

THE CJD SUPPORT NETWORK  
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024

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## **THE CJD SUPPORT NETWORK**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statement of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

Legal and Administration information set out on the front page of this report.

### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

The CJD Support Network is governed by an independent constitution and administered by an executive committee.

The officers and other members of the committee are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting and there are currently three trustees.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

To support patients and their carers affected by Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease and all human prion diseases by the provision of information, advice and support and to advance scientific and medical education and research in topics related to Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease and all prion diseases.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

The Network continues to be the principal charity for Prion disease and maintains good links with both the Centres of Excellence in the UK. We have been providing emotional and practical support to families affected by all forms of CJD and to those who are informed that they are at higher risk of CJD through secondary transmission i.e. blood transfusion and surgery instruments now for over 25 years.

Beth Marsh has continued in her role as our National Co-ordinator and continues to bring great passion, enthusiasm and skill to the role. In the period of this report we have responded to numerous helpline calls and agreed 8 care grants to families in need through caring for a loved one with all forms of CJD.

We once again hosted our Family Support Day in September 2023 in Oxford. The Family Support Day gives families the opportunity to meet with other families who have experience with CJD, and also provides information from presentations given by expert speakers. We received a lot of positive feedback from attendees.

We have continued to update our website with relevant information and news we feel is of use to anyone who wishes to find out more about CJD and how we can offer support.

The charity is also a member of the international support network for this disease and is often approached by families in European countries and worldwide, including those where no support is available.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

We were the generous recipients of many donations throughout 2023-24, with major contributions from general Gifts and Donations totalling over £21,000 and In Memoriam donations totalling just under £58,000. Our overall income for year ending March 2024 was just over £101,000. This included approximately £1150 raised from our annual fundraising raffle.

Our expenditure for the year was £83,728. Research grants totalling £48,500 were awarded in the year. Other expenditure was broadly in keeping with previous years. As a result, we showed a financial surplus for year ending March 2024 of just over £17,000.

The time, effort and donations contributed by everyone is very much appreciated and we will endeavour to ensure that we continue to make the best use of all the monies raised. It continues to be the policy of our Charity to maintain sufficient reserves to safeguard against any future fluctuations in income and expenditure so the Network may continue operating as long as possible.

### PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The Network always considers its main purpose to be for the support of patients and carers affected by Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease and increasingly also those at risk through secondary transmission. Our priority will be to maintain our services in the present economic climate.

Prof. Richard Knight  
Chairman

Signed:

RSG KNIGHT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RSG KNIGHT', written in a cursive style.

THE CJD SUPPORT NETWORK  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of CJD Support Network**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CJD Network (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024..

**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 Trust's 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 examiner's 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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David Wilkinson FCMA CGMA  
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Date: 20 January 2025

**THE CJD SUPPORT NETWORK STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY  
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR END 31ST MARCH 2024**

	<b>2024</b>		<b>2023</b>	
	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>
<b>Income</b>				
Member Subscriptions	130		130	
Fundraising Item Sale	1,028		422	
Gift Aid Reclaim	6,650		3,452	
Gifts & Donations	21,104		16,464	
Give As You Earn	803		122	
In Memoriam	57,960		29,931	
Interest Income	2,300		379	
Raffle income	1,157		454	
Dinner FSM	260		640	
Sundry incom	220		0	
Sponsored Fundraising Events	9,441		9,305	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>101,052</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61,299</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Accountancy	672		528	
Caring Grants	3,635		1,395	
Family Support Meeting	5,529		5,250	
Fundraising Expenses	2,342		2,346	
Insurance	902		836	
Legal & Professional	295		0	
Membership Fees	668		713	
Mobile Phone/Internet	180		367	
National Co-ordinator	0		0	
New Website costs	46		3,860	
Office Supplies	12		120	
Postage & Delivery	600		419	
Prion Conference	259		657	
Raffle expenses	76		164	
Research Grant	48,500		0	
Salaries and employers nic	17,094		17,003	
Software	597		514	
Telephone	390		149	
Travel/Committee	564		494	
Travel/Co-ordinator	766		147	
Website maintenance	600		27	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>83,728</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34,990</b>	<b>0</b>
Excess of expenditure over income	17,325	0	26,309	0
Balance brought forward 1st April 2023	215,159	1,709	188,850	1,709
<b>BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD 31ST MARCH 2024</b>	<b>232,484</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>215,159</b>	<b>1,709</b>

## THE CJD SUPPORT NETWORK

### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at 31st March 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Other debtor	0		162	
LloydsTSB Current Account	21,318		6,312	
LloydsTSB Savings Account	213,004		210,394	
		234,322		216,868
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Other taxes and social security costs		(129)		0
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES</b>		<b>234,193</b>		<b>216,868</b>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>				
Restricted funds	1,709		1,709	
Unrestricted funds	232,484		215,159	
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>		<b>234,193</b>		<b>216,868</b>

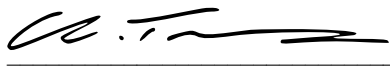
Approved by the Board of Trustees on 15th January 2024 and signed on its behalf

Signed by

Prof. Richard Knight  
Chairman

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Treasurer