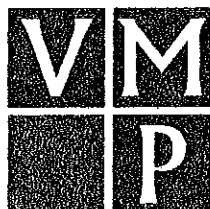


The Vincentian Millennium Partnership



VINCENTIAN MILLENNIUM
PARTNERSHIP

Annual Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 March 2009

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Registration Number 4852510
(England & Wales)**

Charity Registration Number 1103442

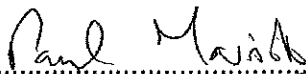
INTRODUCTION

Most annual reports this year are having to reflect on the impact of recession. This one is no different. Any recession always hits the poorest hardest and it is always those who have least resources who are least able to withstand the impact of the so-called 'economic downturn'. It is therefore imperative that there is an increased focus on support for those who need it most and a fresh commitment to promoting justice.

The members of the VMP continue to offer an amazing variety of support to those in greatest need. The commitment of volunteers and paid staff among the members of the VMP makes a massive difference to the lives of ordinary people who are struggling to live life to the full. However, the members have also given a clear steer to the VMP to take a more active role in promoting justice on their behalf. As a result, and thanks in particular to the generous support of the Daughters of Charity, we have increased our capacity to respond to this steer and ensure that the voice of the poor is given a metaphorical megaphone – to ensure that it is heard loud and clear by those who need to hear it.

This is particularly timely in the light of the publication of the Papal Encyclical, *Caritas in Veritate*, issued this year, and because we are about to enter a year in which we will celebrate the 350th anniversary of the deaths of St Vincent de Paul and St Louise de Marillac who shared a deep concern for the poor and a strong passion for justice.

This report describes something of what the VMP and its members have achieved in the last year. In doing so we give particular thanks to our Director, Sr Maureen Tinkler whose energy, enthusiasm and skill breathes life into the VMP. We also thank all our supporters who have made the work of the VMP possible and, in particular, our members without whom the VMP would not exist.



.....
Mr Paul Marriott (Chair)

Date: 15th October 2009

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Trustees' Report

We are pleased to present our report together with the independently examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2009.

Legal and administrative information

Directors and Trustees

Patron Trustees

Michael Worthington (SVP Eng & Wales)
Br Denis Kerins (BC)
Rev Fr Brian Moore (CM)
Sr Marie Raw (DC)
Tim Haigh (Depaul UK)
Christine Crump (AIC)
Rev Fr Tim Pike (CMP)
Michael Balfour (SSVP Scotland)
Mark McGreevy (Depaul International)
Sr Ellen Flynn (Passage)
Peter Macklin (Passage)

Manager Trustees

(Management Committee)

Paul Marriott (Depaul UK) - Chair
Rev Fr Fergus Kelly (CM) - Treasurer
Joe Gilfillan (SVP England & Wales)
Sr Anne Redmond (DC)
Br Alfred Hassett (BC)
Marlene Burt (AIC)
Sr Barbara Quilty (VV)
Rev Fr Peter Bolton (CMP)
Michael Connick (SSVP Scotland)
Mick Clarke (Passage)

Company Secretary

Sr Maureen Tinkler (VMP)

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Charity Registration No.

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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 31st July 2003 and registered as a charity on 27th April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which establishes the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

The trustees listed at the front of this Annual Report are representatives of the ten Partner Organisations listed below. These are:

- ◆ International Association of Charities (AIC)
- ◆ Brothers of Charity (BOC)
- ◆ Company of Mission Priests (CMP)
- ◆ Congregation of the Mission (CM)
- ◆ Daughters of Charity of St Vincent De Paul (DC)
- ◆ Depaul UK
- ◆ The Passage
- ◆ Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP)
- ◆ Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP Scotland).

- ◆ Vincentian Volunteers (VV)

In addition to the above Partners, there are a number of other groups informally associated with the Partnership who are not represented by trustees on the VMP Governing Body and these include:

- ◆ Anglican Sisters of Charity
- ◆ Ladies of Charity (LC)
- ◆ Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of Mercy
- ◆ Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Evron
- ◆ Sisters of Charity of St Jeanne Antide
- ◆ Vincentian Partnership for Social Justice
- ◆ Vincentian Care Plus
- ◆ Youth SVP (England & Wales)
- ◆ Zacchaeus 2000 Trust;

Recruitment & Appointment of Management Committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. The day to day running of the company is delegated to the ten Manager Trustees who form the Management Committee. The VMP currently has its full complement of trustees. Requirements for new trustees are identified and appointed by the Founding Partners.

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Trustees Induction & Training

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity. The Company Secretary, who is the co-ordinator of the VMP, is responsible for the induction of new trustees, which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the governing document and the work of the charity.

Risk management

The VMP functions by having one paid employee, and a network of contacts and volunteers. It has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed with SBJ Stephenson Ltd Insurance brokers and taken out a combined all risks insurance policy. It operates a comprehensive health and safety policy.

Organisational Structure

The VMP has a Management Committee of 10 members who meet every two months and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. They are nominated to serve on the Management Committee by the specific Founding Partners they represent. They come from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. The secretary also sits on the Committee but has no voting rights. Three members of the Management Committee belong to a sub Finance Committee which meets on an ad hoc basis when needed.

Objectives of the Charity

The Vincentian Millennium Partnership (VMP) 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 ethos of the VMP is rooted in the Gospel and may be best summed up by those words of Jesus taken from St Matthew's Gospel:

"Whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters – you do it to me".

The main objectives of the Vincentian Millennium Partnership are:

- to foster communication and collaboration between the Founding Partners and their associates
- to foster a sense of belonging to the Vincentian Family here in Britain
- to deepen the underlying spirituality and ethos of its members
- to support and empower those trapped in poverty
- to oppose structural injustice and lobby for justice
- to work together on practical projects which support those in need

Activities, achievements and performance

This past year has been one of substantial activity and progress in the following areas:

1. LOBBYING AND JUSTICE WORK

The charity continued to be involved in the following campaigns

CAMPAIGNS

Live Simply (Progressio / CAFOD)
Debt on our Doorstep (Church Action Poverty)
Still Human, Still Here (Refugee Council)
Strangers into Citizens (CITIZEN Organising Foundation)
"Keep the Promise" End Child Poverty Coalition
GET FAIR – coalition of anti-poverty agencies
Citizens for Sanctuary- CITIZEN Organising Foundation
Various CAFOD campaigns & coalitions

RALLIES

Around 50 members of the Family took part in the END CHILD POVERTY march and rally in central London on 4th October 2008. More than one third of UK children live in low-income families or in poverty. (A family in poverty is defined as one which has £10 per person per day or less to live on) Before the march, representatives from the coalition met Prime Minister, Gordon Brown, at Downing Street. After the meeting he repeated a pledge to impose a legal duty on the Government to eradicate child poverty in Britain by 2020.

LOBBYING MPs FOR CHANGES IN PARLIAMENTARY BILLS

Members of the Vincentian Family have petitioned their MPs on the following issues both in writing and by filling in on-line petitions.

Asylum legislation
Borders, Immigration and Citizenship Bill
Bailiffs Bill
Child Poverty Bill
Climate Change Bill
Consumer Credit Bill
Education and Skills bill
Welfare Reform Bill

AVAAZ – online lobbying

"Avaaz" means "Voice" in many Asian, Middle Eastern and Eastern European languages.

Avaaz is a global web movement (over 3.5 million members) with a simple democratic mission: to close the gap between the world we have, and the world most people everywhere want. It campaigns for stronger protections for the environment, greater respect for human rights, and concerted efforts to end poverty, corruption and war. By signing up members are rapidly alerted to urgent global issues and opportunities to achieve change. In just hours AVAAZ can send hundreds of thousands of messages to political leaders. It holds hundreds of rallies across the world calling for action. The VMP has encouraged its members to become involved in this organisation and during the year has signed up to the following online petitions.

- Imprisonment and killing of monks and students in Burma
- Zimbabwe: Democracy and Human Rights
- Kenya Needs Us (call for peace after post election rioting)
- Global Food Crisis
- Stop Climate Catastrophe

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SYSTEMIC CHANGE CONFERENCE – 13th June 2008

Organised by the VMP, 120 members of the Vincentian Family gathered in Westminster Cathedral Hall, London SW1 to listen to Fr Robert Maloney CM and Sr Ellen Flynn DC speak on this topic which challenges all Vincentians to work for systemic change in the services they offer vulnerable people. Charity and Justice must go together. There was a great “buzz” in the hall afterwards about unmet needs of vulnerable people in Britain. Asylum seekers and economic migrants came to the fore and the question was raised as to how the Family could do more. This subsequently led to VMP support of the Olallo Project for A10 migrants and contact with the Independent Asylum Commission.

OLALLO PROJECT FOR A10 MIGRANTS

Although invited to work in the UK A10 migrants have to pay £90 to register on the Worker’s Scheme and then must work 50 out of 52 weeks before they are entitled to any public services. This makes this group of people rife for exploitation by unscrupulous employers and gang masters. Many have become entrenched in homelessness and are putting a huge pressure on existing homelessness agencies that are forced to exclude them.

In response to their needs and because of the lack of provision a collaborative venture has been set up between the PASSAGE, the St John of God Brothers and the Poor Servants of the Mother God. A 32 bed space project based in Euston, London was opened on 30th December 2008 by Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O’Connor and is the first and only accommodation based training and re-connect centre for this group of vulnerable people in the country.

The Vincentian Family is supporting this project by fundraising, volunteering and lobbying.

McKENZIE FRIEND TRAINING WITH Z2K

VMP in collaboration with Z2K offers these courses to the Vincentian Family and other groups and individuals.

26th April 2008- Victoria, London; 24th May 2008 – Tottenham, London

28th June 2008 - Victoria, London; 16th September 2008 – Plymouth

11th October 2008 - Victoria, London; 25th October 2008 – Kentish Town, London

29th October 2008 – Greenwich, London; 29th November 2008 – AVID Victoria, London

2. VMP SPIRITUALITY

The VMP Spirituality group planned and ran the well received events below:

VMP Retreats

Space 4 Spirit: 5-8 September 2008

VMP in collaboration with Depaul UK ran a very successful away experience at High Borrans Outward Bound Centre, Windermere, Cumbria for 20 homeless young people aged 18-21 to help them tap into the “spiritual” aspect of their lives. Funding was obtained from LD Rope Third Settlement, Mayors Fund and the Madeleine Barratt Trust. The aims of the weekend were to:

- Appreciate the beauty of nature
- Enjoy taking part in rugged outdoor pursuits
- Reflect on life and its meaning
- Grow in awareness and appreciation of self and others
- Bond as a group
- Have fun and build friendships

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The VMP organised two follow-on activities after this weekend. On 27th September 2008 a reunion was held in Depaul Resource Centre for a certificate award ceremony. On 10th October the group went ice-skating at the rink in Whitley Bay. Further events were not planned as many of the group moved into their own accommodation, started college or even got a job. They were moving out of the homeless scene and making new friends so there was no need to keep meeting.

RETREATS & REFLECTION DAYS 2008 – 2009

23rd – 25th May 2008 – 30 people attended a weekend retreat at Minsteracres, Northumberland.

21st January 2009 – 35 members of the Vincentian Family gathered at Loyola Hall, Rainhill, Lancs for a Vincentian Reflection Day

3. VMP SCOTLAND

New SSVP President: August 2008, Michael Balfour was elected the new National President of the Society of St Vincent de Paul in place of Jim Delahunt.

Carfin Celebration: 23rd August 2008 saw the Annual Rosary and Mass in honour of St Vincent de Paul in Carfin. Around 500 attended and the retiring collection of nearly £1,000 was sent to the DC Well Project in Chepnyal, Kenya.

Additional fundraising for Well Project:

The conference of Our Lady And Mount Carmel raised £1,500 for the Daughters of Charity Kenyan well project.

4. VISION & VALUES WORKSHOPS: 28th -29th May 2008

24 staff members from Vincentian Services took part in a pilot Vision & Values Course in St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London SW1P delivered by Paul Marriott, Sr Ellen Flynn and Sr Maureen Tinkler. It was well received and future courses were requested. The twinning exercise was especially appreciated and enjoyed.

10 November 2008: Depaul Foundation – Vision & Values Programme

10 November 2008, Sr Maureen was involved in delivering the Myers Briggs Personality component of this programme at Depaul UK Central Office, London SE1

5. CONSULTANCY WORK

AIC – Darlington: 8 March 2008

Input and discussion around what it means to be a member of AIC : Expectations and resources.

Vow Retreat: 29th March 2008 with 30 Daughters of Charity in Christopher Grange, Liverpool

VIE Course: Depaul University: 12-17 January 2008

Sr Maureen gave input on the new DC Constitutions and Statutes at this Vincentian Integrated Experience Course for Daughters of Charity in Depaul University, Chicago.

6. COMMUNICATION

VMP Newsletter

The Brothers of Charity continue to oversee the printing and payment for the VMP quarterly Newsletter while the SVP facilitates its distribution, as an insert with its own Vincentian Concern Magazine, to the members of some 1,400 conferences in England and Wales. Likewise the SSVP Central Office, Glasgow is the main distributor to its 340 conferences in Scotland. Distribution to the other branches of the Family happens via their own internal mailing systems. The newsletter is now being printed in full colour.

VMP Website

The website, set up and maintained by Sr Maureen, has been up and running since February 2004 and is updated fairly regularly.

VMP Database

Members are regularly updated on justice and other issues by email.

DCs International Website www.filles-de-la-charite.org

Launched in June 2006 it is a useful Family resource. Sr Maureen is part of the international website team and is involved in the translation of News items, Prayer Corner Presentations and Kids Corner which are updated every month. In February 2009 the site originally in English, French and Spanish has had 3 more languages - Polish, Italian and Portuguese - added.

7. PRACTICAL PROJECTS

Rendu Project

Under the umbrella of the VMP both the AIC and the SSVP have come together as the Rendu group in Glasgow and continue to enjoy a very close, fruitful working partnership in addressing the pastoral needs of deaf people. The group exists to assist deaf people on their Faith journey as Catholics.

This involves two main approaches:

- to sign for deaf people during the various liturgical events of their lives as Catholics
- to raise awareness in the Catholic Church about the needs and desires of deaf people so that deaf people can take their rightful place in the Church community.

Saturday Friends

This is a collaborative venture between the AIC and the PASSAGE chaplaincy team. One Saturday a month one of the Vincentian chaplains to the Passage Day centre for homeless people and some members of the AIC from Bexley have a day out in London with their friends who happen to be homeless or recently housed. It is taken in turn to plan the outing – something enriching, preferably free, usually cultural that can be enjoyed with other members of the public. The National Gallery is a favourite, but Tate Modern, Greenwich Park and the Victoria and Albert have all enjoyed the patronage of this group. Money or goods never exchange hands. The members of this group give each other respect, friendship and opportunity – an experience of nurturing community.

9. FUTURE PLANS: April 2009 – March 2010

Since the end of the financial year, 31st March 2008, some of the events listed below have taken place whilst others will take place after the AGM on 15th October 2009.

RECRUITMENT OF NEW VMP STAFF

At the AGM on 23rd October 2008 the trustees gave the go ahead for the VMP Management Committee to advertise and recruit additional staff.

Need for an increase of income

Extra staff means an increase in salaries and other related costs. The VMP is now using up its reserve funds to pay its way and in March 2009 an appeal letter was sent out to all the branches of the Family asking for an increase in funding. The VMP will also need to begin fundraising in earnest.

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STRANGERS INTO CITIZENS RALLY: 4th MAY 2009

Members will be involved in a special Mass for Migrants in Westminster Cathedral followed by a walk into Trafalgar Square as part of the Strangers into Citizens Rally which is asking for an amnesty for illegal migrants who have been in the country more than four years and want to contribute to life in the UK as full citizens who work legally and pay taxes.

RETREAT AND REFLECTION DAYS

8th - 10th May 2009 – a Vincentian Weekend Retreat is planned at the Oblate Fathers Retreat Centre in Wistaston Hall, Crewe for a Vincentian Weekend Retreat.

27th June 2009 – A reflection day is planned for members of the Vincentian Family at the Marillac, Warley, Essex.

VISION & VALUES WORKSHOPS: 3-4 JUNE 2009

On 3rd - 4th June 2009 the second V&V workshop will take place in the Provincial House of the Daughters of Charity in Mill Hill, London NW7. A planning group will be set up in Autumn 2009 to organise further workshops in 2010.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS & POVERTY ISSUES

Time and effort will go into Borders, Immigration and Citizenship; Debt, Welfare Reform and Child Poverty issues. VMP will also continue to work closely with Z2K and its work on Minimum Income Standards and Relief of Poverty.

2010: 350th JUBILEE YEAR

2010 is a special year in the Vincentian Family running from 27th September 2009 until 27th September 2010. The VMP will be holding a series of 350th planning meetings to mark this jubilee year in the following 3 ways:

- (1) Liturgical celebrations
- (2) Events to foster the formation of its members
- (3) The setting up of specific projects which will benefit vulnerable people.

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

The VMP is considering rebuilding the site using Word Press software instead of Microsoft Expression Web.

VMP Vincentian Vision & Values Course

It is hoped that several of these will be planned for 2010 to help staff members:

- To explore what it means to work in a Vincentian organisation
- To identify the characteristics of a Vincentian organisation
- To interface and network with other Vincentian organisations
- To reflect upon our Vincentian motivation
- To acquire knowledge of our Vincentian Heritage

CONSULTATION

21-29 September 2009 – Input on DC Retreat, Wistaston Hall, Crewe

1-2 November 2009 – Input on Depaul Foundation Course to be held in Dublin

18-22 January 2010 – Input on VIE Course, Chicago

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Responsibilities of the Management Committee

Company law requires the management committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the management committee should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis.

The management committee is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The management committee is 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

Members of the Management Committee

All the members of the management committee, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 2.

Members of the charitable company guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charitable company in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 March 2009 was 21.

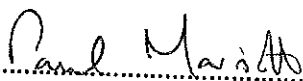
No trustee received any remuneration from the charity during the period and no expenses were reimbursed to trustees during the period. No trustee had any beneficial interest in any contract with the charity during the period.

Reporting Accountant

S M Robinson ACA of Champion Chartered Accountants was appointed as the charitable company's independent reporting accountant during the year and has expressed his willingness to continue in that capacity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the management committee on 15th October 2009 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr. Paul Marriott (Chair)

Date 15 Oct 2009

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Independent Examiner's Report for the year ended 31 March 2009

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2009, which are set out on pages 14 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3) (a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



S M Robson ACA
Champion Chartered Accountants
Preston

Date 21 October 2009

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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account) for the year ended
31 March 2009

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	
		2009	2008
		£	£
Incoming resources			
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds:</i>			
Voluntary income - donations		12711	11929
- subscriptions		38750	35550
Investment Income – interest received		2151	2147
Sundry receipt		320	268
Funds arising from charitable activities		7163	18795
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Incoming Resources		61095	68689
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Resources expended			
<i>Costs of generating funds:</i>			
Charitable activities	2	45738	53850
Governance costs	2	8711	7969
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Resources Expended		54449	61819
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net incoming resources		6646	6870
Reconciliation of funds			
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2008		31913	25043
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Balance carried forward at 31 March 2009		38559	31913
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The notes on page 14 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2009

	Note	2009 £	2008 £
Current assets			
Cash at Bank		47052	40076
Cash in hand		-	1
Debtors	3	237	476
		<u>47289</u>	<u>40553</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors falling due within one year	4	8730	8640
		<u>38559</u>	<u>31913</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			
Represented by:			
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted funds		38559	31913
		<u>38559</u>	<u>31913</u>

The Trustees are satisfied that for the year ended 31 March 2009 the company is entitled to exemption under Section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 249B(2) of the Act.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (i) ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985; and
- (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of this Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

Paul Marriott

Mr. Paul Marriott (Chair)

Date 15 Oct 2009

The notes on pages 14 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and include the results of the Charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report and all of which are continuing.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for charity accounts: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (the 2005 SORP).

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it qualifies as a small charity.

Income

Donations and legacies are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities as they are received. Subscriptions from Founding Partners are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities as and when they fall due, with subscriptions received in advance being treated as deferred income.

Value Added Tax

Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the Charity and, as such, is included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Management and Administration Expenditure

Expenditure on management and administration of the Charity includes all expenditure not directly related to the charitable activities.

2 Total Resources Expended

	Charitable		Total 2009 £	Total 2008 £
	Activities	Governance		
	Costs 2009 £	Costs 2009 £		
Staff costs	27419	4839	32258	31503
Volunteer costs	418	-	418	519
Computer costs	87	15	102	686
Printing, stationery and postage	4714	-	4714	2354
Retreat costs	7956	-	7956	18206
Telephone	679	-	679	908
Subscriptions	-	-	-	4
Bank charges	-	57	57	40
Insurance costs	565	-	565	500
Professional fees	-	3800	3800	3100
Rent	3900	-	3900	3900
Sundry costs	-	-	-	99
	<u>45738</u>	<u>8711</u>	<u>54449</u>	<u>61819</u>

Rental and insurance costs have been re-classified as being attributable to Charitable Activities rather than Governance Costs. The 2008 comparative figures have been amended in line with this re-classification.

Staff costs include the following:

	2009 £	2008 £
Salaries	27495	26511
Social security costs	2824	2787
	<u>30319</u>	<u>29298</u>

No employee earned more than £50,000 p.a. There was one employee during the year whose work covered a dual function in both work in furtherance of the Charity's objectives and also work in the administration of the Charity.

None of the trustees received any emoluments during the year.

None of the trustees received reimbursement for any expenses in the year.

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3 Debtors	2009 £	2008 £
PAYE debtor	92	26
Prepayments	145	450
	<u>237</u>	<u>476</u>

4 Creditors falling due within one year	2009 £	2008 £
Deferred income	8730	8450
Credit card	-	190
	<u>8730</u>	<u>8640</u>

5 Related party transactions

The charity has close working relationships with the organisations listed in the Trustees' report as Founding Partners and with the other groups informally associated with the charity.

The Founding Partners provide the charity with its main sources of income in the form of subscriptions and donations, as shown on the statement of financial activities. The subscriptions and donations are variable amounts, depending on the availability of funds within the individual organisations.

In addition to providing financial support the Depaul UK also provide office space and advice on a range of issues to the charity. The Brothers of Charity assist with the printing of a newsletter for the charity and with insurance costs. These facilities are provided free of charge and the value has been reflected in the statement of financial activities as a donation.