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# **Executive Summary**

The past year has seen us build on the successes of previous years. We continue to deliver much needed and unique services to local women. These services fall under the banners of — advice; information; support; and education.

We are small but we punch above our weight and know we are needed and valued within the local community - approximately 200 women a week access our services. With only three part time staff working from a small two up to down cottage what we achieve is, quite honestly, amazing.

Much of our work focuses on women who have experienced domestic violence. This priority sits within the context of the London Borough of Sutton having such a high reported rate of domestic abuse. We have two priority programmes — the Freedom Programme and counselling for women who have experienced domestic and sexual abuse.

We have also provided a wide range of other services - including ESOL classes, parenting classes, IT classes and support, a drop in and a writers group. Approximately 40 women a

week, alone, attend our English as a Second Language classes.

To better understand our impact, we have started a detailed programme of work on identifying our outcomes. This has included workshops on Theory of Change and subsequent sessions to identify all our activities, intermediate outcomes and enablers. We are grateful to the support we have received from FSI in this.

We have also had a busy period as one of the Mayor of Sutton's Chosen Charities. The Fundraising Committee that supports this has been outstanding in the work they have undertaken, and the commitment they have made, to raise funds. At the time of writing this report over £44,000 has been raised which will be split between Sutton Carers' Centre and ourselves.

As ever it is our people who make the difference. Without the commitment, knowledge and skills of our staff and volunteers we would not achieve what we do, nor do it so well.

**Anna Cummins** 

Chair of the Management Committee

# Reference and Administrative Information

**CHARITY NUMBER:** 

294067

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

01829008 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED OFFICE

3 Palmerston Road

AND PRINCIPAL PLACE

Sutton

**OF BUSINESS:** 

Surrey SM1 4QL

DATE OF INCORPORATION:

29 June 1984

DIRECTORS

A. Cummins

S.Brucciani

A. McLoughlin

TRUSTEES:

A. Cummins (Chair)

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S. Brucciani (Treasurer)

A. Boyle (Secretary)

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M. Turner

Emma Smith-Bodie

L. Noakes L. Long

S. Ahmad

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L. McGarry

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# Our Governance



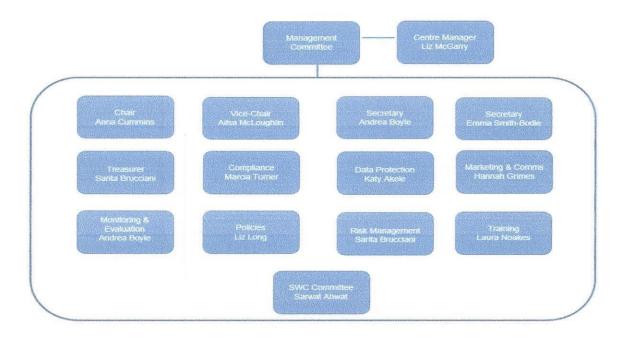
All our trustees continue to put a huge amount of personal time and effort into developing and resourcing the Centre

As a charity, we take our governance seriously and have put a number of policies in place to ensure the Women's Centre is sustainable in the long term and will continue to deliver services and support local women in the long term.

This year we were successful in achieving the PQASSO standard. So much work has gone into this in the past few years and we were delighted with our success. It is interesting to note that undertaking the work to reach the PQASSO standard has not only led to our

achievement but to a cultural shift in the organisation. We are very different now to when we first started on this route – there is a stronger sense of professionalism, direction and ambition. Our particular thanks go to Liz Long who as a volunteer picked up the majority of the leg work, and to our mentor at Sutton Community Action, Razia Sattar, for her guidance.

The Management Committee continues to function well and takes collective responsibility for all of its decisions. The Management Committee held a number of workshops this year which included Theory of Change; Articles of Association; Membership; and Fundraising. Our management structure is detailed below.



# Our Aims, Objectives and Outcomes

#### **Our Mission Statement**

"Providing a safe, women only space where women can access support, advice, information and education to help them achieve their potential and develop their skills."

### **Our Objectives**



Sutton Women's Centre is a unique organisation within the London Borough of Sutton with the capacity, skills and knowledge to design and deliver services to meet the

needs of local women. We continue to innovate and have a strong reputation for high quality service delivery. We are strong advocates for services for local women and champion these. We work in partnership with other organisations and are active members of a number of local voluntary sector fora.

#### Our headline objectives are -

To support and empower women to increase their confidence and self-esteem and enable them to make positive life decisions for themselves and their children.

To provide advice to local women to ensure that they are able to access appropriate services, support and increase communication between women

To provide inclusive educational and learning opportunities to improve the life chances of local women and their children, increase their career related skills and enable women to develop the tools they need to be active citizens.

To provide information to women that respects their individual needs and improves their life chances, reduces isolation and increases communication between women.

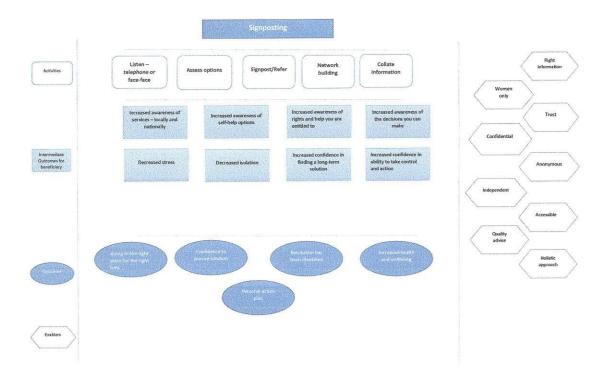
To champion the needs of local women to local partners and collaborate to find solutions.

#### **Our Outcomes**

We have undertaken a lot of work this year to understand better our outcomes and impact. We are grateful to FSI for their support in helping us move towards completion of this work.

One of the side outputs of this work has been for us to clearly identify what we do on a day to day basis. Much of the work we do to support women is not clearly labelled or identifiable. By breaking this down we have been able to identify areas where we should be doing some monitoring and evaluation and larger areas of work that we are not funded or resourced to do.

Below is an example of the work we are doing to identify and understand our signposting activities; and an example of the wider outputs on our Freedom Programme. We are currently monitoring these in order to secure a baseline.



# Achievements

# Freedom Programme

We are now into our fifth year of providing the Freedom Programme, currently funded by the London Borough of Sutton. The Freedom Programme is a twelve-week domestic violence group course for women, which covers work on:

- All aspects of the dominator,
- The characteristics that he uses to gain power and control,
- The roles played by attitudes and beliefs on the actions of abusive men and the responses of victims and survivors
- The tactics that are involved in the games the dominator plays and the effects that domestic violence has on babies, toddlers, and teenagers.



Clients can self-refer or be referred to our service. The majority of our referrals are received from Children's Services and have Child Protection Plans. Other referrals come from Women's Aid, Health Services or schools. To date **over 450 women** have attended the Freedom Programme.

The beauty of the Freedom Programme is that it provides such a safe environment that each woman can take the time she needs to be part of the group and to share what she feels safe sharing – WHEN she feels safe sharing it. We are able to deliver the "core" learning of the Freedom Programme each week, but each facilitator is able to adapt and tailor aspects of the programme depending on the group – this is partly due to most of the facilitators being experienced counsellors, but also because the facilitators are familiar with the local demographic and have experience of delivering the programmes to diverse groups around the borough of Sutton.

We are incredibly grateful to women from a local Mosque who have bought in hampers for women attending the course. Many of the women attending have been overwhelmed by this kind gesture from strangers, they receive little if no help within their home and for many lack of money is a serious issue.

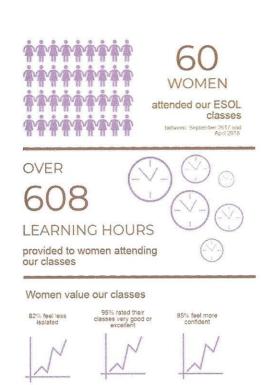
# English as a Second Language

We have worked in partnership with Sutton College to provide English as a Second Language Classes with Crèche facilities. The classes provide an opportunity for women to meet and improve their language skills, reduce their isolation and to integrate more with the local community. They creche provides an opportunity to improve the outcomes for their children - through giving them an opportunity to mix with other children and develop their social and language skills ready for mainstream nursery.

Each course has over 30 women attending. They are from a range of backgrounds and nationalities - Albanian, Romanian, Portuguese, Russian, French, Chinese, Turkish, Moroccan and many others.

When enrolling for our classes each woman is asked "Why do you want to join the course and asked to write a short paragraph on "My Family, "What you did last weekend" "Compare your country to the UK".

This gives us an idea of their level of English and enables us to put them into the appropriate learning group. It also gives us an insight into what their home and social lives are like.



The majority of women state that they want to join the class to meet friends and to improve their English.

Quotes included: "I would like to improve my English, especially speaking because I stay at home a lot and I don't communicate with people". "I would like to study English because I feel better of myself, better communicate with people, doctors and make new friends"

The majority of women rate classes from very good to excellent. Women have improved their English language skills, are more confident and less isolated. Some said that our classes were the only place they could interact in English and meet other people as they only went shopping the rest of the week and conversation is not always required due to self-service machines.

Some mothers have now started to get together outside of the centre, going to the park etc with their children and to join in other activities that the

centre offers, which has improved their social lives immensely.

# **Domestic Violence Counselling**

Our Domestic Violence Service has now been running for 8 years. The service is free and we offer each woman up to 16 weeks counselling. Referrals to this service are received from a variety of agencies including Victim Support, Sutton Carer's, Sutton Women's Aid, London Borough of Sutton Social Services, doctors, hospitals or self-referred

Counselling is provided by recently qualified or 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year students studying for a degree or diploma in counselling, or recently qualified counsellors. We currently have 25 counsellors providing counselling to 70 women per week. The service is in high demand and at the time of writing this report we have 89 women on our waiting list.

# What our counselling clients say of survey responders said they would use the counselling service again, if they needed to 81% 82% 76% 79% My ability to Counselling has helped a lot in Counselling has relate to others helped a lot in has improved has improved overcoming my my daily life problems For the first time in my adult life I feel completely happy and not to blame for the life I had My counsellor treated me so to try and change my thinking and that all is not kindly and respectfully that talking about family "secrets" hopeless became possible

Evaluation has shown that **over 90%** of the clients described the relationship with their counsellor as very good to excellent. Many reported feeling safe and able to open up about their issues. Clients also reported having had a trusting relationship with their counsellor.

Clients have reported several ways in which counselling has been helpful. Many found it beneficial in working through their confidence issues and becoming more aware of themselves. Other women gained a lot more perspective and were able to move forward through exploring their identities and on many occasions accepting it. Women reported feeling more empowered and able to recognise and stand up to abuse.

It was also reported that counselling has been an opportunity to explore and express emotions- even in situations when it seemed impossible to do so- as well as cope and get rid of depression.

Counselling has also been described as a healing process. Several women reported becoming more open-minded, able to set appropriate boundaries and no longer feeling fearful.

We continue to work partnership with the Iranian Kurdish Women's Organisation who provide a specialist counsellor to work from our premises, who takes on some of our clients.

# "Meet a Mum/ Playtime"

The Centre's Mother & Toddler Group offers unique and structured activities every week throughout term-time and gives a high level of attention to very young children whilst mothers can chat easily within their own inclusive group.

Funding was received from Children In Need to cover salary costs and also to provide three 6-week Parenting courses which was attended by 20 women.

# Weekly Drop-In, Internet Café Help & Tuition

The Drop-In is open each Wednesday from 12 noon till 3.30 pm. The group is supported by one or two volunteers whilst Ann Crago, our Digital champion, has been available upstairs to help women on the computers in our fully equipped IT suite.

Ann has provided help for women to learn how to use Windows programmes, applications & websites. Each week normally 2 or 3 women will book to come along for approx. 1.5 hour session. Women attending the drop-in session can use the Centre's IT allowing them the resources and support to develop and use their IT skills. Sadly, Ann has had to give up her volunteer role. We are incredibly grateful for her work with us and she will be sorely missed.

Ann secured £17,63 funding from the Co-op Local Community Fund to purchase new laptops. WE are incredibly grateful to the Co-op for their support.

# Women's Writers Group

The Women's Writing Group meet once a month. The group is still small but growing and committed to supporting each other's creativity. The group is a safe and encouraging space where writers can share their material, receive constructive feedback and discuss ideas. We are grateful to the Arts Network Sutton for providing funding to support the running costs for this group.

# **Fundraising**

We had a busy year fundraising raising a total of £3,702. This was achieved through a variety of ways which include our attendance at local fairs. We are particularly grateful to Jo Chard who ran the Hackney 10k and raised over £750. Jo is running her first marathon this year to raise money for us.

# **Domestic Violence Support Groups**

Support groups take place on the first and last Monday of the month at the Amy Johnson Children's Centre and are facilitated by a qualified counsellor. **Twenty to thirty women attend** each month and crèche facilities are available.

Women find this ongoing support invaluable and many still need crisis intervention which is provided by Gill Terry.

Volunteers provide a court buddy system to support women who are going to court to give evidence. This is not intended to replace the Witness Service but to plug the gap when no resources are available. Women are also offered support if their children are the subject of care plans.

There is also online facilitated support via WhatsApp groups for each programme and a private Facebook page where women can share and receive support.

# Volunteers

Our volunteers are pivotal to our success. From counselling to legal advice, they bring skills and knowledge that we could never hope to buy in.

We currently have 25 voluntary counsellors at the Centre. These are second or third year students studying for an MSC or Diploma in counselling, or recently qualified counsellors. We are grateful to them not only for the hours they give us but for the way so many of them throw themselves into the life and culture of the Centre.

We are particularly pleased that our volunteers on the Freedom Programme are drawn from women who have been on the programme themselves. Not only can they share their insight but develop their own skills and experience as they take their lives forward.

We would not be able to provide the wide range of support and services without our volunteers. For example, our "Women on Wednesday" is supported totally by volunteers who have shown a long-term commitment to working with local women and supporting the centre.



We have calculated that our volunteers provide an annual value of over £93,1001 annually

# 06 Funding

# Transactions and financial position

#### Financial position

The statement of financial activities shows net income/ (outgoings) for the year of £10,614 (2017:-£20,718) and our reserves stand at £140,379 (2017: £119,660) in total, of which £96571 represents Current Assets and £54,563 represents Fixed Assets.

#### Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity

Details of movements in Fixed Assets are set out in Note 9 of the Accounts.

#### Reserves

The Trustees recognise the need to ensure adequate resources are held in reserve to account for contractual obligations to staff (i.e. maternity and redundancy pay), contingencies, risk management and any unanticipated reduction in income. The Trustees have agreed a reserves policy in recognition of the risks to our operations if we fail to secure future funding. The reserves policy aims to mitigate these risks. We have one main asset which is our premises, which is owned by Sutton Women's Centre. This puts us in a slightly different position to many charities in that we can keep the Centre open, in some form, with only basic running costs and volunteers. However this means that the major risk to our future is the building itself and as such the potential costs / liability for major work is incorporated into this reserve policy.

Sutton Women's Centre is currently dependent on a variety of funders providing restricted funding to deliver agreed services. This reserves policy does not cover the actual loss from these funding streams once the funding period has ended but rather the reserves required to keep a basic level of service available to local women and to prevent Sutton Women's Centre from closing.

### **Directors and Trustees**

All Directors of the company are also Trustees of the charity, and there have been no other Trustees. All of the Trustees named on page 1 served as detailed. The Board has the power to appoint additional Trustees as it considers fit to do so.

#### Risk Management

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining reserves at current levels, combined with an annual review of the controls over key financial systems, will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks faced by the charity and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

# Trustee's responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The Trustees are required by company law to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the financial activities of the charity and of its financial position at the end of that year. In preparing those Financial Statements the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable policies and apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and with applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the Financial Statements; and
- (d) prepare the Financial Statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which 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 Examiners**

A resolution proposing Sutton CVS be re-appointed as Independent Examiners of the charity will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

#### Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 11/10/2018 and signed on their behalf by:

A Cummins - Chair

### **The Women's Centre Sutton**

# Statement of Financial Activities (including Income & Expenditure Account)

## Year ended 31st March 2018

	Note	Unrestricted Restricted Funds Funds		Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
		£	£	£	£
Income from: Charitable Activities		-	110,350	110,350	93,190
Donations		19,310	-	19,310	21,924
Total	2	19,310	110,350	129,660	115,114
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Expenditure On:					
Charitable Activities		203	118,843	119,046	93,996
Governance cost		·	-	-	400
Total	4	203	118,843	119,046	94,396
Net Income / (expenditure)		19,107	(8,493)	10,614	20,718
Transfers between funds		(3,022)	3,022	-	-
Net Movement in Funds		16,085	5,471	10,614	20,718
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total Funds brought forward		70,109	70,270	140,379	119,660
Total Funds carried forward		86,194	64,799	150,993	140,379

### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

### **TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above

### **The Women's Centre Sutton**

# **Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018**

	Note		2018		2017
FIXED ASSETS:		£	£	£	£
Tangible Assets	9		54,422		54,563
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Cash at bank and in hand		97,336		86,427	
<b>CREDITORS:</b> Amounts falling due within one year	10	765		611	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			96,571		85,816
NET ASSETS		,	150,993		140,379
Funds	11				
Other Reserves			54,000		54,000
Restricted Funds			10,799		16,270
Unrestricted Funds			86,194		70,109
		,	150,993		140,379

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2018.

The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Director acknowledges her responsibilities for:

(i) ensuring that the charity keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006

and

(ii) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each year, financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 & 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015) and with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

Approved by the Board on

24/9/2018

Signed on their behalf by:

A Cummins - Trustee

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Trustee

The notes on the following pages form part of these financial statements.

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### Year ended 31st March 2018

#### 1.1a Basis of preparation of Accounts

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Directors' and Trustees' Report and all of which are continuing.

The Accounts have been prepared in compliance with the Statement of Recommended Practice on Charity Accounts Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) issued in March 2005, the Companies Act 2006 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Statement No 1 (revised) from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

#### 1.1b Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of a grant

#### 1.2 Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible Fixed Assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of Fixed Assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold Property

Not provided

Fixtures & Fittings

25% on reducing balance

Office Equipment

25% on reducing balance

#### 1.3 Incoming Resources

Voluntary income & donations are accounted for as received by the charity. The income from fundraising ventures is shown gross, with the associated costs included in fundraising costs. No permanent endowments have been received in the period, but these are dealt with through the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these Accounts.

#### 1.4 Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Realised and unrealised gains and losses on investments are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities. Investment income plus associated tax recoverable is credited to income on an accruals basis, using dividend dates and interest accrued daily.

#### 1.5 Value Added Tax

Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity, and as such is not included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

### 1.6 Resources Expended

Administration expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the charitable activity which is based within the premises. This includes costs of running office premises, staff salaries for administrative staff and accountancy fees.

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

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the Independent Examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly.

#### 1.7 Fundraising Costs

Fundraising expenditure comprises costs incurred in inducing people and organisations to contribute financially to the charity's work. This includes the cost of advertising for donations and the staging of special fundraising events

#### 2 .INCOME FROM GENERATED FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
	£	£	£	£
Donations & Gifts	5,737	Ξ,	5,737	13,107
Fundraising	4,365	*	4,365	2,180
Room Hire	2,206	_	2,206	3,460
LWD Books	554	-	554	927
Supervision	2,100		2,100	2,250
Counselling donations	4,348	-	4,348	·
Grants (Note 3)	8	110,350	110,350	93,190
	19,310	110,350	129,660	115,114

All donations are treated as an unrestricted fund. Investment Income is derived from interest receivable on cash deposits.

# 3. GRANTS

Grants were received during the year from the following sources:	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
	£	£	£	£
Big Lottery	22	32,041	32,041	31,414
City Bridge trust	-	14,850	14,850	14,550
Art Network	-	-	=	500
Sutton Community Fund		5,000	5,000	4,906
Children in need	E	5,495	5,495	9,840
LBS MOPAC	¥	49,700	49,700	31,980
TRANSFORMATION FUND	-	1,500	1,500	1-
Со-ор	100	1,764	1,764	-
		110,350	110,350	93,190

All grant funding has been treated as a restricted fund.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

# Year ended 31st March 2018

## 4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2018	2018	2018	2017
	£	£	£	£
COSTS DIRECTLY ALLOCATED TO ACTIVITIES				
STAFF SALARIES	E	91,166	91,166	73,940
STAFF TRAINING	-	84	84	2,246
SUPERVISION	i <del>w</del>	4,270	4,270	4,095
SERVICE DELIVERY	203	1,724	1,927	5,615
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	•	1,671	1,671	1,419
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS FEES	-	_	-	400
TELEPHONE	æ	459	459	434
SUPPORT COSTS ALLOCATED TO ACTIVITIES				
Staff Costs	-	-	-	789
FACILATORS SUPERVISION	-	2,088	2,088	<b>-</b> 8
RATES	-	710	710	610
INSURANCE	-	1,252	1,252	1,050
COMPUTER COSTS	-	829	829	585
ACCOUNTS	-	205	205	-
LIGHT & HEAT	-	1,149	1,149	679
SUNDRY	:=	678	678	632
POST & STATIONERY	-	1,132	1,132	489
NEW FURNITURE	₩	2,810	2,810	1,181
BUILDING COSTS	-	2,840	2,840	-
QUALITY STANDARD	-	1,800	1,800	<del>-</del> *
BANK CHARGES	-	120	120	45
FUNDRAISING COSTS	=	898	898	•

	203	118,843	119,046	94,396
DEPRECIATION	-	141	141	187
Rounding	-	(2)	(2)	-
CONSULTANCY FEES	=	2,819	2,819	-

# 5. NET INCOME / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging:	2018	2017
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets owned by the charity	141	187
Independent Examiners Fees	- 1	400
er <sub>er</sub>	141	587
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6. STAFF COSTS		
remaining staff were:		
	2,018	2,017
	£	£

No employee received remuneration of more than £20,426.

Salaries & Social Security Costs

The number of employees at the end of the year totalled Fifteen (2016: eleven)

#### 7. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION & RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No members of the management committee received any remuneration during the year. No travel costs were reimbursed to any Trustee during the year (2017 - nil).

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year. (2017 - nil).

#### 8. TAXATION

74,729

91,166

As a charity The Women's Centre (Sutton) is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**

### Year ended 31st March 2018

#### 9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	FREEHOLD PROPERTY	FIXTURES & FITTINGS	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	TOTALS
	£	£	£	£
COST				
As at 1 April 2017	54,000	10,218	13,495	77,713
Disposals	-	-		
Additions	-	-	-	-
As at 31 March 2018	54,000	10,218	13,495	77,713
DEPRECIATION				The second secon
As at 1 April 2017	w	10,025	13,125	23,150
Disposals	=	=	n=1	=
Charge for Year	-	48	93	141
At 31 March 2018	-	10,073	13,218	23,291
NET BOOK VALUE				
As at 31 March 2018	54,000	145	278	54,422
At 31 March 2017	54,000	193	370	54,563

### **Freehold Property**

There is a charge registered by the London Borough of Sutton against all the charity's property.

# **Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**

# Year ended 31st March 2018

10. CREDITORS: Amounts falli	2018	2017			
				£	£
Accruals Independent Examiners Fee				_	400
Other accruals					211
Other accruais			-	765	
			-	765	611
11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS					
	At 31 March 2017	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 March 2018
Other	54,000	20	_	-	54,000
RESTRICTED					
Dia Lotton.	5,869	32,041	37,381		529
Big Lottery Big Lottery	-	52,041	57,361	3,022	3,022
City Bridge Trust	2,347	14,850	17,197	-	-
LBS MOPAC	5,294	49,700	52,297	-	2,697
Sutton Community Fund	<u></u>	5,000	3,340	-	1,660
LBS Transformation Fund		1,500	1,500	:2	-
CHILDREN IN NEED	1,760	-	1,760		Ξ.
CHILDREN IN NEED	-	5,495	2,984	-	2,511
Со-ор	-	1,764	1,764	100	<u></u>
ARTS Fund	1,000		620		380
	70,270	110,350	118,843	3,022	64,799
UNRESTRICTED					
General	70,109	19,310	203	(3,022)	86,194
	140,379	129,660	119,046	-	150,993

# Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2018

I report on the accounts for The Women's Centre (Sutton) for the year ended 31st March 2018.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees, who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an Independent Examination is needed

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for Independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of independent review

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the requirements have not been met:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, and comply with the
    accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods
    and principles of the statement of Recommended Practice; Accounting and Reporting by
    Charities; or

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

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Position: Community Accountant

Community Action Sutton Granfers Community Centre

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