
FUNDAYS IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

(A company limited by guarantee)

Report And Financial Statements

Period Ended: 30 November 2020

Charity No: 1097340
Company No: 04590084



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Legal and administrative information

Constitution

Fundays in Nottinghamshire is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its memorandum and articles. Charity number 1097340, Company number 04590084 being incorporated on the 14th November 2002.

President Sir Andrew Buchanan Bt. KCVO, former Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire

Directors and trustees

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Mrs G Clifton BA, BSc.
Mrs J Cooper (appointed 12th March 2020)
Mrs G A Coppel
L A Coppel, BSc.(Econ),FCA ,D.L
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N. Fasey ACA

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Report of the trustees for the period ended 30th November 2020

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th November 2020.

Legal and administration information set out on page 3 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice 2005 - Accounting and Reporting by Charities and Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102).

Object of the charity

The object of the charity is to improve the lives of children and young adults in Nottinghamshire who suffer from moderate to very severe learning and/or physical disability by funding facilities and services designed to provide fun, friendship, care and stimulation.

Organisation

A board of trustees met twice in the year to administer the charity. Representatives of each of the organisations we fund sit on the board of trustees or attend Board Meetings.

The charity has no paid staff and no fees are paid to any director/trustee.

The trustees of Fundays have adopted a formal "Equal Opportunities Policy" Those we fund are required to operate to the highest of standards.

We require the organisations we fund to have formal policies relating to "Health & Safety" and "Safeguarding, Children and Vulnerable Adult Protection" They are charged with adopting and monitoring the implementation of those policies.

Investment powers

Under the memorandum and articles of association, the charity has the power to make any investments which the trustees see fit. The policy of the trustees regarding investment of funds is to ensure security and liquidity.

Trustees

As a company limited by guarantee, the charity's trustees are directors appointed in accordance with Company Law and the memorandum and articles of association. New trustees are appointed by the director/trustees of the Company at board meetings.

The trustees' policy in seeking to recruit new trustees is to ensure a broad mix of skills and experience. New volunteer trustees are sought who will add to and complement those skills of the existing trustee body. The reputation, integrity and suitability of prospective trustees are examined before appointment.

Review of activities and future developments

Fundays in Nottinghamshire funds the provision of education, fun, recreation, friendship and stimulation for children and young adults with moderate to very severe physical and/or learning disabilities in Nottinghamshire. In order to make a significant difference to the lives of the young disabled amongst us, we need financial support, and are grateful to those who have provided it. In the year ended 30 November 2020, amongst the organisations and individuals that supported us were:

- Trustees of the Jones 1986 Charitable Trust
- The Mary Potter Convent Hospital Trust
- The Jessie Spencer Trust
- Cimmie Winton Charitable Trust
- The Lady Hind Trust
- The T E Clarke Trust

Without continuing support, we would have to disappoint the most vulnerable in our County, and it is our resolve that this must not happen. We will continue to ask for finance, and we will look to existing supporters for continuity while, at the same time, trying to open new avenues.

The Covid-19 Pandemic has had a major impact on activities but in the summer 2020 we were delighted to continue our financial support of APTCOO in Mansfield and Retford and the summer schools at Yeoman Park School in Mansfield Woodhouse and Ash Lea in Cotgrave. The latter was a new group for Fundays to support.

Due to the pandemic the summer school and adult week at Oak Field School did not take place in the summer of 2020.

The Nottingham Theatre of Citizens has continued on line. During August 2020, the group did manage some socially distanced meetings at the Arboretum, which were successful. The group returned to College Street in the Autumn, but further restrictions led to a return to on line activity. Tutors continue to monitor individual student needs. London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts (LAMDA) courses have continued on line. Magenta Dance Group met again when regulations allowed but had to close during restrictions. The Poetry Group met until the lock down in March.

Trustees have supported the Playhouse Platform for adults with learning disabilities. Again this continued mainly on line.

The young people who we aim to help are a most vulnerable group, borne out of isolation, rejection and low self-esteem. The pandemic has highlighted this even more as the young people are in high risk groups, many having to shield. This vulnerability can leave them open to abuse of every kind. Often, their family circumstances mean that life opportunities are very limited – their chances to develop friendships are minimal. Our funding makes it possible for them to share enjoyable experiences and, through those shared experiences, to make friends and to have a greater understanding of the wider world including increased

contact with the general community. This promotes inner strength and enhances self-esteem which does help to empower these vulnerable young people so that they have the self-respect to better stand up to abuse. The object is to allow people with disabilities to feel better about themselves, and to support and sustain those better feelings, leading to happier lives.

In 2020, we financially supported the following events, some of which continue on a weekly basis. See above for notes on activities during the current Pandemic.

The trustees take due regard of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when funding the events listed below. Many of the events we fund would not have been available to the disabled children and young people had it not been for the financial support offered by the charity.

Theatre Arts Group

"The Nottingham Theatre of Citizens" – established for age group 18-40 with about 30 young adults participating, all with moderate to severe learning difficulties, meets in central Nottingham for 36 evening sessions each year. It is a very successful theatrical production company, run by young tutors with appropriate skills, and is a great source of pleasure to all.

Dance/Keep Fit Group

Weekly sessions for about 15 people, age group 19-40, meets in central Nottingham and is open to all with learning difficulties.

Poetry Group

We funded a poetry course at Nottingham University for young adults with learning difficulties between January 2020 and March 2020. The course received very positive feedback from attendees.

FunDays in Conjunction with APTCOO (A Place To Call Our Own)

In 2020 we continued our successful relationship with APTCOO in Mansfield who, with our financial support, provided activities in the summer in Mansfield and in Retford. This was well received by the children attending. By pooling our resources they are able to increase provision for our shared audience.

FunDays supporting Yeoman Park School and Ash Lea School

Financial support from FunDays enabled the schools to operate a two week summer school. The feedback was universally excellent. Without FunDays this would not have been possible.

Playhouse Platform – Fundays has supported this daytime theatre group run by Nottingham Playhouse for young adults with learning disabilities.

Events in 2021

We plan to continue financial support for our range of activities. Clearly the current pandemic has curtailed some activities and planning for the future is more uncertain. Fundays will work with any of the providers who are intending to run summer schools in 2021.

Funding

Although a number of backers continue to support us on an annual basis this is becoming more difficult as demands increase. With this in mind we hope that all will understand the reason for us maintaining cash in the bank, and we will be pleased to talk to anyone to provide clarification. We hope that our supporters will understand the trustees' policy that the proper way to avoid disappointing the disabled young is that we raise money in one year and use it in the following year.

Our Team

The trustees are impressed with the skilled, dedicated and kind personnel who run the events funded by us on a day today basis. Looking after the young with complex physical and mental disabilities requires special people, and we are indeed fortunate that such individuals work at the summer schools and other events. The children, the young adults and their carers have good reason to be grateful to them.

Reserves policy and risk management

During the year the trustees have reviewed progress against the objectives and as part of that process have carried out a review of the risks which face the charity. All such risks are considered low risk by the trustees. An annual review will continue in addition to a review whenever a significant change to policy, people or procedures takes place.

The trustees' target for reserves is that cash of at least an amount equivalent to the subsequent twelve months anticipated expenditure should be held. The plan over the next year (year 21 of the charity's existence) is for expenditure of approximately £70,000. Our reserves at the end of November 2020 were £64,869 (2019 £64,292). The plan for year 2021 is to maintain the funding from private sources and to continue to fund organisations who provide ongoing activities.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

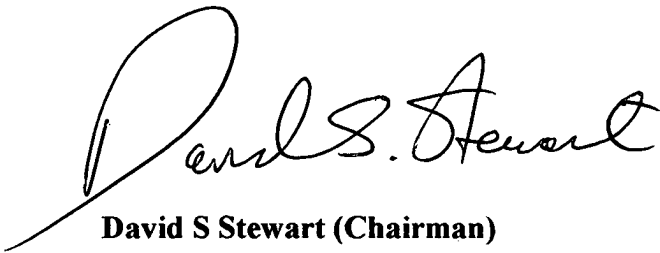
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the trustees are required to:

- ♣ 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 presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

A resolution will be proposed at a Board Meeting that Mr N Fasey be re-appointed as examiner to the charity for the ensuing year.

By order of the trustees:



David S Stewart (Chairman)

25th March 2021

Report of the examiner to the members of Fundays in Nottinghamshire

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 November 2020 which are set out on pages 10 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner.

The charity's trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination it is my responsibility to

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

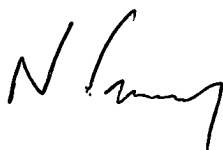
My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 386 of the companies act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities 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.

N. Fasey ACA
25th March 2021



**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure
Account) for the period ended 30 November 2020
Company Number 04590084**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2020	2020	2020	2019
		£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Donations and grants	(1b)	34,490	-	34,490	51,936
Investment income	(1e)	69	-	69	113
Total incoming resources		34,559		34,559	52,049
Resources expended					
Insurance and other costs		884	-	884	2,355
Charitable activities					
- Summer Schools & Sports Weeks		17,851	-	17,851	54,765
- Theatre, Dance and other groups		15,247	-	15,247	22,862
Total resources expended	(3)	33,982		33,982	79,982
Net movement in funds		577	-	577	(27,933)
Total funds brought forward		64,292	-	64,292	92,225
Total funds carried forward		64,869	-	64,869	64,292

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

Balance Sheet at 30th November 2020
Company Number 04590084

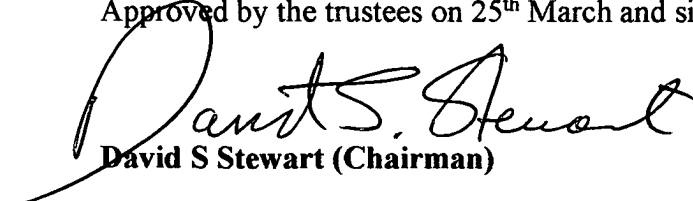
	Notes	Charity 2020 £	Charity 2019 £
Fixed Assets		-	-
Current Assets			
Debtors	(5)	-	31,066
Cash at bank and in hand		68,271	36,496
		<u>68,271</u>	<u>67,562</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(6)	3,402	3,270
Net current assets		<u>64,869</u>	<u>64,292</u>
		<u>64,869</u>	<u>64,292</u>
Unrestricted Funds		<u>64,869</u>	<u>64,292</u>
Restricted Funds		<u>64,869</u>	<u>64,292</u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30th November 2020. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30th November 2019 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by the trustees on 25th March and signed on its behalf by


David S Stewart (Chairman)

**Notes forming part of the financial statements
for the period ended 30th November 2020**

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. These policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice; Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011. There are no differences to be reported after adopting FRS 102 for the first time.

b) Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

- *Unrestricted general funds* – these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- *Designated funds* – these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.
- *Restricted funds* – these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

c) Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income. All such income is derived from donations, grants and fundraising lunches.

d) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred and includes any irrecoverable VAT. The charity makes grants to schools and therefore incurs no direct costs but simply supports the summer schools or similar events by funding. Other groups are supported in a similar manner. Details of these costs are listed in note 3.

e) Interest receivable

Interest is included on an accrual's basis.

2. Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £10.

3. Resources expended

Costs directly allocated to activities:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Funding support for summer schools	17,851	54,765
Funding support for theatre group and other activities	15,247	22,862
General insurance and other costs	884	2,355
Total Expenditure	33,982	79,982

4. Staff costs

No staff are employed by the charity. Relevantly qualified staff are employed on an event by event basis by the schools or other organisations we fund.

5. Debtors

There were no outstanding debtors at the year end.

6. Creditors

The creditors are in respect of items outstanding at the year end.

7. Deferred income

The charity has no deferred income.

8. Taxation

As a charity, Fundays in Nottinghamshire is exempt from income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or S256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Games Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

9. Related parties and overall control

The charity is an independent charity and is controlled by the trustees. In the year donations from trustees amounted to £370 (2018 £461). There were no other related party transactions.