

## 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have worked very hard with the support of a company called Peninsular that has highlighted some areas that were very outdated.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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Unpresented Previous Year		
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<b>Statement</b>	<b>Page:</b>	<b>Balance:</b>
<b>Closing Funds</b>		###
<b>Unreconciled Amount:</b>		£ -

Petty Cash Balances		
Opening Balance as Summary	£	78.98
Closing Balance as Summary	£	-

Summary Sheet Reconciliation	
Opening Balances Agree?	YES
Closing Balances Agree?	YES

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# **Lollipop (York & District)**

(Charity number: 1105538)

## **Trustees annual report & financial statements for the year ended**

**31st March 2022**

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Charity accounts preparation &  
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# **Lollipop (York & District)**

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# Trustees' Annual Report

**From:** 1st April 2021

**To:** 31st March 2022

**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 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 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.

## **Structure, governance and management**

### **Description of the charity's trusts**

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

## **Reference and administration details**

<b>Charity's full name</b>	Lollipop (York and District)
<b>Other names the charity is known by</b>	Lollipop
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	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  
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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**

**Position**

**Date**



<b>Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lollipop (York &amp; District)</b>
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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:

- 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.

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**Karen Wood (ACMA)**

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**Date:**

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

<b>Receipts &amp; payments accounts for the year ending:</b>			<b>31st March 2022</b>	
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>2022 Total funds</b>	<b>2021 Total funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>				
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	-
<b>Total receipts for accounts</b>	<b>12,936</b>	<b>25,825</b>	<b>38,761</b>	<b>96,430</b>
JRS Grant	-	4,247	4,247	5,606
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>12,936</b>	<b>30,072</b>	<b>43,008</b>	<b>102,036</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
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
<b>Total payments for accounts</b>	<b>36,556</b>	<b>43,951</b>	<b>80,507</b>	<b>101,571</b>
Furloughed staff payments		4,247	4,247	5,606
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>36,556</b>	<b>48,198</b>	<b>84,754</b>	<b>107,177</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>(23,620)</b>	<b>(18,126)</b>	<b>(41,746)</b>	<b>(5,141)</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	<b>89,247</b>	<b>18,851</b>	<b>108,098</b>	<b>113,239</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>65,627</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>66,352</b>	<b>108,098</b>

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

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

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Independent examination fee	300	-	300	300
	<u><b>300</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>300</b></u>	<u><b>300</b></u>

**Lollipop (York & District)**  
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**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**

Norman Collinson Charitable Trust  
P & D Shepherd Charitable Trust  
L & T Bramall Foundation Grant  
Garfield Western  
Henry Smith Foundation  
Linden Trust  
Local Giving Ltd.  
Brotherton Trust

**Purpose**

Towards the cost of music workshops  
Towards the cost of music projects  
Towards activities  
Towards activities  
Towards salaries, running costs, activities & trips  
Towards music workshop & activities  
Towards music workshop & activities  
Towards activities

## 2.2 Movement of major funds

	Balance b/fwd £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance c/fwd £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
<b>Total</b>	<u>89,247</u>	<u>12,936</u>	<u>36,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>65,627</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
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	-	-
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u><b>108,098</b></u>	<u><b>43,008</b></u>	<u><b>84,754</b></u>	<u><b>-</b></u>	<u><b>66,352</b></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**