<u>1,592,377</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2025	344,630	151,367	9,084	505,081
Charge for the year	93,864	12,576	-	106,440
At 31 March 2026	<u>438,494</u>	<u>163,943</u>	<u>9,084</u>	<u>611,521</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2026	<u>854,898</u>	<u>125,958</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>980,856</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>594,034</u>	<u>55,408</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>649,442</u>

14. Listed investments

	2026 £	2025 £
Market Value as at 1st April	2,681,847	2,573,638
Additions		
Disposals		
Realised Gains	55,288	60,707
Unrealised Gains /(Losses)	93,972	47,502
Market value at 31 March 2026	2,831,107	2,681,847
Listed Investments in the UK	1,399,837	1,318,125
Cash	1,431,270	1,363,722
Market value at 31 March 2026	2,831,107	2,681,847
Material Investments		
Fixed Interest	268,925	284,159
UK Equities	125,922	154,157
North American Equities	359,382	411,861
European Equities	46,100	71,011
Asia Pacific and Emerging Markets	168,359	66,615
Global Equities	99,927	49,954
Alternative Investments	256,737	216,090
Commodities	74,485	64,278
Cash and Cash Alternatives	1,431,270	1,363,722
	<u>2,831,107</u>	<u>2,681,847</u>

The historical cost of the investment held amounted to £2,450,000 (2025: £2,450,000).

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

15. Debtors

	2026 £	2025 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	925,935	143,619
Prepayments and accrued income	27,455	22,075
	<u>953,390</u>	<u>165,694</u>

Other debtors comprises of £925,935 of pledged income relating to 2025/26 received post year end

16. Creditors

	2026 £	2025 £
Trade creditors	37,963	46,461
Other taxation and social security	57,106	38,085
Other creditors	96,969	21,212
Accruals	313,339	70,489
	<u>505,377</u>	<u>176,247</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

17. Statement of Funds

Statement of Funds Current Year

	Balance at 1 April 2025	Income	Expenditure	Additions / (Disposals)	Transfers in / (out)	Balance at 31 March 2026
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds						
Liverpool Centre	-	107,243	107,243	-	-	-
London Centre	-	287,637	287,637	-	-	-
Newcastle Centre	770,654	113,261	544,816	-	-	339,099
Birmingham centre	914,250	791,400	161,758	-	(437,854)	1,106,038
Centre 5	20,000	-	1,308	-	-	18,692
Young Persons Project	47,042	-	10,034	-	-	37,008
Hub & Spoke St Helens	-	256,356	16,273	-	-	240,083
Hub & Spoke Darlington	-	360,417	159,035	-	-	201,382
18 - 25 Project	15,000	20,000	20,000	-	-	15,000
Peer Support Group Newcastle	-	12,500	11,368	-	-	1,132
Mansion House Event	-	8,182	8,182	-	-	-
Head Of HR/IT Dev	-	63,300	63,300	-	-	-
	<u>1,766,946</u>	<u>2,020,296</u>	<u>1,390,954</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(437,854)</u>	<u>1,958,434</u>
Unrestricted Funds						
Designated Funds						
Fixed Assets Reserve	649,442	-	-	-	331,414	980,856
Newcastle	235,825	-	-	-	(113,261)	122,564
Birmingham	900,000	-	-	-	(500,000)	400,000
Centre 5	500,000	-	-	-	1,000,000	1,500,000
General Funds						
General Funds	1,632,593	3,352,631	1,871,371	-	(280,299)	2,833,554
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>3,917,860</u>	<u>3,352,631</u>	<u>1,871,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>437,854</u>	<u>5,836,973</u>
Total Funds	<u>5,684,806</u>	<u>5,372,926</u>	<u>3,262,325</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,795,407</u>

In 2024/25, £900,000 was designated towards the cost of the planned fourth Centre in Birmingham, contributing to the £2.5 million target required to fund all refurbishment works and first three years of operating costs. Following receipt of an additional £500,000 of restricted funding for Birmingham refurbishment costs in early 2025/26, the charity was able to release previously designated funds and reallocate them to Centre 5, alongside a further £500,000 from general funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Statement of Funds Prior Year

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Additions / (Disposals)	Transfers in / (out)	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds						
Liverpool Centre	-	233,660	233,660	-	-	-
London Centre	-	496,166	496,166	-	-	-
Newcastle Centre	1,019,662	217,844	466,852	-	-	770,654
Birmingham Centre	125,000	789,250	-	-	-	914,250
Centre 5	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000
16 to 18 Scoping & Evaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-
16 to 18 Project	-	-	-	-	-	-
Young Persons	68,048	-	21,006	-	-	47,042
Outreach Project	-	40,000	40,000	-	-	-
18-25 Project	-	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
Head of HR/IT dev	-	96,400	96,400	-	-	-
	<u>1,232,710</u>	<u>1,888,320</u>	<u>1,354,084</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,766,946</u>
Unrestricted Funds						
Designated Funds						
Fixed Assets Reserve	774,326	-	-	-	(124,884)	649,442
London Centre	65,867	-	-	-	(65,867)	-
Newcastle	453,669	-	-	-	(217,844)	235,825
Birmingham	750,000	-	-	-	150,000	900,000
Centre 5	-	-	-	-	500,000	500,000
General Funds						
General Funds	1,373,632	1,706,992	1,206,626	-	(241,405)	1,632,593
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>3,417,494</u>	<u>1,706,992</u>	<u>1,206,626</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,917,860</u>
Total Funds	<u>4,650,204</u>	<u>3,595,312</u>	<u>2,560,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,684,806</u>

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	Restricted Funds 2026 £	Unrestricted Funds 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £
18. Analysis of net assets between funds			
Analysis of net assets between funds - current year			
Tangible fixed assets	-	980,856	980,856
Investments	-	2,831,107	2,831,107
Current assets	1,958,434	2,530,388	4,488,822
Creditors due within 1 year	-	(505,377)	(505,377)
	<u>1,958,434</u>	<u>5,836,974</u>	<u>7,795,409</u>

	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year			
Tangible fixed assets	-	649,442	649,442
Investments	-	2,681,847	2,681,847
Current assets	1,766,946	762,818	2,529,764
Creditors due within 1 year	-	(176,247)	(176,247)
	<u>1,766,946</u>	<u>3,917,860</u>	<u>5,684,806</u>

19. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cashflow from operating activities

	2026 £	2025 £
Net income for year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	2,110,602	1,034,602
Depreciation charges	106,440	124,884
Gains on investments	(93,972)	(47,502)
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	(55,288)	(60,707)
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	(787,696)	36,277
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	329,130	43,971
Net Cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,609,216</u>	<u>1,131,525</u>

	2026 £	2025 £
20. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>3,535,432</u>	<u>2,364,070</u>

	At 1 April 2025 £	Cashflows £	At 31 March 2026 £
21. Analysis of change in net debt			
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>2,364,070</u>	<u>1,171,362</u>	<u>3,535,432</u>

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22. Pension commitments

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from the charity in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents the contributions payable by the charity and amounted to £126,211 (2025: £101,777). Contributions of £21,744 (2025: £15,348) were payable at the reporting date.

23. Operating Lease Commitments

At 31 March 2026 the Charity had commitments to make further minimum lease payments under non cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2026 £	2025 £
Not later than 1 year	151,911	102,500
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	<u>562,849</u>	<u>147,250</u>
	<u>714,760</u>	<u>249,750</u>

In January 2022 the Charity signed a 15 year lease to house the London Centre, in February 2023 extended the lease on our Liverpool centre for a further 5 years and in October 2023 the Charity signed a 15 year lease to house the Newcastle Centre. In January 26 the Charity signed a 10 year lease to house the fourth centre in Birmingham which opened in April 2026

24. Related party transactions

During the year, the charity received a donation of £5,000 (2025: £5,000) from a trustee. The donation was unrestricted. In addition, pro bono services with an estimated value of £16,000 were provided by the trustee's employer. These services have been recognised in the financial statements in accordance with the Charities SORP

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