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Board Members Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

The Board Members present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023. The accounts have been prepared in compliance with the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2019 applicable to charitable entities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2018)"

# Foreword by Roger Phillips, Chair of Skylight Board

Welcome to SKylight's (formerly Foundations Stockport) fourth annual report. This year, in recognition of our growth over the last few years and ambitions for the future, an opportunity was taken to review the Foundations brand and move towards a more aspirational name which reflects both the evolution of the charitable arm and the growth and progression of the many customers who access services, hence Foundations became SKylight from May 2022.

SKylight continues to work with some of the most vulnerable households within the community, delivering a range of initiatives to tackle homelessness and rough sleeping, address food and furniture poverty and work with people particularly disadvantaged by the economic impact of the pandemic.

SKylight, like many other organisations, has faced particular pressures this year in respect of homelessness services. A range of initiatives are provided to tackle homelessness including a Housing First service which supports homeless people into permanent accommodation and wraps intensive support around them, outreach work to identify and engage rough sleepers, many of whom have complex needs and struggle to engage with services, and a range of specialist Officers who work with people who are at a point of crisis in their lives due to mental health issues, domestic abuse or being exploited by others and therefore at risk of losing their accommodation and becoming homeless. Pressures have been particularly pronounced this year due to the impact of the cost-of-living crisis and the processing of large numbers of possession proceedings which were delayed during the Covid 19 pandemic. The shortage of affordable and accessible accommodation will continue into the coming years and represents a significant challenge for SKylight, the council and wider stakeholders.

SKylight's response to food and furniture poverty tackles inequality and disadvantage within the borough, delivering services which will are more in demand than ever with the cost-of-living crisis resulting in more people struggling to make ends meet. The securing of new premises for the Furniture Recycling Service is helping SKylight to respond to growing demand and offering customers more dignity and choice in being able to select their own items. Meanwhile work with the council and food partners continues across the borough to ensure effective co-ordination of accessible food provision to those that need support.

Sadly the funding for Motiv8, one of SKylight's largest projects which works with people most removed from the labour market and supports them to move towards education, training and employment, ended in March 2023. The Motiv8 service has worked with almost 6,000 of the most vulnerable households across Greater Manchester, with 2,171 participants progressing into employment, education, training or job searching. I am delighted that SKylight is able to fund two roles to continue the legacy of Motiv8 whilst we work with partners to explore other opportunities including the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF).

In the earlier part of the year SKylight successfully completed delivery of the Government's Kickstart scheme to support young people aged 18-24 who are on Universal Credit, a group particularly disadvantaged by the impact of the Covid pandemic. As well as offering opportunities directly, I am pleased that SKylight has been able to support partners at the Council and B4Box to deliver the scheme too.

SKylight continues to deliver its first Business Plan which provides an ambitious framework to develop and grow over the coming five years, delivering a range of services and outcomes which will benefit some of the most disadvantaged households in Stockport and Greater Manchester. We are very grateful to all those who contribute to funding our work including the Council, charitable bodies, and particularly members of Stockport Homes Group.

A number of key Board members have come to the end of their terms this year and I would like to them for their dedication, strategic focus and support for SKylight over the year, and welcome our three new

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Board members who bring fresh perspectives and ideas to SKylight. I'd also like to thank all of our SKylight colleagues for their continued enthusiasm, commitment and positivity.

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# Objectives and activities

SKylight is a Charitable Community Benefit Society (CCBS), incorporated on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and is a subsidiary of Stockport Homes Limited.

SKylight has four broad key Aims stated in its governing document, and activity is structured and prioritised to deliver against these Aims:

- Supporting people into employment, relieving poverty, relieving food poverty and developing digital skills.
- Supporting customers in local communities and delivering support services to help people live independently,
- Empowering communities to develop networks of support, including targeted work with people who
  may experience disadvantage such as people with disabilities, from BAME communities and those with
  complex needs,
- Working in partnership to reduce demand on statutory services; and supporting the development of the third sector, ensuring additional resources and services are secured.

The Aims of SKylight seek to address a wide range of disadvantages experienced by people living within the Borough of Stockport including:

- Economic disadvantage, particularly for those residents who live within social housing,
- Disadvantage which is specific to particular groups including people with disabilities, people from BAME communities and those with complex needs,
- The difficulties people face in living independently and again recognises that customers with vulnerabilities tend to be concentrated in social and private rented sector housing.

The Aims also recognise the need to work in partnership with other third sector organisations in the Borough, harnessing the collective knowledge, experience and skills of organisations to secure additional resources and services, helping to reduce demand on stretched statutory services.

As well as being able to bid for new funding streams and tender opportunities as they arise, SKylight is responsible for a number of projects which were previously delivered by Stockport Homes.

# Key areas of activity

SKylight is still a relatively young organisation and it is recognised that activity to meet all aims cannot be developed all at once. Each area of work has been categorised under the aim it most closely aligns with, however many projects deliver a range of benefits and contribute to the achievement of multiple outcomes. The charitable aims are furthered by operating in the following key areas:

# Aim - Supporting people into employment, relieving poverty, relieving food poverty and developing digital skills:

#### Motiv8

The Motiv8 service is funded by the Big Lottery and European Social Fund and works with those most removed from the labour market to make progress in their lives and move towards education, training and employment. The contract is delivered across Greater Manchester with four other housing providers, with SKylight delivering in both Stockport and Rochdale.

The Motiv8 service transferred into SKylight on the 1st November 2019, with an additional £4.3m funding across Greater Manchester ('GM') received enabling work with an additional 1,080 participants to the end of December 2021. Subsequently, an additional £3.5m funding has been awarded to the programme enabling delivery to continue across GM to March 2023.

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#### **Apprenticeships**

SKylight's apprenticeships programme provides people with an opportunity to work whilst obtaining an appropriate qualification over an 18 month / two-year period which will then enable the post holder to progress further in their employment. As well as increasing the number of apprenticeship opportunities within SHG it also provides opportunities for aspiring managers and leaders to gain experience of supporting and mentoring staff, with a bespoke training programme and the development of supportive networking groups for both apprentices and mentors.

#### **Kickstart**

SKylight secured funding from the Government's Kickstart scheme to provide six-month quality work placements to young people aged 16- to 24-who were in receipt of Universal Credit and at risk of long-term unemployment. The scheme recognises that young people are one of the groups who have been particularly disadvantaged by the impact of the pandemic. £8,000 of funding is provided per placement to cover the wages of the young person and wraparound employment support.

### Furniture Recycling Project

The Furniture Recycling project collects donated furniture and recycles it for provision to households who are experiencing furniture poverty. The project helps alleviate financial hardship through the provision of low or no cost furniture, diverting low-income households away from high cost credit, and thereby supporting Stockport's most vulnerable households with the essentials goods fundamental to setting up home initially and sustaining a tenancy. From an environmental perspective recycling of furniture also prevents it from ending up in landfill.

#### Your Local Pantry

Your Local Pantry (YLP) is a network of community food stores set up to help reduce grocery costs for Stockport residents who are struggling financially. Pantry members pay a weekly £3.50 membership fee, which entitles them to a weekly shop of up to 10 items often to an equivalent value of £15 to £20.

Community volunteers manage the day-to-day running of each Pantry. This includes taking deliveries and storing and rotating stock, completing opening and closing checks and supporting members with their weekly shop.

Strong links are in place with the Third Sector, through the charity supplier Fareshare, a strong relationship with the charity Church Action on Poverty (CAP) for a national franchising scheme, and regular food donations to a local homeless charity H3 (Helping the Homeless into Housing). YLP is also the preferred referral route for clients contacting SLAS (Stockport Local Assistance Scheme), Stockport Probation Service and Stockport Social Services with free monthly memberships given instead of foodbank vouchers where appropriate. Weekly donations are also provided by a range of local stores such as ASDA, Aldi, Morrison's and the Co-op.

Aim - Supporting customers in local communities and delivering support services to help people live independently:

#### Youth Provision

Skylight provides a wide variety of youth activities during the course of the year, such as holiday clubs during the school holidays, mental resilience programmes delivered in schools, detached youth work sessions and one to one work with young tenants to support tenancy sustainment. The team have also assisted with the delivery of programmes linked to the Government funded Holiday Activities Fund (HAF).

#### **GM Housing First**

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SKylight worked with a range of GM partners to secure the GM Housing First contract which began in April 2019. Housing First is a relatively new approach to meeting housing need and homelessness in the UK and can be more commonly found in Europe, the US and Canada.

It marks a move away from a traditional staircase approach to homelessness and is instead based upon the premise that housing is the priority requirement that must be met, which then provides a stable base from which recovery and progress can be made. It is not suitable for everyone and can therefore only be part of a range of offers, but does have a strong, and growing, evidence base of success.

The success of Housing First is based on access to a home, dedicated, tenacious support, workers with small caseloads who have the time and energy to dedicate to their cases and wider stakeholder engagement.

Working with other delivery partners, extended funding for the pilot has been received, securing delivery until March 2024.

### Rough Sleeper Accommodation Programme

The Rough Sleeper Accommodation programme (RSAP) resulted in Stockport Homes being awarded capital funding to purchase eight one-bedroom properties directly from the housing market for renovation and offered as fixed term tenancies for rough sleepers. Similar to the Move-On Scheme previously delivered by SKylight, as well as capital grant the scheme also provides revenue funding to SKylight to employ dedicated Support Officers. This has helped meet the needs of homeless people with very complex needs, reducing demands on other services.

Aim - Empowering communities to develop networks of support, including targeted work with people who may experience disadvantage such as people with disabilities, from BAME communities and those with complex needs:

#### Mental Toughness

SKylight provides Mental Toughness sessions across primary and secondary schools in Stockport to improve young people's attendance, resilience and overall wellbeing. It is delivered through schools to individuals who would benefit most with around six to nine young people on each programme. These young people may be lacking in confidence, have attendance or behavioural issues or find themselves struggling in classes of 30 or more children.

#### Rough Sleeper Initiative

The core of the Rough Sleeper service is funded from a joint Greater Manchester Combined Authority ('GMCA') bid which provides a Rough Sleeper Outreach Worker and Rough Sleeping Navigator, employed directly by SKylight. Specialist support for mental health and substance misuse is also provided through the GMCA bid, with a part-time Dual Diagnosis Worker and part-time Psychologist available through the Greater Manchester Mental Health team.

The Rough Sleeper Outreach Worker is primarily focussed on responding to reports of rough sleeping and engaging with people. The Rough Sleeping Navigator role supports a small case load of rough sleepers to access services and supports transition off the streets and into accommodation.

The Dual Diagnosis Worker and Psychologist work directly with people referred by RSI workers and also those referred by Temporary Accommodation and Housing Options teams. They are able to assess and engage individuals and also provide a referral pathway into Stockport services.

<sup>1</sup> A staircase approach refers to more traditional approaches to housing and supporting homeless people whereby a person is moved to, (sometimes several different types), of temporary accommodation and having to demonstrate they are 'tenancy ready' before moving into a permanent home

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#### Mental Health & Housing Support Worker (MHHSW)

There is a strong correlation between mental ill-health and homelessness, often accompanied by other issues such as substance abuse and a history of trauma. To help address this matter, in January 2021 SHG and the Clinical Commission Group (CCG) jointly funded a dedicated a Mental Health and Housing Support Worker for an initial two-year period. While the joint funding has ended, SHG have continued the post due to the positive outcomes achieved.

Delivered through SKylight and closely aligned with other related areas of work such as Housing First and the Rough Sleeping Initiative, this role focusses on assisting people with serious mental ill-health to live independently and access support. It aims to:

- Provide individual support to people with significant mental health issues in hospital and needing help transitioning home/accessing accommodation
- Work with people at risk of homelessness or hospital admission due to significant mental health issues
- Provide specialised advice and support to staff around mental health cases
- Help navigate mental health services and ensure correct assessments and referrals

### **Domestic Abuse Case Worker**

The Domestic Abuse Case Officer (DACO) was commissioned to provide support to people in Stockport who are experiencing Domestic Abuse. The post has been funded for three years from homelessness monies and will provide advice and support to people experiencing domestic abuse, managing risk on a daily basis and making referrals to a range of services including GMP, Stockport Without Abuse, Adult Social Care, Stockport Family and Health. The DACO also attends all Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) which deal with high-risk domestic abuse cases and participates in the multiagency Domestic Abuse Operational Group. The aim is to reduce harm as well as reducing the risk of homelessness by supporting people to harm remain in the family home where safe and appropriate to do so or secure alternative accommodation.

#### **Exploitation Protection Officer**

Skylight secured funding from the Safer Stockport Partnership to employ a dedicated officer to tackle the growing problem of exploitation and "cuckooing" of vulnerable people. The role of the Exploitation Protection Officer covers the whole of the borough and all tenures with a key objective to prevent exploitation occurring and help those who have become the victims of cuckooing remain safe.

Cuckooing is where another person takes over a property that is not their own, usually by taking advantage of vulnerable people or those who have complex needs such as mental health problems or substance misuse issues. The perpetrator will then use the property for illegal purposes such as growing cannabis farms, storing drugs or weapons and to breed dogs.

Customers are provided with dedicated support to help them access services including drug and alcohol support and to implement partial closure orders which help victims remain in their home and near their support network, whilst prohibiting the perpetrator from being at the property. The Officer also works proactively with GMP and other agencies to try and identify those most at risk of being cuckooed before the exploitation takes place.

### **SKylight Partnerships Manager**

A new role of SKylight Partnerships Manager has been created this year to focus specifically on working with ethnic minority communities. Initially the role is supporting the work of the council in addressing the gap in support for many refugees in the borough, specifically Ukrainian households who are being supported via the Homes for Ukraine scheme. In the longer term the postholder will undertake wider work to support ethnic minority communities and refugee households more broadly.

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Aim - Working in partnership to reduce demand on statutory services; and supporting the development of the third sector, ensuring additional resources and services are secured

# Supporting the development of the Third Sector

SKylight continues to work closely with Sector 3<sup>1</sup> to develop a more consistent joined up voice of the Third Sector. Sector 3 was set up in 2017 and aims to improve the resilience and sustainability of Third Sector organisations by bringing them together to share resources, expertise, and voice.

#### SKylight Community Fund

SKylight is responsible for the administration and management of the Community Fund, (previously delivered by Stockport Homes), with awards of up to £2,000 available to constituted community groups, non-profit organisations, small charities and social enterprise for projects and activities which improve the neighbourhoods where SHG manage properties and make a genuine difference to the lives of customers and the wider community. In order to be awarded funding, applicants must demonstrate how funding would benefit Stockport Homes' customers or communities. The panel, comprising local residents, evaluate applications and make decisions on how the fund is spent.

# Youth Diversionary Activity

A Youth Diversionary Officer post is in place with a remit to prevent Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) amongst young people and young tenants. The post engages with young people up to the age of 25 years who have not yet entered the Youth Justice system/Criminal Justice system, but who have been identified as being in danger of becoming involved with ASB and offending behaviour. The funding for this role ended in March 2023 however SKylight has worked with Stockport Council's Youth Offending Team, Life Leisure to secure £253,000 over three years to continue the work of the Detached RTime team who deliver evening detached sessions in areas of identified youth nuisance.

# Offender Engagement Work

The Offender Engagement Officer (OEO) delivers direct and practical support to offenders in housing need. Delivered through SKylight, it is part of the organisation's commitment to engaging with the most excluded in the Borough who struggle to maximise their full potential.

In addition, the OEO helps to deliver the 'Community Accommodation Scheme' (CAS-3) within Stockport. Part of a wider national pilot, the service provides interim housing for people leaving custody who would otherwise face homelessness, supported by the OEO. Additional funding has now been agreed, sustaining service delivery until 2025.

#### **GM Ageing Hub**

SKylight has undertaken extensive work with the GM Ageing Hub to identify potential opportunities to work together and secure external funding. This has resulted in 40K of funding being secured for SKylight from the Dunhill Foundation to work alongside the GM Ageing Hub and Manchester University on a two-year research project around age friendly housing and supporting ageing in place.

A successful bid was also submitted to the Worwin Foundation for £2.5m across GM for the delivery of an Ageing in Place Pathfinder Project (AIPP) with SKylight receiving 200K over three years. The AIPP is a GM wide project comprising of nine projects testing new ways of creating neighbourhoods that support older people to age well, reduce loneliness and improve quality of life with older people placed at the heart of decision-making.

Both projects will focus on the Brinnington area where there is a high concentration of older people but limited specialist accommodation and where life expectancy and healthy life expectancy is much lower than the borough average. Due to the complementary nature of both projects staff will joint work where possible to maximise resources and ensure activities are aligned and complementary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sector 3 is a network of third sector organisations set up in Stockport in 2017 to improve the resilience and sustainability of sector organisations by bringing them together to share resources, expertise and voice.

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# Achievements and performance

Notable achievements for 2022/23 include:

#### Motiv8

During 2022/23 Motiv8 received a total of 172 new referrals across Stockport and Rochdale. 295 people were successfully supported with 179 achieving a programme result. The programme stopped taking referrals in October 2022 in line with the funding ending and the planned conclusion of the delivery.

Participants in the programme achieved 1,879 individual outcomes relating to Health & Well-being (including access to primary health services, reduction in substance misuse and reduction in alcohol misuse), Finance and Employability (including creation of CVs, opening bank accounts, provision of money advice and addressing debts) Self-confidence and Self-development (including accessing social activities and informal networks of support, participating in volunteering and participating in parental courses). During this period 47 participants moved into educational and training provision in a range of areas including Maths & English, IT, Construction and Social Care. 105 participants commenced job searching and an additional 27 participants secured employment in a range of sectors including Delivery Driving, Cleaning, Retail and Warehousing. In addition, nine participants undertook volunteering activities.

#### Case study

Ella was referred to Motiv8 by Stepping Hill Hospital after attending A&E following a violent incident at the hands of her partner. The lady was in a forced marriage, had been a victim of FGM (Female Genital Mutilation) and was completely estranged from her family. She was isolated with no recourse to public funds, meaning she did not qualify for housing benefit to move to temporary accommodation. Motiv8 jointly worked with colleagues at Stockport Without Abuse and Stockport Homes Housing Options Team. Stockport Homes provided discretionary funding allowing the lady to remain in temporary accommodation whilst the appeal for recourse to public funds was submitted. Despite providing intensive support her request to access public funds was rejected and the lady returned to her partner and within days was back at A&E. Motiv8 again stepped in to support and was highly integrated in the multi-agency approach that followed which resulted in the decision of no recourse to public funds being overturned. The lady was granted European Settled Status, entitling her to secure housing benefit. She is now an SHG tenant with a home of her own, studying online and actively looking for work. She's settled into her new community, made new friends, and developed support networks and regularly attends the FGM forum to access support.

Sadly funding for the Motiv8 service ended on the 31st March 2023, with almost 6,000 people supported across GM over the life of the programme and 2,171 participants moving into employment, education, training or job searching. SKylight was a huge part of the success of the programme, supporting nearly 1,200 of those people, of which 539 progressed into employment, education, training or job searching and over 6,000 individual outcomes were achieved in areas such as Health and Well-being, Finance and Employability and Self-confidence and Self-Development.

SKylight is funding two positions for a year which will continue the work of Motiv8 by supporting those with complex needs to move towards education, training and employment, whilst opportunities are explored with other partners to secure funding including through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF).

#### **Apprenticeships**

SKylight continues to undertake significant work to identify roles within Stockport Homes which could form part of a comprehensive apprenticeships programme and be transferred to SKylight. Previously this was limited to entry-level roles but has since expanded to higher level positions due to the continued expansion of apprenticeship qualifications.

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To date 20 roles have been converted to apprenticeships in a wide range of service delivery areas including Anti-Social Behaviour, Carecall & Concierge, Customer Access, Customer Engagement, Customer Finance, Employment Support, Housing Services, Independent Living and Temporary Accommodation.

A dedicated member of the team leads on apprenticeships ensuring a smooth 'on-boarding' for new starters, providing ongoing support throughout their programme as well as growing the programme across the organisation. In addition, a mentor is provided to each apprentice within their service area helping to develop aspiring managers as well as giving an apprentice peer support.

Most apprentices will work towards a Level 2 or 3 Apprenticeship in Housing Management although other suitable apprenticeship programmes are discussed with the apprentice, manager and training provider ensuring they receive the best quality learning experience and supporting the development of the apprentice and bringing in the skills needed to Stockport Homes Group.

Towards the end of an apprenticeship programme apprentices are offered employment support if they are looking to apply for a permanent position at Stockport Homes Group or moving on. If a suitable position is not forthcoming within the business, or an apprentice has decided to pursue another career pathway, opportunities within the housing sector and beyond are explored across SHG's extensive professional networks.

#### **Kickstart**

A range of placements have been provided within SKylight, and across Stockport Homes Group, with 16 placements provided in diverse areas including Construction, Customer Service, Administration, Independent Living, Employment and Training, Your Local Pantries, Furniture Recycling and Temporary Accommodation. The Employment Support Team designed a unique wraparound employment and training package which provided intensive support to each Kick Starter as they took up their placement.

In addition to placements within SKylight and Stockport Homes Group, the Employment Support team were instrumental in facilitating eight Kick Start placements for our partners at B4Box, providing further opportunities in the construction sector. The Stockport Homes Employment Team also facilitated the B4Box placements and delivered the employment support element for these placements and subsequently for Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council (SMBC). In total 20 roles have been created at SMBC.

Access to the Kick Start scheme ended on the 31st March 2022 with all final recruits having to be in post by this date. In total 44 roles have been created across Stockport Homes Group, B4Box and SMBC for young people in the borough with the Employment Support team delivering the employability support for all placements. The final Kickstart placement ended in September 2022. The programme resulted in 35 young people securing employment.

#### Furniture Recycling Project

The Furniture Recycling Project collected furniture from 338 households and voids and delivered to 433 households in need, with 1,060 individual pieces of furniture and white goods provided. A total of 49 tonnes was diverted away from landfill. To meet the continued high demand for the service the team has prioritised customers leaving Temporary Accommodation or customers that have been homeless.

After a long and extensive search, new premises for the project were opened in October 2022 in Hazel Grove. As well as providing much needed, additional storage space and enabling the service to grow and develop as detailed within the Furniture Business Plan, the premises also offers customers the opportunity to visit and select their own items, offering more dignity and choice. A wide range of additional and smaller items are also sold from the warehouse, creating additional income for the service.

The service has worked closely with colleagues at the council resulting in the allocation of £50,000 of funding from the Household Support Grant in December 2022. The funding will provide white goods, furniture and other households items to customers who are homeless and / or leaving Temporary

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Accommodation and has to be spent by March 2023. To date £44,000 has been spent with 331 items have been provided to 68 households.

The service continues to grow in reputation, receiving positive feedback from both those receiving a service and those donating to it. Many customers have said that without support from the Furniture Recycling Project they would have looked at alternative ways to source furniture such as securing a loan or a pay monthly plan at a high cost.

"Because I had nowhere to live, so this helped massively" Customer of Furniture Recycling Service

"The staff were extremely helpful is arranging the collection. I would definitely donate again" Donor to Furniture Recycling Service

# Your Local Pantry (YLP)

Since April 2022, YLP has attracted 326 new members, including 183 new referrals from the Stockport Local Support Fund. The pantry has fulfilled 8,530 pantry shops for customers, a 51% increase in visits from the last financial year. This equates to a potential saving of £170,600<sup>2</sup> for pantry members on comparable supermarket prices.

YLP generated £201,506<sup>3</sup> of social value as a result of volunteering alone with 5,244 hours of volunteer time committed. During the last 12 months, 4 new volunteers have been recruited and supported through a comprehensive induction programme, including training in manual handling and Food Hygiene Level 2. Four pantry volunteers have gone on to paid employment, generating a further £48,333 in social value.

Over the past year, YLP has received a total of £32,817 in grants and donations, with £20,000 being funded from Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council's Household Support Grant to support access to food as part of the response to the cost-of-living crisis. YLP were also successful in their bid to the National Lottery in being awarded £10,000 which was match funded from SKylight for the purchase of a brand-new refrigerated van. This vehicle has been ordered and is expected in May 2023.

YLP worked closely with the Manchester United Foundation during this year to deliver sessions on cooking healthy nutritious meals with the use of a slow cooker. The sessions were designed to help customers to save money by cooking meals from the ingredients provided in the pantries, whilst also saving costs on the preparation. As part of the project, Manchester United Foundation provided the pantry brand new slow cookers for each customer who took part. As a follow on from this project, due to its popularity, an additional 85 slow cookers were provided to pantry customers to support with reducing the cost of living in preparing meals.

The national franchising scheme with Church Action on Poverty (CAP) is about to open the 100th YLP across England, Scotland, Wales and most recently Northern Ireland. Over 130,000 people are supported, including 9,786 families. YLP have recently developed a YLP Stakeholder Group to oversee decision-making aspects of YLP with SKylight a key partner in this.

### Youth Provision

SKylight has relaunched and refocused our holiday offer to focus on secondary aged young people. Throughout the year SKylight has delivered over five school holidays - (126 places in Easter 2022, 16 places in Whit 2022, 368 places in Summer 2022, 123 places in October 2022 and 85 places in February 2023) Delivering a total of 718 places for young people aged 11-17.

A wide range of activities and trips have been provided following consultation with the young people, including wheelchair rugby, music sessions, arts and crafts, football, cooking and first aid. Closer links have been forged with The Princes Trust who have also delivered activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This is calculated by the average cost of a pantry basket being £20

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Social value based on HACT's Social Value calculator 2018.

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"This club was brilliant for my children. They made friends and enjoyed a variety of activities. It has been a vital resource for me, including the meal package that was sent home every day and they have had days out which I wouldn't have been able to afford. Thank you so much for enabling my children to have a fantastic summer holidays." Quote from a parent.

"During the summer holiday club, my colleague and I cam down to deliver a wheelchair and tag rugby session for the group. We had a brilliant time supporting the young people by providing a chance to learn about different forms of rugby. I was really impressed with how well the group worked together and engaged throughout the sessions and it's clear the staff go above and beyond to support the young people. "Quote from the Sale Sharks Foundation.

#### **GM Housing First**

SKylight is responsible for the delivery of the Housing First pilot within one of four cluster areas covering GM (Oldham, Stockport and Tameside). All cases supported by the service are characterised by a range of complex needs including entrenched rough sleeping, offending behaviour, substance misuse and mental and physical health issues resulting in chaotic and challenging behaviours.

Two dedicated Housing First workers have 14 customers (4 female/ 10 male) during the last 12 months; 12 of whom have been accommodated in areas of their choice. Intensive levels, of often daily support, have been provided to ensure a smooth transition into accommodation, with ongoing support thereafter around sustaining tenancies, anchoring into local communities and achieving personal aspirations and goals.

Customers have been supported to achieve a wide range of outcomes including accessing primary and secondary health support for both physical and mental health needs, furnishing and decorating new homes, starting employment, and successful engagement with substance misuse services and detox programmes. The team work closely with a range of partners to provide customers with intensive support around whatever their individual needs and aspirations are, including Substance Misuse services; prisons and Probation; Health; Psychological Medicines; Palliative Care; local trades; banks and building societies; Employment Support; Money Advice; local gyms and colleges.

### Case Study

Archie was referred to GM Housing First after years of sporadic homelessness and unsettled housing including short custodial sentences. Archie also had substance and alcohol issues and his relationship had broken down and he had subsequently lost contact with his children. After meeting his Housing First worker and building a relationship over a few months, Archie was offered a property in his area of choice via Johnson Housing Association. After the initial excitement of finally getting his offer, he was nervous when the sign up arrived and experienced lots of anxiety around whether he would be able to manage; and toyed with thoughts of not accepting the property. With constant reassurance, building self-esteem, working on overall wellbeing with focus on walks and hobbies, and support from his HF Worker, Archie has worked hard to make his house a home that he feels proud of. Despite some personal bereavements and sadness that led to a couple of slips with his abstinence from alcohol, Archie has not let these impact his progress. He continues to work with alcohol services and focuses on his coping strategies when situations that can induce stress may occur; he continues to work with Children's Services and his children's Social Worker and is hoping to reconnect with his children. Archie has attended several GMHF workshops to give feedback on the pilot and suggest ideas for service improvement. In the last month, he has completed the Shine 10k Walk for charity and in memory of his loved ones.

# Mental Toughness

SKylight has delivered the Mental Toughness programme in six different schools to 81 different young people. This has included work in one primary school, four secondary schools and one Pupil Referral Unit (PRU). Alongside these group sessions, one-one support with 25 young people has been delivered to give more dedicated and tailored support to those most in need.

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"One of the activities was a positivity jar where the young people got to write nice things about themselves and others. They then read them out at the end of the session. It was great to see them grow in confidence." Quote from Behaviour Support Assistant at Priestnall High School.

#### Rough Sleeper Initiative

During 2022/3 the service responded to over 550 reports of rough sleeping, with a total of 151 resulting in confirmation of a rough sleeper. While rough sleeping remains a challenging issue, with around 10 people rough sleeping in the borough at any one time, key achievements include:

- An offer of accommodation to all rough sleepers with holistic support.
- There are approximately 20 rough sleepers currently in temporary accommodation.
- 15 rough sleepers have been supported into tenancies with intensive support through GMHF or RSAP, moving directly into their tenancy from rough sleeping.
- 12 rough sleepers identified in Stockport were supported with travel arrangements to reconnect to their borough of local connection.

Funding is confirmed for RSI until 2025.

### Mental Health & Housing Support Worker (MHHSW)

The Mental Health & Housing Support Worker received 130 referrals in 2022/23 from a wide range of sources. Outcomes include:

- All referrals offered support in accessing and sustaining engagement with primary and secondary mental health care
- 75 people supported pre and post discharge from Stepping Hill psychiatric wards
- Aligned Care Act, substance misuse and housing plans
- Delivery of training sessions and briefings for SHG staff

Due to the success of this role, additional funding through a homelessness grant has been agreed until April 2025.

#### Domestic Abuse Case Officer (DACO)

To date the DACO has provided a range of support in 318 cases of domestic abuse, including the provision of target hardening and sanctuary scheme work, to help keep survivors safe at home, and supporting those at the highest risk of harm to relocate to new accommodation out of the Borough. The Officer is currently supporting several customers with legal interventions including securing injunctions, non-molestation orders and occupation orders. A recent case referred to the service via the MARAC saw the DACO support a customer with a young daughter to escape continued abuse, harassment and stalking, by securing a private tenancy, including provision of a deposit and first month's rent from Homelessness funding.

The role has also linked in with the local "Orange Umbrella" scheme who are a community-based, volunteer-led project dedicated to raising awareness and signposting support for those experiencing domestic abuse/violence. The project is most notably recognised by the Orange Umbrella pin badge and the service arranged for a number of officers to undertake the "Orange Umbrella" training and become pin badge wearers and it is planned that more frontline officers will follow so that support for vulnerable customers experiencing abuse is as visible as possible. This work with Orange Umbrella has seen Cornerstone identified as a safe haven for any person wishing to report any form of domestic abuse

#### **Exploitation Protection Officer**

Since January 2022, when the post was created, 103 cases of exploitation have been referred to the Officer. Of the 103 cases dealt with so far, 53 have been positively resolved with the victim no longer

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experiencing exploitation. The multiple interventions in cases are wide ranging but in the main involve implementing effective wrap around support and target hardening measures, meaning victims are able to remain in their homes and are not forced to flee and present as homeless. The cost benefit savings attributed with this work for void costs alone equate to £219,222<sup>4</sup> after the cost of the exploitation role has been deducted.

There are always exceptions to the rule and there have been nine cases in which the abuse was so severe a move to another property or borough was the only outcome deemed safe enough.

The project has made effective use of warning systems for perpetrators and has used the Community Protection warnings/notices to exclude persistent offenders from perpetrators after they have been removed from the property. The project has been identified as best practice and case studies have been provided to the Home Office about the work that has been done.

### Rough Sleeper Accommodation Programme

Six properties were secured for the programme in the latter parts of 2021/22 and the first quarter of 2022/23. A bid for further capital funding in 2022/23 resulted in funding being awarded for an additional eight properties. Of the six customers rehoused, five are sustaining their tenancies and making good progress in addressing substance and / or alcohol misuse, improving physical and mental health and improving their financial stability. Officers working on the project have also supported other customers rehoused into other housing stock who had a history of homelessness and / or rough sleeping.

### Case Study

Matt had been street homeless for nine months since his release from prison, he was initially accommodated in SHG's Temporary Accommodation scheme and referred to RSAP. He had a history of failed tenancies with SHG attributed to ASB issues, substance misuse and poor mental health.

Matt was moved into a fully furnished RSAP property with wraparound support provided, initially he struggled to acclimatise to having stable accommodation and a home of his own and continued to rough sleep on occasions. He continued to suffer from severe anxiety and was not accessing appropriate mental health services to address this. Matt was referred to a dual diagnosis nurse specialising in supporting individuals affected by rough sleeping. His worker supported him to attend appointments and following consistent engagement a diagnosis was established and he was prescribed medication to manage ongoing mental health issues.

Matt's mental health has since improved, he reports reduced anxiety and feeling more comfortable staying at the property. He has also been referred to the Drug & Alcohol service and supported to attend appointments. He is currently accessing RAMP (Responsible Alcohol Management Programme) to continue to support his recovery. Matt is now staying at the property each night and is fully settled as a result of the support that has been delivered.

# Youth Diversionary Activities

A Youth Diversionary Officer role supports young people aged under 25 who are at risk of offending, struggling with behaviour and / or failing in their tenancies. Each young person benefits from a tailored action plan and smart goals to promote positive behaviours, self-esteem and help achieve their potential. The service has supported 11 young people varying from age 11-23 across the year. Cases include working with young people who are on reduced school timetable, regularly excluded from school for behaviour, not attending school or are attending a specialist provision, such as Highfields. The Youth Diversionary Officer regularly attends a range of partnership meetings including Team Around the Child (TAC) and Team Around the Family (TAF) and works in partnership with schools, the Youth Justice Team, Family Intervention Workers, Social Workers and MOSAIC (for substance misuse support).

The role also works in identified anti-social behaviour hot spot areas to redirect young people towards more positive activities. This is coordinated through a multi-agency approach including Stockport

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Average void costs (£4,659) multiplied by 53 cases remaining in the tenancy, less costs of delivering the service (£27,705)

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Council's Youth Offending Service to make the best use of local intelligence and target resources. Throughout the year, this has resulted in 2,968 engagements with young people across three different areas of Stockport. This consists of a weekly football session following consultation with young people to identify their interests, occasional visits with young people to get food to support with reducing food poverty and detached sessions out on the streets in the evenings.

Trips and activities are also provided over school holidays to reduce youth nuisance. Trips this year have included visits to Liverpool Maritime Museum, Inflatanation, Jump Heaven and a walk up Mam Tor.

### Offender Engagement Officer

132 people have been supported by the Offender Engagement Officer over the course of 2022/23, with actions and outcomes including:

- Regular meetings with the National Probation Service (NPS) and Integrated Offender Management (IOM) Service to provide seamless support to offenders, many of whom have complex backgrounds and needs and often feel unable to access mainstream provision.
- Working with Motiv8 to source training and volunteering opportunities for offenders living in temporary accommodation.
- Support to those placed into Community Accommodation Support (CAS) placements resulting in an 89% sustaining their placement
- 11 people rehoused into private rented tenancies from Community Accommodation Support (CAS) tenancies after leaving prison
- SHG lead on GMPG offender prevention work focus on inclusive approach to allocation policies

# Supporting the development of the Third Sector

SKylight continues to work closely with Sector 3 to support the development of the Third Sector in Stockport. This year the successful 'Funding the Future' event was held in September and brought ten national and local funders together with over 60 community groups. Groups were able to hear directly from the funders and get advice on how to apply. Building on this event, a range of 'coffee table' type talks have been set up throughout 2023 to bring individual funders together with local civil society groups.

Working directly with local civil society groups, SKylight has supported the securing of £502,361 of grant income into the Stockport borough in 2022 - 23. A Funding Officer supports over 200 civil society groups each year through the 'LIFE' model (Lead, Influence, Follow, Exit). LIFE is the process by which we provide support at a variety of different levels of sophistication to civil society groups to help them learn, grow and do more for Stockport and their local community. Support given under LIFE can range from:

- a funding search and recommendations as to which funds to apply to
- · developing a funding bid in detail
- providing statistical data
- reading and editing funding bids as a 'critical friend'

Some highlights include SKylight who were awarded a £10,000 grant from the National Lottery which will be used to purchase a new delivery van: supporting the vital food aid work of Your Local Pantry. EEM Cost of Living Crisis Fund provided a grant of £6,853 for Your Local Pantry to provide emergency food aid. DryWave Recovery a Stockport based Community Interest Company were awarded a 3-year National Lottery grant of £145,000. Drywave support people who are experiencing or recovering from substance misuse. SKylight continues to support Ongoing Women's Local Support (OWLS) and this resulted in a variety of grants and new funding bids to support OWLS core and running costs including a £29,043 One Stockport Local Fund grant. OWLS supports women who are experiencing or recovering from domestic abuse.

SKylight brings Stockport civil society groups face to face with the many local and national grant funders who may be able to support and fund their projects and ideas. During 2022/23 over 170 community groups attended a variety of community events at SKylights head office at the Cornerstone including

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"Funding the Future" a major "meet the funder" conference which occurs each September and brings 60 community groups together with 10 funders.

## **SKylight Community Fund**

During 2022/23, 44 applications totalling £64,609 were made to the Community Fund. The Customer Panel awarded £46,756 of the £50,000 available to 32 groups. 73% of all eligible applications secured funding with an average award of £1,514.

12 applications weren't eligible for a variety of reasons, including the project being based outside of Stockport and the group already receiving funding in the last 12 months.

Funding has been awarded to a wide range of projects including community events such as the Queen's Jubilee celebrations, multi-cultural activities for refugee families, LQBTQ+ events, music initiatives and football and art activities for young people, gardening based projects and arts, crafts and walking projects to support mental health provision. Most projects have multiple benefits, with the majority of successful applications supporting health and wellbeing and fostering community spirit themes.

#### **Partnerships**

SKylight has worked as part of the Prevention Alliance (TPA) to successfully secure and mobilise the Borough Wide Support service contract commissioned by Adult Social Care and will deliver this with partners Age UK Stockport, Jigsaw Support, NACRO and Talk, Listen, Change. The contract is for five years, with a potential extension of a further two years and has a contract value of 970K per annum. The service will provide support to vulnerable households and seek to prevent escalation into statutory services.

The TPA deliver Stockport Support Hub - a single point of access for the public and professionals seeking support in Stockport. The Hub triage referrals and provide information, advice, and link people into a range of support offers. The Hub have received 5908 referrals (April 22- March 23). Your Support provide short-term practical support (up to 6 months) to help people who are feeling overwhelmed to improve their health and wellbeing and have received 1434 referrals with 92.6% of people reporting an improvement in their wellbeing as a result of the support (April 22-March 23).

The Prevention Alliance has also secured funding (£98,000) to deliver a Welfare Service pilot providing holistic support to improve the well-being of people on Probation in Stockport. The Welfare Service is a GM wide initiative, funded by GMCA. The pilot involves a range of partners delivering local offers across the 10 GM localities, co-ordinated by the Big Life Group. The Welfare Service in Stockport is delivered through the TPA's existing integrated support offer, which is enhanced by dedicated resources secured through GMCA funding. The pilot commenced on the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and is open to male offenders referred by the Probation Service. The Welfare Service have received 64 referrals (September 2022 - March 2023). The pilot runs until June 2023 and an Invitation to Tender is currently being developed for longer term delivery.

SKylight has also worked with PURE and Age UK Stockport to secure and mobilise contracts for the Community Hub tender (which supports connections in the community and tackles isolation) and Help at Home tender (which supports independent living particularly for older people, people with disabilities and carers). SKylight acts as a sub-contractor and employs one Officer for each contract.

Across the whole of the Community Hub partners there have been 682 referrals for 1:1 support since the contract commenced in April 2022. SKylight's Officer holds an average caseload of 26 customers and also assists the facilitation of the Start The Week group on Monday afternoons. Since April 2022 support was provided under the Help at Home contract with clearance, deep cleans and improving property conditions to 40 SHG customers' homes.

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#### Case Study

Maggie was referred to the Help at Home service by her GP, she was suffering with poor mental health and had been diagnosed with ADHD, Autism and PTSD. She expressed concerns that her property was extremely cluttered and she felt as though she was developing hoarding behaviours which was affecting her daily life and her children. She said she felt overwhelmed and didn't have the motivation to deal with it on her own.

Initially Maggie engaged over the telephone as she said she was too embarrassed to let people into her home but after providing reassurance she agreed to let the Officer visit her at her home. A relationship was built with Maggie and a realistic and achievable plan was agreed to support her to address the issues within her property. Small targets were agreed at the beginning at each visit so as not to overwhelm her and progress was steadily made.

Maggie reports that her mental health has much improved and she and her children are much happier, with her children now able to invite their friends over to their house. All are extremely grateful for the support they have received. Maggie is accessing counselling for her PTSD and an on-line support group for people with ADHD. Although there is some way still to go, Maggie is making steady progress and the conditions within the family home are much improved.

A successful partnership has also been formed with Stockport Womens Aid, Talk, Listen, Change and Age UK Stockport resulting in the securing of the Domestic Abuse Services contract with SKylight again employing one member of staff. Since the contract was mobilised, 591 referrals have been received.

#### SKylight Partnerships Manager

SKylight is supporting the Council in the delivery of support to refugee households in the borough with an experienced manager now dedicated to this work on a full-time basis part-funded by the Council. The initial priority is to support sponsors under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme who are currently accommodating Ukrainian guests in Stockport for a period of six months. Many of these arrangements are now coming to an end, and in some cases breaking down prematurely. Although rematching with an alternative host is the first option explored, this is not always appropriate or indeed possible, with many requiring a longer-term housing solution. Work will be undertaken to explore private rented sector options, including those outside of the borough, due to a lack of supply. To date accommodation has been secured for 56 households consisting of 128 people. A weekly drop-in is also held at Cornerstone for host sponsors and Ukrainian households providing housing advice and on-going resettlement support. Work is also underway to support Ukrainian households into employment, improving their economic situation and thereby increasing the range of housing options which are affordable.

In the longer-term, this role will also oversee the support offered to Afghan households at Bredbury Hall Hotel and wider work around working with ethnic minority communities, with work undertaken recently to improve access to the Asian Heritage Centre for older people in the Heatons.

### **GM Ageing Hub**

The first Ageing in Place Pathfinder Partners Meeting took place in December and two "Walk and Talks" completed in Brinnington with officers from the University and the GM Ageing Hub to identify next steps. All three roles for the AIPP and Dunhill project have been recruited to and Officers are liaising with relevant local partner agencies, analysing relevant data and information to identify priorities and forming the steering group with local residents.

Several initial priorities have been identified with the community and partners including a literacy project with the library and bringing the bowling green back into use. A six-week arts project has also commenced at First House attended by ten local residents creating art that reflects the area.

SKylight hosted the first AIPP Partners meeting in March at First House and provided an overview on progress to date. The meeting discussed valuing older people's voice and lived experience and creating a

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shared view of what co-production looks like in this Pathfinder. This included representation from the GM Older People's Network. Subsequently the team have been invited to present on the SKylight Pathfinder to a group of Norwegian Mayors who are visiting GM to look at good practice.

The 'Community Audit' tool is being finalised, with the priority for the next quarter being to complete this with all 650 customers in Brinnington identified as meeting the criteria for the project. An extremely well attended residents meeting has introduced new residents interested in contributing to the project and engaging with the steering group.

#### Financial review

The 2022/23 financial year has been the fourth full year of operation for SKylight and the organisation is reporting an increase in funds for the year.

The main sources of income are through Gift Aid donations, in delivery of services funded by the local authority or Stockport Homes, and through other government contracts and membership/subscription fees.

SKylight funds have grown by £1,404,000 for the year which is mainly due to the Gift Aid donations received in March 2023. This surplus, along with the brought forward funds from previous years, results in closing funds of £2,741,000 at March 2023. The Board have approved a budget for 2023/24 which will see a substantial amount of these funds being used to support the planned continuation and enhancement of projects through the financial year 2023/24 and 2024/25, as it is not the aim of SKylight to hold higher levels of reserves than it deems necessary.

#### Reserves policy

Reserves are needed to bridge the timing gap between expenditure and the receipt of income, and to provide a level of protection against unplanned events. The Board Members consider that the current minimum level of reserves should be equivalent to 1 months' expenditure relating to projects where any of the income received is from an external source outside of Stockport Homes, plus an additional amount in respect of consideration for unexpected events. Based on the budget for 2023/24 this indicates a level of reserves of £156,000. This level will continue to be reviewed in future years in line with SKylight's growing activities.

The total level of reserves at the end of March 2023 is £2,741,000 which are all unrestricted for use. Though the level of reserves at this point is higher than the minimum level, this is due to the timing of the Gift Aid donation received in March 2023. Reserves will be used to support the delivery of the 2023/24 budget, funding the continuation of projects through the financial year 2023/24 and 2024/25, and reducing the level of existing reserves.

### Principal risks and uncertainties

A risk register is in place for SKylight which is approved by the Board. This risk register allows SKylight to manage risk and embrace opportunities, and therefore supports the delivery of its charitable objectives. Each year, SKylight assesses the internal and external operating environment and identifies those risks (and opportunities) which could affect performance and achievement of agreed objectives. Quarterly risk update reports are then provided to the Board describing progress against delivery of risk control actions, highlights any exceptions, and identifies any new or emerging risks which the organisation needs to take account of.

The key risks for 2022-23 included:

- Stakeholders do not fully understand the company's strategic narrative, aims and objectives, and relationships are not well managed.
- The requirements of the FCA registration are not maintained / adhered to at all times
- Finances are not well managed and financial projections are inaccurate which negatively impacts SKylight's ability to seize new opportunities and also that specific accounting standards for charitable organisations not met

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- The rebranding of the company is not successful and a strong brand and reputation are not created.
- The SKylight Board Members are ineffective in their role to oversee and challenge and / or seek to make decisions that are not in line with SHG objectives nor the long-term aims and interests of the subsidiary
- SKylight is unable to attract / recruit / retain competent staff and those employees in post (both current and future) are not engaged with SHG's values
- SKylight is not able to successfully tender for / win new projects in the market and contracts that have been secured are not delivered successfully

### Plans for future periods

- SKylight is still a relatively young organisation, however it has achieved a significant amount during the short time it has been in operation and Board members are keen to build on the achievements to date. SKylights Business Plan provides a clear framework for operations and priorities over the next five years, whilst remaining flexible and agile in order to be able to respond to funding and partnership opportunities as they arise. Particularly as a result of the pandemic and Cost of Living Crisis, commissioners and funders have changed the focus and range of support available and it is vital that SKylight is sufficiently agile to take advantage of these opportunities as well as growing existing services and developing planned projects.
- Another particular emphasis will be put on delivering SKylight's Aim around supporting groups who may face more disadvantage, such as BAME communities and those with complex needs and of encouraging and supporting mutual aid activities. This has also been identified as a priority in SHG's Social Investment and Customer Voice & Influence Strategies, demonstrating an organisation-wide commitment to ensuring all customer voices are heard and appropriate resources accessed to reduce disadvantage and enhance life chances. To this end SKylight has created a dedicated Partnerships Manager role who works in partnership with Stockport Council to support Ukrainian households accommodated under the Homes for Ukraine scheme and Afghan evacuees placed at a local hotel. In the longer term this role will also focus on developing services and partnerships which support the wider ethnic minority communities in Stockport.
- A key area of growth for SKylight over the next few years relates to the transfer of existing Stockport Homes roles, which align clearly with SKylights Aims, to the subsidiary as they become vacant. These are typically roles and services within SHG that support customers directly, with a proposal agreed internally to transfer individual roles as and when they become vacant. A total of nine services and up to 125 roles have been identified as appropriate for delivery within SKylight across a range of teams. It is estimated that turnover is likely to be approximately 10-15 roles per year therefore, any movement to SKylight would be incremental and over a number of years. In addition to being the most appropriate positioning of services within the Group structure, moving staff from SHL to SKylight would offer a sustainable and financially efficient way of delivering those services, ensuring SKylight can operate in a competitive market whilst remaining an employer of choice.

#### Structure, governance and management

SKylight is a Charitable Community Benefit Society that is limited by shares and was incorporated on 10th December 2018.

SKylight is a Registered Society under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and is governed under its Rules.

SKylight has adopted and adheres to the Charity Commission's Small Charities Governance Code.

SKylight is controlled by Stockport Homes Limited, who has the right to appoint or remove any or all Board Members. Stockport Homes Limited produces consolidated accounts which are available to members of the

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public from its registered office: Stockport Homes Limited, Cornerstone, 2 Edward Street, Stockport SK1 3NQ.

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council is the ultimate controlling party of the Company. Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council produces consolidated accounts which are available to members of the public from its registered office.

Key management personnel of the organisation comprise the SKylight Board Members, and the senior management team who are employed by Stockport Homes, comprising the Chief Executive Officer, the Assistant Chief Executive, the Director of SKylight & Customers Services, the Executive Director of Resources and the Executive Director of Operations. The Board Members are not remunerated for their duties in relation to SKylight. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to SKylight - these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity specific training events. The remuneration of key management personnel is set by Stockport Homes Limited and the calculated benefit based on the estimated percentage of their time spent on SKylight activities.

SKylight works in collaboration with Jigsaw Homes for the Motiv8 service, which is funded by the Big Lottery and European Social Fund. The contract is delivered across Greater Manchester with four other housing providers, with SKylight delivering in both Stockport and Rochdale. SKylight also works in collaboration with a range of Greater Manchester (GM) partners on the GM Housing First contract, Great Places Housing being the lead partner on this contract.

#### Public benefit

The main activities are outlined in the section above. They are all undertaken to further SKylight's purpose for the public benefit, with due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on this subject, including the guidance "Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)."

# Recruitment and appointment of Board Members

SKylight has a Board that directs the affairs of the organisation in accordance with its Objects and the Rules to ensure that its functions are properly performed.

The Board shall consist of between three and nine Board Members (excluding co-optees) as may be determined by the Board. The Independent Board Members who do not also sit on the Stockport Homes Board shall be a majority of the Board Members at all times. Board Members will be appointed for an initial fixed term of three years, which may be renewed and no Board Member may serve beyond nine consecutive years in office.

SKylight Board Members are recruited through an open and transparent process. The advertisement of vacancies is broad and far-reaching to encourage applications from a diverse range of applicants.

### Board Member induction and training

A Board Member induction plan has been developed to ensure that newly appointed Board Members are provided with relevant and required information to provide them with the best platform to be effective Board Members. Board Members also meet with senior managers at the beginning of their tenure in order to learn as much as possible about SKylight.

# Reference and administrative details

The name by which the organisation is registered is SKylight Proud to be part of SHG Limited. Registration Number: 7953. The address of the registered office is Cornerstone, 2 Edward Street, Stockport, SK1 3NQ.

#### **Board Members:**

- Roger Phillips (Chair) (appointed 10th December 2018)
- Priti Butler (appointed 20 September 2021)
- Robin Burman (appointed 10th December 2018)

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- Kathryn Hanna (appointed 7 November 2022)
- Marie Gilluley (appointed 7 November 2022)
- David Nicholson (appointed 10th December 2018)
- Alanna Vine (appointed 10th December 2018 resigned 28 September 2022)
- Tessa Wiley (appointed 7 November 2022)

#### Senior Management Team:

- Helen McHale (Chief Executive)
- Simon Welch (Director of SKylight & Customers Services) (Lead Officer)
- John Bowker (Executive Director of Operations)
- Carmel Chambers (Executive Director of Resources)
- Sandra Coleing (Assistant Chief Executive)

The Board of SKylight meet quarterly and are responsible for providing strategic direction. The Senior Management Team are responsible for delivering the strategy which the Board set. The Scheme of Delegation sets out the responsibilities which the Board reserve for itself and those which it delegates.

#### Auditors:

Beever and Struthers One Express 1 George Leigh St Manchester M4 5DL

#### Bankers:

Barclays Bank Limited PO Box 190 Leeds LS1 5WU

### Solicitors:

Stockport MBC Stopford House Stockport SK1 3XE

# **Board Members Responsibilities**

The Board Members are responsible for preparing the Board Members' 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 Board Members 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 board members are required to:

(a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,

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- (b) observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP,
- (c) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- (d) state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- (e) prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Board members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable entity 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.

Statement of Disclosure to Auditors

In so far as the Board Members are aware:

- (a) there is no relevant information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware, and
- (b) the Board Members 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.

#### **Auditors**

A resolution for the appointment of auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

### Approval

This report was approved by the Board on 17 July 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Roger Phillips

Chair of the Board

#### Independent auditor's report

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of SKylight Proud to be part of SHG

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Skylight Proud To Be Part Of SHG ('the Charitable Enity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies in note 1. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 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 Entity's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its 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 Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

#### 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 Charitable Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Board's 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 Entity'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 Board with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Board is responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and 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.

#### Independent auditor's report

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the Charitable Entity has not maintained a satisfactory system of control over transactions; or
- the Charitable Entity has not kept proper accounting records; or
- the Charitable Entity's financial statements are not in agreement with books of account; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Responsibilities of the Board

As explained more fully in the Statement of Board's Responsibilities set out on pages 20 and 21, the Board is 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 Board determines 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 Board is responsible for assessing the Charitable Entity'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 Board either intends to liquidate the Charitable Entity 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 web-site at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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

In identifying and addressing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We obtained an understanding of laws and regulations that affect the Charitable Enity, focusing on those that had a direct effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on its operations. Key laws and regulations that we identified included the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, health and safety legislation, and employment legislation.
- We enquired of the Board and reviewed correspondence and Board meeting minutes for evidence of non-compliance with relevant laws and regulations. We also reviewed controls the Board have in place, where necessary, to ensure compliance.
- We gained an understanding of the controls that the Board have in place to prevent and detect fraud.
   We enquired of the Board about any incidences of fraud that had taken place during the accounting period.

#### Independent auditor's report

- The risk of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations was discussed within the audit team and tests were planned and performed to address these risks. We identified the potential for fraud in the following area: laws related to regulated nature of the Charitable Entity's activities.
- We reviewed financial statements disclosures and tested to supporting documentation to assess compliance with relevant laws and regulations discussed above.
- We enquired of the Board about actual and potential litigation and claims.
- We performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that might indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- In addressing the risk of fraud due to management override of internal controls we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates were indicative of a potential bias.

Due to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations and cannot be expected to detect all fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to members of the Charitable Entity, as a body, in accordance with section 87 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charitable Entity those matters we are required to state to it 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 Entity and the members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Statutory Auditor One Express 1 George Leigh Street Manchester

Manchester M4 5DL

Date: 20.7.23

Skylight Proud to be part of SHG
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2023

ncome from:  Donations and legacies  ncome from charitable activities  Supporting people into	3	2,022 881	-	2,022	804
Supporting people into		881		ADVICE OF CONTRACTOR OF CONTRA	004
employment, relieving poverty, relieving food poverty and			-	881	711
developing digital skills Supporting customers in local communities and delivering support services to help people live independently		1,129	-	1,129	454
Empowering communities to develop networks of support Working in partnership to reduce demand on statutory services;		129	-	129	124
and supporting the development of the third sector, ensuring additional resources and services are secured.		237	-	237	33
Bank Interest Receivable		13	-	13	-
Total incoming resources		4,411	-	4,411	2,126
Expenditure on charitable activities:	4				
Supporting people into employment, relieving poverty, relieving food poverty and developing digital skills		1,149	-	1,149	925
Supporting customers in local communities and delivering support services to help people		1,261	-	1,261	541
live independently Empowering communities to develop networks of support Working in partnership to reduce		264		264	131
demand on statutory services; and supporting the development of the third sector, ensuring additional resources and services are secured.	1	333	-	333	94
Total expenditure		3,007	-	3,007	1,694
Net income/(expenditure) Transfers between funds		1,404		1,404	432
Net Movement in funds		1,404	-	1,404	432
Reconciliation of Funds		4 007		4 227	005
Total Funds brought forward  Total Funds carried forward		1,337 2,741	-	1,337 2,741	905 1,337

All Incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

# Skylight Proud to be part of SHG Statement of Financial Position at 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
		Funds	Funds	2023	2022
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Current assets					
Debtors	9	387	-	387	351
Cash and cash equivalents	10	3,178		3,178	1,500
Total current assets:		3,565	=	3,565	1,851
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(824)		(824)	(514)
Net current assets		2,741	-	2,741	1,337
Total assets less current liabilities		2,741	~	2,741	1,337
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		÷	-	-	-
Total net assets		2,741	_	2,741	1,337
The funds of the charity:					
Unrestricted Funds		2,741	-	2,741	1,337
Restricted Funds		-		-,	-
Total charity funds		2,741	-	2,741	1,337

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 17-July 2023.

Signature:

Secretary

Member 1

Member 2

The notes on pages 27 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

Company Registration Number 7953

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### 1 Legal status

SKylight is a Charitable Community Benefit Society that is limited by shares. SKylight was incorporated on 10th December 2018. Its registered address is: Cornerstone, 2 Edward St, Stockport, SK1 3NQ.

SKylight is a Registered Society under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and is governed under its Rules.

#### 2 Accounting policies

### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charitable entities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006 and are presented in sterling £ rounded to the nearest £'000.

SKylight meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or fair value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

### Going concern

The Board Members consider that there are no material uncertainties about SKylight's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

#### Funds structure

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified either as:

- · A restricted fund or
- · An endowment fund.

Restricted funds are those where the donor has provided for the donation to be spent in furtherance of a specified charitable purpose. SKylight's restricted funds tend to result from appeals for specified purposes.

Those funds which are neither endowment nor restricted income funds, are unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the Board Members have set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the Board Members discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

#### Incoming resources

Income is derived from the provision of goods/services and stated after trade discounts, other sales taxes and VAT where applicable.

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

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

Income received in advance of the goods or services being provided is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met. Income is also deferred where it is either refundable, where performance or time 28

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related conditions have not been met, or where other terms and conditions limit the recognition of the income.

Income from donations and legacies

Such income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the SOFA when receivable. Grants, where entitlement is conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant. Where income is received in relation to a particular project or activity to be carried out over a specified period, the relevant proportion of such income is deferred so that it is recognised in the same period that the relevant expenditure is incurred.

### Gifts and donated services

Donated facilities and services that are consumed immediately are recognised as income, with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities (SoFA).

As the value of services provided to the charity by volunteers cannot be quantified they have not been included in these accounts.

Resources expended and irrecoverable VAT

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to each category of expense shown in the Statement of Financial Activities. Expenditure is recognised when the following criteria are met:

- there is a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event
- it is more likely than not that a transfer of benefits (usually a cash payment) will be required in settlement
- the amount of the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

#### Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include finance, human resources, insurance, irrecoverable VAT and assurance costs.

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

Support costs have been apportioned between charitable activities on an appropriate basis. The analysis of support costs and the bases of apportionment applied are shown in note 5.

#### Charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the charity. These costs, where not wholly attributable, are apportioned between the categories of charitable expenditure in addition to the direct costs. The total costs of each category of charitable expenditure include an apportionment of support costs as shown in note 4.

#### **Debtors**

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are measured on the basis of their recoverable amount.

Cash and cash equivalents

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments, usually in 90 day notice interest bearing savings accounts.

#### Creditors

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are measured at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.

Amounts which are owed in more than a year are shown as long-term creditors.

#### Financial instruments

SKylight only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. The estimates and associated assumptions are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors considered to be relevant. No estimates, assumptions or judgements are deemed to be critical to the organisation's financial statements.

#### Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account for the year in which they are payable to the scheme. Differences between contributions payable and contributions actually paid in the year are shown as either other creditors or accruals at the year end.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

3 Incoming r	resources from o	donations and leg	acies			
			Total 2023 £'000		Total 2022 £'000	
Unrestricted Inc Gift aid	<u>ome</u>			2,0	022	804
Total unrestricte	ed incoming reso	urces from donati	ons and legacies	2,0	)22	804
4 Analysis o	f charitable exp Supporting	enditure Supporting	Empowering	Working in	Total	Total
	people into employment, relieving poverty, relieving food poverty and developing digital skills	customers in local communities and delivering support services to help people live independently	communities to develop networks of support	partnership to reduce demand on statutory services;	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Costs directly allocated to activities	202	4 446	117	195	2,230	1,243
Salaries, NI and pensions Other staff costs including training and uniforms	802	1,116 5	117 1	1	15	6
Premises costs, licenses and health and safety	36	-		-	36	15
Your Local	59	0	0	0	59	54
Pantry costs Personalisation costs and participant	2	0	7	6	15	19
expenses Other costs	126	14	112	98	350	96

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

Support costs and governance costs allocated to activities	108	118	25	31	282	242
Support costs (see note 5)	100	110	23	31	202	242
Governancé costs (see note 5)	8	8	2	2	20	19
Total unrestricted	1,149	1,261	264	333	3,007	1,694

# 5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Analysis of support

costs	Raising funds £'000	Charitable activities £'000	Total 2023 £'000	Total 2022 £'000	Basis
Salaries, NI and pensions		225	225	241	Expenditure
Bank charges		2	2	1	Expenditure
Miscellaneous		55	55	-	Expenditure
Total	-	282	282	242	· 9

Analysis of governance costs	Raising funds	Charitable activities	Total Funds	Total Funds	Basis
	£'000	£'000	2023 £'000	2022 £'000	-
Salaries, NI and pensions	-	14	14	14	Expenditure
External audit	-	6	6	5	Expenditure
Total	-	20	20	19	_

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

#### 6 Board Member remuneration, benefits and expenses

Members of SKylight board give their time freely and receive no remuneration for the work that they undertake in relation to SKylight. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to SKylight - these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity specific training events. Expenses totalling £Nil were claimed for the financial year 2022/23 (2022: £Nil).

### 7 Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Salaries and wages	1,994	1,119
Social security costs	158	74
Employers pension contribution	78	46
	2,230	1,239

The average number of full time equivalent employees within 2022/23 was 70 (2022 average: 56).

No employees had emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2022: none).

Key management personnel of the organisation comprise the Board Members, the Chief Executive Officer, the Assistant Chief Executive, the Executive Director of Resources, the Executive Director of Operations and the Director of SKylight and Customer Service. The services of the key management personnel of the organisation were donated with a calculated benefit of £41,055 (2022: £37,752) included within governance costs.

#### 8 Auditors remuneration

The auditor's remuneration of £5,505 (2022: £5,000) related solely to the audit and £800 for additional work being undertaken (2022: £800).

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

Debtors under 1 year	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	funds £'000	funds £'000	£'000	£'000
Prepayments	6		6	
Accrued income	15		15	
Other Debtors	18	_	18	
Trade debtors	38	_	38	152
Intercompany debtors	251	-	251	156
Amounts owed by SMBC and associated companies	59	-	59	43
Total	387	-	387	351
10 Analysis of cash and cash equipole  Debtors under 1 year	Unrestricted funds £'000	Restricted funds £'000	2023	2022
	£,000	£.000	£'000	£'000
Cash in hand	2 170		2 479	4 500
Cash in hand	3,178		3,178	1,500
Total	3,178	-	3,178	
	3,178	-		
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount	3,178	Restricted funds		1,500 1,500 2022
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount	3,178 s falling due Unrestricted	Restricted	3,178	1,500
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount within one year	3,178 s falling due Unrestricted funds	- Restricted funds	3,178 2023	1,500
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount within one year  Creditors falling due within 1 year	3,178 s falling due Unrestricted funds	- Restricted funds	3,178 2023	1,500 2022 £'000
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount within one year  Creditors falling due within 1 year  Trade creditors	3,178  Is falling due  Unrestricted funds £'000	- Restricted funds	3,178 2023 £'000	1,500 2022 £'000
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount within one year  Creditors falling due within 1 year  Trade creditors  Accruals and deferred income	3,178 s falling due Unrestricted funds £'000	- Restricted funds	3,178 2023 £'000	1,500 2022 £'000
Total  11 Analysis of Creditors: amount	3,178  Is falling due  Unrestricted funds £'000	- Restricted funds	3,178 2023 £'000	1,500

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

Total	824	-	824	514

#### 12 Analysis of unrestricted fund movements

	Balance B/Fwd	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains & losses	Balance C/Fwd
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
General fund	1,337	4,411	(3,007)	-	-	2,741
Total	1,337	4,411	(3,007)	-	-	2,741

### 13 Related party disclosures

SKylight is controlled by Stockport Homes Limited, who has the right to appoint or remove any or all Board Members. Stockport Homes Limited produces consolidated accounts which are available to members of the public from its registered office: Stockport Homes Limited, Cornerstone, 2 Edward Street, Stockport SK1 3NQ.

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council is the ultimate controlling party of the Company. Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council produces consolidated accounts which are available to members of the public from its registered office.

The following transactions took place between SKylight, Stockport Homes and Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council during the year:

	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Other income receivable - unrestricted - Stockport Homes Other income receivable - unrestricted - SMBC Net amounts owed to/(from) Stockport Homes	251 59 (710)	1,043 4 (115)
Net amounts owed to/(from) SMBC	(1)	(32)
	(401)	921

During the year, Stockport Homes did not provided services relating to the operation of the organisation. The calculated benefit of these service is £Nil (2022: £Nil).