

# BASICS Devon Annual Report 2021 - 2022

Emergency Volunteer doctors

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## Emergency Volunteer doctors across rural Devon delivering Enhanced Medical Care.



Looking back at the past year, around the challenges of Covid-19, the charity has continued to support their volunteer doctors to respond to medical and trauma emergencies across Devon and in doing so have tried to help alleviate some of the pressures on the South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust. We are enormously grateful for all the time the volunteer responders have dedicated to the charity in turbulent and busy times.

In 2021 we welcomed back Dr Anthony Golding-Cook, fully equipped to respond with thanks to NHS Charities Together funding. Tony is already busy in his response area, as well as fundraising for the charity with his Morris for Medics:100 Song Challenge.



It is great to have Tony, an original member back on the team, especially for the 30th Anniversary.

*Left: Dr Anthony Golding-Cook a founding member of PLIMS*



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## 2021/22 Achievements

- Officially launched own rapid response vehicle
- New equipment - suction units, 6 x Butterfly Ultrasound Probes funded
- Implementation and Development of Sage Accounting
- New Plymouth & West Devon responders
- Comprehensive monthly team training over zoom and face-to-face when possible
- Significant Legacy donation received with substantial impact on our financial position
- Continued individual giving campaign with The Big Give Christmas Challenge
- Funding towards a number of training courses for the team including APLS Course (Advanced Paediatric Life Support)

## Incident Activity 2021

During the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic our volunteers have continued to respond to sick and injured patients across Devon.

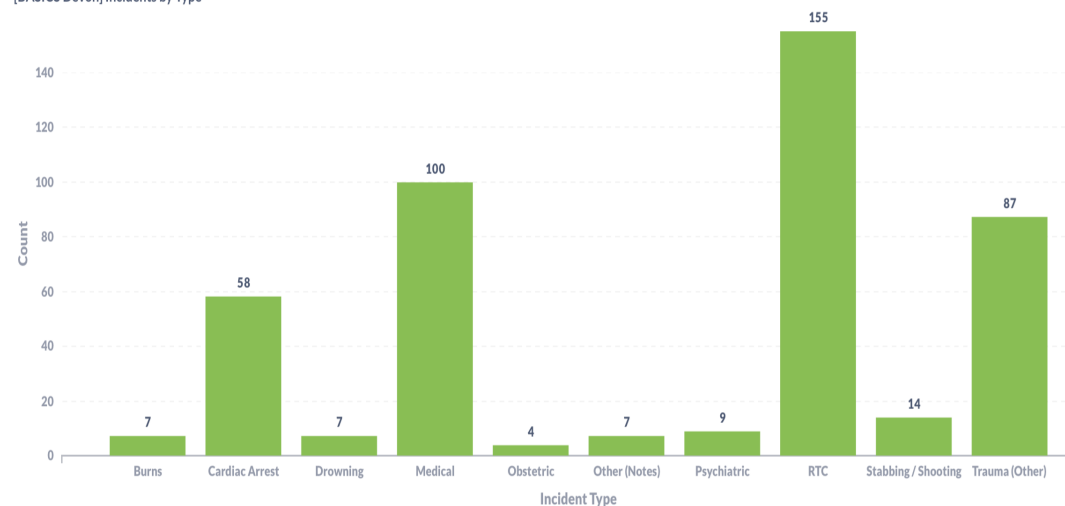
## Call outs during 2021

Total Miles Travelled	4727
Total Hours attending patients	426:15

Total Incidents	Arrived scene	Stood Down	First on scene
448	366	82	142

## Type of Incidents attended

[BASICS Devon] Incidents by Type



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## Procedures Undertaken

Summary of clinical interventions	Devon
Sedation	10
Anaesthesia	1
Fracture reduction	6
FIB	3
Enhanced analgesia	16
Surgical Airway	1
Thoracostomy	3
Thoracotomy	0
Point of Care Ultrasound	3
Wound closure	2
FP10 Script	1

## Case Study- need permission for Story

### Fundraising Review 2021-2022

The pandemic continued to be a challenge for the charity sector, but BASICS Devon fortunately, as a frontline charity, maintained some of their local support.

With a substantial Legacy donated and the NHS Charities Together funding, it was agreed that Trust and Foundation applications be held in the short term to focus on administration of Sage Accounts, ordering of equipment and new fundraising initiatives such as In Memory Of and Legacy Giving.

However, we were invited to apply for funding from the The League of Friends of Newton Abbot Hospitals, who donated an amazing £11,213.40

The Coop Local Community Fund presented us with a cheque for £3285.69 for training and education, even though we were not successful again this year for the local fund, a strong relationship remains.

Community fundraising remained slower than previous years, however local community groups and individuals have been very generous. Local community groups have chosen BASICS Devon as Charity of the Year and general donations have been received.

We have also had the amazing support of Exeter Chiefs Foundation as one of their chosen charities, and attended a collection day last September.

## MAP of incidents.....

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Local councils have shown loyalty again this year and donated towards equipment and volunteer support costs, therefore strengthening relationships.

Tony's Morris for Medics; 100 song challenge has given a steady income raising well over £1,000.

We reached an additional audience yet again with The Big Give Christmas Challenge which raised £1,231.25, and had the continued support of Premier Communication Electronics, Holsworthy & District Lions Club and the Coop Depot in Plympton, Plymouth, to which we are very grateful.

The newsletter now has 62 subscribers. Social media following has increased by 11% on Facebook followers from 1511 June 2021 to 1683 May 2022. Twitter from 1725 to 1848, Instagram 223 followers and LinkedIn 48 connections and 83 followers on the Business page. The website has had 2537 visitors, 3% increase to 2020, 95% of which were new, 5% returning.

Individual Giving has increased to three regular donors donating monthly. We also had another large Legacy and In Memory Of (IMO) Giving is in the process of being promoted with the setup of Much-Loved tribute Fund page, which has now been built on our website, set to go live this year, together with a coordinated marketing plan. The media have supported our cause this year with the launch of the rapid response vehicle and our 30th Anniversary. We hope this continues to help raise awareness.

## NHS CHARITIES TOGETHER

We were overwhelmed to be chosen as a delivery partner together with other community organisations to work collaboratively with Plymouth Hospitals Charity and NHS Charities Together over the next two

years. Funds of £66,188 will enable us to expand our existing specialist team to improve cover in the Western Devon and Plymouth area. It will fully equip and prepare additional volunteers physically and mentally to respond safely and effectively. Funding will provide a full response kit, including PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), Blue Lights installed in their vehicles and vital training courses which include Advanced Paediatric Life Support. Dr Anthony Golding-Cook and Dr Fionna Lowe are within these funds as well as our Plymouth Responders. It is an exciting project and impacts greatly on our local relationships.



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## 2021/2022 Financial year

<b>Total Income</b>	<b>140,385.77</b>
Unrestricted Individual donations and grants	£7,819.83
Restricted grants and bids	£47,485.84
Legacies	£84,649.71
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£47,402.35</b>
Responder costs, education and equipment	£19,128.45
Charity Administration	£4309.20
Fundraising Expenses including Freelance Consultant	£17,187.03
Scheme Vehicle	£6777.67
<b>Amount held in Reserves Account (£100,000 Free includes Legacy of £75,000 / Restricted is £13,231.56)</b>	<b>£218,797.71</b>
<b>Amount held in Current Account</b>	<b>£29,264.96</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>£248,062.67</b>

NHS Charities Together	
Core Costs - Expansion of team/additional responders	
Education & Training	
North Devon Responders	
Butterfly Probes	
Suction Units	
Response Vehicle	
Volunteer Responder Costs (Annual)	
<b>Total</b>	

## Objectives for 2022

As a charity, we have seen increasing challenges in our volunteer's time. In order to maintain active responding, there are many logistical challenges, such as replacing equipment, stocking drugs, driver training and vehicle inspections to name a few. We would like to reduce the administrative burden on our volunteer doctors in order to increase the time available for response work.

- Engage widely to Develop our **5-year vision** for the charity, undertake charity review and develop strategy to deliver this year vision.
- **Operations Support Officer** – Create a part-time post to support the operational side of the charity and reduce the administrative burden.
- **Response Vehicle** – Improve use of response car with increased volunteer opportunities. Look for clinicians who only want to do shifts

## Restricted fund projects:

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- **Non-Medical Responders** – Continue to Work with SWASFT (South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust) to facilitate allied health care professionals volunteering initially on the BASICS Devon Response Vehicle and longer term as solo responders
- **Additional Responders** – Support more interested and appropriately trained doctors to respond.
- **Blue Light Driving** – work with South Western Ambulance Service to find a sustainable and longer-term solution for blue light driver training for new responders
- **Fundraising** – continue to deliver our fundraising strategy



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# BASICS Devon Annual Accounts 2021 - 2022

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Accounts prepared and presented at BASICS Devon AGM 16/05/2022 –  
by Glenda Cooper, treasurer

<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>£ 41,833.90</b>
<b>Income</b>	Unrestricted Individual donations and grants including	<b>£ 15,796.16</b>		
	Restricted grants and bids	<b>£ 39,939.90</b>		
	Legacy Donation	<b>£ 84,649.71</b>		
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>£ 140,385.77</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Responder costs, education and equipment		£ 19,128.45	
	Scheme vehicle		£ 6,777.67	
	Charity Admin		£ 4,309.20	
	Fundraising		£ 17,187.03	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<b>£ 47,402.35</b>	
Amount held in Current account				£ 29,264.96
Amount held in Reserve account				£ 218,797.71
<b>Closing Balance</b>				<b>£ 248,062.67</b>

Financial Report – Glenda Cooper, Treasurer

2021/2022 Financial year

## Independent examiners report to the trustees of BASICS DEVON

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of BASICS DEVON ( the Trust) for the year ended 31/03/2022

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ( The Act)

I report in respect of my examination of the Trusts accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145 (5)(b) of the Act.

### Independent examiners statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect;

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed. C Heaton

Name. Clive Heaton

H M Inspector of Taxes ( Retired)

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Dated 24/01/23

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