

Company no. 3174679
Charity no. 1053992

**St Vincent de Paul Society
(England & Wales)**

**Report and Consolidated Financial
Statements**

31 March 2010

St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales)

Legal and administrative details

For the year ended 31 March 2010

Status	The St Vincent de Paul Society is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 13 March 1996 and registered as a charity on 25 March 1996.	
Governing document	The St Vincent de Paul Society was established under a memorandum of association which established the objects and powers of the organisation and is governed under its articles of association dated 13 March 1996.	
Company number	3174679	
Charity number	1053992	
Registered office and operational address	5th Floor 291-299 Borough High Street London SE1 1JG	
Honorary officers	Michael Worthington Greg Pelham Joe Woods (to 1 September 2010) Adrian Abel (from 1 September 2010) Kevin McDermott	National President National Vice President National Treasurer National Treasurer Company Secretary
Chief Executive	Elizabeth Palmer	
Principal bankers	HSBC Liverpool Commercial Centre 1 Castle Street Liverpool L2 4SW	
Auditor	Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP Registered Auditor Chartered Accountants 1st Floor, 46 Clarendon Road Watford, Herts WD17 1JJ	
Solicitors	Vincents 10 Camden Place Preston Lancashire PR1 3JL	
Investment advisers	Rensburg Sheppards 2 Castlefield Court Church Street Reigate Surrey RH2 0AH	CCLA 80 Cheapside London EC2V 6DZ

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Report of the Trustees

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The Trustees present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2010.

The legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with the current statutory requirements, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (2005) (SORP).

Ever faithful to the spirit of its founders, the Society renews itself and adapts to the changing conditions of the world. To this end, and to comply with the laws of England and Wales, in particular the laws governing charities in the United Kingdom, in 1996 the Society adopted the form of a company limited by guarantee.

Structure, Governance and Management

The St Vincent de Paul Society is an international Catholic organisation of lay people formed in Paris in 1833 by Frederic Ozanam and his companions. Placed under the patronage of St Vincent de Paul, it is inspired by his thinking and works. It seeks, in the spirit of justice and charity, to help those who are suffering poverty in whatever form, irrespective of race, colour, creed, ideology or gender. It does this primarily through its voluntary membership who undertake befriending and through Special Projects which address a range of specific needs.

Structure

The St Vincent de Paul Society is a voluntary membership organisation which follows an International Rule, with each member Country or Countries having derivative National Statutes and operating in accordance with these. For legal purposes the St Vincent de Paul Society in England and Wales also operates under a memorandum of association.

Individuals who wish to become members of the Society join a local group known as a Conference. In England and Wales there are 1,108 Conferences which are grouped into 161 District Councils. The Districts, in turn, are grouped into 23 Central Councils. Each Conference, District Council and Central Council has an elected President who appoints a Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. All terms of office with the Society are for 5 years.

The Presidents of the 23 Central Councils form the National Council, which elects a National President from within the membership of the Society every five years. At this time Central Council Presidents may nominate any member of the Society to stand as National President. Any nominees must then produce a CV and an accompanying statement outlining their priorities for the next five years which is circulated to all Central Council Presidents prior to the election. Once elected, the National President forms a national Board of Trustees, consisting of a Vice President, a National Treasurer, a National Secretary and then up to 7 other voting members from within the current membership of the National Council. Three of these voting members are selected half way through the President's 5 year term to act as continuation Trustees. They will serve into the mid point of the next President's term of office. In addition non voting members with specific areas of expertise required by the Board may be brought in either from within the membership or externally, again for a five year term.

All new Trustees attend a Trustee induction day, during which their responsibilities to the Society and their legal obligations are outlined. In addition each new Trustee is given the latest Charity Commission booklets on Trusteeship. All Trustees are expected to attend a minimum of one day's training per year on externally run training days.

The National President of England and Wales is a member of the International Council General which oversees the Society in over 148 countries.

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The Society has control of two separately registered organisations, the David Young charity (registration number 238877) and the Pen-y-Pound House Fund (registration number 1053992-1). The David Young charity was set up in 1860 to aid poor relatives of the Young family. By 1970, there being no more applicants the Trustees sought advice from the Charity Commission who suggested that the St Vincent de Paul Society might administer the charity. In 1978 a new scheme was agreed and the National Council of the St Vincent de Paul Society appointed four Trustees. The David Young charity aims to assist those in need by providing financial assistance and support by way of grants or paying for specific items or services. Preference is given to relations of the original founder and Roman Catholics. As such, the charity is able to support individual members of the Society who may be in financial distress who are unable to seek support from the Society itself.

The Pen-y-Pound House Fund was formed in 1973 to alleviate poverty in the Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff. Under a Charity Commission scheme of October 2004, the Trustees of the Society were appointed as Trustees of the Fund, as the Fund's former Trustees were unable to continue in office. Accordingly, the Fund became a subsidiary charity of the Society from that date.

Governance

Members of the National Council and the National Board of Trustees constitute the corporate members of the St Vincent de Paul Society for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006. They have no financial interest in the reserves or assets of the Society and receive no remuneration for their work. The National Council elects the board of Trustees upon the nomination of the President and also has the power to remove the Trustees, either at the AGM or an EGM.

The National Board of Trustees is legally responsible for the affairs of the Society. As such the Board has the final decision on any policy or matter affecting the Society. Whenever possible and appropriate, the representative National Council is consulted prior to decisions being taken.

The National Secretary is responsible for ensuring the compliance with both Company Law and the Rules of the Society.

The National Board of Trustees meets no less than four times a year, while the National Council meets three times a year.

The Board continued to operate a committee structure during the year. All committees/implementation groups are chaired by Board members and include representation from National Council wherever possible. The committees are able to focus on specific areas of Society business and report to the Board as necessary.

Management

The Society employs a Chief Executive Officer whose role is to oversee the administration of the Society and who reports directly to the National President. The Chief Executive is accountable to the Board.

In addition, the Board is assisted in the discharge of its duties by Board committees, each of which is operated under terms of reference approved by the Board.

Strategic policy and funding decisions are made by the Board. Day to day operational decisions are delegated to the Chief Executive and senior staff, who provide regular reports to the Board.

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Risk Statement

A risk assessment exercise considering financial, strategic, reputational, compliance and operational risk is undertaken and reviewed regularly. Key risks are identified by the Trustees and a plan for mitigating risk established.

The key business risks are: volatility of income levels, although the Society aims to operate expenditure within these levels; the diverse nature of the operations; and investment risks.

Key controls in operation to mitigate these risks include: investment in social enterprise and trading to generate further unrestricted funds, the setting and approval of budgets by the Trustees; a policy of supervision and oversight; robust procedures for conference returns; centralised payroll function and frequent finance meetings.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objectives

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, The Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Placed under the patronage of St Vincent de Paul, the Society takes its inspiration from his thinking and words. It seeks, in the spirit of justice and charity, to help those who are suffering poverty in whatever form. It does this through the involvement of its voluntary members in person to person befriending. We have no geographical limits within England and Wales.

The object of the charity as per its governing document is the relief of poverty, both material and emotional, in England and Wales and abroad, without differentiation on the grounds of race, colour, creed, ideology or gender. The Society seeks to achieve this objective in three main ways:

- Through the person to person involvement of its members at Conference level who visit and provide assistance to those in need.
- Through its Special Works, which are projects established to meet a specific local need and which are run by local committees accountable to the appropriate Central Council. Policy decisions and major investments relating to Special Works must be approved by the Board of Trustees in consultation with National Council.
- With the prior approval of the Trustees, members may pursue the Objectives of the Society by helping and supporting Special Activities, which are projects that are not managed or controlled within the Society, but which share a common aim with the Society and members are directly involved in the management or operation of the project, while not having a controlling interest.

The services offered by the Society are open to all. The befriending service is free to all users, as are some of the projects, while other projects do charge a nominal fee, depending on the nature of the project and its funding.

Charitable Objectives for 2009/2010

- The maintenance of membership visits and assistance to individuals and families
- The maintenance of Community Support Projects
- The maintenance of holiday provision to disadvantaged children and families
- Maintain support overseas through the Twinnage programme
- Continue to develop the SVP Youth programme
- The maintenance of existing residential projects.

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The main strategies for achieving the above were as follows:

The maintenance of membership visits and assistance to individuals and families

- Expand SVP Awareness month to reach more potential members
- Continue the programme of CRB checks in line with Diocesan timetables
- Develop relationship with The Prison Advice & Care Trust (pact) and work with offenders
- Develop work with seekers of sanctuary

The maintenance of Community Support Projects

- Maintain the number of shops in the shop strategy in established areas
- Develop locality plans and restructure accordingly
- Commence a project on life skills training for the unemployed

The maintenance of holiday provision to disadvantaged children and families

- Develop the marketing plan for the North Wales holiday facility

Maintain support overseas through the Twinnage programme

- Maintain the number of twins supported through Twinnage

Continue to develop the SVP Youth programme

- Maintain Youth SVP numbers
- Increase the number of SVP 1833 groups

The maintenance of existing residential projects.

- Implement the recommendations of the review of SVP residential provision

Grant Making Policy

The St Vincent de Paul Society is not a grant making organisation per se, but can make grants to other organisations with objects similar to those of the Society as set out in the Society's Memorandum of Association where members are directly involved in volunteering in their work. All such grants have to be approved, in advance, by the Trustees of the Society. Small financial grants may also be made to beneficiaries, but only through the befriending process.

During the year the charity provided grants to fellow St Vincent de Paul Societies operating in overseas countries (Twinnage), as is explained in more detail below.

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Use of Volunteers

The St Vincent de Paul Society is an organisation dependent on the work of its voluntary membership. In the year 2009/2010, 7,783 full members together with 1,632 auxiliary members recorded 978,120 hours of voluntary service. This excludes volunteers who are not members who provide further time at many of the Society's Special Works and National Office.

Achievements and Performance

Charitable Objectives

Overall 2009/2010 was a satisfactory year for the St Vincent de Paul Society in its key areas of charitable activity. Set out below are achievements under each objective heading:

The maintenance of membership visits and assistance to individuals and families

The number of visits made year on year has fallen slightly in 2009/2010. Over 508,663 visits were made to more than 93,938 individuals and families across England and Wales. In addition, material assistance was provided to those visited where appropriate on more than 90,058 occasions. Such material assistance ranged from the provision of furniture, food, appliances, clothes, fuel and small financial disbursements to the provision of transport. No fees were charged for this activity.

SVP Awareness Month was promoted more widely in order to reach more potential members. Fifteen new conferences were established over the year.

In 2009, the SVP employed a safeguarding consultancy to review safeguarding within the Society and ensure best practice in all aspects of the Society's work. The consultancy is being retained in an advisory capacity going forwards.

The Society continued to build on its work with offenders, both internally, encouraging the work already undertaken by members in terms of prison visiting, and externally, building on the relationship with pact and identifying new ways in which the SVP can help support offenders and their families.

The Society continued to encourage the membership to become more involved with work involving seekers of sanctuary. Collaboration with other organisations such as the Jesuit Refugee Service continued with a Conference focusing on the issue of destitute seekers. Many SVP members also participated in campaigning on asylum issues via the Vincentian Millennium Partnership, including the delivery of a petition to parliament with over 11,000 signatures.

The maintenance of Community Support Projects

The structure and staffing of Community Support Projects was reviewed in order to maximise effectiveness. The operating regions were expanded to cover a wider geographical area rather than the confines of SVP Central Council boundaries. Development plans for each area were established.

The number of Community shops reduced in total over the year from 27 to 26, however turnover increased and the programme went into surplus following the restructuring.

The number of furniture projects remained constant in 2009/2010 at 14, while the number of deliveries made to beneficiaries totalled 5,475. This figure does not include deliveries of low cost furniture which were purchased through the Community shops. Some furniture projects charge a nominal fee, others provide furniture for free. A small delivery charge is sometimes requested, dependent on the amount of furniture involved.

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In terms of new developments, a new initiative was launched in the Leeds Furniture project with funding from local government to develop a new work skills programme aimed at unemployed adults.

The maintenance of holiday provision for disadvantaged children and families

In 2009/2010, 2,073 children attended the society's summer holiday camps, which is an increase on the previous year. All camps charge a subsidized fee and further financial assistance is available as required in many cases. The SVP operates 8 caravans in various parts of the country and the number of low income families benefiting from a caravan holiday was 85. In general caravan holidays are free to the beneficiary. In addition, 1,307 people benefited from a break at the Ozanam Centre in North Wales, which was an increase on the previous year. Some of these clients are fee paying and others go free, sponsored by local SVP Conferences.

Further work was done on the marketing plan for the Ozanam Centre, North Wales, with particular emphasis on the promotion of family weeks during the school holidays.

Maintain support overseas through the SVP Twinnage programme

Overseas aid has increased slightly in 2009/2010 with the number of twins supported by Twinnage increased from 1,748 to 1,759.

Continue to develop the SVP Youth programme

The number of Youth SVP groups registering in 2009/2010 was 147, while the number of SVP 1833 groups increased from 15 to 20.

The maintenance of existing residential projects

In 2009/2010 the SVP provided 200 people with residential care in 4 projects in Nottingham and Tyne. Residential provision is on a referral basis and is funded through statutory funding

The SVP commissioned an external review of its residential projects which was delivered in 2009/2010. Various recommendations have been acted upon and work continues to consolidate this aspect of SVP work.

Fundraising Objectives for 2009/2010

- Increase the revenue derived through the fundraising events programme
- To review funding strategy

The national fundraising events programme in 2009/2010 expanded to include two new events, a London to Paris bike ride and a classical guitar concert. In total national events raised £46K in 2009/2010.

The Board decided to commission an external consultant to review the Society's funding strategy in 2010/2011.

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Financial Review

Main sources of income

The Society's main sources of income are: voluntary income, donations, shops sales and legacies £4.5m (2009: £4.2m); grants and charges to beneficiaries £2.6m (2009: £2.7m); fundraising £0.5m (2009: £0.6m).

Results

The movement in funds for 2009/2010 compare with those of 2008/2009 as follows:

	2010	2009
	£	£
Surplus/(deficit) for the year before movements on investments and property revaluation	53,672	409,549
Investment gains/(losses)	340,231	(337,882)
Net movement in funds for the year	393,903	71,667

Incoming resources were £7.8m, compared to £8.2m in 2009, a net reduction of £400k (5%).

The main movements on incoming resources were: activities for generating funds down £57k (10%); investment income down £156k (65%); income from shops and furniture stores up £212k (15%); a reduction in one-off grants and other income of £400k.

Resources expended went down by 2% from £7.7m to £7.6m, a reduction of £53k. The cost of generating funds went down by £100k. Other costs rose by £47k (an increase of less than 1%)

The surplus for the year of £394k (after realised and unrealised gains and losses) comprises a surplus of £291k on unrestricted funds, an increase of £2k on restricted funds and an increase of £101k on endowment funds. The increase on endowment funds arises mainly from unrealised gains on endowment fund investments of £105k.

The Board is keen to maintain an adequate level of reserves for the future and to be able to invest in future developments as required, particularly the establishment of social enterprise initiatives and the further development of services such as the debt programme. While legacies remain an important part of the Society's income it is the Board's intention to become less reliant on them over time in relation to core costs.

Financial management

The Finance Committee was set up in 2004. It assists the trustees with the financial management of the Society. It reviews the Society's finances from budget setting through to expenditure and considers the funding options for the Society in the short, medium and long-term. The Chief Executive and the Finance Director sit on the committee, as well as a minimum of two Board members, including the National Treasurer.

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Reserves policy

The Society's reserves at 31 March break down as follows:

	2010	2009
	£	£
Total reserves at the end of the year	8,272,102	7,878,199
Less: Endowment funds and restricted reserves	(1,763,168)	(1,660,197)
Revaluation reserve	(1,280,756)	(1,312,436)
Designated funds	(2,334,392)	(2,302,813)
Free unrestricted reserves	<u>2,893,786</u>	<u>2,602,753</u>

The Trustees consider their free reserves to be those that do not have a legitimate designation and are not restricted by the donor.

When the Trustees reviewed the Society's reserves to determine the appropriate level that should be held, they took into account an analysis of existing and potential future funding streams together with an assessment of their reliability. They also took into account committed expenditure, together with the Society's risk assessment.

Due to the organisational structure of the Society, the reserves of the organisation are complex. The Society feels that it is appropriate to hold reserves equal to three months' expenditure. This will allow the Society to cope with any variability in income. In addition the Society needs to hold reserves to cover specific identified risks, as well as funding for new initiatives and to allow it to respond to urgent requests for assistance. There is no need to provide cover for risks that can be covered by insurance or in other ways. Given the uncertainties of the current economic climate, the Society also feels it prudent to hold reserves to cover the possibility of having to close projects due to lack of funding. Taking all these factors into account, the total unrestricted free reserves required by the Society are in the region of £2.9m. The current unrestricted free reserves of the charity, excluding the amounts invested in fixed assets, are £2.9m. The Society is therefore content with the level of free unrestricted reserves shown on its balance sheet. The level of desired reserves will be reviewed each year.

Investment policy & objectives

The Society's investment advisors invest the funds available, approximately one third in fixed interest investments to provide the best current yield possible and the remaining two thirds in a broad range of medium risk equities to provide growth of both income and capital. An exception to this balance could be made if the investment advisors think that the fixed interest sector should be increased for tactical reasons.

The performance of the investments are monitored on a quarterly basis. The trustees compare the performance of the portfolio with the APCIMS balanced index. Performance of the portfolio is considered acceptable if it matches or exceeds the performance of this index.

The market value of the portfolio rose by 32.3% in total in the year. In comparison the APCIMS balanced portfolio index rose by 28.3% for the same period. The unrealised gain on the investments in the year is £312k. Preparations are in hand to transfer the Society's portfolio to a new investment manager, CCLA.

The Society has an ethical investment policy in line with the teaching of the Catholic Church. After taking into account the inevitable interaction in the global economy the Society aims to avoid investing in any company which after reasonable enquiry clearly has significant profits from an activity which is contrary to the objectives of the Christian Church and the objectives of the Society.

Plans for the Future

Charitable Objectives for 2010/2011

- The maintenance of membership visits and assistance to individuals and families
- The growth of Community Support Projects
- The maintenance of holiday provision to disadvantaged children and families
- Maintain support overseas through the Twinnage programme
- Continue to develop the SVP Youth programme
- The maintenance of existing residential projects.

The main strategies for achieving the above will be as follows:

The maintenance of membership visits and assistance to individuals and families

- Continue to adopt Safeguarding best practice in all aspects of the Society's work
- Continue to promote membership recruitment and training
- Continue to explore new ways to reach people in need

The growth of Community Support Projects

- Increase the number of Community shops in the shop strategy in established areas
- Increase the number of areas in which we operate
- Develop a training project for long term unemployed on one site
- Relocate the Sheffield Furniture Project to larger premises

The maintenance of holiday provision to disadvantaged children and families

- Continue to promote SVP holiday provision
- Establish an internal committee with responsibility for the development of this area

Maintain support overseas through the Twinnage programme

- Maintain the number of twins supported through Twinnage

Continue to develop the SVP Youth programme

- Maintain Youth SVP numbers
- Increase the number of SVP 1833 groups
- Evaluate the potential for "Mini Vinnies" (5-11s)

The maintenance of existing residential projects.

- Continue with the implementation of the recommendations of the review of SVP residential provision

Fundraising Objectives for 2010/2011

- Increase the revenue derived through fundraising events programme
- To re-launch SVP "Friends" initiative
- To commission a funding review

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Trading Subsidiary

The St Vincent de Paul (England & Wales) Trading Limited, the Society's trading subsidiary, formulated a business plan to bring its Furniture Operation out of deficit and back into profit. The plan included regular reviews to ensure it remained on course. Unfortunately, it quickly became apparent that progress was not being made and the decision was taken to sell off the vehicles and make its' four staff redundant. Contact has been continued with some customers and with the help of a volunteer a token presence in the market retained. In total, the Furniture Operation lost £32,746. However, this loss occurred mainly in the earlier part of the year.

The greetings card operation on the other hand managed to produce a surplus of £5,878 (compared with £3,769 in the previous year), resulting from a £5,966 increase (48%) in sales.

Statement of Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees who are also directors of The St Vincent De Paul Society for the purposes of company law are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

Insofar as the Trustees are aware:

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

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

Committee Structure

The Board continued to operate a committee structure during the year. All committees/implementation groups are chaired by Board members and include representation from National Council wherever possible. The committees are able to focus on specific areas of Society business and report to the Board as necessary.

The Trustees

The trustees, who are also directors under company law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Adrian Abel (appointed Trustee 1 September 2010)
Marie Atherton
Mike Brady (appointed 1 June 2010)
Siobhan Garibaldi (resigned 1 June 2010)
Joe Gilfillan
Richard Massey
Kevin McDermott
Gregory Pelham
Monica Phillips (resigned 1 June 2010)
Mike Walmsley (appointed 1 June 2010)
Joe Woods (resigned 1 September 2010)
Michael Worthington

Sr Ellen Flynn (appointed 1 June 2010) and Terry Brown are co-opted non-voting members of the Board of Trustees.

Corporate members of the charity (who are the members of the National Council and honorary national officers) guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 March 2010 was 28 (2009 - 26).

The trustees have no beneficial interest in the group or charity.

Auditors

Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP has indicated its willingness to continue in office.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 November 2010 and signed on its behalf by



Michael Worthington
- National President

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (ENGLAND AND WALES)

We have audited the group and parent charity financial statements of The St Vincent De Paul Charitable Group Ltd (the financial statements) for the year ended 31 March 2010 on pages 15 to 38.

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

The trustees' (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) responsibilities for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view, have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Report is consistent with those financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records, if the charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made.

We read the Trustees' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and charitable company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS
OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (ENGLAND AND WALES)**

Opinion

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2010 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006; and
- the information given in the Trustees Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP

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Date: *24 January 2011*

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Consolidated statement of financial activities
(incorporating an income and expenditure account)

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	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	2010 Total £	2009 Total £
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	2	3,098,568	192,322	-	3,290,890	3,309,207
Activities for generating funds	3	507,521	-	-	507,521	564,437
Investment income		58,055	27,769	-	85,824	241,789
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
Shops & furniture stores		1,667,759	-	-	1,667,759	1,456,023
Holidays & camps		266,223	-	-	266,223	215,267
Residential care & approved premises		491,516	1,181,002	-	1,672,518	1,803,164
Youth development programme		10,505	-	-	10,505	20,150
Support centres		49,130	240,858	-	289,988	453,402
Other income		-	-	-	-	137,119
Total incoming resources	4	6,149,277	1,641,951	-	7,791,228	8,200,558
Resources expended						
Costs of generating funds						
	5	284,459	2,103	4,112	290,674	391,370
Charitable activities						
Visits & assistance to individuals & families		1,639,006	44,894	-	1,683,900	1,641,429
Shops & furniture stores		1,686,554	130,364	-	1,816,918	1,761,330
Holidays & camps		466,836	-	-	466,836	439,787
Residential care & approved premises		531,682	1,166,951	-	1,698,633	1,852,337
Twinnage		857,568	30,040	-	887,608	843,413
Youth development programme		103,585	27,380	-	130,965	147,712
Support centres		376,925	282,634	-	659,559	626,753
Governance costs		102,463	-	-	102,463	86,878
Total resources expended	6	6,049,078	1,684,366	4,112	7,737,556	7,791,009
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before gains & transfers	7	100,199	(42,415)	(4,112)	53,672	409,549
Transfers between funds	20	-	-	-	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before revaluations and investment asset disposals		100,199	(42,415)	(4,112)	53,672	409,549
Realised gains/(losses)		16,920	903	10,481	28,304	(1,032)
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		117,119	(41,512)	6,369	81,976	408,517
Unrealised gains/(losses)		173,813	43,485	94,629	311,927	(336,850)
Net movement in funds	20	290,932	1,973	100,998	393,903	71,667
Funds at the start of the year		6,218,002	1,396,040	264,157	7,878,199	7,806,532
Funds at the end of the year		6,508,934	1,398,013	365,155	8,272,102	7,878,199

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. Movements in funds are disclosed in note 20 to the financial statements.

Balance sheets

31 March 2010

	Note	The group		The charity	
		2010	2009	2010	2009
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	12	2,961,167	2,920,238	2,960,407	2,918,718
Investments	13	1,338,093	1,010,910	977,695	722,732
Housing associations	14	10	10	10	10
Investments in subsidiaries	15	-	-	1	1
		<u>4,299,270</u>	<u>3,931,158</u>	<u>3,938,113</u>	<u>3,641,461</u>
Current assets					
Stock		16,613	24,492	4,782	6,221
Debtors	17	448,815	581,309	495,238	614,853
Short term deposits		3,146,727	3,256,117	3,146,727	3,256,117
Cash at bank and in hand		780,688	776,150	692,832	698,066
		<u>4,392,843</u>	<u>4,638,068</u>	<u>4,339,579</u>	<u>4,575,257</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year	18	<u>420,011</u>	<u>691,027</u>	<u>418,667</u>	<u>696,196</u>
Net current assets		<u>3,972,832</u>	<u>3,947,041</u>	<u>3,920,912</u>	<u>3,879,061</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>8,272,102</u>	<u>7,878,199</u>	<u>7,859,025</u>	<u>7,520,522</u>
Net assets	19	<u>8,272,102</u>	<u>7,878,199</u>	<u>7,859,025</u>	<u>7,520,522</u>
Funds					
Endowment funds	20	365,155	264,157	111,816	74,424
Restricted funds		1,398,013	1,396,040	1,324,720	1,471,578
Unrestricted funds					
Revaluation reserve		1,280,756	1,312,436	1,280,756	1,312,436
Designated funds		2,334,392	2,302,813	2,334,392	2,302,813
General funds		2,893,786	2,602,753	2,807,341	2,359,271
Total funds		<u>8,272,102</u>	<u>7,878,199</u>	<u>7,859,025</u>	<u>7,520,522</u>

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 19 November 2010 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Worthington
- National President

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Consolidated cashflow statement

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	Note	2010 £	2010 £	2009 £	2009 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	a		29,324		266,235
Returns on investment			85,824		241,789
Capital expenditure and financial investment	b		(220,000)		(285,529)
Management of liquid resources	c		<u>109,390</u>		<u>92,528</u>
Increase in cash for the year			<u><u>4,538</u></u>		<u><u>315,023</u></u>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds					
Increase in cash for the year			4,538		315,023
Cash outflow from a decrease in liquid resources	c		<u>(109,390)</u>		<u>(92,528)</u>
Movement in net funds for the year			(104,852)		222,495
Net funds at beginning of year			<u>4,032,267</u>		<u>3,809,772</u>
Net funds at end of year	d		<u><u>3,927,415</u></u>		<u><u>4,032,267</u></u>

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Notes to the Cashflow Statement

a. Reconciliation of net incoming/(outgoing) resources to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	2010 £	2009 £
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before revaluations	53,672	409,549
Investment income	(85,824)	(241,789)
Depreciation	190,992	206,660
Transfer out from charity and disposals	1,127	3,352
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(144,140)	10,236
(Decrease)/Increase in deferred income	(126,876)	128,724
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	132,494	(258,143)
Decrease in stocks	7,879	7,646
Net cash inflow from operating activities	29,324	266,235

b. Capital expenditure and financial investment

	2010 £	2009 £
Proceeds from sale of listed investments	184,456	25,328
Purchase of investments	(116,632)	(50,556)
(Increase)/Decrease in cash held	(54,776)	35,114
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(233,048)	(295,415)
	(220,000)	(285,529)

c. Management of liquid resources

	2010 £	2009 £
Net withdrawal from short term deposits	(109,390)	(92,528)

d. Analysis of Net funds

	As at 1 April 2009 £	Cash flows £	Investment gains (losses) £	As at 31 March 2010 £
Cash at bank and in hand	776,150	4,538	-	780,688
Short term deposits	3,256,117	(109,390)	-	3,146,727
	4,032,267	(104,852)	-	3,927,415

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1 Accounting policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets, and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards and the Companies Act 1985. They follow the recommendations in the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005).

These financial statements consolidate the results of the Society and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, The Friends of St. Vincent de Paul Limited, Society of St Vincent de Paul (England and Wales) Trading Limited and the David Young's Charity on a line by line basis. The Society also holds a controlling interest in the Pen Y Pound House Fund. These are included within the group accounts. The results of the charity comprise the results of the National Office, Conferences and Special Works of the Society. A separate statement of financial activities, or income and expenditure account, for the Society itself is not presented because it has taken advantage of the exemptions afforded by section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 and paragraph 397 of SORP 2005.

Incoming resources

- b) Voluntary income received by way of donations to the Society is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Proceeds from the sale of donated goods are recognised in the accounts in the period in which they are realised. Volunteer time is not included in the financial statements.
- c) Grants are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which they are receivable.
- d) Income from legacies is accounted for on a receivable basis, and is recognised in full in the financial statements in the period in which entitlement is notified, and there is adequate certainty of receipt and where the amount can be reliably ascertained.

Resources expended

- e) Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Grants payable are recognised when authorised for payment.

Allocation of support costs incurred at the Society's administrative centres

- f) Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. However, where relevant, the salary, office and premises costs of the administrative centres which represent the charity's support costs, are apportioned on the following basis which are an estimate, based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity.

Visits & assistance to individuals & families	47%
Shops & furniture stores	10%
Holidays & camps	3%
Residential care & approved premises	9%
Twinnage	2%
Youth development programme	3%
Support centres	3%
Governance	9%
Cost of generating funds	<u>14%</u>
	<u>100%</u>

- g) Governance costs relate to compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.
- h) The costs of generating funds relate to the costs incurred by the group and Society in raising funds for the charitable work.

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Fixed assets

- i) Assets are capitalised at cost, except properties which are stated at valuation as detailed in note 12.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

Freehold buildings	2% straight line
Leasehold buildings	over the period of the lease
Computer equipment	33% straight line
Furniture and equipment	20% straight line
Minibuses and caravans	20% straight line

Land is not depreciated.

Items of equipment are capitalised where the purchase price exceeds £1,000. Depreciation costs are allocated to activities on the basis of the use of the related assets in those activities. Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use.

Funds

- j) Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is identified to the fund.
- k) Designated funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the Trustees of the Society.
- l) Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.
- m) Endowment funds: these represent two permanent endowment funds for which the assets must be held permanently by the Society. Further details of these funds are shown in note 20.

Operating leases

- n) Rentals payable under operating leases, where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership remain with the lessor, are charged to the statement of financial activities in the year in which they fall due.

Investments

- o) Investments held as fixed assets are revalued at mid-market value at the balance sheet date. The gains or losses on revaluation or disposal for the period are taken to the statement of financial activities.

Stocks

- p) Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first in first out basis and includes transport and handling costs. Net realisable value is the price at which stocks can be sold in the normal course of business after allowing for the costs of realisation. Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow moving and defective stocks.

Pensions

- q) The Society operates a stakeholder group personal pension plan. In addition, the Society contributes to the personal pension schemes of a number of employees. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Society in independently administered funds. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable under the schemes by the Society to the funds. The Society has no liability under the schemes other than for the payment of those contributions.

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2 Voluntary income				2010	2009
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total £	Total £
Members' contributions	250,978	-	-	250,978	257,020
Church collections	929,387	-	-	929,387	961,851
Legacies	525,034	-	-	525,034	786,653
Other donations and voluntary grants	<u>1,393,169</u>	<u>192,322</u>	-	<u>1,585,491</u>	<u>1,303,683</u>
	<u><u>3,098,568</u></u>	<u><u>192,322</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>3,290,890</u></u>	<u><u>3,309,207</u></u>

Voluntary income received covers a number of different charitable activities.

3 Activities for generating funds				2010	2009
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total £	Total £
Trading activities	95,709	-	-	95,709	227,099
Income from national raffle	65,659	-	-	65,659	71,358
Other fundraising activities	247,141	-	-	247,141	215,589
Rental and other income	<u>99,012</u>	-	-	<u>99,012</u>	<u>50,391</u>
	<u><u>507,521</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>507,521</u></u>	<u><u>564,437</u></u>

Activities for generating funds received covers a number of different charitable activities.

4 Total incoming resources for the year

This is stated after including the following restricted grants:

	2010 £	2009 £
Big Lottery Fund grants		
St Vincent's Support Centre, Leeds (MK/1/01069461)	-	50,436
St Vincent's Support Centre, Leeds		
Reaching Communities (RC/1/010187536)	28,862	28,019
Reaching Communities (RC/2/010288388)	143,803	76,836
DTI Financial Inclusion Fund	49,363	55,322
Ministry of Justice grants		
St Christopher's hostel, Newcastle	538,000	426,000
Ozanam House, Newcastle	<u>587,000</u>	<u>479,787</u>

5 Costs of generating funds

				2010	2009
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total £	Total £
Trading activities	77,860	-	-	77,860	198,371
Investment manager's fees	6,888	2,103	4,112	13,103	10,348
Fundraising expenses	111,766	-	-	111,766	103,677
Support costs (note 6)	<u>87,945</u>	-	-	<u>87,945</u>	<u>78,974</u>
	<u><u>284,459</u></u>	<u><u>2,103</u></u>	<u><u>4,112</u></u>	<u><u>290,674</u></u>	<u><u>391,370</u></u>

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6 Resources expended

	Year ended 31 March 2010				2010 £
	Staff costs (note 8)	Grants (note 9)	Other direct costs	Support costs (note 10)	
Cost of generating funds (note 5)	39,830	-	162,899	87,945	290,674
Charitable activities					
Visits & assistance to individuals & families	23,333	-	1,364,694	295,873	1,683,900
Shops & furniture stores	926,611	-	827,489	62,818	1,816,918
Holidays & camps	63,136	-	384,226	19,474	466,836
Residential care & approved premises	1,228,752	-	412,717	57,164	1,698,633
Twinnage	4,100	857,972	14,857	10,679	887,608
Youth development programme	47,576	-	65,800	17,589	130,965
Support centres	372,881	-	266,576	20,102	659,559
Governance costs	-	-	45,926	56,537	102,463
Sub-total	2,706,219	857,972	3,545,184	628,181	7,737,556
Support costs	339,785	28,005	-	(367,790)	-
	3,046,004	885,977	3,545,184	260,391	7,737,556

	Year ended 31 March 2009				2009 £
	Staff costs (note 8)	Grants (note 9)	Other direct costs	Support costs (note 10)	
Costs of generating funds (note 5)	69,305	-	243,091	78,974	391,370
Charitable activities					
Visits & assistance to individuals & families	10,350	-	1,365,386	265,693	1,641,429
Shops & furniture stores	884,186	-	820,734	56,410	1,761,330
Holidays & camps	61,112	-	361,188	17,487	439,787
Residential care & approved premises	1,248,958	-	552,046	51,333	1,852,337
Twinnage	4,000	821,431	8,392	9,590	843,413
Youth development programme	58,439	-	73,478	15,795	147,712
Support centres	421,611	-	187,091	18,051	626,753
Governance costs	-	-	36,108	50,770	86,878
Sub-total	2,757,961	821,431	3,647,514	564,103	7,791,009
Support costs	326,196	16,256	-	(342,452)	-
	3,084,157	837,687	3,647,514	221,651	7,791,009

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7 Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year

This is stated after charging:

	2010 £	2009 £
Depreciation	190,992	206,660
Trustees' indemnity insurance	275	275
Trustees' remuneration	nil	nil
Trustees' reimbursed expenses	6,102	10,604
Auditor's remuneration:		
▪ Statutory audit	45,926	36,108
Operating lease rentals:		
▪ Property	<u>268,882</u>	<u>278,855</u>

During the year 8 trustees were reimbursed expenses (2009:10). This totalled £6,281 (2009: £10,604). In addition, £7,421 (2009: £8,277) was paid on behalf of trustees directly to third parties. Expenses related to reimbursement for travel and accommodation, subsistence, telephone, postage and stationery.

In accordance with the memorandum and articles of association, the Society paid a premium of £275 (2009: £275) for trustee indemnity insurance to the value of £5 million (2009: £5 million).

8 Staff costs and numbers

Staff costs were as follows:

	2010 £	2009 £
Salaries and wages	2,767,677	2,754,323
Social security costs	166,306	216,720
Pension contributions	<u>112,021</u>	<u>113,114</u>
	<u>3,046,004</u>	<u>3,084,157</u>

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8 Staff costs and numbers (continued)

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The average weekly number of employees (full-time equivalent) during the year was as follows:

	2010	2009
	No.	No.
Visits & assistance to individuals & families	2	2
Shops & furniture stores	58	58
Holidays & camps	4	3
Residential care & approved premises	49	51
Youth programme	2	2
Support centres	13	13
Twinnage	1	1
Fundraising & publicity	3	4
Support staff	8	8
Governance	1	1
	<u>141</u>	<u>143</u>

The Society relies substantially on voluntary services provided by its members across the country. It is not possible to quantify the value of these services to the Society.

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9 Grants programme

During the year, the Society paid out grants to a number of organisations. The majority of the grants were paid to SVP societies in other countries.

	2010	2009
	£	£
SVP Grenada	6,000	5,440
SVP Guyana	2,070	1,950
SVP Sudan	19,675	18,720
SVP India	181,560	192,355
SVP Romania	7,000	6,875
SVP Lebanon	-	2,000
SVP Botswana	-	1,000
Eastern Europe fund	2,000	2,000
Student scholarships programme	38,900	35,882
Payments from disaster fund:		
▪ DRC (Congo)	-	5,000
▪ India	33,440	13,440
▪ Burma and China	-	36,000
▪ Sudan	294,211	225,320
▪ CGI	50,000	-
▪ Italy	10,000	-
▪ Sri Lanka	10,000	-
Tsunami Orphans Appeal	52,150	110,000
Twinning projects	145,144	155,986
Ferrar (India) grant	5,822	5,909
Prisons Week	500	-
Vincentian Millennium Partnership	5,000	2,000
Other grants	22,505	17,810
	885,977	837,687

10 Support Costs

	2010	2009
	£	£
Staff costs	339,785	326,196
Head Office support costs	78,725	65,531
Premises costs	46,358	43,661
Bank charges	56,465	40,394
Depreciation	24,442	30,491
Other costs	60,828	14,271
Legal and professional fees	21,578	45,226
	628,181	564,103

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11 Taxation

The Society is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

12 Tangible fixed assets

The group	Freehold properties £	Leasehold property & improvements £	Furniture and equipment £	Motor vehicles and caravans £	Totals £
Cost or valuation					
At the start of the year	1,767,500	1,528,251	670,921	397,932	4,364,604
Additions in year	-	136,661	78,774	17,613	233,048
Disposals in year	-	-	(8,660)	(16,914)	(25,574)
At the end of the year	<u>1,767,500</u>	<u>1,664,912</u>	<u>741,035</u>	<u>398,631</u>	<u>4,572,078</u>
Depreciation					
At the start of the year	117,652	454,843	542,073	329,798	1,444,366
Charge for the year	55,326	26,795	73,583	35,288	190,992
Disposals in year	-	-	(8,660)	(15,787)	(24,447)
At the end of the year	<u>172,978</u>	<u>481,638</u>	<u>606,996</u>	<u>349,299</u>	<u>1,610,911</u>
Net book value					
At 31 March 2010	<u>1,594,522</u>	<u>1,183,274</u>	<u>134,039</u>	<u>49,332</u>	<u>2,961,167</u>
Long Leasehold		661,799			
Short Leasehold		<u>521,475</u>			
		<u>1,183,274</u>			
At 31 March 2009	<u>1,649,848</u>	<u>1,073,408</u>	<u>128,848</u>	<u>68,134</u>	<u>2,920,238</u>
Long Leasehold		674,369			
Short Leasehold		<u>399,039</u>			
		<u>1,073,408</u>			

The Society's properties were valued on an existing use basis as at 31 March 2007 by independent chartered surveyors, Edwin Thompson LLP. The properties are included at 31 March 2007 at their revalued amount and the Trustees do not consider an adjustment is required to the valuation as at 31 March 2010. The previous full valuation was in March 2002.

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12 Tangible fixed assets (continued)

The Charity	Freehold properties £	Leasehold property & improvements £	Furniture and equipment £	Motor vehicles and caravans £	Totals £
Cost or valuation					
At the start of the year	1,767,500	1,528,251	651,889	391,420	4,339,060
Additions in year	-	136,661	78,774	17,613	233,048
Disposals in year	-	-	(8,660)	(16,914)	(25,574)
At the end of the year	<u>1,767,500</u>	<u>1,664,912</u>	<u>722,003</u>	<u>392,119</u>	<u>4,546,534</u>
Depreciation					
At the start of the year	117,652	454,843	523,042	324,805	1,420,342
Charge for the year	55,326	26,795	73,583	34,528	190,232
Disposals in year	-	-	(8,660)	(15,787)	(24,447)
At the end of the year	<u>172,978</u>	<u>481,638</u>	<u>587,965</u>	<u>343,546</u>	<u>1,586,127</u>
Net book value					
At 31 March 2010	<u>1,594,522</u>	<u>1,183,274</u>	<u>134,038</u>	<u>48,573</u>	<u>2,960,407</u>
Long Leasehold		661,799			
Short Leasehold		<u>521,475</u>			
		<u>1,183,274</u>			
At 31 March 2009	<u>1,649,848</u>	<u>1,073,408</u>	<u>128,847</u>	<u>66,615</u>	<u>2,918,718</u>
Long Leasehold		700,522			
Short Leasehold		<u>372,886</u>			
		<u>1,073,408</u>			

Comparable historical cost for land and buildings included at valuation:

	Freehold £	Leasehold £	Total £
Cost	<u>209,767</u>	<u>861,011</u>	<u>1,070,778</u>
Depreciation based on cost	<u>83,974</u>	<u>286,414</u>	<u>370,388</u>
Net book value			
At 31 March 2010	<u>125,793</u>	<u>574,597</u>	<u>700,390</u>
At 31 March 2009	<u>149,484</u>	<u>462,470</u>	<u>611,954</u>

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13 Investments

	Group 2010 £	Charity 2010 £	Group 2009 £	Charity 2009 £
Market value at the start of the year	998,912	715,601	1,311,565	968,057
Additions at historic cost	116,632	83,426	50,556	42,164
Disposals at market value	(156,152)	(114,316)	(26,360)	(21,021)
Unrealised gain (loss)	<u>311,927</u>	<u>254,684</u>	<u>(336,849)</u>	<u>(273,599)</u>
Market value at the end of the year	1,271,319	939,395	998,912	715,601
Cash held with investment managers	<u>66,774</u>	<u>38,300</u>	<u>11,998</u>	<u>7,131</u>
Total investment portfolio market value	<u>1,338,093</u>	<u>977,695</u>	<u>1,010,910</u>	<u>722,732</u>
Historic cost at the year end	<u>1,127,078</u>	<u>816,246</u>	<u>1,202,341</u>	<u>857,661</u>

All the investments are listed on the UK stock exchange and are intended to provide an investment return.

Investments representing over 5% by value of the portfolio, as above, comprise:

	Group 2010 £	Charity 2010 £	Group 2009 £	Charity 2009 £
Charishare Common Investment Fund	66,651	-	75,259	-
Next 5.25% Bond 2013	-	63,654	-	43,080
BHP Billiton Ordinary	-	60,455	-	-
BP Ordinary	-	52,929	-	40,078
Reckitt Benckiser Group Ordinary	-	-	-	36,666

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14 Housing Associations - Group & Charity

The Society, through its officers, has shareholdings in the following Housing Associations:

	Shareholding %	2010 £	2009 £
St. Vincent's Family Housing (London) Limited	35	6	6
St. Vincent's Housing Association Limited	17	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
		<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

The housing associations are governed by the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1965-1978. Under the provisions of the Act, members cannot receive a distribution of either profit or assets. The extent of the Society's financial interest is restricted to the nominal value of the shares.

15 Investments in Subsidiaries - Charity

At 31 March 2010, the Charity held a controlling interest in the following entities registered in England and Wales:

- Friends of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Limited, company number 2955858.
A dormant company, 100% owned and incorporated in the United Kingdom
- St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales) Trading Limited, company number 4373817
100% owned and incorporated in the United Kingdom
- David Young's Charity, a charity registered in England and Wales, number 238877.
The Society appoints the trustees, who are members of the Society.
- Pen Y Pound House Fund, a subsidiary charity registered in England and Wales, number 1053992-1.
The trustees of the Society are trustees of this charity.

These accounts do not include a Statement of Financial Activities for the parent Charity, as permitted under paragraph 397 of SORP 2005. The relevant figures for the year ended 31 March for the parent Charity were:

	Charity 2010 £	Charity 2009 £
Gross income	7,709,422	7,795,814
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year,	<u>189,308</u>	<u>56,695</u>

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16 Subsidiary Undertakings

The charitable company holds a controlling interest in the Friends of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Limited, St Vincent de Paul (England & Wales) Trading Limited, David Young's Charity, and Pen Y Pound House Fund, which is a subsidiary charity, number 1053992-1. The Friends of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Limited has not traded during the year and continues to have nil assets. All activities have been consolidated on a line by line basis in the statement of financial activities. Available profits are gift aided to the Society by St Vincent de Paul (England & Wales) Trading Limited. A summary of the results of the subsidiaries is shown below:

St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales) Trading Ltd.	2010	2009
	£	£
Turnover	98,647	197,733
Cost of sales	(60,307)	(102,430)
Gross profit	38,340	95,303
Administrative expenses	63,868	123,633
Operating (loss)/profit for the financial year	(25,528)	(28,330)
Interest payable	(1,340)	(3,302)
Gift aid to parent undertaking	-	-
Loss for the financial year	(26,868)	(31,632)
The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:		
Tangible fixed assets	760	1,520
Current assets	29,952	71,556
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(7,262)	(18,249)
Long term creditor repayable by March 2029	(81,180)	(85,689)
Funds at 31 March 2010	(57,730)	(30,862)

The trading company began trading in July 2003 and is based at St Jude's Furniture Store in Leeds. Activity is centred around supplying new furniture to customers involved with Social Housing, refugees and asylum seekers. The Company also sells Christmas cards and similar items.

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16 Subsidiary Undertakings (continued)

David Young's Charity	31 December 2009 £	31 December 2008 £
Incoming resources	<u>11,785</u>	<u>9,572</u>
<i>Resources expended</i>		
Charitable expenditure	<u>9,696</u>	<u>9,321</u>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year	2,089	251
Realised gains on investments	8,599	-
Funds brought forward	<u>97,507</u>	<u>97,256</u>
Funds at 31 December 2009	<u>108,195</u>	<u>97,507</u>
The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:		
Investments	102,556	93,957
Net current assets	<u>5,639</u>	<u>3,550</u>
Funds at 31 December 2009	<u>108,195</u>	<u>97,507</u>
Restricted	4,020	6,020
Unrestricted	<u>104,175</u>	<u>91,487</u>
	<u>108,195</u>	<u>97,507</u>

Figures have been included for the year ended 31 December 2009 as these are the most recent audited accounts.

Pen Y Pound House Fund (Capital and Income)	2010 £	2009 £
Incoming resources	<u>7,974</u>	<u>8,919</u>
<i>Resources expended</i>		
Costs of generating funds	<u>(2,810)</u>	<u>(2,120)</u>
Net incoming resources for the year	5,164	6,799
Transfer to help set up a community shop in Cardiff	-	(17,811)
Realised gains/(losses)	9,173	(1,780)
Unrealised gains/(losses)	<u>57,243</u>	<u>(63,250)</u>
Net movement in funds	71,580	(76,042)
Funds brought forward	<u>251,032</u>	<u>327,074</u>
Funds at 31 March 2010	<u>322,612</u>	<u>251,032</u>
The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:		
Investments	257,842	194,221
Current assets	<u>64,770</u>	<u>56,811</u>
Funds at 31 March 2010	<u>322,612</u>	<u>251,032</u>
Endowment fund	253,339	189,733
Income fund	<u>69,273</u>	<u>61,299</u>
	<u>322,612</u>	<u>251,032</u>

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17 Debtors

	The group		The charity	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	£	£	£	£
Legacy income receivable	199,761	243,239	199,761	241,239
Other debtors	136,709	255,479	135,828	232,192
Prepayments	112,345	82,591	112,345	82,610
Amounts due from subsidiaries	-	-	47,304	58,812
	<u>448,815</u>	<u>581,309</u>	<u>495,238</u>	<u>614,853</u>

There are further sums due in addition to the above legacy debtors but their value cannot be quantified until the administration of the estates has been completed.

Amounts due from subsidiaries include a loan of £45,680 to St Vincent de Paul (England & Wales) Trading Limited that is due to be repaid by March 2029. Loan repayments are made yearly and the subsidiary pays interest at a rate of 1.5%. The subsidiary has given the Society a floating charge over its assets as security. Of the £45,680, £4,500 is due to be repaid within one year and £41,180 is due to be repaid beyond a period of one year from the balance sheet date.

18 Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year

	The group		The charity	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	£	£	£	£
Other creditors	322,926	474,377	322,667	467,692
Accruals and deferred income	64,020	190,896	63,735	188,304
Amounts due to subsidiaries	-	-	-	14,315
Tax and social security	33,065	25,754	32,265	25,885
	<u>420,011</u>	<u>691,027</u>	<u>418,667</u>	<u>696,196</u>

19 Analysis of group net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	2,525,328	435,839	-	2,961,167
Investments	404,115	568,833	365,155	1,338,103
Net current assets	3,579,491	393,341	-	3,972,832
Net assets at the end of the year	<u>6,508,934</u>	<u>1,398,013</u>	<u>365,155</u>	<u>8,272,102</u>

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20 Movements in funds

	At the start of the year £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Investment gains, losses & revaluation £	At the end of the year £
Endowment funds:						
Pen-Y-Pound House capital fund (note 16)	189,733	-	(2,810)	-	66,416	253,339
The Estate of Francis Thompson	74,424	-	(1,302)	-	38,694	111,816
					-	
Total endowment funds	264,157	-	(4,112)	-	105,110	365,155
Restricted funds:						
Subsidiaries:						
Pen-Y-Pound House income fund (note 16)	61,299	7,974	-	-	-	69,273
David Young's charity (note 16)	6,020	-	(2,000)	-	-	4,020
Charity:						
Restricted legacies	464,789	6,210	(59,161)	-	-	411,838
Furniture stores	288,233	137,555	(114,964)	-	-	310,824
Approved premises, Newcastle	8,997	1,181,441	(1,181,351)	-	-	9,087
Community projects	74,359	246,501	(269,733)	-	6,648	57,775
TB Hunt Trust	108,772	7,119	(8,263)	-	37,740	145,368
Special restricted funds	143,128	7,265	(7,166)	-	-	143,227
SVP 1833	27,380	-	(27,380)	-	-	-
Other restricted funds	213,063	47,886	(14,348)	-	-	246,601
Total restricted funds	1,396,040	1,641,951	(1,684,366)	-	44,388	1,398,013

For descriptions of these funds, please see pages 35 and 36

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20 Movement in funds (continued)

	At the start of the year £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Investment gains, losses & revaluation £	At the end of the year £
Unrestricted funds:						
<i>Designated funds:</i>						
Fixed Asset Fund	1,327,090	-	-	(82,518)	-	1,244,572
Weidner Holiday Fund	281,549	7,845	(6,311)	-	-	283,083
Twinnage	455,337	532,471	(891,889)	475,888	-	571,807
Kathleen McHugh legacy	212,260	1,061	(2,017)	-	-	211,304
Special designated funds	26,577	1,529	(4,480)	-	-	23,626
Total designated funds	2,302,813	542,906	(904,697)	393,370	-	2,334,392
Revaluation reserve	1,312,436	-	-	(31,680)	-	1,280,756
General funds	2,602,753	5,606,371	(5,144,381)	(361,690)	190,733	2,893,786
Total unrestricted funds	6,218,002	6,149,277	(6,049,078)	-	190,733	6,508,934
Total funds	7,878,199	7,791,228	(7,737,556)	-	340,231	8,272,102

Details concerning the purposes of endowment, restricted and designated funds can be found on the following pages.

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20 Movements in funds (continued)

Purposes of endowment funds

Pen Y Pound House fund

This is a separate charitable trust controlled by the Society. The trustees' main objective is to further the work of the Roman Catholic Church in relieving the poor of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff. The fund comprises a permanent endowment fund which is invested on a recognised stock exchange to provide income for furthering the Trust's objectives.

The Estate of Francis Thompson

This is a permanent endowment fund arising from a legacy. The terms of the legacy are to invest the fund in quoted investments on a recognised stock exchange to provide an income for the Christ the King conference in Waverley, Liverpool. The Francis Thompson Income Fund is included in Other Restricted Funds.

Purposes of restricted funds

Pen-Y-Pound Income fund

This fund is to be spent in relieving the poor of Cardiff. There are future plans to open a second community shop in Cardiff.

David Young's Charity

This is a separate charitable trust controlled by the Society. The trustee's main objective is to alleviate poverty amongst Catholics. SVP members are eligible to apply to this fund.

Restricted legacies

This fund is an amalgamation of legacies held by Conferences and at National Office. Following discussions with its professional advisors and the Charity Commission, the Society no longer considers legacies to be restricted merely by reason of having been donated for use in a particular geographic area.

Furniture stores

This fund is represented by properties acquired with the assistance of Community Fund grants and donations to provide low cost furniture to those in need.

Approved premises, Newcastle

This represents Ozanam House and St Christopher's Hostel, approved premises funded with the help of Ministry of Justice grants.

Community projects

This fund is an amalgamation of specific grants and donations held by various projects and at National Office to fund support work in a number of areas.

TB Hunt Trust

This is a separate charitable trust controlled by the Society. The trustees' main objective is to provide help to those in need in the Leicester and Market Harborough areas.

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Special restricted funds

These comprise of:

George Blount trust fund

This fund offers financial assistance to young people up to the age of 20 to enable them to achieve an aim, hope or ambition, which will give direction to their life.

Lucy's fund

The fund has been set up from a grant made in memory of the late Lucy Doreen Rope. SVP Conferences may apply to this fund for individuals in need of financial help with travel and equipment costs to return to work.

Gilbert Cooper fund

The fund is used to award scholarships tenable to any educational establishment for persons under 25 years of age who are in the care of or guardianship of the SVP.

Young Mothers and Children fund

This fund was set up in 2006/2007 and exists to support young mothers and their children who are experiencing difficulties.

J McLaughlin Holiday fund

This fund was established in 2007 to assist disadvantaged individuals by helping to cover the costs of a holiday through one of the Society's Special Works.

Westminster Lourdes fund

£60,000 was received in 2002/2003 to set up a fund to send individuals from the Westminster area to Lourdes.

SVP 1833

This fund was comprised of grants given for the SVP 1833 programme. The fund was fully used up in the year.

Other restricted funds

Other restricted funds include: £12,774 for holiday projects; and £213,063 for various projects in the Tyne Central Council area.

Purposes of designated funds

Generally, designated funds are spent and replenished in a year. Members are encouraged to apply for use of these funds.

Fixed Asset Fund

This fund shows the amount of the Society's funds invested in its unrestricted fixed assets net of any property revaluations. Depreciation relating to fixed assets is charged to the fund on an annual basis. The transfer of £82,518 represents the amount invested in fixed assets in 2009/2010 net of depreciation.

Weidner Holiday fund

This Fund is to be spent on the poor and needy both in Newcastle and the other areas covered by Tyne Central Council over a period of between 15 to 20 years.

Twinnage

This represents funds contributed mainly by Conferences specifically to support the activities of the Society's sister organisations overseas. The transfer to the fund of £475,888 represents the transfer of funds collected by Conferences that has been allocated to Twinnage activities. The balance on this fund will be spent in 2010/2011.

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20 Movement in funds (continued)

Kathleen McHugh legacy

The Society received £200,000 under this legacy in 2007/2008. £100,000 of this has been set aside for the needs of named grandchildren of Kathleen McHugh, whose needs are considered to be within the Society's objectives. The requirement for this fund will end by 2021. The remaining money has been set aside to fund the Manchester Furniture Store and to cover a recruitment officer for conferences. This part of the fund will be spent by 2012.

Special designated funds

These comprise a number of funds to which local Conferences can contribute. Applications for grants can be made by Conferences to any of the funds with the exception of the Spiritual Formation fund. The Society expects to spend the current balances within five years. The funds are:

Holidays and Camps: used to provide grants to Conferences and Councils needing to purchase new equipment for the caravans or camps, as well as to Conferences/Councils wishing to send people on such a break.

Small Furniture Stores: used to provide grants to SVP furniture stores to improve their service or to kick start the founding of new furniture stores where appropriate.

Youth SVP development: used to help fund the Society's youth programme and to fund local youth activities which would otherwise not be able to take place.

Lourdes Fund: established to provide grants to Conferences and Councils wishing to send people to Lourdes.

Offender Care: used to help fund the Society's National Offender Care programme, which is yet to be established. In the meantime, funds may be used to provide grants to Conferences and Councils requiring funds for particular Offender needs.

Asylum Seeker Care: used to help fund the Society's National Asylum Seeker Care programme, which is yet to be established. In the meantime, funds may be used to provide grants to Conferences and Councils requiring funds for particular Asylum Seeker Care needs.

Debt Counselling: used to help support and develop debt counselling provision at the Society's Support Centres.

Spiritual Formation: used to support the work of the Society's Spiritual Development Co-ordinator, who assists Conferences with the Spiritual aspect of their work.

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21 Operating lease commitments

The group had annual commitments at the year end under operating leases expiring as follows:

	2010	2009
	Land and buildings £	Land and buildings £
1 year	106569	101,036
2 - 5 years	94290	83,625
over 5 years	62953	43,578
	<u>263,812</u>	<u>228,239</u>

22 Connected organisations

The Vincentian Millennium Partnership (VMP) is a separately registered charity (number: 1103443) and is an umbrella organisation set up to foster collaboration among those organisations, groups, trusts, charities and Religious Congregations in Great Britain which are influenced by the spirit of St Vincent de Paul. The Society is a member of the VMP.

The Society gave VMP a grant of £5,000 for 2010 (2009: £2,000).

23 Related party transactions

Mr Michael Gilfillan is a partner in Studio Architects, a supplier that provides architectural services to the Society. Mr Michael Gilfillan is a brother of Joe Gillfillan, a trustee of the Society. The Society chose Studio Architects at arm's length after having made comparisons with other architects. This choice resulted in marked design improvements and very significant cost savings for the Society.

The Society purchased services from Studio Architects in the amount of £13,330 in 2009/2010. Year end creditors on the consolidated balance sheet included the following amounts due to Studio Architects: 31 March 2009, £7,227 and 31st March 2010, £nil.

24 Capital commitments

Authorised capital expenditure which was contracted for but not provided in these accounts was as follows:

	2010	2009
	£	£
Building work	<u>-</u>	<u>134,185</u>