

Spectrum WASP
(Registered charity, number 1146664)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2021

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**Spectrum WASP
Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

Full name Spectrum WASP

Registered charity number 1146664

Principal address First Floor, Ransom Hall, Ransom Wood, Mansfield, NG21 0HJ

Trustees

Heather Johnstone, Chair
Andrea Mellors
Becky Herwood
Judi Radford

Toni Fox
Nicola Bowers
Sally Townsend, from 19/05/21
Julie Harper, from 19/05/21

Independent examiner

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2, North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its constitution adopted 01/11/2010 and most recently amended 10/04/2021.

New trustees are nominated and voted at the AGM which is held every April.

Objectives and activities

- To provide support, guidance and information for parents/carers and siblings of children on the spectrum;
- To raise awareness of the effects of autism, ADHD and Asperger spectrum disorder in our community;
- To provide training opportunities for parents/carers to support them in caring for their children who can sometimes be very challenging;
- To provide a varied menu of activities for our special children in order to enhance their quality of life.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

The aim of our Spectrum WASP charity is to support local children and young people on the autistic spectrum with disabilities, special and additional needs. We also support siblings and families within Rainworth, Blidworth, Mansfield and surrounding areas. Some of our families are disadvantaged, on low income with no outside support. Through our monthly Activities and Workshop / Learning Programme, our objectives are to provide support, development, life skills and learning in order for our children / young people to gain acceptance in today's demanding society. We also provide help for our parents and carers through a comprehensive training

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programme that supports in caring for their children / young people who frequently demonstrate very challenging behaviour.

Children / Young People in the Local and wider Community of Nottinghamshire who are on the Autistic Spectrum along with their Siblings and Families / Carers will benefit from our project. We provide a network of support for all families through training opportunities, meetings and social events where siblings are included in many of our activities. We have currently supported over 475 Children, as well as their Families and Carers, who all benefit from the Learning Opportunities, Activities and Life Skills Programme. Also the Support, Kindness and Understanding that our Group provides to both Parents / Carers and Children has become invaluable to the improved quality of their lives.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

On our register we have currently supported 475 Children / Young People over the last 12 years, this figure is constantly increasing through our Short Breaks Respite Care which now offer through our ten-year contract with Nottinghamshire County Council. We also have the use of our Base at Pine House A, at Ransom Wood Mansfield, which is set in a wonderful outdoor green space / environment giving us the opportunity to provide a varied programme of Indoor / Outdoor Learning Activities / Workshops / Training which we have now been providing over the last four years which we need to sustain to continue growing within our Local Community as this need is very much shown to be there.

Activities / Learning and Life Skills Workshops which includes, covering throughout the year, with our School Holiday Programmes include Football, Music Therapy, Creative Arts, Cooking and Baking, Swimming, Bike Riding, Family Residential Breaks away and Training Workshops etc. for our Children / Young People / Siblings, Parents and Carers.

Some Children / Young People's Disabilities are not always visibly identifiable, but they all have Autistic Spectrum Disorders covering a wide range of Medical Conditions. Over the last 5 years we have started to develop and expand our events programme in line with requests from our Young People to incorporate our "Teens Club" Friday early evening group for our 11-18 years old, which consists of Creativity, Arts / Sewing, Music Therapy / Guitar Sessions / Out and About sessions/ Homework Club through group Learning. These sessions encourage Social Engagement, Confidence building, Social Interaction which helps Friendships to form, making it 'Safe Environment' and welcoming place to be.

Throughout 2020 and into early 2021 the Covid-19 pandemic had a significant impact on our fundraising at Spectrum WASP. Securing small Government grants and The National Lottery Community Fund, this enabled us to sustain and deliver our service, supporting vulnerable / low income / Disadvantaged Families and Children / Young People and Siblings on the Autistic Spectrum, with Special / Additional Needs.

Our Spectrum WASP Staff / Team adapted to a new way of working / delivery of our Service through Challenges, Doorstep Drops, Postal Drops, Online Interaction,

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Activity Vouchers, Food Hampers and our Lifeline telephone service. The whole ethos at Spectrum WASP with our Children and Young People throughout the Covid-19 pandemic was to 'Stay Safe and Keep Positive' bringing through 'Happy Family Moments' in working together throughout these unprecedented times.

Throughout the last 18 months we have been overwhelmed each and every day with new Families, Consultants, Social Care, Family Services, CHAMS etc., desperately needing to access our Service. It is imperative to Spectrum WASP to securing future funding so our Service can continue to 'Grow into the Future'.


A big "Thank you" for All the support from our Grants, Donations, Volunteer Fundraisers, Steering Group, Parents, Carers, Children and Young People. Without 'You' there would be no 'Us'.

The charity's policy on reserves

We have put together a reserve pot of £20,000.

We currently have BBC Children in Need funding until November 2021, however we need to secure future funding to enable us to continue to provide our service within our local community and surrounding areas. We are waiting to hear from BBC Children in Need and the National Lottery to see if we have secured funding for a further 3 years 'Moving forward into the Future'.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  Date 13-10-21
Heather Johnstone, Trustee

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Spectrum WASP
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Spectrum WASP (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

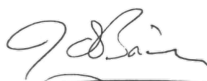
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed  Date 15/10/2021
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

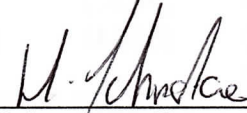
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Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2021

2020				2021
Total		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Funds		Funds	Funds	Funds
£	Note	£	£	£
	Receipts			
4081	Activities contributions	545	-	545
48	Bank interest	3	-	3
4067	Fundraising	1972	-	1972
60327	Grants & donations	8762	92299	101061
48026	Short break fees	53745	-	53745
<u>116549</u>	Total receipts	<u>65027</u>	<u>92299</u>	<u>157326</u>
	Payments			
11421	Activities & events	1007	8033	9040
113	Bank charges	84	-	84
-	Donations paid	126	-	126
302	Equipment & repairs	745	4208	4953
673	Fundraising costs	275	-	275
1572	Gifts & medals	1293	88	1381
492	Independent examination fee	516	-	516
849	Insurance	1079	-	1079
1115	Legal & professional	685	-	685
2836	Marketing, publicity & website	-	456	456
1752	Materials	679	7434	8113
-	Memberships & subscriptions	100	-	100
408	Office & general administrative expenditure	508	277	785
262	Payroll fees	188	-	188
318	Rates	276	323	599
1521	Refreshments & hospitality	230	7	237
6456	Rent, amenities & maintenance	-	6534	6534
16	Sundry expenses	3	-	3
633	Telephone & postage	752	124	876
466	Training & DBS checks	32	156	188
1478	Travel expenses (fuel)	53	521	574
71454	Wages, NI & pension	30408	47049	77457
<u>104137</u>	Total payments	<u>39039</u>	<u>75210</u>	<u>114249</u>
12412	Net receipts/(payments)	25988	17089	43077
33127	Cash funds at start of this period	42505	3034	45539
-	Transfers between funds	(426)	426	-
<u>45539</u>	Cash funds at end of this period	<u>68067</u>	<u>20549</u>	<u>88616</u>

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Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2021

2020		2021
£		£
	Cash assets	
45493	Bank accounts	88523
46	Cash in hand	93
<u>45539</u>		<u>88616</u>
	Other monetary assets	
1027	Prepayments	4 1091
<u>1027</u>		<u>1091</u>
	Assets retained for the charity's own use	
	General equipment.	
	Apple iPads & keyboards purchased May 2020, cost £1,469.	
	Computer equipment purchased March 2016, cost £1,430.	
	Office furniture purchased March 2016, cost £1,330.	
	Liabilities	
(2355)	Creditors	5 (2559)
<u>(2355)</u>		<u>(2559)</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed 
Heather Johnstone, Trustee

Dated 13.10.21

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2021

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
BBC Children in Need	-	41549	41549
National Lottery Community Fund	-	27750	27750
Boots	-	10000	10000
Notts County Council	-	6000	6000
National Emergencies Trust	-	5000	5000
Severn Trent	-	2000	2000
Mansfield Town Football Club	1000	-	1000
Sundry donations	7762	-	7762
	8762	92299	101061

3. Funds analysis

	Opening balance £	Receipts (Payments) £		Transfers £	Closing balance £
Restricted funds					
Activities & residential trips (CIN)	596	41549	(42004)	-	141
Group Co-Ordinator (Awards for All)	2438	-	(2438)	-	-
Salaries (Boots)	-	10000	-	-	10000
Salaries (NLCF)	-	22750	(15706)	-	7044
Activities (NLCF)	-	5000	(5122)	122	-
NCC LIS	-	6000	(4636)	-	1364
NCF Covid	-	5000	(5304)	304	-
Activities (ST)	-	2000	-	-	2000
	3034	92299	(75210)	426	20549
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	42505	65027	(39039)	(20426)	48067
Designated: Reserves	-	-	-	20000	20000
	42505	65027	(39039)	(426)	68067

The transfer from the General fund to the Reserves fund is to designate an amount of money for reserves.

The transfer from the General fund to the Activities (NLCF) fund and the NCF Covid fund is to cover the deficit on these activities.

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The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Activities & residential trips (CIN) – grant from Children in Need towards salaries, volunteer costs, equipment, trips, activities and other project costs. This project delivers a range of fun activities and residential trips for children and young people on the Autistic Spectrum. The aim is to improve emotional wellbeing, increase life skills and enhance family relationships.

Group Co-Ordinator (Awards for All) – grant from Awards for All to fund the Children / Young Peoples Community Co-ordinator role. The aim of the Children / Young Peoples Community Co-ordinator role is to support the Group Co-ordinator to organise the running of the Spectrum WASP charity, through planning a programme / monthly agenda of activities / learning and life skills workshops.

Salaries (Boots) – funding towards the Group Co-ordinator role in the following financial year.

Salaries (NLCF) – funding from National Lottery Community Fund to cover the Group Co-ordinators salary.

Activities (NLCF) – funding from National Lottery Community Fund towards the costs of activities.

NCC LIS – funding from Notts County Council to provide food parcels, fruit baskets and family hampers to families.

NCF Covid – funding from Notts County Council towards the cost of equipment, materials and activities.

Activities (ST) – donation from Severn Trent towards the cost of Residentials / Activities.

4. Debtors

	£
Prepayment - Insurance	270
Prepayment - Rates	276
Prepayment - Rent	545
	<u>1091</u>

5. Creditors

	£
Independent examination fee	516
Legal & professional - bookkeeping	24
Materials	1060
Payroll fees	116
Wages, NI & pension (HMRC)	843
	<u>2559</u>

6. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

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7. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in this period.

8. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Prepayments: These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.

Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.