

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

England & Wales · Charity number 1137217

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	07302917
Registered	2010-07-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Chestnut Avenue Bromham Bedford MK43 8HP
Phone	01234824469
Email	office@elisabethcurtiscentre.co.uk
Website	www:elisabethcurtiscentre.co.uk

Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE OBJECTS OF THE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED CARRIAGE DRIVING A CHARITY REGISTERED UNDER CHARITY NUMBER 244108 ("THE ASSOCIATION") BY PROVIDING DISABLED PEOPLE WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO RIDE AND/OR TO CARRIAGE DRIVE TO BENEFIT THEIR HEALTH AND WELL BEING IN THE BEDFORDSHIRE AREA

Activities: Providing horse riding for people with disabilities

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BEDFORDSHIRE
- Bedford

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£168,817	£168,500	-	-
2024-03-31	£110,265	£123,208	-	-
2023-03-31	£116,922	£99,529	-	-
2022-03-31	£49,361	£70,324	-	-
2021-03-31	£59,286	£66,720	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alexandra Davis		2026-03-16
Carol Veronica Bradley		2021-06-03
Kyle Brandon Palmer		2018-07-03
Lucie Emma Howard		2025-06-16
Mark Blythman		2025-11-17
PEARL FARR		2014-07-16
SIAN WOODFINE		2023-07-24
Samantha Gregory		2024-04-17

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2024		31	03	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1137217

Charity's principal address

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled
 Chestnut Avenue
 Bromham
Postcode MK43 8HP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Kyle Palmer	Chairman		
2	Pearl Farr	Secretary, Safeguarding Officer		
3	Veronica Bradley			
4	Sian Woodfine			
5	Samantha Gregory		Appointed 17/04/2024	Trustee Board Co-Opt and AGM full approval 2024
6	Caroline French		Resigned 28/10/2024	Trustee Board Co-opt
7	Victoria Baron		Appointed 17/04/2024 Resigned 16/06/2025	Trustee Board Co-Opt and AGM full approval 2024
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Memorandum and Articles of Association.
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	The charity constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are recruited and a voted by members of the charity

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>The trustees who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. The trustees have adopted the 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).</p> <p>The Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled ('The Company') was established on 2 July 2010 and registered as a charity on 3 July 2010.</p> <p>The company took over the assets of the Elisabeth Curtis Centre for disabled riders and commenced operations on 1 January 2011.</p> <p>The trustees of the charity form the Management Committee, together with any member of the charity whom the Management Committee has appointed to fill any gaps in their number. Any member so appointed will retain the position until the next annual general meeting when they will be eligible for election to the committee.</p> <p>The Management Committee consists of the Chairman, the Treasurer, the Secretary and not more than 8 other elected Committee Members. All committee members retire from office together at the end of the annual general meeting after the date on which they came into office but they may be re-elected.</p> <p>Trustee induction follows the policy and guidance as set out by the Riding for the Disabled Association with new trustee which includes a completed 'Trustee Acceptance Form' and 'Conflict of Interest Form' and distribution of 'Trustee Welcome Pack'. RDA Governance e-learning is provided.</p>
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Membership is open to persons interested in furthering the objects of the charity and who have paid the annual subscription established by the committee. The liability of each member is limited to £1 following any potential winding up of the charity in the future.

The Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled is its own independent charity and company, limited by guarantee. The charity is also a member of the national Riding for the Disabled Association incorporating Carriage Driving (charity number: 244108).

The charity undertakes a series of risk assessments as part of its duty to operate and under law and the trustees review risk assessments annually.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

The objectives of the company are to promote the objectives of the Riding for the Disabled Association, incorporating carriage driving by providing disabled people with therapy, fitness, skill development and the opportunity to achieve through the use of horses and ponies.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

We confirm that we have referred to the guidance given in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and give full regard to the public benefit when reviewing, planning and implementing our objectives and aims.

The charity operated primarily during school term times, providing sessions throughout the week, including 3 out of working / school hours. We continue to support a mix of clients who come independently, as part of a school group or who attend as part of their care provision. We are supported by over 100 volunteers and sessions are delivered by 4 qualified RDA coaches. During this period there were 1 coaches in training.

The centre employs some staff including our Equine Care Team and a Centre Coordinator whose role is to ensure the smooth and continued operation of the centre through participant and volunteer engagement and volunteer recruitment.

At the end of the reporting period the charity had 6 ponies, having sadly retired several ponies and bring on new ponies on trial.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During this period, we didn't see an increase in the amount of participants, due in part to a decrease in horse power and delays in bringing new ponies into the programme. Several participants competed in our in-house competitions and also in external Riding for the Disabled Association regional and national championships. The centre appreciates the dedication and hard work of its coaches and coaches-in-training who deliver sessions to our participants. The centre was made up of 3 volunteer coaches and 1 paid coach during this period.

There continues to be a high demand and waiting list for access to our services. This remains at over 60 participants waiting. The charity is committed to growing the capacity at the organisation to help more people. Sadly, the charity saw continued delays in starting carriage driving due to pony illness and coach training.

The charity continues to be supported by over 100 volunteers. It is through the commitment of our volunteer the centre is able to operate, grow and support participants. The charity is appreciative of all volunteers held its 3rd appreciation event which was held in December 2024. This event was well attended, and the organisation is committed to deliver these events annually.

The charity appreciates the efforts of all staff for their work in the delivery of its services.

Fundraising events have continued since last reporting window with our dedicated team of fundraisers now called the "Community Engagement Team" organising a range of internal events from craft fairs to "curry and quiz" nights, along with attending talks.

A separate dedicated volunteer team organised our anniversary barn dance, raising over £3k to support the ongoing expert care of our ponies.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Management Committee has an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total expenditure (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

The charities reserves are currently lower than the organisations policy, due to an increase in expenditure in both staffing, utilities and core running costs. The trustees are committed to growing the organisations financial resilience through increased activity and fees charged.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity’s principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity’s income is borne from three main areas which include: Fees charged to clients for accessing our services, fundraising and donations (including grants).

In the stated period we saw an increase in fee income to nearly £50k, this is in part due to fee increases and better utilisation of lessons. This is part of the centres plans become more financially resilient.

The charity’s largest outgoings remain for the care of its equines, whom without, we would not be able to provide our services. To support the increase in participants the charity utilises paid coaching which remains our second largest income not currently covered by grant support.

Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)	K. Palmer	
Full name(s)	Kyle Brandon Palmer	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	19/10/2025	

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled Contents

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**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Company Information
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Directors	Mrs Veronica Bradley Mrs Pearl Farr Mr Kyle Palmer Mrs Caroline French
Company Number	07302917
Registered Office	Chestnut Avenue Bromham Bedford MK43 8HP
Accountants	LEO bookkeeping Services MAAT 3-4 Britten's Court Clifton Reynes Olney Bucks MK465LG

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Company No. 07302917
Directors' Report For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Mrs Veronica Bradley
Mrs Pearl Farr
Mr Kyle Palmer
Mrs Caroline French

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small Company Rules

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

On behalf of the board

Mr Kyle Palmer
Director
24 September 2025

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Accountant's Report
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Report of the Accountant to the directors of Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with our terms of engagement and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Acts that relate to preparing the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

We have prepared these financial statements based on the accounting records, information and explanations provided by you. We do not express any opinion on the financial statements.

On the Balance Sheet you have acknowledged your duties under the prevailing Companies Acts to ensure that the company keeps adequate accounting records and prepares financial statements that give "a true and fair view".

You have determined that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for this accounting year. Therefore, the financial statements are unaudited.

The financial statements are provided exclusively to the director for the limited purpose mentioned above, and may not be used or relied upon for any other purpose or by any other person, and we shall not be liable for any other usage or reliance.

8 August 2025

LEO bookkeeping Services
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Clifton Reynes
Olney
Bucks
MK465LG

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
TURNOVER		168,390	107,531
Cost of sales		(60,183)	(43,241)
		<u>108,207</u>	<u>64,290</u>
GROSS SURPLUS			
Distribution costs		(315)	(307)
Administrative expenses		(108,002)	(77,749)
Other operating income		427	1,701
		<u>317</u>	<u>(12,065)</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)			
Other interest receivable and similar income		1,297	1,033
Interest payable and similar charges		(4,815)	(1,911)
		<u>(3,201)</u>	<u>(12,943)</u>
DEFICIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>(3,201)</u>	<u>(12,943)</u>

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Balance Sheet
As At 31 March 2025**

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	4		30,123		35,910
			30,123		35,910
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	1,846		4,468	
Cash at bank and in hand		89,552		90,544	
		91,398		95,012	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	6	(2,108)		(39,176)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)			89,290		55,836
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			119,413		91,746
NET ASSETS			119,413		91,746
RESERVES					
Other reserves			30,868		-
Income and Expenditure Account			88,545		91,746
MEMBERS' FUNDS			119,413		91,746

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 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 Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

On behalf of the board

Mr Kyle Palmer

Director

24 September 2025

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

1. General Information

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled is a private company, limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 07302917. The registered office is Chestnut Avenue, Bromham, Bedford, MK43 8HP.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 section 1A Small Entities "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

2.2. Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added taxes. Turnover includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Turnover from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods has transferred to the buyer. This is usually at the point that the customer has signed for the delivery of the goods.

Rendering of services

Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of a contract is measured by comparing the costs incurred for work performed to date to the total estimated contract costs. Turnover is only recognised to the extent of recoverable expenses when the outcome of a contract cannot be estimated reliably.

2.3. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold	Straight line 16-20 Years
Plant & Machinery	Straight line over 5 years
Motor Vehicles	Straight line over 10 years
Fixtures & Fittings	Straight line over 5 years
Computer Equipment	Straight line over 3 years

Land & Buildings: Tack Room: Straight line over 20 years Paddocks/Stables: Straight line over 16-19 years

3. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was: 3 (2024: 2)

4. Tangible Assets

	Land & Property			
	Freehold	Plant & Machinery	Motor Vehicles	Fixtures & Fittings
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
As at 1 April 2024	75,604	7,710	12,660	10,483
As at 31 March 2025	75,604	7,710	12,660	10,483
Depreciation				
As at 1 April 2024	49,933	615	12,660	8,171
Provided during the period	3,170	771	-	1,534
As at 31 March 2025	53,103	1,386	12,660	9,705

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**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Net Book Value

As at 31 March 2025	22,501	6,324	-	778
As at 1 April 2024	25,671	7,095	-	2,312

	Computer Equipment		Total
	£		£
Cost			
As at 1 April 2024	936		107,393
As at 31 March 2025	936		107,393
Depreciation			
As at 1 April 2024	104		71,483
Provided during the period	312		5,787
As at 31 March 2025	416		77,270
Net Book Value			
As at 31 March 2025	520		30,123
As at 1 April 2024	832		35,910

5. Debtors

	2025		2024
	£		£
Due within one year			
Trade debtors	1,160		1,046
Other debtors	686		3,422
	1,846		4,468

6. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2025		2024
	£		£
Trade creditors	1,575		1,942
Other creditors	443		36,724
Taxation and social security	90		510
	2,108		39,176

7. Reserves

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee has an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total running costs (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months.

Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds of £30867 form part of the capital and reserves for 2025. This was £36692 for 2024.

8. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER				
Sales		49,609		36,624
Donations		33,659		21,952
Fundraising		15,477		16,855
Membership		195		240
Restricted income		17,056		1,000
Grants and subsidies received		50,890		25,386
Other trading income		1,504		5,474
		168,390		107,531
COST OF SALES				
Paid Coaching	14,459		13,240	
Fundraising Costs	1,468		1,081	
Farrier	1,808		2,691	
Feed & Shavings	7,230		6,876	
Fundraising Expenses	826		1,447	
Pony Welfare	1,545		1,048	
Pony Costs	31,819		14,174	
Other direct costs	1,028		2,684	
		(60,183)		(43,241)
		108,207		64,290
GROSS SURPLUS				
Distribution Costs				
Consumable items	315		307	
		(315)		(307)
Administrative Expenses				
Wages and salaries	60,154		19,919	
Employers NI	-		(291)	
Employers pensions - defined contributions scheme	900		212	
Subcontractor Groom costs	5,745		18,300	
Staff training	180		40	
Travel and subsistence expenses	1,318		508	
Rent	660		-	
Rates	-		230	
Light and heat	5,282		6,084	
Water rates	1,288		871	
Repairs and maintenance	2,522		2,758	
Security costs	3,340		2,189	
Vehicle repair costs	325		3,414	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	1,860		175	
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	1,566		1,751	
Insurance	4,614		4,161	
Printing, postage and stationery	140		489	
Advertising and marketing costs	1,048		-	
Training seminars and workshops	879		6,119	
Telecommunications and data costs	1,005		698	
Accountancy fees	758		240	
Legal fees	184		98	

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**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Subscriptions	1,445		417
Bookkeeping fees	1,243		1,291
Other office costs	1,724		-
Depreciation	5,890		6,580
Sundry expenses	533		492
Coaching Equipment/Costs	341		-
DBS Checks	725		50
National/Regional Championship Costs	2,333		954
		(108,002)	(77,749)
Other Operating Income			
Grants and subsidies received	-		500
Other income - contributing to other operating income	427		1,201
		427	1,701
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		317	(12,065)
Other interest receivable and similar income			
Interest on short term deposits	1,297		1,033
		1,297	1,033
Interest payable and similar charges			
Bank interest payable	-		3
Bank charges	12		-
Operating leases	4,803		1,908
		(4,815)	(1,911)
DEFICIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(3,201)	(12,943)



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1137217

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: *Simon Davies*

Date: 03/09/2025

Name: Simon Davies

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

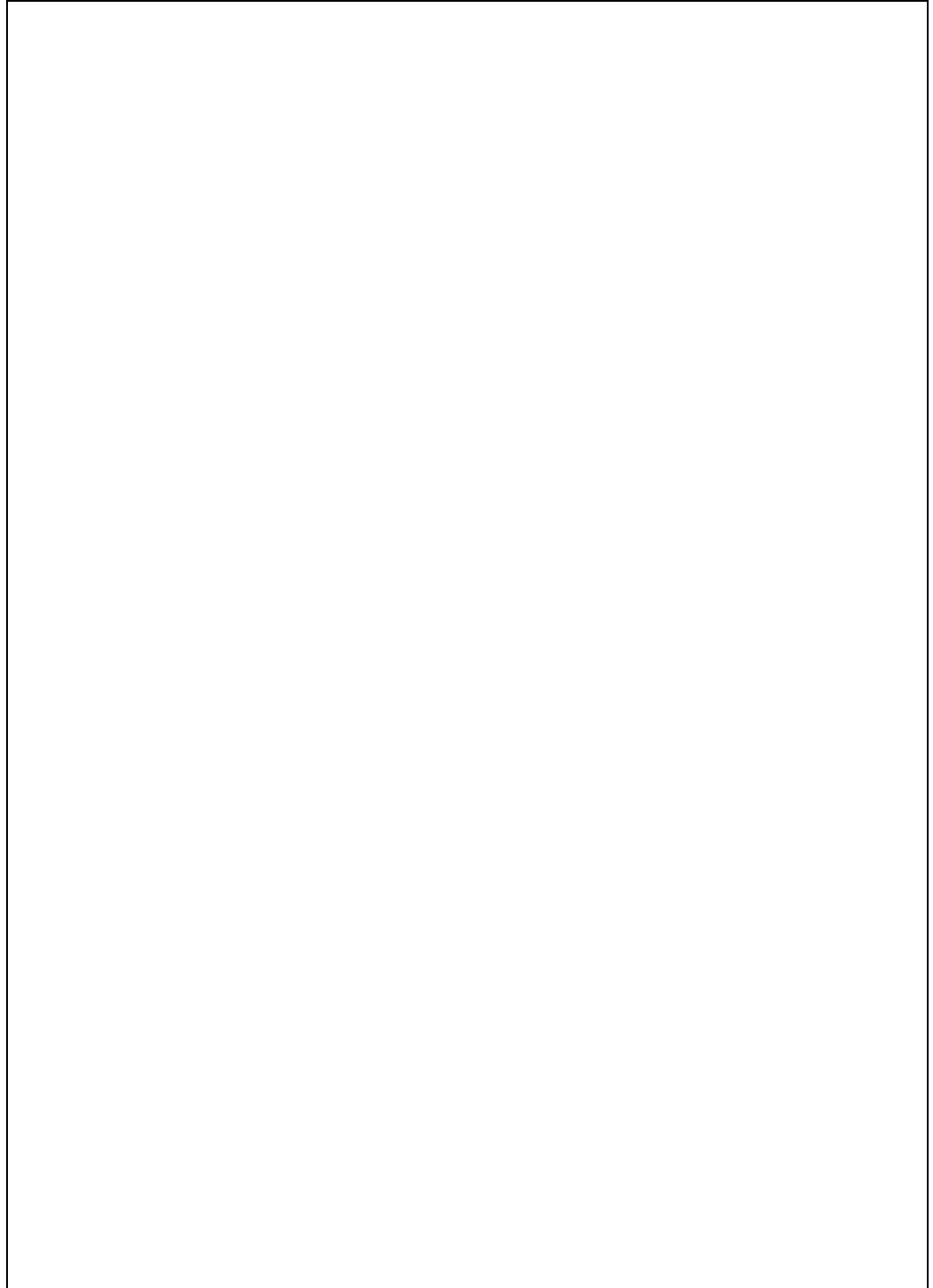
FCCA – membership no 0309741

Address:

58B High Street, Stony Stratford, Milton Keynes, Bucks, MK11 1AQ

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

England & Wales - Charity number 1137217

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Other names charity is known by

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Charity's principal address

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 Chestnut Avenue
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Postcode MK43 8HP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Kyle Palmer	Chairman		
2	Pearl Farr	Secretary, Safeguarding Officer		
3	Veronica Bradley			
4	Alistair Barnes		Resigned 14/03/2024	
5	Sian Woodfine		Appointed 24/07/2023	Member Vote 2023 AGM
6	Caroline French		Appointed 20/09/2023	Trustee Board Co-opt
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are recruited and a voted by members of the charity

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>The trustees who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the 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).</p> <p>The Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled ('The Company') was established on 2 July 2010 and registered as a charity on 3 July 2010.</p> <p>The company took over the assets of the Elisabeth Curtis Centre for disabled riders and commenced operations on 1 January 2011.</p> <p>The trustees of the charity form the Management Committee, together with any member of the charity whom the Management Committee has appointed to fill any gaps in their number. Any member so appointed will retain the position until the next annual general meeting when they will be eligible for election to the committee.</p> <p>The Management Committee consists of the Chairman, the Treasurer, the Secretary and not more than 8 other elected Committee Members. All committee members retire from office together at the end of the annual general meeting after the date on which they came into office but they may be re-elected.</p> <p>Trustee induction follows the policy and guidance as set out by the Riding for the Disabled Association with new trustee which includes a completed 'Trustee Acceptance Form' and 'Conflict of Interest Form' and distribution of 'Trustee Welcome Pack'. RDA Governance e-learning is provided.</p> <p>Membership is open to persons interested in furthering the objects of the</p>
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charity and who have paid the annual subscription established by the committee. The liability of each member is limited to £1 following any potential winding up of the charity in the future.

The Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled is its own independent charity and company, limited by guarantee. The charity is also a member of the national Riding for the Disabled Association incorporating Carriage Driving (charity number: 244108).

The charity undertakes a series of risk assessments as part of its duty to operate and under law and the trustees review risk assessments annually.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The objectives of the company are to promote the objectives of the Riding for the Disabled Association, incorporating carriage driving by providing disabled people with therapy, fitness, skill development and the opportunity to achieve through the use of horses and ponies.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

We confirm that we have referred to the guidance given in the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit and give full regard to the public benefit when reviewing, planning and implementing our objectives and aims.

The charity operated primarily during school term times, providing sessions throughout the week, including 3 sessions out of working / school hours. We continue to support a mix of clients who come independently, as part of a school group or who attend as part of their care provision. We are supported by over 100 volunteers and sessions are delivered by 4 qualified RDA coaches, 1 paid and 3 who do the role voluntarily. During this period there were 3 coaches in training.

The centre employs some staff including our Equine Care Team and a Centre Coordinator whose role is to ensure the smooth and continued operation of the centre through participant and volunteer engagement and volunteer recruitment.

The charity had 9 horses during this period to support its activities, 8 horses owned by the charity and 1 on loan.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During this period, we saw an 11% increase in the number of participants supported by the charity, supporting 100 participants. This reflected the addition of another school session and filling of other sessions as volunteer numbers allow. They took part in a range of sessions including ridden and equine care sessions. Several participants competed in our in-house competitions and also in external Riding for the Disabled Association regional and national championships. The centre appreciates the dedication and hard work of its coaches and coaches-in-training who deliver sessions to our participants. The centre was made up of 3 volunteer coaches and 1 paid coach during this period.

Whilst we have supported more participants than ever before we continue to have a high demand and waiting list for access to our services. This has increased 49% to 61 participants waiting. The charity is committed to growing the capacity at the organisation to help more people. Sadly, delays in starting carriage driving at the centre have impacted this, along with coaching shortages. The charity is continuing to implement carriage driving.

The charity also saw an increase in the number of volunteers who supported the charity of 8% to 125. It is through the commitment of our volunteer the centre is able to operate, grow and support participants. The charity is appreciative of all volunteers and launched our first volunteer appreciation event which was held in December 2023, this included a presentation to our generous funders and carol singing from a local school. This event was well attended, and the organisation is committed to deliver these events annually.

During this period the organisation were successful in a multi-year grant from the National Lottery. This allowed the organisation to employ a full time Centre Coordinator who started in February 2024. The purpose of this role is to support the centre's resilience and growth plans. A team of grooms now called the 'Equine Care Team' have worked hard to care for our equines to ensure they are able to support in the delivery of our services. The charity appreciates the efforts of all staff for their work in the delivery of its services.

The revenue from participants for this year was more than double any previous year including before Covid. This was due to the increase in participants as well as an increase in the charge for each session.

Fundraising events have continued to grow from last year with highlights including a 'Curry and Quiz' and in-house 'Craft Fairs'. A dedicated team

Section D

Achievements and performance

of volunteers run these and attend other events to share our charity's message and raise much needed funds. The organisation appreciates the continued commitment and dedication of the team to deliver this. The charity continued to see an increase in grant support for core costs and for specific projects during this period. Grants include support from the National Lottery for our Centre Coordinator and core cost support, RDA National for a training grant among others. Several large donations from both individuals and companies have supported the ongoing delivery of the charity. The organisation is extremely grateful for all grant giving organisations, donations and bequests no matter the size, that help us to continue to deliver our services and grow and improve our offering.

The 200 club is now very profitable and brought in £3902 in profit up from £1317 in 2023.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Management Committee has an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total expenditure (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

The Charity recorded a net deficit of £6,579.89. Expenditure was increased exponentially compared to 2023 by over £20,000. This was due, in part, to investment in facilities & repairs and a large increase in training costs for which restricted grants supported with these costs.

The remaining increase was due to a doubling in costs for electricity and smaller increases in general utilities; an increase in equine care costs and increases in staffing costs throughout the period.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's income is borne from three main areas which include: Fees charged to clients for accessing our services, fundraising and donations (including grants).

In the stated period we saw an increase in fee income of over £14,000; a small increase income from fundraising of over £700 and a decrease in donations (including grants) of over £27,000 compared to period ending March 2023. The decrease in donations is due, mainly, to a one off bequest of £22,000 that was made in the previous period. Without this bequest donations fell by over £5,000.

Our largest fundraising income was from our 200 Club and our "Buy-a-Brick" scheme. The board of trustees would like to thank all who have contributed to fundraising and donations in support of the charity.

The charity's largest outgoings remain for the care of its equines, whom without, we would not be able to provide our services. To support the increase in participants the charity utilises paid coaching which remains our second largest income. The investment in facilities is due to a backlog of maintenance work required on the back of a tight fiscal control required during the COVID period.

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Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	K. Palmer	
Full name(s)	Kyle Brandon Palmer	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	25/09/2024	

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled Contents

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**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Company Information
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

Directors	Mrs Veronica Bradley Mrs Caroline French Mrs Pearl Farr Ms Sian Woodfine Mr Kyle Palmer
Company Number	07302917
Registered Office	Chestnut Avenue Bromham Bedford MK43 8HP
Accountants	LEO bookkeeping Services MAAT 3-4 Britten's Court Clifton Reynes Olney Bucks MK465LG

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Company No. 07302917
Directors' Report For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Mrs Veronica Bradley

Mrs Caroline French Appointed 20/09/2023

Mr Alister Barnes Resigned 14/03/2024

Mrs Victoria Liston Resigned 24/07/2023

Mrs Pearl Farr

Mrs Sarah Armstrong Resigned 24/08/2023

Ms Sian Woodfine Appointed 24/07/2023

Mr Kyle Palmer

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small Company Rules

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

On behalf of the board

Mr Kyle Palmer

Director

07/08/2024

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Accountant's Report
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

In accordance with the engagement letter dated 22 August 2022, and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have compiled the financial statements of the company from the accounting records and information and explanations you have given to us.

This report is made to the directors in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken to prepare for approval by the directors the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, to report to the directors that we have done so, and to state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's directors for our work or for this report.

You have acknowledged on the balance sheet as at year ended 31 March 2024 your duty to ensure that the company has kept proper accounting records and to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view under the Companies Act 2006. You consider that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the financial statements. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

Signed

07/08/2024

LEO bookkeeping Services
MAAT
3-4 Britten's Court
Clifton Reynes
Olney
Bucks
MK465LG

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
TURNOVER		107,531	112,452
Cost of sales		(43,241)	(27,961)
		64,290	84,491
GROSS SURPLUS			
Distribution costs		(307)	(343)
Administrative expenses		(77,749)	(70,989)
Other operating income		1,701	4,470
		(12,065)	17,629
OPERATING (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS			
Other interest receivable and similar income		1,033	175
Interest payable and similar charges		(1,911)	(236)
		(12,943)	17,568
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(12,943)	17,568

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Balance Sheet
As At 31 March 2024**

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	4		35,910		31,037
			35,910		31,037
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	4,468		1,050	
Cash at bank and in hand		90,544		93,596	
		95,012		94,646	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	6		(39,176)		(20,054)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)			55,836		74,592
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			91,746		105,629
NET ASSETS			91,746		105,629
Income and Expenditure Account			91,746		105,629
MEMBERS' FUNDS			91,746		105,629

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 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 Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

On behalf of the board

Mr Kyle Palmer

Director

07/08/2024

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

1. General Information

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled is a private company, limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 07302917. The registered office is Chestnut Avenue, Bromham, Bedford, MK43 8HP.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 section 1A Small Entities "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

2.2. Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added taxes. Turnover includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Turnover from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods has transferred to the buyer. This is usually at the point that the customer has signed for the delivery of the goods.

Rendering of services

Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of a contract is measured by comparing the costs incurred for work performed to date to the total estimated contract costs. Turnover is only recognised to the extent of recoverable expenses when the outcome of a contract cannot be estimated reliably.

2.3. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold	Straight line 16-20 Years
Plant & Machinery	Straight line over 5 years
Motor Vehicles	Straight line over 10 years
Fixtures & Fittings	Straight line over 5 years
Computer Equipment	Straight line over 3 years

Land & Buildings: Tack Room: Straight line over 20 years Paddocks/Stables: Straight line over 16-19 years

3. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was: 2 (2023: 1)

4. Tangible Assets

	Land & Property			
	Freehold	Plant & Machinery	Motor Vehicles	Fixtures & Fittings
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
As at 1 April 2023	75,604	-	12,660	7,676
Additions	-	7,710	-	2,807
As at 31 March 2024	<u>75,604</u>	<u>7,710</u>	<u>12,660</u>	<u>10,483</u>
Depreciation				
As at 1 April 2023	45,187	-	12,660	7,056
Provided during the period	4,746	615	-	1,115
As at 31 March 2024	<u>49,933</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>12,660</u>	<u>8,171</u>

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**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

Net Book Value

As at 31 March 2024	25,671	7,095	-	2,312
As at 1 April 2023	30,417	-	-	620

	Computer Equipment			Total
	£			£
Cost				
As at 1 April 2023		-		95,940
Additions		936		11,453
As at 31 March 2024		936		107,393
Depreciation				
As at 1 April 2023		-		64,903
Provided during the period		104		6,580
As at 31 March 2024		104		71,483
Net Book Value				
As at 31 March 2024		832		35,910
As at 1 April 2023		-		31,037

5. Debtors

	2024			2023
	£			£
Due within one year				
Trade debtors	1,046			468
Other debtors	3,422			582
	4,468			1,050

6. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2024			2023
	£			£
Trade creditors	1,942			442
Other creditors	36,724			19,612
Taxation and social security	510			-
	39,176			20,054

7. Reserves

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee has an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total running costs (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months.

Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds of £36692 form part of the capital and reserves for 2023. This was £18613 for 2023.

8. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER				
Sales		36,624		22,488
Donations		21,952		38,134
Fundraising		16,855		20,023
Membership		240		130
Restricted income		1,000		30,943
Grants and subsidies received		25,386		-
Other trading income		5,474		734
		107,531		112,452
COST OF SALES				
Paid Coaching	13,240		6,899	
Fundraising Costs	1,081		133	
Farrier	2,691		2,435	
Feed & Shavings	6,876		7,143	
Fundraising Expenses	1,447		215	
Pony Welfare	1,048		1,635	
Pony Costs	14,174		9,185	
Other direct costs	2,684		316	
		(43,241)		(27,961)
		64,290		84,491
GROSS SURPLUS				
Distribution Costs				
Consumable items	307		343	
		(307)		(343)
Administrative Expenses				
Wages and salaries	19,919		12,242	
Employers NI	(291)		247	
Employers pensions - defined contributions scheme	212		180	
Subcontractor Groom costs	18,300		20,700	
Staff training	40		-	
Travel and subsistence expenses	508		524	
Rates	230		287	
Light and heat	6,084		3,198	
Water rates	871		658	
Repairs and maintenance	2,758		592	
Security costs	2,189		7,165	
Vehicle repair costs	3,414		222	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	175		137	
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	1,751		6,809	
Insurance	4,161		6,667	
Printing, postage and stationery	489		392	
Training seminars and workshops	6,119		-	
Telecommunications and data costs	698		629	
Accountancy fees	240		1,035	
Legal fees	98		13	
Subscriptions	417		224	
Bookkeeping fees	1,291		1,224	

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**Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

Depreciation	6,580		6,218
Sundry expenses	492		352
Coaching Equipment	-		602
DBS Checks	50		225
National/Regional Championship Costs	954		447
		(77,749)	(70,989)
Other Operating Income			
Grants and subsidies received	500		2,700
Other income - contributing to other operating income	1,201		1,770
		1,701	4,470
OPERATING (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS		(12,065)	17,629
Other interest receivable and similar income			
Interest on short term deposits	1,033		175
		1,033	175
Interest payable and similar charges			
Bank interest payable	3		-
Operating leases	1,908		236
		(1,911)	(236)
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(12,943)	17,568



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1137217

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

S Davies

Date:

06/09/2024

Name:

Simon Davies

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCCA – membership no 0309741

Address:

58B High Street, Stony Stratford, Milton Keynes, Bucks, MK11 1AQ

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

England & Wales - Charity number 1137217

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2022		31	03	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1137217

Charity's principal address

The Elisabeth Curtis Centre
 Chestnut Avenue
 Bromham, Bedford
Postcode MK43 8HP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Victoria Liston	Chairman		
2	Pearl Farr	Secretary		
3	Kyle Palmer	Treasurer		
4	Al Barnes			
5	Veronica Bradley			
6	Sarah Armstrong			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Memorandum and Articles of Association
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	The charity constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by members at the AGM, or by the current trustees if appointed outside of an AGM. All trustees then stand for election/re-election at the AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;• the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;• relationship with any related parties;• trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.	<p>The trustees of the charity form the Management Committee, together with any member of the charity whom the Committee has appointed to fill any gaps in their number. Any member so appointed will retain the position until the next AGM when he/she will be eligible for election to the Committee.</p> <p>All Committee members retire from office together at the end of the AGM after the date on which they came into office but they may be re-elected.</p> <p>Membership is open to persons interested in furthering the objects of the charity and who have paid the annual subscription established by the Committee. The liability of each member is limited to £1 following the winding up of the charity.</p> <p>Risk Management The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

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

The objects of the charity are to promote the objects of the Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA), incorporating Carriage Driving, by providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride (take part in RDA activities) to benefit their health and wellbeing in the Bedfordshire area.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

We can confirm that we have referred to the guidance given in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and give full regard to the public benefit when reviewing, planning and implementing our objectives and aims.

The charity operated primarily during school terms, providing sessions throughout the week for 90 participants through the year. The sessions were operated with the invaluable help of over 100 volunteers, 4 RDA coaches plus 3 coaches in training, plus the support of our grooms.

At the end of the year, the charity owned 7 horses and had 1 horse on loan.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year, a total of 90 participants were actively involved, taking part in a range of activities, including riding sessions, non-ridden activities and competitions, both in-house and the RDA regional and national championships.

The charity has continued to rebuild following the pandemic, and with the re-launch of the Thursday morning sessions, and the launch of a new Thursday afternoon session, we have been able to expand the number of participants we are able to support. By offering some non-ridden sessions, we have also been able to support a wider range of participants.

In addition, we continue to work towards introducing carriage driving at the Centre.

We have continued to build on our fundraising activities, through the efforts of our dedicated fundraising team, who have undertaken a range of different events, which have been well supported by our local community. In addition, we have received a number of grants and key donations, which have supported both in terms of running costs but also to help deliver improvements.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total expenditure (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months.

Whilst the current position is below this, we remain confident that we should be able to improve this position over the coming years as we recover from the impact of the pandemic and the cost of living crisis.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Victoria Liston	
Full name(s)	Victoria Liston	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair up to July 2023	
Date	07/01/24	

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Directors	Victoria Liston Sarah Armstrong Alister Barnes Veronica Bradley Pearl Farr Kyle Palmer
Company Number	7302917 (England and Wales)
Registered Office	ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE CHESTNUT AVENUE BROMHAM BEDFORD BEDS MK43 8HP
Accountants	LEO Bookkeeping Services Ltd 3-4 Britten's Court Clifton Reynes Olney Buckinghamshire MK46 5LG

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
(COMPANY NO: 7302917 ENGLAND AND WALES)
DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Principal activity

The Objects of the company are to promote the objects of Riding for the Disabled Association, incorporating carriage driving by providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride to benefit their health and well being in the Bedfordshire area.

Directors

The following directors held office during the whole of the period:

Victoria Liston
Sarah Armstrong
Alister Barnes
Veronica Bradley
Pearl Farr
Kyle Palmer

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law, the directors have elected to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts 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.

Small company provisions

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

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

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Victoria Liston
Director

Approved by the board on: 4 July 2023

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Turnover	116,922	37,805
Cost of sales	(28,408)	(26,366)
Gross surplus	88,514	11,439
Administrative expenses	(71,121)	(51,614)
Other operating income	-	12,186
Operating surplus/(loss)	17,393	(27,989)
Interest receivable and similar income	175	70
Surplus/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	17,568	(27,919)
Tax on surplus/(loss) on ordinary activities	-	-
Surplus/(loss) for the financial year	17,568	(27,919)

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	31,037	37,257
Current assets			
Debtors	5	1,050	8,324
Cash at bank and in hand		93,596	74,132
		<u>94,646</u>	<u>82,456</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(20,054)	(31,652)
Net current assets		<u>74,592</u>	<u>50,804</u>
Net assets		<u>105,629</u>	<u>88,061</u>
Reserves			
Profit and loss account	7	105,629	88,061
Members' funds		<u>105,629</u>	<u>88,061</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 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 Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - Small Entities.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 4 July 2023 and were signed on its behalf by

Victoria Liston
Director

Company Registration No. 7302917

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Share capital £	Profit & loss account £	Total £
At 1 April 2021	-	115,980	115,980
Loss for the year		(27,919)	(27,919)
At 31 March 2022	-	88,061	88,061
At 1 April 2022	-	88,061	88,061
Profit for the year		17,568	17,568
At 31 March 2023	-	105,629	105,629

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Statutory information

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales, registration number 7302917. The registered office and principal place of business is ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE CHESTNUT AVENUE, BROMHAM, BEDFORD, BEDS, MK43 8HP.

2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities. There were no material departures from that standard.

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

3 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below and have remained unchanged from the previous year, and also have been consistently applied within the same accounts.

Presentation currency

The accounts are presented in £ sterling.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are included at cost less depreciation and impairment. Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives:

Land & buildings	Tack Room: Straight line over 20 years Paddocks/Stables: Straight line over 16-19 years
Plant & machinery	Straight line over 5 years
Fixtures & fittings	Straight line over 5 years

Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds of £18613 form part of the capital and reserves for 2023. This was £25833 for 2022.

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee has an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total running costs (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months,

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

4 Tangible fixed assets	Land & buildings £	Plant & machinery £	Fixtures & fittings £	Total £
Cost or valuation	At cost	At cost	At cost	
At 1 April 2022	75,604	12,660	7,676	95,940
At 31 March 2023	75,604	12,660	7,676	95,940
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2022	40,441	12,132	6,110	58,683
Charge for the year	4,746	528	946	6,220
At 31 March 2023	45,187	12,660	7,056	64,903
Net book value				
At 31 March 2023	30,417	-	620	31,037
At 31 March 2022	35,163	528	1,566	37,257

5 Debtors	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade debtors	468	8,324
Accrued income and prepayments	(26)	-
Other debtors	608	-
	1,050	8,324

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	442	5,324
Taxes and social security	-	15
Other creditors	39	-
Accruals	960	480
Deferred income	18,613	25,833
	20,054	31,652

7 Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

8 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 1 (2022: 1).

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Turnover		
Sales	116,792	37,765
Fees	130	40
	116,922	37,805
Cost of sales		
Other direct costs	28,408	26,366
	88,514	11,439
Administrative expenses		
Wages and salaries	12,242	13,686
Pensions	180	202
Employer's NI	247	-
Temporary staff and recruitment	20,700	13,667
Travel and subsistence	524	98
Entertaining	-	473
Rates	945	539
Light and heat	3,198	1,685
Telephone and fax	629	708
Stationery and printing	392	23
Subscriptions	224	948
Insurance	6,667	4,394
Equipment expensed	602	-
Software	137	60
Repairs and maintenance	15,024	4,981
Depreciation	6,218	6,956
Sundry expenses	695	1,074
Accountancy fees	2,259	1,690
Other legal and professional	238	430
	71,121	51,614
Other operating income		
Other operating income	-	700
Government grants	-	11,486
	-	12,186
Operating profit/(loss)	17,393	(27,989)
Interest receivable		
Interest receivable	175	70
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	17,568	(27,919)



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2023	Charity no (if any)	1137217
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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

24/07/2023

Name:

Simon Davies

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCCA – membership no 0309741

Address:

58B High Street, Stony Stratford, Milton Keynes, Bucks, MK11 1AQ

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

England & Wales - Charity number 1137217

Accounts

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Turnover	37,805	307
Other income	12,256	58,979
Staff cost	(28,126)	(23,333)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(6,956)	(6,956)
Other charges	(42,898)	(36,431)
Loss	<u>(27,919)</u>	<u>(7,434)</u>

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fixed assets	37,257	43,893
Current assets	82,456	80,292
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(5,339)	(655)
Net current assets	<u>77,117</u>	<u>79,637</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	114,374	123,530
Accruals and deferred income	(26,313)	(2,942)
Net assets	<u><u>88,061</u></u>	<u><u>120,588</u></u>
Capital and reserves	<u><u>88,061</u></u>	<u><u>120,588</u></u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 Statutory information

Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding For The Disabled is a private company, limited by shares, registered in England and Wales, registration number 7302917. The registered office is ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE CHESTNUT AVENUE, BROMHAM, BEDFORD, BEDS, MK43 8HP.

2 Average number of employees

During the year the average number of employees was 2 (2021: 2).

For the year ending 31 March 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 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 director acknowledges her responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and FRS 105, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime.

Approved by the board on 3 October 2022

Victoria Liston
 Director

Company Registration No. 7302917

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts.

	2022	2021
	£	£
Turnover		
Sales	37,765	285
Fees	40	22
	37,805	307
Other income		
Other operating income	700	26,063
Government grants	11,486	32,911
Interest receivable	70	5
	12,256	58,979
Staff costs		
Wages and salaries	13,686	23,106
Pensions	202	204
Temporary staff and recruitment	13,667	-
Travel and subsistence	98	15
Entertaining	473	8
	28,126	23,333
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets		
Depreciation	6,956	6,956
Other		
Rates	539	45
Light and heat	1,685	2,066
Telephone and fax	708	590
Stationery and printing	23	145
Subscriptions	948	338
Insurance	4,394	4,562
Software	60	72
Repairs and maintenance	4,981	9,507
Sundry expenses	1,074	1,074
Accountancy fees	1,690	1,563
Other legal and professional	430	13
Other direct costs	26,366	16,456
	42,898	36,431
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(27,919)	(7,434)

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 Statutory information

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The director acknowledges her responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and FRS 105, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime.

Approved by the board on 3 October 2022

Victoria Liston
Director

Company Registration No. 7302917

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/3/22 Charity no (if any) **1137217**

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: 

Date: **21/12/2022**

Name: **S. DAVIES**

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCCA

Address:

**UNIT 3 BLUNDERS ROAD, BRADVILLE,
MILTON KEYNES, BUCKS, MK13 7HA**

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

England & Wales - Charity number 1137217

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 07302917 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1137217

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED**

Keens Shay Keens Limited
Chartered Accountants
2nd Floor Exchange Building
16 St Cuthberts Street
Bedford
Bedfordshire
MK40 3JG

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07302917)**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021. The trustees have adopted the 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).

The Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled ('The Company') was established on 2 July 2010 and registered as a charity on 30 July 2010.

The company took over the assets of the Elisabeth Curtis Centre for disabled riders and commenced operations on 1 January 2011.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objects of the company are to promote the objects of the Riding for the Disabled Association, incorporating carriage driving by providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride to benefit their health and well being in the Bedfordshire area.

We confirm that we have referred to the guidance given in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and give full regard to the public benefit when reviewing, planning and implementing our objectives and aims.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Due to the ongoing situation regarding the Coronavirus pandemic, the Charity remained closed for the duration of the financial year. Essential activities including the ongoing care of the Centre's ponies were undertaken by our grooms with the support of our Coaches and a number of volunteers.

At the year end the charity owned 9 horses.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Management Committee has an established policy of maintaining cash balances of not less than the total expenditure (excluding depreciation) in the previous 12 months.

As at 31 March 2021, expenditure was covered 1.3 times by cash balances (2020: 1.3 times).

The Charity recorded a net deficit of £7,434. Expenditure was slightly reduced compared to 2020.

While the Charity remained closed, income was supplemented by a number of grants from Bedford Borough Council as part of the Government's Coronavirus support funding, from the National Lottery and from RDA UK to support with the costs of preparing for re-opening.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Memorandum and Articles of Association, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07302917)**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The trustees of the charity form the Management Committee, together with any member of the charity whom the Management Committee has appointed to fill any gaps in their number. Any member so appointed will retain the position until the next annual general meeting when he/she will be eligible for election to the committee.

The Management Committee consists of the Chairman, the Treasurer, the Secretary and not more than 8 other elected Committee Members.

All committee members retire from office together at the end of the annual general meeting after the date on which they came into office but they may be re-elected.

Membership is open to persons interested in furthering the objects of the charity and who have paid the annual subscription established by the committee. The liability of each member is limited to £1 following any potential winding up of the charity in the future.

The Members elect the Director and Management Committee.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

07302917 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1137217

Registered office

Elisabeth Curtis Centre
Chestnut Avenue
Bromham
Bedford
Bedfordshire
MK43 8HP

Trustees

Mrs V J Liston
Ms R S Ward
Mrs P Farr
Ms C L Daniels (resigned 14.9.20)
Mr K B Palmer
Mrs G K Brogden (resigned 17.6.20)
Mrs A C McEwen (resigned 4.6.20)
Mrs E M Nash (resigned 21.11.20)
Mrs C L Titmuss (resigned 19.5.21)
Mrs V Bradley (appointed 3.6.21)

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07302917)**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

Independent Examiner

C W Little FCA
Keens Shay Keens Limited
Chartered Accountants
2nd Floor Exchange Building
16 St Cuthberts Street
Bedford
Bedfordshire
MK40 3JG

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 September 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

P.A. Farr.

Mrs P Farr - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Elisabeth Curtis Centre Riding for the Disabled ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



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22 September 2021

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		24,802	-	24,802	41,213
Other trading activities	2	34,479	-	34,479	24,155
Investment income	3	<u>5</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>405</u>
Total		59,286	-	59,286	65,773
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		45,036	-	45,036	49,135
Other		<u>21,684</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,684</u>	<u>19,988</u>
Total		66,720	-	66,720	69,123
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(7,434)	-	(7,434)	(3,350)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		124,020	4,002	128,022	131,372
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>116,586</u>	<u>4,002</u>	<u>120,588</u>	<u>128,022</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07302917)**

**BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	43,893	-	43,893	50,501
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		76,290	4,002	80,292	80,463
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(3,597)	-	(3,597)	(2,942)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>72,693</u>	<u>4,002</u>	<u>76,695</u>	<u>77,521</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>116,586</u>	<u>4,002</u>	<u>120,588</u>	<u>128,022</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>116,586</u></u>	<u><u>4,002</u></u>	<u><u>120,588</u></u>	<u><u>128,022</u></u>
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				116,586	124,020
Restricted funds				<u>4,002</u>	<u>4,002</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u><u>120,588</u></u>	<u><u>128,022</u></u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 September 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mrs V J Liston - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE
DISABLED**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the 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) and the Companies Act 2006.

Income

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

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets

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

Stables and paddocks	- at varying rates on cost
Equipment	- 20% on cost
Tractor	- 10% on cost

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Grants relating to covid-19

Eligible businesses that were forced to close due to the government lockdown of specific businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic were entitled to a cash grant from their local council for each period under national restrictions.

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2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fundraising events	890	5,934
Receipts from riding	285	17,106
Membership	22	80
Other income	371	1,035
Grants	<u>32,911</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>34,479</u>	<u>24,155</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>5</u>	<u>405</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>6,954</u>	<u>6,956</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	41,213	-	41,213
Other trading activities	24,155	-	24,155
Investment income	<u>405</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>405</u>
Total	65,773	-	65,773
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	49,135	-	49,135
Other	<u>19,988</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,988</u>
Total	69,123	-	69,123

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6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
	_____	_____	_____
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(3,350)	-	(3,350)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	127,370	4,002	131,372
	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>124,020</u>	<u>4,002</u>	<u>128,022</u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Stables and paddocks £	Equipment £	Tractor £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2020	65,356	7,010	12,660	85,026
Additions	-	346	-	346
	_____	_____	_____	_____
At 31 March 2021	<u>65,356</u>	<u>7,356</u>	<u>12,660</u>	<u>85,372</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2020	20,701	4,224	9,600	34,525
Charge for year	4,746	942	1,266	6,954
	_____	_____	_____	_____
At 31 March 2021	<u>25,447</u>	<u>5,166</u>	<u>10,866</u>	<u>41,479</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2021	<u>39,909</u>	<u>2,190</u>	<u>1,794</u>	<u>43,893</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>44,655</u>	<u>2,786</u>	<u>3,060</u>	<u>50,501</u>

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8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	639	-
Other creditors	16	-
Accruals and deferred income	<u>2,942</u>	<u>2,942</u>
	<u>3,597</u>	<u>2,942</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	124,020	(7,434)	116,586
Restricted funds			
Restricted donations	4,002	-	4,002
	<u>128,022</u>	<u>(7,434)</u>	<u>120,588</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	59,286	(66,720)	(7,434)
	<u>59,286</u>	<u>(66,720)</u>	<u>(7,434)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	127,370	(3,350)	124,020
Restricted funds			
Restricted donations	4,002	-	4,002
	<u>131,372</u>	<u>(3,350)</u>	<u>128,022</u>

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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	65,773	(69,123)	(3,350)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>65,773</u>	<u>(69,123)</u>	<u>(3,350)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	127,370	(10,784)	116,586
Restricted funds			
Restricted donations	4,002	-	4,002
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>131,372</u>	<u>(10,784)</u>	<u>120,588</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	125,059	(135,843)	(10,784)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>125,059</u>	<u>(135,843)</u>	<u>(10,784)</u>

Restricted funds relate to donations received from various third parties who specify how they should be spent upon receipt.

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10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2021 to be disclosed under the 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).