

DYSLEXIA NORTH EAST

England & Wales · Charity number 1129358

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [06707963](#)

Registered 2009-04-30

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

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Activities

Objects: The Objects of the Charity are to promote the advancement of education for adults and children affected by dyslexia and other Special Educational Needs within the North East of England. To provide support and practical assistance to enable them to achieve their full potential.

Activities: Educational meetings and support are provided for Parents/Carers and Professionals who care for children with specific learning difficulties (dyslexia) and related conditions. Information and guidance is offered to families and individuals, and Conferences and Workshops are arranged. Dyslexia Screening, Assessment, Tuition and Group Activities are available for adults and children with dyslexia.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NORTH EAST OF ENGLAND
- Durham
- Gateshead
- Newcastle Upon Tyne City
- North Tyneside
- Northumberland
- South Tyneside
- Sunderland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£72,330	£71,074	-	-
2023-09-30	£61,838	£73,309	-	-
2022-09-30	£63,009	£68,644	-	-
2021-09-30	£92,165	£88,834	-	-
2020-09-30	£87,557	£81,619	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Patricia Agnes Custance	Chair	2019-01-09
David Schofield		2023-02-28
June Elizabeth Renaldi		2023-07-19
Karen Louise Tait		2016-01-14
MARY KENDALL		2012-01-25

Accounts



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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30th September 2024

Charity Number: 1129358

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The Trustees are pleased to present their Annual Directors' report together with financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th September 2024, which are prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for the Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with The Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the memorandum and articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2015.

Charity name	Dyslexia North East
Working Name	Dyslexia North East England
Registered charity No:	1129358 Registered in England and Wales
Registered Company Limited by Guarantee No:	06707963
Registered in England and Wales	
Local Dyslexia Association affiliated to the British Dyslexic Association.	

Trustees and Directors

Karen Tait	Vice chair re-elected 2019
Mrs Mary Kendall	Treasurer re-elected 2019
Patricia Custance	Chairperson Elected September 2023
David Schofield	Elected February 2023
June Renaldi	Elected September 2023

Independent Examiner Michelle Wright, MW Accounting, Woodgate House, 5c Wood Street, Dunston, NE11 9NP

Bank details Co-operative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 6WT

Structure, Governance and Management

Dyslexia North East is a Company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Currently there are 5 Trustees, with enquiries and advertisement for Trustees being made.

Appointment and Retirement of Trustees

Trustees are elected at the AGM each year, and one third of the Trustees must retire in rotation at each AGM. A retiring Trustee can be re-elected. Other Trustees can be co-opted at a Trustees meeting according to the governing document. The maximum number of Trustees for the Board is ten. Potential Trustees are approached by personal recommendation together

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with CV and references. Trustees are sought by advertising for applicants among the Members, NCVS, Newcastle Volunteer Centre, VODA and other Organisations.

Organisation

The Trustees' Board meets regularly (a minimum of three times per year) to review activities and financial issues. The organisation of Trustee roles is regularly reviewed and updated, extra management meetings are held as required. The Chair is a titular role and a democratic model of sharing out roles and responsibilities among the Trustees, according to their expertise and skills is practised to best effect. Management of the Charity's finances are the shared responsibility of the board.

The charity has a part time/contracted worker in the role of the Advice, Support and Assessment Coordinator, who works in consultation with Trustees to manage and coordinate all services provided by Dyslexia Northeast. This involves close working partnerships with other organisations and institutions, to meet the ever-growing demand for the advice, guidance and services offered by Dyslexia North-East.

Finance Report

Income for financial year 2023 - 2024 was £72,330 (2023: £61,838) and the expenditure was £71,074 (2023: £73,309).

The Statement of Financial Activities for the period shows a net income across all funds of £1,256 (2023: net expenditure £11,471).

The balance sheet indicates at 30 September 2024 the total funds of the organisation are £2,092 (2023: £836). Unrestricted funds of £2,092 (2023: £836) represent reserves available to the organisation to fulfil its existing commitments over the longer term.

The trustees are aware that our funds are low, however the trustees have taken all necessary steps to cut back expenditure as far as possible. However, at the same time ensuring that the charity's ability to provide an effective and sustainable service continues.

Public Benefit

In setting the objectives and activities of the Charity, the Trustees make sure that the guidelines of the GDPR and Charity Commission are followed, as defined in the Charities Act 2006, so that its purposes benefit members of the public, whatever their culture, background or ethnicity.

Objectives and Activities

The Objects of the Charity are to promote the advancement of education, and to give support to those affected by specific learning difficulties, including related conditions, to assist them to achieve their full potential. Primarily, Dyslexia North-East seeks to promote knowledge and understanding of Dyslexia – raise awareness in schools, universities, colleges and the workplace – give support and advice to both individuals of all ages with dyslexia, and their families

Advice, Guidance and Support

This remains a key provision of the Charity. Our communication streams (phone and email) are open throughout the year. Enquiries are welcome from parents, adult dyslexics, employers and education professionals and providers, as well as other interested parties.

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Giving Advice, Guidance and Support has increased since Covid Lockdown. Parents are being advised and encouraged by their children's schools to have private assessments. This is due to schools' lack of funding and very long waiting lists. The majority of parents are not familiar with Dyslexia and are not sure where to start in arranging an assessment for their child.

Our very experienced Coordinator at Dyslexia North-East talks at length to the interested party, explaining every step of the process and the diagnostic report.

Since Covid, Anxiety and other related Mental Health issues have increased significantly amongst schoolchildren and young people. They may have already seen other professionals.

DNE asks to see any of these available reports to ensure that the assessor is aware of any additional difficulties, to ensure that the child receives the best possible assessment.

Advice and guidance continue after the assessment, signposting when recommendations have been included in the report, for example, suggesting an appointment with an Optometrist for a Visual Stress Eye Test. DNE can give details of how to find these.

In addition, if the assessor notices any indications of other potential Co-occurring, neurodiverse disorders, for example, ADHD or Dyscalculia; signposting to the relevant Professional will be included in the recommendations, suggesting further exploration.

Advice is also given to the parent on how to ensure that the diagnostic report is passed onto the appropriate person at the school. This can help the pupil/student to access any support and interventions that should be available to them, and indeed what they deserve, to enable them to achieve and reach their full potential. A meeting with the SENCo is suggested and a time frame for support to be put into place.

Parents are also crucially reminded to ensure that a copy of the diagnostic report is given to a new school during Transition, and not to assume that this will be sent on.

A meeting with the new SENCo is suggested after 4-6 weeks to promote continuity with support.

Assessments

As well as offering important advice, guidance and support, we continue to offer diagnostic assessment for Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Workplace Needs assessments for dyslexics. All assessors (Educational Psychologists or Specialist Dyslexia Teachers) hold relevant and current British Dyslexic Association Assessment Qualifications.

This is a breakdown of assessments over this year.

Diagnostic Dyslexia Assessments: This is a breakdown of assessments over this year.

Adults: **81** Aged 18-65 Years

Children: **79** Aged 7-17 years

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Organisations requesting repeat assessments: -

Durham Police Constabulary

N.E. Ambulance Service

Cranmer College Durham (C of E Priests and Readers)

Westfield School For Girls

NHS

Assessments Geographically:

Children: 79

Newcastle 11, North-Tyneside 18, South-Tyneside 3, Sunderland 3, Gateshead 9,

Durham 19, Northumberland 11, Teesside 4, Cumbria 1.

Adults: 81

Newcastle 5, North Tyneside 6, South Tyneside 1, Gateshead 16, Sunderland 3,

Durham 28, Northumberland 11, Teeside 10, Cumbria 1.

The average number of phone calls received based on 50 weeks: 1,400.

The average number of emails received based on 50 weeks: 1,500.

Tutoring

Experienced and qualified tutors deliver specialised individual programs for children and young adults, both virtually and in person. There were over 250 tutoring sessions held during the year.

Dyslexia Awareness Workshops

There were workshops delivered to Newcastle University and Durham Constabulary and they are available on request for education, training and workplace providers.

Fundraising and support

This has been another challenging year for Dyslexia North-East in relation to securing funding, especially for Core Costs. This year has been about consolidation, sustainability and keeping outgoing costs to a minimum.

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Our Profile has changed organically in the current climate and for the last year we have concentrated mainly on giving advice and guidance and supporting people in arranging assessments.

We continue to seek new funding sources to enable us to build upon our strong partnerships in order to identify and support individuals of all ages with dyslexia and their families, to assist them in achieving their full potential.

Supporting Dyslexia in the Workplace

Dyslexia North-East continues to raise awareness with employers, giving them help and advice to help support their employees in the workplace.

We are fortunate enough to work with some large organisations and provide assessments for their employees when they are required.

We have also offered advice and guidance on improving their procedures, to these organisations when they have sent us a query asking for additional information.

Example Of Good Practice

One of these organisations runs a lot of apprenticeships, and several common difficulties were repeatedly brought up during their screenings regarding the training process.

This information prompted our Coordinator to email the Employer with some suggestions and guidance which might help the new recruits through the training process and the dyslexics waiting to be assessed.

This is an excerpt from the email that Dyslexia North-East received from the Employer's Project Manager / Strategy, Planning and Transformation, Chair of Staff's Disability Network.

Query

"I have been speaking to one of our Emergency Care Assistants who has had her diagnostic assessment completed by DNE. As part of our workplace support, we discussed the possibility of her using tinted glasses.

Can you recommend where she can go to get these made up? Is there any more information you can share on these for future staff who may need this also?"

Thanks!

DNE Reply

"As you're aware, the SASC guidelines for diagnostic assessments are pretty strict and these also relate to eyesight.

Ideally, we check that every client has had an eyesight test in the last 12 months.

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Also, we are required to have a visual difficulties questionnaire completed by every client undergoing a diagnostic Dyslexia assessment.

Please find one attached for your information. I email this form to every client when I book their screening, and it needs to be returned prior to their assessment.

This information is passed on to the assessor, so please don't give out the form when you are doing your initial screenings.

This completed questionnaire gives us indications of a condition called Visual Stress, this is also known as Irlen Syndrome.

Visual Stress is not Dyslexia but is more common in dyslexic individuals. Only a specially qualified Optometrist can carry out the test and it is not available on the NHS.

The Optometrist that we usually signpost people to is based in Newcastle, but obviously, there are others around depending on where they live, but they would have to research that themselves.

If they contact someone, they need to say it is for the Visual Stress eye test and not a sight test.

Obviously, we can't diagnose this, but if the assessor sees signs of it during the assessment coupled with their questionnaire, then she usually recommends in her report that this is explored further.

The optometrist can then provide glasses with the correct coloured lens for the individual, similar to using the coloured overlays, but he will carry out more extensive testing.

Also, while coloured overlays are useful for children, glasses with the correct lenses are usually preferred by adults as they are less obtrusive.

I hope that this information is useful, just let me know if I can offer any further help."

NEAS Reply

"This is brilliant and really helpful, thank you for taking the time to reply so fully and give such helpful advice. I have updated my colleague with the info around optician info etc.

Thanks again!"

"Brilliant! thank you so much for picking this up and making contact. It is really appreciated. As we are always keen to find ways to continually improve this process, we will draft a summary document to all our staff in Education Department to ensure that the same process and practice are followed and this will pick up new staff who have recently joined our team so that we can continue the great work we have established and of course continue to build on our wonderful relationship with Dyslexia North East."

"Thanks again for highlighting this to us, it's appreciated, and we value your continual support and open communication."

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Individual Clients quotes

“Thank you, this is a lifechanging report. Thank you for being so supportive, it’s been a very difficult thing to explore.”

Male 38-year-old GP, recently diagnosed with Dyslexia.

“My sincere thanks again for your understanding and time. I wish I had known to come to your organisation years ago, but to move forwards with this is a very great relief”

Mother of a 16-year-old girl in GCSE year.

“It’s taken me a while to digest the dyslexia results. I’ve had lots of tears since the report, mainly sadness at how much I’ve struggled but also relief. Thank You.”

Female employee aged 40 struggling at work.

“Thanks very much for your help, speaking to you last night put my mind at ease about the assessment.”

Mum of 10-year-old boy worried about the assessment, Northumberland.

“Thank you so much for the report. It’s such an interesting read and it has reassured me, that I’m not just a crazy mother with high expectations. My son and I both feel a sense of relief with the result and hopefully now, we can get him the help and assistance that he needs and deserves to succeed. Thank you so much for all your help, I really appreciate it.”

Mum of 9year old boy, North Tyneside, recently diagnosed with Dyslexia.

“Thank you so much for your help with my Dyslexia assessment. You put me at ease and made the whole process a lot easier than I thought it would be.

40-year-old University employee.”

Future prospects

The board of Trustees recognises the impact of our inability to recruit new trustees on the financial position of the organisation. Our ability to raise funds in the usual ways has been reduced. The trustees will monitor a projection of income for 12 months ahead and actively look for new sources of funding as well as trying to increase core paid for services.

We plan on continuing to deliver Helpline and advice services, offer tutoring and Dyslexia & Dyscalculia assessments for both children & adults. We advocate for dyslexics of all ages.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees and directors of Dyslexia North East have read and approved this annual report which is signed on their behalf by:


Mary Kendall (Jun 25, 2025 13:22 GMT+1)

Mary Kendall

Treasurer

Date 25/06/2025

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 30 September 2024

I report on the financial statements of Dyslexia North East for the year ended 30 September 2024, which are set out on pages 11 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michelle Wright
MW Accounting Services
Woodgate House
5c Wood Street
Gateshead
NE11 9NP

Michelle Wright

Date: 25/06/2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(INCLUDING SUMMARY INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

For the year ended 30 September 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	6	-	-	-	175
Charitable activities					
Grants and contracts	7	1,000	-	1,000	823
Other trading activities	8	71,330	-	71,330	60,840
Total income		72,330	-	72,330	61,838
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	9	71,074	-	71,074	73,309
Total expenditure		71,074	-	71,074	73,309
Net movement of funds		1,256	-	1,256	(11,471)
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		836	-	836	12,307
Total funds carried forward		2,092	-	2,092	836

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 September 2024

	Notes	£	Total 2024 £	£	Total 2023 £
<u>Current assets</u>					
Debtors	15	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	16	2,842		1,536	
Total current assets		2,842		1,536	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(750)		(700)	
Net current assets			2,092		836
Total assets less current liabilities			2,092		836
Total net assets or liabilities			2,092		836
<u>Funds of the charity</u>					
Unrestricted income funds			2,092		836
Restricted income funds			-		-
Total funds			2,092		836

The company was entitled to an exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with the respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The notes on pages 13 to 20 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 24/06/2025

and are signed on its behalf by:

Mary Kendall
Treasurer

Mary Kendall
Mary Kendall (Jun 25, 2025 13:22 GMT+1)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Dyslexia North East meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year end of £1,256 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 to 18 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

3 Income

3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

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3.4 Donated goods and services

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided that the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with the equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

3.5 Volunteer help

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

3.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

3.7 Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in donations and legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

3.8 Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

3.9 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of assessments and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

4.5 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

5 Assets

5.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis, the charity does not currently have any tangible fixed assets:

Leasehold property improvements	Straight line over life of lease
Office and computer equipment	Straight line over four years

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Analysis of income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
6 Activities for generating funds				
Tuition	-	-	-	175
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>175</u>
7 Charitable activities				
<u>Income from grants</u>				
General Donations	1,000		1,000	823
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>823</u>
8 Other income				
Other income	-	-	-	-
Assessment fees	71,330	-	71,330	60,840
	<u>71,330</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,330</u>	<u>60,840</u>

Income was £72,330 (2023: £61,838) of which £72,330 was unrestricted or designated (2023: £61,838) and £0 was restricted (2023: £0)

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Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
9 Charitable activities				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Assessment fees	44,640	-	44,640	39,355
Tuition costs	510	-	510	6,820
<u>Support costs</u>				
Licences/insurance	45	-	45	45
Office costs	850	-	850	1,688
Secretarial costs	24,660	-	24,660	24,980
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	200	-	200	200
Professional fees	169	-	169	221
	<u>71,074</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,074</u>	<u>73,309</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £71,074 (2023: £73,309) of which £71,074 was unrestricted or designated (2023: £73,309) and £0 was restricted (2023: £0)

10 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	200	200
	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2023: £nil)

11 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees . The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £0.

12 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

13 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

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For the year ended 30 September 2024

	Office furniture	Computer equipment	Total
	£	£	£
14 Tangible fixed assets			
Cost			
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation			
Basis	SL	SL	
Rate	25%	25%	
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Net book value			
Brought forward	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-
15 Debtors and prepayments (receivable within 1 year)			
	2024	2023	
	£	£	
Other debtors	-	-	
	-	-	
16 Cash at bank and in hand			
	2024	2023	
	£	£	
Cash at bank and in hand	2,842	1,536	
	2,842	1,536	

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17 Creditors and accruals (payable within 1 year)

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals		
Independent examination of accounts	750	700
	<u>750</u>	<u>700</u>

18 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

19 Analysis of charitable funds**Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds****For the year ending 30 September 2024**

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	836	72,330	(71,074)	-	2,092
Totals	<u>836</u>	<u>72,330</u>	<u>(71,074)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,092</u>

For the year ending 30 September 2023

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	8,491	61,838	(73,309)	3,816	836
Designated funds					
Contingencies	3,457	-	-	(3,457)	-
Sponsorship	359	-	-	(359)	-
Totals	<u>12,307</u>	<u>61,838</u>	<u>(73,309)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>836</u>

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' after allowing for designated funds
Designated funds	
Contingencies	This is to cover future rent and salary costs
Sponsorship	This is a separate fund for training or assessments

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20 Capital commitments

As at 30 September 2024, the charity had no capital commitments (2023 -£nil)

21 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	2,842	-	2,842
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	(750)	-	(750)
	<u>2,092</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,092</u>

DYSLEXIA NORTH EAST

England & Wales - Charity number 1129358

Accounts



A company limited by guarantee

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30th September 2023

Charity Number: 1129358

Company Number 06707963

Dyslexia North EAST (A company by guarantee)
Trustees Annual report For the year ended **Sept 30 2023**

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Dyslexia North EAST (A company by guarantee)
Trustees Annual report For the year ended **Sept 30 2023**

The Trustees are pleased to present their Annual Directors' report together with financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th September 2023, which are prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for the Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with The Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the memorandum and articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland(FRS 102) effective1January 2015.

Charity name	Dyslexia North East
Working Name	Dyslexia North East England
Registered charity No:	1129358 Registered in England and Wales
Registered Company Limited by Guarantee No: 06707963	
Registered in England and Wales	
Local Dyslexia Association affiliated to the British Dyslexic Association.	

Trustees and Directors

Lyn Brown	Resigned September 2023
Karen Tait	Vice chair re-elected 2019
Mrs Mary Kendall	Treasurer re-elected 2019
Patricia Custance	Chairperson Elected September 2023
David Schofield	Elected February 2023
June Renaldi	Elected September 2023

Independent Examiner Michelle Wright, MW Accounting, Woodgate House, 5c Wood Street,
Dunston, NE11 9NP

Bank details Co-operative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 6WT

Structure, Governance and Management

Dyslexia North East is a Company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Currently there are 5 Trustees, with enquiries and advertisement for Trustees being made.

Appointment and Retirement of Trustees

Trustees are elected at the AGM each year, and one third of the Trustees must retire in rotation at each AGM. A retiring Trustee can be re-elected. Other Trustees can be co-opted at a Trustees meeting according to the governing document. The maximum number of Trustees for the Board is ten. Potential Trustees are approached by personal recommendation together

with CV and references. Trustees are sought by advertising for applicants among the Members, NCVS, Newcastle Volunteer Centre, VODA and other Organisations.

Organisation

The Trustees' Board meets regularly (a minimum of three times per year) to review activities and financial issues. The organisation of Trustee roles is regularly reviewed and updated, extra management meetings are held as required. The Chair is a titular role and a democratic model of sharing out roles and responsibilities among the Trustees, according to their expertise and skills is practised to best effect. Management of the Charity's finances are the shared responsibility of the board.

The charity has a part time/contracted worker in the role of the Advice, Support and Assessment Coordinator, who works in consultation with Trustees to manage and coordinate all services provided by Dyslexia North East. This involves close working partnerships with other organisations and institutions, to meet the ever growing demand for the advice, guidance and services offered by Dyslexia North East.

Finance Report

Income for financial year 2022-2023 was £61,838 and the expenditure was £73,309. We are aware that our funds are low, however the trustees have taken all necessary steps to cut back expenditure as far as possible. However at the same time ensuring that the charity's ability to provide an effective and sustainable service continues.

Public Benefit

In setting the objectives and activities of the Charity, the Trustees make sure that the guidelines of the GDPR and Charity Commission are followed, as defined in the Charities Act 2006, so that its purposes benefit members of the public, whatever their culture, background or ethnicity.

Objectives and Activities

The Objects of the Charity are to promote the advancement of education, and to give support to those affected by specific learning difficulties, including related conditions, to assist them to achieve their full potential. Primarily, Dyslexia North East seeks to promote knowledge and understanding of Dyslexia – raise awareness in schools, universities, colleges and the workplace – give support and advice to both individuals of all ages with dyslexia, and their families

Advice, Guidance and Support

This remains a key provision of the Charity. Our communication streams (phone and email) are open throughout the year. Enquiries are welcome from parents, adult dyslexics, employers and education professionals and providers, as well as other interested parties.

Giving Advice, Guidance and Support has increased since Covid Lockdown. Parents are being advised and encouraged by their children's schools to have private assessments. This is due to schools' lack of funding and very long waiting lists. The majority of parents are not familiar with Dyslexia and are not sure where to start in arranging an assessment for their child.

Our very experienced Coordinator at Dyslexia North-East talks at length to the interested party, explaining every step of the process and the diagnostic report.

Advice and guidance continue after the assessment, signposting when recommendations have been included in the report, for example, suggesting a tutor, or an appointment with an Optometrist for a Visual Stress Eye Test. DNE can give details of how to find these.

Assessments

As well as offering important advice, guidance and support, we continue to offer diagnostic assessment for Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Workplace Needs assessments for dyslexics. All assessors (Educational Psychologists or Specialist Dyslexia Teachers) hold relevant and current British Dyslexic Association Assessment Qualifications.

This is a breakdown of assessments over this year.

Diagnostic Dyslexia Assessments: This is a breakdown of assessments over this year.

Adults: **52** Aged 18-60 Years

Children: **80** Aged 7-17 years

Organisations requesting repeat assessments: -

Durham Police Constabulary

N.E. Ambulance Service

Cranmer College Durham (C of E Priests and Readers)

Aspin Academy, schools in Durham and Knaresborough

Westfield School For Girls

NHS

Assessments Geographically:

Children: 80

Newcastle 13, North Tyneside 13, South Tyneside 1, Gateshead 3, Durham 20, Northumberland 20, North Yorkshire 4, Teeside 3, Cumbria 3.

Adults: 51

Newcastle 2, North Tyneside 5, South Tyneside 1, Gateshead 2, Sunderland 5, Durham 23, Northumberland 4, North Yorkshire 1, Teeside 8.

The average number of phone calls received based on 50 weeks: 1,500.

The average number of emails received based on 50 weeks: 1,500.

Tutoring

Experienced and qualified tutors deliver specialised individual programs for children and young adults, both virtually and in person. There were over 250 tutoring sessions held during the year.

Dyslexia Awareness Workshops

There were workshops delivered to Newcastle University and Durham Constabulary and they are available on request for education, training and workplace providers.

Fundraising and support

This has been another challenging year for Dyslexia North-East in relation to securing funding, especially for Core Costs. This year has been about consolidation, sustainability and keeping outgoing costs to a minimum.

Our Profile has changed organically in the current climate and for the last year we have concentrated mainly on giving advice and guidance and supporting people in arranging assessments.

We continue to seek new funding sources to enable us to build upon our strong partnerships in order to identify and support individuals of all ages with dyslexia and their families, to assist them in achieving their full potential.

Supporting Dyslexia in the Workplace

Dyslexia North-East continues to raise awareness with employers, giving them help and advice to help support their employees in the workplace.

We are fortunate enough to work with some large organisations and provide assessments for their employees when they are required.

We have also offered guidance on improving their procedures, based on feedback from employees during their initial screening interviews.

Example Of Good Practice

One of these organisations runs a lot of apprenticeships, and several common difficulties were repeatedly brought up during their screenings regarding the training process.

This information prompted our Coordinator to email the Employer with some suggestions and guidance which might help the new recruits through the training process and the dyslexics waiting to be assessed.

This is an excerpt from the email that Dyslexia North-East received from the Employer's

Project Manager / Strategy, Planning and Transformation, Chair of Staff's Disability Network

'The team are keen to continually learn and they have indeed seen the benefit of directing the apprentice's assessor to where the SPLD reports are held. This ensures that the assessors

are fully briefed on the specific requirements of each student. When the students consent to share their DNE report, I regularly get requests for a Dyslexia Workplace Needs Assessment to ensure that we are capturing our colleague's needs early on.

If they return work that is hard to understand or illegible, we hold on to this or we return to the learner with advice not to re-submit it. We know it is more beneficial to have a face-to-face conversation with the learner and discuss what is needed on that piece of work. Again, this is not to unduly highlight an area that is clearly difficult for them, but to ensure we can capture their needs and support them in that piece of work.

Some learners can develop this skill with speech-to-text, some can use spell check (others would struggle as they do not know what words to look for) some learners need a conversation and an auditory assessment as opposed to a written assessment. We are keen to ensure that we capture the specific needs of our learners and provide the right adjustments so that they have what they need to produce the work required as part of their ongoing assessments. Not only has this proven to be of more benefit for all concerned but it is less demoralising for our students who are working really hard in an area that is not easy for them.

*We totally agree that early assessment is vital and that is why we use the BKSB assessment on **all** students irrespective of their presenting needs and this also highlights other students who perhaps were not aware they had a SPLD.*

I absolutely recognise that asking for help can be incredibly tough and that is why we are investing in more trained Dyslexia Workplace Needs Assessors in both our training and education department and our Emergency Control Facility. The WPNA has been the best tool to ensure a robust and collaborative approach to ensuring our colleagues have all they need to succeed in their roles.

I fully recognise that disclosing a SPLD, a neurodiversity or disability is an incredibly personal experience. A lot of work and communications exercises have highlighted the great work that has already taken place around workplace adjustments. We do see that the 'landscape' continues to change, and conversations of this ilk are becoming more normalised. We are seeing a positive shift in our workplace culture as has been indicated in the staff survey.

As we are always keen to find ways to continually improve this process, we will draft a summary document to all our staff in Education Department to ensure that the same process and practice is followed and this will pick up new staff who have recently joined our team, so that we can continue the great work we have established and of course continue to build on our wonderful relationship with Dyslexia North East.'

Thanks again for highlighting this to us June, its appreciated and we value your continual support and open communication.

Future prospects

The board of Trustees recognises the impact of our inability to recruit new trustees on the financial position of the organisation. Our ability to raise funds in the usual ways has been reduced. The trustees will monitor a projection of income for 12 months ahead and actively look for new sources of funding as well as trying to increase core paid for services.

We plan on continuing to deliver Helpline and advice services, offer tutoring and Dyslexia & Dyscalculia assessments for both children & adults. We advocate for dyslexics of all ages.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

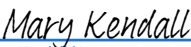
The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees and directors of Dyslexia North East have read and approved this annual report which is signed on their behalf by:


Mary Kendall (Jun 26, 2024 13:40 GMT+1)

Mary Kendall

Date 26/06/24

Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 30 September 2023

I report on the financial statements of Dyslexia North East for the year ended 30 September 2023, which are set out on pages 9 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act') and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michelle Wright
MW Accounting Services
Woodgate House
5c Wood Street
Gateshead
NE11 9NP


Michelle Wright (Jun 27, 2024 09:14 GMT+1)

Date: 26/06/24

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(INCLUDING SUMMARY INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

For the year ended 30 September 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	6	175	-	175	10,846
Charitable activities					
Grants and contracts	7	823	-	823	1,841
Other trading activities	8	60,840	-	60,840	50,322
Total income		61,838	-	61,838	63,009
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	9	73,309	-	73,309	86,664
Total expenditure		73,309	-	73,309	86,664
Net income/(expenditure)		(11,471)	-	(11,471)	(23,655)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement of funds		(11,471)	-	(11,471)	(23,655)
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		12,307	-	12,307	35,962
Total funds carried forward		836	-	836	12,307

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form an integral part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 September 2023

	Notes	£	Total 2023 £	£	Total 2022 £
<u>Current assets</u>					
Debtors	15	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	16	1,536		12,807	
Total current assets		1,536		12,807	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(700)		(500)	
Net current assets			836		12,307
Total assets less current liabilities			836		12,307
Total net assets or liabilities			836		12,307
<u>Funds of the charity</u>					
Unrestricted income funds			836		12,307
Restricted income funds			-		-
Total funds			836		12,307

The company was entitled to an exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with the respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 14/06/24

and are signed on its behalf by:

Mary Kendall
Treasurer

Mary Kendall
Mary Kendall (Jun 26, 2024 13:40 GMT+1)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2023

1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Dyslexia North East meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year end of £836 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 to 18 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

3 Income

3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

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3.4 Donated goods and services

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided that the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with the equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

3.5 Volunteer help

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

3.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

3.7 Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in donations and legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

3.8 Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

3.9 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of assessments and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

4.5 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

5 Assets

5.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis, the charity does not currently have any tangible fixed assets:

Leasehold property improvements	Straight line over life of lease
Office and computer equipment	Straight line over four years

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For the year ended 30 September 2023

Analysis of income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
6 Activities for generating funds				
Membership fees	-	-	-	235
Fundraising	-	-	-	10
Tuition	175	-	175	10,601
	<u>175</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>10,846</u>
7 Charitable activities				
<u>Income from grants</u>				
General Donations	823	-	823	1,841
	<u>823</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>823</u>	<u>1,841</u>
8 Other income				
Other income	-	-	-	20
Assessment fees	60,840	-	60,840	50,302
	<u>60,840</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,840</u>	<u>50,322</u>

Income was £61,838 (2022: £63,009) of which £61,838 was unrestricted or designated (2022: £63,009) and £0 was restricted (2022: £0)

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Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
9 Charitable activities				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Assessment fees	39,355	-	39,355	-
Tuition costs	6,820	-	6,820	4,048
Sessional workers	-	-	-	4,360
Project activities	-	-	-	158
<u>Support costs</u>				
Licences/insurance	45	-	45	484
Office costs	1,688	-	1,688	3,061
Website	-	-	-	150
Rent	-	-	-	300
Secretarial costs	24,980	-	24,980	23,680
Depreciation	-	-	-	809
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	200	-	200	500
Professional fees	221	-	221	49,114
	73,309	-	73,309	86,664

Expenditure on charitable activities was £73,309 (2022: £86,664) of which £73,309 was unrestricted or designated (2022: £86,664) and £0 was restricted (2022: £0)

10 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	200	500
	200	500

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2022: £nil)

11 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £0.

12 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

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13 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Office furniture	Computer equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation			
Basis	SL	SL	
Rate	25%	25%	
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation charge for year	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Net book value			
Brought forward	-	-	-
Carried forward	-	-	-

15 Debtors and prepayments (receivable within 1 year)

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	-	-
	-	-

16 Cash at bank and in hand

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank and in hand	1,536	12,807
	1,536	12,807

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17 Creditors and accruals (payable within 1 year)

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals		
Independent examination of accounts	700	500
	<u>700</u>	<u>500</u>

18 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

19 Analysis of charitable funds**Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds**

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	8,491	61,838	(73,309)	3,816	836
Designated funds					
Contingencies	3,457	-	-	(3,457)	-
Sponsorship	359	-	-	(359)	-
Totals	<u>12,307</u>	<u>61,838</u>	<u>(73,309)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>836</u>

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' after allowing for designated funds
Designated funds	
Contingencies	This is to cover future rent and salary costs
Sponsorship	This is a separate fund for training or assessments

Transfers between funds

	Reason for transfer	Amount £
Between designated and unrestricted	To fund current year expenditure	<u>3,816</u>

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20 Capital commitments

As at 30 September 2023, the charity had no capital commitments (2022 -£nil)

21 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	1,536	-	1,536
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	(700)	-	(700)
	836	-	836

DYSLEXIA NORTH EAST

England & Wales - Charity number 1129358

Accounts



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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30th September 2022

Charity Number: 1129358

Company Number 06707963

Dyslexia North EAST (A company by guarantee)
Trustees Annual report For the year ended **Sept 30 2022**

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Dyslexia North EAST (A company by guarantee)
Trustees Annual report For the year ended **Sept 30 2022**

The Trustees are pleased to present their Annual Directors' report together with financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th September 2022, which are prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for the Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with The Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the memorandum and articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland(FRS 102) effective 1 January 2015.

Charity name	Dyslexia North East
Working Name	Dyslexia North East England
Registered charity No:	1129358 Registered in England and Wales
Registered Company Limited by Guarantee No:	06707963
Registered in England and Wales	
Local Dyslexia Association affiliated to the British Dyslexic Association.	

Trustees and Directors

Lyn Brown	Appointed Chair Mar 2020 resigned September 2023
Karen Tait	Vice chair re-elected 2019
Mrs Mary Kendall	Treasurer re-elected 2019
Patricia Custance	Elected January 2019
David Schofield	Elected February 2023

Independent Examiner Lilian Hetherington Connected Voice Business Services, 1 Strawberry Lane, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4BX

Bank details Co-operative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 6WT.

Structure, Governance and Management

Dyslexia North East is a Company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. Currently there are 4 Trustees, with enquiries and advertisement for Trustees being made.

Appointment and Retirement of Trustees

Trustees are elected at the AGM each year, and one third of the Trustees must retire in rotation at each AGM. A retiring Trustee can be re-elected. Other Trustees can be co-opted at a Trustees meeting according to the governing document. The maximum number of Trustees for the Board is ten. Potential Trustees are approached by personal recommendation together

with CV and references. Trustees are sought by advertising for applicants among the Members, NCVS, Newcastle Volunteer Centre, VODA and other Organisations.

Organisation

The Trustees' Board meets regularly (a minimum of three times per year) to review activities and financial issues. The organisation of Trustee roles is regularly reviewed and updated, extra management meetings are held as required. The Chair is a titular role and a democratic model of sharing out roles and responsibilities among the Trustees, according to their expertise and skills is practised to best effect. Management of the Charity's finances are the shared responsibility of the board.

The charity has a part time/contracted worker in the role of the Advice, Support and Assessment Coordinator, who works in consultation with Trustees to manage and coordinate all services provided by Dyslexia North East. This involves close working partnerships with other organisations and institutions, to meet the ever growing demand for the advice, guidance and services offered by Dyslexia North East.

Finance Report.

Income for financial year 2021-2022 was £63,009 and the expenditure was £86,664, taking into account the money brought forward from the previous year, the Charity has £12,307 in unrestricted reserves to carry forward.

Reserves Policy We are aware that our funds are low, however the trustees are taking all necessary steps as far as possible, to ensure that the charity's ability to provide an effective and sustainable service will continue.

Public Benefit

In setting the objectives and activities of the Charity, the Trustees make sure that the guidelines of the GDPR and Charity Commission are followed, as defined in the Charities Act 2006, so that its purposes benefit members of the public, whatever their culture, background or ethnicity.

Objectives and Activities

The Objects of the Charity are to promote the advancement of education, and to give support to those affected by specific learning difficulties, including related conditions, to assist them to achieve their full potential. Primarily, Dyslexia North East seeks to promote knowledge and understanding of Dyslexia – raise awareness in schools, universities, colleges and the workplace – give support and advice to both individuals of all ages with dyslexia, and their families

Advice, Guidance and Support

This remains a key provision of the Charity. Our communication streams (phone and email) are open throughout the year. Enquiries are welcome from parents, adult dyslexics, employers and education professionals and providers, as well as other interested parties.

Assessments

Along with offering important advice, guidance and support, we continue to offer diagnostic assessment for dyslexia, dyscalculia and workplace needs assessments for dyslexics. All assessors (educational psychologists or specialist teachers) hold relevant and current British

Dyslexic Association Assessment Qualifications. This is a breakdown of assessments over this year.

Adults: 69 Aged 18-60 Years

Children: 70 Aged 7-17 years

Organisations requesting repeat assessments: -

Durham Police Constabulary

N.E. Ambulance Service

Cranmer College Durham (C of E Priests and Readers)

RAF Leeming, RAF Boulmer

Lindisfarne College

Henshaw C of E Primary School Bardon Mill

Aspin Academy, schools in Durham and Knaresborough

Westfield School For Girls

NHS

Assessments Geographically:

Children: 70

Newcastle 10, North Tyneside 9, South Tyneside 1, Gateshead 9, Durham 14,

Northumberland 15, North Yorkshire 6, Teesside 5, Cumbria 1.

Adults: 69

Newcastle 9, North Tyneside 6, South Tyneside 6, Gateshead 2, Sunderland 5, Durham 22, Northumberland 9, North Yorkshire 2, Teesside 7, Cumbria 1.

The average number of phone calls based on 50 weeks: 1,500.

The average number of emails, based on 50 weeks: 1,500.

Tutoring

Tutoring has continued both virtually and in person. Experienced and qualified tutors deliver specialised individual programs for children and young adults. There were over 350 tutoring sessions held during the year.

Dyslexia Awareness Workshops

There were workshops delivered to the university and the NHS and they are available on request for education, training and workplace providers.

Fundraising and support

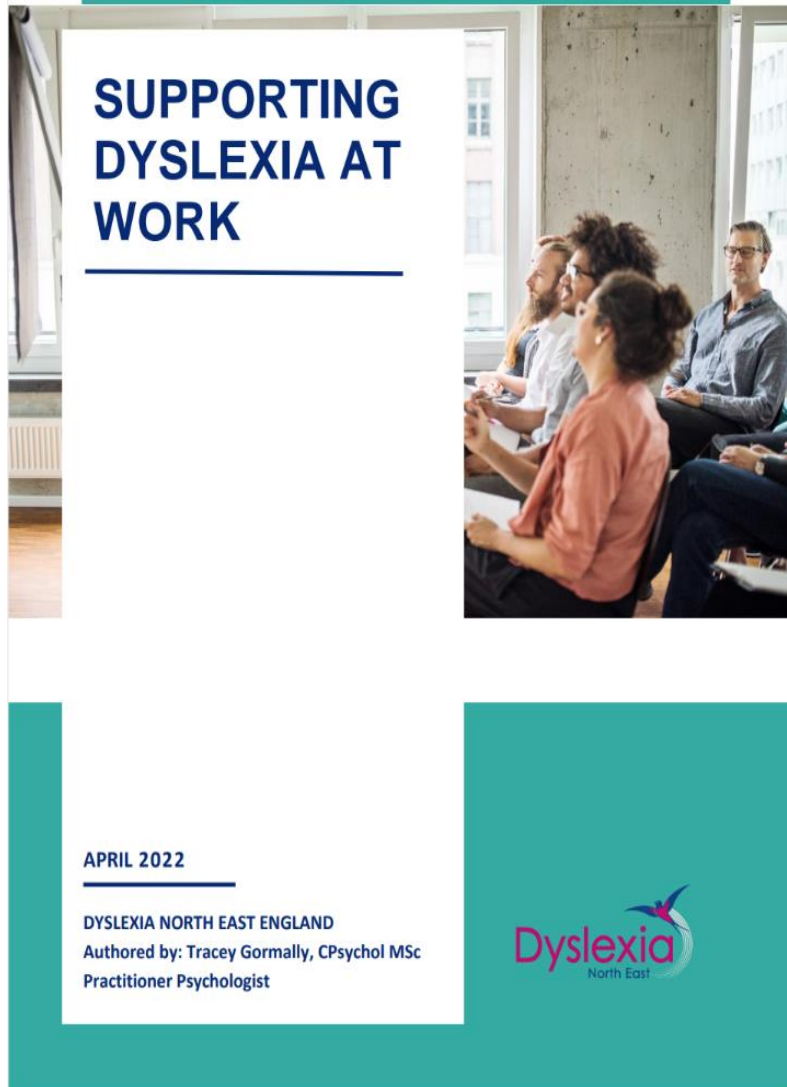
We are pleased to have received Greggs Trust Funding which helped to meet some of our core running costs. This funding also enabled us to increase our ability to respond to enquiries for advice, guidance and support. This has resulted in an increase in the number of assessments both educational and workplace, across the region.

We continue to seek new funding sources to enable us build upon our strong partnerships in order to identify and support individuals of all ages with dyslexia and their families.

Parent & child groups

We no longer have funds to run regular parent & child groups but continue to prioritise advocacy for dyslexic children and young people. All Trustees, tutors and assessors champion dyslexics and the ever present need for dyslexia awareness, this includes:

- Important campaigning for more educational psychologists and specialist teachers;
- Equitable access to assessments;



- Access to the right assistive technology.

British Dyslexic Association.

We are an affiliated group to the British Dyslexia Association (BDA). We are the Northeast Link to The Local Association Board representing Dyslexics across England & Wales. Attend APPG for dyslexics and other SpLD. Part of a network of peer support for other affiliated BDA groups. www.bdadyslexia.org.uk

We took part in Dyslexia Awareness week promoting webinars and collaborations on the theme of Breaking through Barriers. We recognise dyslexics still face many barriers.

Attended: dyslexiashow.co.uk March 2022

Yorkshirerosedyslexia.org.uk dyslexia conference June 2022.

Workplace Support

Important research has provided understanding how barriers can be lifted in the workplace. Dyslexia North East is proud to have supported the author of this report and we are thankful for the dyslexics who contributed to the data by sharing their own personal stories in Supporting Dyslexia at Work a digital leaflet, a valuable resource for all workplaces

Future prospects

The board of Trustees recognises the impact of our inability to recruit new trustees on the financial position of the organisation. Our ability to raise funds in the usual ways has been reduced. The trustees will monitor a projection of income for 12 months ahead and actively look for new sources of funding as well as trying to increase core paid for services.

We plan on continuing to deliver Helpline and advice services, offer tutoring and Dyslexia & Dyscalculia assessments for both children & adults. We advocate for dyslexics of all ages.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees and directors of Dyslexia North East have read and approved this annual report which is signed on their behalf by:

Mary Kendall
Treasurer


[Mary Kendall \(Jul 21, 2023 15:37 GMT+1\)](#)

Date 19 July 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 30 September 2022

I report on the financial statements of Dyslexia North East for the year ended 30 September 2022, which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lilian Hetherington FCA
Connected Voice Business Services
One Strawberry Lane
Newcastle upon Tyne

Lilian Hetherington

Date: 21/07/2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(INCLUDING SUMMARY INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

For the year ended 30 September 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	6	10,846	-	10,846	32,101
Charitable activities					
Grants and contracts	7	1,841	-	1,841	19,749
Other trading activities	8	50,322	-	50,322	40,315
Total income		63,009	-	63,009	92,165
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	9	86,664	-	86,664	88,834
Total expenditure		86,664	-	86,664	88,834
Net income/(expenditure)		(23,655)	-	(23,655)	3,331
Transfers between funds		12,332	(12,332)	-	-
Net movement of funds		(11,323)	(12,332)	(23,655)	3,331
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		23,630	12,332	35,962	32,631
Total funds carried forward		12,307	-	12,307	35,962

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	£	Total 2022 £	£	Total 2021 £
Tangible assets	14		-		809
Total fixed assets			-		809
Current assets					
Debtors	15	-		800	
Cash at bank and in hand	16	12,807		35,433	
Total current assets		12,807		36,233	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(500)		(1,080)	
Net current assets			12,307		35,153
Total assets less current liabilities			12,307		35,962
Total net assets or liabilities			12,307		35,962
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted income funds			12,307		23,630
Restricted income funds			-		12,332
Total funds			12,307		35,962

The company was entitled to an exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with the respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 19 July 2023

and are signed on its behalf by:

Mary Kendall
Treasurer


Mary Kendall (Jul 21, 2023 15:37 GMT+1)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2022

1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Dyslexia North East meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year end of £12,307 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 to 18 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

3 Income

3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

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3.4 Donated goods and services

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided that the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with the equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

3.5 Volunteer help

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

3.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

3.7 Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in donations and legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

3.8 Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

3.9 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of assessments and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

4.5 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

5 Assets

5.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis, the charity does not currently have any tangible fixed assets:

Leasehold property improvements	Straight line over life of lease
Office and computer equipment	Straight line over four years

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Analysis of income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
6 Activities for generating funds				
Membership fees	235	-	235	364
Fundraising	10	-	10	-
Tuition	10,601	-	10,601	31,737
	<u>10,846</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,846</u>	<u>32,101</u>
7 Charitable activities				
<u>Income from grants</u>				
Greggs Foundation	-	-	-	15,000
Graham Wylie Foundation	-	-	-	3,249
General Donations	1,841	-	1,841	1,500
	<u>1,841</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,841</u>	<u>19,749</u>
8 Other income				
Other income	20	-	20	-
Assessment fees	50,302	-	50,302	40,190
Workshop fees	-	-	-	125
	<u>50,322</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,322</u>	<u>40,315</u>

Income was £63,009 (2021: £92,165) of which £63,009 was unrestricted or designated (2021: £73,916) and £0 was restricted (2021: £18,249)

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9 Charitable activities

Direct costs

Assessment fees	-	-	-	4,081
Tuition costs	4,048	-	4,048	26,651
Sessional workers	4,360	-	4,360	108
Project activities	158	-	158	36
Marketing and promotion	-	-	-	40

Support costs

Licences/insurance	484	-	484	818
Office costs	3,061	-	3,061	3,072
Website	150	-	150	-
Rent	300	-	300	1,463
Secretarial costs	23,680	-	23,680	21,743
Depreciation	809	-	809	1,145

Governance costs

Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	500	-	500	540
Professional fees	49,114	-	49,114	29,137
	86,664	-	86,664	88,834

Expenditure on charitable activities was £86,664 (2021: £88,834) of which £86,664 was unrestricted or designated (2021: £79,466) and £0 was restricted (2021: £9,368)

10 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	500	540
	500	540

There were no other fees paid to the examiner (2021: £nil)

11 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees . The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £0.

12 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

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14 Tangible fixed assets

	Office furniture	Computer equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation			
Basis	SL	SL	
Rate	25%	25%	
Balance brought forward	1,025	3,769	4,794
Depreciation charge for year	-	809	809
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Net book value			
Brought forward	-	809	809
Carried forward	-	-	-

15 Debtors and prepayments (receivable within 1 year)

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	-	800
	-	800

16 Cash at bank and in hand

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash at bank and in hand	12,807	35,433
	12,807	35,433

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For the year ended 30 September 2022

17 Creditors and accruals (payable within 1 year)

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals		
Independent examination of accounts	500	540
Other accruals	-	540
	500	1,080

18 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

19 Analysis of charitable funds**Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds**

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	19,814	63,009	(86,664)	12,332	8,491
Designated funds					
Contingencies	3,457	-	-	-	3,457
Sponsorship	359	-	-	-	359
Totals	23,630	63,009	(86,664)	12,332	12,307

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' after allowing for designated funds
Designated funds	
Contingencies	This is to cover future rent and salary costs
Sponsorship	This is a separate fund for training or assessments

20 Analysis of movement in restricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					
Graham Wylie Foundation	5,188	-	-	(5,188)	-
Greggs Foundation	7,144	-	-	(7,144)	-
Totals	12,332	-	-	(12,332)	-

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Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Graham Wylie Foundation

To support young dyslexics

Greggs Foundation

To fund office administration costs and helpline services

Transfers between funds

	Reason for transfer	Amount £
Between unrestricted and restricted funds	To fund current year expenditure	12,332

21 Capital commitments

As at 30 September 2022, the charity had no capital commitments (2021 -£nil)

22 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	12,807	-	12,807
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	(500)	-	(500)
	12,307	-	12,307

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**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 30 Sept 2021**

**Charity number 1129358
Company number 06707963**

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 30 September 2021

The Trustees are pleased to present their Annual Directors' report together with financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 30 September 2021, which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and Accounts for the Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

1. Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

Charity name: Dyslexia North East
Working name: Dyslexia North East England
Registered Charity No: 1129358 Registered in England and Wales
Registered Company Limited by Guarantee No: 06707963
Registered in England and Wales
Local Dyslexia Association affiliated to the British Dyslexia Association.
Registered Office: C/O Connected Voice, Higham House, Higham Place, Newcastle, NE1 8AF

Trustees/Directors of Dyslexia North East 2021

Mr. Roland Craig	Honorary President Elected April 2017
Karen Tait	Vice Chair
Mrs Mary Kendall	Treasurer
Lyn Brown	Chair
Patricia Custance	

Patron Simon Donald (2011) (Comedy Entertainer and Cartoonist)

Members of the Finance Committee

Lyn Brown Chair, Mary Kendall Treasurer, Patricia Custance, Karen Tait

Independent Examiner

Michelle Wright MAAT
Connected Voice Business Services
Higham House, Higham Place, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8AF

Bank details

Co-operative Bank,
PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 6WT.

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2. Structure, Governance and Management

Dyslexia North East is a Company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The document was revised in 2019 to comply with new regulations. Currently there are 4 Trustees, with enquiries and advertisement for Trustees being made for the vacancies. There are 132 Members which includes 93 with Free Membership and 37 have joint shared Membership of the BDA and Dyslexia North East.

Appointment and Retirement of Trustees

Trustees are elected at the AGM in January each year, and one third of the Trustees must retire in rotation at each AGM. A retiring Trustee can be re-elected. Other Trustees can be co-opted at a Trustees meeting according to the governing document. The maximum number of Trustees for the Board is ten. Potential Trustees are approached by personal recommendation together with CV and references. Trustees are sought by advertising for applicants among the Members, CV, Newcastle Volunteer Centre, VODA and other Organisations.

Organisation

The Trustees Board meet every month to review activities and financial issues (in person or virtually). The Organisation of Trustee roles is regularly reviewed and updated. Extra Management meetings held as needed.

The Chief Executive takes responsibility for coordinating the outreach and promotion of Dyslexia North East, and giving leadership in various roles, in consultation with the Office Staff, Members and Trustees. Where possible, responsibilities are shared out among the different Trustees, according to their expertise and skills. Management of the Charity's finances are all trustees' responsibility.

Public Benefit In setting the objectives and activities of the Charity, the Trustees make sure that the guidelines of the GDPR and Charity Commission are followed, as defined in the Charities Act 2006, so that its purposes benefit members of the public, whatever their culture, background or ethnicity.

3. Objectives and Activities

The Objects of the Charity are to promote the advancement of education, and to give support to those affected by specific learning difficulties, including related conditions, so as to assist them achieve their full potential.

Advice & Support has remained open via phone or email throughout the year. It has been more important than ever as many people have experienced changes to work and education.

Assessments We continue to offer diagnostic assessment for dyslexia & dyscalculia, workplace needs assessments for dyslexics. All assessors hold current British Dyslexic Association Assessment Practising Certificate.

www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/services/accreditation/dyslexia-assessor-accreditation/assessment-practising-certificate-apc

Tutoring has continued online and in person. Tutors deliver specialised individual programs for the individual child or young person. All have lots of experience and hold specialist qualifications.

Legacy fund We hold a small fund that has been used to loan payments for professional accreditation fees

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Dyslexia Awareness workshops were delivered & are available for workplaces, schools and colleges

Fundraising and support we were honored Miller Groundbreaking UK Ltd chose Dyslexia Northeast to be their Charity of the year as well as inviting us in to talk to their workforce they also raised funds for us throughout the year.



With the help of a fundraising advisor, we received a Community Fund (CCSF) grant. That helped to deliver advice and support. A Greggs Foundation Northeast core funding grant for 12 months. That will help us to continue delivering services until Summer 2022.

Parent & child groups We continued to offer zoom groups online. Created Art worksheets encouraging young dyslexics to celebrate their creativity.

Animation Fun

Make a Thaumatrope



You will need:

Some paper, card, colouring things, scissors glue and sticky tape and a stick - such as an old pencil, chop stick, thin dowel, wooden skewer (remove the point for safety) Something to draw around circle or square, string

First draw around your template on your card and paper - you need 1 piece of card & 2 pieces of paper.

Draw an image on one piece of paper, it's usually best to draw the picture fairly centrally. Such as a goldfish or bird etc



On the other piece of paper draw the image that goes with your 1st picture such as a goldfish bowl or bird cage - make sure your image is bigger than your 1st drawing so that it goes around it.

In partnership with Gateshead College we completed Celebrating Difference art project resulting in creating an

online art gallery.



<https://www.artsteps.com/view/60098b8f9ce13e65df5b33ff>

We could not have done this without 'The Brilliant' Nicky Wall facilitating & the funding from The Graham Wylie Trust. Sirgrahamwyliefoundation.org.uk

Our biggest thank you goes to all the creative young dyslexics who produced artwork and shared their experiences.

We have trialed & consulted with parents & young people to find out how they would like to get information, different ways to connect up. Empowering both parents and young people to be able to access support

Thanks to our Sponsors and Funders

Dyslexia North East is very grateful to all our funders and sponsors over the past year.

- Especially we wish to thank the Graham Wylie Foundation for their generous grant of £3,249 for 3 years for a Special Project Book to be done at Meadow well with High Flyers and the RGS Wed Group in Newcastle.
- Gateshead College

The British Dyslexic Association links

We are an affiliated group to The BDA. In the last year we have been able to join in meetings to represent both dyslexics and those who work professionally nationally. We are the Northeast Link to The Local Association Board representing Dyslexics across England & Wales. Attend APPG for dyslexics and other SpLD. Part of a network of peer support for other affiliated BDA groups.

www.bdadyslexia.org.uk

We took part in Dyslexia Awareness week supporting going red for dyslexia #SucceedWithDyslexia as well as

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#Dyslexiacreates alongside BDA. Sharing stories of dyslexics everyday experience.

We reorganised to work permanently from home & online, with the intention of hiring or using spaces if we need them in the future. This has helped us to reduce costs while maintaining services. The last year has been challenging as we have reduced volunteers and contractors to deliver work. We have found enquiries for help continue & generally take longer to answer. We have only been able to do this with the increased workload and support of June Reinaldo managing the virtual office and enquiries.

As has been evidenced children & young people were impacted with lockdowns. Many schools found it difficult to offer tailored support online and dyslexic pupils reported greater difficulties in accessing the curriculum. Lockdowns continued to increase parent's knowledge on the difficulties their children were facing. A few reported to prefer working at home as they could adapt pace and take breaks when needed.

Changes to workplaces offered greater difficulties for dyslexics who took longer to adapt to new routines and ways of working. It can remain difficult for dyslexics to access reasonable adjustments. The greatest barrier is employers being aware of reasonable adjustments and assistive technology that could be easily provided.

Invisible dyslexia work highlighted most do not like to ask for help especially if it's not clear what the company policies are. Having assistive technology or the right adjustments are often low cost and easy to adopt. Many workplaces value dyslexic skills and are surprised how easy it is to include when they have the right knowledge.

We support campaigns to make assessments fairer to access, ask for more specially qualified teachers and encourage workplaces to shoutout about reasonable adjustments.

We plan to continue to campaign and support dyslexics of all ages.

Financial Report

Income for Dyslexia North East has showed an increase of 5% over the previous year with a total of £92,165 being recorded, compared with £87,557 at year end 2020.

The reserves continue to be strong, showing a total of £35,962 compared with £32,631 at the year-end 2020.

Cash and Bank balances have increased by £4,938 with creditors increasing by £463, and assets decreasing by £1,145, explaining the movement around the balance sheet.

This gives the Trustees and Service users comfort that the much needed Services will be able to continue into the foreseeable future.

Reserves Policy

The Board of Trustees recognises the need to maintain adequate unrestricted financial reserves to meet unforeseen contingencies. At 30 September 2021 the Reserves stood at £35,962. The Trustees maintain a rolling projection for at least 12 months ahead and will continue to ensure that funding is sought from as wide a variety of sources as possible.

The Trustees will take all necessary steps to ensure that at no time in the foreseeable future, would it be possible for the ending of an income stream to seriously jeopardize our future so that we could continue to provide an effective and sustainable service.

In reviewing fixed costs that would still be incurred should there be a significant reduction in income, our policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level equivalent to at least 3 months core operating expenditure plus a variable sum to continue, promote and grow the charitable objectives pursued.

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4. Plans for the Future of Dyslexia North East. Staff changes

- Improving the Website so that useful information for enquirers will make it more professional and accessible is underway
- Recruit new trustees and volunteers
- Strengthen links with BDA
- Empower young dyslexics and their families
- Connect with local employers, educators and community groups

Working with our Volunteers

Dyslexia North East is indebted to our Volunteers who give their time and talents to help the children in our care.

5. Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standard (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.)

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing the financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- 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
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees and Directors of Dyslexia North East have read and approved this Annual Report, Signed by:

Lyn Brown Chairperson for Dyslexia North East

Signature: 

Date: 25/07/2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 30 September 2021

I report on the financial statements of Dyslexia North East for the year ended 30 September 2021, which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michelle Wright MAAT
Connected Voice Business Services
Higham House
Higham Place
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 8AF
Date: 25/07/2022



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(INCLUDING SUMMARY INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

For the year ended 30 September 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<u>Income from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	6	32,101	-	32,101	30,217
Charitable activities					
Grants and contracts	7	1,501	18,249	19,750	7,202
Other trading activities	8	40,315	-	40,315	50,138
Total income		73,916	18,249	92,165	87,557
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	9	79,466	9,368	88,834	81,619
Total expenditure		79,466	9,368	88,834	81,619
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement of funds		(5,550)	8,881	3,331	5,938
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward		29,180	3,451	32,631	26,693
Total funds carried forward		23,630	12,332	35,962	32,631

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 September 2021

	Notes	£	Total 2021 £	£	Total 2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	14		810		1,954
Total fixed assets			810		1,954
Current assets					
Debtors	15	800		800	
Cash at bank and in hand	16	35,432		30,494	
Total current assets		36,232		31,294	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(1,080)		(617)	
Net current assets			35,152		30,677
Total assets less current liabilities			35,962		32,631
Total net assets or liabilities			35,962		32,631
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted income funds			23,630		29,180
Restricted income funds			12,332		3,451
Total funds			35,962		32,631

The company was entitled to an exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

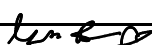
The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with the respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 25/07/2022

and are signed on its behalf by: Lyn Brown
Chair



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2021

1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Dyslexia North East meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year-end of £23,630 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. In making their assessment the trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including their annual budget and future cash flows. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the trustees have revised their forecasts to take into account measures that they can take with the current resources available to mitigate the impact of the current adverse conditions. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

3 Income

3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

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3.4 Donated goods and services

Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided that the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with the equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

3.5 Volunteer help

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

3.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

3.7 Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in donations and legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

3.8 Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

3.9 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of assessments and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

4.5 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

5 Assets

5.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Office furniture	Straight line over four years
Computer equipment	Straight line over four years

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Analysis of income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
6 Activities for generating funds				
Coffee	-	-	-	25
Membership fees	363	-	363	796
Fundraising	-	-	-	10,102
Tuition	31,737	-	31,737	19,295
	<u>32,101</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,101</u>	<u>30,217</u>
7 Charitable activities				
<u>Income resources - voluntary income</u>				
General donations	1,501	-	1,501	3,953
<u>Income from grants</u>				
Greggs Foundation	-	15,000	15,000	-
Graham Wylie Foundation	-	3,249	3,249	3,249
	<u>1,501</u>	<u>18,249</u>	<u>19,750</u>	<u>7,202</u>
8 Other income				
Other income	-	-	-	30
Workshop fees	125	-	125	485
Assessment fees	40,190	-	40,190	49,623
	<u>40,315</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,315</u>	<u>50,138</u>

Income was £92,165 (2020: £87,557) of which £73,916 was unrestricted or designated (2020: £84,308) and £18,249 was restricted (2020: £3,249)

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Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
9 Charitable activities				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Assessment fees	4,081	-	4,081	36,758
Workshop costs	-	-	-	1,682
Tuition costs	26,651	-	26,651	17,404
Sessional workers	-	108	108	9,214
Project activities	-	36	36	10,046
Marketing and promotion	40	-	40	-
Client Sponsorship	-	-	-	900
Fundraising Costs	-	-	-	460
<u>Support costs</u>				
Licences / insurance	818	-	818	399
Office costs	3,072	-	3,072	-
Website	-	-	-	102
Rent	1,463	-	1,463	2,888
Secretarial costs	13,419	8,324	21,743	252
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	8
Depreciation	1,145	-	1,145	782
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Professional fees	28,239	900	29,139	186
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	540	-	540	540
	<u>79,466</u>	<u>9,368</u>	<u>88,834</u>	<u>81,619</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £88,834 (2020: £81,619) of which £79,466 was unrestricted or designated (2020: £69,675) and £9,368 was restricted (2020: £11,944)

10 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2021 £	2020 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	540	540
Other accountancy services paid to the examiner	-	87
	<u>540</u>	<u>627</u>

11 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £0.

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12 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

13 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Office furniture £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost			
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation			
Basis	SL	SL	
Rate	25%	25%	
Balance brought forward	1,025	2,624	3,649
Depreciation charge for year	-	1,145	1,145
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	3,769	4,794
Net book value			
Brought forward	-	1,954	1,954
Carried forward	-	810	810

15 Debtors and prepayments (receivable within 1 year)

	2021 £	2020 £
Other debtors	800	800
	800	800

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16 Cash at bank and in hand

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank	35,432	30,494
	<u>35,432</u>	<u>30,494</u>

17 Creditors and accruals (payable within 1 year)

	2021 £	2020 £
Pension	-	77
Accruals		
Independent examination of accounts	540	540
Other accruals	540	-
	<u>1,080</u>	<u>617</u>

18 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

19 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	25,364	73,916	(79,466)	-	19,814
Designated funds					
Contingencies	3,457	-	-	-	3,457
Sponsorship	359	-	-	-	359
Totals	<u>29,180</u>	<u>73,916</u>	<u>(79,466)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,630</u>

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' after allowing for designated funds
Designated fund	
Contingencies	This is to cover future rent and salary costs
Sponsorship	This is a separate fund for training or assessments

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20 Analysis of charitable funds continued Analysis of movement in restricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Fund balances carried forward
Restricted funds	£	£	£	£	£
Graham Wylie Foundation	3,450	3,249	(1,512)	-	5,187
Greggs Foundation	-	15,000	(7,856)	-	7,144
Totals	3,450	18,249	(9,368)	-	12,331

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Graham Wylie Foundation	To fund the High Flyers project
Greggs Foundation	To fund the High Flyers project

21 Capital commitments

As at 30 September 2021, the charity had no capital commitments (2020 -£nil)

22 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	810	-	810	1,954
Cash at bank and in hand	23,100	12,332	35,432	30,494
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	(280)	-	(280)	183
	23,630	12,332	35,962	32,631

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Accounts



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**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 30 Sept 2020**

**Charity number 1129358
Company number 06707963**

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 30 September 2020

The Trustees are pleased to present their Annual Directors' report together with financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 30 September 2020, which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a Directors' report and Accounts for the Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

1. Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

Charity name: Dyslexia North East
Working name: Dyslexia North East England
Registered Charity No: 1129358 Registered in England and Wales
Registered Company Limited by Guarantee No: 06707963
Registered in England and Wales
Local Dyslexia Association affiliated to the British Dyslexia Association.
Registered Office: C/O Connected Voice, Higham House, Higham Place, Newcastle, NE1 8AF

Trustees/Directors of Dyslexia North East 2019

Mr. Roland Craig	Honorary President Elected April 2017
Mehrban Sadiq	Resigned September 2020
Karen Tait	Vice Chair
Dr Elizabeth Ferguson	Resigned September 2020
Mrs Mary Kendall	Treasurer
Kathrine Richards	Resigned May 2020
Lyn Brown	Chair
Patricia Custance	
Ronald Joyce	Resigned July 2020
Rachel Tasker	Appointed Mar 2020, Resigned Sept 2020

Patron Simon Donald (2011) (Comedy Entertainer and Cartoonist)

Members of the Finance Committee

Lyn Brown Chair, Mary Kendall Treasurer, Patricia Custance, Karen Tait

Independent Examiner

Michelle Wright MAAT
Connected Voice Business Services
Higham House, Higham Place, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 8AF

Bank details

Co-operative Bank,
PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire WN8 6WT.

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2. Structure, Governance and Management

Dyslexia North East is a Company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The document was revised in 2019 to comply with new regulations. Currently there are 4 Trustees, with enquiries and advertisement for Trustees being made for the vacancies. There are 132 Members which includes 93 with Free Membership and 37 have joint shared Membership of the BDA and Dyslexia North East.

Appointment and Retirement of Trustees

Trustees are elected at the AGM in January each year, and one third of the Trustees must retire in rotation at each AGM. A retiring Trustee can be re-elected. Other Trustees can be co-opted at a Trustees meeting according to the governing document. The maximum number of Trustees for the Board is ten. Potential Trustees are approached by personal recommendation together with CV and references. Trustees are sought by advertising for applicants among the Members, CV, Newcastle Volunteer Centre, VODA and other Organisations.

Organisation

The Trustees Board meet every month to review activities and financial issues (in person or virtually). The Organisation of Trustee roles is regularly reviewed and updated. Extra Management meetings held as needed.

The Chief Executive takes responsibility for coordinating the outreach and promotion of Dyslexia North East, and giving leadership in various roles, in consultation with the Office Staff, Members and Trustees. Where possible, responsibilities are shared out among the different Trustees, according to their expertise and skills. Management of the Charity's finances are all trustees' responsibility.

Public Benefit In setting the objectives and activities of the Charity, the Trustees make sure that the guidelines of the GDPR and Charity Commission are followed, as defined in the Charities Act 2006, so that its purposes benefit members of the public, whatever their culture, background or ethnicity.

3. Objectives and Activities

The Objects of the Charity are to promote the advancement of education, and to give support to those affected by specific learning difficulties, including related conditions, so as to assist them achieve their full potential.



In happy memory of Maria Conaty on her first day working from home.

Advice & Support has remained open via phone or email throughout. It has been more important than ever as many people have experienced changes to work and education.

Assessments were put on hold for a few weeks but are now offered in a COVID safe way.

Tutoring has also been adapted to be delivered online. All tutors are experienced in teaching dyslexics.

Legacy fund to support individuals gaining Professional Accreditation.

Dyslexia Awareness workshops were delivered & are available for workplaces, schools and colleges

Fundraising and support Simon Donald hosted a Super Gig.



We were able to adapt over the last year thanks to volunteers and members raising money from charity runs and dips to coffee mornings. From March 2020 we haven't been able to raise money if you are back swimming, running or cycling we would love your help.

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Parent & child groups continued at RGS Newcastle and Meadowell High Flyers up to March 2020. The last event workshop was March 13th 2020. From April we held zoom groups online and also trialed 1 to 1 sessions via zoom. We continued to answer questions by email or phone.



Thanks to our Sponsors and Funders

Dyslexia North East is very grateful to all our funders and sponsors over the past year.

- Especially we wish to thank the Graham Wylie Foundation for their generous grant of £3,249 for 3 years for a Special Project Book to be done at Meadow well with High Flyers and the RGS Wed Group in Newcastle.
- Gateshead College
- Simon Donald for supporting

We were able to run art workshops and put on an exhibition.

We couldn't have done it without the creative young dyslexics who produced artwork and shared their experiences.

[Dyslexia North East 'This Is Me' Celebrating Difference 2019 - YouTube](#)

The British Dyslexic Association links

We have always been an affiliated group but in the last year we have been able to join in meetings to represent both dyslexics and those who work professionally nationally. 80% of dyslexics leave school without a diagnosis 10-15% of the population is dyslexic help us to ask DfE for better funding to ensure everybody reaches their potential.

www.bdadyslexia.org.uk

We already had planned a year of change; Dr Liz Ferguson was retiring after many years of service alongside other long term trustee Katherine Richards. At the start of 2020 Mehrban, Chair of Trustees had to step down due to family commitments. Along came a year of change for everybody. It has left us with a core group of Trustees, & professionals determined to show from primary schools to workplaces and onto retirement there are brilliant dyslexics out there. What are you doing holding them back? How can you tap into their potential to help your company, school, or community be brilliant too?

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Financial Report

Income for Dyslexia North East has showed a decrease of 15% over the previous year with a total of £87,557 being recorded, compared with £102,859 at year end 2019.

The reserves continue to be strong, showing a total of £32,631 compared with £26,693 at the year-end 2019.

Cash and Bank balances have increased by £6,649 with creditors decreasing by £72, and assets decreasing by £782, explaining the movement around the balance sheet.

This gives the Trustees and Service users comfort that the much needed Services will be able to continue into the foreseeable future.

Reserves Policy

The Board of Trustees recognises the need to maintain adequate unrestricted financial reserves to meet unforeseen contingencies. At 30 September 2020 the Reserves stood at £32,632. The Trustees maintain a rolling projection for at least 12 months ahead and will continue to ensure that funding is sought from as wide a variety of sources as possible.

The Trustees will take all necessary steps to ensure that at no time in the foreseeable future, would it be possible for the ending of an income stream to seriously jeopardize our future so that we could continue to provide an effective and sustainable service.

In reviewing fixed costs that would still be incurred should there be a significant reduction in income, our policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level equivalent to at least 3 months core operating expenditure plus a variable sum to continue, promote and grow the charitable objectives pursued.

4. Plans for the Future of Dyslexia North East. Staff changes

- Improving the Website so that useful information for enquirers will make it more professional and accessible is underway
- Recruit new trustees and volunteers
- Strengthen links with BDA
- Empower young dyslexics and their families
- Connect with local employers, educators and community groups

Working with our Volunteers

Dyslexia North East is indebted to our Volunteers who give their time and talents to help the children in our care.

5. Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standard (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.)

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing the financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently

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- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- 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
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees and Directors of Dyslexia North East have read and approved this Annual Report, Signed by:

Lyn Brown Chairperson for Dyslexia North East

Signature:

Date: 05/05/2021



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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 30 September 2020

I report on the financial statements of Dyslexia North East for the year ended 30 September 2020, which are set out on pages 8 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michelle Wright MAAT
Connected Voice Business Services
Higham House
Higham Place
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 8AF
Date: 05/05/2021



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(INCLUDING SUMMARY INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

For the year ended 30 September 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	6	30,217	-	30,217	16,702
Charitable activities					
Grants and contracts	7	3,953	3,249	7,202	36,917
Other trading activities	8	50,138	-	50,138	49,238
Investments	9	-	-	-	2
Total income		84,308	3,249	87,557	102,859
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	10	69,675	11,944	81,619	109,082
Total expenditure		69,675	11,944	81,619	109,082
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement of funds		14,633	(8,695)	5,938	(6,223)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		14,547	12,146	26,693	32,916
Total funds carried forward		29,180	3,451	32,631	26,693

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form an integral part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 September 2020

	Notes	£	Total 2020 £	£	Total 2019 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	17		1,954		2,736
Total fixed assets			1,954		2,736
Current assets					
Debtors	18	800		800	
Cash at bank and in hand	19	30,494		23,845	
Total current assets		31,294		24,645	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	20	(617)		(688)	
Net current assets			30,677		23,957
Total assets less current liabilities			32,631		26,693
Total net assets or liabilities			32,631		26,693
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted income funds			29,180		14,547
Restricted income funds			3,451		12,146
Total funds			32,631		26,693

The company was entitled to an exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with the respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 05/05/2021

and are signed on its behalf by: Lyn Brown
Chair

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2020

1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

2 Basis of accounting

2.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Dyslexia North East meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year-end of £20,790 and has already secured a significant amount of funding for the current year. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. In making their assessment the trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including their annual budget and future cash flows. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the trustees have revised their forecasts to take into account measures that they can take with the current resources available to mitigate the impact of the current adverse conditions. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

3 Income

3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

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3.4 Donated goods and services

Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided that the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with the equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

3.5 Volunteer help

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

3.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

3.7 Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in donations and legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

3.8 Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

3.9 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

4 Expenditure and liabilities

4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of assessments and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

4.5 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

4.6 Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

5 Assets

5.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Office furniture	Straight line over four years
Computer equipment	Straight line over four years

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Analysis of income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
6 Activities for generating funds				
Coffee	25	-	25	68
Membership fees	796	-	796	1,562
Fundraising	10,102	-	10,102	2,537
Tuition	19,295	-	19,295	12,535
	<u>30,217</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,217</u>	<u>16,702</u>
7 Charitable activities				
<u>Income resources - voluntary income</u>				
General donations	3,953	-	3,953	6,686
Gift aid	-	-	-	800
<u>Income from grants</u>				
Community Foundation - Henry Smith NE	-	-	-	9,040
Community Foundation	-	-	-	5,000
Big Lottery - Awards for All	-	-	-	9,890
Graham Wylie Foundation	-	3,249	3,249	3,249
St James' Place	-	-	-	2,252
	<u>3,953</u>	<u>3,249</u>	<u>7,202</u>	<u>36,917</u>
8 Other income				
Other income	30	-	30	365
Workshop fees	485	-	485	902
Assessment fees	49,623	-	49,623	47,971
	<u>50,138</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,138</u>	<u>49,238</u>
9 Income from investments				
Bank interest	-	-	-	2
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>

Income was £87,557 (2019: £102,859) of which £84,308 was unrestricted or designated (2019: £73,428) and £3,249 was restricted (2019: £29,431)

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Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
10 Charitable activities				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Conference costs	-	-	-	158
Books and articles	-	-	-	713
Assessment fees	36,758	-	36,758	40,955
Workshop costs	-	1,682	1,682	337
Tuition costs	17,404	-	17,404	12,802
Sessional workers	9,214	-	9,214	18,460
Project activities	36	10,010	10,046	2,038
Room hire	-	-	-	576
Marketing and promotion	-	-	-	608
Client Sponsorship	900	-	900	-
Fundraising Costs	460	-	460	150
<u>Support costs</u>				
Licences / insurance	399	-	399	446
Office costs	-	-	-	4,066
Website	102	-	102	2,968
Rent	2,888	-	2,888	5,500
Secretarial costs	-	252	252	6,590
Organisation Development Manager	-	-	-	10,105
Volunteer expenses	8	-	8	-
Staff Costs	-	-	-	322
Depreciation	782	-	782	958
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Professional fees	186	-	186	814
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	540	-	540	516
	<u>69,675</u>	<u>11,944</u>	<u>81,619</u>	<u>109,082</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £81,619 (2019: £109,082) of which £69,675 was unrestricted or designated (2019: £90,218) and £11,944 was restricted (2019: £18,864)

11 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2020 £	2019 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	540	516
Other accountancy services paid to the examiner	87	177
	<u>627</u>	<u>693</u>

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12 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

	2020 £	2019 £
Salaries and wages	-	8,770
Social security costs	-	199
Pension costs (defined contribution pension plan)	-	525
Redundancy	-	611
	-	10,105

No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2019: nil)

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £0.

13 Staff numbers

The average monthly head count was 0 staff (2019: 1 staff) and the average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year were as follows:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
The parts of the charity in which the employee's work		
Charitable activities	0.0	0.5
	0.0	0.5

14 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

15 Defined contribution pension scheme

The charitable company contributes to individual private pension schemes. The employer's pension costs represent contributions payable by the charity.

16 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

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	Office furniture £	Computer equipment £	Total £
17 Tangible fixed assets			
Cost			
Balance brought forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	4,578	5,603
Depreciation			
Basis	SL	SL	
Rate	25%	25%	
Balance brought forward	1,025	1,843	2,868
Depreciation charge for year	-	782	782
Disposals	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	1,025	2,624	3,649
Net book value			
Brought forward	-	2,736	2,736
Carried forward	-	1,954	1,954
18 Debtors and prepayments (receivable within 1 year)			
	2020 £	2019 £	
Other debtors	800	800	
	800	800	
19 Cash at bank and in hand			
	2020 £	2019 £	
Cash at bank	30,494	23,845	
	30,494	23,845	

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20 Creditors and accruals (payable within 1 year)

	2020 £	2019 £
Pension	77	77
Accruals		
Independent examination of accounts	540	516
Other accruals	-	95
	617	688

21 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

22 Analysis of charitable funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted fund	9,831	84,308	(68,775)	-	25,364
Designated funds					
Contingencies	3,457	-	-	-	3,457
Sponsorship	1,259	-	(900)	-	359
Totals	14,547	84,308	(69,675)	-	29,180

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund	The 'free reserves' after allowing for designated funds
Designated fund	
Contingencies	This is to cover future rent and salary costs
Sponsorship	This is a separate fund for training or assessments

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22 Analysis of charitable funds continued Analysis of movement in restricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Fund balances carried forward
Restricted funds	£	£	£	£	£
Big Lottery - Awards for All	9,178	-	(9,178)	-	-
Graham Wylie Foundation	201	3,249	-	-	3,450
St James' Place	2,766	-	(2,766)	-	-
Totals	12,146	3,249	(11,944)	-	3,450

Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Big Lottery - Awards for All	To fund the High Flyers project
Graham Wylie Foundation	To fund the High Flyers project
St James' Place Grant	To fund the High Flyers project

23 Capital commitments

As at 30 September 2020, the charity had no capital commitments (2019 -£nil)

24 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,954	-	1,954	2,735
Cash at bank and in hand	27,043	3,451	30,494	23,845
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	183	-	183	113
	29,180	3,451	32,631	26,693

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