

# UCARE (OXFORD)

England & Wales · Charity number 1120887

## Details

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 2007-09-18

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

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## Activities

**Objects:** TO PROMOTE GOOD HEALTH AND RELIEVE SICKNESS IN RELATION TO THE DISEASE OF UROLOGICAL CANCER AND RELATED CONDITIONS BY:A) SUPPORTING BASIC, TRANSLATIONAL AND CLINICAL RESEARCH INTO THE CAUSES, PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF THE DISEASE AND RELATED CONDITIONS;B) DEVELOPING AND EVALUATING NEW TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF THE DISEASE AND RELATED CONDITIONS;C) PROVIDING EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR RESEARCH AND TREATMENT OF THE DISEASE AND RELATED CONDITIONS;D) ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION IN THE DISEASE AND RELATED CONDITIONS FOR MEDICAL STAFF AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

**Activities:** UCARE (Urology Cancer Research and Education) is dedicated to advancing the treatment and care of people affected by urological cancers. We fund vital research into bladder, kidney, penile, prostate and testicular cancers, and promote education and awareness among healthcare professionals and the public to drive earlier diagnosis, better outcomes and improved patient support.

## Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE OXFORDSHIRE AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES
- Buckinghamshire
- Oxfordshire
- West Berkshire
- Wiltshire

## Finances

| Period end | Income   | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £174,476 | £135,437    | -      | -         |
| 2024-03-31 | £90,245  | £82,117     | -      | -         |
| 2023-03-31 | £102,225 | £86,312     | -      | -         |
| 2022-03-31 | £101,865 | £98,301     | -      | -         |
| 2021-03-31 | £96,403  | £86,544     | -      | -         |

## Trustees

| Name                             | Role  | Appointed  |
|----------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Neil Pridham                     | Chair | 2023-01-31 |
| Alastair David Gordon Lamb       |       | 2019-03-24 |
| James Mitchell                   |       | 2014-11-12 |
| Jeremy Ross Leon Posnansky QC    |       | 2019-05-29 |
| KEN HEATHCOTE                    |       | 2012-07-16 |
| Mark Evans                       |       | 2025-01-29 |
| Robin Michael Patrick Frith      |       | 2025-01-29 |
| Thomas Leslie                    |       | 2017-01-01 |
| William Kristian Miles Gietzmann |       | 2021-09-21 |

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# Accounts

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# Annual Report & Accounts

2024-25

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## UCARE Trustees

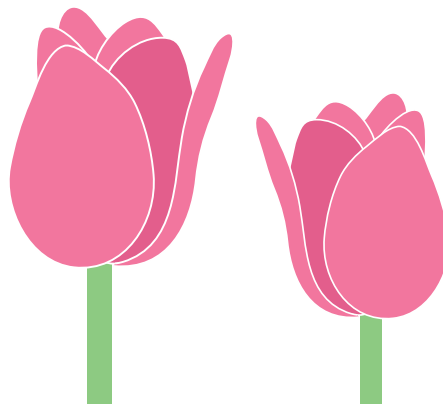
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| James Mitchell – Chair  | Tom Leslie       |
| Jay Newport – Treasurer | Seetal Patel     |
| William Gietzmann       | Jeremy Posnansky |
| Ken Heathcote           | Richard Bryant   |
| Alistair Lamb           | Neil Pridham     |
| Mark Evans              | Robin Frith      |

# Note from the Chairman

**Since our inception, we have worked hard to reshape the cancer journey in the knowledge that early detection saves lives.**

The Government's cancer plans align closely with our mission. Its emphasis on community-based care, illness prevention, improved access to diagnosis and personalised treatment reflects the very principles we champion. As a small local charity, we are committed to supporting this vision and playing our part in improving cancer outcomes in Oxfordshire.

Our educational initiatives focus on raising awareness to encourage earlier diagnosis, which significantly improves survival rates. We empower individuals to take proactive steps in understanding their health, recognising symptoms, and seeking timely medical attention. Through community engagement, we work collaboratively to address health and wellbeing challenges, reduce taboos around urological cancers, and promote open conversations about cancer and good health.



**You can help us continue to innovate, educate and care**

Through our newly formed Department of Urology Ward Fund (Formerly DUO) we will fund equipment for the comfort and needs of urology patients on the ward, and also fund educational bursaries for urology nurses.

We hope you will consider supporting UCARE's vital work. Your donation or grant would help us continue to innovate, educate, and care – making a meaningful difference in the lives of cancer patients and the wider community.



**Jim Mitchell**  
Chair, Board of Trustees

**The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2025.**

The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) *Accounting and Reporting by Charities* (FRS102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the Charity.

# Our aims and objectives



**UCARE aims to promote good health and relieve sickness in relation to the disease of urological cancer and related conditions by:**

- Supporting basic, translational and clinical research into causes, prevention and treatment.
- Developing and evaluating new technologies for diagnosis and treatment.
- Providing equipment and facilities for research and treatment.
- Assisting in the provision of education and awareness raising for medical staff and the general public.

Urological cancers account for one in five of all newly diagnosed cancers each year, and one in three of all cancers in men.

Over 22,000 people die each year from urological cancers:

**AFFECTING MEN ONLY**

**Prostate cancer**

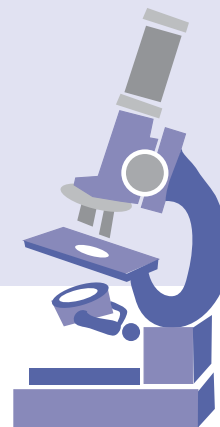
**Testicular cancer**

**Penile cancer**

**AFFECTING MEN & WOMEN**

**Kidney cancer**

**Bladder cancer**



**We aim to:**

- Be fair and compassionate
- Represent the voice of less well known cancers
- Be responsive
- Be accountable to our beneficiaries

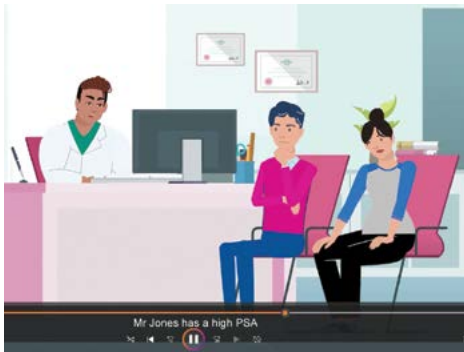


# Our achievements

**We have continued to build on the achievements and development of our community awareness strategy, focusing on inclusion and collaboration.**

## New animations

To reach a wider audience, we've developed two short animations – one aimed at young men about monthly testicular checks, and another highlighting prostate cancer risks and symptoms.



These have already been shared with our partners at the Well Together Programme and Community First Oxfordshire. Visual content is a powerful

tool: it enhances comprehension, encourages emotional engagement, and is especially effective for individuals with low health literacy.

We plan to expand this initiative into a full series of tailored animations for different demographics, to be used across schools, social media, public screenings, volunteer training, and community events. Research published in the *Journal of Cancer Education* supports the effectiveness of online health videos in prompting behavioural change, particularly among disadvantaged populations.

**Can you help us with this project? Please do get in touch.**

## Funded Research Nurse – the first year

To support urology research trials at the Churchill Hospital in Oxford we have funded the first year of a Research Nurse, Shelagh Lovell. Your support and donations mean that UCARE funding has provided research support for many important trials:

**The PART study** aims to test whether treating only the part of the prostate containing the cancer is as effective a cure as treating the whole prostate gland. This approach causes fewer side effects. The exciting thing about this trial is the impact – it broadens access to focal therapies such as Nano knife and HIFU. The PART trial has allowed us to begin to deliver focal therapy to areas across the UK that previously did not have access to these therapies.

**The ProMOTe trial**, running at Oxford, is an evaluation study of molecular imaging techniques in intermediate and high-risk prostate cancer patients. It uses deep red/near-infrared fluorescence imaging with a fluorescent imaging molecule during robot-assisted laparoscopic radical prostatectomies. This trial uses an in-house developed imaging device and an investigative medicinal product that attaches itself to cancer cells, which then fluoresce during surgery. This technique will potentially improve visibility of lesions in surgery and increase the rate of complete excision of cancerous tissue and negative margins.

These ongoing trials highlight the importance of continuing to fund the Research Nurse role here in Oxford. Going forwards, the funding will support the many projects that are coming through the QUANTUM biobank as it gathers momentum.



**We are continuing to fundraise for a second year of this role – please support us if you can:**

**[ucare-cancer.enthuse.com/cf/fundraising-for-a-research-nurse](https://ucare-cancer.enthuse.com/cf/fundraising-for-a-research-nurse)**

## Step Change

**The Step Change charitable fund awarded us a grant to employ Caroline Davis as a Volunteer Coordinator for one year from June 2024.**

Thanks to Caroline and this grant, we have been able to:

- ✔ Recruit volunteers
- ✔ Access harder to reach communities through soup kitchens, library work and schools
- ✔ Run an increased number of cancer-focused community workshops
- ✔ Increased our social media coverage
- ✔ Output more resources, such as videos for schools and communities
- ✔ Increased visibility and support across Oxfordshire
- ✔ Attract more volunteers
- ✔ Organised more Health and Wellbeing Days
- ✔ Run more patient education sessions for those living beyond their cancer diagnosis and treatment



## UCARE grant for resource room

**The operating theatres at the Churchill Hospital now have a new resource room dedicated to education and training that will support surgical trainees, surgeons, and allied theatre staff.**

The room features innovative equipment to assist with training theatre staff, including a new live surgery viewing screen along with a VR robotic surgery simulator, a da Vinci 'backpack' Skills Simulator with the two latest da Vinci robots, and laparoscopic skills trainers.



It is designed to bridge the gap between theoretical learning and practical application. Equipment will further enhance training and education for future surgeons by live screening surgeries to clinical and nursing staff, allowing them to observe complex procedures in real-time. It will feature a range of surgical procedures, showcasing the latest techniques and innovations in the field. Senior surgeons will provide real-time commentary, explaining each step of the procedure and answering questions from the observing clinicians, who can be in other hospitals throughout the country.

## Charity merger

**We are delighted to announce that the Department of Urology Oxfordshire (DUO) charity has now merged with UCARE.**

We have welcomed two of the DUO trustees, Robin Frith and Mark Evans to our board of trustees.

Together we will work to help urology patients in Oxfordshire and elsewhere. We will continue to raise funds, and hold a dedicated fund for the urology ward team and patient care at The Churchill Hospital.

Through our newly formed Department of Urology Ward Fund (formerly DUO) we will fund equipment for the comfort and needs of urology patients on the ward and will fund educational bursaries for urology nurses.

## Eating well

**Thanks to you we have published a Nutrition Advice leaflet and updated our website with advice on lifestyle changes that can be made to help prevent cancer.**

Our outreach work in this area of health education is needed now more than ever. There are over 13,000 cases of kidney cancer each year. The survival rate is only 52%, but 34% of cases could be preventable. In the case of bladder cancer, of the nearly 10,500 of diagnosed cases, 49% could be preventable.



# Fundraising

## UCARE Charity Tulips

Our continued thanks to the Cotswold Wildlife Park in Burford who continue to plant 1000 of our special tulip bulb each year to help us raise awareness. They very kindly hosted a wonderful evening in April 2024 celebrating our tulip bulbs.



Order your UCARE tulip bulbs by scanning this QR code

And to Taylors bulbs who support us so generously by supplying the Ucaresse bulbs. When you buy the UCARE Tulip you are not just enhancing your gardens, you are also buying a symbol of hope and a brighter future in the fight against urological cancers.

## 20th Century Band

Our very grateful thanks to the 20th Century Band, guests and audience who raised **£2,647** for us. Their charity evening of music and songs was held at Hanney RBL Sports & Social Club in September 2024.

## Tony Henman Golf Day



In memory of Tony Henman, one of our founding trustees, we have re-named our annual golfing event. Tony organised our very first and subsequent annual golf days. He was the driving force behind many successful UCARE campaigns and events.

And we will continue to celebrate his life and achievements at the **Tony Henman Golf Day** each September at Studley Wood Golf Club.

## Five Star charity

We thank Five Star Events for raising **£8,500** for us. Five Star Events have been arranging society golf for over 30 years, raising substantial funds to support a range of charities in the Oxford area.



## Get Up Give Back

Get Up Give Back organise a charity event each year, and UCARE was one of their chosen charities in 2024. They undertook five challenges, to support five charities and raised an amazing **£25,000** for us in only five weeks. Many thanks!



## Grants from Trusts & Foundations

Our special thanks to Step Change for their support and mentoring through the term of their grant and our volunteer project.

We are very grateful to everyone who has contributed to this financial year. Not all our donors want to be acknowledged, but we thank you.

Thank you to everyone who has fundraised for us. Where we can, and with your permission, we will share little snippets and photos. For anyone looking to support a local cause, please do get in touch.



Nominating us as your Charity of the Year is a unique opportunity to unite your staff behind an inspiring local Oxfordshire cause and demonstrate your company's commitment to making a difference to cancer awareness and research. Please get in touch to find out more.

# At a glance

**55,000**

people are diagnosed with prostate cancer in the UK each year (78% survival rate)

**13,800+**

cases of kidney cancer per year (55% survival rate)

34% of cases are preventable through lifestyle changes

**>10,500**

cases of bladder cancer per year (42% survival rate)

49% of cases are preventable through lifestyle changes

**2,370+**

cases of testicular cancer per year (96% survival rate)

There are many people living with long- term side effects of cancer treatment – the psychosocial impacts are huge and often overlooked. This is why we are in the community educating people because some cancer rates could be reduced with simple changes to lifestyle.

## Social media is increasingly important to us

- It allows us to connect with our target audience
- It enhances our visibility
- It facilitates engagement in raising awareness
- It provides valuable data for informed decision-making by the public
- It increases awareness of UCARE's work

Please follow us:



/ucareoxford



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“ Local independent charities are rooted in their communities. We think we are well placed to support the 10-Year Health Plan by offering finding solutions to reaching those in the community with those with the greatest health and care needs. We can work with local collaborators and communities in helping to improve health and social care. ”

Valerie Berry, UCARE



390 followers



1,320 followers



328 followers



average 500 visits per day to website

# Structure, governance and management

UCARE (Oxford) was registered with the Charity Commission on 18 September 2007, and is Registered Charity Number 1120887.

## Public benefit

Our work delivers public benefit by providing information, advice, and support to anyone affected by a urological cancers. We work in communities to reduce the stigma that can surround cancer; raise awareness; connect people to the support and care they need. We work in partnership with existing local and national organisations to collaborate and provide information and education about urological cancers to both the public and medical professionals. We are passionate about raising awareness of not just urological cancer but cancer in general.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The Charity is governed by the Trustees who meet five times a year to decide on the fundraising strategy and the allocation of funds to medical projects in line with the objects of the Charity, but collectively and individually also available on an ad hoc basis for advice and decision taking.

## Staff and working arrangements

We are very proud of the work that is produced by our small team who are managing multiple roles, dedicated to achieving the charity's mission through day-to-day activities and raising much-needed funding.

A part-time Operations and Administrative Officer with a diverse skill mix and job description, who is managed by the Trustees. We also have a part-time Community & Awareness Lead whose role is to advise the trustees on best practice and leading the charity's awareness and education projects. This role continues to be mostly funded by fundraising and Trust & Foundation applications. We also now have a part-time Volunteer Coordinator paid for by a Step Change Grant.

The Charity is advised on grant applications and medical projects by an appropriate Scientific Advisory Committee.

## Investment powers

Trustees have the power to deposit or invest funds in any manner (but to invest only after obtaining such advice from a financial expert as the Trustees consider necessary and having regard to the suitability of investments and the need for diversification).

## Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic objectives of UCARE and for directing the staff. The Senior Executive supports and advises the Trustees on its activities. The Senior Executive is fully accountable for achieving, subject to the limitations set by the Trustees, for achieving objectives set by the Trustees.

## Volunteers, Ambassadors, Patient Advocates and Patrons

From time to time UCARE is able to call on the help of volunteers for running events, and UCARE acknowledges their extremely valuable contribution made by them and thank them for their commitment. We also value the huge contribution made by our Patrons, Ambassadors and Patient Advocates who network on our behalf.

We also acknowledge the support of health and business professionals who provide pro-bono advice across a range of activities.



### We pay tribute to two founding UCARE Trustees

Many of our friends and patients at the Churchill Hospital will be saddened by the news that one of our former trustees **Professor Val Macaulay** has died.



We also mark the passing of **Tony Henman**, after whom we have re-named our annual Golf Day.

Both were part of the UCARE family, and will be sadly missed.

## Review of transactions and financial position (including reserves policy)

Fundraising has raised £173,547 (2024: £89,780).

The Charity has made grants during the year totalling £76,666 (2024: £45,435).

Costs of raising income were £31,503 (2024: £24,497) of which £216 (2024: £3,087) were direct costs of holding events.

All decisions on financial matters will be taken collectively, and significant decisions and action points noted in writing and in our strategic plan for moving forward.

Funds in hand at the year-end amounted to £84,655 (2024: £45,616) of which £25,242 (2024: (£472)) are unrestricted. Charitable grants are typically paid out between 12 and 24 months after they have been awarded. Unpaid grants at the year-end totalled £6,591 (2024: £6,590).

## Fundraising activities and raising awareness of UCARE

UCARE recognises the need for efficient prevention and early diagnosis strategies and future developments include the building on raising awareness of the charity and building on the marketing and PR using the special tulip associated with our logo. Raising awareness and raising funds is normally done through organised events and taking our work into the community – the initiative being that all donations are buying hope, buying time and buying better futures for all those touched by urological cancer. UCARE depends on the committed support of our donors, volunteers and advisers. All our supporters make a real difference by getting involved with UCARE. Fundraising is helped by the promotion of the UCARE tulip; and our annual UCARE golf day in September each year. The Trustees wish to acknowledge formally the tremendous efforts of staff, our Patrons and volunteers in achieving so much during this difficult year. Our grateful thanks to all Trusts and Foundations who have made grants to UCARE throughout the year.

We aim to:

- Make fundraising an organisational priority, tabled at every board meeting.
- Develop a clear, realistic and longer-term fundraising strategy.

- Realistically invest in our fundraising and fundraisers, ensuring they have the right level of resources, staffing and training.
- Diversify our income streams.
- Monitor and review fundraising activity.
- Ensure that we consider fundraising activities from the perspective of the donor and wider public and make risk assessments of activity.
- Regularly review and assess risks linked to our fundraising programmes.
- Review, increase impact and improve our use of social media.

## Risk assessment and review

The trustees recognise that one of the hardest tasks is to find appropriate core cost funding other than that brought in by events.

The Charity has Employers Liability Insurance, Public Liability Insurance and Trustees Indemnity Insurance. Risk assessments are undertaken and at hand for fundraising activities and information to fundraisers 'to keep it safe' and our fundraising code of conduct is available in our fundraising information.

Commitments to project funding are only ever on the basis that income has been or can adequately be secured by UCARE. The reserves policy enables the Charity to wind up without consequential loss if necessary. Appropriate accounting and financial controls are in place.

UCARE is a member of the Fundraising Regulator:

**[www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk](http://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk)**

UCARE can be found on the Charity Commission website:

**[www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk)**

## Trustees' responsibilities

Laws applicable to Charities in England and Wales require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence of taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees collectively ensure they have the correct skill mix to be responsible and accountable for ensuring the Charity complies with its obligations.

## The Trustees

James Mitchell – *Chair*

Ken Heathcote

Seetal Patel

William Gietzmann

Richard Bryant

Mark Evans (*previously DUO*)

Jay Newport – *Treasurer*

Alistair Lamb

Jeremy Posnansky

Tom Leslie

Neil Pridham

Robin Frith (*previously DUO*)

Other than as stated, the Trustees set out above have held office for the period from 1 April 2021 to the date of this report.

## Trustee appointment, induction and training

New Trustees are recruited through a range of networks and are invited to a board meeting to understand the role of Trusteeship, as well as to get a general knowledge of the role and the charity's activities. Appointments are made by the Board of Trustees giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the charity. On appointment, Trustees are invited to meet with the staff for a process of discussion and induction, provided with copies of the Trust Deed, annual reports and other relevant material. On-going advice is thereafter provided by the staff as appropriate.

Approved by the trustees on 28 May 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Jim Mitchell (*Chairman*) and Jay Newport (*Treasurer*)

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of UCARE (Oxford)

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on page 12 to 18.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Mr Ajay Bahl BA FCA**

*Partner*

Wenn Townsend Chartered Accountants, Oxford

28 May 2025

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2025

|                                      | Note | 2025<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2025<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2025<br>Total<br>£ | 2024<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>            |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Donations and legacies               | 3    | 89,583                  | 83,964                    | 173,547            | 54,764                  | 35,016                    | 89,780             |
| Income from investments              |      | –                       | 929                       | 929                | –                       | 465                       | 465                |
| <b>Total income</b>                  |      | <u>89,583</u>           | <u>84,893</u>             | <u>174,476</u>     | <u>54,764</u>           | <u>35,481</u>             | <u>90,245</u>      |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                   |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Expenditure on raising funds         | 5    | –                       | 31,503                    | 31,503             | –                       | 24,497                    | 24,497             |
| Expenditure on charitable activities | 4    | 76,258                  | 27,676                    | 103,934            | 46,185                  | 11,435                    | 57,620             |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>             |      | <u>76,258</u>           | <u>59,179</u>             | <u>135,437</u>     | <u>46,185</u>           | <u>35,932</u>             | <u>82,117</u>      |
| Net income/(expenditure)             |      | 13,325                  | 25,714                    | 39,039             | 8,579                   | (451)                     | 8,128              |
| Transfer between funds               |      | –                       | –                         | –                  | –                       | –                         | –                  |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>         |      | <u>13,325</u>           | <u>25,714</u>             | <u>39,039</u>      | <u>8,579</u>            | <u>(451)</u>              | <u>8,128</u>       |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>       |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Total funds brought forward          |      | 46,088                  | (472)                     | 45,616             | 37,509                  | (21)                      | 37,488             |
| Total funds carried forward          |      | <u>59,413</u>           | <u>25,242</u>             | <u>84,655</u>      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      |

The notes on pages 14 to 18 form part of these accounts.

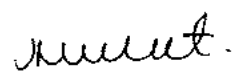
## Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

|                                 | Note | 2025<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2025<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2025<br>Total<br>£ | 2024<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>             |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Tangible assets                 | 10   | –                       | 507                       | 507                | –                       | 214                       | 214                |
| <b>Current assets</b>           |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Stock                           |      | –                       | 1,000                     | 1,000              | –                       | 1,000                     | 1,000              |
| Cash at bank and in hand        |      | 59,413                  | 31,946                    | 91,359             | 46,088                  | 5,105                     | 51,193             |
| Debtors                         |      | –                       | 380                       | 380                | –                       | 1,800                     | 1,800              |
|                                 |      | <u>59,413</u>           | <u>33,326</u>             | <u>92,739</u>      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>7,905</u>              | <u>53,993</u>      |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>      |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Creditors – due within one year | 12   | –                       | (8,591)                   | (8,591)            | –                       | (8,591)                   | (8,591)            |
| <b>Net current assets</b>       |      | <u>59,413</u>           | <u>24,735</u>             | <u>84,148</u>      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(686)</u>              | <u>45,402</u>      |
| <b>Net assets</b>               |      | <u>59,413</u>           | <u>25,242</u>             | <u>84,655</u>      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      |
| <b>Funds</b>                    |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Unrestricted                    |      | –                       | 25,242                    | 25,242             | –                       | (472)                     | (472)              |
| Restricted                      | 13   | 59,413                  | –                         | 59,413             | 46,088                  | –                         | 46,088             |
|                                 |      | <u>59,413</u>           | <u>25,242</u>             | <u>84,655</u>      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      |

The accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees on 28 May 2025.



James Mitchell, Trustee



Jay Newport, Trustee

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year 31 March 2025

## 1. Basis of preparation

- a) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis and include income and expenditure as they are earned or incurred, rather than as cash is received or paid. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- b) The accounts are drawn up under the historical cost convention. Significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years present unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.
- c) The Charity is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.
- d) The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement.
- e) The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the next 12 months which indicate that the charity will be able to continue as a going concern.

## 2. Accounting policies

### a) Allocation of costs to resources expended

Specific items of expenditure are attributed to the appropriate category, of:

- **Cost of generating donations and legacies.** These are the costs associated with generating voluntary incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities.

- **Charitable activities.** These are the resources applied by the Charity in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives.
- **Governance costs.** These are costs that relate to the general running of the charity. The governance costs of the Charity are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements. These are included under charitable costs.
- **Support costs** such as postage and stationery have been allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis.

### b) Fund accounting

The Charity mainly holds unrestricted funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives of the charity and at the discretion of the trustees.

The Charity did receive grants and donations which must be used for specific purposes. As at the year end the balance on restricted funds was £59,413 (2024: £46,088).

### c) Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in the acquisition and installation.

### Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

| Asset Class | Depreciation rate and method |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| Computers   | 20% straight line            |

#### d) Grants payable

The grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Charity. Grants are accounted for when the scientific advisory committee have approved the grant and the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the Charity.

#### e) Pensions

The Charity makes contributions to a pension scheme held by its employee. The costs of contributions are written off in the year they are payable.

### 3. Income from donations and legacies

|                                   | Restricted<br>2025<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Grants                            | 89,583                  | 10,250                    | 99,833             | 37,833             |
| Donations<br>(including gift aid) | –                       | 69,408                    | 69,408             | 40,448             |
| Events                            | –                       | 4,306                     | 4,306              | 11,499             |
|                                   | <u>89,583</u>           | <u>83,964</u>             | <u>173,547</u>     | <u>89,780</u>      |

Included within the 2024 figures are restricted grants of £52,072.

### 4. Charitable activities

The Charity undertook the following charitable activities. The Charity did not undertake some of the activities directly, but met its charitable purpose by making grants to organisations that met the charitable objectives of the charity.

#### Programme/Event

|                                    | Restricted<br>2025<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Governance costs (see note 6)      | –                       | 4,162                     | 4,162              | 4,032              |
| Urology education<br>and awareness | 61,496                  | 15,170                    | 76,666             | 45,435             |
| Kidney cancer activities           | –                       | –                         | –                  | 750                |
| Support                            | –                       | 8,343                     | 8,343              | 7,402              |
| Volunteer coordinator              | 14,762                  | –                         | 14,762             | –                  |
|                                    | <u>76,258</u>           | <u>27,675</u>             | <u>103,933</u>     | <u>57,619</u>      |

Included within the 2024 figures are the following restricted items:

- Urology related cancer education £45,435
- Kidney cancer activities £750

### 5. Expenditure on raising funds

|               | Restricted<br>2025<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ |
|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Events        | –                       | 216                       | 216                | 3,087              |
| Support costs | –                       | 31,287                    | 31,287             | 21,410             |
|               | <u>–</u>                | <u>31,503</u>             | <u>31,503</u>      | <u>24,497</u>      |

## 6. Governance costs

|                                    | Restricted<br>2025<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Independent review of accounts     | –                       | 1,902                     | 1,902              | 2,002              |
| Legal and professional fees        | –                       | 174                       | 174                | 180                |
| Support (including computer costs) | –                       | 2,086                     | 2,086              | 1,850              |
|                                    | <u>–</u>                | <u>4,162</u>              | <u>4,162</u>       | <u>4,032</u>       |

Governance costs are included under Charitable activities.

## 7. Support costs

Support costs, consisting of office costs of the charity including staff salaries are split between grant making, governance and expenditure on raising funds on the estimated time spent on each activity.

|                                     | Basis of<br>apportionment | Charitable<br>activity<br>£ | Raising<br>funds<br>£ | Governance<br>costs<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Office costs                        | Work due                  | 3,718                       | 13,942                | 930                      |
| Salaries and administrative support | Work due                  | 4,625                       | 17,345                | 1,156                    |
| Total resources expended            |                           | <u>8,343</u>                | <u>31,287</u>         | <u>2,086</u>             |

## 8. Analysis of employee costs

|          | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|----------|---------------|---------------|
| Salaries | 34,089        | 23,100        |
| Pensions | 365           | –             |
|          | <u>34,454</u> | <u>23,100</u> |

No employee received emoluments of over £60,000 in the year (2024: £Nil).

## 9. Trustees and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2024: £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefit received by key management personnel is £34,454 (2024: £23,100). Due to the size of the charity the trustees consider all staff members to be key employees.

During 2024/25 the charity employed two full-time members of staff.

## 10. Fixed assets

|                              | Office equipment<br>£ |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                  |                       |
| At 1/4/24                    | 915                   |
| Additions                    | 595                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/25                   | 1,510                 |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| <b>Depreciation</b>          |                       |
| At 1/4/24                    | 701                   |
| Depreciation charge for year | 302                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/25                   | 1,003                 |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| <b>Net book value</b>        |                       |
| At 31/3/25                   | 507                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/24                   | 214                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |

## 11. Debtors

|             | 2025<br>£ | 2024<br>£ |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| Gift Aid    | –         | 1,800     |
| Prepayments | 381       | –         |
|             | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|             | 381       | 1,800     |
|             | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |

## 12. Creditors due within one year

|                | 2025<br>£ | 2024<br>£ |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Accruals       | 2,000     | 2,000     |
| Grants payable | 6,591     | 6,591     |
|                | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                | 8,591     | 8,591     |
|                | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |

### 13. Restricted fund

#### Current year

|                                 | At 1 April<br>2024 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | Transfer | At 31<br>March<br>2025 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|
|                                 | £                  | £                     | £                     | £        | £                      |
| Urology Education and Awareness | 46,088             | 15,636                | (61,496)              | –        | 228                    |
| Prostate cancer                 | –                  | 56,177                | –                     | –        | 56,177                 |
| Volunteer Co-ordinator          | –                  | 17,770                | (14,762)              | –        | 3,008                  |
|                                 | <u>46,088</u>      | <u>89,583</u>         | <u>(76,258)</u>       | <u>–</u> | <u>59,413</u>          |

#### Prior year

|                                 | At 1 April<br>2023 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | Transfers | At 31<br>March<br>2024 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|
|                                 | £                  | £                     | £                     | £         | £                      |
| Urology Education and Awareness | 27,435             | 43,764                | (38,449)              |           | 32,750                 |
| Prostate cancer                 | 3,436              | –                     | –                     |           | 3,436                  |
| Ian Kirkham Fellowship          | 1,100              | –                     | –                     |           | 1,100                  |
| Kidney cancer                   | 100                | 10,000                | (750)                 |           | 9,350                  |
| Testicular cancer               | (773)              | –                     | –                     |           | (773)                  |
| Patient care packs              | 6,211              | 1,000                 | (6,986)               |           | 225                    |
|                                 | <u>37,509</u>      | <u>54,764</u>         | <u>(46,185)</u>       | <u>–</u>  | <u>46,088</u>          |

The trustee decided that Urology Education and Awareness captured the specific conditions of Prostate Cancer, Ian Kirkham Fellowship, Kidney Cancer, Testicular Cancer and Patient Care Packs. For the current year and for future years these will be included within Urology Education and Awareness.

Prostate Cancer and Research fund is a grant which will be paid in the 25/26 year.

The Volunteer Co-ordinator fund is a grant to cover salary and related costs of employing the co-ordinator.





**UCARE (Urology Cancer Research and Education) is an independent, Oxford-based charity committed to improving the treatment and care of urological cancer patients, through research and education.**

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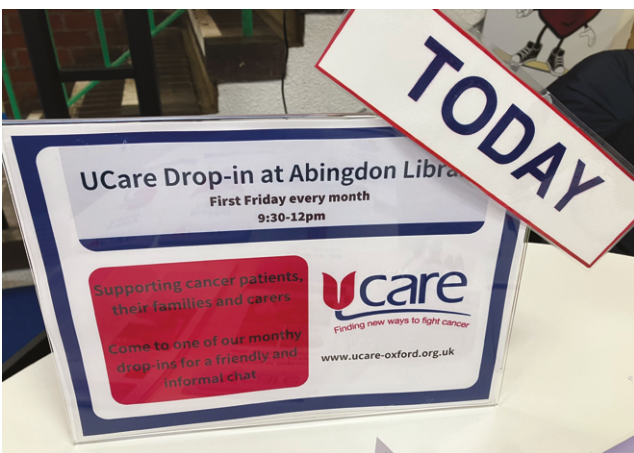
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# Accounts

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# Annual Report & Accounts

2023-24

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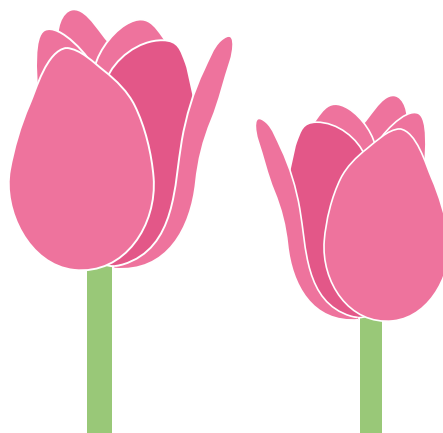
Tom Leslie  
Seetal Patel  
Jeremy Posnansky  
Richard Bryant  
Neil Pridham

# Note from the Chairman

**We approached 2023 still catching up in the aftermath of COVID. The news headlines shared stories about long hospital waiting times for both diagnostic tests and treatment. The data showed falling referrals for suspected urological cancer. While NHS England set out its recovery plan, we also built ours.**

Our focus over the years has been to support research, but we also work hard to find new ways ways to prevent health problems from arising in the first place; support people to manage their health problems when they do arise, and live well for longer.

There is no standard regular screening test offered for most urological cancers so it is imperative people know what is normal for them. We have built on our resources of information about urological health. We are proud of the work we are doing in our community in highlighting early diagnosis, prevention and overall benefits of a healthy lifestyle, all related to urological health.



**I am particularly proud  
of our small team**

We continue to work hard on this, and I am particularly proud of our small team who work together. At the end of this financial year we learned that we are to receive the Step Change grant to employ a volunteer coordinator for a year. This will be a massive boost in opportunities, recruitment and training of volunteers to spread the message, and a chance to reach more people.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "J. G. Mitchell".

**Jim Mitchell**  
Chair, Board of Trustees

**The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2024.**

The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) *Accounting and Reporting by Charities* (FRS102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the Charity.

# Our aims and objectives



**UCARE aims to promote good health and relieve sickness in relation to the disease of urological cancer and related conditions by:**

- Supporting basic, translational and clinical research into causes, prevention and treatment.
- Developing and evaluating new technologies for diagnosis and treatment.
- Providing equipment and facilities for research and treatment.
- Assisting in the provision of education and awareness raising for medical staff and the general public.

Urological cancers account for one in five of all newly diagnosed cancers each year, and one in three of all cancers in men.

Over 22,000 people die each year from urological cancers:

**AFFECTING MEN ONLY**

**Prostate cancer**

**Testicular cancer**

**Penile cancer**

**AFFECTING MEN & WOMEN**

**Kidney cancer**

**Bladder cancer**



**We aim to:**

- Be fair and compassionate
- Represent the voice of less well known cancers
- Be responsive
- Be accountable to our beneficiaries



# Our achievements

**We have continued to build on the achievements and development of our community awareness strategy, focusing on inclusion and collaboration.**



## Volunteer with us

**We have been awarded a Step Change grant to employ a volunteer coordinator for one year starting in 2024.**

Step Change is a charitable fund focused on helping Oxfordshire charities grow and thrive. This grant will help us to increase visibility of our work and raise funds to improve awareness of urological cancers, with the ultimate aim of saving lives. Talking about cancer can save lives. Our new coordinator

will equip volunteers with the skills and confidence to have conversations about cancer and health with people in their communities.

Please get in touch with [caroline.ucare@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.ucare@gmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering for us, either in the role of an awareness raiser or fundraiser – we would love to hear from you.

## Research nurse first year funding

**To support the urology research trials we have funded the first year for a Research Nurse at the Churchill Hospital in Oxford.**

This role will play a vital role in delivering clinical research, and ultimately improving patient care and treatment pathways.

A Research Nurse provides care and treatment for patients involved in medical studies. They are responsible for monitoring the health and safety of patients under strict conditions of regulatory oversight, and for collecting and interpreting data for research purposes. They also provide a huge amount of additional support to patients and their families at a very difficult time, helping them to understand their treatment options.

**Research is essential** – it is the only evidence-based method of deciding whether a new approach to treatment or care is better than the current standard, and is essential to diagnose, treat, prevent, and cure disease.

Some of the trials currently supported by research nurses in Oxford include: the TRANSLATE, PART, PROMOTE & FINESSE trials as well as the QUANTUM Biobank. Each of these Oxford-led endeavours involve collaborators from around the UK and seek to deliver high-level evidence on surgical cancer care to the international community

**Thanks to special funders:** Huntercombe; Dr Patrick Baird memorial; and OPCS



**We are continuing to fundraise for this role – please support us if you can:**

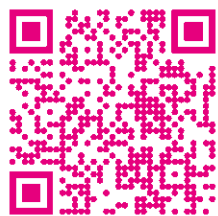
**[ucare-cancer.enthuse.com/cf/fundraising-for-a-research-nurse](https://ucare-cancer.enthuse.com/cf/fundraising-for-a-research-nurse)**



# Fundraising

## UCARE Charity Tulips

Our continued thanks to the Cotswold Wildlife Park in Burford who continue to plant a thousand of our special tulip bulbs, 'Ucaresse', each year to help us raise awareness of our work.



Order your UCARE tulip bulbs by scanning this QR code

And to Taylors bulbs who support us so generously by supplying the Ucaresse bulbs. When you buy the UCARE Tulip you are not just enhancing your gardens, you are also buying a symbol of hope and a brighter future in the fight against urological cancers.

## Huntercombe's Captains' Charity of the Year

We were so grateful to be chosen as Huntercombe's Captains' Charity of the Year 2023, with any funds raised going to the Research Nurse post at the Churchill Hospital.

*"We chose UCARE because we believe it's a really worthwhile cause. Both Golf Captains have had family members affected by urological cancers and have received excellent care – we know how common these cancers are. We like the fact that UCARE is a small charity and local to the area."*

An amazing total of **£20,000** was raised by everyone at the golf club and we thank them for their hard work and generosity, and their support.

## Freemasons charity evening

At a Oxfordshire Freemasons charity evening at the Witney Masonic Centre on Tuesday 30 January 2024, UCARE collected a very generous contribution towards our work. With our grateful thanks to The Bertie Lodge and Masonic Brethren.

## Five Star charity

We are delighted to have been chosen as the Five Star Events charity for 2024. Five Star Events have been arranging society golf for over 30 years, raising substantial funds to support a range of charities in the Oxford area. For more information, see: [5-star-events.org.uk/charities/2024-charity/](https://5-star-events.org.uk/charities/2024-charity/)

## Get Up Give Back

Get Up Give Back commit to an annual charity event each year, and UCARE is one of their chosen charities in 2024. They undertake five challenges, to support five charities and fundraise a minimum of £25,000 for each – in only five weeks.

See more at: [www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/get-up-give-back-2024](https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/get-up-give-back-2024)

## Grants from Trusts & Foundations

Our very grateful thanks to everyone who has contributed to this financial year. Not all our donors want to be acknowledged, but we thank you.

A big thank you to the Foyle Foundation for their £5,000 award towards our core costs. Core funding is financial support that covers a charity's essential organisational and administrative costs, and allows a charity to plan knowing that some of these costs are covered.

We were grateful to receive £7,500 from The Oxford Foundation to support cancer awareness workshops around the county for people in harder-to-reach communities, and encouraging collaboration between charitable and community organisations.

Nominating us as your Charity of the Year is a unique opportunity to unite your staff behind an inspiring local Oxfordshire cause and demonstrate your company's commitment to making a difference to cancer awareness and research. Please get in touch to find out more.

# Our future plans

## Fundraising for Proximie software

The operating theatres at the Churchill Hospital now have a new room dedicated to staff education and training to support surgical trainees, surgeons, and allied theatre staff. The room features innovative equipment to assist with training theatre staff, including a new live surgery viewing screen along with a VR robotic surgery simulator, a da Vinci 'backpack' Skills Simulator with the two latest da Vinci robots, and laparoscopic skills trainers.

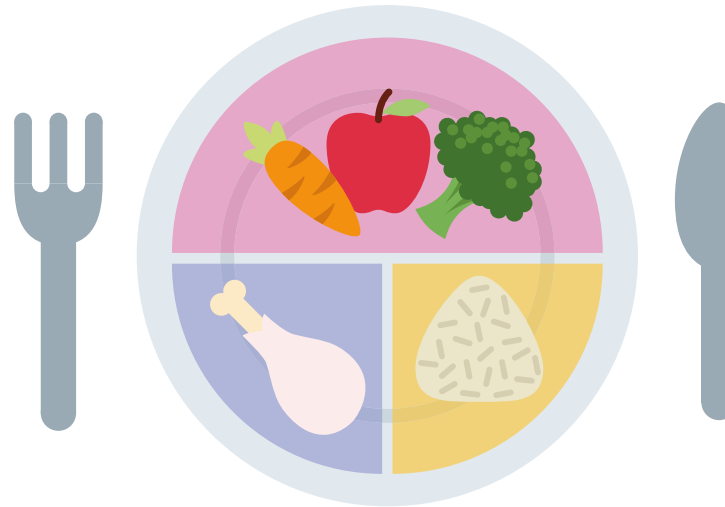


Designed to bridge the gap between theoretical learning and practical application, Proximie software will further enhance training and

education for future surgeons by enabling live screening of surgeries to clinical and nursing staff, allowing them to observe complex procedures in real-time. It can be used with a range of surgical procedures, showcasing the latest techniques and innovations in the field. Senior surgeons will provide real-time commentary, explaining each step of the procedure and answering questions from the observing clinicians, who can be in other hospitals throughout the country.

## The benefits of video

Researchers have determined the human brain processes visual information 60,000 times faster than text. For example, an animated video's message has a retention rate of 95%, compared to just 10% when the same message is text. So, we're looking to create short animation visual messages for social media and for use on public screens. We will also create more videos featuring patients who have undergone treatments talking about the importance of early diagnosis; and create slides to talk about checking yourself and what to look out for. These could be very useful in schools to introduce conversations about testicular cancer.



## Eating well

Research is showing that more cancers can be prevented through lifestyle changes – this is particularly true for some urological cancers. 34% of the 13,000+ cases of kidney cancer diagnosed each year could be preventable; and 49% of the >10,500 cases of bladder cancer could also be preventable.

Consuming too much sugary food and drink, or food high in calories (including fast food) can make it easier to gain weight. Obesity has been identified as a risk factor for 13 different types of cancer, so eating a healthy, balanced diet can reduce risk. Nutrition also plays a crucial role in supporting cancer patients during their treatment and recovery. We are updating our general guidelines and building in conversations about diet and nutrition to our awareness events.



### Processed food

Cut down on processed food, sugary drinks and high calorie fast foods.



### Alcohol consumption

Drinking alcohol increases the risk of cancer so think about cutting down.

# At a glance

**55,000**

people are diagnosed with prostate cancer in the UK each year (78% survival rate)

**13,000+**

cases of kidney cancer per year (52% survival rate)

34% of cases are preventable through lifestyle changes

**>10,500**

cases of bladder cancer per year (46% survival rate)

49% of cases are preventable through lifestyle changes

**2,300+**

cases of testicular cancer per year (91% survival rate)

There are many people living with long-term side effects of cancer treatment – the psychosocial impacts are huge and often overlooked. This is why we are in the community educating people because some cancer rates could be reduced with simple changes to lifestyle.

## Social media is increasingly important to us

- It allows us to connect with our target audience
- It enhances our visibility
- It facilitates engagement in raising awareness
- It provides valuable data for informed decision-making by the public
- It increases awareness of UCARE's work

Please follow us:



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“ Despite abdominal and urological cancers accounting for nearly half (44%) of all cancer diagnoses and two in five (41%) cancer deaths in England, new figures from the NHS show that many people are unaware of common warning signs – which could prevent them seeking help. ”

NHS England 'Help Us, Help You' campaign, 2021



380 followers



1,330 followers



310 followers



average 750 visits per day to website

# Structure, governance and management

UCARE (Oxford) was registered with the Charity Commission on 18 September 2007, and is Registered Charity Number 1120887.

## Public benefit

Our work delivers public benefit by providing information, advice, and support to anyone affected by a urological cancers. We work in communities to reduce the stigma that can surround cancer; raise awareness; connect people to the support and care they need. We work in partnership with existing local and national organisations to collaborate and provide information and education about urological cancers to both the public and medical professionals. We are passionate about raising awareness of not just urological cancer but cancer in general.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The Charity is governed by the Trustees who meet five times a year to decide on the fundraising strategy and the allocation of funds to medical projects in line with the objects of the Charity, but collectively and individually also available on an ad hoc basis for advice and decision taking.

## Staff and working arrangements

We are very proud of the work that is produced by our small team who are managing multiple roles, dedicated to achieving the charity's mission through day-to-day activities and raising much-needed funding.

A part-time Operations and Administrative Officer with a diverse skill mix and job description, who is managed by the Trustees.

We also have a part-time Community & Awareness Lead whose role is to advise the trustees on best practice and leading the charity's awareness and education projects. This role continues to be mostly funded by fundraising and Trust & Foundation applications.

The Charity is advised on grant applications and medical projects by an appropriate Scientific Advisory Committee.

## Investment powers

Trustees have the power to deposit or invest funds in any manner (but to invest only after obtaining such advice from a financial expert as the Trustees consider necessary and having regard to the suitability of investments and the need for diversification).

## Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic objectives of UCARE and for directing the staff. The Senior Executive supports and advises the Trustees on its activities. The Senior Executive is fully accountable for achieving, subject to the limitations set by the Trustees, for achieving objectives set by the Trustees.

## Volunteers, Ambassadors, Patient Advocates and Patrons

From time to time UCARE is able to call on the help of volunteers for running events etc., and UCARE acknowledges their extremely valuable contribution made by them and thank them for their commitment. We also value the huge contribution made by our Patrons, Ambassadors and Patient Advocates who network on our behalf.

We also acknowledge the support of health and business professionals who provide pro-bono advice across a range of activities.



It is with great sadness that we learnt that our Patron **Nathaniel Fiennes, Lord Saye and Sele**, has died aged 103. His great sense of humour, friendship, generosity and support has meant so much over the years in recognising the work of our charity.

We know that Mariette, family and friends will be feeling a great loss and we send our deepest sympathy and condolences.

## Review of transactions and financial position (including reserves policy)

Fundraising has raised £90,245 (2023: £102,225).

The Charity has made grants during the year totalling £45,435 (2023: £42,536).

Costs of raising income were £24,497 (2023: £43,776) of which £3,087 (2023: £14,926) were direct costs of holding events

All decisions on financial matters will be taken collectively, and significant decisions and action points noted in writing and in our strategic plan for moving forward.

Funds in hand at the year-end amounted to £45,616 (2023: £37,488) of which £(472) ((2023: £21)) are unrestricted. Charitable grants are typically paid out between 12 and 24 months after they have been awarded. Unpaid grants at the year-end totalled £6,590 (2023: £6,590). Although there was a deficit in unrestricted reserves of £(472) which did not meet the reserves policy, the trustees were aware at year end of income that had already been pledged for the next financial year through charity of the year events and would become available at the start of the new financial year.

## Fundraising activities and raising awareness of UCARE

UCARE recognises the need for efficient prevention and early diagnosis strategies and future developments include the building on raising awareness of the charity and building on the marketing and PR using the special tulip associated with our logo. Raising awareness and raising funds is normally done through organised events and taking our work into the community – the initiative being that all donations are buying hope, buying time and buying better futures for all those touched by urological cancer. UCARE depends on the committed support of our donors, volunteers and advisers. All our supporters make a real difference by getting involved with UCARE. Fundraising is helped by the promotion of the UCARE tulip; and our annual UCARE golf day in September each year. The Trustees wish to acknowledge formally the tremendous efforts of staff, our Patrons and volunteers in achieving so much during this difficult year. Our grateful thanks to all Trusts and Foundations who have made grants to UCARE throughout the year.

We aim to:

- Make fundraising an organisational priority, tabled at every board meeting.
- Develop a clear, realistic and longer-term fundraising strategy.
- Realistically invest in our fundraising and fundraisers, ensuring they have the right level of resources, staffing and training.
- Diversify our income streams
- Monitor and review fundraising activity.
- Ensure that we consider fundraising activities from the perspective of the donor and wider public and make risk assessments of activity
- Regularly review and assess risks linked to our fundraising programmes
- Review, increase impact and improve our use of social media

## Risk assessment and review

The trustees recognise that one of the hardest tasks is to find appropriate core cost funding other than that brought in by events.

The Charity has Employers Liability Insurance, Public Liability Insurance and Trustees Indemnity Insurance. Risk assessments are undertaken and at hand for fundraising activities and information to fundraisers 'to keep it safe' and our fundraising code of conduct is available in our fundraising information.

Commitments to project funding are only ever on the basis that income has been or can adequately be secured by UCARE. The reserves policy enables the Charity to wind up without consequential loss if necessary. Appropriate accounting and financial controls are in place.

UCARE is a member of the Fundraising Regulator:

**[www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk](http://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk)**

UCARE can be found on the Charity Commission website:

**[www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk)**

## Trustees' responsibilities

Laws applicable to Charities in England and Wales require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence of taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees collectively ensure they have the correct skill mix to be responsible and accountable for ensuring the Charity complies with its obligations.

## The Trustees

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| James Mitchell – <i>Chair</i> | Jay Newport      |
| Ken Heathcote                 | Alistair Lamb    |
| Seetal Patel                  | Jeremy Posnansky |
| William Gietzmann             | Tom Leslie       |
| Richard Bryant                | Neil Pridham     |

Other than as stated, the Trustees set out above have held office for the period from 1 April 2021 to the date of this report.

## Trustee appointment, induction and training

New Trustees are recruited through a range of networks and are invited to a board meeting to understand the role of Trusteeship, as well as to get a general knowledge of the role and the charity's activities. Appointments are made by the Board of Trustees giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the charity. On appointment, Trustees are invited to meet with the staff for a process of discussion and induction, provided with copies of the Trust Deed, annual reports and other relevant material. On-going advice is thereafter provided by the staff as appropriate.

Approved by the trustees on 31 July 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Jim Mitchell (*Chairman*) and Jay Newport (*Treasurer*)

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of UCARE (Oxford)

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on page 12 to 18.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Mr Ajay Bahl BA FCA**

*Partner*

Wenn Townsend Chartered Accountants, Oxford

31 July 2024

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

|                                      | Note | 2024<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ | 2023<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>            |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Donations and legacies               | 3    | 54,764                  | 35,016                    | 89,780             | 52,072                  | 50,153                    | 102,225            |
| Income from investments              |      | –                       | 465                       | 465                | –                       | 133                       | 133                |
| <b>Total income</b>                  |      | <u>54,764</u>           | <u>35,481</u>             | <u>90,245</u>      | <u>52,072</u>           | <u>50,268</u>             | <u>102,358</u>     |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                   |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Expenditure on raising funds         | 5    | –                       | 24,497                    | 24,497             | –                       | 43,776                    | 43,776             |
| Expenditure on charitable activities | 4    | 46,185                  | 11,435                    | 57,620             | 40,050                  | 14,207                    | 54,257             |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>             |      | <u>46,185</u>           | <u>35,932</u>             | <u>82,117</u>      | <u>40,050</u>           | <u>57,983</u>             | <u>98,033</u>      |
| Net income/(expenditure)             |      | 8,579                   | (451)                     | 8,128              | 12,022                  | (7,697)                   | 4,325              |
| Transfer between funds               |      | –                       | –                         | –                  | (6,488)                 | 6,488                     | –                  |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>         |      | <u>8,579</u>            | <u>(451)</u>              | <u>8,128</u>       | <u>5,534</u>            | <u>(1,209)</u>            | <u>4,325</u>       |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>       |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Total funds brought forward          |      | 37,509                  | (21)                      | 37,488             | 31,975                  | 1,188                     | 33,163             |
| Total funds carried forward          |      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      |

The notes on pages 14 to 18 form part of these accounts.

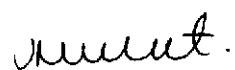
## Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

|                                 | Note | 2024<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ | 2023<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>             |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Tangible assets                 | 10   | –                       | 214                       | 214                | –                       | 267                       | 267                |
| <b>Current assets</b>           |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Stock                           |      | –                       | 1,000                     | 1,000              | –                       | 1,000                     | 1,000              |
| Cash at bank and in hand        |      | 46,088                  | 5,105                     | 51,193             | 37,509                  | 7,202                     | 44,711             |
| Debtors                         |      | –                       | 1,800                     | 1,800              | –                       | –                         | –                  |
|                                 |      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>7,905</u>              | <u>53,993</u>      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>8,202</u>              | <u>45,711</u>      |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>      |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Creditors – due within one year | 12   | –                       | (8,591)                   | (8,591)            | –                       | (8,490)                   | (8,490)            |
|                                 |      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(686)</u>              | <u>45,402</u>      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(288)</u>              | <u>37,221</u>      |
| <b>Net current assets</b>       |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
|                                 |      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      |
| <b>Net assets</b>               |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
|                                 |      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      |
| <b>Funds</b>                    |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Unrestricted                    |      | –                       | (472)                     | (472)              | –                       | (21)                      | (21)               |
| Restricted                      | 13   | 46,088                  | –                         | 46,088             | 37,509                  | –                         | 37,509             |
|                                 |      | <u>46,088</u>           | <u>(472)</u>              | <u>45,616</u>      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      |

The accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees on 31 July 2024.



James Mitchell, Trustee



Jay Newport, Trustee

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year 31 March 2023

## 1. Basis of preparation

- a) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis and include income and expenditure as they are earned or incurred, rather than as cash is received or paid. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- b) The accounts are drawn up under the historical cost convention. Significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years present unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.
- c) The Charity is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.
- d) The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement.
- e) The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the next 12 months which indicate that the charity will be able to continue as a going concern.

## 2. Accounting policies

### a) Allocation of costs to resources expended

Specific items of expenditure are attributed to the appropriate category, of:

- **Cost of generating donations and legacies.** These are the costs associated with generating voluntary incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities.

- **Charitable activities.** These are the resources applied by the Charity in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives.
- **Governance costs.** These are costs that relate to the general running of the charity. The governance costs of the Charity are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements. These are included under charitable costs.
- **Support costs** such as postage and stationery have been allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis.

### b) Fund accounting

The Charity mainly holds unrestricted funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives of the charity and at the discretion of the trustees.

The Charity did receive grants and donations which must be used for specific purposes. As at the year end the balance on restricted funds was £46,088 (2023: £37,509).

### c) Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in the acquisition and installation.

### Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

| Asset Class | Depreciation rate and method |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| Computers   | 20% straight line            |

#### d) Grants payable

The grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Charity. Grants are accounted for when the scientific advisory committee have approved the grant and the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the Charity.

#### e) Pensions

The Charity makes contributions to a pension scheme held by its employee. The costs of contributions are written off in the year they are payable.

### 3. Income from donations and legacies

|                                   | <b>Restricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants                            | 30,033                           | 7,800                              | 37,833                      | 54,772                      |
| Donations<br>(including gift aid) | 24,731                           | 15,717                             | 40,448                      | 42,265                      |
| Events                            | –                                | 11,499                             | 11,499                      | 5,188                       |
|                                   | <u>54,764</u>                    | <u>35,016</u>                      | <u>89,780</u>               | <u>102,225</u>              |

Included within the 2023 figures are restricted grants of £52,072.

### 4. Charitable activities

The Charity undertook the following charitable activities. The Charity did not undertake some of the activities directly, but met its charitable purpose by making grants to organisations that met the charitable objectives of the charity.

#### Programme/Event

|                                    | <b>Restricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Governance costs (see note 6)      | –                                | 4,032                              | 4,032                       | 4,028                       |
| Urology education<br>and awareness | 45,435                           |                                    | 45,435                      | 42,536                      |
| Kidney cancer activities           | 750                              |                                    | 750                         | –                           |
| Support                            | –                                | 7,403                              | 7,403                       | 7,693                       |
|                                    | <u>46,185</u>                    | <u>11,435</u>                      | <u>57,620</u>               | <u>54,257</u>               |

Included within the 2023 figures are the following restricted items:

- Urology related cancer education £40,050

### 5. Expenditure on raising funds

|               | <b>Restricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Events        | –                                | 3,087                              | 3,087                       | 14,926                      |
| Support costs | –                                | 21,410                             | 21,410                      | 28,850                      |
|               | <u>–</u>                         | <u>24,497</u>                      | <u>24,497</u>               | <u>43,776</u>               |

## 6. Governance costs

|                                    | <b>Restricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Independent review of accounts     | –                                | 2,002                              | 2,002                       | 1,900                       |
| Legal and professional fees        | –                                | 180                                | 180                         | 205                         |
| Support (including computer costs) | –                                | 1,850                              | 1,850                       | 1,923                       |
|                                    | <u>–</u>                         | <u>4,032</u>                       | <u>4,032</u>                | <u>4,587</u>                |

Governance costs are included under Charitable activities.

## 7. Support costs

Support costs, consisting of office costs of the charity including staff salaries are split between grant making, governance and expenditure on raising funds on the estimated time spent on each activity.

|                                     | <b>Basis of<br/>apportionment</b> | <b>Charitable<br/>activity<br/>£</b> | <b>Raising<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Governance<br/>costs<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Office costs                        | Work due                          | 2,613                                | 3,450                          | 653                               |
| Salaries and administrative support | Work due                          | 4,790                                | 17,960                         | 1,197                             |
| Total resources expended            |                                   | <u>7,403</u>                         | <u>21,410</u>                  | <u>1,850</u>                      |

## 8. Analysis of employee costs

|          | <b>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>2023<br/>£</b> |
|----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Salaries | 23,100            | 20,911            |
|          | <u>23,100</u>     | <u>20,911</u>     |

No employee received emoluments of over £60,000 in the year (2023: £Nil).

## 9. Trustees and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2023: £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefit received by key management personnel is £23,100 (2023: £20,911). Due to the size of the charity the trustees consider all staff members to be key employees.

During 2023/24 the charity employed one full-time member of staff.

## 10. Fixed assets

|                              | Office equipment<br>£ |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                  |                       |
| At 1/4/23                    | 915                   |
| Additions                    | –                     |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/24                   | 915                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| <b>Depreciation</b>          |                       |
| At 1/4/23                    | 648                   |
| Depreciation charge for year | 53                    |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/24                   | 701                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| <b>Net book value</b>        |                       |
| At 31/3/24                   | 214                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/24                   | 267                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |

## 11. Debtors

|          | 2024<br>£ | 2023<br>£ |
|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Gift Aid | 1,800     | –         |
|          | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|          | 1,800     | –         |
|          | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |

## 12. Creditors due within one year

|                | 2024<br>£ | 2023<br>£ |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Accruals       | 2,000     | 1,900     |
| Grants payable | 6,591     | 6,590     |
|                | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                | 8,591     | 8,490     |
|                | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |

### 13. Restricted fund

#### Current year

|                                    | At 1 April<br>2023 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | Transfer | At 31<br>March<br>2023 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|
|                                    | £                  | £                     | £                     | £        | £                      |
| Urology Education<br>and Awareness | 27,435             | 43,764                | (38,449)              | –        | 32,750                 |
| Prostate cancer                    | 3,436              | –                     | –                     | –        | 3,436                  |
| Ian Kirkham<br>Fellowship          | 1,100              | –                     | –                     | –        | 1,100                  |
| Kidney cancer                      | 100                | 10,000                | (750)                 | –        | 9,350                  |
| Testicular cancer                  | (773)              | –                     | –                     |          | (773)                  |
| Patient care packs                 | 6,211              | 1,000                 | (6,986)               | –        | 225                    |
|                                    | <u>37,509</u>      | <u>54,764</u>         | <u>(46,185)</u>       | <u>–</u> | <u>46,088</u>          |

#### Prior year

|                                    | At 1 April<br>2022 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | Transfers      | At 31<br>March<br>2023 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|------------------------|
|                                    | £                  | £                     | £                     | £              | £                      |
| Urology Education<br>and Awareness | 13,813             | 46,722                | (33,100)              |                | 27,435                 |
| Prostate cancer                    | 3,436              | –                     | –                     |                | 3,436                  |
| Ian Kirkham<br>Fellowship          | 1,100              | –                     | –                     |                | 1,100                  |
| Kidney cancer                      | 100                | –                     | –                     |                | 100                    |
| Testicular cancer                  | (733)              | –                     | –                     |                | (773)                  |
| Support male<br>oncology patients  | 6,488              | –                     | –                     | (6,488)        | –                      |
| Patient care packs                 | 7,811              | 5,350                 | (6,950)               |                | 6,211                  |
|                                    | <u>31,975</u>      | <u>52,072</u>         | <u>(40,050)</u>       | <u>(6,488)</u> | <u>37,509</u>          |





**UCARE (Urology Cancer Research and Education) is an independent, Oxford-based charity committed to improving the treatment and care of urological cancer patients, through research and education.**

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We are registered with the Fundraising Regulator to confirm our commitment to good practice. If you have any concerns about fundraising, please go to [www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk](http://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk)



**UCARE (OXFORD)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1120887

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# Accounts

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# Annual Report & Accounts 2022-23

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## UCARE Trustees

James Mitchell – Chair  
Jay Newport – Treasurer  
William Gietzmann  
Ken Heathcote  
Alistair Lamb

Tom Leslie  
Seetal Patel  
Jeremy Posnansky  
Richard Bryant

# Note from the Chairman

**As things begin to get back to normal after the COVID pandemic, our long-term goals coincide with that of the NHS plan to support people to live longer healthier lives by helping them to make positive lifestyle choices and identifying and treating illness at an early stage.**

More people are surviving cancer than ever before, but we know that we can save even more lives by encouraging awareness of symptoms, seeking help and therefore accessing treatment faster. Over a third of cancers are preventable, and UCARE is fully invested in cancer prevention through our education and awareness charitable object.

Since 2007, we have led a strong campaign focusing on prevention, awareness and early intervention. We have built a strong community base, but we know there is more that we can do to reach businesses, community groups, social clubs etc, and we are ask old and new supporters for their help in making introductions.

**We know that we can  
save even more lives**

We have been working with NHS England to target at-risk groups and also reviewing how we support volunteer advocates to take important messages into the community on our behalf. UCARE depends on the committed support of our donors, volunteers and advisers.

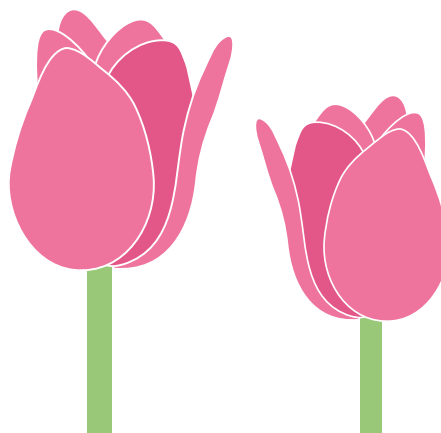
Anyone reading this report, can make a real difference by getting involved with UCARE, and we are very grateful for all your support.



**Jim Mitchell**  
Chair, Board of Trustees

**The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2023.**

The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) *Accounting and Reporting by Charities* (FRS102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the Charity.



# Our aims and objectives



**UCARE aims to promote good health and relieve sickness in relation to the disease of urological cancer and related conditions by:**

- Supporting basic, translational and clinical research into causes, prevention and treatment.
- Developing and evaluating new technologies for diagnosis and treatment.
- Providing equipment and facilities for research and treatment.
- Assisting in the provision of education and awareness raising for medical staff and the general public.

**Urological cancers account for one in five of all newly diagnosed cancers each year, and one in three of all cancers in men.**

Over 22,000 people die each year from urological cancers:

**AFFECTING MEN ONLY**

**Prostate cancer**

**Testicular cancer**

**Penile cancer**

**AFFECTING MEN & WOMEN**

**Kidney cancer**

**Bladder cancer**



**We aim to:**

- Be fair and compassionate
- Represent the voice of less well known cancers
- Be responsive



# Our achievements

**We have continued to build on the achievements and development of our community awareness strategy, focusing on inclusion and collaboration.**



## Learning disabilities and mental health issues

Our work last year producing videos for our website to help people with mental health issues and learning disabilities understand more about cancer and the screening process has been further complemented by talks around the Thames Valley region for carers and support workers who work with people with learning disabilities. This work is really important as uptake of cancer screening and presentation for early assessment of cancer symptoms is often much lower in this segment of the population. Educating and reminding people about what to look out for is one of UCARE's key priorities.



## Marginalised young people

We continue to work with marginalised young people from a centre called Trax, who educate young people, 11-18 years old, from across the Thames Valley region who have faced exclusion from school. Our focus has been on educating these young people about testicular cancer and general health and wellbeing.

We are very grateful for grants and for a partnership with the Hygiene Bank to be able to provide regular hygiene products to support the physical wellbeing of these young people.

## School talks

We enjoy working with schools to provide teaching and education as part of their PSHE programme. We offer a one-hour session to discuss testicular cancer, which is the most common cancer in the age group of 15-45 year olds.



## Volunteer training

We continue to work closely with the Hummingbird Centre to provide volunteer training. Again, the feedback is positive and the volunteers have grown in confidence. We now plan to work with the volunteers more regularly and increase our teaching portfolio by building relationships with other cancer support centres. Some of our training is now online which is a fantastic resource:

**[www.ucare-oxford.org.uk/education-awareness/self-help-videos/](http://www.ucare-oxford.org.uk/education-awareness/self-help-videos/)**

## Care packages

The care packages that we offer to people with cancer who are on treatment have been gratefully received by a number of partners from across the Thames Valley region. These include The Oxford University Hospital Trust, Stoke Mandeville Hospital and My Cancer, My Choices in Berkshire. We have been delighted to be able to support people on treatment and their families through providing them with useful products to support them during their cancer journey whilst providing signposting to other services and providing additional positivity. The feedback has been fantastic and proves that little acts of kindness really do make a difference. We will continue to seek funding and support to help people with cancer to stay on treatment for longer and cope better with their diagnosis.

## Germ cell health and wellbeing sessions

We have continued to work closely with the team at the Oxford University Hospital Trust to educate and support men with testicular cancer. These regular health and wellbeing sessions allow young men to gain knowledge about their cancer, what it means for them and how they move on with their lives post-treatment. They also benefit from peer support throughout these sessions. The feedback has been very positive and we are grateful to be able to be a part of what is provided.



## Sharing knowledge

In March 2023 we ran an update event for Oxfordshire GPs. It provided an opportunity for GPs to meet the Urology and Oncology Consultants and team from the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. They are provided with a full afternoon of talks ranging from new techniques to pathway and current service updates and information. They have the opportunity to ask questions in a relaxed atmosphere, and also the time to network with colleagues.

## Collaborating with others

We have found many more service providers to collaborate with, whether this be the Hygiene bank, support centres, support groups or health professionals. The more we talk about what we do the more people are willing to work alongside us. We are definitely stronger together.

# A louder voice

## NHS England Blood In The Pee Campaign

We were selected to help roll out the NHS England Blood In The Pee Campaign, enabling us to increase our reach in both Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire to raise awareness of urological cancer symptoms and encourage early intervention. This campaign has taken us to football grounds, supermarkets, libraries, National Heritage sites, RAF Brize Norton and many more places.

## Male Carers Support

This is a new initiative. A need was identified for a male carer/partner support group in Oxfordshire. UCARE was asked to set this up – we are gradually building this group and exploring ways to develop it further. Germ Cell patients have also been asking for a support group, and we are looking into possibilities for setting this up too.

## Side-effects talk

Our community team has been offering frequent talks about treatment side-effects to people with cancer to support and advise them on how best to cope both physically and mentally with their treatment.

# Our future plans

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## Health walks

Work is in progress to partner with The Ramblers Association to train group leaders in order to set up walking groups for people who have cancer or have had cancer treatment. We are excited about this initiative and hope to be able to set up a number of walks across the county with the support of volunteers, and for GPs to socially prescribe their patients.



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## Volunteer strategy

We continue to plan and strategise work on our volunteer portfolio. We would like to offer volunteer training for roles within UCARE which focus on different aspects of the charity's work. We aim to incorporate attractive volunteering roles into the projects that we run. This will be anything from school talks, healthy walk leaders, general administration and delivery of packages and running stalls to a Volunteer Champion to raise awareness in communities. Please email [ucare@ucare-oxford.org.uk](mailto:ucare@ucare-oxford.org.uk) if you're interested and learning more about volunteering opportunities.

## National Germ Cell Conference

We supported and built the programme for the National Germ Cell Conference in April 2023. This was a fantastic opportunity to strengthen patient voices and be involved with health professionals on a national level.



## Greater collaboration

We continue to build strong relationships with other service providers including, support centres, support groups, other health providers and opportunities to work with others.

## Helping businesses with wellbeing objectives

We hope to be able to support businesses and raise awareness of cancer and its symptoms and support people who are working, or getting back to work, post-cancer treatment.

## Branding review

As part of our future strategy, we are undertaking a review of our visual style, logo and straplines to ensure that they are instantly recognisable, easily summarise what UCARE stands for and successfully raises awareness of the charity and our work.

## Looking forward

As well as supporting existing projects, fundraising for research and the awarding of research grants also remain a priority. We continue to raise funds for a Research Nurse at the Churchill Hospital in Oxford. Clinical research nurses play a vital role in delivering clinical research and improving patient care and treatment pathways. Clinical research is essential – it is the only evidence-based method of deciding whether a new approach to treatment or care is better than the current standard, and is essential to diagnose, treat, prevent and cure disease. You can make a donation at: [ucare-cancer.enthuse.com/cf/fundraising-for-a-research-nurse](https://ucare-cancer.enthuse.com/cf/fundraising-for-a-research-nurse)

# At a glance

50%

of people will get cancer in their lifetime

375,000

people currently have a cancer diagnosis in the UK

60

people a day, on average, die of urological cancers

38%

of cancers may be preventable by lifestyle changes

**Early diagnosis can save lives and can only be achieved through greater awareness... UCARE works in partnership with local and national organisations to provide information and education about urological cancers to both the public and medical professionals. Prevention is better than cure.**



“ Despite abdominal and urological cancers accounting for nearly half (44%) of all cancer diagnoses and two in five (41%) cancer deaths in England, new figures from the NHS show that many people are unaware of common warning signs – which could prevent them seeking help. ”

**NHS England 'Help Us, Help You' campaign, 2021**



370 followers



1,500 followers



300 followers



average 600 visits per day to website

# Structure, governance and management

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**UCARE (Oxford) was registered with the Charity Commission on 18 September 2007, and is Registered Charity Number 1120887.**

## **Public benefit**

Our work delivers public benefit by providing information, advice, and support to anyone affected by a urological cancers. We work in communities to reduce the stigma that can surround cancer; raise awareness; connect people to the support and care they need. We work in partnership with existing local and national organisations to collaborate and provide information and education about urological cancers to both the public and medical professionals. We are passionate about raising awareness of not just urological cancer but cancer in general.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The Charity is governed by the Trustees who meet five times a year to decide on the fundraising strategy and the allocation of funds to medical projects in line with the objects of the Charity, but collectively and individually also available on an ad hoc basis for advice and decision taking.

## **Staff and working arrangements**

We are very proud of the work that is produced by our small team who are managing multiple roles, dedicated to achieving the charity's mission through day-to-day activities and raising much-needed funding.

A part-time Operations and Administrative Officer with a diverse skill mix and job description, who is managed by the Trustees.

We also have a part-time Community & Awareness Lead whose role is to advise the trustees on best practice and leading the charity's awareness and education projects. This role continues to be mostly funded by fundraising and Trust & Foundation applications.

The Charity is advised on grant applications and medical projects by an appropriate Scientific Advisory Committee.

## **Investment powers**

Trustees have the power to deposit or invest funds in any manner (but to invest only after obtaining such advice from a financial expert as the Trustees consider necessary and having regard to the suitability of investments and the need for diversification).

## **Organisational structure**

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic objectives of UCARE and for directing the staff. The Senior Executive supports and advises the Trustees on its activities. The Senior Executive is fully accountable for achieving, subject to the limitations set by the Trustees, for achieving objectives set by the Trustees.

## **Volunteers, Ambassadors, Patient Advocates and Patrons**

From time to time UCARE is able to call on the help of volunteers for running events etc., and UCARE acknowledges their extremely valuable contribution made by them and thank them for their commitment. We also value the huge contribution made by our Patrons, Ambassadors and Patient Advocates who network on our behalf.

We also acknowledge the support of health and business professionals who provide pro-bono advice across a range of activities.

## **Review of transactions and financial position (including reserves policy)**

Fundraising has raised £102,225 (2022: £101,322).

The Charity has made grants during the year totalling £42,536 (2022: £49,484).

Costs of raising income were £43,776 (2022: £35,543) of which £14,926 (2022: £1,560) were direct costs of holding events.

All decisions on financial matters will be taken collectively, and significant decisions and action points noted in writing and in our strategic plan for moving forward.

Funds in hand at the year-end amounted to £37,488 (2022: £33,163) of which (£21) (2022: £1,188) are unrestricted.

Charitable grants are typically paid out between 12 and 24 months after they have been awarded. Unpaid grants at the year-end totalled £6,590 (2022: £6,590). Although there was a deficit in unrestricted reserves of £(21) which did not meet the reserves policy, the trustees were aware at year end of income that had already been pledged at the end of the year and income available at the start of the new financial year.

## **Fundraising activities and raising awareness of UCARE**

UCARE recognises the need for efficient prevention and early diagnosis strategies and future developments include the building on raising awareness of the charity and building on the marketing and PR using the special tulip associated with our logo. Raising awareness and raising funds is normally done through organised events and taking our work into the community – the initiative being that all donations are buying hope, buying time and buying better futures for all those touched by urological cancer. UCARE depends on the committed support of our donors, volunteers and advisers. All our supporters make a real difference by getting involved with UCARE. Fundraising is helped by the promotion of the UCARE tulip; and our annual UCARE golf day in September each year. The Trustees wish to acknowledge formally the tremendous efforts of staff, our Patrons and volunteers in achieving so much during this difficult year. Our grateful thanks to all Trusts and Foundations who have made grants to UCARE throughout the year.

We aim to:

- Make fundraising an organisational priority, tabled at every board meeting.
- Develop a clear, realistic and longer-term fundraising strategy.
- Realistically invest in our fundraising and fundraisers, ensuring they have the right level of resources, staffing and training.
- Diversify our income streams
- Monitor and review fundraising activity.
- Ensure that we consider fundraising activities from the perspective of the donor and wider public and make risk assessments of activity
- Regularly review and assess risks linked to our fundraising programmes
- Review, increase impact and improve our use of social media

## **Cycling for UCARE**

In June 2022, Otilie Quince did a fantastic fundraiser for UCARE and not only raised a significant amount of money for UCARE but also raised a huge amount of awareness on social media by cycling from Luton to Majorca. Such a fantastic achievement and a huge opportunity for UCARE.

## **Handel's Messiah Concert**

A wonderful evening of music at the Sheldonian Theatre in Oxford in December 2022 was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. Not only did we raise money for a much-needed research nurse post but we also raised awareness of our important message.

## **Risk assessment and review**

The trustees recognise that one of the hardest tasks is to find appropriate core cost funding other than that brought in by events.

The Charity has Employers Liability Insurance, Public Liability Insurance and Trustees Indemnity Insurance. Risk assessments are undertaken and at hand for fundraising activities and information to fundraisers 'to keep it safe' and our fundraising code of conduct is available in our fundraising information.

Commitments to project funding are only ever on the basis that income has been or can adequately be secured by UCARE. The reserves policy enables the Charity to wind up without consequential loss if necessary. Appropriate accounting and financial controls are in place.

UCARE is a member of the Fundraising Regulator:  
**[www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk](http://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk)**

UCARE can be found on the Charity Commission website:  
**[www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk)**

## Trustees' responsibilities

Laws applicable to Charities in England and Wales require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence of taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees collectively ensure they have the correct skill mix to be responsible and accountable for ensuring the Charity complies with its obligations.

## The Trustees

|                               |                  |                   |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| James Mitchell – <i>Chair</i> | Jay Newport      | William Gietzmann |
| Ken Heathcote                 | Alistair Lamb    | Tom Leslie        |
| Seetal Patel                  | Jeremy Posnansky | Richard Bryant    |

Other than as stated, the Trustees set out above have held office for the period from 1 April 2021 to the date of this report.

## Trustee appointment, induction and training

New Trustees are recruited through a range of networks and are invited to a board meeting to understand the role of Trusteeship, as well as to get a general knowledge of the role and the charity's activities. Appointments are made by the Board of Trustees giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the charity. On appointment, Trustees are invited to meet with the staff for a process of discussion and induction, provided with copies of the Trust Deed, annual reports and other relevant material. On-going advice is thereafter provided by the staff as appropriate.

In January 2023 we welcomed Neil Pridham to our Board of Trustees. Neil has had a career in Information Technology. Starting out in programming and moving through various roles. He has worked for some of the largest companies in the world delivering software solutions to help improve their businesses. These include Hasbro (children's toys), GE Healthcare (medical diagnostics), Bio-Rad (medical devices) and Oracle (computer software). For the last 10 years of his career he worked in various sales and marketing roles. Neil has a Master's in Business Administration.

Approved by the trustees on 8 December 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



Jim Mitchell (*Chairman*) and Jay Newport (*Treasurer*)

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of UCARE (Oxford)

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2023 which are set out on page 12 to 18.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Mr Ajay Bahl BA FCA**

*Partner*

Wenn Townsend Chartered Accountants, Oxford

8 December 2023

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2023

|                                      | Note | 2023<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ | 2022<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>            |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Donations and legacies               | 3    | 52,072                  | 50,153                    | 102,225            | 52,838                  | 48,484                    | 101,322            |
| Income from investments              |      | –                       | 133                       | 133                | –                       | 543                       | 543                |
| <b>Total income</b>                  |      | <u>52,072</u>           | <u>50,286</u>             | <u>102,358</u>     | <u>52,838</u>           | <u>49,027</u>             | <u>101,865</u>     |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                   |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Expenditure on raising funds         | 5    | –                       | 43,776                    | 43,776             | –                       | 35,543                    | 35,543             |
| Expenditure on charitable activities | 4    | 40,050                  | 14,207                    | 54,257             | 44,139                  | 18,619                    | 62,758             |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>             |      | <u>40,050</u>           | <u>57,983</u>             | <u>98,033</u>      | <u>44,139</u>           | <u>54,162</u>             | <u>98,301</u>      |
| Net income/(expenditure)             |      | 12,022                  | (7,697)                   | 4,325              | 8,699                   | (5,135)                   | 3,564              |
| Transfer between funds               |      | (6,488)                 | 6,488                     | –                  | –                       | –                         | –                  |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>         |      | <u>5,534</u>            | <u>(1,209)</u>            | <u>4,325</u>       | <u>8,699</u>            | <u>(5,135)</u>            | <u>3,564</u>       |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>       |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Total funds brought forward          |      | 31,975                  | 1,188                     | 33,163             | 23,276                  | 6,323                     | 29,599             |
| Total funds carried forward          |      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>1,188</u>              | <u>33,163</u>      |

The notes on pages 14 to 18 form part of these accounts.

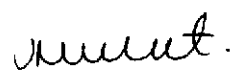
## Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

|                                 | Note | 2023<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ | 2022<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>             |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Tangible assets                 | 10   | –                       | 267                       | 267                | –                       | 334                       | 334                |
| <b>Current assets</b>           |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Stock                           |      | –                       | 1,000                     | 1,000              | –                       | 2,320                     | 2,320              |
| Cash at bank and in hand        |      | 37,509                  | 7,202                     | 44,711             | 31,975                  | 11,187                    | 43,162             |
| Debtors                         |      | –                       | –                         | –                  | –                       | 2,470                     | 2,470              |
|                                 |      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>8,202</u>              | <u>45,711</u>      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>15,977</u>             | <u>47,952</u>      |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>      |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Creditors – due within one year | 12   | –                       | (8,490)                   | (8,490)            | –                       | (15,123)                  | 15,123)            |
|                                 |      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(288)</u>              | <u>37,221</u>      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>854</u>                | <u>32,829</u>      |
| <b>Net current assets</b>       |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
|                                 |      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>1,188</u>              | <u>33,163</u>      |
| <b>Funds</b>                    |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Unrestricted                    |      | –                       | (21)                      | (21)               | –                       | 1,188                     | 1,188              |
| Restricted                      | 13   | 37,509                  | –                         | 37,509             | 31,975                  | –                         | 31,975             |
|                                 |      | <u>37,509</u>           | <u>(21)</u>               | <u>37,488</u>      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>1,188</u>              | <u>33,163</u>      |

The accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees on 8 December 2023.



James Mitchell, Trustee



Jay Newport, Trustee

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year 31 March 2023

## 1. Basis of preparation

- a) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis and include income and expenditure as they are earned or incurred, rather than as cash is received or paid. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- b) The accounts are drawn up under the historical cost convention. Significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years present unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.
- c) The Charity is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.
- d) The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement.
- e) The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the next 12 months which indicate that the charity will be able to continue as a going concern.

## 2. Accounting policies

### a) Allocation of costs to resources expended

Specific items of expenditure are attributed to the appropriate category, of:

- **Cost of generating donations and legacies.** These are the costs associated with generating voluntary incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities.

- **Charitable activities.** These are the resources applied by the Charity in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives.
- **Governance costs.** These are costs that relate to the general running of the charity. The governance costs of the Charity are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements. These are included under charitable costs.
- **Support costs** such as postage and stationery have been allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis.

### b) Fund accounting

The Charity mainly holds unrestricted funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives of the charity and at the discretion of the trustees.

The Charity did receive grants and donations which must be used for specific purposes. As at the year end the balance on restricted funds was £37,509 (2022: £31,975).

### c) Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in the acquisition and installation.

### Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

| Asset Class | Depreciation rate and method |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| Computers   | 20% straight line            |

#### d) Grants payable

The grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Charity. Grants are accounted for when the scientific advisory committee have approved the grant and the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the Charity.

#### e) Pensions

The Charity makes contributions to a pension scheme held by its employee. The costs of contributions are written off in the year they are payable.

### 3. Income from donations and legacies

|                                    | Restricted<br>2023<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Grants                             | 52,072                  | 2,700                     | 54,772             | 58,838             |
| Donations<br>(including gift aid)  | –                       | 42,265                    | 42,265             | 19,057             |
| Legacy                             | –                       | –                         | –                  | 1,486              |
| Events                             | –                       | 5,188                     | 5,188              | 9,288              |
| Government Job<br>Retention Scheme | –                       | –                         | –                  | 12,653             |
|                                    | <u>52,072</u>           | <u>50,153</u>             | <u>102,225</u>     | <u>101,322</u>     |

Included within the 2022 figures are restricted grants of £52,838.

### 4. Charitable activities

The Charity undertook the following charitable activities. The Charity did not undertake some of the activities directly, but met its charitable purpose by making grants to organisations that met the charitable objectives of the charity.

#### Programme/Event

|                                         | Restricted<br>2023<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Governance costs (see note 6)           | –                       | 4,028                     | 4,028              | 4,587              |
| Urology related<br>education activities | 40,050                  | 2,486                     | 42,536             | 49,484             |
| Support                                 | –                       | 7,693                     | 7,693              | 8,687              |
|                                         | <u>40,050</u>           | <u>14,207</u>             | <u>54,257</u>      | <u>62,758</u>      |

Included within the 2022 figures are the following restricted items:

- Urology related cancer education £44,139

## 5. Expenditure on raising funds

|                 | <b>Restricted<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Mail shot costs | –                                | –                                  | –                           | 1,407                       |
| Events          | –                                | 14,926                             | 14,926                      | 1,560                       |
| Support costs   | –                                | 28,850                             | 28,850                      | 32,576                      |
|                 | <u>–</u>                         | <u>43,776</u>                      | <u>43,776</u>               | <u>35,543</u>               |

## 6. Governance costs

|                                    | <b>Restricted<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Independent review of accounts     | –                                | 1,900                              | 1,900                       | 1,900                       |
| Legal and professional fees        | –                                | 205                                | 205                         | 480                         |
| Support (including computer costs) | –                                | 1,923                              | 1,923                       | 2,207                       |
|                                    | <u>–</u>                         | <u>4,028</u>                       | <u>4,028</u>                | <u>4,587</u>                |

Governance costs are included under Charitable activities.

## 7. Support costs

Support costs, consisting of office costs of the charity including staff salaries are split between grant making, governance and expenditure on raising funds on the estimated time spent on each activity.

|                                     | <b>Basis of<br/>apportionment</b> | <b>Charitable<br/>activity<br/>£</b> | <b>Raising<br/>funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Governance<br/>costs<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Office costs                        | Work due                          | 3,511                                | 13,167                         | 877                               |
| Salaries and administrative support | Work due                          | 4,182                                | 15,683                         | 1,046                             |
| Total resources expended            |                                   | <u>7,693</u>                         | <u>28,850</u>                  | <u>1,923</u>                      |

## 8. Analysis of employee costs

|                       | <b>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>2022<br/>£</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Salaries              | 20,911            | 30,333            |
| Social security costs | –                 | 984               |
|                       | <u>20,911</u>     | <u>31,317</u>     |

No employee received emoluments of over £60,000 in the year (2022: £Nil).

## 9. Trustees and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2022: £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefit received by key management personnel is £20,911 (2022: £30,333). Due to the size of the charity the trustees consider all staff members to be key employees.

During 2022/23 the charity employed one full-time member of staff.

## 10. Fixed assets

|                              | Office equipment<br>£ |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                  |                       |
| At 1/4/22                    | 915                   |
| Additions                    | –                     |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/23                   | 915                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| <b>Depreciation</b>          |                       |
| At 1/4/22                    | 581                   |
| Depreciation charge for year | 67                    |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/23                   | 648                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| <b>Net book value</b>        |                       |
| At 31/3/23                   | 267                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |
| At 31/3/22                   | 334                   |
|                              | <hr/>                 |

## 11. Debtors

|               | 2023<br>£ | 2022<br>£ |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Gift Aid      | –         | 665       |
| Other debtors | –         | 1,805     |
|               | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|               | –         | 2,470     |
|               | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |

## 12. Creditors due within one year

|                | 2023<br>£ | 2022<br>£ |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Accruals       | 1,900     | 8,633     |
| Grants payable | 6,590     | 6,590     |
|                | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |
|                | 8,490     | 15,123    |
|                | <hr/>     | <hr/>     |

### 13. Restricted fund

#### Current year

|                                | At 1 April<br>2022 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | Transfer       | At 31<br>March<br>2023 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|------------------------|
|                                | £                  | £                     | £                     | £              | £                      |
| Community Awareness project    | 13,813             | 46,722                | (33,100)              | –              | 27,435                 |
| Prostate cancer                | 3,436              | –                     | –                     | –              | 3,436                  |
| Ian Kirkham Fellowship         | 1,100              | –                     | –                     | –              | 1,100                  |
| Kidney cancer                  | 100                | –                     | –                     | –              | 100                    |
| Testicular cancer              | (773)              | –                     | –                     | –              | (773)                  |
| Support male oncology patients | 6,488              | –                     | –                     | (6,488)        | –                      |
| Patient care packs             | 7,811              | 5,350                 | (6,950)               | –              | 6,211                  |
|                                | <u>31,975</u>      | <u>52,072</u>         | <u>(40,050)</u>       | <u>(6,488)</u> | <u>37,509</u>          |

#### Prior year

|                                | At 1 April<br>2021 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | At 31<br>March<br>2022 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|                                | £                  | £                     | £                     | £                      |
| Community Awareness project    | 19,413             | 35,753                | 41,353                | 13,813                 |
| Prostate cancer                | 3,436              | –                     | –                     | 3,436                  |
| Ian Kirkham Fellowship         | 1,100              | –                     | –                     | 1,100                  |
| Kidney cancer                  | 100                | –                     | –                     | 100                    |
| Testicular cancer              | (733)              | –                     | –                     | (773)                  |
| Support male oncology patients | –                  | 6,620                 | 132                   | 6,488                  |
| Patient care packs             | –                  | 10,465                | 2,654                 | 7,811                  |
|                                | <u>23,276</u>      | <u>52,838</u>         | <u>44,139</u>         | <u>31,975</u>          |





**UCARE (Urology Cancer Research and Education) is an independent, Oxford-based charity committed to improving the treatment and care of urological cancer patients, through research and education.**

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We are registered with the Fundraising Regulator to confirm our commitment to good practice. If you have any concerns about fundraising, please go to [www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk](http://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk)



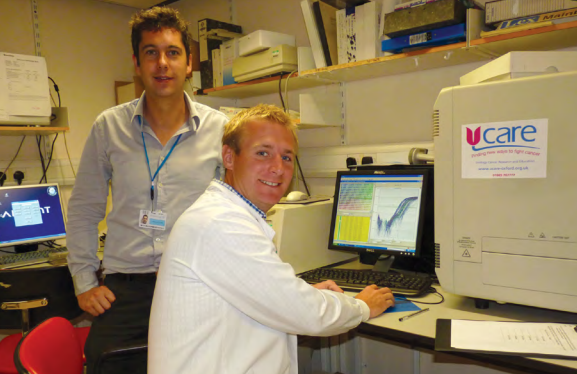
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# Accounts

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# Annual Report & Accounts

2021-22

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## UCARE Trustees

James Mitchell – Chair  
Jay Newport – Treasurer  
Ken Heathcote  
Seetal Patel  
Tom Leslie

Alastair Lamb  
Jeremy Posnansky  
Richard Bryant  
William Gietzmann

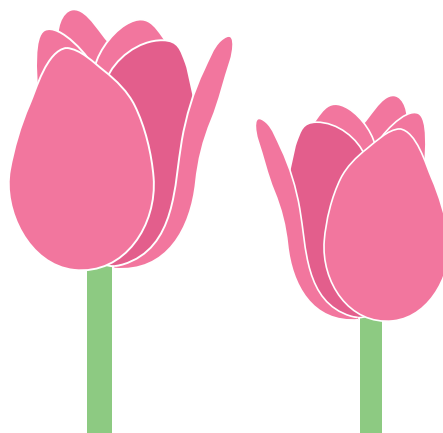
*There are no co-opted trustees*

# Note from the Chairman

**Who thought we would be reporting on another year in which we had to react to the restrictions of the COVID pandemic? Another year of difficult times, but we feel that our response has been positive.**

Smaller charities have an energy and innovative spring and have the ability to make changes quickly. UK statistics show that one in two people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime, and surveys are suggesting that half the people with cancer signs and symptoms did not contact their GP during the first pandemic wave. Therefore, the voice of UCARE has never been more important.

Our main objective during the last year has been to focus on adding information to our website in order to respond quickly and change the way our service is delivered. In this report, you will read that we have just two part-time staff and it's amazing to think what they have delivered in the last year faced with the difficulties of funding, working from home and meetings mainly on Zoom.



**The voice of UCARE  
has never been  
more important**

We aim to increase knowledge about lifestyle choices in line with the NHS advice that 'prevention is better than cure' and to improve survival rates through earlier detection. Keeping people well, living at home and out of hospital for longer, targeting the root causes of poor health and promoting good health is core to our values.

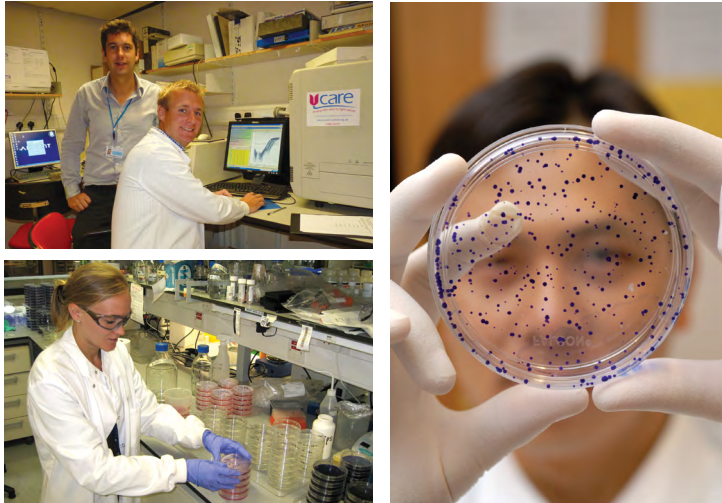


**Jim Mitchell**  
Chair, Board of Trustees

**The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2022.**

The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) *Accounting and Reporting by Charities* (FRS102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the Charity.

# Our aims and objectives



UCARE aims to promote good health and relieve sickness in relation to the disease of urological cancer and related conditions by:

-  Supporting basic, translational and clinical research into causes, prevention and treatment.
-  Developing and evaluating new technologies for diagnosis and treatment.
-  Providing equipment and facilities for research and treatment.
-  Assisting in the provision of education and awareness raising for medical staff and the general public.

Urological cancers account for one in five of all newly diagnosed cancers each year, and one in three of all cancers in men.

Over 22,000 people die each year from urological cancers:

AFFECTING MEN ONLY

Prostate cancer

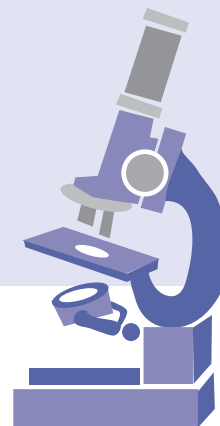
Testicular cancer

Penile cancer

AFFECTING MEN & WOMEN

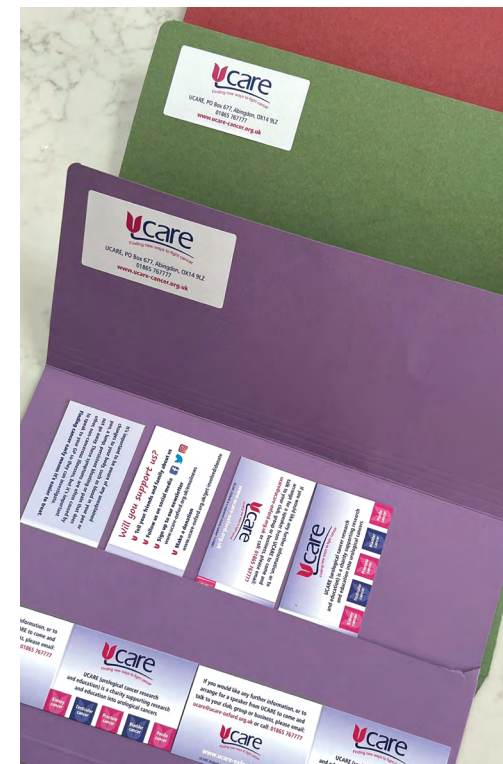
Kidney cancer

Bladder cancer



We aim to:

-  Be fair and compassionate
-  Represent the voice of less well known cancers
-  Be responsive



# Our achievements

During 2021 we continued to develop our community strategy – it has been very exciting to see it take shape. We have focused on inclusion and collaboration as we believe that working together brings with it strength.



## Learning disabilities and mental health issues

We have put together two videos for people with mental health issues and learning disabilities. Working with individuals and their carers to raise awareness is vital as statistics show that people with mental health issues and learning disabilities are less likely to access cancer screening programmes, get an early diagnosis, and have a higher mortality rate. One video is to explain cancer and the cancer screening process more effectively, and the other is for carers to encourage them to have the more difficult conversations. We have also put together an illustrated leaflet to help people with learning disabilities to understand what to do if they find a lump in their testis.



## Marginalised young people

We are delighted to have had the opportunity to work with marginalised young people from a centre called Trax. Trax educate young people, 11-18 years old, from across the Thames Valley who have faced exclusion from school. We have been invited into the centre to educate these young people about testicular cancer in the first instance. We will also be expanding this to talk about health and wellbeing.

We are very grateful for grants and for a partnership with the Hygiene Bank to be able to provide regular hygiene products to support the physical wellbeing of these young people.

## School talks

We enjoy working with schools to provide teaching and education as part of their PSHE programme. We offer a one-hour session to discuss testicular cancer, which is the most common cancer in the age group of 15-45 year olds. We are planning to do a big push on school talks as uptake has been relatively low to date.



## Volunteer training

We continue to work closely with the Hummingbird Centre to provide volunteer training. Again, the feedback is positive and the volunteers have grown in confidence. We now plan to work with the volunteers more regularly and increase our teaching portfolio by building relationships with other cancer support centres. Some of our training is now online which is a fantastic resource: [www.ucare-oxford.org.uk/education-awareness/self-help-videos/](http://www.ucare-oxford.org.uk/education-awareness/self-help-videos/)

## Care packages

The care packages that we offer to people with cancer who are on treatment have been gratefully received by a number of partners from across the Thames Valley. These include The Oxford University Hospital Trust, Stoke Mandeville Hospital and My Cancer, My Choices in Berkshire. We have been delighted to be able to support people on treatment and their families through providing them with useful products to support them during their cancer journey whilst providing signposting to other services and providing additional positivity. The feedback has been fantastic and proves that little acts of kindness really do make a difference. We will continue to seek funding and support to help people with cancer to stay on treatment for longer and cope better with their diagnosis.

## Germ cell health and wellbeing sessions

We have been working closely with the team at the Oxford University Hospital Trust to educate and support men with testicular cancer. These regular health and wellbeing sessions allow young men to gain knowledge about their cancer, what it means for them and how they move on with their lives post-treatment. They also benefit from peer support throughout these sessions. The feedback has been very positive and we are grateful to be able to be a part of what is provided.



The care packages have been very gratefully received



## Regular support events

We support the running of regular germ cell health, prostate health and wellbeing events. These provide regular support to 10-15 men post-treatment each month. This support includes supervised peer discussion and education related to their cancer, from side effects to mental health and how to cope better with cancer.

## Collaborating with others

We have found many more service providers to collaborate with, whether this be the Hygiene bank, support centres, support groups or health professionals. The more we talk about what we do the more people are willing to work alongside us. We are definitely stronger together.

# A louder voice

## Cancer Forums

We continue to sit on the board of the Testicular Cancer Network. We truly value this relationship – it enables us to have a stronger voice for patients, to network and ensure our statistics and messaging are standardised. We also sit on the National Germ Cell Group and Cancer 52.



## NGCG Steering Group

We continue to sit on the National Germ Cell Group Steering Group, and we are currently organising the National Germ Cell Conference which will be held in Scotland in 2023.



## Stratified follow-up

We have played an important role in the development of the stratified follow-up pathway for people with prostate cancer. These education sessions enable men to gain a deeper understanding of their disease, and how to self-manage side effects with confidence. We have worked closely with health professionals at the Oxford University Hospital Trust and have enjoyed seeing the scheme evolve.

# Our future plans

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## Health walks

We are planning to work closely with Healthy Walks Oxford and The Ramblers to start up a walking group for people who have cancer or have had cancer treatment. We are excited about this initiative and hope to be able to set up a number of walks across the county with the support of volunteers.



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## Volunteer strategy

This year we plan to increase and work on our volunteer portfolio. We would like to offer volunteer training for roles within UCARE which focus on different aspects of the charity's work. We aim to incorporate attractive volunteering roles into the projects that we run. This will be anything from school talks, healthy walk leaders, general administration and delivery of packages and running stalls to a Volunteer Champion to raise awareness in communities. Please email [ucare@ucare-oxford.org.uk](mailto:ucare@ucare-oxford.org.uk) if you're interested and learning more about volunteering opportunities.

## Business packages

This year we plan to align ourselves with business health and wellbeing objectives. We hope to be able to support businesses and raise awareness of cancer and its symptoms and support people who are working, or getting back to work, post-cancer treatment. We are optimistic about this new lead.

## GP events

We have run a GP event on urological cancers a number of years ago, and plan to run a similar face-to-face event for GPs across Oxfordshire.

## Male carer support group

This is a potential new initiative we are currently exploring – a male carer/partner support group is currently an unmet need in Oxfordshire (identified by Dr Luke Solomons, OUH Consultant in Medical Psychology). Germ Cell patients have also been asking for a support group, and we are exploring the possibilities for setting this up too.



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## Thrivorship event for patients

At the end of 2022 we are planning to run a Thrivorship Event for people with urological cancer. There will be guest speakers and a number of stalls, with the opportunity to have one-to-one chats with professionals.

## National Germ Cell Conference

We are supporting and building the programme for the National Germ Cell Conference in April 2023. This is a fantastic opportunity to strengthen the patient voice and be involved with health professionals on a national level.

## New roles

We are hoping to grow our team over the next year. We will be looking to recruit a fundraiser who can focus on raising money and awareness for the charity whilst developing their role further.

## Greater collaboration

We continue to build strong relationships with other service providers including, support centres, support groups and other health providers. We are always on the look-out for opportunities to work with others.

# At a glance

50%

of people will get cancer in their lifetime

370,000

people currently have a cancer diagnosis in the UK

60

people a day, on average, die of urological cancers

38%

of cancers may be preventable by lifestyle changes

**Early diagnosis can save lives and can only be achieved through greater awareness... UCARE works in partnership with local and national organisations to provide information and education about urological cancers to both the public and medical professionals. Prevention is better than cure.**



“ People are spending too many years in poor health, with gains in health not felt equally across society. But this is not inevitable; much of ill health could be prevented. Prevention is crucial to improving the health of the whole population, and helping secure the health and social care services we all value and rely on. ”

**The Rt Hon Matt Hancock MP**

Former Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

# Structure, governance and management

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UCARE (Oxford) was registered with the Charity Commission on 18 September 2007, and is Registered Charity Number 1120887.

## Public benefit

Our work delivers public benefit by providing information, advice, and support to anyone affected by a urological cancers. We work in communities to reduce the stigma that can surround cancer; raise awareness; connect people to the support and care they need. We work in partnership with existing local and national organisations to collaborate and provide information and education about urological cancers to both the public and medical professionals. We are passionate about raising awareness of not just urological cancer but cancer in general.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The Charity is governed by the Trustees who meet five times a year to decide on the fundraising strategy and the allocation of funds to medical projects in line with the objects of the Charity, but collectively and individually also available on an ad hoc basis for advice and decision taking.

## Staff and working arrangements

We are very proud of the work that is produced by our small team. Up until January 2022, UCARE employed one full-time member of staff – a Senior Executive with a diverse skill mix and job description, who is managed by the Trustees.

We also have a part-time Community & Awareness Lead whose role continues to be funded by fundraising and Trust & Foundation applications.

The Charity is advised on grant applications and medical projects by an appropriate Scientific Advisory Committee

## Investment powers

Trustees have the power to deposit or invest funds in any manner (but to invest only after obtaining such advice from a financial expert as the Trustees consider necessary and having regard to the suitability of investments and the need for diversification).

## Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic objectives of UCARE and for directing the staff. The Senior Executive supports and advises the Trustees on its activities. The Senior Executive is fully accountable for achieving, subject to the limitations set by the Trustees, for achieving objectives set by the Trustees. The Senior Executive is supported by a part-time Charity Officer.

## Volunteers, Ambassadors, Patient Advocates and Patrons

From time to time UCARE is able to call on the help of volunteers for running events etc., and UCARE acknowledges their extremely valuable contribution made by them and thank them for their commitment. We also value the huge contribution made by our Patrons, Ambassadors and Patient Advocates who network on our behalf. We also acknowledge the support of health and business professionals who provide pro-bono advice across a range of activities.

## Looking forward

Cancellation of most of our fundraising activity meant that the vital funds did not come in for research. Fundraising for research and the giving of research grants now becomes a priority.

This year, as well as raising funds for our awareness campaigns and making research grants, we are fundraising for a Research Nurse at the Churchill Hospital in Oxford. Clinical research nurses play a vital role in delivering clinical research, and improving patient care and treatment pathways. Clinical research is essential – it is the only

evidence-based method of deciding whether a new approach to treatment or care is better than the current standard, and is essential to diagnose, treat, prevent and cure disease.

## **Review of transactions and financial position (including reserves policy)**

Fundraising has raised £101,322 (2021: £96,403).

The Charity has made grants during the year totalling £49,484 (2021: £32,839).

Costs of raising income were £35,543 (2021: £38,956) of which £1,560 (2021: £198) were direct costs of holding events.

Reserves may be spent to help cope with unexpected events like those unfolding in this financial year. All decisions on such financial matters will be taken collectively, and significant decisions and action points noted in writing and in our strategic plan for moving forward.

Funds in hand at the year-end amounted to £33,163 (2021: £29,599) of which £1,188 (2021: £6,323) are unrestricted.

Charitable grants are typically paid out between 12 and 24 months after they have been awarded. Unpaid grants at the year-end totalled £6,590 (2021: £14,505). Taking this into account, the Trustees feel that unrestricted reserves of £1,188 although do not meet with our reserve policy, were adequate given the current circumstances we find ourselves in the last quarter of this financial year and reflected in the our risk assessment & constant review and in our future plans. 84% of charities say that their voluntary income decreased on average by 42% and had to revise their voluntary income forecast during the pandemic, and had to adapt and draw on reserves during the lockdown period.

## **Fundraising activities and raising awareness of UCARE**

UCARE recognises the need for efficient prevention and early diagnosis strategies and future developments include the building on raising awareness of the charity and building on the marketing and PR using the special tulip associated with our logo. Raising awareness and raising funds is normally done through organised events and taking our work into the community – the initiative being that all donations are buying hope, buying time and buying better futures for all those touched by urological cancer.

UCARE depends on the committed support of our donors, volunteers and advisers. All our supporters make a real difference by getting involved with UCARE. Fundraising activities by supporters have dropped considerably in the last 18 months but helped by the promotion of the UCARE tulip; and we were able to hold our annual UCARE golf day in September 2021.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge formally the tremendous efforts of staff, our Patrons and volunteers in achieving so much during this difficult year.

Our grateful thanks to all Trusts and Foundations who have made grants to UCARE throughout the year.

## **Risk assessment and review**

The Trustees must establish any foreseeable risk faced by UCARE and where appropriate take measures to mitigate these risks. The most significant risk identified to UCARE was the Government response to the pandemic in lockdown. Cancelling all fundraising events and ability to get to the community we serve, we knew would severely affect funding research and raising awareness and our obligations to running the charity. The Trustees were satisfied that systems and discussions were in place to monitor and mitigate these risks and it was under constant review. Adequate unrestricted reserves were maintained to dissolve the charity if became necessary and financial review was be undertaken constantly.

The Charity has taken out Employers Liability Insurance, Public Liability Insurance and Trustees Indemnity Insurance. Risk assessments are undertaken and at hand for fundraising activities and information to fundraisers 'to keep it safe' and our fundraising code of conduct is available in our fundraising information.

Commitments to project funding are only ever on the basis that income has been or can adequately be secured by UCARE.

The reserves policy enables the Charity to wind up without consequential loss if necessary.

Appropriate accounting and financial controls are in place.

UCARE is a member of the Fundraising Regulator:  
**[www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk](http://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk)**

UCARE can be found on the Charity Commission website:  
**[www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk)**

## Trustees' responsibilities

Laws applicable to Charities in England and Wales require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence of taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees collectively ensure they have the correct skill mix to be responsible and accountable for ensuring the Charity complies with its obligations.

## The Trustees

|                               |                  |                   |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| James Mitchell – <i>Chair</i> | Jay Newport      | William Gietzmann |
| Ken Heathcote                 | Alistair Lamb    | Tom Leslie        |
| Seetal Patel                  | Jeremy Posnansky | Richard Bryant    |

Other than as stated, the Trustees set out above have held office for the period from 1 April 2020 to the date of this report.

## Trustee appointment, induction and training

New Trustees are recruited through a range of networks and are invited to a board meeting to understand the role of Trusteeship as well as to get a general knowledge of the role and the charity's activities. Appointments are made by the Board of Trustees giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the charity. On appointment, Trustees are invited to meet with the Senior Executive for a process of discussion and induction, provided with copies of the Trust Deed, annual reports and other relevant material. On-going advice is thereafter provided by the Senior Executive and Trustees as appropriate.

Approved by the trustees on 9 September 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Jim Mitchell (*Chairman*) and Jay Newport (*Treasurer*)

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of UCARE (Oxford)

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2022 which are set out on page 9 to 15.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Mr Ajay Bahl BA FCA**

*Partner*

Wenn Townsend

Chartered Accountants, Oxford

9 September 2022

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022

|                                      | Note | 2022<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>£ | 2021<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>            |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Donations and legacies               | 3    | 52,838                  | 48,484                    | 101,322            | 47,152                  | 49,251                    | 96,403             |
| Income from investments              |      | –                       | 543                       | 543                | –                       | 1                         | 1                  |
| <b>Total income</b>                  |      | <u>52,838</u>           | <u>49,027</u>             | <u>101,865</u>     | <u>47,152</u>           | <u>49,252</u>             | <u>96,404</u>      |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                   |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Expenditure on raising funds         | 5    | –                       | 35,543                    | 35,543             | –                       | 38,956                    | 38,956             |
| Expenditure on charitable activities | 4    | 44,139                  | 18,619                    | 62,758             | 32,839                  | 14,749                    | 47,588             |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>             |      | <u>44,139</u>           | <u>54,162</u>             | <u>98,301</u>      | <u>32,839</u>           | <u>53,705</u>             | <u>86,544</u>      |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>      |      | 8,699                   | (5,135)                   | 3,564              | 14,313                  | (4,453)                   | 9,860              |
| Transfer between funds               |      | –                       | –                         | –                  | –                       | –                         | –                  |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>         |      | 8,699                   | (5,135)                   | 3,564              | 14,313                  | (4,453)                   | 9,860              |
| Reconciliation of funds              |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Total funds brought forward          |      | 23,276                  | 6,323                     | 29,599             | 8,963                   | 10,776                    | 19,739             |
| Total funds carried forward          |      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>1,188</u>              | <u>33,163</u>      | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>6,323</u>              | <u>29,599</u>      |

The notes on pages 14 to 18 form part of these accounts.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022

|                                 | Note | 2022<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>£ | 2021<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>             |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Tangible assets                 |      | –                       | 334                       | 334                | –                       | 418                       | 418                |
| <b>Current assets</b>           |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Stock                           |      | –                       | 2,320                     | 2,320              | –                       | 2,320                     | 2,320              |
| Cash at bank and in hand        |      | 31,975                  | 11,187                    | 43,162             | 29,776                  | 13,128                    | 42,904             |
| Debtors                         | 10   | –                       | 2,470                     | 2,470              | –                       | 262                       | 262                |
|                                 |      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>15,977</u>             | <u>47,952</u>      | <u>29,776</u>           | <u>15,710</u>             | <u>45,486</u>      |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>      |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Creditors – due within one year | 11   | –                       | (15,123)                  | (15,123)           | 6,500                   | 9,805                     | 16,305             |
|                                 |      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>854</u>                | <u>32,829</u>      | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>5,905</u>              | <u>29,181</u>      |
| <b>Net current assets</b>       |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
|                                 |      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>1,188</u>              | <u>33,163</u>      | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>6,323</u>              | <u>29,599</u>      |
| <b>Net assets</b>               |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| <b>Funds</b>                    |      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Unrestricted                    |      | –                       | 1,188                     | 1,188              | –                       | 6,323                     | 6,323              |
| Restricted                      | 12   | 31,975                  | –                         | 31,975             | 23,276                  | –                         | 23,276             |
|                                 |      | <u>31,975</u>           | <u>1,188</u>              | <u>33,163</u>      | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>6,323</u>              | <u>29,599</u>      |

The accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees on 9 September 2022.



James Mitchell, Trustee



Jay Newport, Trustee

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year 31 March 2022

## 1. Basis of preparation

- a) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis and include income and expenditure as they are earned or incurred, rather than as cash is received or paid. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- b) The accounts are drawn up under the historical cost convention. Significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years present unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.
- c) The Charity is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.
- d) The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement.
- e) The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the next 12 months which indicate that the charity will be able to continue as a going concern.

## 2. Accounting policies

### a) Allocation of costs to resources expended

Specific items of expenditure are attributed to the appropriate category, of:

- **Cost of generating donations and legacies.** These are the costs associated with generating voluntary incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities.

- **Charitable activities.** These are the resources applied by the Charity in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives.
- **Governance costs.** These are costs that relate to the general running of the charity. The governance costs of the Charity are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements. These are included under charitable costs.
- **Support costs** such as postage and stationery have been allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis.

### b) Fund accounting

The Charity mainly holds unrestricted funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives of the charity and at the discretion of the trustees.

The Charity did receive grants and donations which must be used for specific purposes. As at the year end the balance on restricted funds was £31,975 (2021: £23,276).

### c) Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in the acquisition and installation.

### Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

| Asset Class | Depreciation rate and method |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| Computers   | 20% straight line            |

#### d) Grants payable

The grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Charity. Grants are accounted for when the scientific advisory committee have approved the grant and the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the Charity.

#### e) Pensions

The Charity makes contributions to a pension scheme held by its employee. The costs of contributions are written off in the year they are payable.

### 3. Income from donations and legacies

|                                    | Restricted<br>2022<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Grants                             | 52,838                  | 6,000                     | 58,838             | 37,690             |
| Donations<br>(including gift aid)  | –                       | 19,057                    | 19,057             | 24,814             |
| Legacy                             | –                       | 1,486                     | 1,486              | 1,749              |
| Mail shot                          | –                       | –                         | –                  | 2,183              |
| Events                             | –                       | 9,288                     | 9,288              | 3,957              |
| Government Job<br>Retention Scheme | –                       | 12,653                    | 12,653             | 26,010             |
|                                    | <u>52,838</u>           | <u>48,484</u>             | <u>101,322</u>     | <u>96,403</u>      |

Included within the 2021 figures are restricted donations of £47,152.

### 4. Charitable activities

The Charity undertook the following charitable activities. The Charity did not undertake some of the activities directly, but met its charitable purpose by making grants to organisations that met the charitable objectives of the charity.

#### Programme/Event

|                                                                               | Restricted<br>2022<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Governance costs (see note 6)                                                 | –                       | 4,587                     | 4,587              | 5,238              |
| Urology Education and<br>Awareness Activities                                 | 44,139                  | 5,345                     | 49,484             | 26,339             |
| Support                                                                       | –                       | 8,687                     | 8,687              | 9,511              |
| Grant to OUH NHS<br>Foundation Trust<br>(Prostate Stratified<br>Pathway Work) | –                       | –                         | –                  | 6,500              |
|                                                                               | <u>44,139</u>           | <u>18,619</u>             | <u>62,758</u>      | <u>47,588</u>      |

Included within the 2021 figures are the following restricted items:

|                                            |         |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|
| Urology Education and Awareness Activities | £26,339 |
| Grant to OUH NHS Foundation Trust          | £6,500  |

## 5. Expenditure on raising funds

|                 | Restricted<br>2022<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Mail shot costs | –                       | 1,407                     | 1,407              | 1,473              |
| Events          | –                       | 1,560                     | 1,560              | 198                |
| Support costs   | –                       | 32,576                    | 32,576             | 37,285             |
|                 | –                       | 35,543                    | 35,543             | 38,956             |

## 6. Governance costs

|                                    | Restricted<br>2022<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Independent review of accounts     | –                       | 1,900                     | 1,900              | 1,720              |
| Legal and professional fees        | –                       | 480                       | 480                | 1,140              |
| Support (including computer costs) | –                       | 2,207                     | 2,207              | 2,378              |
|                                    | –                       | 4,587                     | 4,587              | 5,238              |

Governance costs are included under Charitable activities.

## 7. Support costs

Support costs, consisting of office costs of the charity including staff salaries are split between grant making, governance and expenditure on raising funds on the estimated time spent on each activity.

|                                     | Basis of apportionment | Charitable activity<br>£ | Raising funds<br>£ | Governance costs<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Office costs                        | Work due               | 2,424                    | 9,088              | 641                   |
| Salaries and administrative support | Work due               | 6,263                    | 23,488             | 1,566                 |
| Total resources expended            |                        | 8,687                    | 32,576             | 2,207                 |

## 8. Analysis of employee costs

|                       | 2022<br>£ | 2021<br>£ |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Salaries              | 30,333    | 36,549    |
| Social security costs | 984       | 685       |
| Pension               | –         | 1,284     |
|                       | 31,317    | 38,518    |

No employee received emoluments of over £60,000 in the year (2021: £Nil).

## 9. Trustees and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2021: £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefit received by key management personnel is £30,333 (2021: £37,833). Due to the size of the charity the trustees consider all staff members to be key employees.

During 2021/22 the charity employed one full-time member of staff.

## 10. Debtors

|               | 2022<br>£    | 2021<br>£  |
|---------------|--------------|------------|
| Gift Aid      | 665          | 262        |
| Other debtors | 1,805        | –          |
|               | <u>2,470</u> | <u>262</u> |

## 11. Creditors due within one year

|                | 2022<br>£     | 2021<br>£     |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Accruals       | 8,533         | 1,800         |
| Grants payable | 6,590         | 14,505        |
|                | <u>15,123</u> | <u>16,305</u> |

## 12. Restricted fund

| Current year                             |                    |                       |                       |                        | Prior year                               |                    |                       |                       |                        |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|                                          | At 1 April<br>2021 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | At 31<br>March<br>2022 |                                          | At 1 April<br>2020 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | At 31<br>March<br>2021 |
|                                          | £                  | £                     | £                     | £                      |                                          | £                  | £                     | £                     | £                      |
| Urology Education & Awareness activities | 19,413             | 35,753                | (41,353)              | 13,813                 | Urology Education & Awareness activities | 8,036              | 37,716                | (26,339)              | 19,413                 |
| Prostate cancer                          | 3,436              | –                     | –                     | 3,436                  | Prostate cancer                          | 500                | 2,936                 | –                     | 3,436                  |
| Ian Kirkham Fellowship                   | 1,100              | –                     | –                     | 1,100                  | Ian Kirkham Fellowship                   | 1,100              | –                     | –                     | 1,100                  |
| Kidney cancer                            | 100                | –                     | –                     | 100                    | Kidney cancer                            | 100                | –                     | –                     | 100                    |
| Testicular cancer                        | (733)              | –                     | –                     | (773)                  | Testicular cancer                        | (733)              | –                     | –                     | (773)                  |
| Support male oncology patients           | –                  | 6,620                 | (132)                 | 6,488                  | Grant OUH NHS Foundation Trust           | –                  | 6,500                 | (6,500)               | –                      |
| Patient care packs                       | –                  | 10,465                | (2,654)               | 7,811                  |                                          |                    |                       |                       |                        |
|                                          | <u>23,276</u>      | <u>52,838</u>         | <u>44,139</u>         | <u>31,975</u>          |                                          | <u>8,963</u>       | <u>47,152</u>         | <u>(32,839)</u>       | <u>23,276</u>          |

We are grateful for all the grants and donations that have been made to us which have been restricted for our charitable object of Urology Education & Awareness activities. These cover various activities highlighted in *Our Achievements* (pages 4 & 5), and *Our Future Plans* (page 6).





**UCARE (Urology Cancer Research and Education) is an independent, Oxford-based charity committed to improving the treatment and care of urological cancer patients, through research and education.**

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**UCARE (OXFORD)**

England & Wales - Charity number 1120887

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# Accounts

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**Charity number: 1120887**

**UCARE (Oxford)**

**Statement of Financial Activities**

**for the year ended**

**31st March 2021**

**Wenn Townsend**

**Chartered Accountants**

**Oxford**

## UCARE (Oxford)

The Trustees of the Charity:

James Mitchell - Chair  
Jay Newport - Treasurer  
David Cranston,  
Lynda Preston  
Ken Heathcote  
Seetal Patel  
Tom Leslie  
Alastair Lamb  
Jeremy Posnansky QC

There are no co-opted trustees

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# **UCARE (Oxford)**

## **Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2021**

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## **UCARE (Oxford)**

### **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021**

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 31st March 2021.

#### **Note from the Chairman**

2020 was an incredible year, the likes of which none of us have ever experienced before. Just 18 months ago, none of us would have anticipated the changes that we faced, the knowledge that we have had to develop, the research that has had to happen, and the new language we have had to learn. A huge amount of gratitude is due to the groups that have developed vaccines. As we all know, the Oxford vaccine group has been at the forefront – to have developed a vaccine, tested it and to have it licensed and distributed all within a year is an incredible achievement. We salute them all and thank them from the bottom of our hearts. Over the past year we have all faced many challenges due to COVID 19. As a charity, we have had to cancel all our fundraising events, all our work in the community and to change our ways of working. Going forwards, our team will now continue to run UCARE from their home environment. We are still available to meet up anytime and will be contactable by the same email and phone number, but we have a new postal address, so we would encourage you to look on our website for this and much, much more.

The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the Charity.

#### **Objectives and activities of the Charity**

20% of all newly diagnosed cancers each year will be one of the urological cancers:

- Kidney Cancer – affecting both genders
- Prostate Cancer – affecting men only
- Testicular Cancer – affecting men only
- Bladder Cancer – affecting both genders
- Urological cancers account for 1 in 3 of all cancers in men and 1 in 5 of all cancers in men and women.

UCARE's objects are to promote good health and relieve sickness in relation to the disease of urological cancer and related conditions by: -

- Supporting basic, translational and clinical research into the causes, prevention and treatment of the disease and related conditions
- Developing and evaluating new technologies for the diagnosis and treatment of the disease and related conditions
- Providing equipment and facilities for research, and treatment of the disease and related conditions
- Assisting in the provision of education in the disease and related conditions for medical staff and the general public

#### **2020-21 activities and objectives**

We knew that the measures the Government were going to take to try to bring the virus under control meant that it would greatly affect the income of the charity. Working together we were quickly able to put together processes that would reduce expenditure, while reviewing short- and longer- term strategy. With the support of income from grants we were able to move UCARE forward,

While our aim is to fund the best quality research by bringing together the knowledge and opinions of researchers, clinicians, and allied health professionals to support research and education in urological cancer, we put a temporary stop to fundraising for research. Many research laboratories and benches were closed down by the University and the NHS Trust for safety reasons and during the year we have granted no cost time extensions for many of our pre-existing grant holders.

Our objective during the last year was to focus on our education and awareness objective, review and change the way our service is delivered. We have had to find new ways of fundraising for running our symptom awareness campaigns and encourage people to come forward for cancer screening and care. This has allowed us positive change to take a step further into cancer education and awareness and put a lot of new information on our website. Website statistics show an increase in the daily average of visitors which is encouraging.

## **UCARE (Oxford)**

### **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021**

We have also had to take to social media which is the way that many people engaged during lockdown and statistics of use are encouraging there too.

#### **UCARE funded grants during the financial year**

There has been one grant made to support the creation of educational video/s to be used as a OUH NHS Foundation Trust resource for prostate stratified follow-up with the aim to reduce the number of hospital visits the patient needs to make. The video/s, recorded with specialist nurses, surgeons, oncologists, physiotherapists, dieticians, benefits advisors and counsellors and will cover a range of important topics to enable safe self-management.

#### **Importance of Awareness and Early Detection Work**

Our focus in the last year has been the community awareness role and the way that we can get information to the community with safe and alternative methods. We have altered and adapted significantly since COVID began 15 months ago. We believe that COVID, for all the problems that have been associated it has in many respects been a positive for some of the work that the community team have been able to do. We have been able to look at our strategy, reflect on where we are heading and develop new and innovative digitalized products/ resources. This document highlights the work that we do, that we are currently involved in and how we see it developing in the future.

##### **Prostate stratified Follow up**

We have been given funding to support the development of the prostate stratified follow up pathway at the Oxford University Hospital. We play a role in the development of the pathway and support the building of the resource package that is required for this pathway to be successful. We have close working relationships with the health professional teams and help form what this work will look like and keep it moving to time.

##### **Strategy planning**

This is on a continuum. The community team is always thinking about opportunities and linking with community partners to see where and how our services can support people who need us most.

##### **Learning disability and mental health work improving cancer screening uptake**

The community team have just been awarded a grant to make some video resources for people with mental health and learning disabilities. This is because these groups have been highlighted as groups where people do not come forward to participate in cancer screening programmes and where their knowledge is much lower. By working with and making online videos we hope to see an increase in the uptake of screening services within this group and an improvement in cancer outcomes.

##### **Supportive care packages**

UCARE are delighted to be able to support people with urological cancer with product packages that reduce the side effects of their cancer treatments and add some positivity to their journey at a very difficult time. Fundraising for the packages and liaising with health professionals to ensure they meet need.

##### **Germ Cell Well Being Meeting**

These have been set up specifically for young men with testicular cancer. It educates them on all aspects of physical and mental well-being and provides coping strategies about how to thrive post treatment. These sessions enable the men to meet one another and share experiences. Consider feedback and support improvements to the sessions. Provide a UCARE specific introduction.

##### **Work with other organisations**

Our community nurse organises regular programmes to train, update and support more than 45 carers and volunteers at a local cancer support centre. To continue to build strong relations with them.

##### **National Voice/ TCN work/ NGCG/ Cancer52 [DoYouCUs]**

UCARE sits on the TCN (Testicular Cancer Network) the NGCG (National Germ Cell Group) and the Cancer52 Group. Being part of these collaborations enables UCARE to have a stronger patient voice nationally and to lobby parliament to make significant changes that benefit our patients.

## **UCARE (Oxford)**

### **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021**

#### **Community presentations**

Our work in the community has had to be put on hold temporarily but as restrictions ease, we continue to look out for community presentation opportunities and meet requests as required.

The team are often asked to give talks and presentations to vulnerable groups and professionals, including in the last few months, Bucks County Council Health and Safety meeting, Better Living Day for people with autism, Friends of Renal Oncology support groups, Bladder Support Group, BCC Transport Workers Day and schools.

#### **Online Information series**

During the past year we have looked at new ways to give information and received funding for and have created a series of online information videos: Cancer A-Z (for volunteer education), Taking Back Control (health and well-being video) and Fatigue Management (Symptom control/ self-management video). They are free resources for people with cancer and provide simple coping strategies that can be used regularly to improve their lives after a cancer diagnosis. They can be accessed from the comfort of the patient's home and are full of useful information. The use of online videos has enabled us to increase our reach significantly across the country. We would like to continue to build this library of resources.

#### **The future:**

We will continue to research and evaluate current trends and working out how we can incorporate this information to our strategy planning. Cancer is ever changing as are the priorities so we continually look for new innovative ways of working to get our message out there.

- ✚ Review our written and internet resources and ensure they are up to date.
- ✚ Review and add resources as required
- ✚ Liaise with support groups
- ✚ Start to arrange events where cancer patients and their families can attend a day of interactive talks from professionals involved in the support of patients during their cancer journey/ networking of health professionals.

#### **Public benefit**

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

UCARE (Oxford) was registered with the Charity Commission on 18th September 2007.

Registered Number 1120887

The Charity is governed by the Trustees who meet 5 times a year to decide on the fundraising strategy and the allocation of funds to medical projects in line with the objects of the Charity, but collectively and individually also available on an ad hoc basis for advice and decision taking.

#### **Staff**

The Charity employs one full time member of staff - a Senior Executive with a diverse skill mix and job description, who is managed by the Trustees. The Trustees are grateful for the outstanding work that they do.

Community & Awareness Nurse continues to be funded by fundraising and Trust & Foundation Applications.

## UCARE (Oxford)

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021

The Charity is advised of appropriate medical projects by a Scientific Advisory Committee consisting of

- **David Cranston**  
Representing Trustees and Academic Urology interests  
[David's profile on the Nuffield Department of Surgical Sciences website](#)
- **Tim Humphrey**  
Chromosome Integrity Group Leader [joined 2012]  
[Tim's profile on the Oxford Institute for Radiation Oncology website](#)
- **Val Macaulay**  
Representing Uro-oncology basic science interest  
[Val's profile on the Department of Oncology website](#)
- **Professor Ian Mills**  
Representing biological drivers for prostate cancer [joined 2018]  
[Ian's profile on the Nuffield Department of Surgical Sciences website](#)
- **Andy Protheroe**  
Consultant Uro Oncologist  
[Andy's profile on the Oxford Urology Associates website](#)
- **Richard Bryant**  
[Richard's profile on the Nuffield Department of Surgical Sciences website](#)

#### Investment powers

Trustees have the power to deposit or invest funds in any manner (but to invest only after obtaining such advice from a financial expert as the Trustees consider necessary and having regard to the suitability of investments and the need for diversification).

#### Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic objectives of UCARE and for directing the staff. The Senior Executive supports and advises the Trustees on its activities. The Senior Executive is fully accountable for achieving, subject to the limitations set by the Trustees, for achieving objectives set by the Trustees. The Senior Executive is supported by a part-time Charity Officer.

#### Volunteers, Ambassadors, Patient Advocates and Patrons

From time to time UCARE is able to call on the help of volunteers for running events etc., and UCARE acknowledges their extremely valuable contribution made by them and thank them for their commitment. We also value the huge contribution made by our Patrons, Ambassadors and Patient Advocates who network on our behalf. We also acknowledge the support of health and business professionals who provide pro-bono advice across a range of activities.

#### Looking forward

##### Plans for future periods

The COVID 19 pandemic has brought difficult times for many charities, but we feel that our response has been positive. Smaller charities have an energy and innovative spirit and have the ability to make changes quickly. UK statistics show that one in two people will be diagnosed with cancer in their life time, and surveys are suggesting that half the people with cancer signs and symptoms did not contact their GP during the first pandemic wave. Therefore the voice of UCARE has never been more important.

## UCARE (Oxford)

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021

Through our membership and collaborations, our aim is to raise the awareness of urological cancers. Our membership with **Cancer52** allows us to raise the profile of rare or less common cancers. Despite the name, rare and less common cancers account for nearly half of new cancer diagnoses. When we talk about 'rare and less common cancers' we actually mean all cancers beyond the four most common cancers which are breast, prostate, lung and bowel. What is surprising for many people is that 'rare and less common cancers' actually account for nearly half of all new cancer diagnoses and over half of cancer-related deaths. So many are in fact not that rare at all. It is always true with cancer that early diagnosis is key. Rare and less common cancers can present themselves in a variety of ways. Through Cancer52 we are part of an initiative called '**Do You C Us?**' which aims to raise awareness of the unique challenges faced by those living with rare and less common cancers and amplify their voice – we need to ensure all cancers are 'seen' as early as possible.

Research still remains high on our agenda with the goal of personalised cancer care for patients. However, the past year has been one of change and challenges due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Much of our income comes from fundraising events and to cancel all our fundraising activity meant that the vital funds did not come in for research. Fundraising for research will continue when it is safe and prudent to do so.

We will continue to fulfil our stated objectives and the trustees will continue to review strategy to deliver in the best and safest way. We will continue to raise awareness for urological cancers, and explore additional ways to increase our income to enable us to have a solid income stream to meet our established work and allow new work to begin. Critical to this is to find ways of bringing in core costs.

#### **Review of transactions and financial position (including reserves policy)**

Fundraising has raised £96,403 (2020: £86,586).

The Charity has made grants during the year totalling £32,839 (2020: £62,053).

Costs of raising income were £38,956 (2020: £47,128) of which £198 (2020: £11,796) were direct costs of holding events.

A proportion of funds raised have been used to cover running costs and to ensure that the structure of the organisation is able to deliver an ambitious fund raising strategy.

Charitable grants are typically fully paid out 12-24 months after they have been awarded. Unpaid grants at the year-end totalled £14,505 (2020: £27,916). Taking this into account, the Trustees feel that unrestricted reserves of £6,188 although do not meet with our reserve policy, are adequate given the current circumstances we find ourselves in the last quarter of this financial year and reflected in the Plans for the Future section.

The trustees have turned to Charity Commission who understand that many charities are currently very concerned about their financial position. We have taken guidance and the UCARE trustees will consider what are their short, medium and longer term priorities, and see if they need to amend their financial planning given their current situation. Trustees are encouraged in particular to think about whether or not certain projects, spends or activities can be stopped or delayed in order to focus on essential spending if they are facing financial challenges at this time.

Reserves may be spent to help cope with unexpected events like those unfolding in this financial year. All decisions on such financial matters will be taken collectively, and significant decisions and action points noted in writing and in our strategic plan for moving forward.

Funds in hand at the year-end amounted to £29,599 (2020: £19,739) of which £6,323 (2020: £10,776) are unrestricted.

#### **Fundraising activities and raising awareness of UCARE**

UCARE recognises the need for efficient prevention and early diagnosis strategies and future developments include the building on raising awareness of the charity, and building on the marketing and PR using the special tulip associated with our logo. Raising awareness and raising funds is normally done through organised events and taking our work into the community - the initiative being that all donations are buying hope, buying time and buying better futures for all those touched by urological cancer.

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### Report of the Trustees (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2021

UCARE depends on the committed support of our donors, volunteers and advisers. All our supporters make a real difference by getting involved with UCARE. **Fundraising activities** by supporters have dropped considerably in the last 18 months, but historically include numerous sponsored events including marathons and other challenges; collections; charity of the year for many organisations, and kind donations made by our supporters, for which we are very grateful and details are shown on our website at [www.ucare-oxford.org.uk](http://www.ucare-oxford.org.uk). UCARE organised fundraising events include a 2 yearly gala dinner; promotion of the UCARE tulip; and the annual UCARE golf day.

The Trustees wish to acknowledge formally the tremendous efforts of staff, our Patrons and volunteers in achieving so much during this difficult year.

Our grateful thanks to all Trusts and Foundations who have made grants to UCARE throughout the year.

#### **Risk assessment and review**

The Trustees must establish any foreseeable risk faced by UCARE and where appropriate take measures to mitigate these risks. The most significant risk identified to UCARE was the Government response to the pandemic in lockdown. Cancelling all fundraising events and ability to get to the community we serve, we knew would severely affect funding research and raising awareness and our obligations to running the charity. The Trustees were satisfied that systems and discussions were in place to monitor and mitigate these risks and it was under constant review. Adequate unrestricted reserves were maintained to dissolve the charity if became necessary and financial review was be undertaken constantly.

The Charity has taken out Employers Liability Insurance, Public Liability Insurance and Trustees Indemnity Insurance. Risk assessments are undertaken and at hand for fundraising activities and information to fundraisers 'to keep it safe' and our fundraising code of conduct is available in our fundraising information.

Commitments to project funding are only ever on the basis that income has been or can adequately be secured by UCARE.

The reserves policy enables the Charity to wind up without consequential loss if necessary.

Appropriate accounting and financial controls are in place.

UCARE is a member of the Fundraising Regulator <https://www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk>  
UCARE can be found on the Charity Commission web site [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk)

#### **Trustees' responsibilities**

Laws applicable to Charities in England and Wales require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence of taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees collectively ensure they have the correct skill mix to be responsible and accountable for ensuring the Charity complies with its obligations.

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**Report of the Trustees (continued)  
for the year ended 31st March 2021**

**The Trustees**

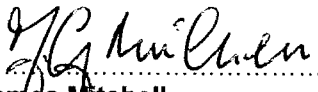
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David Cranston, MBChB D.Phil FRCS (Eng) FRCS (Ed)  
Anthony Henman (resigned June 2020)  
Lynda Preston  
Andrew Protheroe, MB BS FRCP PhD (resigned June 2020)  
Ken Heathcote  
Seetal Patel  
Dr Valentine Macaulay (resigned June 2020)  
Tom Leslie  
Jay Newport  
Alastair Lamb  
Jeremy Posnansky QC

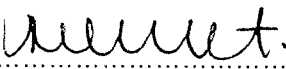
Other than as stated, the Trustees set out above have held office for the period from 1st April 2020 to the date of this report.

**Trustee appointment, induction and training**

New Trustees are recruited through a range of networks and are invited to a board meeting to understand the role of Trusteeship as well as to get a general knowledge of the role and the charity's activities. Appointments are made by the Board of Trustees giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the charity. On appointment, Trustees are invited to meet with the Senior Executive for a process of discussion and induction, provided with copies of the Trust Deed, annual reports and other relevant material. On-going advice is thereafter provided by the Senior Executive and Trustees as appropriate.

Approved by the Trustees on ..... *28<sup>th</sup> July* ..... 2021 and signed on its behalf by

  
.....  
James Mitchell

  
.....  
Jay Newport

## UCARE (Oxford)

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of UCARE (Oxford)

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2021 which are set out on page 9 to 15.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

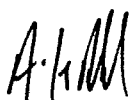
#### Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

#### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mr Ajay Bahl BA BFP FCA  
Partner  
Wenn Townsend  
Chartered Accountants  
Oxford

28th July ..... 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities  
for the year ended 31st March 2021

Note

| Incoming resources                   |   | 2021<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ | 2020<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2020<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2020<br>Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Donations and legacies               | 3 | 47,152                  | 49,251                    | 96,403             | 40,588                  | 45,998                    | 86,586             |
| Income from investments              |   | -                       | 1                         | 1                  | -                       | 82                        | 82                 |
| <b>Total income</b>                  |   | <u>47,152</u>           | <u>49,252</u>             | <u>96,404</u>      | <u>40,588</u>           | <u>46,080</u>             | <u>86,668</u>      |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                   |   |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Expenditure on raising funds         | 5 | -                       | 38,956                    | 38,956             | -                       | 47,128                    | 47,128             |
| Expenditure on charitable activities | 4 | 32,839                  | 14,749                    | 47,588             | 17,680                  | 82,772                    | 100,452            |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>             |   | <u>32,839</u>           | <u>53,705</u>             | <u>86,544</u>      | <u>17,680</u>           | <u>129,900</u>            | <u>147,580</u>     |
| Net income/(expenditure)             |   | 14,313                  | (4,453)                   | 9,860              | 22,908                  | (83,820)                  | (60,912)           |
| Transfer between funds               |   | -                       | -                         | -                  | (17,100)                | 17,100                    | -                  |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>         |   | <u>14,313</u>           | <u>(4,453)</u>            | <u>9,860</u>       | <u>5,808</u>            | <u>(66,720)</u>           | <u>(60,912)</u>    |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>       |   |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Total funds brought forward          |   | 8,963                   | 10,776                    | 19,739             | 3,155                   | 77,496                    | 80,651             |
| Total funds carried forward          |   | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>6,323</u>              | <u>29,599</u>      | <u>8,963</u>            | <u>10,776</u>             | <u>19,739</u>      |

The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of these accounts.

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## Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2021

| Note                            | 2021<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ | 2020<br>Restricted<br>£ | 2020<br>Unrestricted<br>£ | 2020<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>             |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Tangible assets                 | -                       | 418                       | 418                | -                       | 522                       | 522                |
| <b>Current assets</b>           |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Stock                           | -                       | 2,320                     | 2,320              | -                       | 2,320                     | 2,320              |
| Cash at bank and in hand        | 29,776                  | 13,128                    | 42,904             | 8,963                   | 35,140                    | 44,103             |
| Debtors                         | -                       | 262                       | 262                | -                       | 3,050                     | 3,050              |
| <b>10</b>                       | <u>29,776</u>           | <u>15,710</u>             | <u>45,486</u>      | <u>8,963</u>            | <u>40,510</u>             | <u>49,473</u>      |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>      |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Creditors – due within one year | 6,500                   | 9,805                     | 16,305             | -                       | 30,256                    | 30,256             |
| <b>11</b>                       | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>5,905</u>              | <u>29,181</u>      | <u>8,963</u>            | <u>10,254</u>             | <u>19,217</u>      |
| <b>Net current assets</b>       | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>6,323</u>              | <u>29,599</u>      | <u>8,963</u>            | <u>10,776</u>             | <u>19,739</u>      |
| <b>Net assets</b>               |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| <b>Funds</b>                    |                         |                           |                    |                         |                           |                    |
| Unrestricted                    | -                       | 6,323                     | 6,323              | -                       | 10,776                    | 10,776             |
| Restricted                      | 23,276                  | -                         | 23,276             | 8,963                   | -                         | 8,963              |
| <b>12</b>                       | <u>23,276</u>           | <u>6,323</u>              | <u>29,599</u>      | <u>8,963</u>            | <u>10,776</u>             | <u>19,739</u>      |

The accounts were approved at a meeting of the Trustees on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021

  
Jay Newport  
Trustee

  
James Mitchell  
Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of these accounts

## UCARE (Oxford)

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the year 31st March 2021

#### 1. Basis of preparation

- a) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. These accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis and include income and expenditure as they are earned or incurred, rather than as cash is received or paid. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.
- b) The accounts are drawn up under the historical cost convention. Significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years present unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.
- c) The Charity is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.
- d) The Charity is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement.
- e) The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the next 12 months which indicate that the charity will be able to continue as a going concern.

#### 2. Accounting policies

##### a) Allocation of costs to resources expended

Specific items of expenditure are attributed to the appropriate category, of:

- Cost of generating donations and legacies. These are the costs associated with generating voluntary incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities.
- Charitable activities. These are the resources applied by the Charity in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives.
- Governance costs. These are costs that relate to the general running of the charity. The governance costs of the Charity are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements. These are included under charitable costs.
- Support costs such as postage and stationery have been allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis.

##### b) Fund accounting

The Charity mainly holds unrestricted funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives of the charity and at the discretion of the trustees.

The Charity did receive grants and donations which must be used for specific purposes. As at the year end the balance on restricted funds was £23,276 (2020: £8,963).

##### c) Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in the acquisition and installation.

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**c) Tangible assets (continued)**

**Depreciation**

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

| <b>Asset Class</b> | <b>Depreciation rate and method</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Computers          | 20% straight line                   |

**e) Grants payable**

The grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Charity. Grants are accounted for when the scientific advisory committee have approved the grant and the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the Charity.

**f) Pensions**

The Charity makes contributions to a pension scheme held by its employee. The costs of contributions are written off in the year they are payable.

**3. Income from donations and legacies**

|                                          | <b>Restricted<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2020<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Donations (including gift aid)           | 46,986                           | 15,518                             | 62,504                      | 57,595                      |
| Legacy                                   | -                                | 1,749                              | 1,749                       | 548                         |
| Mail shot                                | -                                | 2,183                              | 2,183                       | 215                         |
| Events                                   | 166                              | 3,791                              | 3,957                       | 28,228                      |
| Grants – Government Job Retention Scheme | -                                | 26,010                             | 26,010                      | -                           |
|                                          | <u>47,152</u>                    | <u>49,251</u>                      | <u>96,403</u>               | <u>86,586</u>               |

Included within the 2020 figures are restricted donations of £40,588.

**4. Charitable activities**

The Charity undertook the following charitable activities. The Charity did not undertake some of the activities directly, but met its charitable purpose by making grants to organisations that met the charitable objectives of the charity.

**Programme/Event**

|                                  | <b>Restricted<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2020<br/>£</b> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bladder cancer                   | -                                | -                                  | -                           | 14,980                      |
| Prostate cancer                  | -                                | -                                  | -                           | 19,893                      |
| Kidney cancer                    | -                                | -                                  | -                           | 9,500                       |
| Governance costs (see note 6)    | -                                | 5,238                              | 5,238                       | 2,188                       |
| Urology related cancer education | 26,339                           | -                                  | 26,339                      | 17,680                      |
| Support                          | -                                | 9,511                              | 9,511                       | 36,211                      |
| OUH NHS Foundation Trust         | 6,500                            | -                                  | 6,500                       | -                           |
|                                  | <u>32,839</u>                    | <u>14,749</u>                      | <u>47,588</u>               | <u>100,452</u>              |

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Notes to the Financial Statements  
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4. Charitable activities (continued)

Included within the 2020 figures are the following restricted items:

Urology related cancer education £17,680

5. Expenditure on raising funds

|                 | Restricted<br>2021<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>2020<br>£ |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Mail shot costs | -                       | 1,473                     | 1,473              | 666                |
| Events          | -                       | 198                       | 198                | 11,796             |
| Support costs   | -                       | 37,285                    | 37,285             | 34,666             |
|                 | -                       | 38,956                    | 38,956             | 47,128             |

6. Governance costs

|                                    | Restricted<br>2021<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>2020<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Independent review of accounts     | -                       | 1,720                     | 1,720              | 1,974              |
| Legal and professional fees        | -                       | 1,140                     | 1,140              | 214                |
| Support (including computer costs) | -                       | 2,378                     | 2,378              | -                  |
|                                    | -                       | 5,238                     | 5,238              | 2,188              |

Governance costs are included under Charitable activities.

7. Support costs

Support costs, consisting of office costs of the charity including staff salaries are split between grant making, governance and expenditure on raising funds on the estimated time spent on each activity.

|                                     | Basis of<br>apportionment | Charitable<br>activity<br>£ | Raising<br>funds<br>£ | Governance<br>costs<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Office costs                        | Work due                  | 2,117                       | 8,469                 | 530                      |
| Salaries and administrative support | Work due                  | 7,394                       | 28,816                | 1,848                    |
| Total resources expended            |                           | 9,511                       | 37,285                | 2,378                    |

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**8. Analysis of employee costs**

|                       | 2021<br>£     | 2020<br>£     |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Salaries              | 36,549        | 49,700        |
| Social security costs | 685           | 1,470         |
| Pension               | 1,284         | 2,201         |
|                       | <u>38,518</u> | <u>53,371</u> |

No employee received emoluments of over £60,000 in the year (2020: £Nil).

**9. Trustees and key management personnel remuneration and expenses**

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2020: £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefit received by key management personnel is £37,833 (2020: £51,901). Due to the size of the charity the trustees consider all staff members to be key employees.

During 2020/21 the charity employed one member of staff full-time and one staff member part-time, until July 2020.

**10. Debtors**

|             | 2021<br>£  | 2020<br>£    |
|-------------|------------|--------------|
| Gift Aid    | 262        | 2,375        |
| Prepayments | -          | 675          |
|             | <u>262</u> | <u>3,050</u> |

**11. Creditors due within one year**

|                                 | 2021<br>£     | 2020<br>£     |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Other taxes and social security | -             | 460           |
| Accruals                        | 1,800         | 1,880         |
| Grants payable                  | 14,505        | 27,916        |
|                                 | <u>16,305</u> | <u>30,256</u> |

**Movement in recognised grant commitments during the year**

|                                                      | 2021<br>£     | 2020<br>£     |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Grant commitments charged to the SOFA                | 839,293       | 832,793       |
| Grants paid                                          | (824,788)     | (804,877)     |
| Amount of grant commitments recognised at 31st March | <u>14,505</u> | <u>27,916</u> |

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Notes to the Financial Statements  
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12. Restricted fund

| Current year                | At 1st April<br>2020 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | At 31st<br>March<br>2021 |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
|                             | £                    | £                     | £                     | £                        |
| Community Awareness project | 8,036                | 37,716                | (26,339)              | 19,413                   |
| Prostate cancer             | 500                  | 2,936                 | -                     | 3,436                    |
| Ian Kirkham Fellowship      | 1,100                | -                     | -                     | 1,100                    |
| Kidney cancer               | 100                  | -                     | -                     | 100                      |
| Testicular cancer           | (773)                | -                     | -                     | (773)                    |
| OUH NHS Foundation Trust    | -                    | 6,500                 | (6,500)               | -                        |
|                             | <u>8,963</u>         | <u>47,152</u>         | <u>(32,839)</u>       | <u>23,276</u>            |

Prior year

|                             | At 1st April<br>2019 | Incoming<br>resources | Outgoing<br>resources | Transfer        | At 31st<br>March<br>2020 |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
|                             | £                    | £                     | £                     |                 | £                        |
| Community Awareness project | 2,228                | 23,488                | (17,680)              | -               | 8,036                    |
| Prostate cancer             | 500                  | -                     | -                     | -               | 500                      |
| Ian Kirkham Fellowship      | 1,100                | -                     | -                     | -               | 1,100                    |
| Kidney cancer               | 100                  | -                     | -                     | -               | 100                      |
| Testicular cancer           | (773)                | -                     | -                     | -               | (773)                    |
| HIFU                        | -                    | 17,100                | -                     | (17,100)        | -                        |
|                             | <u>3,155</u>         | <u>40,588</u>         | <u>(17,680)</u>       | <u>(17,100)</u> | <u>8,963</u>             |