

THE
ACCESS
TO JUSTICE
FOUNDATION



Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2019

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Message from our Chairman

I am writing this message at a time of great uncertainty. With the emergence of Covid-19 and the restrictions imposed on our communities we are all adjusting to different working practices. This applies to the legal advice sector and also to those in society struggling to access justice.

The homeless, the unemployed, victims of domestic violence and many others need the vital support of advice agencies at this time. Meanwhile those agencies are faced with increased costs as they are forced to move to remote working at a time of increased demand for their services and uncertainty of income.

In 2019 we at the Foundation increased our fundraising capacity as well as making changes to improve the effectiveness of our grant making. We hope this will stand us in good stead as we look to the future, including in these challenging times.

In 2020 and beyond the advice sector will need even more support in order to help the most vulnerable in society. It is clear that this is best done when we work together. We will continue to work closely with our partners to encourage joint fundraising campaigns, joined up approaches to funding and other sector collaborations such as the LIP Support Strategy and the LIP Network. We believe that this is the best way to show everyone the importance of access to justice and the impact it has on society.

Even in these difficult times there is reason to be pleased with what we have achieved. With over



£1.9m of grants distributed in 2019 we are continuing to improve our efforts in 2020. The Community Justice Fund was launched in May and already has commitments of over £5m. This fund is a joint initiative to help specialist social welfare legal advice organisations cope with the immediate impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and lay the foundations for longer-term renewal.

I have been Chairman of the board of the Access to Justice Foundation since it was first established in 2008 and have overseen the growth of the charity from its inception to the organisation it is today. Given the length of my term as Trustee I will be standing down from the board at the end of 2020, although I am delighted to be staying involved in the Foundation's work as President. I would like to thank the Trustees who have served alongside me and I hope that my successor will take the Foundation to even greater heights.

Thank you for your support.

Lord Goldsmith QC
Chairman of the Board

Our vision is a society where everyone has access to justice

We raise funds and distribute them to advice agencies which make an enormous difference to the lives of vulnerable people.

We provide funding and support to organisations to help:

- Keep family breadwinners in employment through challenging unlawful discrimination;
- Prevent young families from being made homeless;
- Support disabled people to avoid poverty by achieving a basic level of income;
- Help victims of sexual violence and torture to rebuild their lives.

We fund Law Centres, local Citizens Advice, independent advice agencies, pro bono projects and national charities, all of which help to facilitate access to justice.

SOME OF THE LOCAL WORK WE FUNDED IN 2019:

Suffolk Law Centre to trial new ways to resolve unmet social welfare legal problems by delivering legal advice directly to vulnerable people living in rural areas.

Citizens Advice Devon to help find the most effective interventions to resolve unmet social welfare law issues through specialist advice and partnership working across the region.

The difference we make

Grants

In 2019, the Access to Justice Foundation distributed a total of £1,909,822 in grants to support free legal help for those in need. This included £1,361,843 under the Litigant in Person Support Strategy and £76,864 to the Legal Support Trusts. The remainder was distributed to front line advice agencies and to national organisations and projects.

These funds have been vital in helping those organisations to continue to provide free legal help to those who are unable to afford it.

Funds received

We raise funds through individual and corporate donations, the proceeds of pro bono costs orders and dormant client account funds. We work closely with our committees in the regions of England, in Wales and in Scotland organising fundraising events to support legal advice agencies.

In 2019 the Foundation was awarded £118,274 of pro bono costs (see note 3 to the accounts regarding amounts not received). In addition, the Foundation received £377,298 of donations from solicitors firms' dormant client account funds.

£485,691 of donations were received from individuals and firms, including £250,000 from The Stewarts Foundation and £119,301 designated for distribution in Scotland, Wales and particular regions of England.

The Foundation also received £1.44m from the Ministry of Justice for distribution under the Litigant in Person Support Strategy.

Supporting the advice and pro bono sectors

In addition to our work with the Litigant in Person Support Strategy, we provide support to the sector through engaging with HM Courts and Tribunals Service in their court reform programme and with the Ministry of Justice in their post-implementation review of the Legal Aid Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012, as well as working with our Members and other organisations wherever possible on specific issues such as communications, partnerships and technology.

The Legal Support Trusts

Legal Support Trusts operate across England, Scotland and Wales, either as independent charities or as committees working closely with the Foundation. The Legal Support Trusts raise funds in their country or region for distribution to local advice organisations helping the vulnerable. The Trusts either make direct grants to those organisations or work closely with the Foundation to direct funding.

In 2019 there were 34 legal walks across England, Scotland and Wales as well as a national bake sale and a national quiz organised by the Foundation working with the Legal Support Trusts across England, Wales and Scotland. Over £1.17m was raised to help provide legal advice to those in need. Of this, £979k was raised by the London Legal Support Trust and £119k was raised via the Foundation.

CASE STUDY

*Matthew was an unemployed single parent with mental health problems and five dependent children. He got into rent arrears and his landlord was threatening to evict them. All because of a housing benefit overpayment, which was now being deducted from his current housing benefit payments.

Matthew was not coping since the death of his partner and mother of their five children. Luckily the Canterbury Housing Advice Centre were there to give him legal advice and representation. With their support, the Council wrote-off the overpayment and cleared all of his rent arrears so that housing benefit was now paying all of his rent. Consequently, Matthew and his five dependent children did not become homeless.

*names have been changed

The Litigant in Person Support Strategy

Established in 2014, the Litigant in Person Support Strategy (LIPSS) is a partnership supporting the increasing number of litigants in person. The Foundation and Advocate are joined by funded partners Law for Life, LawWorks, RCJ Advice and Support Through Court, supported by the Ministry of Justice.

LIPSS works to ensure that litigants in person know what support is available to them; can access practical and emotional support; have routes to free or affordable legal advice; and support the legal system to be more responsive to the needs of litigants in person.

In 2019, the partnership supported over 280 pro bono clinics across England and Wales, provided court based support to over 75,000 contacts and facilitated access to online guides and tools targeted to the needs of vulnerable litigants in person.

The LIP Network

The Foundation supports the LIP Network, a programme of projects aimed at supporting services delivering access to justice for those most in need.

The LIP Network supports a pan sector community with shared aims in delivering access to justice. Through its broad network of organisations and individuals it creates a shared knowledge base around who is doing what in the access to justice sector and supports stakeholders in engaging in collaboration, dialogue and knowledge exchange.

The LIP Network's online platform provides access to resources and projects improving efficient service delivery. Its workstreams provide facilitated opportunities for stakeholders to engage strategically with policy issues and to identify and collectively address shared concerns.

Our plans for 2020

In looking ahead to next year and beyond we, like others, are trying to prepare for the long term impact of the Covid-19 crisis. For us, this means doing all that we can to support and sustain the provision of specialist legal advice across the UK.

More than ever, it is crucial for us to work in partnership with others to avoid duplication and make the most effective use of our joint resources.

We are pleased to be working in partnership with our regional committees and Trusts, including the London Legal Support Trust, on our Emergency Advice Appeal, which is raising funds to ensure that vulnerable people across the country can get access to advice around their housing, employment, income and health and social care problems.

Alongside this and in partnership with others from the advice funding community, we are working on the Community Justice Fund, a new combined fund which will support organisations on the frontline to maintain and adapt their services at this difficult time, as well as helping agencies scale up provision to meet the inevitable increase in demand.

We recognise how difficult this is for a sector which has already been stretched so far, and are committed to doing all we can to ensure that services are maintained for the most vulnerable. We hope to reduce the burden on

agencies by simplifying both applications and reporting requirements, while working with other funders to share data and learning to ensure we develop a robust evidence base to jointly develop a future strategy.

We will also continue to support the sector in other ways including through the LIP Network and the LIP Support Strategy (LIPSS).

LIPSS will continue to deliver services to support litigants in person through its Partners. This will include digital legal support targeted to the needs of the vulnerable, providing practical and emotional support at court, supporting the launch and development of new free legal advice clinics, providing civil and family legal advice and representation, and continuing to engage in HMCTS working groups to raise awareness of issues affecting people participating in the legal system on their own.

Building on the work of LIPSS the Foundation will also be responsible for distributing additional funding from the Ministry of Justice. The Legal Support for Litigants in Person Grant provides an additional £3.1 million across two years to support litigants in person. The funding will be available for new, expanded or scaled-up services that, as far as possible, support the earliest possible interventions for litigants in person to reduce the risk of people's legal problems escalating.

CASE STUDY

*Jenny was a victim of domestic abuse. She was living in a refuge with her two children and had no income. She had been refused Universal Credit and had not received any financial support for three months. She went to Hammersmith & Fulham Law Centre who built up trust with her and discovered that she was being abused. The Law Centre challenged the local authority and the DWP and Jenny was given the financial assistance and support she needed to start making a change in her life.

Financial Review

In 2019 total income was £2,440,525 (2018: £2,251,945). Grants of £1,909,822 were payable (2018: £2,080,182) and the Foundation had net income of £81,322 for the period (net expenditure 2018: £(113,127)).

Investment Powers

The Foundation may invest monies of the charity not immediately required for its purposes in or upon such investments, securities or property as the Trustees may determine.

Reserves policy

The Foundation maintains reserves which the Board of Trustees deem appropriate for its efficient operation on a prudent basis. A level of net current assets of £50,000 was considered sufficient to meet administrative costs. In addition, the Board of Trustees reserves amounts (£139,878 in 2019; £125,659 in 2018) considered sufficient in respect of indemnities given to firms for donations received under the client account scheme.

The Trustees will continue to review the Foundation's reserves, including in light of the increased funding from the Ministry

of Justice as well as the emergence of Covid-19 and the uncertainties associated with that. At this time the Board does not see the need to increase reserves but will keep monitoring this as events unfold.

The actual net current assets, representing unrestricted funds, as shown in note 11, exceed the required level and amounted to £329,581 (2018: £219,904). The Foundation's target for 2019 was £190,000 and the Trustees plan to distribute funds in excess of this amount in 2020 by way of grants.

Donated Services

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation for the services provided by a number of professional individuals at no cost to the Foundation. These services have been invaluable to continue the development of the charity, and the value of which cannot be easily quantified.

The Foundation would like to thank our supporters including the professional bodies, law firms, chambers, accountants, charities and many individuals who have supported the Foundation.

SOME OF THE NATIONAL WORK WE FUNDED IN 2019:

Law Centres Network to support Law Centres in their work to advise destitute families, in partnership with key non advice agencies, community groups and law firms.

Child Poverty Action Group to help with their work in providing direct assistance to advisers in other organisations helping claimants in welfare benefit cases to identify when cases should be pursued to the Upper Tribunal and ensure appropriate cases are challenged.

Governance

Structure and Trustees

The Access to Justice Foundation was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 2nd October 2008, and was registered as a charity in England and Wales on 3rd October 2008 and in Scotland on 27 July 2018. It is governed by its Articles of Association.

The composition of the Board represents the cross legal profession nature of the Foundation, working in collaboration with the advice sector. This is achieved through trustees being appointed by the following:

1. President of the Law Society of England and Wales

Appointee: Jeffrey Forrest

2. Chairman of the Bar Council

Appointee: Lance Ashworth QC

3. President of the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives

Appointee: Frances Edwards

4. Chairman of Advice Services Alliance

Appointee: Steve Johnson (resigned 2 June 2020)

5. Lord Chief Justice

Appointee: Dame Janet Smith DBE

6. Law firms

Appointee: Laurence Harris

7. Legal Support Trusts

Appointee: Bob Nightingale MBE (resigned 28 January 2020)

In addition, the Board of Trustees has the power to appoint further Trustees. It has appointed Lord Goldsmith QC as their Chairman, Toby Brown as a Trustee, Lauren Bruce (resigned 28 January 2020) as a

Trustee from Scotland and Nicola Sawford as a Trustee and Treasurer.

Decision-Making

Matters requiring board approval are decided by the Board acting by a majority at Trustee meetings or by 75% majority by email. The Foundation appoints the following committees to make recommendations to the Board and to exercise delegated authority on some matters:

- Governance, Audit and Risk Committee,
- Grants Committee,
- HR Committee,
- Strategy and Development Committee, and
- Nominations Committee.

The Board also forms other committees when deemed necessary to make recommendations on particular matters.

Day to day operational decisions are delegated to the Chief Executive, who operates within the confines of policies set by the Board on matters such as enforcement of pro bono costs orders and signing of cheques.

Employees

During the period the Foundation had five full-time members of staff and three part-time members of staff:

- Ruth Daniel, Chief Executive Officer
- Clare Carter, Deputy Chief Executive
- Alice Bettis Marsh, Network and Development Officer (joined 18 November 2019)
- Laura Cassidy, Fundraising and Development Manager
- Martha de la Roche, LIP Network Development Manager

- Gregoire Hodder, Head of Development (joined 13 May 2019)
- Stacey Lamb, LIPSS Programme Coordinator (left 31 October 2019)
- Maria Vittoria Salvatori, Administrative Officer (joined 22 January 2019, left 19 December 2019)
- Rebecca Wilkie, LIPSS Programme Director.

Remuneration

Key management comprises Ruth Daniel, Clare Carter and Rebecca Wilkie. Remuneration for key management and an annual overall staff budget are set by the Board of Trustees, following recommendations made by the Foundation's Human Resources Committee.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Board of Trustees has identified the following key risks and uncertainties and how they are mitigated:

1. **Financial security:** fundraising plans are in place for the main sources of income for the charity and the charity's business plan focuses on identifying new sources of income.
2. **Fraud:** financial controls have been put in place by the Board of Trustees and a Treasurer appointed to oversee written processes and to review income and expenditure.
3. **Loss of key management:** written procedures, plans and policies are in place and information key to the running of the charity is stored in central systems.
4. **Distribution of funds:** clear grant making procedure and Distribution Principles are in place.
5. **The impact of Covid-19:** regular review of the risks and potential opportunities.

Grant Making Policy

The Foundation's grant making policy is set out in its Distribution Principles available on its website, which have been agreed by the Trustees. The Trustees consider the criteria to be set for each grants round in advance of its launch in order to ensure the Foundation's aims and objectives can be best met.

Decisions as to grants to be awarded are made by the Trustees on the recommendation of the Foundation's Grants Sub-Committee, which is formed for each grants round. Funds received from the Ministry of Justice under the Litigant in Person Support Strategy are distributed in accordance with the agreed strategy, which the Trustees consider to be in alignment with the Foundation's aims and objectives, or in accordance with instructions from a Committee of CEOs, on which the Foundation has a seat.

Raising Funds

The Foundation raises funds from pro bono costs, solicitors' unclaimed client account funds, grants and donations from organisations and individuals, including through sponsored events. The Foundation also works with other funders to increase funds for the sector more broadly.

Grants for specific projects are recorded as restricted income for those projects and the Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring grants are spent for the purpose for which they are given. We are committed to good fundraising practice, are registered with the Fundraising Regulator and have clear policies in place for how and when potential donors are approached. No complaints were received in 2019.

Trustee Indemnity Insurance

The Trustees have put in place trustee indemnity insurance cover of £1million at a cost of £672 (2018: £694).

Induction and Training of Trustees

New Trustees receive an induction pack. This contains, amongst others, documents detailing the nature of the company and charitable status, how the Charity operates and Board Policy and Procedures. They are also able to attend, together with all existing Trustees, relevant seminars as the need arises.

They participate in induction meetings with the Foundation's staff, are provided with briefings from the Chairs of the various Board Committees and an existing Trustee acts as a mentor for the first few months following their appointment.

Charity's Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance with regard to public benefit and have ensured that the Foundation's resources have been or will be distributed to organisations that provide, support or facilitate access to free legal assistance to those in charitable need, regardless of race, religion or other status.

Trustees' Responsibilities Statement

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

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

financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

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

Going Concern Statement

The accounts are approved during a period where there is much uncertainty as a result of the emergence and international spread of a coronavirus (Covid-19). The Foundation's response has been to implement its contingency planning arrangements for such circumstances in order for staff to work remotely. The ultimate impact of Covid-19 on the UK, the world, the economy and the Foundation is yet to be seen. However, through appropriate consideration of risks as part of its normal risk management processes and mitigating actions both already taken and available to be taken, the trustees consider it appropriate for the going concern basis to be adopted for these accounts.

Statement as to disclosure of information to auditors

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

Small Companies Regime

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 2 June 2020

Lord Goldsmith QC
Chairman of the Board

Independent auditor's report to the Members and Trustees of the Access to Justice Foundation

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Access to Justice Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the statement of financial activities, balance sheet, statement of cashflows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of the charitable company's net movement in funds, including the income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Trustees for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 13, the Trustees (who are also the Directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless

the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

Other information

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report (which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees' Annual Report has been prepared in

accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual Report (which includes the Directors' report).

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 and the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations (as amended) require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006, section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and regulation 10 of the Charity Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Lee Stokes (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Haysmacintyre LLP, Statutory Auditors
Date:

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Financial Statements

The Access to Justice Foundation
Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 31 December 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £	Total Funds 2018 £
Income from:						
Donations and legacies						
Pro bono costs orders	3	-	-	122,959	122,959	140,256
Unclaimed client accounts		376,603	694	-	377,297	198,668
Grants received	4	-	10,000	1,444,081	1,454,081	1,518,980
Other donations		116,390	119,301	250,000	485,691	393,697
Investments						
Bank interest received		497	-	-	497	344
Total Income		<u>493,490</u>	<u>129,995</u>	<u>1,817,040</u>	<u>2,440,525</u>	<u>2,251,945</u>
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities						
Grants payable	14	85,472	76,864	1,747,486	1,909,822	2,080,182
Direct costs		22,152	-	141,248	163,400	119,004
Support costs	5	62,375	-	-	62,375	33,288
Raising funds	6	154,438	1,452	-	155,890	92,828
Other	7	59,376	-	8,340	67,716	39,770
Total Expenditure		<u>383,813</u>	<u>78,316</u>	<u>1,897,074</u>	<u>2,359,203</u>	<u>2,365,072</u>
Net Income / (Expenditure)		109,677	51,679	(80,034)	81,322	(113,127)
Total Funds Brought Forward		<u>219,904</u>	<u>1,204</u>	<u>192,270</u>	<u>413,378</u>	<u>526,505</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward at 31 December 2019		<u><u>329,581</u></u>	<u><u>52,883</u></u>	<u><u>112,236</u></u>	<u><u>494,700</u></u>	<u><u>413,378</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure was derived from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of the financial statements.

The Access to Justice Foundation
Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £	Total Funds 2017 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies					
Pro bono costs orders	-	-	140,256	140,256	166,100
Unclaimed client accounts	189,253	9,415	-	198,668	173,431
Grant received	-	5,000	1,513,980	1,518,980	1,104,907
Other donations	45,117	98,580	250,000	393,697	438,797
Investments					
Bank interest received	139	-	205	344	185
Total Income	<u>234,509</u>	<u>112,995</u>	<u>1,904,441</u>	<u>2,251,945</u>	<u>1,883,420</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
Grants payable	185,290	146,858	1,748,034	2,080,182	1,742,095
Direct costs	1,080	3,235	114,689	119,004	122,520
Support costs	33,288	-	-	33,288	11,645
Raising funds	92,124	704	-	92,828	97,353
Other	31,430	-	8,340	39,770	42,862
Total Expenditure	<u>343,212</u>	<u>150,797</u>	<u>1,871,063</u>	<u>2,365,072</u>	<u>2,016,295</u>
Net (Expenditure)/ Income	(108,703)	(37,802)	33,378	(113,127)	(132,875)
Total Funds Brought Forward	<u>328,607</u>	<u>39,006</u>	<u>158,892</u>	<u>526,505</u>	<u>659,380</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward at 31 December 2018	<u><u>219,904</u></u>	<u><u>1,204</u></u>	<u><u>192,270</u></u>	<u><u>413,378</u></u>	<u><u>526,505</u></u>

The Access to Justice Foundation
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2019

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>	
		£	£	£	£
Current Assets					
Debtors	9	107,160		109,136	
Cash at bank		483,002		502,837	
		<u>590,162</u>		<u>611,973</u>	
Total current assets					
Creditors, amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(95,462)</u>		<u>(198,595)</u>	
Net Current Assets			<u>494,700</u>		<u>413,378</u>
Net Assets			£ <u>494,700</u>		£ <u>413,378</u>

The Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted funds	11	329,581		219,904	
Designated funds	11	52,883		1,204	
Restricted funds	11	112,236		192,270	
			<u>£ 494,700</u>		<u>£ 413,378</u>

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of the financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on
And signed on their behalf by:

Lord Goldsmith QC (Chairman of the Board)

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended 31 December 2019

<u>Note</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net cash provided by Operating activities	(20,331)	98,621
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest	497	344
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Change in cash and cash equivalents In the reporting period	(19,835)	98,965
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the reporting period	502,837	403,872
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	£ 483,003	£ 502,837
	<u>£ 483,003</u>	<u>£ 502,837</u>

Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities:

	2019	2018
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure)	81,323	(113,127)
Bank interest receivable	(497)	(344)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	1,976	56,306
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	(103,133)	155,786
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Net cash provided by operating activities	(20,331)	98,621
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Analysis of Changes in net debt - 2019	Cash at 1 January 2019 £	Cashflows	Cash at 31 December 2019 £
Cash	502,837	(19,834)	483,003

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of the financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2019

1. General information

The continuing activity of the charity is to facilitate access to justice for those unable to afford legal assistance.

The charity is a public benefit entity, a United Kingdom charitable company limited by guarantee. It is both incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales. The address of its registered office is 48 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1JF.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Practice for Charities (SORP 2015) (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies that have been applied to all periods presented in these financial statements are set out below.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the accounting policies selected for use by the Charity. Use of available information and application of judgement are inherent in the formation of estimates. Actual outcomes in the future could differ from such estimates.

(b) Income recognition

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Charity becomes legally entitled to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Where a pro bono cost order has not been received within 6 months of the award a bad debt provision is considered according to the likelihood of receiving the funds. Bad debts are offset against income receivable.

Donations are recognised in accordance with the donor's wishes and credited to restricted or unrestricted funds as the case may be.

Income from government and other grants are recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

(c) Grants payable

Grants payable are accounted for in the period during which they are approved by the Foundation.

(d) Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is charged to the SOFA on an accruals basis.

When costs relate to more than one activity they are allocated to charitable expenditure, the cost of raising funds or other costs based upon management estimate of staff time. Where

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2. Accounting Policies (continued)

costs are not directly attributable to a fund they are recorded as unrestricted and a transfer recorded to account for costs attributable to restricted income.

(e) Gifts in kind

Gifts in kind are brought into account at their estimated market value at the time the relevant gifts are made.

(f) Financial instruments

The only financial instruments held by the Charity constitute payables and receivables. These are categorised as 'basic' in accordance with Section 11 of FRS 102 and are initially recognised at transaction price. These are subsequently measured at transaction price less any impairment.

(g) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Foundation and which have not been designated for other purposes. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Foundation for particular purposes.

Designated funds consist of donations received which the Trustees have allocated toward a specific beneficiary. As such the conditions have been imposed by the Trustees rather than the donor.

(h) Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate, i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. The Trustees conclude that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue and accordingly the financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

(i) Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The Trustees consider the provision for non-recoverable amounts in relation to pro bono costs to be a key judgement and estimation. Pro-bono costs are considered for recoverability on a case by case basis.

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3. Pro Bono Costs

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Pro bono cost orders relating to 2019	118,274	212,158
Pro bono cost orders previously considered non-recoverable for previous years	69,710	0
Non-recoverable amounts	<u>(65,025)</u>	<u>(71,902)</u>
	<u>£ 122,959</u>	<u>£ 140,256</u>

4. Government grants

Included within grants received is an amount of £1,444,333 (2018 £1,450,206), provided by the Ministry of Justice to fund the "Litigation in Person Support Strategy" which has been disclosed separately within restricted funds. There were no unfulfilled conditions at the year end. No other forms of government grant assistance were provided during the year.

5. Support costs

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Staff costs	140,381	79,633
Rent and rates	8,332	8,323
Professional fees	12,432	10,652
Administrative expenses	<u>16,752</u>	<u>7,458</u>
	<u>£ 177,897</u>	<u>£ 106,066</u>

Administrative expenses comprise of regulatory costs, website hosting, registered office fees, recruitment costs, reimbursed travel costs for volunteers and office supplies. Support costs are allocated between charitable expenses, costs of raising funds and governance costs in the following proportions.

		<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Direct charitable expenditure	35% (2018: 31%)	62,375	33,288
Cost of raising funds	32% (2018: 41%)	57,342	43,078
Administration costs	33% (2018: 28%)	<u>58,180</u>	<u>29,700</u>
		<u>£ 177,897</u>	<u>£ 106,066</u>

6. Raising funds

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Direct costs	98,547	49,750
Allocated Support Costs (see note 5)	<u>57,343</u>	<u>43,078</u>
	<u>£ 155,890</u>	<u>£ 92,828</u>

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7. Other costs

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Audit fees	8,340	8,340
Other	1,197	1,730
Allocated support costs (see note 5)	58,179	29,700
	<u>£ 67,716</u>	<u>£ 39,770</u>

8. Salaries

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Staff costs		
Wages and salaries	261,253	181,277
Social Security Costs	23,517	15,473
Pension costs	5,624	2,462
	<u>£ 290,394</u>	<u>£ 199,212</u>

The average number of employees during the year was eight (2018: six), engaged in the management and administration of the Foundation.

During the year no employee received emoluments above £60,000 (2018: Nil).

Key management remuneration for the year totalled £105,333 (2018: £98,591).

9. Debtors

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Accrued income	103,704	107,253
Prepayments	1,883	1,883
Other Debtors	1,573	-
	<u>£ 107,160</u>	<u>£ 109,136</u>

10. Creditors – amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Accruals	10,340	8,340
Grants payable	27,847	186,259
Deferred Income	50,000	-
Other payables	7,275	3,996
	<u>£ 95,462</u>	<u>£ 198,595</u>

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11. Summary of Funds**2019**

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>
As at 1 January 2019	219,904	1,204	192,270
Total Income	493,491	129,995	1,817,039
Total Expenditure	<u>(383,814)</u>	<u>(78,316)</u>	<u>(1,897,073)</u>
At 31 December 2019	£ <u>329,581</u>	£ <u>52,883</u>	£ <u>112,236</u>

2018

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>
As at 1 January 2018	328,607	39,006	158,892
Total Income	234,509	112,995	1,904,441
Total Expenditure	<u>(343,212)</u>	<u>(150,797)</u>	<u>(1,871,063)</u>
At 31 December 2018	£ <u>219,904</u>	£ <u>1,204</u>	£ <u>192,270</u>

Designated funds have been carried forward specifically to be spent on achieving the objectives and aims of the Legal Support Trusts.

Restricted Funds received from “pro bono costs” may only be used in accordance with section 194 of the Legal Services Act 2007. Restricted funds are further split as follows:

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2019

	Restricted	
	<u>LIP Strategy</u>	<u>Other</u>
At 1 January 2019	73,410	118,861
Total Income	1,444,333	372,706
Total Expenditure	(1,480,941)	(416,132)
At 31 December 2019	£ 36,801	£ 75,435

2018

	Restricted	
	<u>LIP Strategy</u>	<u>Other</u>
At 1 January 2018	58,608	100,284
Total Income	1,450,206	454,235
Total Expenditure	(1,435,404)	(435,658)
At 31 December 2018	£ 73,410	£ 118,861

Fund assets and liabilities are made up as follows;

2019

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
Debtors	3,457	28,268	75,435	107,160
Cash	327,155	32,236	123,611	483,002
Liabilities	(1,031)	(7,621)	(86,810)	(95,462)
Net assets at 31 December 2019	£ <u>329,581</u>	£ <u>52,883</u>	£ <u>112,236</u>	£ <u>494,700</u>

2018

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Designated Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
Debtors	3,440	-	105,696	109,136
Cash	368,121	39,802	94,914	502,837
Liabilities	(151,657)	(38,598)	(8,340)	(198,595)
Net assets at 31 December 2019	£ <u>219,904</u>	£ <u>1,204</u>	£ <u>192,270</u>	£ <u>413,378</u>

12. Contingent liability

The Charity has provided indemnities to law firms that have donated unclaimed client funds in respect of client balances over £500 (2018: £500) in the event that these are claimed back from the law firm. Suitable investment of these reserves is considered by the Trustees on a regular basis.

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13. Related Parties

No member of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration during the year (2018 £Nil). Travel expenses reimbursed amounted to £292 (2018 £506). There were no other related party transactions noted in the current or preceding year.

14. Grants made to Institutions

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
	£	£
Grants	1,930,646	2,080,182

Grants were made to the following institutions for the purpose of enabling the recipient to promote the charity's objectives:

Advice Services Alliance	-	5,000
Advocate (formerly Bar Pro Bono Unit)	-	18,865
Anti-trafficking and Labour Exploitation Unit	-	5,000
Asylum Support Appeals Project	-	15,000
Alzheimer's Society Newcastle	141	-
Bail for Immigration Detainees	-	10,000
Bristol Law Centre	1,825	-
Canterbury Housing Advice Centre (CHAC)	-	10,000
Cass Business School	3,000	-
Central Dorset Citizen's Advice	59,986	-
Central England Law Centre	-	10,000
Centre for Women's Justice	-	20,000
Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG)	12,500	-
Citizens Advice Airdrie	(5,000)	5,000
Citizens Advice Barnet	57,287	-
Citizens Advice Barrow	-	10,000
Citizens Advice Bridport and District	-	10,000
Citizens Advice Canolfen Cynghon Ynys Mon	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Craven and Harrogate Districts	-	13,000
Citizens Advice Devon	59,851	-
Citizens Advice Flintshire	-	10,000
Citizens Advice Gateshead	20,000	-
Citizens Advice Gloucester & District	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Hartlepool	15,500	5,000
Citizens Advice Isle of Wight	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Lancashire	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Leeds	1,062	138
Citizens Advice Liverpool	(5,000)	5,000
Citizens Advice Mid-North Yorkshire	30,088	-
Citizens Advice Mid-Suffolk	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Middlesbrough	16,500	17,500
Citizens Advice North & West Kent	-	10,000
Citizens Advice North East Lincolnshire	-	20,000
Citizens Advice North Oxon & South Northants	-	65
Citizens Advice Oxfordshire	-	5,037
Citizens Advice Pembrokeshire	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Portsmouth	-	2,500

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14. Grants made to Institutions (continued)

Citizens Advice Three Rivers	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Scarborough	-	12,000
Citizens Advice Shepway	-	20,000
Citizens Advice South Derbyshire and City	-	10,000
Citizens Advice Staffordshire North and Stoke on Trent	-	10,000
Citizens Advice Torridge North, Mid and West Devon	-	5,000
Citizens Advice Welwyn & Hatfield	-	10,000
Citizens Advice Wigan	-	13,000
Citizens Advice Woking	-	10,000
Citizens Advice York	1,058	72
Clan Childlaw	-	5,000
Community Help and Advice Initiative	-	375
Eastern Legal Support Trust	11,991	17,757
Edinburgh Napier Law Clinic	-	(486)
Fife Law Centre	5,000	-
Gloucester Law Centre	-	5,000
Greater Manchester Immigration Aid Unit	-	450
Hammersmith & Fulham Community Law Centre	-	10,000
Harlow Advice Centre	-	10,000
Inquest Charitable Trust	-	20,000
Ipswich & Suffolk Council for Racial Equality	-	15,000
Isle of Wight Law Centre	-	5,000
Islington Law Centre	-	10,000
Just for Kids Law	-	23,000
Just Right Scotland	4,944	5,000
Kent Law Clinic	2116	-
Kirklees Citizen Advice and Law Centre	-	15,000
Lasa	15,000	-
Law Centres Network	15,000	-
Law for Life (Foundation for Public Legal Education)	91,848	106,848
Law Works (The Solicitors Pro Bono Group)	251,880	266,880
Legal Action Group	3,500	-
Legal Advice Centre (University House)	-	10,000
Legal Support Trusts	15,346	31,540
Lewisham Refugee and Migrant Network	-	10,000
London Legal Support Trust	2,322	5,168
Manuel Bravo Project	-	10,030
Mary Ward Legal Centre	9,000	250
Mermaids	5	-
Midland Legal Support Trust	20,474	31,633
Norfolk Community Law Service	-	10,000
North Bristol Advice Centre	-	10,000
North East Law Centre	19,000	15,000
North East Legal Support Trust	(426)	-
North Kensington Law Centre	-	10,000
North West Legal Support Trust	-	10,794

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14. Grants made to Institutions (continued)

Pembrokeshire People First	-	5,000
Public Law Project	1,250	-
RCJ Advice	436,475	428,600
Reaching Justice Wales	347	11,793
Rose Hill & Donnington Advice Centre	-	604
Salford Unemployed and Community Resource Centre	-	10,000
Scottish Child Law Centre	5,000	-
SOAS Detention Law Centre Clinic	-	5,250
Southampton Advice and Representation Centre	-	10,000
South West Legal Support Trust	8,027	7,483
South West London Law Centre	4,985	-
Speakeasy Law Centre	58,037	-
St Ann's Advice Group	-	10,000
St Paul's Advice Centre	-	10,000
Suffolk Law Centre (Ipswich & Suffolk Council for Racial Equality)	60,000	-
Support Through Court (Formerly Personal Support Unit)	540,407	559,608
The You Trust	59,500	-
University of Edinburgh Legal Advice Centre	-	227
Vauxhall Community Law & Information Centre	-	10,000
Warwickshire Employment Rights Service	-	10,000
Welfare Benefits Unit	-	201
	£1,909,823	£2,080,182
	£1,909,823	£2,080,182

15. Post balance sheet event

In light of the emergence and spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the Charity is monitoring the situation very closely to assess the potential impact on its operations.

Whilst the overall impact is unknown, the Charity is likely to see a change in operations in the year to 31 December 2020 with a focus on different streams of income. In particular, the Charity is likely to see a reduction in income from pro bono costs and unclaimed client accounts whilst the launch of an Emergency Advice Appeal and Community Justice Fund is likely to result in an increase in income.

The Trustees have prepared cash flow forecasts to plan for the above, including any reasonably foreseeable mitigating factors and the Trustees are comfortable that the Charity can continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

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