

LOLLIPOP (YORK & DISTRICT)

England & Wales - Charity number 1105538

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2004-08-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: Support for children, young people and young adults with any level of deafness and their families by the provision of social and emotional support. To provide social activities with the object of supporting development of independence, confidence and wellbeing of deaf children, children of deaf adults, young people and young adults.

Activities: Lollipop provides regular free activities for families of children & young people with any degree of hearing loss. Through such activities families have the opportunity to meet & build friendships with others, with whom they share their experience of deafness. Activities also encourage members to realise their true potential & in doing so build confidence, raise self esteem & develop self identity

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- City Of York
- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£121,275	£95,865	-	-
2024-03-31	£119,770	£83,579	-	-
2023-03-31	£42,332	£81,063	-	-
2022-03-31	£38,762	£80,508	-	-
2021-03-31	£102,036	£107,177	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Laura Jayne Walker	Chair	2021-03-02
Claire Elsdon		2018-05-22
Jason Damian Drobig		2019-10-12
Rebecca Bowes		2024-03-18
Stacey Louise Corr		2025-07-01

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Trustees' Annual Report

From: 1st April 2024

To: 31st March 2025

Charity's full name Lollipop (York and District)

Registered Charity number 1105538

Objectives and activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity set out in its governing document

Support for children, young people and young adults with any level of deafness, and their families, by the provision of social and emotional support. To provide social activities with the object of supporting development of independence, confidence and wellbeing of deaf children, children of deaf adults and deaf young adults. Support from Lollipop is for deaf children and young people aged 0 to 25 and their families, including siblings and the extended family. We also support hearing children of deaf adults. Members come mainly from York and North Yorkshire with additional members from surrounding areas. We welcome members regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances. The charity also works hard to raise awareness of deafness and its implications amongst the wider community.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the

Many deaf children and their families have feelings of exclusion and isolation. Lollipop offers the opportunity to meet and build friendships with others and share experience of deafness. We achieve this by offering a diverse range of social, information and support activities which aim to provide something of interest for everyone. In a relaxed and informal setting members are encouraged to try something new, express themselves freely and realise their true potential. In doing this they build confidence, increase self-esteem and develop self-identity.

Lollipop is open to children and young people, aged 0-25, with any degree of hearing loss living in York and North Yorkshire, as well as their parents and siblings and children of deaf adults (CODA). We welcome members regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances. The charity also works hard to raise awareness of hearing loss and its implications amongst the wider community.

The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

Chair's report on behalf of the Trustees 2024-2025

I, Laura Walker have been a trustee of Lollipop since March 2021 and continue in my role as Chair which I have done since July 2021. There has been a significant change in the staff structure this year with Heidi leaving. But the team continues to be dedicated and stronger than before.

Thanks

So, a big thank you to all the staff, Deb, Anna, Cheryl and Becky who all work so well together. Heidi left to pursue a new career in a school, we would like to thank her for all her hard work being the Service Manager of Lollipop during some challenging times particularly during Covid. We wish her all the best in her new job.

I would like to thank the Board of Trustees; Nathan (Vice Chair), and Amanda who due to personal reasons had to step down as trustees. We are, however, fortunate to still have dedicated trustees Claire, Shelly, Jason and Rebecca and now Stacey all for attending meetings and we value their support throughout the year. We will all continue with supporting fundraising activities and events to keep Lollipop going.

Once again, a big thank you also to all our volunteers – old and new. Plus, all family members who come to fundraising events and help to support us it is much appreciated.

Activities and events

Staff are attending activities and fundraising events to ensure families are well supported at all of these. The possibility of getting an Activity leader for some events still hasn't been possible due to staff changes. But with the help of the Lottery grant we are still preparing to look at developing new HQ's or youth/social groups and working with outside groups and teachers of the deaf to develop these in the future. We held another Deaf Services Fair in May that was very well attended and encourages agencies to all work together for all our members.

Lollipop continues to maintain a presence across social media platforms to keep members informed via Facebook, Instagram, the Lollipop website and e-newsletters with BSL videos.

Funding

Our main funding grant from The Lottery has meant that we have had more financial security to be able to do cover most core costs and we have also had some success with smaller bids getting money for activities.

The aim is to now look to the future. Our current funding from the Lottery is due to end in March 2026 and we are in the process of applying to them again. Following the advice of our current Lottery Manager this application is just for support with funding Lollipop's staff expenses. Over the past three years the staff have benefited from training in making applications for grants and have been successful on several occasions. Although it will not be easy we feel that other funding will be able to be gained for activities and social events.

We have also had support from local supermarkets, schools, communities, and businesses.

Partners

We have continued partnerships with Music and the Deaf (I Can Play project), and York St John’s University, York and District Deaf Society.

We also work with Deaf services such as Teachers of the Deaf at the City of York Council and North Yorkshire County Council. We still have a drop-in session at the Deaf Café once a month.

Membership

We are currently supporting nearly 200 families who receive input from us. We hope to re-engage with more families living in North Yorkshire after levels dropped during Covid.

Future Goals and Aspirations

As we approach the end of the third year of the Raising Aspirations project we have achieved many of our goals but need to still look at what is really wanted from members such as being able to learn BSL and get more support in this.

Our activities will be held throughout York and North Yorkshire postcode areas.

YEAR	PLANS
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Work with Teachers of the Deaf – ongoing.
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Research possibility of reintroduction of outreach projects outside of the York district. Possibly working with North Yorkshire TOD – ongoing.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Arrange and deliver 4 peer support groups per month
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Arrange one aspirational speaker per term
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Devise and deliver annual campaign to local businesses to hold fundraising event(s) on our behalf
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Arrange one aspirational speaker per term
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <input type="checkbox"/> Run at least one outreach project outside York.

We are developing a new 3 – 5 year plan and somethings are still to be introduced and developed for our members to get the best possible service that we can provide.

Financial review

Review of the charity’s financial position at the end of the period

The charity’s financial position is good. The income is more than expenditure again this year thanks to the Lottery grant of which we are in our 3rd year. The final instalment was due to be October 2025 with the grant finishing in January 2026, however this has now been extended to March 2026. The underspend continued into 2025 for the same reasons - staff restructure, illness and maternity also played a part. We are still planning to review the funding strategy as per last year and look at how we can diversify our income streams to strengthen the charity’s position.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

The Lollipop reserves policy is reviewed annually. The current policy, agreed by the Trustees in 2022, is to maintain sufficient level of reserves to enable payment of redundancies should the charity wind up due to insufficient continuation funding.

Amount of reserves held

£55,692 of unrestricted reserve

Reasons for holding zero reserves

n/a

Funds materially in deficit

none

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

None

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document Constitution

How the charity is constituted Association

Trustee selection methods Appointed by co-option, elected by members during AGM

Reference and administration details

Charity's full name Lollipop (York and District)

Other names the charity is known Lollipop

Charity's principal address The Hawthorns
Bush Gardens, Amotherby
Mallton
YO17 6TH

Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Laura Walker	Chair		
Rebecca Bowes	Treasurer		
Vacant	Secretary		
Jason Drobig			
Claire Elsdon			
Stacey Corr			


Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Karen Wood ACMA	Outsource Accountancy Services & Independent Examinations 2 Galligap Lane, Osbaldwick York YO10 3NR

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature 

Full Name Rebecca Bowes

Position Treasurer

Date 22/11/2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lollipop (York & District)

I report on the accounts of: **Lollipop (York & District)**
for the year ended: **31st March 2025** which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

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 Charity'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:

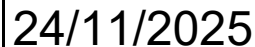
- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records

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.



Karen Wood (ACMA)

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York YO10 3NR



Date:

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Receipts & payments accounts for the year ending:		31st March 2025		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Grants	500	99,806	100,306	96,991
Trust & Foundation donations	4,837	4,000	8,837	9,632
Business donations	4,423	-	4,423	2,303
Individual donations	2,073	-	2,073	590
Fundraising activities & events	3,743	-	3,743	5,871
Community donations	1,893	-	1,893	4,383
Total receipts	<u>17,469</u>	<u>103,806</u>	<u>121,275</u>	<u>119,770</u>
Payments				
Activities including BSL support	-	13,234	13,234	7,427
Salary costs & Session workers	-	66,880	66,880	65,080
Payroll costs	-	-	-	753
General running expenses	-	11,876	11,876	3,774
Volunteer & Staff expenses	481	40	521	354
Fundraising costs	283	-	283	57
Equipment	420	-	420	1,311
Independent examiner's fees	-	350	350	350
Bank & paypal charges	25	-	25	-
HR consultancy service	-	2,276	2,276	4,473
Total payments	<u>1,209</u>	<u>94,656</u>	<u>95,865</u>	<u>83,579</u>
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,260	9,150	25,410	36,191
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Balance brought forward	39,432	24,380	63,812	27,621
Balance carried forward	<u>55,692</u>	<u>33,530</u>	<u>89,222</u>	<u>63,812</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities at:		31st March 2025			
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	
Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand					
Current bank account	55,692	33,530	89,222	63,812	
Paypal	-	-	-	-	
	<u>55,692</u>	<u>33,530</u>	<u>89,222</u>	<u>63,812</u>	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	
Liabilities					
Independent examination fee	350	-	350	350	
	<u>350</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2025

1. Basis of accounts

The Trustees have taken advantage of section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Analysis of funds

2.1 Details of restricted funds

Sylvia & Colin Shepherd

Liz & Terry Brammall

Two Ridings

Ovingdean Hall Foundation

Lottery grant

Purpose

Hearing impaired activities for ages 5 plus

Towards toddler activities

Running costs

Activities for ages 5 plus

Towards running costs and activities as set out in budgets

2.2 Movement of major funds

	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance c/fwd £
Unrestricted funds					
Total	39,432	17,469	1,209	-	55,692
Restricted funds					
Sylvia & Colin Shepherd	2,000	-	2,000	-	-
Liz & Terry Brammall	442	-	442	-	-
Two Ridings	-	5,000	5,000	-	-
Ovingdean Hall Foundation	-	4,000	2,330	-	1,670
Lottery grant	21,938	94,806	84,884	-	31,860
	24,380	103,806	94,656	-	33,530
Total Funds	63,812	121,275	95,865	-	89,222

Approval of Accounts for the year ended:


31st March 2025

The report and accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on:

22/11/2025

Date

Signed for and on behalf of the Trustees:



Signature

Rebecca Bowes

Name

TREASURER

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

22/11/2025

Date

Signature

Name

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

Date

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Registered Charity number 1105538

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The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

Chair's report on behalf of the Trustees 2023-2024

I, Laura Walker have been a trustee of Lollipop since March 2021 and continue in my role as Chair which I have done since July 2021. There has been a change of staff since the last report. But the team continues to be dedicated to doing the best job they can for all the members.

Thanks

So, a big thank you to all the staff, Deb, Heidi, Anna, Cheryl and Becky who left but then fortunately returned, who all remain a very dedicated team, who are willing to be adaptable to the changes that we have needed to continue to meet our member's needs. We said goodbye to Abi who was a big part of Lollipop and will miss her at activities. We all wish her well on her new venture.

I would like to thank the Board of Trustees; Nathan (Vice Chair), Jason, Amanda, Claire, Shelly and Rebecca for attending meetings and value their support throughout the year. We all continue with fundraising activities and events that have been held throughout the year.

Thank you also to all our volunteers – old and new. Also, to all family members who come to fundraising events and help get to support us it is much appreciated.

Activities and events

Staff are attending activities and fundraising events to ensure families are well supported at all of these

The staff continue to work on a rota system for each of these activities to ensure the needs of members are always met. The possibility of getting an activity leader for some events still hasn't been possible yet. With the help of the Lottery grant we are still preparing to look at developing new HQ's or youth/social groups as we have previously had. Our aim is to develop a new role for an activity leader with other duties to be able to add to the team.

Lollipop continues to maintain a presence across social media platforms to keep members informed via Facebook, Instagram, the Lollipop website and e-newsletters with BSL videos.

Our biggest event was the 20th anniversary of Lollipop which happened in June 2024. The party was an open-air garden party in Homestead Park, York with current members and past members and past staff also the founding person Andrea Gitsham who started Lollipop. It was a big celebration for Lollipop, and I would like to thank all the staff who contributed to its success.

Funding

Our main funding grant from The Lottery has meant that we have had more financial security to be able to do cover most core costs and we have also had some success with smaller bids getting money for activities. The aim is to now look to the future and what is required to keep lollipop in a financially secure place to be able to deliver all our future goals and aspirations

We have also had support from local supermarkets, schools, communities, and businesses.

Partners

York and District Deaf Society main partnership. We have continued partnerships with Music and the Deaf (I Can Play project), and York St John's University.

Also, with other deaf services such as Teachers of the Deaf at the City of York Council. We still have a drop-in session at the Deaf Café once a month.

Membership

We are currently supporting nearly 200 families who receive input from us. We hope to re-engage with more families living in North Yorkshire after levels dropped during Covid.

Future Goals and Aspirations

Moving forward in the second and third year of the Raising Aspirations project, we intend to build upon the success we have had in the first year. Our activities will be held throughout York and North Yorkshire postcode areas.

YEAR	PLANS
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consolidate work currently taking place since lifting of pandemic restrictions• Work with Local Authority Teachers of the Deaf to devise a strategy that will attract York families with deaf children who are not already members of Lollipop. to invite them to events and eventually membership. 4 new families will have attended 1 or more events.• Implement members focus groups to evaluate, plan and develop Lollipop activities• Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age group in term time• Organise and launch monthly 'drop in' surgeries at a free, accessible venue.• Improve fundraising strategies and train staff or volunteers in developing mixed streams of revenue• Devise and deliver campaign to encourage monthly donations from members• Organise and host Deaf Services Fair
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research possibility of reintroduction of outreach projects outside of the York district. Possibly working with North Yorkshire TOD.• Devise and deliver annual campaign to local schools to hold fundraising event on our behalf.• Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age group in term time• Arrange and deliver 4 peer support groups per month• Arrange one aspirational speaker per term• Organise and host Deaf Services Fair
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hold a celebration during Deaf Awareness week to mark our 20th Anniversary and achievements.• Devise and deliver annual campaign to local businesses to hold fundraising event(s) on our behalf.• Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age group in term time• Arrange and deliver 4 peer support groups per month• Arrange one aspirational speaker per term• Run at least one outreach project outside York.• Organise and host Deaf Services Fair

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

The charity's financial position is satisfactory. The income is more than the expenditure thanks to the Lottery grant of which we are in our second year. The final instalment is due October 2025 and the grant will end in January 2026. There was an underspend of the Year 1 Lottery grant, due to a number of factors including staff restructure, communication support being provided by access to work and other funding being awarded. The fundraising strategy needs to be reviewed, and income streams must be diversified in order to ensure continuation of the charity.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

The Lollipop reserves policy is reviewed annually. The current policy, agreed by the Trustees in 2022, is to maintain sufficient level of reserves to enable payment of redundancies should the charity wind up due to insufficient continuation funding.

Amount of reserves held

£ 39,432 of unrestricted reserve

Reasons for holding zero reserves
n/a

Funds materially in deficit
none

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern
If funding streams don't improve in the next 9-12 months, we may have to look towards reducing staffing or provisions, or closing the charity down.

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document Constitution
How the charity is constituted Association
Trustee selection methods Appointed by co-option, elected by members during AGM

Reference and administration details

Charity's full name Lollipop (York and District)
Other names the charity is known Lollipop
Charity's principal address 3 Woodward Way
Thorpe Willoughby
Selby
Postcode YO8 9FQ

Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Laura Walker	Chair		
Rebecca Bowes	Treasurer	Since Oct 2023	
Jayne Ball	Secretary	Resigned Feb 2024	
Nathan John Armstrong	Vice Chair		
Jason Drobig			
Amanda Smith			
Claire Elsdon			
Shelley Nichol		Since March 2024	

Names and addresses of advisers


Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Independent Examiner Karen Wood ACMA
Outsource Accountancy Services & Independent Examinations
2 Galligap Lane, Osbaldwick
York
YO10 3NR

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature 
Full Name Laura Walker
Position Chair
Date 11/12/24

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lollipop (York & District)

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Independent examiner's statement

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- 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.



Karen Wood (ACMA)
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20/12/24

Date:

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Receipts & payments accounts for the year ending:		31st March 2024		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Grants	-	96,991	96,991	23,745
Trust & Foundation donations	9,132	500	9,632	325
Business donations	2,303	-	2,303	88
Individual donations	590	-	590	1,068
Fundraising activities & events	5,871	-	5,871	6,560
Community donations	4,383	-	4,383	10,546
Total receipts	<u>22,279</u>	<u>97,491</u>	<u>119,770</u>	<u>42,332</u>
Payments				
Activities	443	6,984	7,427	3,531
Salary costs & Session workers	-	65,080	65,080	65,337
Payroll costs	-	753	753	804
General running expenses	850	2,924	3,774	5,371
Premises costs	-	-	-	1,482
Volunteer & Staff expenses	100	254	354	406
Fundraising costs	57	-	57	823
Equipment	1,311	-	1,311	565
Independent examiner's fees	350	-	350	300
Bank & paypal charges	-	-	-	16
HR consultancy service	-	4,473	4,473	2,428
Total payments	<u>3,111</u>	<u>80,468</u>	<u>83,579</u>	<u>81,063</u>
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,168	17,023	36,191	(38,731)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Balance brought forward	20,264	7,357	27,621	66,352
Balance carried forward	<u>39,432</u>	<u>24,380</u>	<u>63,812</u>	<u>27,621</u>

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Statement of assets and liabilities at:		31st March 2024			
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	
Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand					
Current bank account	39,432	24,380	63,812	27,544	
Paypal	-	-	-	77	
	<u>39,432</u>	<u>24,380</u>	<u>63,812</u>	<u>27,621</u>	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds	
	£	£	£	£	
Liabilities					
Independent examination fee	350	-	350	350	
	<u>350</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>	

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31st March 2024

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Norman Collinson	Towards toddler activities
Deaf Sport	Towards sporting activities
Liz & Terry Brammall	Towards toddler activities
Lottery grant	Towards running costs and activities as set out in budgets

2.2 Movement of major funds

	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance c/fwd £
Unrestricted funds					
Total	<u>20,264</u>	<u>22,279</u>	<u>3,111</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,432</u>
Restricted funds					
Sylvia & Colin Shepherd	-	2,000		-	2,000
Deaf Sport	8	-	8	-	-
Norman Collinson		500	500	-	-
Liz & Terry Brammall	-	2,000	1,558	-	442
Lottery grant	7,349	92,991	78,402	-	21,938
	<u>7,357</u>	<u>97,491</u>	<u>80,468</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,380</u>
Total Funds	<u><u>27,621</u></u>	<u><u>119,770</u></u>	<u><u>83,579</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>63,812</u></u>

Approval of Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2024

The report and accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on:

21.11.24

Date

Signed for and on behalf of the Trustees:



Signature

LAURA WALKER


Name

CHAIR PERSON

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

11.12.24

Date



Signature

REBECCA BOWES

Name

TREASURER

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

13.12.24

Date

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Trustees' Annual Report

From: 1st April 2022

To: 31st March 2023

Charity's full name Lollipop (York and District)

Registered Charity number 1105538

Objectives and activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity set out in its governing document

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Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities,

Many deaf children and their families have feelings of exclusion and isolation. Lollipop offers the opportunity to meet and build friendships with others and share experience of deafness. We achieve this by offering a diverse range of social, information and support activities which aim to provide something of interest for everyone. In a relaxed and informal setting members are encouraged to try something new, express themselves freely and realise their true potential. In doing this they build confidence, increase self-esteem and develop self-identity.

The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

Chair's report on behalf of the Trustees 2022-2023

I, Laura Walker have been a trustee of Lollipop since March 2021 and Chair since July 2021. There have been a lot of changes at Lollipop since I became Chair, as we faced the possibility of not gaining sufficient funding to continue. However due to the Lottery Bid finally coming through at the last minute we have secured full core funding costs for three years. We as trustees and staff are delighted with this and feel positive for the future of Lollipop as a Charity supporting those members who require our input.

Thanks

So, a big thank you to all the staff, Deb who was able to step up and fill Heidi's maternity leave, Anna, Abi, and Cheryl who remain a very dedicated team, who are willing to be adaptable to the changes that we have needed to continue to meet our member's needs. Unfortunately, Becky felt the time was right for her to move onto new things. We wish her all the best for her future.

I would like to thank the Board of Trustees; Nathan (Vice Chair), Jason (Treasurer), Amanda, Claire, and Jayne for their time in attending meetings, fundraising activities and events that have been held throughout the year.

Thank you also to all our volunteers – old and new. Also all family members who come to fundraising events and help get to support us it is much appreciated.

Activities and events

Staff are attending activities and fundraising events to ensure families are well supported at all of these. There have been garden parties, Footgolf, Pilot Theatre, Story craft theatre, 'I can Play' Halloween party, Mini Munchkins messy play, and sublime science to name a few.

The staff are committed to working on a rota system for each of these activities to ensure the needs of members are always met.

On 4th May 2023, Lollipop held a Deaf Services Fair which enabled many more local deaf services to come together and support our members, and the wider deaf community. This was a great success following on from last year as members were signposted to several different services that they may not have been aware of. This is an event that we would like to build upon and we are now looking for a bigger and more suitable venue to accommodate everyone for 2024.

Lollipop continues to maintain a presence across social media platforms to keep members informed via Facebook, Instagram, the Lollipop website and e-newsletters with BSL videos.

Funding

Our main funding grant from The Lottery was finally secured after a long process that nearly saw Lollipop having to wind down. Fortunately, thanks to lots of hard work from Deb with contributions and from the rest of the team, we were able to secure funding for most of the core costs of the charity for the next 3 years December 2026. However, as a response to the growing needs of the charity we still need to find extra funding that is required, for example for activities, new projects and IT equipment that desperately needs to be updated.

We have also had support from local supermarkets, schools, communities, and businesses, Tesco, Co-op, Charles Brotherton trust, Norman Collinson charitable trust, Liz and Terry Bramell Foundation, and Sylvia and Colin Shepherd and A Magic Little grant, we are extremely grateful to all our donors and supporters. Personal donations were also gratefully received.

The main fundraisers which saw members also join us were the Dragon Boat race and St Crux were well supported and raised the profile of Lollipop too. Hannah Wray and Phoebe Ranking raised an amazing £795.

Partners

York and District Deaf Society main partnership. We have continued partnerships with Music and the Deaf (I Can Play project), and York St John’s University.

Also sustaining our close working partnerships with other deaf services such as Teachers of the Deaf at the City of York Council. We now have a drop-in session at the Deaf Café once a month.

Membership

We are currently supporting nearly 200 families who receive input from us. We hope to re-engage with more families living in North Yorkshire after levels dropped during Covid.

Future Goals and Aspirations

In the first year of the Raising Aspirations project, we intend to build upon the success we have had in reengaging members after the restrictions of the pandemic by holding bespoke events to raise the hopes and aspirations for Deaf youngsters and their families in our area. City of York Council records show there are around 160 deaf and hearing-impaired babies, children, and young people just in the York District.

We also aim to invite ‘guest speakers’ such as past Lollipop members or other deaf role models to talk about their experiences, how they overcame any hurdles and share their successes, to inspire and encourage our members and their families that deafness doesn’t need to hold them back and so raise their aspirations for the future.

Working together with Teachers of the deaf we hope to identify and engage with any of those families who are not already members. Also, we hope to work towards re-engagement with families living within the North Yorkshire Council area who lapsed membership during the pandemic, to restore our membership data base closer to pre-pandemic levels.

Our activities will be held throughout York and North Yorkshire postcode areas.

YEAR	PLANS
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consolidate work currently taking place since lifting of pandemic restrictions. ● Work with Local Authority Teachers of the Deaf to devise a strategy that will attract York families with deaf children who are not already members of Lollipop. to invite them to events and eventually membership. 4 new families will have attended 1 or more events. ● Implement members focus groups to evaluate, plan and develop Lollipop activities. ● Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age group in term time ● Organise and launch monthly ‘drop in’ surgeries at a free, accessible venue. ● Improve fundraising strategies and train staff or volunteers in developing mixed streams of revenue ● Devise and deliver campaign to encourage monthly donations from members ● Organise and host Deaf Services Fair
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Research possibility of reintroduction of outreach projects outside of the York district. Possibly working with North Yorkshire TOD. ● Devise and deliver annual campaign to local schools to hold fundraising event on our behalf. ● Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age group in term time ● Arrange and deliver 4 peer support groups per month ● Arrange one aspirational speaker per term ● Organise and host Deaf Services Fair
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hold a celebration during Deaf Awareness week to mark our 20th Anniversary and achievements. ● Devise and deliver annual campaign to local businesses to hold fundraising event(s) on our behalf. ● Arrange and deliver monthly trips or workshops for each age group in term time ● Arrange and deliver 4 peer support groups per month ● Arrange one aspirational speaker per term ● Run at least one outreach project outside York. ● Organise and host Deaf Services Fair

Financial review

Review of the charity’s financial position at the end of the period

The income is less than expenditure again this year. We have however now secured three year funding from The Lottery starting from January 2023 which is paid quarterly. This year’s accounts only reflects the first quarter funding, whereas we will have a full year’s funding in subsequent accounts. This should result in a better position next year with the reserves figure being maintained.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

Reserves to not go below £20,000 to enable the payment of winding up costs and redundancies.

Amount of reserves held

£20,264 of unrestricted reserve

Reasons for holding zero reserves

n/a

Funds materially in deficit

none

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

If things do not improve financially in the next 6 month to 1 year we may have to discuss closing the charity down or reducing staff. We are very much reliant on the lottery funding.

Structure, governance and management**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document	Constitution
How the charity is constituted	Association
Trustee selection methods including	Appointed by co-option, elected by members during AGM

Reference and administration details

Charity's full name	Lollipop (York and District)
Other names the charity is known by	Lollipop
Charity's principal address	3 Woodward Way Thorpe Willoughby Selby
	Postcode YO8 9FQ

Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Laura Walker	Chair		
Jason Drobig	Treasurer		
Jayne Ball	Secretary		
Nathan John Armstrong	Vice Chair		
Claire Elsdon	Trustee		
Amanda Smith	Trustee		

Names and addresses of advisers

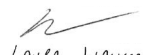
Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Independent Examiner	Karen Wood ACMA	Outsource Accountancy Services & Independent Examinations Hiscox Building, Peasholme Green York YO1 7PR
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Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature 
Full Name LAURA WALKER
Position CHAIR PERSON
Date 1.12.23

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lollipop (York & District)

I report on the accounts of: **Lollipop (York & District)**
for the year ended: **31st March 2023** which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

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 Charity'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.



Karen Wood (ACMA)
Outsource independent examination
service
The Hiscox Building
Peasholme Green
York YO1 7PR

12/01/2024

Date:

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Receipts & payments accounts for the year ending:		31st March 2023		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023 Total funds	2022 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Grants	-	23,745	23,745	25,825
Trust & Foundation donations	325	-	325	-
Business donations	88	-	88	2,000
Individual donations	1,068	-	1,068	360
Fundraising activities & events	6,560	-	6,560	8,892
Community donations	10,546	-	10,546	1,606
Sundry income		-	-	78
Total receipts for accounts	18,587	23,745	42,332	38,761
JRS Grant	-		-	4,247
Total receipts	18,587	23,745	42,332	43,008
Payments				
Activities	1,740	1,791	3,531	5,532
Salary costs & Session workers	51,804	13,533	65,337	60,188
Payroll costs	597	207	804	668
General running expenses	4,907	464	5,371	10,006
Premises costs	1,482	-	1,482	1,937
Volunteer & Staff expenses	406	-	406	544
Fundraising costs	823	-	823	175
Equipment	565	-	565	1,157
Independent examiner's fees	300	-	300	300
Bank & paypal charges	16	-	16	-
HR consultancy service	1,310	1,118	2,428	-
Total payments for accounts	63,950	17,113	81,063	80,507
Furloughed staff payments			-	4,247
Total payments	63,950	17,113	81,063	84,754
Net of receipts/(payments)	(45,363)	6,632	(38,731)	(41,746)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Balance brought forward	65,627	725	66,352	108,098
Balance carried forward	20,264	7,357	27,621	66,352

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Statement of assets and liabilities at:	31st March 2023
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	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Assets				
Cash at bank and in hand				
Current bank account	20,187	7,357	27,544	66,352
Paypal	77	-	77	-
	<u>20,264</u>	<u>7,357</u>	<u>27,621</u>	<u>66,352</u>
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Liabilities				
Independent examination fee	350	-	350	300
	<u>350</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>300</u>

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2023

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2. Analysis of funds

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Purpose

Linden Trust	Towards music workshop & activities
Deaf Sport	Towards sporting activities
Brotherton Trust	Towards activities
Lottery grant	Towards running costs and activities as set out in budgets

2.2 Movement of major funds

	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance c/fwd £
Unrestricted funds					
Total	65,627	18,587	63,950	-	20,264
Restricted funds					
Linden Trust	400	-	400	-	-
Deaf Sport	-	529	521	-	8
Brotherton Trust	325	-	325	-	-
Lottery grant	-	23,216	15,867	-	7,349
	725	529	17,113	-	7,357
Total Funds	66,352	19,116	81,063	-	27,621

Approval of Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2023

The report and accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on:

23.11.23

Date

Signed for and on behalf of the Trustees:



Signature

LAURA WALKER

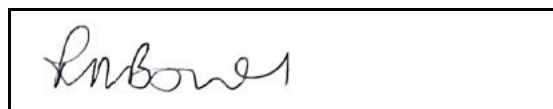
Name

CHAIR PERSON

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

1.12.23

Date



Signature

REBECCA BOWES

Name

TREASURER

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

2.12.23

Date

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Chair's report for Lollipop trustees meeting 20/10/22

Firstly, I am not sure if you are all aware that our Service Manager Heidi, gave birth recently. We would all like to wish her and her family all the best from everyone here at Lollipop. Heidi is now on her Maternity leave and Deb is covering some of her hours, as is Abi. We are very lucky to have such a dedicated team of staff that are keeping things going whilst Heidi is away.

Since September 2022 there has been a lot of things that needed to be changed regarding staffing contracts and policies and procedures. The staff along with myself have worked very hard with the support of a company called Peninsular that has highlighted some areas that were very outdated. We are now in the process of rectifying these and in making the documents relevant to ensuring Lollipop is up to date with all policies and procedures. This has come at a cost to Lollipop which in these difficult times is not something we wanted to do but was a necessity for the health and safety of staff and members.

In terms of funding for lollipop the future does look slightly brighter with us getting through the first stage of the panel for the lottery and we have been given good feedback regarding the next process and in getting the much-needed money to survive. Deb is working hard to ensure the document is ready asap! But this is also very time consuming for her. I know she will do her best along with support from all the team. Without this money the future of Lollipop was not looking good.

So, moving forward we are still being very careful and cautious with the budget and spending costs and trying to do activities that have funding already put in place. This means we may not be able to do everything we would like to, but we can still offer a range of activities to suit our members.

We will keep everyone updated of course on social media and our lollipop newsletter, so please do keep up to date with events. We always welcome any new fundraising ideas such as Deb's son who ran the Yorkshire Marathon for Lollipop last weekend and one of our members' Dad who ran the London Marathon for us earlier in the month. A big well done to them! This year we were also fortunate to be the charity of choice for Northern Energy's charity golf day -they raised £10,000!

Thank you to you all.

Laura Walker (Chair of Lollipop)

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Balance: £ 108,097.67

Balance:

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To: 31st March 2022

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Chair's report on behalf of the Trustees 2021-2022

I, Laura Walker have been a trustee of Lollipop since March 2021 and Chair since July 2021. There have been a lot of changes at Lollipop since I became Chair and the staff have worked incredibly hard during this particularly difficult time. They have had to develop new ways of working online, interacting with families via social media and supporting their fellow staff and Lollipop members when staff have been off due to sickness or getting Covid.

Thanks

So, a big thank you to all the staff, Heidi, Deb, Becky, Anna, Abi, and Cheryl who remain a close team despite now having to work a lot from home, as we no longer have an office-based premises now.

I would like to thank the Board of Trustees; Nathan (Vice Chair), Jason (Treasurer), Amanda, Claire, and Jayne for their time in attending meetings, fundraising activities and events that have been held throughout the year.

Thank you to all our volunteers – old and new. We have recruited eight new volunteers who are all a great asset to the team. We said a sad farewell to Nikhita Kataria who recently graduated and secured a place on a graduate scheme. We wish her all the best for the future, she will be missed.

Activities and events

Staff are once again attending activities and fundraising events to ensure families are well supported at all of these. The members and families have been again offered face to face activities and members have enjoyed visits to Rainbows ceramic café, York Cocoa Works, Dig, Tenpin Bowling, and Pizza Express and a picnic with alpacas! A special Gamelan music workshop was thoroughly enjoyed by members of all ages and families were thrilled to be able to come together for the much-awaited Christmas party where picture bingo and a sing-and-sign along with musician from the I Can Play project went down a storm!

As we currently don't have an Activity Leader, the staff are committed to working on a rota system for each of the activities to ensure the needs of members are always met. The toddler group has continued and has been well attended, although finding a suitable venue for all members has not proved easy. We hope that numbers will grow come September.

In April, Lollipop held a Deaf Services Fair - the first of its kind – which enabled many local deaf services to come together and support our members, and the wider deaf community This was a great success as members were signposted to several different services that they may not have been aware of. There were 17 stands in total. This is an event that we would like to build upon for the future.

Lollipop continue to maintain a presence across social media platforms to keep members informed via Facebook, Instagram, the Lollipop website and e-newsletters with BSL videos.

Funding

Our main funding grants from The Lottery and Henry Smith both came to an end this year. Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in our recent bids to both Henry Smith and Children in Need. An application for further funding from The Lottery has been submitted, and we are now awaiting a decision. We are thankful to Local Giving, The Linden Trust and The Brotherton Trust who all contributed funds towards supporting our activities this year.

We have also had support from local supermarkets, schools, communities, and businesses, including Queen Ethelburga's school, Wakefield Church, New Earswick Quaker's, Yorkshire Country Women's Association, Hollicarrs Holiday Park, Aviva, Asda, Keycare and Shouksmiths and are extremely grateful to all our donors and supporters. Personal donations were also gratefully received.

Our online Virtual quizzes raised £46.80, and the Christmas raffle made £848.50. Parent Luke Zwalf raised an amazing £1683.36 running the Leeds half marathon and doing a stationary cyclo-thon at York College.

Partners

We have continued partnerships with Music and the Deaf (I Can Play project), The National Centre for Early Music, York Human Right's, and York St John's University.

Also sustaining our close working partnerships with other deaf services such as Jorvik Deaf Club, York deaf society, The Wilberforce Trust, audiologists at York Hospital, Teachers of the Deaf at the City of York Council.

Membership

There are currently 213 members at Lollipop, supporting 176 families. We had nine new members register this year, five of which were babies/toddlers born during lockdown.

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

The income is less than expenditure. The charity financial position at the end of this period is not sufficient and yet we need to keep a close observation on the income and expenditure as we are relying on the reserve. If we do not have an increase in income in the next 6 months, the reserve in the current spending will be down to less than £20,000.00. We need to scale back on activities until we get more income or grants. We need to focus more on getting income than organising children's activities as with no money there will be no activities. The staff will need to refocus on generating income in the meantime and some services will have to be reduced.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

I like to suggest worst case scenario that a sum of money will need be ring fenced for redundancies if we do not get any large grants e.g., Lottery. £20,000.00 will need to be put aside. The manager and the committee will need to work out the redundancy for each member of staff - the charity employ 6 including the manager. Hopefully it will not get there but best to be prepared.

Amount of reserves held

£65,627 of unrestricted reserve

Reasons for holding zero reserves

n/a

Funds materially in deficit

none

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

If things do not improve financially in the next 6 month to 1 year we may have to discuss closing the charity down or reducing staff. We are very much reliant on the lottery funding.

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Other names the charity is known by	Lollipop
Charity's principal address	3 Woodward Way Thorpe Willoughby Selby Postcode YO8 9FQ

Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Laura Walker	Chair	From 15th July 2021	
Jason Drobig	Treasurer	From 4th May 2021	
Jayne Ball	Secretary	From 4th May 2021	
Nathan John Armstrong	Vice Chair		
Claire Elsdon	Trustee		
Amanda Smith	Trustee		

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Independent Examiner Karen Wood ACMA Outsource Accountancy Services & Independent Examinations
Hiscox Building, Peasholme Green
York
YO1 7PR

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature

Full Name

Position

Date

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lollipop (York & District)

I report on the accounts of: **Lollipop (York & District)**
for the year ended: **31st March 2022** which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

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 Charity'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:

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- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records

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Date:

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Receipts & payments accounts for the year ending:		31st March 2022		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2022 Total funds	2021 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Grants	-	25,825	25,825	86,457
Trust & Foundation donations	-	-	-	1,750
Business donations	2,000	-	2,000	3,000
Individual donations	360	-	360	240
Fundraising activities & events	8,892	-	8,892	2,559
Community donations	1,606	-	1,606	2,424
Sundry income	78	-	78	-
Total receipts for accounts	12,936	25,825	38,761	96,430
JRS Grant	-	4,247	4,247	5,606
Total receipts	12,936	30,072	43,008	102,036
Payments				
Activities	532	5,000	5,532	4,668
Salary costs & Session workers	21,310	38,878	60,188	63,484
Payroll costs	668	-	668	646
General running expenses	10,006	-	10,006	10,629
Premises costs	1,937	-	1,937	21,346
Volunteer & Staff expenses	544	-	544	120
Fundraising costs	175	-	175	190
Equipment	1,084	73	1,157	188
Independent examiner's fees	300	-	300	300
Total payments for accounts	36,556	43,951	80,507	101,571
Furloughed staff payments		4,247	4,247	5,606
Total payments	36,556	48,198	84,754	107,177
Net of receipts/(payments)	(23,620)	(18,126)	(41,746)	(5,141)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Balance brought forward	89,247	18,851	108,098	113,239
Balance carried forward	65,627	725	66,352	108,098

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Statement of assets and liabilities at:		31st March 2022			
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £	
Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand					
Current bank account	65,627	725	66,352	108,098	
	<u>65,627</u>	<u>725</u>	<u>66,352</u>	<u>108,098</u>	
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £	
Liabilities					
Independent examination fee	300	-	300	300	
	<u>300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2022

1. Basis of accounts

The Trustees have taken advantage of section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Analysis of funds

2.1 Details of restricted funds

	Purpose
Norman Collinson Charitable Trust	Towards the cost of music workshops
P & D Shepherd Charitable Trust	Towards the cost of music projects
L & T Bramall Foundation Grant	Towards activities
Garfield Western	Towards activities
Henry Smith Foundation	Towards salaries, running costs, activities & trips
Linden Trust	Towards music workshop & activities
Local Giving Ltd.	Towards music workshop & activities
Brotherton Trust	Towards activities

2.2 Movement of major funds

	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance c/fwd £
Unrestricted funds					
Total	<u>89,247</u>	<u>12,936</u>	<u>36,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>65,627</u>
Restricted funds					
Norman Collinson Charitable Trust	800	-	800	-	-
P & D Shepherd Charitable Trust	200	-	200	-	-
L & T Bramall Foundation Grant	526	-	526	-	-
Garfield Western	4,500	-	4,500	-	-
Henry Smith Foundation	10,825	25,000	35,825	-	-
Linden Trust	2,000	-	1,600	-	400
Local Giving Ltd	-	500	500	-	-
Brotherton Trust	-	325	-	-	325
	<u>18,851</u>	<u>25,825</u>	<u>43,951</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>725</u>
JRS	-	4,247	4,247	-	-
Total Funds	<u>108,098</u>	<u>43,008</u>	<u>84,754</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>66,352</u>

Approval of Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2022

The report and accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on:

Date

Signed for and on behalf of the Trustees:

Signature

Name

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

Date

Signature

Name

Position (e.g. Chair etc)

Date

LOLLIPOP (YORK & DISTRICT)

England & Wales - Charity number 1105538

Accounts

Lollipop (York & District)

(Charity number: 1105538)

Trustees Annual Report & Financial Statements

for the year ended

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Lollipop (York & District)

(Charity number: 1105538)

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Trustees' Annual Report

From: 1st April 2020

To: 31st March 2021

Charity's full name

Lollipop (York & District)

Registered Charity number

1105538

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document:

Support for children, young people and young adults with any level of deafness and their families by the provision of social and emotional support.

To provide social activities with the object of supporting development of independence, confidence and wellbeing of deaf children, children of deaf adults, young people and young adults.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities:

Many deaf children and their families have feelings of exclusion and isolation. Lollipop offers the opportunity to meet and build friendships with others and share experience of deafness. We achieve this by offering a diverse range of social, information and support activities which aim to provide something of interest for everyone. In a relaxed and informal setting members are encouraged to try something new, express themselves freely and realise their true potential. In doing this they build confidence, increase self-esteem and develop self-identity.

Support from Lollipop is for deaf children and young people aged 0 to 25 and their families, including siblings and the extended family. We also support hearing children of deaf adults. Members come mainly from York and North Yorkshire with additional members from surrounding areas. We welcome members regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances. The charity also works hard to raise awareness of deafness and its implications amongst the wider community.

The Trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its' beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole:

Chair's report on behalf of the Trustees 2020 – 2021

This report covers the time from April 2020 to the end of March 2021, during which period we faced the challenges Covid continued to throw at us. As an organisation we have been working on Teams and Zoom. Staff, except for the Service Manager, were furloughed from January 2021 returning gradually from May 2021.

Thanks

Special thanks to:

Our ambassadors Barry Wright and Paul Whittaker.

To the Trustees for 2020- 2021: Helen, Gary, Gavin, Nathan, Jason, Claire, Amanda, Malcolm and to Laura who was co-opted onto the board at the beginning of March 2021.

Gavin Young left as a trustee in December 2020 to concentrate on his expanding family. Congratulations to Gavin, Anna and George on the birth of their new baby Charlie.

I have to give a special mention to Helen who has given notice that she is leaving the board in July after being a Trustee since Lollipop started 17 years ago. (Thank you, Helen, for all the hard work you have done in supporting and promoting Lollipop). She will be missed. Thanks also from me go to Gary and Malcolm, who too are leaving in July.

To staff - Heidi, Debs, Becky, Anna, Abi and Cheryl who have worked from home during this time and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future as we are giving up the office and HQ space at the end of March 2021. All Lollipop's belongings will be put into storage. Heidi and Becky have worked very hard making sure that the move goes smoothly.

All of the staff have also developed their skills using Zoom for activities and meetings and worked hard to offer appropriate events online and to keep Lollipop working during Covid.

Thanks also to the activity leaders Melissa and Sadia who supported the online Christmas Party, and to deaf mentors Nikhita and Niamh who have also been involved in some of the online activities.

It seems a long time ago, but Kieran Hussell (Activities Leader) left in May 2020 and Holly Martin (Youth Leader) left in August 2020. We wish them all the best in their new ventures. Trustees have decided not to recruit new leaders at present.

This last year has been an uncertain time for staff as we were not sure which direction Lollipop was ultimately going to take. Staff have been asked to work in different ways, and to take on a larger workload. Covid was obviously a factor in this, but also, in January 2021, Anna went on maternity leave, and in October 2020 Debs found out that she was ill - which will take some time for her to come back from. For the time being we decided not to cover these posts with additional people. Thank you to you all for staying with us and continuing to give 110% to Lollipop.

Thanks as well to the members who have continued to support us during these challenging times. There is a small core of members who regularly attend events and meetings and have helped us to shape what the future may look like.

Partners

In partnership with TODs from Wakefield, and the Wakefield and District Society for Deaf People, we have set up a successful monthly on-line Sparkle Jelly Tots with parents from York, North Yorkshire and Wakefield attending.

Other organisations we have worked with over the year are: York Human Rights, Deaf Minds Education, Deaf Identity, The National Centre for Early Music, and Music and the Deaf (I Can Play Project).

Funding

Our big funders over the year have continued to be the Big Lottery, Children in Need, Henry Smith, and the Postcode Community Trust. Because of Covid these organisations unrestricted their funding giving us more flexibility in how we spent the amounts provided.

Over the year we have also been grateful for financial support from a number of individuals and the following organisations: Linden Trust, Brotherton Trust, John Lewis, The Rotary Club, and Door 84.

On line Quiz nights raised over £130, and the Christmas Prize Draw £725.

Membership

Membership is steady. At present we have 229 members, 196 families with 9 new members since April 2020. There were around 30 families involved on a regular basis.

Activities

In the past Lollipop used the term activities to mean social activities. Our support, taking on board feedback from our members, over the years has developed into something different. I'd now like to use a different term to include anything that Lollipop offers, i.e., 'Events'.

Between April 2020- March 2021 we offered the following on line events:

Toddlers, Kids, Juniors and Youth sessions, family bingo, BSL Sign at Home course, Christmas Party, I Can Download and Play, Magic Workshop.

Facebook and Facebook Parent Chat group

Monthly e-newsletters were distributed with up-to-date information

Email contact for parents

Support for parents from the Parent Liaison Officer

Signposting to other organisations

Parent buddy scheme

Continuing benefits for members

Members have told us that as a charity we have continued to meet our aims by offering online activities and support. This have helped with:

- Reduced feelings of isolation
- Increased confidence, emotional well-being and improved mental health resilience.
- Increased levels of self esteem
- Development of self-identity
- Better interaction
- Improved social skills

The Future

The Board of Trustees continues to work on the Operational Management and Financial Sustainability of the charity. Discussions about the future were taking place before March 2020, but have been even more of our focus during lockdown as the engagement from families and young people decreased drastically.

At the last AGM in October 2020 members voted for Lollipop to continue. Four Trustees including the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary gave notice in February 2021 that they would be resigning at the end of July 2021, all due to personal reasons. Trustees have discussed what impact this would have on the charity and what Lollipop might look like in the future. At the beginning of March 2021 we held a special General Meeting to put ideas to members.

The following changes were agreed by the members present and those voting by e mail.

- **Change in what we offer:**

Lollipop continues, but in a different more focussed way. We will continue to:

- a. offer activities on a smaller scale, and local for children, young people and families that will focus on support to develop knowledge, independence, and skills for the future.
- b. offer support, give information, and signpost people where appropriate

- **Affiliation with National Deaf Children's Society**

We will continue as a charity in our own right with our own constitution and funds etc. but would have the support of NDCS when needed to run our services.

- **Changes to the constitution**

A change to the wording of the constitution which we feel might encourage people to get more involved. This is to change from -

F Honorary Officers

'At the annual general meeting of the Charity the members shall elect from those present and voting at the AGM and those voting by proxy, **a Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer**, who shall hold office from the conclusion of that meeting.'

to:

'At the annual general meeting of the Charity the members shall elect from those present and voting at the AGM, and those voting by proxy, **a Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary**, these roles can rotate round the board if appropriate during the year. The treasurer and secretary may choose not to be a Trustee.'

As Trustees we will continue to work on developing how Lollipop works ensuring that Trustees and staff have the right skills to take the charity into the future.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

At 31 March 2021 Lollipop showed a satisfactory position, still with adequate funds available to provide and enhance our objectives. We have reduced one major cost going-forward by giving up the lease on the premises at Lowther Street. We have simplified banking by reducing to just one account.

The unrestricting of the major funds was beneficial in managing the changes to remote working and remote support for our members. The Government's furlough scheme also helped. The Rotary Club of York, local businesses - Door 84, Shouksmiths, John Lewis - have all also been particularly generous this year. Covid restrictions reduced the opportunities for face-to-face fundraising activities, which in the past have been a great source of support. However, our staff have been inventive in the use of on-line opportunities and events to raise funds.

Our three years of funding from BBC Children in Need came to end with us having £1,037 unspent of the funds they had provided over that time. This was therefore transferred back to them as per the terms of their grant.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

Our reserves policy is constantly under review. As major funding is likely to reduce, there is still uncertainty as to when regular face-to-face activities can recommence, and the Trustees continue to plan how best Lollipop can benefit and support our members in the future, the Trustees agreed that it was prudent to allocate the sum of £50,000 as our minimum reserves from within our current account.

Amount of reserves held: £81,489 of unrestricted reserve

Reasons for holding zero reserves: n/a

Funds materially in deficit: None

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern: None

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution
How the charity is constituted	Association
Trustee selection methods including	Appointed by co-option, elected by members during AGM

Reference and administration details

Charity's full name	Lollipop (York & District)
Other names the charity is known by	Lollipop
Charity's principal address	13 Laburnum Avenue Robin Hood's Bay Whitby YO22 4RR

Names of the Trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole	Name of person or body
Penny McDonald	Chair		
Helen Martin	Secretary		
Malcolm McDonald	Treasurer	(Until December 2020)	
Gavin Young	Trustee		
Claire Elsdon	Trustee		
Amanda Smith	Trustee		
Nathan Armstrong	Trustee		
Gary Martin	Trustee		
Jason Drobig	Trustee		
Laura Walker	Trustee	(From 2nd March 2021)	

Names of the trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodians on behalf of others	
Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodians charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Karen Wood ACMA	Outsource Accountancy Service & Independent Examinations Hiscox Building, Peasholme Green York YO1 7PR

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature 

Full Name *Laura Walker*

Position *Chair*

Date *11.11.21*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Lollipop (York & District)

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or
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04/11/2021

Date:

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ending:	31st March 2021
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	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2021 Total funds	2020 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Grants	60,000	26,457	86,457	108,475
Trust & Foundation donations	-	1,750	1,750	550
Business donations	3,000	-	3,000	-
Individual donations	240	-	240	454
Fundraising activities & events	2,559	-	2,559	10,317
Community donations	2,424	-	2,424	2,735
Sundry income	-	-	-	74
Total receipts for accounts	68,223	28,207	96,430	122,605
JRS Grant	-	5,606	5,606	-
Total receipts	68,223	33,813	102,036	122,605
Payments				
Activities	-	4,668	4,668	17,249
Salary costs & Session workers	46,162	17,322	63,484	56,377
Payroll costs	-	646	646	894
General running expenses	-	10,629	10,629	7,454
Premises costs	21,346	-	21,346	19,548
Volunteer costs	120	-	120	1,368
Fundraising costs	190	-	190	3,076
Equipment	188	-	188	180
Independent examiner's fees	300	-	300	300
Total payments for accounts	68,306	33,265	101,571	106,446
Furloughed staff payments	-	5,606	5,606	-
Total payments	68,306	38,871	107,177	106,446
Net of receipts/(payments)	(83)	(5,058)	(5,141)	16,159
Transfers between funds	7,508	(7,508)	-	-
Balance brought forward	81,572	31,667	113,239	97,080
Balance carried forward	88,997	19,101	108,098	113,239

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at:	31st March 2021
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	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Assets				
Cash at bank and in hand				
Current bank account	88,997	19,101	108,098	113,234
Savings bank account	-	-	-	5
	88,997	19,101	108,098	113,239
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Liabilities				
Independent examination fee	300	-	300	300
	300	-	300	300

Lollipop (York & District)
(Charity number: 1105538)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended:

31st March 2021

1. Basis of accounts

The Trustees have taken advantage of section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Analysis of funds

2.1 Details of restricted funds

Purpose

Big Lottery Fund - Main Grant	Cost of salaries, activities & general running costs
Big Lottery Fund - Building Capabilities	Consultancy, training and development skills (*Unres
Norman Collinson Charitable Trust	Towards the cost of music workshops
P & D Shepherd Charitable Trust	Towards the cost of music projects
Whitwam Family Charitable Foundation	Towards salary costs
L & T Bramall Foundation Grant	Towards activities
BBC Children in Need	Towards salaries, activities & trips
Garfield Western	Towards activities
Henry Smith Foundation	Towards salaries, running costs, activities & trips
Postcode Lottery	Towards salaries, community support, activities and trips
Linden Trust	Towards music workshop, and activities
Brotherton Trust	Towards activities

2.2 Movement of major funds

	Balance b/fwd	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance c/fwd
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted funds	81,572	8,223	798	-	88,997
Big Lottery Fund - Main Grant	-	60,000	65,020	5,020	-
Big Lottery Fund - Building Capabilities	-	-	2,488	2,488	-
	<u>81,572</u>	<u>68,223</u>	<u>68,306</u>	<u>7,508</u>	<u>88,997</u>
Restricted funds					
Big Lottery Fund - Main Grant	5,020	-	-	(5,020)	-
Big Lottery Fund - Building Capabilities	2,488	-	-	(2,488)	-
Norman Collinson Charitable Trust	800	-	-	-	800
P & D Shepherd Charitable Foundation	200	-	-	-	200
Whitwam Family Charitable Foundation	5,000	-	5,000	-	-
L & T Bramall Foundation Grant	2,088	-	1,562	-	526
BBC Children in Need	2,956	1,457	4,413	-	-
Garfield Western	7,500	-	3,000	-	4,500
Henry Smith Foundation	3,229	25,000	17,405	-	10,824
Postcode Lottery	1,886	-	1,886	-	-
Linden Trust	500	1,500	-	-	2,000
Brotherton Trust	-	250	-	-	250
	<u>31,667</u>	<u>28,207</u>	<u>33,266</u>	<u>(7,508)</u>	<u>19,101</u>
Total Funds	<u>113,239</u>	<u>96,431</u>	<u>101,572</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>108,098</u>

The transfer of funds represents the transfer of previously restricted Big Lottery funding to unrestricted funds. This year the Big Lottery made their funding completely unrestricted for the full year, hence the transfer.

Approval of Accounts for the year ended: 31st March 2021

The report and accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees held on:

18th October 2021

Signed for and on behalf of the Trustees:



Signature



Signature

LAURA WALKER

Name

JASON DROBIC

Name

CHAIR

Position (e.g. Chair etc.)

TREASURER

Position (e.g. Chair etc.)

18.10.21

Date

24 OCT 2021

Date