

Clowns in the Sky

Report and Financial Statements

Year ended: 01.04.2022

Registered Charity Number 1105195

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Trustees

Wendy Saunders –Chair of Trustees

(Appointed 10th August 2007)

Trustees

W Saunders (appointed 16 April 2004)

E S Carter (appointed 16 April 2004)

Richard Chambers (appointed 7th October 2006)

Lynn Weston (appointed 7th October 2006)

Karen Sayers-Irving (appointed 10/05/2021)

Administrator

L Weston

Registered Office

82 Middle Park Avenue, Eltham, London SE9 5HT

Accountant – Independent Examiner

Martin Mason, CTA

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Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ

Report of the trustees for the year ended 1st April 2022

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 01/04/2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with

the accounting policies set out on page 7 and comply with the charity's trust deed and applicable law.

Constitution and objects

Clowns in the Sky is constituted under a trust deed dated 16 April 2004 and is a registered charity No. 1105195.

Our aim is to bring a smile to the face of a child and their family, by providing distraction from their treatment.

Clowns in the Sky offers discretionary support grants to enhance the quality of life for those who have been affected by childhood brain tumours.

Organisation

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1

Trustees are appointed by the board of trustees and serve for up to five years after which period they may put themselves forward for re-appointment. The trustees meet annually but will when appropriate meet quarterly and monthly.

Appointment of New Trustee

The Trustees appointed a new Trustees, Karen-Sayer-Irving on 10/05/2021

Review of the activities and future developments

The Charity has carried out fundraising throughout the year to raise funds for our charitable aims via fundraising activities, sourcing corporate donations and funding from charitable organisations along with direct donations.

The trustees are pleased with the success of the fundraising which has allowed us to meet our charitable objectives. During the year our focus has been on continuing with our response to the increased needs from the Hospitals following the Covid-19 Pandemic. We have successfully funded additional refills on our Activity and Sensory Trolleys throughout the UK whilst maintaining our aims and continuing to ensure the sustainability of the Charity.

The trustees communicate throughout the year for decisions and discussions via email to approve Family Grants and new trolley locations. The Trustees were pleased to appoint a new Trustee on 10/05/2021 with a view of bringing fresh development and diversity.

1. Activity and Sensory trolleys.

We now have **83** trolleys nationwide in hospital wards.

£400 pays for a trolley in a hospital to be refilled for a year.

2. Children's Entertainers.

We provide children's entertainers in partnership with another registered charity who specialise in providing entertainers to visit the children's bedsides in hospitals and know there is a huge demand. **£50** pays for an entertainer's session; in January 2020 we paid for **168** sessions. There have been a small number of visits during the year from the 168 sessions that we funded prior to the Covid-19 pandemic. The pandemic measure are still in place in many of the Hospitals throughout the UK, especially with the oncology services that our work supports, we anticipate these sessions will increase during the coming year when some of the restrictions will be reduced.

3. Grants to parents in financial need.

In 2021/2022 we made **12** grants to families, of £500.00 each. Families apply to Clowns in the Sky through an application process via the website or direct email, phone and postal contact methods. All applications are independently verified by the Hospital Clinical Teams.

4. Research.

The understanding of brain cancer in children has improved significantly in recent years and modern treatment means that 7 out of 10 children can now survive for at least 5 years. The Trustees met in February 2021 and decided that the annual donation to research of £4,000.00 would be placed on hold for the year 2021/2022 to facilitate a greater response to family grants from the charity's income. We were able to increase the number of Family grants @ £500.00 each by nine during this year.

Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and review of the state of affairs of the charity at the year end and of its incoming resources and resources expended during that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

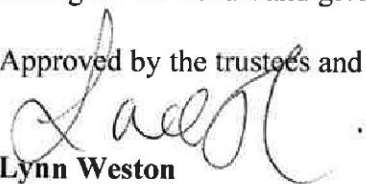
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They 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. We have fulfilled these obligations

Voluntary help

The trustees are very grateful to many volunteers who helped by carrying out fund-raising on our behalf and giving administrative and practical support.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Lynn Weston
Co-Founder & Trustee

25/03/2022

CLOWNS IN THE SKY

(Registered Charity Number 1105195)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended
1st April 2022

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

as at 1st April 2022

Independent Examiner's Report

To the Trustees of Clowns in the Sky, Charity number 1105195

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Clowns in the Sky ("the Trust") for the year ended 1 April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

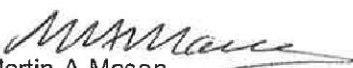
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than that any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.


Martin A Mason
Chartered Tax Adviser
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26 March 2023

Clowns in the Sky
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 1 April 2022

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
Income			
Fundraising from Trust Companies - unrestricted		45,080.00	41,880.00
Fundraising from Trust Companies - restricted	4b	7,600.00	5,990.00
Charity ball		10,260.00	-
Other events		-	1,045.00
Donations received - unrestricted funds		10,523.05	3,718.93
Donations received - restricted funds	4b	32,465.62	64,525.97
Sponsorship raised		8,909.63	-
Interest received		-	-
		114,838.30	117,159.90
Expenditure			
Family grants		3,490.00	1,500.00
Research grants		-	4,000.00
Hospital trolleys		4,951.43	6,899.87
Hospital entertainers		820.00	-
Expenditure of restricted funds	4b	35,541.85	14,493.66
Charity ball		9,428.19	800.00
Other fund raising events		3,441.91	2,906.25
Professional fees - fundraising		14,472.90	17,780.00
Promotional merchandise		1,544.20	1,240.80
Website costs		503.92	645.55
Administration		4,557.19	5,673.90
Office equipment depreciation		38.00	50.00
		78,789.59	55,990.03
Excess of Income over Expenditure for Year		£36,048.71	£61,169.87

Clowns in the Sky
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As at 1 April 2022

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Office equipment		113.00	151.00
Current Assets			
Stocks	2	850.00	6,434.00
Prepaid expenses		500.00	500.00
Cash at bank - general funds		83,072.59	50,605.65
Cash at bank - restricted reserves	3	<u>64,271.08</u>	<u>59,747.31</u>
		148,693.67	117,286.96
		<u>148,806.67</u>	<u>117,437.96</u>
Liabilities			
Sundry creditors		<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>5,680.00</u>
		1,000.00	5,680.00
Net Assets			
		<u>£147,806.67</u>	<u>£111,757.96</u>
Reserves			
Unrestricted funds	4a	83,535.59	52,010.65
Restricted funds	4b	64,271.08	59,747.31
		<u>£147,806.67</u>	<u>£111,757.96</u>

Clowns in the Sky

Statement of Principal Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Charities SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice) and with Accounting Standards as set out in FRS102.

All income and expenditure shown relates to the principal activity of the Charity.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Income:

This is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when:

- The charity is entitled to the resources
- The trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income from restricted private donations is recognised in the period received.

Grants and donations received in advance in respect of specific projects or relating to a specific geographic location where the associated expenditure has not yet been incurred as at the report period end date is shown as recognised income at the balance sheet date but treated as restricted funds pending future expenditure and details shown at note 4 of these accounts.

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Expenditure and liabilities are accounted for in the period in which there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT. Any VAT incurred is shown as part of the expense to which it relates. The Charity is exempt from taxation in respect of income received to the extent that it is applied to its charitable purposes.

Fixed Assets

Office equipment is stated at cost and depreciated over its anticipated useful life on a 25% reducing balance basis.

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Notes to the Accounts
For the Year Ended 1 April 2022

1 Details of certain items of expenditure	2022 £	2021 £
Fee for the examination and preparation of the accounts	1,000.00	1,000.00

- 2 **Stocks**
Trolleys not yet delivered to hospitals and their contents, along with supplies of promotional merchandise are included at cost.

3 Cash at bank - Restricted reserves	2022 £	2021 £
This figure represents donations and grants received where restrictions exist on either the nature or geographic location of its expenditure amounting to:	64,271.08	59,747.31

Government restrictions during the year has meant that the Charity continued to operate at a reduced level of activity.

4 Reserves	2022 £	2021 £
4a <u>Unrestricted funds</u>		
Balance at 02/04/2021	52,010.65	46,863.09
Excess income for the year	31,524.94	5,147.56
Balance at 01/04/2022	83,535.59	52,010.65

4b Restricted funds

Where a donor specifies that the donation must be used for a particular objective or in a specific geographical location they are credited to the statement of financial activities in the year received and treated as restricted funds.

The relevant amounts are set out in the tables below.

	Brought forward £	Receipts £	Payments £	2022 £	2021 £
Trust companies	2,640.00	7,600.00	(6,740.00)	3,500.00	2,640.00
Other funds	57,107.31	32,465.62	(28,801.85)	60,771.08	57,107.31
	59,747.31	40,065.62	(35,541.85)	64,271.08	59,747.31

Restricted fund expenditure

Family grants	3,000.00	-
Hospital trolleys	25,452.75	17,373.80
Hospital entertainers	-	-
Grant monitoring costs	7,089.10	-
	35,541.85	17,373.80

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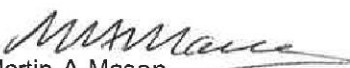
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