

**Spectrum WASP**  
(Registered charity, number 1146664)  
**Financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

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**Spectrum WASP**  
**Trustees' annual report**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**Full name** Spectrum WASP

**Registered charity number** 1146664

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

**Trustees**

Heather Johnstone, Chair  
Becky Herwood  
Judi Radford  
Andrea Mellors

Nicola Bowers  
Sally Townsend  
Julie Harper  
Toni Fox, until 27/04/22

**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 over the last 13 years, 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.

The activities and services our charity bring to the public is invaluable for the support that is offered to Children, Young People, Parents and Carers.

### **Summary of the main achievements during the period**

On our register we have currently supported 475 children / young people over the last 13 years, this figure is constantly increasing through our Short Breaks respite care which we offer through a ten-year tender with Nottinghamshire County Council. We have our base, Pine House at Ransom Wood Mansfield, which is set in a wonderful outdoor space / environment giving us the opportunity to provide a varied programme of indoor / outdoor training and learning activities / workshops which we have now been providing over the last five years. We need to sustain funding to continue growing within our local community as this need is very much shown to be there.

We provide Activities / Learning and Life Skills Workshops which includes Paediatric First Aid, Online Training with Blue Stream academy also working alongside our local College Vision West Notts. Throughout the year we run our School Holiday programmes which includes activities such as Football, Bowling, Swimming, Bike Club, Residential Breaks and Training Workshops etc. for our children / young people / siblings, parents and carers. Some Children / Young Peoples disabilities are not always visibly identifiable, but the majority of our Children / Young people have a diagnosis of Autism, we also cover a wide range of medical conditions.

We have expanded our events programme in line with requests from our young people to incorporate our "Teens Club" on a Friday evening for our 11-18 years old, which consists of out and about activities encouraging creativity, social interaction, team building, friendship groups and life / learning skills. These sessions encourage social engagement and helps friendships to form, making it a safe environment and welcoming place to be.

It has been wonderful news obtaining funding from the National Lottery Community Fund this year, which will sustain us now for the next three years. A Big "Thank you" to all support from our Grants / Donations / Volunteer Fundraisers / Steering Group / Parent / Carers / Children and young people. Without you there would be no us.

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### **Financial review**

Spectrum WASP were overwhelmed to receive funding from The National Lottery Community Fund in November 2021 to cover several core areas to sustain us over the next 3 years.

Spectrum WASP as a charity are still actively fundraising throughout the year due to an increase in Children, Young People and Families requesting our service.

### **The charity's policy on reserves**

We have increased the reserve pot to £30,000.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  Date 9.6.2022  
Heather Johnstone, Trustee



**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of  
Spectrum WASP  
for the year ended 31 March 2022**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Spectrum WASP (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

**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').

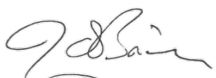
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**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 14/6/22  
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE  
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

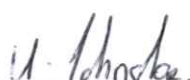
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**Receipts & payments account**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

2021				2022
Total				Total
Funds		Unrestricted	Restricted	Funds
£	Note	Funds	Funds	Funds
		£	£	£
	<b>Receipts</b>			
3	Bank interest	-	-	-
1972	Fundraising	3277	-	3277
101606	Grants & donations	2	16426	75127
53745	Short break fees	46284	-	46284
<u>157326</u>	<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>65987</u>	<u>75127</u>	<u>141114</u>
	<b>Payments</b>			
9040	Activities & events	5221	10410	15631
84	Bank charges	106	-	106
126	Donations paid	246	-	246
4953	Equipment & repairs	205	1449	1654
275	Fundraising costs	563	-	563
1381	Gifts & medals	1245	107	1352
516	Independent examination fee	516	-	516
1079	Insurance	931	-	931
685	Legal & professional	583	-	583
456	Marketing, publicity & website	780	-	780
8113	Materials	404	2787	3191
100	Memberships & subscriptions	680	-	680
785	Office & general administrative expenditure	665	94	759
188	Payroll fees	320	-	320
599	Rates	54	242	296
237	Refreshments & hospitality	1162	14	1176
6534	Rent, amenities & maintenance	2368	4352	6720
3	Sundry expenses	40	-	40
-	Supervision	200	-	200
-	Sports kit	1079	13	1092
876	Telephone & postage	614	75	689
188	Training & DBS checks	597	-	597
574	Travel expenses (fuel)	315	93	408
77457	Wages, NI & pension	35989	53237	89226
<u>114249</u>	<b>Total payments</b>	<u>54883</u>	<u>72873</u>	<u>127756</u>
43077	<b>Net receipts/(payments)</b>	11104	2254	13358
45539	Cash funds at start of this period	68067	20549	88616
-	Transfers between funds	(10096)	10096	-
<u>88616</u>	<b>Cash funds at end of this period</b>	<u>69075</u>	<u>32899</u>	<u>101974</u>

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**Statement of assets and liabilities**  
**at 31 March 2022**

2021			2022
£		Note	£
88523	<b>Cash assets</b>		101902
93	Bank accounts		72
<u>88616</u>	Cash in hand		<u>101974</u>
	<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
1094	Debtors	4	<u>1355</u>
<u>1094</u>			<u>1355</u>
	<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		
	General equipment.		
	Apple iPads & keyboards purchased May 2020, cost £1,469.		
	<b>Liabilities</b>		
(2559)	Creditors	5	<u>(3951)</u>
<u>(2559)</u>			<u>(3951)</u>

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

Signed  Dated 9.6.2022  
Heather Johnstone, Trustee

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**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**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 £
National Lottery Community Fund	-	54187	54187
BBC Children in Need	-	20940	20940
Sundry donations	9054	-	9054
Parents donations	7372	-	7372
	<b>16426</b>	<b>75127</b>	<b>91553</b>

**3. Funds analysis**

	Opening balance £	Receipts (Payments) £		Transfers £	Closing balance £
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Activities & residential trips (CIN)	141	20940	(31108)	10027	-
Salaries (Boots)	10000	-	(10000)	-	-
Salaries (NLCF)	7044	-	(7044)	-	-
NCC LIS	1364	-	(1379)	15	-
Activities (ST)	2000	-	(2054)	54	-
Core costs (NLCF)	-	54187	(21288)	-	32899
	<b>20549</b>	<b>75127</b>	<b>(72873)</b>	<b>10096</b>	<b>32899</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General fund	48067	65987	(54883)	(20096)	39075
Designated: Reserves	20000	-	-	10000	30000
	<b>68067</b>	<b>65987</b>	<b>(54883)</b>	<b>(10096)</b>	<b>69075</b>

The transfer from the General fund to the Reserves fund is to increase the designated amount of money for reserves.

The transfer from the General fund to the Activities & residential trips (CIN) fund, NCC LIS fund and Activities (ST) 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.

Salaries (Boots) – funding towards the Group Co-ordinator role.

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

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

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

Core costs (NLCF) – funding from the National Lottery Community Fund to sustain Spectrum WASP for 3 years, covering core costs in several areas.

### **4. Debtors**

	£
Sports kit refund	228
Prepayment - Insurance	233
Prepayment - Marketing & publicity	270
Prepayment - Rent	552
Prepayment - Membership	35
Prepayment - Fundraising costs	37
	<u>1355</u>

### **5. Creditors**

	£
Independent examination fee	528
Legal & professional - bookkeeping	48
Payroll fees	75
Wages, NI & pension (HMRC)	3300
	<u>3951</u>

### **6. Trustees' remuneration**

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

### **7. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions in this period.

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### **8. Glossary of terms**

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

**Debtors:** These are amounts owed to the charity, but not received in 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.