

# **Donna's Dream House**

**Registered Charity 1072888**

## **Annual Report**

**For Year Ended 21st May 2022**

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## **Legal and Administrative Information**

Registered Charity Number	1072888
Registered Address	Donna's Dream House 21 Chapel Street Blackpool FY1 5AW
Trustees	Leonard Curtis MBE Michael Sugden Violet McIntyre Barbara Curtis
Bankers	Royal Bank of Scotland Talbot Square Blackpool FY1 1LE
Auditor	John McBride 160 Normoss Road Blackpool FY3 8QW

## **Mission Statement**

To provide free family holiday experiences for Children and Teenagers with life threatening illnesses, to enjoy the holiday of a lifetime with their immediate family or carers giving full support and benefit where needed.

# Donna's Dream House Accounts

Year ended

21<sup>st</sup> May 2022

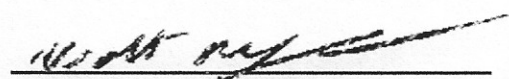
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3rd March 2022

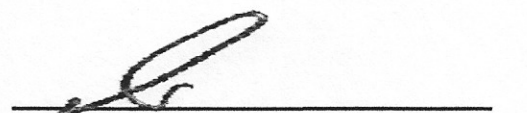
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Chairman of Trustees  
Len Curtis MBE

Signed

  
Treasurer Trustee  
Violet McIntyre

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Vice Chairman of Trustees  
Michael Sugden

# **Trustees Annual Report**

## **2021 – 2022**

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 21 May 2022

As the Covid 19 Pandemic continued it was another difficult year which has been felt by all organisations such as ours. Whilst the year started slowly we made significant decisions to ensure that we could begin once again offering holidays to some of the special families we look after whilst at the same time keeping them and the Donna's Dream House team safe.

### **Achievements and performance**

We have continued to do as much as possible working remotely and have spent a considerable amount of time looking at different options for opening up holiday stays for our special families. We have made the decision to limit the number of families staying at Donna's Dream House initially to one family at a time from Friday to Monday which will then allow us time to fully clean and disinfect all areas used before opening up again to other families.

To limit the risks to our special families and the core team we took the decision to carry on having all but the basic maintenance work carried out by professionals rather than a volunteer team. We felt that this would lesson the risk of Covid by completing work in a more timely manner, our expenditure in this area is therefore more than it has been previously.

We have continued to support other families that we have not been able to accommodate at Donna's Dream House by providing them with equipment where possible.



Our part time staff were furloughed until the end of the government scheme. We took the decision to purchase laptops to ensure that they were able to work remotely where possible.

Again we have struggled with not being able to hold the fundraising events that and we would normally undertake, however due to the generosity of our supporters and through the government grants we have been able to confirm that the charity remains in a good position going forward.

### **Fundraising and Volunteers**

As the pandemic has continued we still feel that the use of too many volunteers would impact our families, and our costs for maintenance have continued to be high as we have had to pay for the work to be done that we would previously have used volunteers for. We will be monitoring the effects of this going forward.

The Trustees would like to offer special thanks to the many organizations and individuals for their extra special support of Donna's Dream House throughout this year, without whom we would not be able to support so many families, there are too many to name individually but we all know who they are.

I should also thank the other trustees of the charity that assist me in keeping the charity moving forward with no financial benefit to themselves.

I must also thank those individuals who have continued to be in touch and have supported us in whatever way possible through this situation.

We end the year with promises of support from some of our big supporters and the expectation that the next year will allow us to

return further towards the normality that we were able to expect pre pandemic.

All in all, whilst it has been difficult at times, the charity continues to move forward and I look towards the future development of Donna's Dream House.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Len Curtis MBE', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Len Curtis MBE

Chairman of Trustees

## **Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Donna's Dream House**

I report on the accounts of the Charity year ended 21 May 2022

### **Basis of the Independent Examiners Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general direction given by the Charity Commissioners.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept 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.

### **Independent Examiners 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 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements have not been met.
2. or to which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



John McBride  
160 Normoss Road, Blackpool FY3 8QW



**Section A - Receipts & Payments****A1 Receipts**

<i>This section should summarise all the receipts using either a natural or activity classification.</i>		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds 21/22	Last Year 20/21
Total paid into DDH Bank Account		30,943		30,943	85,523
Total paid into Charity Shop Bank Account		0		0	150
Cash donations		278		278	0
Total paid into Fund Raising Bank Account		93,982		93,982	91,193
<i>Sub total</i>		125,203		125,203	176,866
<b>A2 Asset &amp; investment sale, etc may include:</b> <i>Proceeds of sale of investment assets; proceeds of sale of other assets; loan repayments received and loans received from an external lender</i>		0.00		0.00	0.00
<i>Total receipts</i>		125,203		<b>125,203</b>	176,866

**A3 & A4****Payments**

<b>1 Brought in Services</b>	49,288		<b>49,288</b>	46,588
<b>2 Advertising / Functions</b>	0		<b>0</b>	0
<b>3 Meals, Food &amp; Drink</b>	1,573		<b>1,573</b>	0
<b>4 Rent / Rates</b>	29,723		<b>29,723</b>	25,736
<b>5 Repairs &amp; Renewals</b>	40,222		<b>40,222</b>	27,369
<b>6 Travel / Motor expenses</b> To include replacement vehicles/vans/boat	9,032		<b>9,032</b>	8,780
<b>7 Office Expenses</b> To include Telephone, Post, Utils, Stationary etc	21,023 8,074 12,376		<b>21,023 8,074 12,376</b>	15,108 7,962 8,570
<b>8 Insurances / Legal / Agency Fees</b>	15,237		<b>15,237</b>	14,162
<b>9 Gifts /Prizes /Raffles /Flowers /Sundries</b>	0 3,000 0		<b>3,000 0</b>	0 2,000 0
<b>10 Payment to restricted account</b>				
<i>Sub total</i>	189,548	0	<b>189,548</b>	142,114
<b>A4 Asset &amp; investment purchases, etc include:</b> <i>purchase of assets retained for investment purposes or charity's own use charitable loans to beneficiaries and loan repayments to an external lender</i>	0		<b>0</b>	0
<i>Total Payments</i>	189,548	0	<b>189,548</b>	142,114
<i>Net of receipts / (payments)</i>	-64,345		<b>-64,345</b>	34,752
<b>A5 &amp; A6 Transfers and movements</b>				
<b>A5 Transfers between funds to include transfers from:</b> <i>unrestricted (general) funds to meet a deficit on a restricted fund; an expendable endowment to spend on charitable purposes</i>	169,000		<b>169,000</b>	77,700
<b>A6 Cash funds last year ends</b> <i>the cash balances brought forward from last year end should be those held in all the charity's cash and 'near cash' accounts</i>	86,047		<b>86,047</b>	38,696
<i>Cash funds this year ends</i>	21,702	0	<b>21,702</b>	73,448

**Section B - Statement of assets & liabilities at the end of the period****B1 Cash funds**

*should include all cash, and bank balances where cash can be withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due*

**Details**

DDH Bank account
Charity Shop Bank account
Fund Raising Bank account
Cash
Restricted funds

**Total cash funds ( Closing balance 21 May 20 )**  
( agree balances with receipts & payments account )

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds 21/22	Last Year 20/21
2,416		2,416	16,258
52		52	52
		0	
19,718		19,718	69,737
325		325	809
	0		
22,511	0	22,511	86,856

**B2 Other monetary assets may include:**

*tax reclaim due; recoverable grants and charitable loans;*

**Details**

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Unrestricted	Restricted	Total other Assets	Last Year

**B3 Investment assets may include:**

*term deposits, government stocks, other securities;  
properties held primarily for investment purposes;  
investments in subsidiary or associated companies; other investments*

**Details**

Nothing applicable

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Investment Assets 20/21	Last Year 19/20
0	0	0	0

**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use may include:**

*land and buildings primarily occupied by the charity;  
motor vehicles, computers and other equipment;  
furniture, fixtures and fittings; other heritage assets and  
other assets used by the charity in delivering its objectives*

**Details**

Computers, audio, fixtures & fit
Boat ( Donna Marie II )
Motor vehicles
Fixed assets

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Assets 21/22	Last Year 20/21
say			
16,234		16,234	16,313
1,318		1,318	1,758
20,889		20,889	27,852
12,023		12,023	16,031
50,465		50,465	61,953

**B5 Liabilities may include:**

*those immediately due, for example:  
taxes due but not yet paid; amounts due to staff for wages, salaries, etc  
and suppliers accounts not yet paid:  
those payable some time in the future or that are contingent, for example:  
loan liabilities; amounts payable on hire purchase and other leasing  
agreements; and any other liabilities*

**Details**

Nothing applicable

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Liabilities 21/22	Last Year 20/21
0	0	0	0