

Company Registration Number - 04929060

The Charity Registration Number is :- 1106143

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd**

**Report and Accounts**

**31 December 2024**

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**Report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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**Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024**

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024, which also comprises the Directors' Report required by the Companies Act 2006.

**Reference and administrative details**

**The charity name.**

The legal name of the charity is:- The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd.

The charity is also known by its operating name, The Hearth.

**The charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration.**

The charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) with charity number 1106143.

The charity does not operate in any overseas jurisdictions.

**Legal structure of the charity**

The charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee, registered under the Companies Acts. The governing document of the charity is the Memorandum and Articles of Association establishing the company under company legislation.

The governing document is dated 10 October 2003

There are no restrictions in the governing documents on the operation of the Charity or on its investment powers other than those imposed by Charity Law.

By operation of law all, trustees are directors under the Companies Act 2006 and all directors are trustees under Charities legislation and have responsibilities, as such, under both company and charity legislation.

The trustees are all individuals.

**The principal operating address, telephone number, email and web addresses of the charity are:-**

The Hearth  
Main Road, Horsley  
Northumberland, NE15 0NT  
Telephone 01661 852545  
Email Address office@thehearth.co.uk Web address www.thehearth.co.uk

The registered office of the charity for Companies Act purposes is the same as the operating address shown above.

**The Trustees in office on the date the report was approved were:-**

John Dale Robertson  
Christopher Siddle - Treasurer  
Deborah Ann Robertson  
Julie Straw

**The following persons served as Trustees during the year ended 31 December 2024 :-**

The trustees who served as a trustee in the reporting period, and, if applicable, their dates of appointment or resignation during the year were:-.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Appointed</b>	<b>Resigned/Retired</b>
John Dale Robertson		
Christopher Siddle - Treasurer		
Deborah Ann Robertson		
Julie Straw		
Rev Roberta Mary Ritson	28/11/2024	20/05/2025

All the trustees are also members of the charity.

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## **Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024**

### **Objects and activities of the charity**

#### ***The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.***

The Hearth was set up as a project of Horsley Village Church and has the following objectives as revised and adopted 19 July 2004:

1. To advance the Christian religion.
2. To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Horsley Village and surrounding areas, young persons, without distinction of sexual orientation, race, political, religious or other opinion by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to promote facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure-time occupations with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

The charity is managed by the Trustees who take due regard to the Charity Commissioners' guidance on public benefit and ensure that the charity meets its objectives and provides public benefits through regular free events, the provision of low rent studios and display space for creative artists, and a commercially run café open to the public. The building complex is Grade II listed and is open to the public seven days a week. There is also a meeting hall available at modest charge to the local community for holding workshops, exhibitions, performances, talks, mother and toddler groups, keep fit and other activities. Some of these activities are run by the charity itself, others by individuals and local organisations.

The Hearth operates as a hub for arts, music, heritage and hospitality, working together with Horsley Village Church for the benefit of the community. Visitors can participate in a wide range of creative activities for adults and children. New art work is always on display by resident artists and studios are open to the public.

In addition to events organised by with the artists, such as Art Fairs, the charity directly organises a broad programme of performing arts, a heritage programme of talks, creative workshops and encouragement for local organisations and individuals to meet and use the facilities on offer.

#### ***The main activities undertaken in relation to those purposes during the year.***

We have held / hosted numerous events, activities and workshops over the year, figures show an increase over the year. Hall hire figures are up and business has continued to be strong in the Café. The two Art Fairs had very good attendance and sales figures for both the resident artists and visiting exhibitors were positive. The café has continued to do well.

#### ***The main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.***

### **Events**

Throughout 2024 our Hall and new Hub building were open for in-person events and activities. In 2024 1,529 hours of charged Hall bookings 190.75 hours of charged Hub bookings and a total of 1,719.75 hours of use for both the Hall and Hub.

In 2024 there was a 57.5% increase in the number of hours booked.

The Hallmaster Booking System has been used since August 2023.

#### **The Hall was booked for:**

Art Courses, Workshops, Regular Community Groups including The Hearth Wool Group, Mend-it, Horsley Get Together - Hosted by Horsley Church, Horsley Book Club, Music Group, Art & Craft Club and Weaving Group as well as Workplace Away Days and Meetings, Choir Rehearsals, Exhibitions of work by local artists and Yoga Classes.

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**Special Events 2024:**

**As promoters for Highlights Rural Touring Scheme in the Spring and Autumn Seasons we held:**

A Concert for International Women's Day A Company: Louise Jordan

Claire Sands - Music

Lyon and Bird - Music

Maddie Morris - Music

Teesdale Felt, Creative Highlights Workshop

**In partnership with the Tyne Valley Film Festival we showreeled:**

Faces Places

**Winter and Spring Fairs:**

**In 2024 we had eleven guest artists attending including Sculptor, Joseph Hillier based in Prudhoe, sculpture being a welcome addition to the Fairs.**

*"It was such a lovely event, thanks so much for inviting us and huge thanks for the organisation and marketing side of things, it has to be the most well organised event I have done and the footfall was just brilliant, people travelling from Hartlepool, Carlisle and Halifax to name a few !!!"*

**The Craft Team of volunteers at the Hearth:**

Assembled Craft boxes which were free to people who might benefit across our community. We worked with partner organisations on these, including West Northumberland Bank, No28 Community Hub Hexham, Miners Lamp Prudhoe, West End Food Bank Newcastle, etc.

We have continued our relationship with the Co-op Local Community Fund Team.

**Digital Engagement**

2024 also saw a continuing use of digital communications to promote our activities and we are grateful to: Rebecca, Vincent and our other artists; Centre coordinators, Ali Wilkes and Lindsey Joy, and Trustee Deborah Robertson for all their hard work in developing our digital engagement through our Website and Social Media channels.

**People**

In 2024 our Chair of Trustees Steven Duckworth resigned due to pressure of work, and also George Stoker from his role as a Trustee. The Board would like to give heartfelt thanks to both for all the hard work they put into supporting The Hearth over this time.

We welcomed Roberta Ritson who took on the role of Trustee as well as being the minister of Horsley Church and also Gary Charlton in our new Caretaker role

We said goodbye to Ali Wilkes as our Administrator and thank her for her work for the Trust. After interviewing a number of strong candidates to replace her we appointed Lindsey Joy who has proved to be a real asset.

The board continues its recruitment drive for new Trustees as there are still gaps to be filled and the Board always welcomes expressions of interest to join us.

Both our resident artists and the café continued to operate throughout 2024, welcoming visitors and locals alike.

The annual review of tenants' rents and service charges in 2024 led to increased service charges for our tenants due to our fixed price electricity contract coming to an end. Alan Holmes, a retired fire officer, continued to assist with fire safety, inspections and reports.

Christine Holmes continued to attend Trustee meetings as the church committee representative.

A reduced number of volunteers continued to provide invaluable support, technical and general, for music evenings, events and in support of our community craft sessions. Efforts were ongoing to attract more support.

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**Public Benefit**

The Trustees have had regard to the Charities Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity throughout the year.

Free Access to view artists' studios is possible throughout the year when artists are available.

The Hearth Café continued to grow its reputation and popularity, managing to remain open and producing their delicious offerings and hospitality throughout the year.

Whilst modest charges are made for our gigs these events provide considerable public benefit.

**Buildings**

We regularly make repairs and improvements to the fabric of our Grade II listed buildings in order to make the Hearth and its environment safer, more effective and more energy efficient.

2024 saw our small Hub building (on the edge of the car park) come into regular use. This provides a rentable space for smaller more intimate activities and an office space for our part time administrator. A new wooden access ramp and accessible sitting area was built by a local contractor, using a grant from Northumberland Community Fund and some additional funding from Essity of Prudhoe.

Both contractors and volunteers are essential to the maintenance and good repair of buildings and grounds, and have seen the benefit in having a part time caretaker to carry out small maintenance tasks on site. We are very grateful to them for their efforts and diligence.

Wherever possible it is our policy to use local craftsmen and contractors, ensuring that as much of the income of The Hearth is returned to benefit the local economy as possible. A local building company was used to supply and erect the Hub ramp. We also use a small firm of professional cleaners to enhance the environment and safety across the Hearth Centre.

**Environment**

Our updated Environmental Policy is now shared with all visiting exhibitors and facility users to encourage them to be as environmentally friendly in delivery of their activities.

Our centre administrator has continued working with our cleaners, Polish Maids, to make our cleaning consumables greener.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity.

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***The contribution of volunteers during the year.***

Volunteer support continues to prove crucial to the provision of consistent and high-quality activities. The Trustees dedicate many hours of front line support and operate key roles in relation to fund-raising, grant applications, gigs, liaison with tenants, talks, gardening and buildings, and support for artists' events. We have a small pool of regular volunteers and an increasing pool of occasional volunteers drawn from Horsley Village Church, residents, tenants, former Trustees and friends and family of the Trustees

**The main achievements and performance of the charity during the year.**

Events under the auspices of Highlights and Tyne Valley Film Festival have brought more people into the building, along with the increase in the number of private events. Our artists studios continue to be fully occupied and the 2 annual Art Fairs have brought in increased numbers of visitors, as well as interest in hiring the new Hub for Art and Craft activities

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***Fundraising activities during the year.***

The Board of Trustees are sincerely grateful to the following list of organisations who kindly made awards of grant funding to the Hearth in 2024, plus to those individuals who also made generous donations. Without such support we would be unable to continue to offer the broad range of activities available at the Hearth

Northumberland County Council	£2,500
CO-OP	£1,697
ESSITY	£920

The Board would like to give their particular thanks to our Artist tenants and Centre coordinator Ali Wilkes, and Administrator Lindsey Joy for their inspired work on generating new fundraising opportunities for The Hearth.

The Board of Trustees commissioned a report in 2024 on population demographics within a 5-mile radius of Horsley, Northumberland. Together with a local questionnaire completed by attendees at The Hearth, it has provided the Board with a solid foundation upon which to establish strategic funding objectives for the future.

***The difference the charity's performance during the year has made to the beneficiaries of the charity and wider society.***

We continue to provide a safe and welcoming space for people of all ages, races and religions. People are assured of a warm welcome and some of our events were funded specifically to help combat loneliness. Users of the Hall and Hub have benefitted from a clean safe accessible spaces for their activities, and have left fitter, healthier and happier. Local groups have been able to use the space to extend their activities. Our resident artists continue to be supported by the charity supplying affordable studios in a community of other artists, benefitting from the mutual support of other artists.

**Structure, governance and management of the charity**

***The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.***

Potential new trustees are identified by the Trustees, interviewed and if suitable are co-opted for the current year and offered for re-appointment by members at the following Annual General Meeting. We advertise and promote trustee vacancies at events such as Artists' Winter and Spring Fairs, in local press and through regional support networks.

***The policies and procedures for the induction and training of trustees.***

New applicants have an informal meeting with a serving trustee. This meeting outlines the formation of the charity, how The Hearth is structured, the Trustee Board and how it operates plus a tour of the site. The applicant is provided with Charity Commission guides on the role of trustees, the latest accounts and a copy of the latest Trustees' Annual Report.

The applicant is then allowed a period of reflection to consider their ability to commit to participate as a Trustee and how their background adds value to The Hearth.

If the applicant is still keen to participate, they join a Trustee Meeting. At the meeting they introduce themselves providing their background and how they feel they add value to The Hearth. Other trustees have the opportunity to ask questions and view the applicant's performance.

Once the Board of Trustees is comfortable with the applicant, and the applicant is keen to continue, they are invited to all forthcoming trustee meetings and co-opted to the board. The new trustee completes a statement of eligibility and their details are logged with the Charities Commission and Companies House. They are formally re-elected by vote at the following Annual General Meeting.

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***The charity's organisational structure.***

The charity is governed by a Board of Trustees. Trustees have specific roles, namely Chair, Secretary and Treasurer as well as Grant-seeking lead, Buildings and Energy lead, Performing Arts lead and so on. The scope and quality of Board Governance has further developed in 2024 as we continue to adhere to stricter procedural disciplines and develop strategic planning. The Board is accountable to the members of The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Limited in general meeting. At the end of 2024 there were 29 members (29 at end 2023). Policy, operational and organisational decisions are made collectively by the Board of Trustees and minuted in the records of the Trustees monthly meetings. The Hearth's tenants, employees, volunteers, visitors, and Horsley Village Church members are consulted as and when appropriate. The Board met 11 times during 2024. The Hearth AGM was held in-person in October 2024, with an attendance of 13 Members. The day to day administration of the charity is delegated to the Centre Coordinator by the charity Trustees. In 2024, the Centre Coordinator was employed, based on 15 hours a week, with flexibility to work across the week.

***The charity as a part of a wider network.***

The Hearth maintains direct links with Horsley Village Church (HVC) and the Northern Synod of the United Reformed Church. 2024 has seen an ongoing review of the Head Lease and annual rent paid by The Hearth to HVC and the Northern Synod. Formal and informal links continue with other arts and cultural organisations within the region and Community Action Northumberland, a network of small charities and village halls in the county. Resident artists have professional links with major arts initiatives, such as Northern Print, North East Art Collective and Network Artists in Northumberland.

***The charity's relationships with related parties.***

Bankers	Co-operative Bank, Delf House, South Way, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT
Solicitors	Muckle LLP, Time Central, 32 Gallowgate, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4BF
Accountants	Laverick Walton, B3 Kingfisher House, Kingsway, Team Valley, Gateshead, Tyne & Wear, NE11 0JQ

**Financial review**

***The charity's financial position at the end of the year ended 31 December 2024***

The financial position of the charity at 31 December 2024 and comparatives for the prior period, as more fully detailed in the accounts, can be summarised as follows:-

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Net income</b>	(14,177)	33,702
Unrestricted Revenue Funds available for the general purposes of the charity	25,716	39,895
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>25,716</u>	<u>39,895</u>

***Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 December 2024 .***

As stated in the introduction to this report, the Trustees consider the financial performance by the charity during the year to have been satisfactory.

***Policies on reserves.***

The Hearth has steady income with restricted opportunities to increase it and no financial investments. The current reserving policy is to build a balance of £10,000 as a contingency. The board has successfully eliminated the deficit on Revenue Accumulated Funds by creating net incoming resource operations and by transfers from Fixed Assets Funds as per policies noted in the financial statements

***Availability and adequacy of assets of each of the funds***

The board of trustees is satisfied that the charity's assets in each fund are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations in respect of each fund.

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***Investment policy and investment objectives.***

We use a bank with ethical policies.  
We encourage the café tenants to source local products when possible.  
The café uses Fair Trade products.  
Ethical considerations will prevail if surplus funds become available for investment.

***The major risks to which the Charity is exposed and reviews and systems to mitigate them.***

The Trustees have an increased awareness of the risk according to the Charity Commission guidance. The minimum statutory risk assessments have been maintained and reviewed by professionals. An increased awareness of governance risks has been achieved and a Trustee allocated to be responsible for this area. This has resulted in a plan to audit all risk assessment, policies and procedures established in 2012 in order to prioritise any actions needed. The Charity Commission guide "Charities and Risk Management" formed the framework of the audit, appropriate changes were made and risks have been reviewed on a continuing basis. For example, The Hearth's Safeguarding Policy was reviewed and updated in line with the Charity Commissioner's revised guidelines in 2014. We have a trained First Aider and Fire Officer. The Trustees believe that appropriate insurance cover is in place for employer's liability, public liability, products liability, professional liability (Trustee Indemnity), events, building and contents.

Appropriate licences have been obtained for performing arts.

***Principal funding sources in the year and how these support the key objectives of the charity.***

The principal funding source for the charity continues to be the rental income from the studios, café, and the hall. This is supplemented by income from open weekends, performing arts and heritage programmes.

***Plans For the Future***

***Summary of plans for the future and the trustees' perspective of the future direction of the charity.***

The Trustees have pursued strategies to cover the short, medium and long-term.

Short term - maintain existing fundraising activity and seek grants for core costs.

Medium term - develop and deliver plans for enhancement to the visitor experience and introduce more radical fundraising methods.

Longer term - delivering ability to increase capacity for activity, retail space and interactive creative areas.

***Details of The Independent Examiner***

Mr J R Mills FCCA  
Member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants  
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## Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024

### Statement of the Directors Trustees' Responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Notwithstanding the explicit requirement in the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the SORP 2005, in view of the fact that the SORP 2005 has been withdrawn, the Trustees determined to interpret this responsibility as requiring them to follow current best practice and prepare the accounts according to the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), .

In particular, the Companies Act 2006 and charity law require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The law requires that the trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for the year.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. 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.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the statutory responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the Trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no material inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

#### Method of preparation of accounts - Small company provisions

The financial statements are set out on pages 11 to 26.  
The financial statements have been prepared implementing the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016)

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 26 June 2025.



C Siddle  
Director and Trustee

## **The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd**

### **Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the charitable company on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the charitable company on pages 11 to 26 for the year ended 31 December 2024 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) as modified by FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), and under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 16.

#### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner and the basis of the report**

As described on page 8, you, the charitable company's Trustees, who are also the Directors of the Company for the purposes of Company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and all other applicable law and with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, applicable to smaller entities, and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the memorandum and articles of the charity for the conducting of an audit, and that the accounts do not require an audit in accordance with Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. As a consequence, the Trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements are not required to be audited under any legal provision, or otherwise, and are eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:-

- a) examine the financial statements of the charity under Section 145 of the Act;
- b) follow the applicable procedures in the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement and scope of work undertaken**

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under s145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act setting out the duties of an independent examiner in relation to the conducting of an independent examination. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company and of the accounting systems employed by the charitable company and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you, as Trustees, concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of charity legislation and that, on a test basis of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures made, the financial statements comply with the SORP.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries and does not cover all the matters that an auditor would consider in arriving at an opinion. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide

Consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the independent examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtained written assurances from the Trustees of all material matters.

## **The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd**

### **Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion**

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above, I have completed my examination: and can confirm that:-

The accounts of this charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006;

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under 145 of the Act and in accordance with Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable;

and that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:-

accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and Section 130 of The Charities Act 2011;

the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination;

have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles set out in the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed:-



Mr J R Mills FCCA - Independent Examiner

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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This report was signed on 26 June 2025

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**Statement of Financial Activities (including the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 December 2024, as required by the Companies Act 2006)**

	SORP Ref	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
		2024	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£
<b>Income &amp; Endowments from:</b>					
Donations & Legacies	A1	5,178	-	5,178	43,910
Charitable activities	A2	45,149	-	45,149	39,701
Other trading activities	A3	-	-	-	191
Other	A5	368	-	368	285
<b>Total income</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>50,695</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50,695</b>	<b>84,087</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	B1	267	-	267	782
Charitable activities	B2	64,605	-	64,605	49,603
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>64,872</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,872</b>	<b>50,385</b>
<b>Net income for the year</b>		<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>33,702</b>
<b>Net income after transfers</b>	<b>A-B-C</b>	<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>33,702</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>33,702</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:-</b>	<b>E</b>				
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		<b>39,895</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,895</b>	<b>6,193</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>25,718</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,718</b>	<b>39,895</b>

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of income set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the Balance Sheet.

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.

All the prior year transactions were unrestricted items, and no further analysis is required

All activities derive from continuing operations

**The notes attached on pages 16 to 26 form an integral part of these accounts.**

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**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd - Resources applied in the year ended 31 December 2024 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-**

	2024 £	2023 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	(14,177)	33,702
Resources applied on functional fixed assets	(3,585)	(34,715)
Other applications of funds	-	-
<b>Net resources available to fund charitable activities</b>	<u><b>(17,762)</b></u>	<u><b>(1,013)</b></u>

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

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**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**Revenue accumulated funds**

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Last year Total Funds 2023 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	39,895	-	39,895	5,282
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	<u>(14,177)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,177)</u>	<u>33,702</u>
	<b>25,718</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,718</b>	<b>38,984</b>
(From)/To unrestricted revenue funds	-	-	-	911
<b>Closing revenue funds</b>	<u><b>25,718</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>25,718</b></u>	<u><b>39,895</b></u>
<b>Fixed asset funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Last year Total Funds 2023 £</b>
At 1 January	-	-	-	911
Transfer (to)/from revenue funds	-	-	-	(911)
<b>At 31 December</b>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>

The purposes of the transfers to fixed asset funds are described in Note 20 to the accounts and under the accounting policy 'Accounting for capital grants and fixed asset funds'.

**Summary of funds**

	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Last Year Total Funds 2023 £
Revenue accumulated funds	25,718	-	25,718	39,895

The notes attached on pages 16 to 26 form an integral part of these accounts.

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd  
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 December 2024 as required by the Companies Act 2006**

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Income</b>		
Income from operations	50,327	83,802
Investment income	368	285
Other operating income		
	<u>50,695</u>	<u>84,087</u>
<b>Gross income in the year before exceptional items</b>		
	<u>50,695</u>	<u>84,087</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	59,007	44,071
Depreciation and amortisation	3,871	4,064
Fundraising costs	267	782
Governance costs	1,727	1,466
Realised losses on disposals of social investments which are programme related	-	-
	<u>64,872</u>	<u>50,383</u>
<b>Total expenditure in the year</b>		
	<u>(14,177)</u>	<u>33,704</u>
<b>Net income before tax in the financial year</b>		
	-	-
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities		
	<u>(14,177)</u>	<u>33,704</u>
<b>Net income after tax in the financial year</b>		
	<u>(14,177)</u>	<u>33,704</u>
<b>Retained surplus for the financial year</b>		
	<u>(14,177)</u>	<u>33,704</u>

All activities derive from continuing operations

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the headings and subheadings used in the Income and Expenditure account have been adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's activities.

**The notes attached on pages 16 to 26 form an integral part of these accounts.**

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd - Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024**

	SORP		2024	2023
	Note	Ref	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>	A			
Tangible assets	11	A2	45,591	45,876
<b>Current assets</b>	B			
Debtors	12	B2	2,839	2,441
Cash at bank and in hand		B4	10,497	28,990
<b>Total current assets</b>			<u>13,336</u>	<u>31,431</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	C1	<u>(5,684)</u>	<u>(9,887)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>			7,652	21,544
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>53,243</u>	<u>67,420</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	14	C2	(27,525)	(27,525)
<b>The total net assets of the charity</b>			<u><b>25,718</b></u>	<u><b>39,895</b></u>

The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-

<b>Restricted funds</b>			-	-
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	18	D3	25,718	39,895
<b>Designated Funds</b>			25,718	39,895
<b>Total charity funds</b>			<u><b>25,718</b></u>	<u><b>39,895</b></u>

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of Balance Sheet items as set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the SOFA..

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The charity is subject to Independent Examination under charity legislation, and the report of the Independent Examiner is on page 10.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.



**C Siddie**  
Trustee

Approved by the board of trustees on 26 June 2025

The notes attached on pages 16 to 26 form an integral part of these accounts.

## The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd

### Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

#### 1 Accounting policies

##### *Policies relating to the production of the accounts.*

##### **Basis of preparation and accounting convention**

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) and 'FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) , effective January 2016, , and in accordance with all applicable law in the charity's jurisdiction of registration, except that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), in preference to the previous SORP, the SORP 2005, which has been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 refer explicitly to the SORP 2005. This has been done to accord with current best practice.

##### **Going Concern**

The charity is dependent on the continuing support of Horsley Village Church who have provided funding of £27,525 and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on the continuing support of Horsley Village Church. Other than these matters, the Trustees are not aware of any material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

##### **Risks and future assumptions**

The charity is a public benefit entity.

The Trustees have a risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the risks that the charity may face;
- the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan;
- implementation of procedures to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

##### *Policies relating to categories of income and income recognition.*

##### **Nature of income**

Gross income represents the value, net of value added tax and discounts, of goods provided to customers and work carried out in respect of services provided to customers.

##### **Categories of Income**

Income is categorised as income from exchange transactions (contract income) and income from non-exchange transactions (gifts), investment income and other income.

**Income from exchange transactions** is received by the charity for goods or services supplied under contract or where entitlement is subject to fulfilling performance related conditions. The income the charity receives is approximately equal in value to the goods or services supplied by the charity to the purchaser.

**Income from a non-exchange transaction** is where the charity receives value from the donor without providing equal value in exchange, and includes donations of money, goods and services freely given without giving equal value in exchange.

##### **Income recognition**

Income, whether from exchange or non exchange transactions, is recognised in the statement of financial activities (SOFA) on a receivable basis, when a transaction or other event results in an increase in the charity's assets or a reduction in its liabilities and only when the charity has legal entitlement, the income is probable and can be measured reliably.

Dividends are accrued when the shareholder's right to receive payment is established.

Income subject to terms and conditions which must be met before the charity is entitled to the resources is not recognised until the conditions have been met.

All income is accounted for gross, before deducting any related fees or costs.

## **The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd**

### **Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024** **Accounting for deferred income and income received in advance**

Where terms and conditions relating to income have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether the charity can meet any terms or conditions otherwise within its control, income is not recognised but is deferred as a liability until it is probable that the terms or conditions imposed can be met.

Any grant that is subject to performance-related conditions received in advance of delivering the goods and services required by that condition, or is subject to unmet conditions wholly outside the control of the recipient charity, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. Deferred income is released to income in the reporting period in which the performance-related or other conditions that limit recognition are met.

When income from a grant or donation has not been recognised due to the conditions applying to the gift not being wholly within the control of the recipient charity, it is disclosed as a contingent asset if receipt of the grant or donation is probable once those conditions are met.

Where time related conditions are imposed or implied by a funder, then the income is apportioned to the time periods concerned, and, where applicable, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. When grants are received in advance of the expenditure on the activity funded by them, but there are no specific time related conditions, then the income is not deferred.

Any condition that allows for the recovery by the donor of any unexpended part of a grant does not prevent recognition of the income concerned, but a liability to any repayment is recognised when repayment becomes probable.

#### ***Policies relating to expenditure on goods and services provided to the charity.***

##### **Recognition of liabilities and expenditure**

A liability, and the related expenditure, is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event, and when it is more likely than not that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and when the amount of the obligation can be measured or reliably estimated.

Liabilities arising from future funding commitments and constructive obligations, including performance related grants, where the timing or the amount of the future expenditure required to settle the obligation are uncertain, give rise to a provision in the accounts, which is reviewed at the accounting year end. The provision is increased to reflect any increases in liabilities, and is decreased by the utilisation of any provision within the period, and reversed if any provision is no longer required. These movements are charged or credited to the respective funds and activities to which the provision relates.

##### **Volunteers**

In accordance with the SORP, and in recognition of the difficulties in placing a monetary value on the contribution from volunteers, the contribution of volunteers is not included within the income of the charity. However, the trustees value the significant contribution made to the activities of the charity by unpaid volunteers and this is described more fully in Note 6.

#### ***Policies relating to assets, liabilities and provisions and other matters.***

##### **Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Leasehold premises	5 % straight line
Plant and machinery	25 % reducing balance

A regular annual review of the likelihood of asset impairment is undertaken.

## The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd

### Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 Accounting for capital grants and fixed asset funds.

Gifts of tangible fixed assets or grants of a capital nature, given for the purposes of acquiring specific assets to be fully utilised in the furtherance of the objects of the charity, are credited to fixed asset funds after the donated asset has been received or sums have been properly expended on the restricted purpose.

Where the terms of the gift require the charity to hold the asset on an ongoing basis for a specific purpose, then the fixed asset fund so created is categorised as a restricted fixed asset fund, and the relevant restrictions are noted in the fixed asset note 11.

Where the terms of the gift are met once the asset is acquired, so allowing the charity to use the asset on an unrestricted basis, including the right to receive the proceeds of any future sale of the asset on an unrestricted basis, then the fixed asset fund so created is categorised as a designated fixed asset fund.

When assets are acquired for the furtherance of the charity's objects, utilising the charity's own unrestricted funds, a transfer is made from unrestricted funds to a designated fixed asset fund.

Whether acquired with unrestricted or restricted funds, the asset acquired is initially shown in the balance sheet at the full cost of acquisition or subsequent revaluation.

As the related assets are depreciated, in accordance with the depreciation policy, in order to reflect the diminution in the asset, a transfer is made from the relevant fixed asset funds to either unrestricted or restricted revenue funds, as appropriate to the terms of the original gift, if any.

The effect of this policy is that the aggregate of all fixed asset funds shall equate to the net book value of fixed assets.

In the first year that this policy was adopted, a transfer to fixed asset funds was made equivalent to the net book value of the assets.

Any residual liability to the donor arising from, for example, the asset's future sale, is disclosed as a contingent liability unless the event that would trigger repayment of the grant becomes probable in which case a liability for repayment is recognised.

Insofar as this policy relates to Government grants and to the extent that it may be a departure from the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), such departure is justified on the basis that it is in order to comply with the SORP.

#### **Debtors**

Debtors are measured at their recoverable amounts at the balance sheet date.

#### **Creditors and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised on the accruals basis in accordance with normal accounting principles, modified where necessary in accordance with the guidance given in the SORP.

#### **Leasing and hire purchase contracts and commitments**

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts, which are those where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset have passed to the charity, are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their useful lives. The corresponding lease or hire purchase obligation is treated in the balance sheet as a liability.

The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### **Fund Accounting**

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

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are grants awarded by funders with specific conditions attached for the use of the funds.

There are no endowment funds.

## The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd

### Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

#### 2 Liability to taxation

The Trustees consider that the charity satisfies the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 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 on the specific charitable objects of the charity and for no other purpose. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the charity, and is therefore included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 3 Winding up or dissolution of the charity

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

#### 4 Significance of financial instruments to the charity's position

The Horsley Village Church provided the company with a 10 year interest free loan of £27,525 in 2004. The company received confirmation that this loan has been rolled over for a further 10 years on the same interest free terms.

#### 5 Net surplus before tax in the financial year

	2024 £	2023 £
The net surplus before tax in the financial year is stated after charging:-		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	<u>3,871</u>	<u>4,064</u>

#### 6 The contribution of volunteers

As disclosed within the Trustees' Report, the charity depends on the support of its volunteers, which is much appreciated. The arrangements with volunteers are difficult to value precisely in monetary terms and have not been recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities. The volunteers and the charity accept and agree that no contract of employment is created by these arrangements.

#### 7 Staff costs and emoluments

<i>Salary costs</i>	2024 £	2023 £
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	11,681	11,647
<b>Total salaries, wages and related costs</b>	<u><b>11,681</b></u>	<u><b>11,647</b></u>

The average number of full time staff employed in the year was	2	2
The estimated full time equivalent number of all staff employed in the year was	2	2

#### *The estimated equivalent number of full time staff deployed in different activities in the year was:-*

Engaged on management and administration	2	2
<b>The estimated full time equivalent number of all staff employed as above</b>	<u><b>2</b></u>	<u><b>2</b></u>

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

No employees received emoluments (excluding pension costs) in excess of £60,000 per annum.

#### 8 Remuneration and payments to Trustees and persons connected with them

No trustees or persons connected with them received any remuneration from the charity, or any related entity.

The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024  
9 Deferred income - Unrestricted and Designated funds

<i>Current Year</i>	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£
Co-op 23/24 Group	1,697	1,697	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<u>1,697</u>	<u>1,697</u>	-	-
			<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
			£	£
<b>These deferrals are included in creditors</b>			-	<u>1,697</u>

  

<i>Prior Year</i>	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£
Sundry items under £1000	2,133	2,133	-	-
Greggs Foundation	1,000	1,000	-	-
Northumberland County Council - Covid Support	13,853	13,853	-	-
Ecclesiastical Insurance Group	1,000	1,000	-	-
Co-op 23-24 Grant	-	-	1,697	1,697
<b>Total</b>	<u>17,986</u>	<u>17,986</u>	<u>1,697</u>	<u>1,697</u>
			<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
			£	£
<b>These deferrals are included in creditors</b>			<u>1,697</u>	<u>17,896</u>

The deferrals included in creditors relate to funding specified by the funders as relating to specific periods and represent those parts of unrestricted funds which relate to periods subsequent to the accounting year end and are treated as grants in advance, or, alternatively, where there are conditions which must be fulfilled prior to entitlement or use of the unrestricted funds by the charity.

10 Deferred income - Restricted funds

<i>Current Year</i>	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£
NCC	2,500	2,500	-	-
EESITY	920	920	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<u>3,420</u>	<u>3,420</u>	-	-
			<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
			£	£
<b>These deferrals are included in creditors</b>			-	<u>3,420</u>

  

<i>Prior Year</i>	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£
Sundry items under £1000	1,050	1,050	-	-
DPD Environmental	1,000	1,000	-	-
The Barbour Foundation	1,000	1,000	-	-
The Rothley Trust	1,000	1,000	-	-
Karbon Homes	1,000	1,000	-	-
The National Lottery	18,354	18,354	-	-
NCC	-	-	2,500	2,500
EESITY	-	-	920	920
<b>Total</b>	<u>23,404</u>	<u>23,404</u>	<u>3,420</u>	<u>3,420</u>
			<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
			£	£
<b>These deferrals are included in creditors</b>			<u>3,420</u>	<u>23,404</u>

The deferrals included in creditors relate to funding specified by the funders as relating to specific periods and represent those parts of restricted funds which relate to periods subsequent to the accounting year end and are treated as grants in advance, or, alternatively, where there are conditions which must be fulfilled prior to entitlement or use of the restricted funds by the charity.

The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

11 Tangible fixed assets

<i>Current Year</i>	<b>Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Plant &amp; Machinery</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2024	270,672	34,550	-	305,222
Additions	3,000	585	-	3,585
<b>At 31 December 2024</b>	<b>273,672</b>	<b>35,135</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>308,807</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2024	230,671	28,675	-	259,346
Charge for the year	2,255	1,615	-	3,870
<b>At 31 December 2024</b>	<b>232,926</b>	<b>30,290</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>263,216</b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2024</b>	<b>40,746</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,591</b>
<b>At 31 December 2023</b>	<b>40,001</b>	<b>5,875</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,876</b>
<i>Prior Year</i>	<b>Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Plant &amp; Machinery</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
01 January 2023	236,418	34,089	-	270,507
Additions	34,254	461	-	34,715
<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>270,672</b>	<b>34,550</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>305,222</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
01 January 2023	228,565	26,717	-	255,282
Charge for the year	2,106	1,958	-	4,064
<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>230,671</b>	<b>28,675</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>259,346</b>
<b>Net book value</b>				
<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>40,001</b>	<b>5,875</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,876</b>
<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>7,853</b>	<b>7,372</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,225</b>

12 Debtors

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Trade debtors	470	654
Prepayments and accrued income	1,999	1,613
Other debtors	370	174
	<b>2,839</b>	<b>2,441</b>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Trade creditors	90	-
Accruals	4,694	3,870
Deferred Income - Unrestricted & designated funds	-	1,697
Deferred Income - Restricted funds	-	3,420
Other creditors	900	900
	<b>5,684</b>	<b>9,887</b>

14 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Other creditors	27,525	27,525

15 Income and Expenditure account summary

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
<b>At 1 January 2024</b>		
Surplus after tax for the year	39,897	6,193
	(14,177)	33,704
<b>At 31 December 2024</b>	<b>25,720</b>	<b>39,897</b>

**The Hearth Centre (Horsley) Ltd**

**Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**16 No related party transactions**

In 2005 the charity acquired fixed assets from Horsley Village Church for £186,911 and was granted a 23 year lease of premises by Horsley Village Church at an annual rent of £6,000 per annum.

**17 Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities**

<b>At 31 December 2024</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Designated funds £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total Funds £</b>
Tangible Fixed Assets	45,591	-	-	45,591
Current Assets	13,336	-	-	13,336
Current Liabilities	(5,684)	-	-	(5,684)
Long Term Liabilities	(27,525)	-	-	(27,525)
	<b>25,718</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,718</b>
<b>At 1 January 2024</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Designated funds £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total Funds £</b>
Tangible Fixed Assets	45,876	-	-	45,876
Current Assets	31,431	-	-	31,431
Current Liabilities	(9,887)	-	-	(9,887)
Long Term Liabilities	(27,525)	-	-	(27,525)
	<b>39,895</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,895</b>

**18 Change in total funds over the year as shown in Note 17 , analysed by Individual funds**

	<b>Funds brought forward from 2023 £</b>	<b>Movement in funds in 2024 £</b>	<b>Transfers between funds in 2024 £</b>	<b>Funds carried forward to 2025 £</b>
		See Note 19	See Note 0	
<b>Unrestricted and designated funds:-</b>				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	39,895	(14,177)	-	25,718
<b>Total unrestricted and designated funds</b>	<b>39,895</b>	<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,718</b>
<b>Total charity funds</b>	<b>39,895</b>	<b>(14,177)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,718</b>

**19 Analysis of movements in funds over the year as shown in Note 18**

	<b>Income 2024 £</b>	<b>Expenditure 2024 £</b>	<b>Other Gains &amp; Losses 2024 £</b>	<b>Movement in funds 2024 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted and designated funds:-</b>				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	50,695	(64,872)	-	(14,177)

**20 The purposes for which the funds**

**Unrestricted and designated funds:-**

Unrestricted Revenue Funds These funds are held for the meeting the objectives of the charity, and to provide reserves for future activities, and , subject to charity legislation, are free from all restrictions on their use.

Designated Fixed Asset Funds The purpose of these funds is described under the accounting policy 'Accounting for capital grants and fixed asset funds'.

**21 Ultimate controlling party**

The charity is under the control of its legal members.

Every member of the charity is obliged to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £10 to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

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*This analysis is classified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.*

22 Donations, Grants and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Donations and gifts from individuals</b>				
Small donations individually less than £1000	61	-	61	121
<b>Total donations and gifts from individuals</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>121</b>
	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Revenue grants from government and public bodies</b>				
Small grants individually less than £1000				
Karbon	-	-	-	3,582
The Rotherly Trust	-	-	-	1,000
Greggs Foundation	-	-	-	1,000
Ecclesiastical	-	-	-	1,000
Northumberland County Council - Covid Restart and support	2,500	-	2,500	15,853
National Lottery	-	-	-	18,354
Barbour	-	-	-	1,000
DPD	-	-	-	1,000
Co-op 23-24 Grant	1,697	-	1,697	-
EESITY	920	-	920	-
<b>Total public sector revenue grants</b>	<b>5,117</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,117</b>	<b>43,789</b>
<b>Total Donations, Grants and Legacies</b>				
<b>Total Donations, Grants and Legacies</b> A1	<b>5,178</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,178</b>	<b>43,910</b>

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**23 Income from charitable activities - Trading Activities**

<i>Current year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total funds 2023 £
<b>Primary purpose and ancillary trading</b>				
Admission fees- Exhibitions and galleries	2,951	-	2,951	3,809
Letting of property for charitable purposes	42,198	-	42,198	35,892
<b>Total Primary purpose and ancillary trading</b>	<b>45,149</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,149</b>	<b>39,701</b>

**24 Total income from charitable activities**

<i>Current year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Total income from charitable trading	45,149	-	45,149	39,701
<b>Total from charitable activities</b> <b>A2</b>	<b>45,149</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,149</b>	<b>39,701</b>

**25 Income from other, non charitable, trading activities**

Trading activities to raise funds for the charity	-	-	-	191
<b>Total from other activities</b> <b>A3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>191</b>

**26 Other income and gains**

<i>Current year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2024 £	Current year Total Funds 2024 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2023 £
Sundry other income	368	-	368	285
<b>Total other income</b> <b>A5</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>285</b>

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27 Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

<i>Current Year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	11,681	-	11,681	11,647
Expenses of Events Held	1,620	-	1,620	1,668
<b>Total direct spending</b>	<b>13,301</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,301</b>	<b>13,315</b>

28 Support costs for charitable activities

<i>Current Year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
<b>Premises Expenses</b>				
Rent payable under operating leases	6,000	-	6,000	6,000
Rates and water charges	1,259	-	1,259	1,046
Light heat and power	16,879	-	16,879	10,371
Cleaning and waste management	6,346	-	6,346	5,165
Premises repairs, renewals and maintenance	2,488	-	2,488	3,717
Property insurance	1,154	-	1,154	1,096
<b>Administrative overheads</b>				
Telephone, fax and internet	863	-	863	1,006
Stationery and printing	159	-	159	208
Subscriptions to periodicals	306	-	306	212
Hire of equipment	-	-	-	179
Software licences and expenses	303	-	303	100
Advertising and marketing	1,313	-	1,313	716
Sundry expenses	420	-	420	215
<b>Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner</b>				
Legal fees	7,800	-	7,800	691
Other legal and professional	379	-	379	-
<b>Financial costs</b>				
Bank charges	37	-	37	34
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for	3,871	-	3,871	4,064
<b>Support costs before reallocation</b>	<b>49,577</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,577</b>	<b>34,820</b>
<b>Total support costs - Current Year</b>	<b>49,577</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,577</b>	<b>34,820</b>

The basis of allocation of costs between activities is described under accounting policies

All the expenditure in the prior year was unrestricted.

**Administrative overheads**

The basis of allocation of costs between activities is described under accounting policies

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**29 Other Expenditure - Governance costs**

	Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
<i>Current Year</i>	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examiner's fees	1,470	-	1,470	1,220
Trustees' indemnity insurance	257	-	257	246
<b>Total Governance costs</b>	<b>1,727</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,727</b>	<b>1,466</b>

All the expenditure in the prior year was unrestricted.

**30 Total Charitable expenditure**

		Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
		Funds	Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
<i>Current Year</i>		2024	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£
Total direct spending	<b>B2a</b>	13,301	-	13,301	13,315
Total support costs	<b>B2d</b>	49,577	-	49,577	34,820
Total Governance costs	<b>B2e</b>	1,727	-	1,727	1,466
<b>Total charitable expenditure</b>	<b>B2</b>	<b>64,605</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,605</b>	<b>49,601</b>

All the expenditure in the prior year was unrestricted.

		Prior Year	Prior Year	Prior Year
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds
		Funds	Funds	Total Funds
<i>Prior Year</i>		2023	2023	2023
		£	£	£
Total direct spending	<b>B2a</b>	13,315	-	13,315
Total support costs	<b>B2d</b>	34,820	-	34,820
Total Governance costs	<b>B2e</b>	1,466	-	1,466
<b>Total charitable expenditure</b>	<b>B2</b>	<b>49,601</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,601</b>

**31 Expenditure on raising funds and costs of investment management**

		Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
		Funds	Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
<i>Current Year</i>		2024	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£
Costs of non primary purpose trading		267	-	267	782
<b>Total fundraising costs</b>	<b>B1</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>782</b>

All the expenditure in the prior year was unrestricted.