

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05096931 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1106387

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
All Together Now! Limited

Charity Independent Examiner
Henry R Davis & Co Limited
Chartered Accountants
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims for the public benefit

The company's objectives and principal activities are to:

Advance the education of the public by increasing their knowledge and understanding of the disadvantage suffered by persons who are disabled, who are elderly, or who are carers, and to highlight the positive contribution that they can make to the future developments of society in England and Wales. The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's objectives and aims.

Its operations centre on the publication of a bi-monthly magazine - and an online version - that inform disabled people and carers of the ever increasing opportunities that are unfolding in society, and at the same time raising public awareness about the issues facing people whose lives are affected by disability and long term health conditions.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The main objectives and activities for the year continued to focus upon the publication and promotion of a free and unique news service specifically aimed at informing and helping people whose lives are affected by disability and long-term health conditions. This was achieved by:

- * Producing six 32-page editions of a free publication.
- * Maintaining a regularly updated internet-based magazine at WWW.alltogethernow.org.uk.

Coordinator's Report - Tom Dowling

THE year marked our 17th anniversary and saw the 100th edition of our multi award-winning newspaper roll off the presses. It was another exciting year - but a year filled with more challenges and frustrations.

There is no doubting the importance of the newspaper. Over the years, All Together NOW! has become a trusted friend to the lonely and isolated, a genuine lifeline to many, and a source of positivity and inspiration to all. But trying to get the proper financial backing to sustain and develop the newspaper continues to be very tough indeed.

We appreciate public sector bodies have to be careful with their advertising spend. Money doesn't grow on trees, we are constantly told, and advertising online or using social media is a far cheaper way to promote services than paying higher rates that newspapers charge.

But this is excluding more and more people - especially those who are affected by disability and ill health. Surely, they also have a right to be informed of what is going on to help them. One in four of the population are now considered to have a disability or long-term health condition.

Liverpool City Region Combined Authority and the NHS acknowledge that half a million people across the region do not use the Internet. Many of these are older people or those who have a disability.

All Together NOW! is a unique platform to reach and engage with this ever-growing sector of the community. We know this, as do our readers and advertisers. Hopefully, our public sector bodies will soon realise this. In the meantime, we have to keep up the fight.

On a happier note, I am delighted to highlight the generous support we received this year from the following organisations. Without their support, we would have struggled to get through the year.

Our thanks to the following organisations:

United Utilities: £16,000
Steve Morgan Foundation: £27,500
Geoffrey & Pauline Martin CT: £10,000
UKH Foundation: £5,040
John Moores Foundation: £5,000 (2nd Year)
WO Street CT: £4,000
Pilkington Family Charity Trust: £3,000
Price Perry CT: £2,000
West Derby Wastelands: £2,000
EL Rathbone CT: £2,000
EF Rathbone: £1,000
Rainford Trust: £1,000

The coming year will inevitably bring with it even more pressures. Double-figure inflation figures will hit us hard. We anticipate it will be even harder to attract advertising.

However, we go into 2023-24 as hopeful and determined as ever to ensure the newspaper continues to reach and help as many people as possible.

Ton Dowling

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

The income generated from grants, donations and legacies totalled £94,763 (2022 - £91,581) and other revenue streams were generated through general advertising/sponsorships £38,505 (2022 - £45,217).

Investment policy and objectives

Aside from retaining a prudent amount in reserves, most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term, so there are few funds for long term investment.

Reserves policy

The Board aims to have in reserves at least three months' operating costs.

FUTURE PLANS

Annual budget for 2023/24 is £130,000, of which £40,000 is expected to be raised through general advertising and sponsorships, with the remaining £90,000 coming from grants.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 6th April 2004 and registered as a charity on 21st October 2004. Its original title was "I Can Do That! Ltd" but this was changed on 28th May 2004 to "Let's Go For It! Ltd, and was again changed on 23rd September 2004 to "All Together Now! Ltd". The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objectives and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £5.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, one-third of the trustees/directors must retire at each AGM, those longest in office retiring first and the choice between any of equal service being made by drawing lots. They can continue to serve the charity but must be re-elected.

To enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through networking with disability groups, sought to identify people whose lives are affected by disability, who are willing to become members and who can use their experience to assist the charity.

Organisational structure

All Together Now! has a Board of trustees/directors consisting of at least three and not more than ten individuals, who meet quarterly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present the Board has seven members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity.

The Secretary also sits on the Board, but has no voting rights.

A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rest with the coordinator, who is also responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and that key performance indicators are met.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

All trustees are familiar with the practical work of the charity.

Additionally, new trustees will be invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions (of no more than one hour) to familiarise themselves with the charity and the context within which it operates. These will be led by the coordinator of the charity and cover:

- * The obligations of trustees/directors
- * The main documents which set out the operational framework for the charity including the Memorandum and Articles.
- * Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest published accounts.
- * Future plans and objectives.

Related parties

The representation on local organisations has proved invaluable to the charity in establishing improved links within the community and identifying relevant policy developments and prospective funding.

Risk management

The trustees/directors have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed.

A risk register has been established and is updated at least annually. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces.

Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects.

Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the offices.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

05096931 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1106387

Registered office

The Bradbury Centre
Youens Way
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Merseyside
L14 2EP

Trustees

A Churchill
M Hancock
J L Jelen
P Wellings
J Parkinson
C Wood (resigned 21.6.23)
Dr J A Hough
P J Taylor (appointed 21.6.23)
H J Parker (appointed 21.6.23)

All Together Now! Limited

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Company Secretary

T Dowling

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Co-ordinator

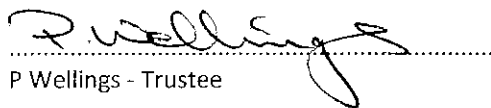
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BANKERS

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This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on12/12/2023..... and signed on its behalf by:


P Wellings - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of All Together Now! Limited ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Mrs Zoe Devenport

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Date: 13.12.23

All Together Now! Limited

Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		94,763	-	94,763	91,581
Charitable activities					
Advertising		38,505	-	38,505	45,217
Total		<u>133,268</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>133,268</u>	<u>136,798</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	2	7,897	-	7,897	10,633
Charitable activities					
Advertising		116,209	5,000	121,209	134,893
Total		<u>124,106</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>129,106</u>	<u>145,526</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		9,162	(5,000)	4,162	(8,728)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		76,457	5,000	81,457	90,185
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>85,619</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,619</u>	<u>81,457</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Statement of Financial Position
31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	776	-	776	1,158
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	5,461	-	5,461	6,226
Cash at bank		84,718	-	84,718	80,013
		<u>90,179</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>90,179</u>	<u>86,239</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(5,336)	-	(5,336)	(5,940)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>84,843</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>84,843</u>	<u>80,299</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>85,619</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,619</u>	<u>81,457</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>85,619</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,619</u>	<u>81,457</u>
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				85,619	76,457
Restricted funds				-	5,000
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>85,619</u>	<u>81,457</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

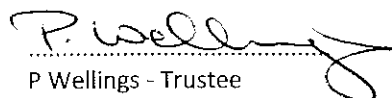
- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its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

All Together Now! Limited

Statement of Financial Position - continued
31 March 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 12/12/2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


P Wellings - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The charitable company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Intangible fixed assets

The cost of setting up the website is being amortised to write off the asset over its estimated useful life of three years.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery	- 33% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 33% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contributions pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged to the profit and loss account.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

2. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Staff costs	7,235	8,231
Rent, rates and service charge	314	431
Insurance	54	91
Telephone	42	45
Postage and stationery	14	87
Computer costs	39	42
Travelling	199	138
Support costs	-	1,568
	<u>7,897</u>	<u>10,633</u>

3. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs
	£
Advertising	<u>9,529</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	382	1,025
Independent examiners remuneration	<u>1,550</u>	<u>1,450</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The trustees have not received or obtained any remuneration or other financial benefit for the year, directly or indirectly from the charity funds. (2022 - £Nil)

Trustees' expenses

No trustees expenses were paid for the year ended 31st March 2023, nor for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
Administration	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	55,806	35,775	91,581
Charitable activities			
Advertising	<u>45,217</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45,217</u>
Total	<u>101,023</u>	<u>35,775</u>	<u>136,798</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	8,663	1,970	10,633
Charitable activities			
Advertising	<u>94,088</u>	<u>40,805</u>	<u>134,893</u>
Total	<u>102,751</u>	<u>42,775</u>	<u>145,526</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(1,728)	(7,000)	(8,728)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	78,185	12,000	90,185
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>76,457</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>81,457</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

8. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer software £
COST	
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	6,923
AMORTISATION	
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	6,923
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2023	-
At 31 March 2022	-

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	15,019	1,360	10,750	27,129
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2022	15,019	1,360	9,592	25,971
Charge for year	-	-	382	382
At 31 March 2023	15,019	1,360	9,974	26,353
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2023	-	-	776	776
At 31 March 2022	-	-	1,158	1,158

10. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Trade debtors	5,220	5,760
Prepayments	241	466
	5,461	6,226

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	83
Social security and other taxes	2,779	1,707
VAT	1,057	2,700
Accruals and deferred income	1,500	1,450
	<u>5,336</u>	<u>5,940</u>

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	76,457	9,162	85,619
Restricted funds			
Duchy Grant	5,000	(5,000)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>81,457</u>	<u>4,162</u>	<u>85,619</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	133,268	(124,106)	9,162
Restricted funds			
Duchy Grant	-	(5,000)	(5,000)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>133,268</u>	<u>(129,106)</u>	<u>4,162</u>