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Mellon Township Limited

Directors' Report and Financial Statements

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

Mellon Township Limited

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Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Directors and Advisers For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

Directors	Andrew Brennan Niall Mellon Frank Doyle
Company number	389423
CHY Number	CHY 16238
Registered office	Mellon Educate Paradigm House Dundrum Office Park, Main Street Dundrum Dublin 14 D14 T0X8
Company secretary	Jacinta Morley
Registered Charity Number (RCN)	20058074
Independent auditors	BDO Statutory Audit Firm Block 3 Miesian Plaza 50-58 Baggot Street Lower Dublin 2
Bankers	Allied Irish Banks plc Rathgar Dublin 6W

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Directors' Report For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

The Directors prepare their report and the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

Legal Structure

The company is a private company under the Companies Act 2014. It is governed and controlled by its Constitution.

Governance

Mellon Township Limited is committed to holding a high standard of ethical and lawful behaviour in all our activities which are led by the board of Directors and implemented by all associated with the charity. There was no remuneration paid to Directors during the financial year

Directors, secretary and their interests

The Directors and secretary and their interests in the shares of the company at 31st December 2023 and 1st January 2023 are as follows;

	31/12/2023	01/01/2023
	No. of	No. of
	Ordinary	Ordinary
	Shares €1	Shares €1
Niall Mellon	3	3
Andrew Brennan	2	2
Frank Doyle	2	2

Except where indicated, the Directors served for the entire financial year. The names of the Directors who served during the year are outlined on the Administrative Details page of the financial statements. The Directors are not required to retire by rotation. The board of Directors are appointed by the members at an Annual General Meeting. The Directors are responsible and accountable for the management and activities of the company.

The existing board members are responsible for appointing new board members to the board based on the charities requirements and careful selection of appropriately skilled members. The Board of Directors hold frequent scheduled board meetings throughout the year, where all matters of significance are discussed and resolutions are made. The new board members are inducted to the board by existing members and it is ensured that they are informed of the appropriate requirements and responsibilities. Key personnel are appointed by the board who set the salaries and remuneration appropriate to the position being filled.

The company secretary throughout the year was Jacinta Morley.

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Directors' Report (continued) For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

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Objectives and Activities

Our mission is to provide education assistance for 100,000 impoverished African children. To successfully achieve this: we build quality facilities if required and provide in-depth training for the incumbent school managers/principals and teachers to empower them to deliver ongoing better results sustainably.

The main activities of the company are to raise awareness of our mission with personal, corporate and institutional donors to raise funds for our schools in Africa to enable us to support primary school children through our Community Literacy Support Programme, providing Individual support to children struggling with the basics of literacy and language. Grants are proposed to and granted by the Board and are strictly in line with the charity's objectives.

Our initial fundraising in Ireland is primarily achieved by our donors and volunteers, who sign up for our annual Building Blitz. Each new volunteer must raise €4,750 to be included in the team that travel to our Blitz schools in South Africa. They spend a week doing construction work to improve the facilities and classrooms in schools in underprivileged townships.

Public Benefit Entity

Mellon Township Limited is a Public Benefit Entity whose main objective is to raise funds for the benefit of the underprivileged children in Africa by providing:

- Resources to improve the classrooms and facilities and;
- To assist South African children improve their literacy and language in the foundation phase of their education.

ACTIVITIES, ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Building Blitz 2023

The annual Building Blitz to Cape Town in South Africa took place from 19th November to 24th November 2023. The Building Blitz took place in the Western Cape Township of Khayelitsha 28km out of Cape Town at the Isiphiwo and Chuma Primary Schools. 317 international volunteers were joined by several South African Volunteers to participate in this year's building Blitz. The Volunteers help build twenty classrooms, two kitchens, two ablution blocks, two covered shelters and improved sport facilities, impacting the quality of education for over 1,000 children per year attending the two schools. This has been made possible through our partnership with the Western Cape Education Department, our wonderful and generous volunteers, Donors and corporate sponsorships.

Mellon Educate Results Programme

Mellon Educate's Community Literacy Support Programme for Primary schools, was launched in January 2022, replacing our previous Full School Programme which had supported 11 primary and secondary schools.

The dedicated programme was developed over a 3 year period in response to the International PIRLS report of 2016, where South African children were assessed as the lowest performing participants with results indicating that 78% of learners were unable to read for meaning by Grade 4., (age 9-10 years)

The programme incorporates the Wordswork 4 step programme, (Ready Steady Read Write) delivered by trained Community Literacy tutors. In one hour once a week the programme offers support to children struggling with the basics of literacy and language in the foundation phase of their education and is delivered in 3 languages by trained youths from communities surrounding our partner schools.

Our partner schools in 2023 consisted of 12 primary schools based in Khayelitsha, Mfuleni, Delft, Wesbank, Wallacedene and our first school in Phoenix Durban supporting over 3550 learners.

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ACTIVITIES, ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Western Cape Education Department

Mellon Educate continues to develop a strong and meaningful partnership with the Minister for Education in the Western Cape, MEC David Maynier and his department. The selection of schools where both the infrastructural work and education assistance takes place is done in consultation with the WCED in order to ensure the areas of most need are identified. The WCED contributes 50% of the construction costs to the annual building blitz, thereby endorsing the work the charity is carrying out so successfully in the Western Cape.

Humanitarian Aid

In 2021 the Covid 19 pandemic created a humanitarian crisis of epic proportion. This created a dire need to continue to provide emergency nutrition to school families and the broader community surrounding our partner schools. The Mellon Team adapted their support to include a humanitarian aid response started in March 2020 and continued to support various feeding kitchens in 2023.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Going concern

The directors believe that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and accordingly the annual financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. Management has assessed the company's ability to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future and is not aware of any factors beyond their period of assessment that may cast doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management thus considers the use of the going concern principle to be appropriate in the preparation of the annual financial statements. The directors have satisfied themselves that the company is in a sound financial position and that it has access to sufficient ongoing fundraising activities together with reserve facilities to meet its foreseeable cash requirements. The directors are also not aware of any material non-compliance with statutory or regulatory requirements or of any pending changes to legislation, which may affect the company.

Financial performance

The statement of financial activities and balance sheet are set out on pages 11 and 12.

Surplus for the year amounted to €264,406 compared with a deficit of €33,501 for 2022.

Political Donations

No political donations have been made by the company.

Future developments

Mellon Township Limited through its educational initiative, Mellon Educate, continue to progress our mission of providing sustainable educational improvements for over 100,000 impoverished children across Africa.

The Charity is continually expanding its fundraising initiatives to support its essential programmes in impoverished communities as well as planning to go ahead with a building project in 2024.

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Directors' Report (continued) For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

Reserves

Unrestricted reserves indicate the resources on which the charity can draw upon to continue its work in the event of a downturn in income. The Directors have set the required reserves policy at €300,000 of unrestricted funds and this is assessed on a year to year basis based on the charity's forecast for the following 12 months of activity. The level of unrestricted reserves held at the end of 2023 was €535,484 (2022 - €254,380) which is considered adequate.

The unrestricted funds will be utilised to continue the support of the School Building Blitzes and Mellon Education support, and Literacy programmes.

Restricted Funds: When funds are received where it is the wish of the donor to assist in a specific project or to fund a particular activity the funds are held as a restricted fund and applied only for the specific purposes for which the monies were given. There were no restricted reserves held at the end of 2023 (2022 - €16,698).

Post Balance Sheet Events

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the financial year end.

PRINCIPAL RISK AND UNCERTAINTIES

The company raises the majority of funds from volunteers and donations from the Republic of Ireland. Volunteer expenditure is incurred in the Republic of Ireland for flights and logistics for the Building. Charitable activities also include expenditure on Construction Projects in South Africa and hence there is exposure to currency risk. The Company does not enter into foreign exchange forward contracts but continually monitors currency movements. The company does not rely on borrowings and has a minimal exposure to interest rate risk. The Company is in a strong liquidity position and does not foresee any cash flow risk in the near future. The Company's policy is to ensure that sufficient resources are available from cash balances, cash flows and near cash liquid investments to ensure all obligations can be met when they fall due.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' Report is approved in accordance with Section 332 of the Companies Act 2014 has confirmed that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- the Directors have taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

ACCOUNTING RECORDS

The measures that the directors have taken to secure compliance with the requirements of Sections 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014 with regard to the keeping of accounting records are the employment of appropriately qualified accounting personnel and the maintenance of computerised accounting records. The books of account for the Company are maintained at the Mellon Housing Initiative, 6 Station Street, Blackheath, Cape Town, 7580, South Africa.

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**Directors' Report (continued)
For the financial year ended 31 December 2023**

Auditors

The auditors, BDO, continue in office in accordance with Section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf by:



Niall Mellon
Director



Frank Doyle
Director

Date: **23/09/2024**

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Statement of Directors' responsibilities For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Irish Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law, the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

Under Company law, the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the Company for the financial year and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014.

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for ensuring that the Company keeps or causes to be kept adequate accounting records which correctly explain and record transactions of the Company, enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company to be determined with reasonable accuracy, enable them to ensure that the financial statements and Directors' report comply with the Companies Act 2014 and enable the financial statements to be audited. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

On behalf of the board



Niall Mellon
Director



Frank Doyle
Director

Date: **23/09/2024**

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Mellon Township Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Mellon Township Limited for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standards issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Mellon Township Limited (continued)

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2014

In our opinion, based solely on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, we report that:

- the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited, and financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Based on the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

The Companies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions required by sections 305 to 312 of the Act are not made. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Mellon Township Limited (continued)

Respective responsibilities

Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the IAASA's website at: https://iaasa.ie/getmedia/b2389013-1cf6-458b-9b8f-a98202dc9c3a/Description_of_auditors_responsibilities_for_audit.pdf. This description forms part of our Auditors report.

Use of our report

Our report is made solely to the company's members as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an independent auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Simon Carbery
for and on behalf of BDO
Statutory Audit Firm
Block 3, Miesian Plaza
50-58 Baggot Street Lower,
Dublin 2, D02 Y754

Date: **23/09/2024**

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**Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account)
For the financial year ended 31 December 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 €	Restricted funds 2023 €	Total funds 2023 €	Total funds 2022 €
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	4	997,748	-	997,748	617,660
Other income	5	175	-	175	11,069
		<u>997,923</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>997,923</u>	<u>628,729</u>
Total income					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	77	114,755	-	114,755	92,339
Charitable activities	6	602,064	16,698	618,762	569,891
		<u>716,819</u>	<u>16,698</u>	<u>733,517</u>	<u>662,230</u>
Total expenditure					
Net income/(expenditure)	8	281,104	(16,698)	264,406	(33,501)
		<u>281,104</u>	<u>(16,698)</u>	<u>264,406</u>	<u>(33,501)</u>
Net movement in funds					
		<u>281,104</u>	<u>(16,698)</u>	<u>264,406</u>	<u>(33,501)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		254,380	16,698	271,078	304,579
Net movement in funds		281,104	(16,698)	264,406	(33,501)
		<u>535,484</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>535,484</u>	<u>271,078</u>
Total funds carried forward					

All activities relate to continuing activities.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than stated above.

Signed on Behalf of the board:



Niall Mellon
Director



Frank Doyle
Director

Date **23/09/2024**

The notes on pages 14 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

Mellon Township Limited
Registered number: 389423

Balance Sheet
As at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 €	2022 €
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	1,945	2,966
		<u>1,945</u>	<u>2,966</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	12	37,060	11,366
Cash at bank and in hand		517,397	274,167
		<u>554,457</u>	<u>285,533</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(20,911)	(17,414)
Net current assets		<u>533,546</u>	<u>268,119</u>
Total net assets	15	<u><u>535,491</u></u>	<u><u>271,085</u></u>
Charity funds			
Called up share capital presented as equity	17	7	7
Restricted funds	14	-	16,698
Unrestricted funds	14	535,484	254,380
Total funds	15	<u><u>535,491</u></u>	<u><u>271,085</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Directors on 23/09/2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Niall Mellon
Director



Frank Doyle
Director

The notes on pages 14 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

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**Statement of Cash Flows
For the financial year ended 31 December 2023**

	Note	2023 €	2022 €
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure)		264,406	(33,501)
Depreciation	11	(1,021)	(1,806)
Decrease/(increase) in Debtors	12	(32,668)	4,893
(Decrease)/increase on Creditors	13	3,497	(6,984)
Net cash provided by operating activities		229,262	(19,818)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(1,673)
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	(1,673)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		229,262	(21,491)
Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of the financial year		288,135	309,626
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		517,397	288,135

The notes on pages 14 to 25 form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

1. General information

These financial statements comprising of the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes constitute the individual financial statements of Mellon Township Limited for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

The company is a private company limited by shares. The registered office is Mellon Educate, Paradigm House, Dundrum Office Park, Main Street, Dublin and the company number is 389423. The principal activities of the company are set out in the Directors Report. The charity is a public benefit entity.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis with reference to the recommendations of the revised Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) accounting and reporting by Charities, Statement of Recommended Practices applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The financial statements are prepared under the Companies Act 2014.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the entity's accounting policies.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Going Concern

The Directors believe that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and accordingly the annual financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Management has assessed the company's ability to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future and is not aware of any factors beyond their period of assessment that may cast doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management thus considers the use of the going concern principle to be appropriate in the preparation of the annual financial statements.

The directors have satisfied themselves that the company is in a sound financial position and that it has access to sufficient ongoing fundraising activities together with reserve facilities to meet its foreseeable cash requirements.

The directors are also not aware of any material non-compliance with statutory or regulatory requirements or of any pending changes to legislation, which may affect the company.

2.3 Restricted Funds

Restricted funds are funds received which can only be used for particular purposes specified by the donors and are binding on the company. Such purposes are within the overall aims of the company.

2.4 Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds are those which are expendable at the discretion of the entity in furtherance of the objects of the Charity.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Designated Funds

Designated funds are unrestricted funds which are set aside for specific purposes by the Board of Directors.

2.6 Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the entity is entitled to the income and the amount can be measured with reasonable accuracy and is probable. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Fundraising income Fundraising income is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities at the time when the company is entitled to the resources, at the time of receipt.

Donations: Donations are raised by volunteers and are taken into account at the time of receipt. Any excess funds raised for the Blitz are also recognised on receipt.

Properties: Properties donated for use by the Charity are recognised in the Charity's financial statements as income and expenditure. This is in line with the Statements of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Legacy income: Income from legacies is recognised when receipt is probable. Legacy income is recognised when there has been a grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate, after paying liabilities to pay the legacy, and any conditions attached to the legacy have been met.

Grant income: Income from grants is received from related entities and is recognised on receipt.

2.7 Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred and is recorded as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Expenditure on charitable activities are those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them. Where costs cannot be directly attributed, they have been allocated in proportion to estimated benefits received. Grants payable are recognised when there is a constructive obligation, payment is probable and it can be reliably measured.

Cost of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

2.8 Reserves Policy

Unrestricted reserves indicate the resources on which the charity can draw upon to continue its work in the event of a downturn in income. The Directors have set the required reserves policy at €300,000 of unrestricted funds and this is assessed on a year to year basis based on the charity's forecast for the following 12 months of activity.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets currently in use in furtherance of the charity's objectives are stated in the balance sheet at cost less accumulated depreciation. A small number of assets not currently in use in furtherance of the charity's objectives are stated at the lower of cost less accumulated depreciation and net market value. Depreciation is provided on tangible assets, so as to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful economic life on a straight line basis at the following annual rates:

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, .

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Fixtures and fittings	-	25% per annum
Computer equipment	-	25% per annum

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

2.10 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment

2.11 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2.12 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price.

2.13 Financial instruments

The Charity only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like related party receivables and other payables. Basic financial instruments are recorded at transaction price.

3. Judgements in Applying Accounting Policies and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The Directors do not consider there to be any significant judgments or estimation used in the financial year.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
For the financial year ended 31 December 2023**

4. Income from donations and charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 €	Restricted funds 2023 €	Total funds 2023 €
Donations and volunteer income (a)	940,352	-	940,352
Fundraising activities (b)	57,396	-	57,396
	<u>997,748</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>997,748</u>
	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 €</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2022 €</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 €</i>
Donations and volunteer income (a)	568,750	-	568,750
Fundraising activities (b)	22,212	26,698	48,910
	<u>590,962</u>	<u>26,698</u>	<u>617,660</u>

- a) Volunteer income raised by individuals and companies in support of the building blitz and held in Cape Town.
b) Fundraising activities is income generated from various activities held throughout the year.

5. Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2023 €	Total funds 2023 €	<i>Total funds 2022 €</i>
Covid wage support scheme	-	-	11,069
Deposit interest received	175	175	-
	<u>175</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>11,069</u>

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6. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 €	Restricted funds 2023 €	Total funds 2023 €
Building Blitz in South Africa direct costs	216,227	-	216,227
Group charity transfer	95,000	-	95,000
Grant to Mellon Housing Initiative SA	-	16,698	16,698
Consultancy	62,647	-	62,647
Motor expenses	8,276	-	8,276
Staff costs	151,254	-	151,254
Office costs	8,058	-	8,058
Accommodation and Travel	43,972	-	43,972
Audit fees	16,630	-	16,630
	<u>602,064</u>	<u>16,698</u>	<u>618,762</u>

	Unrestricted funds 2022 €	Restricted funds 2022 €	Total funds 2022 €
Building Blitz in South Africa direct costs	183,987	-	183,987
Group charity transfer	128,783	-	128,783
Grant to Mellon Housing Initiative SA	-	10,000	10,000
Consultancy	67,715	-	67,715
Motor expenses	7,325	-	7,325
Staff costs	114,582	-	114,582
Office costs	2,860	-	2,860
Accommodation and Travel	43,458	-	43,458
Audit fees	11,181	-	11,181
	<u>559,891</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>569,891</u>

Governance costs such as secretary, audit and professional fees charged by external professional service providers. Total governance costs for 2023 were €19,709 (2022 - €13,897).

Grants totalling €16,698 were paid to Mellon Housing Initiative (2022 - €10,000) a South African Charity in 2023 to assist with the Literacy Programme in South Africa. All support costs are allocated to these grant making activities.

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7. Cost of Raising Funds

	2023 €	2022 €
Staff costs	37,813	28,539
Advertising	6,490	6,039
Accommodation & Travel	24,324	21,059
Other	46,128	36,702
	<u>114,755</u>	<u>92,339</u>

Other costs on raising funds include fundraising material and fundraising office costs.

8. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging:

	2023 €	2022 €
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,021	1,806
Auditors' remuneration	16,630	11,181
Accountancy	3,638	3,672
	<u>21,289</u>	<u>16,659</u>

As explained in note 10, members of the Board of Directors do not receive remuneration for their services as directors.

9. Allocation of expenditure

	Charitable activities	Cost of raising funds	Total Expenditure
Direct Expenditure	591,107	107,833	698,940
Allocation of support costs	27,655	6,922	34,577
Total resources expended	<u>618,762</u>	<u>114,755</u>	<u>733,517</u>

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10. Employees and Staff costs

	2023 €	2022 €
Wages & salaries	150,406	126,670
Social welfare costs	16,261	11,493
Pension	22,400	2,400
	<u>189,067</u>	<u>140,563</u>

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

	2023 No.	2022 No.
Average number of people employed	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

Senior staff remuneration

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded €40,000 was:

	2023 No.	2022 No.
In the band €40,000 - €50,000	1	1
In the band €50,000 - €60,000	1	-

Key management remuneration

Key management refers to the senior staff of the company. The amount of key management remuneration paid in 2023 was €102,290 (2022 - €81,200).

Members of the Board of Directors do not receive remuneration for their services as directors. Expenses directly incurred by the directors in carrying out their role are reimbursed, if claimed. There were expenses paid for by the charity for one director in the year amounting to €37,186 (2022 - €27,359) in respect of travel costs.

No amounts were capitalised in 2023 (2022 - €NIL).

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11. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment €	Computer equipment €	Total €
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2023	10,260	11,132	21,392
At 31 December 2023	<u>10,260</u>	<u>11,132</u>	<u>21,392</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2023	10,232	8,194	18,426
Charge for the year	16	1,005	1,021
At 31 December 2023	<u>10,248</u>	<u>9,199</u>	<u>19,447</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	<u>12</u>	<u>1,933</u>	<u>1,945</u>
<i>At 31 December 2022</i>	<u>28</u>	<u>2,938</u>	<u>2,966</u>

12. Debtors: Amounts falling due within on year

	2023 €	2022 €
Amounts owed by related parties	20 36,046	2,503
Other debtors and prepayments	1,014	8,863
	<u>37,060</u>	<u>11,366</u>

All debtors are due within one year.

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13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 €	2022 €
Trade creditors	5,559	2,593
PAYE/PRSI	3,299	2,898
Accruals	12,053	11,923
	<u>20,911</u>	<u>17,414</u>

The repayment terms of creditors vary between on demand and 90 days. No interest is payable on trade creditors.

Tax & social security are subject to the terms of the relevant legislation.

The terms of accruals are based on the underlying contracts.

Other amounts included within creditors not covered by specific note disclosures are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

14. Movement in Funds

	At the start of year 2023 €	Incoming resources 2023 €	Outgoing resources 2023 €	Transfer between funds €	At the end of year 2023 €
Restricted funds	16,698	-	(16,698)	-	-
Unrestricted Funds	254,380	997,923	(716,819)	-	535,484
	<u>271,078</u>	<u>997,923</u>	<u>733,517</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>535,484</u>
	<i>At the start of year 2022</i> €	<i>Incoming Resources 2022</i> €	<i>Outgoing resources 2022</i> €	<i>Transfer between funds</i> €	<i>At the end of year 2022</i> €
Restricted funds	-	26,698	(10,000)	-	16,698
Unrestricted funds	304,579	602,031	(652,230)	-	254,380
	<u>304,579</u>	<u>628,729</u>	<u>(662,230)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>271,078</u>

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15. Analysis of Net Assets

	Unrestricted funds 2023 €	Total funds 2023 €
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,945	1,945
Current Assets	554,457	554,457
Creditors	(20,911)	(20,911)
	<u>535,491</u>	<u>535,491</u>
	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 €</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 €</i>
Tangible Fixed Assets	2,966	2,966
Current assets	285,533	285,533
Creditors	(17,414)	(17,414)
	<u>271,085</u>	<u>271,085</u>

16. Financial instruments

	2023 €	2022 €
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	<u>554,457</u>	<u>285,533</u>
	2023 €	2022 €
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	<u>5,559</u>	<u>2,593</u>

Financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise cash at bank and in hand and amounts owed by related parties and debtors.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise trade creditors.

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17. Called Up Share Capital present as equity

	2023 €	2022 €
Authorised Share Capital		
1,000 Ordinary Shares of €1.00 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Issued Share Capital		
7 Ordinary Shares of €1.00 each	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>

18. Taxation

No charge to taxation arises as the company has been granted charitable exemption by the Revenue Commissioners.

19. Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The defined contribution charge for the financial year was €22,400 (2022 - €2,400). The amount due at financial year end was €300 (2022 - €300).

20. Related party transactions

Directors donations for the financial year was €2,000 (2022- €NIL). This donation was in relation to the building blitz.

Mellon Educate UK

Mellon Educate UK is a related party by virtue of a Trustee of Mellon Educate (UK) also being a Director of Mellon Township Limited. Mellon Township Limited receive grants from Mellon Educate UK for the Blitz. The amount of grants received in 2023 was €NIL (2022 - €NIL). There was an amount owing by Mellon Educate UK of €36,046 (2022 - €2,503).

Mellon Housing Initiative

Mellon Housing Initiative is a related party by common Directors. During the financial year, Mellon Township Limited approved grants to Mellon Housing Initiative of €16,698 (2022 - €10,000). There is a balance of €NIL owing to Mellon Township Limited at year end (2022 - €NIL).

Mellon Foundation

Mellon US support Mellon Township and its initiatives. During the financial year, Mellon Township Limited received grants from Mellon Foundation of €36,791 (2022 - €NIL). The amount outstanding at the year end was €NIL (2022 - €NIL).

21. Capital Commitments

The Charity had no capital commitments at the financial year end (2022 - €NIL).

22. Contingent Liabilities

The Charity had no contingent liabilities at the financial year end (2022 - €NIL).

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23. Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2023 the charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2023 €	2022 €
Not later than 1 year	<u>9,000</u>	<u>-</u>

24. Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant events since the financial year end.

25. Approval of financial statements

The financial statements were approved and authorised on **23/09/2024**