

LS29 SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1152732

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2013-07-05

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

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND CARERS, IN THE LS29 POSTCODE AREA AND THE SURROUNDS, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOTEXCLUSIVELY BY:1. THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES, RESPITE CARE, HELP, INFORMATION AND SUPPORT;2. INCREASING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE PROBLEMS AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS;3. ENCOURAGING INCLUSION OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN THE WIDER COMMUNITY.

Activities: To relieve the needs of children with special needs & their families, in the LS29 area and the surrounds by:1. the provision of recreational and leisure time activities, respite care, help, information and support;2. increasing public awareness of the problems and circumstances of people with special needs;3. encouraging inclusion of children with special needs in the wider community.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Bradford City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£64,595	£70,377	-	-
2024-04-30	£51,252	£40,172	-	-
2023-04-30	£113,368	£112,904	-	-
2022-04-30	£118,427	£101,231	-	-
2021-04-30	£82,671	£83,096	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
KAREN GOODMAN-PICKEN	Chair	2013-05-24
Ann McKerchar		2025-07-24
Diane Fielding		2014-06-10
Jane Elliott		2017-09-26
NICOLA SCOURFIELD		2013-05-24
Tanya Young		2017-09-26
VICTORIA STREET		2013-05-24

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This year has been a powerful reminder of what can happen when families come together with a shared purpose. As a parent-led organisation, everything we do in LS29 starts with lived experience - understanding the challenges, celebrating the wins and recognising the importance of belonging. I am incredibly proud of how our families, trustees and local supporters have continued to build a community where children and young people with additional needs can thrive, explore and simply enjoy being themselves. Whether it's trying a new activity, gaining independence, or finding friendship and understanding, these moments are at the heart of our mission.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed time, energy and kindness this year. Your support keeps the LS29 Group meaningful, joyful and firmly rooted in the needs of our families. I look forward to another year of creativity, connection and growth.

Next year is our 20th year of existing. We are excited to be planning a festival of entertainment and family fun for members – old, new and prospective.

Chair's Report

LS29 Group exists to help create inclusive, welcoming local communities for families who have children or young people with additional needs. We offer support, connection and opportunities for the whole family - and we do it in a way that is shaped entirely by the people we serve.

We're proud to be a group **run completely by volunteer parents**, with no paid staff. This means every activity, event and idea comes directly from the families involved, ensuring everything we provide is relevant, meaningful and responsive. It also means that every pound raised goes straight into subsidising activities and widening access for families.

Highlights of the Year

This year has been one of growth, energy and increasing confidence among our families. Some of the key achievements include:

Advocacy and community influence

Working with local statutory groups and Bradford Council, we now have a **Changing Places facility in Ilkley** making the town more inclusive for both visitors and locals

Regular activities that bring families together

We delivered a wide range of after-school, weekend and school-holiday activities. We aim to organise an activity at least every other weekend, and at least weekly during the school holidays. These can be inclusive sports, days out, trips to use local facilities and local activities

Residential weekends

We ran **two residential weekends** for children, young people and their families to build friendships within the group and positive experiences between siblings and parents with group support surrounding them

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Building strong partnerships

We continue to have shared and strong links with local groups including Moor Time, Exclusively Inclusive, Bradford Stronger Together, Summat Creative and Outside the Box Café. These partnerships are creating new opportunities and better access to inclusive activities for children and young people.

Supporting independence for older children

We have a separate programme for older children and teenagers, offering more independence-building events such as discos, cooking sessions, cinema trips and evenings out.

Supporting parents and carers

We have developed exclusive connection days and evenings for parents and carers - without their children. These give parents an opportunity to relax and build knowledge and friends in similar positions. The feedback from these has been extremely positive

Summary of LS29 AGM Feedback and Next Steps (2025)

What's Working Well

Feedback from members shows LS29 continues to provide a much-loved, inclusive community for families, children, and young people with additional needs.

Highlights include:

- **High-quality, varied activities** – from local events and day trips to holidays and private sessions such as swimming and play.
- **Strong sense of belonging and inclusion** – members consistently describe LS29 as welcoming, supportive, and family-friendly.
- **Effective organisation and communication** – particularly through the use of systems like BookWhen and consistent messaging from the Chair and volunteers.
- **Positive wellbeing impact** – activities and breaks make a real difference for both children and parents/carers, helping to build friendships and resilience.
- **Committed and supportive trustee group** – with many time-dependent roles behind the scenes especially the treasurer, fundraisers and secretary

Priorities and Member Requests

Families and carers would like to see LS29 continue to grow and diversify its offer. Common themes from feedback include:

- **More activities for young people and adults (18+)**, including social evenings and outdoor adventures.
- **Increased parent/carer wellbeing support**, such as stress management workshops and social meet-ups.
- **Better access to information and signposting**, particularly around EHCPs, funding, post-18 options, and personal assistants.
- **Continuation and expansion of existing programmes**, such as youth zone sessions, short breaks, and inclusive group activities.
- **Exploration of a permanent or dedicated space** for LS29 activities in the future.

Challenges Identified

- The group is **entirely volunteer-led**, and all committee members are parent/carers with limited spare time.
 - The **administrative and organisational workload** (bookings, communications, event coordination, reporting, and funding bids) is increasingly demanding.
 - **Fundraising and sustainability** require more time, structure, and expertise than volunteers can currently provide.
 - **Growing expectations** from members mean more support, variety, and communication are needed to meet demand.
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Next Steps and Recommendations

In response to the feedback, LS29 should focus on:

1. Continuing to offer a varied and inclusive programme of activities.
2. Expanding opportunities for young people and adults with additional needs.
3. Strengthening peer support and information-sharing for parents and carers.
4. Developing a clearer approach to communication, signposting, and wellbeing support.
5. Sustaining and growing LS29 through stronger fundraising and partnership working.

Capacity and Sustainability

It is clear that the current volunteer structure limits LS29's ability to meet the growing needs of members and manage increasing administrative and fundraising demands.

To ensure the group can continue to thrive, provide consistent support, and plan for the future, LS29 should explore additional administrative and project support.

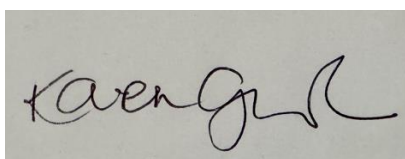
A key recommendation is to **consider recruiting a paid Project Assistant** to:

- Coordinate activities and communications,
- Support funding applications and reporting,
- Strengthen partnerships, and
- Reduce the workload on volunteer committee members.

This additional capacity would help secure LS29's long-term sustainability and ensure the group remains a trusted, inclusive support network for families of all abilities.

Local support for LS29 Group has been consistent and we want to express our thanks to the following donors and fundraising events. Without their help the group would not be as successful: Ilkley and District Round Table, Bracken Golf Club, Ilkley Wharfedale Rotary, ABCD grant, Co-op Community Fund, Tesco, Talking Newspaper, Eshton Group, Mercer UK, Ilkley Soroptimists, LS29 Fundraisers, Audrey Beesley, Marione Horsley

Please see the LS29 accounts below. With grateful thanks to our long-standing, committed and efficient treasurer Diane Fielding.



Karen Goodman-Picken

Chair LS29

Date: 15/1/26

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Independent Examiners Statement

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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

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 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed 

Date 11/2/26

J Kendall ACA Ltd

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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year ended 30th April 2025

	2025			2024		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Receipts						
Grants and Donations						
Donations	23,695	20,875	44,570	29,527	3,950	33,477
Members contributions for outings/events	20,004		20,004	17,775		17,775
Other Income	21		21			
	<u>43,720</u>	<u>20,875</u>	<u>64,595</u>	<u>47,302</u>	<u>3,950</u>	<u>51,252</u>
Payments						
LS29 Support Group						
Family outings, events and trips	54,353	15,944	70,297	29,584	10,508	40,092
General office/admin expenses	80		80	80		80
	<u>54,433</u>	<u>15,944</u>	<u>70,377</u>	<u>29,664</u>	<u>10,508</u>	<u>40,172</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year	(10,712)	4,931	(5,781)	17,638	(6,558)	11,080
Total funds brought forward	<u>32,034</u>	<u>8,569</u>	<u>40,603</u>	<u>14,396</u>	<u>15,127</u>	<u>29,523</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u>21,322</u>	<u>13,500</u>	<u>34,822</u>	<u>32,034</u>	<u>8,569</u>	<u>40,603</u>

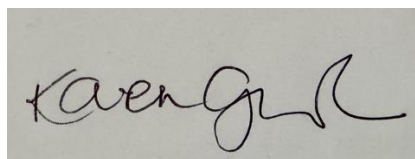
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Balance Sheet
As at 30th April 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	35,062	40,763
Current Assets	<hr/> 35,062	<hr/> 40,763
Current Liabilities	(240)	(160)
	<hr/> <hr/> 34,822	<hr/> <hr/> 40,603

Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted	34,822	32,034
Restricted	-	8,569
	<hr/> <hr/> 34,822	<hr/> <hr/> 40,603

Signed



11th February 2026
Karen Goodman-Picken
Chair LS29

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1 Accounting Policies

Charity status

The charity is a charity limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital.

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

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

Basis of preparation

LS29 Special Needs Support Group meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognized at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Grants receivable.

Grants are recognized when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognized as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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. All donations and grants for LS29 Time are considered to be restricted for the use within LS29 Time.

2. Independent Examination Fee

The fee for independent examination of the accounts was £80 (2024: £80).

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LS29 is a group for families who have a child or young person with additional needs. It is entirely run by volunteer parents and has no staff. This means all our activities are decided on and planned by parents and children, and all funds go directly to subsidise activities.

Highlights from the past year include

- Facilitating regular and frequent after-school, weekend and school holiday activities. These have included swimming, farm trips, theatre, pantomime, canal boat rides, theme parks, soft play areas, Boccia and curling sessions, sensory areas, an interactive art exhibition, river picnics, a wildlife park, bowling, yoga for parents, inflatable area sessions, laser quest, sensory theatre, Christmas parties for children and teenagers, ice skating, trampolining, crazy golf, going to a football and ice hockey matches, Blackpool Illuminations and cooking for independence sessions
- Running 3 residential weekends for children and young people and their families to try various inclusive activities such as riding, trap riding, climbing walls, hydrotherapy pool, adaptive cycling, abseiling, zip wires, archery, campfires and the chance to spend time with other families staying in the same centres.
- Campaigning for a Changing Places Facility in Ilkley. Being part of a bid group with Bradford Council who were successfully awarded funds for 8 Changing Places facilities across Bradford.
- Developing links with other groups locally to increase opportunities for children and young people including Moor Time, Exclusively Inclusive, Bradford Stronger Together, Summat Creative, Outside the Box Cafe
- Further developing events to increase independence for older children such as discos, cooking, cinema trips and evenings out
- Involvement in the Yorkshire Tri-Ability event. Run by the British Triathlon Association to meet the needs of children with a disability and introduce them to inclusive competing
- Continuing to work with Carers Resource to run regular coffee mornings for parents and carers of children with additional needs

As always, we are grateful for ongoing interest in LS29 from our local community. Their support, advice and acceptance is really appreciated. In particular, we would like to thank Ilkley Round Table, Eshton Properties, Mercer Group, Bracken Ghyll Golf Club, Ilkley Talking Newspapers, Bradford VCS Alliance ABCD Grant, 41 Club, Ilkley Rotary Club, Addingham Beer Festival, Bridge Lane COOP, Ilkley Tesco and our friends who have fundraised for us over 2023/4 including Ilkley Grammar School, Erika Wormald/BUPA, Mark Careford/Provident, Nippard family and the Ilkley Half Marathon Runners.

LS29 would not exist without the parents who give their time and effort to run the charity. The trustees are without fail reliable, consistent and supportive. Thanks to all of them – Nicola Scourfield, Diane Fielding, Stacey Hanson, Jane Elliott, Tanya Young, Vicki Street. We say goodbye to Helen Collins and thank her for all her great help over a few years. And to all the other volunteer parents who have offered their help over the year. We all make a great team!

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karen G'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'G' at the end.

13th February 2025
Karen Goodman-Picken
Chair LS29

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Financial Statements and Independent Review

In line with recommended best practice from the Charity Commission, the charity's financial statements for year ending 30th April 2023 have been subject to Independent Review and approved by a fully qualified Independent Reviewer.

Trustees

Directors:

Karen Goodman Picken	Chair	Joined 2006
Diane Fielding	Treasurer	Joined 2006
Vicki Street	Secretary	Joined 2006
Nicola Scourfield	Trustee	Joined 2008
Jane Elliott	Trustee	Joined 2016
Tanya Young	Trustee	Joined 2016
Helen Collins	Trustee	Joined 2021

Contact details

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Acknowledgments:

The work and achievements of the charity would not be possible without the advice, support and generosity of many individuals, groups and organisations. We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for all those who have and who continue to support us. LS29 is a vital support network for over 150 families and this would not be possible without your support.

The Trustees LS29 Special Needs Support Group

Administrative information:

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Independent Examiner Jody Kendall ACA, 8 Craiglands Park, Ilkley, LS29 8SX

Administration Address: 7 Westville Ave, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 9AH

Bankers: Virgin Money, 10 Kirkgate, Otley, LS21 3HJ

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Signed 

Date 15th February 2025

J Kendall ACA Ltd

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Statement of Financial Activities

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Receipts						
Grants and Donations						
BMDC - Healthy Activities and Food		-	-		44,242	44,242
Ilkley & District Round Table	15,000		15,000	15,000		15,000
Other donations	14,527	3,950	18,477	15,407	2,150	17,556
Members contributions for outings/events	17,775		17,775	33,318		33,318
Membership subscriptions	-		-	330		330
Fees - LS29 Time		-	-		2,923	2,923
	<u>47,302</u>	<u>3,950</u>	<u>51,252</u>	<u>64,054</u>	<u>49,314</u>	<u>113,368</u>
Payments						
LS29 Support Group						
Family outings, events and trips	29,584	10,508	40,092	54,085	2,000	56,085
LS29 Time						
LS29 Time - equipment			-		2,891	2,891
LS29 Time expenses			-		8,603	8,603
LS29 Time Rent			-		6,725	6,725
LS29 Time Staff costs			-		37,843	37,843
			-			0
General office/admin expenses	80		80	758		758
	<u>29,664</u>	<u>10,508</u>	<u>40,172</u>	<u>54,843</u>	<u>58,061</u>	<u>112,904</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year	17,638	(6,558)	11,080	9,211	(8,747)	464
Total funds brought forward	14,396	15,127	29,523	5,185	92,342	97,527
Asset Transfer		0	0		(68,468)	(68,468)
Total funds carried forward	<u>32,034</u>	<u>8,569</u>	<u>40,603</u>	<u>14,396</u>	<u>15,127</u>	<u>29,523</u>

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BALANCE SHEET

	2024	2023
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	40,763	29,602
Debtors	-	-
Current Assets	40,763	29,602
Current Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	(160)	(80)
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	40,603	29,522
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Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted	32,034	14,396
Restricted	8,569	15,126
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Chair LS29

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2 Staff Costs

Staff costs relate solely to staff employed in Moor Time activities. On the 16th November 2022 all staff contracts were transferred to Moor Time. (see note 4)

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000. Highest paid employee received £0 (2023: £15,218)

3 Independent Examination Fee

The fee for independent examination of the accounts was £80 (2023: £80).

4. Transfer of Funds

Moor Time was registered as a charity on 16th November 2022. Prior to this time all activities were undertaken within the charity LS29 Special Needs Support Group (Registered Charity 1152732). All assets and liabilities related to the Moor Time activities were transferred as at 16th November 2022, the Total Asset value transferred was £68,469.

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Due to the overwhelming success and rapid growth of the LS29 holiday club, LS29 Time, a separate charity, Moor Time, has now been formed. This will ensure continued growth and development for the respite service. This also provides greater clarity for both charities - LS29 is for family activities and Moor Time is for respite, where children are booked into sessions run activity by staff, and families can have a break. 4 trustees of LS29 are also trustees of Moor Time ensuring cohesion and local parental involvement.

LS29 is now solely a group for families who have a child or young person with additional needs. It is entirely run by volunteer parents and has no staff. This means all our activities are decided on and planned by parents and children, and all funds go directly to subsidise activities.

Highlights from the past year include

- Singing Hands – a famous (in the special needs world!) musical signing duo - performing in a local theatre with nearly 400 tickets sold
- Pushing boundaries and trying different sports at Outdoor Activity Centres. Notably Edale Youth Hostel, Bendrigg and the Childrens Adventure Farm in Cheshire
- Our first mini-festival for children and young people in the group. Each concert had a variety of musical performances which took place in a relaxed environment
- Further developing events to increase independence for older children such as discos, cooking, cinema trips and evenings out
- Involvement in the inaugural Yorkshire Tri-Ability event. Run by the British Triathlon Association to meet the needs of children with a disability and introduce them to inclusive competing
- Working with Carers Resource to run regular coffee mornings for parents and carers of children with additional needs
- Trying new adapted sports such as Boccia, curling, ski-ing
- Continuing to organise a variety of after-school, weekend and school holiday activities. These have included swimming, farm trips, theatre, pantomime, canal boat rides, theme parks, soft play areas, rhythmic gymnastics, ski and tobogganing tasters, sensory areas, an interactive art exhibition, river picnics, a wildlife park, bowling, yoga for parents, inflatable area sessions, laser quest, sensory theatre, Christmas parties for children and adults, ice skating, trampolining, crazy golf, going to a football match, Blackpool Illuminations and cooking for independence sessions

As always, we are grateful for ongoing interest in LS29 from our local community. Their support, advice and acceptance is really appreciated. In particular, we would like to thank Ilkley Round Table, Dans Den, Mortens, 41 Club, Craven Lodge 810, Ilkley Rotary Club, CABAD, Ilkley Manor House, Addingham Beer Festival, Ilkley Carnival Committee and our friends who have fundraised for us over 2022/3 Valerie Appleton, Alice Hewitson, Shona Featherstone and all the Ilkley Half Marathon Runners.

Other organisations with local links have also been a great help including YHA, Activities for All, COOP, Tesco, Arnold Clark, Jigsaw, Provident, Moin Moin, Palatine Private Equity LLP

LS29 would not exist without the parents who give their time and effort to run the charity. The trustees are without fail reliable, consistent and extremely pleasant to work alongside! Thanks to all of them – Nicola Scourfield, Diane Fielding, Stacey Hanson, Jane Elliott, Tanya Young, Helen Collins and Vicki Street. And to all the other volunteer parents who have offered their help over the year. We all make a great team!

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

Accounts for the year ended 30th April 2023

Karen Goodman-Picken
Chair LS29

Signed

Karen Goodman-Picken

Dated

26/02/2024

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

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Financial Statements and Independent Review

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Diane Fielding	Treasurer	Joined 2006	
Vicki Street	Secretary	Joined 2006	
Nicola Scourfield	Trustee	Joined 2008	
Jane Elliott	Trustee	Joined 2016	
Tanya Young	Trustee	Joined 2016	
Helen Collins	Trustee	Joined 2021	
Leanne Jacques	Trustee	Joined 2021	Resigned 24/4/22

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The Trustees LS29 Special Needs Support Group

Administrative information:

LS29 Special Needs Support Group – Registered Charity no. 1152732

Independent Examiner Jody Kendall ACA, 8 Craiglands Park, Ilkley, LS29 8SX

Administration Address: 7 Westville Ave, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 9AH

Bankers: Virgin Money, 10 Kirkgate, Otley, LS21 3HJ

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

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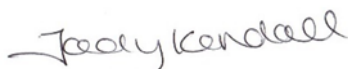
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Date 26/2/24

J Kendall ACA Ltd

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Statement of Financial Activities

	2023			2022		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Receipts						
Grants and Donations						
National Lottery - LS29 Time		-	-		39,223	39,223
BMDC - Healthy Activities and Food		44,242	44,242		28,341	28,341
Ilkley & District Round Table	15,000		15,000	12,500		12,500
Other donations	15,407	2,150	17,556	11,397	545	11,941
Members contributions for outings/events	33,318		33,318	19,664		19,664
Membership subscriptions	330		330	2,920		2,920
Fees - LS29 Time		2,923	2,923		3,837	3,837
	64,054	49,314	113,368	46,480	71,946	118,427
Payments						
LS29 Support Group						
Family outings, events and trips	54,085	2,000	56,085	41,052	265	41,317
LS29 Time						
LS29 Time - equipment		2,891	2,891		4,903	4,903
LS29 Time expenses		8,603	8,603		6,535	6,535
LS29 Time Rent		6,725	6,725		6,128	6,128
LS29 Time Staff costs		37,843	37,843		42,091	42,091
			-			
General office/admin expenses	758		758	257		257
	54,843	58,061	112,904	41,310	59,922	101,231
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year	9,211	(8,747)	464	5,171	12,024	17,195
Total funds brought forward	5,185	92,342	97,527	14	80,318	80,332
Asset Transfer		(68,468)	(68,468)			
Total funds carried forward	14,396	15,126	29,522	5,185	92,342	97,527

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BALANCE SHEET

	2023	2022
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	29,602	98,566
Debtors	-	-
Current Assets	29,602	98,566
Current Liabilities	(80)	(1,039)
	29,522	97,527
Funds of the Charity		
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Restricted	15,126	92,342
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2 Staff Costs

Staff costs relate solely to staff employed in Moor Time activities. On the 16th November 2022 all staff contracts were transferred to Moor Time. (see note 4)

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000. Highest paid employee received £10,416 (2021: £15,218)

		2023	2022
		Number	Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	LS 29 Time		
	Average head count in the year (FTE)	18	9
	Average FTE	2	2

3 Independent Examination Fee

The fee for independent examination of the accounts was £80 (2022: £80).

4. Transfer of Funds

Moor Time was registered as a charity on 16th November 2022. Prior to this time all activities were undertaken within the charity LS29 Special Needs Support Group (Registered Charity 1152732). All assets and liabilities related to the Moor Time activities were transferred as at 16th November 2022, the Total Asset value transferred was £68,469.

LS29 SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1152732

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LS29 Special Needs Support Group

Charity no. 1152732

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

30th April 2022

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30th April 2022

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the charity's financial statements for the year ending 30th April 2022.

Overview

LS29 is well-recognised locally as a charity which creates inclusive opportunities for families who have a child with additional needs. It covers the LS29 area and 8 miles surrounding Ilkley. As a parent-led organisation our aim is to develop supportive communities and share information through mutual support.

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

The organisation is a registered charity with our constitution adopted on 15 May 2013 and amended on 3 July 2013.

Our Trustees

All Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity in their roles as Trustees. The Trustees comprise mainly of parents involved in the group who from the nature of their families bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise in many SEN areas, inclusive opportunities, access and planning trips and outings for children and families with additional needs. A selection of other areas of expertise they bring to the board are below:

Karen Goodman Picken	Occupational Therapy, Charity management, Safeguarding
Diane Fielding	Bookkeeping, Recruitment, Teaching Assistant
Vicki Street	Fundraising Management, HR Recruitment,
Nicola Scourfield	Social Worker, Counselling, Safeguarding, L2 Teaching
Jane Elliott	PR, Marketing and Communications, Fundraising
Tanya Young	Bookkeeping, Grant Applications
Helen Collins	Safeguarding, Policies
Leanne Jacques	

We continue to enhance our pool of potential trustees to ensure that we can deliver our charitable objectives in an effective and sustainable way for future generations of SEN families. The trustee base this year has increased to recognise the ages of younger pre and primary aged children in LS29. We openly communicate opportunities to attend Committee meetings to all our member and discuss at our meetings any gaps in expertise that we may have and solutions on how to address them.

Organisational Structure

The Trustees remain a consistent knowledgeable management team who have driven the direction, and policy of the charity. They meet quarterly (these were held virtually during the pandemic) and where appropriate use sub-groups on (e.g.), event management, fundraising, etc. The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary communicate regularly, and the trustees monitor the success and attendance of activities and continually seek advice, feedback and views through social media and email.

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Related Parties

LS29 continues to develop links within the local community including, links with a local café, Ilkley Lawn tennis club and Nell Bank. Outside the immediate LS29 area we have also continued our links with Bradford Disability Sport and Leisure for boccia, curling and a Rhythmic Gymnastics club. Ongoing links with local donors and grant makers also exist and this has supported our work. We continue to strengthen and expand these links to support the delivery of our objects and ensure that we meet the changing needs of our members, volunteers, clients, customers and local community.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website.

Our supporters and donors

LS29 Special Needs Support Group continues to benefit from the generous contributions of many individuals, local organisations, businesses and grant-making bodies. We operate clear fundraising procedures, are registered for Gift Aid and ensure all donations are tracked, acknowledged and appropriately accounted for. In 2021-22, the charity was successful in gaining funding from Ilkley Round Table, Rotary Club of Ilkley and Wharfedale, Mortens Hardware Store, Graces Wish, Skipton Craven Rotary Santa Fun, Giveto, Wright and Green Candles, Co-Op, Provident Financial as well as personal donations from some of our members. LS29 Time Holiday Club is funded through a National Lottery Grant and HAF Bradford Council

We would like to thank all those organisations and individuals who have provided us with financial support over the year. We could not support the LS29 families without their generosity.

Financial Review

The charity has very limited overheads and therefore has a degree of financial security even during these very challenging times. Historically the group has always planned its activities and events around funding received and will continue to do this moving forward. Staff are employed for LS29 Time but the majority of these are on zero hours contracts.

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Principal Funding Sources

The main income streams for the charity comprised of grant applications. Other income was received from several sources including fundraising activities, donations from individuals, businesses and local community groups.

Main expenditure

The major expenditure of the charity is in relation to the LS29 Time holiday club which incurs staff costs and room hire. Even during the pandemic, the club was able to run during school holiday time. We feel confident that there will always be a need for our services as our families will always need respite and whilst we have grant funding at the moment, many of our families receive direct payments support, so we continue to explore this and other ways to fund our services.

Investment Policy

Aside from retaining a prudent level of reserves each year, the charity's funds will be invested in activities to further the objects as set out in our Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Board is committed to reinvesting any surplus funds, and will on an annual basis review the charity's investment priorities and agree relevant investments to meet identified needs and opportunities aligned to our objects.

Risk Policy

The charity will implement a reserves policy, agreed by the Trustees with independent financial advice. The Trustees at its quarterly meetings will review any risk and issues raised, information around security and any updates on good governance and management. We will also ensure robust policies and procedures in place and address any gaps in provision.

Support delivered this year

This year LS29 has gradually started resuming activities after the lifting of covid restrictions. Adaption has been required as rules changed and families adjusted to the ongoing risk assessments and infections that covid presented.

At the end of the previous financial year we had 150 members and another 50 who don't attend activities but receive updates. The charity also runs a holiday and respite club called LS29 Time, which is staffed and has grown rapidly during its short lifespan.

Due to its rapid development, the responsibilities around governance and with the aim of developing permanent premises, we have made an amicable decision to develop this area under its own charity which will be called Moor Time. Trustees Jane Elliott, Tanya Young, Vicki Street and Karen Goodman will remain as trustees for both charities.

LS29 Time has developed further during the past year and now runs for 4 days of the main school holidays, with an extra day added for children with high medical needs and a nurse employed to oversee the children on this day.

The volunteering role for young people with additional needs who have reached 18 has increased providing valuable work experience, with plans to gain qualifications being developed.

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To increase support and reduce isolation of younger children a fortnightly group for under 5's and their parents has begun. Ofsted planning and submission has been ongoing following the appointment of a manager for the holiday club.

The main family activity part of LS29 has continued to provide a varied programme of activities in the school holidays, at weekends and after school. A group has also been set up to help LS29 families find Personal Assistants. Along with many UK jobs, recruiting and maintaining PAs has been difficult for families.

Feedback from a survey of families in the group demonstrated that the Family weekend and overnight short breaks made biggest impact to members. The importance of the charity for social support and for young people to develop friendships was also highlighted.

In this group families and young people chose their favourite inclusive activities from a variety of weekend, school holiday and after school activities. The events LS29 organise include sporting, social, entertainment and those aimed at increasing independence for children and young people with additional needs.

Highlights this year have been

- Organising a public performance of Singing Hands with Bradford Theatres.
- In association with Bradford Disability Sport and Leisure, and Special Olympics GB beginning Boccia, Curling and Rhythmic Gymnastics
- Mentoring and supporting other parent-led groups to establish themselves
- The decision to develop a separate charity - Moor Time - for staffed respite to enable further growth
- A series of events to develop support and social networks for young adults with additional needs living locally
- Parents of younger children becoming increasingly involved in running of the group

Plans for Future Periods

LS29 plans to continue to build on the success of our work to date and are looking to expand in the following areas:

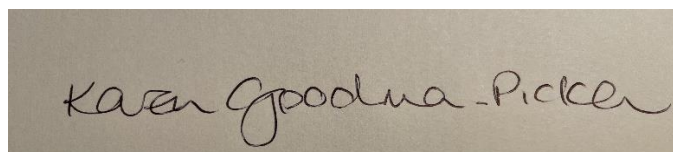
- Further develop support and information for parents alongside other statutory and voluntary services, especially for those approaching transition from child to adult services.
- Establish Moor Time as a separate charity for respite with 4 joint trustees
- Build up groups for young people and adults with additional needs outside LS29 Group
- Continue to offer outreach and mentoring to other parent-led groups
- Increase the involvement of young people and parents in fund-raising, planning and leading activities.
- Continue to offer a variety of weekend, school holiday and after-school activities

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We will at our trustee meetings continue to monitor the success of our objectives and plans and be responsive to political, social, economic and technological factors that may impact the charity's performance and future plans.

Signed

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Dated

12th February 2023

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

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Financial Statements and Independent Review

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Trustees

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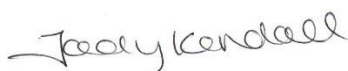
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12th February 2023

J Kendall ACA Ltd

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

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Statement of Financial Activities

	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Receipts						
Grants						
Ecclesiastical Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charities Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-
Keighley Community Fund - LS29 Time	-	500	500	-	500	500
National Lottery - LS29 Time	-	39,223	39,223	-	58,446	58,446
BMDC - Healthy Activities and Food	-	28,341	28,341	-	-	-
Groundwork- LS29 Time	-	-	-	-	500	500
Skipton Building Society - LS29 Time	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sovereign Healthcare - LS29 Time	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edward Gostling Foundation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ilkley & District Round Table	12,500	-	12,500	-	6,000	6,000
Members contributions for outings/events	19,664	-	19,664	10,831	-	10,831
Other donations	11,397	545	11,941	3,151	969	4,120
Membership subscriptions	2,920	-	2,920	1,385	-	1,385
Fees - LS29 Time	-	3,837	3,837	-	889	889
	<u>46,480</u>	<u>71,946</u>	<u>118,427</u>	<u>15,367</u>	<u>67,304</u>	<u>82,671</u>
Payments						
LS29 Support Group						
Singing Hands	-	-	-	-	-	-
Family outings, events and trips	41,052	265	41,317	20,946	6,000	26,946
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-
LS29 Time	-	-	-	-	-	-
LS29 Time -Rompa - Manhattan sensory unit	-	-	-	-	-	-
LS29 Time - equipment	-	4,903	4,903	-	5,725	5,725
LS29 Time expenses	-	6,535	6,535	-	4,758	4,758
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Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year	5,171	12,024	17,195	(6,529)	6,104	425
Total funds brought forward	14	80,318	80,332	4,488	76,269	80,757
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	2,055	-	2,055
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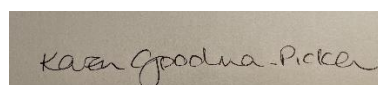
BALANCE SHEET

	2022	2021
	£	£
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Cash at bank and in hand	98,566	81,501
Debtors	-	14
Current Assets	98,566	81,515
Current Liabilities	(1,039)	(1,183)
	97,527	80,332

Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted	5,185	14
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LS29 Special Needs Support Group

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2 Staff Costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	39,259	37,119
Social security costs	0	0
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	367	0
Other employee benefits	0	0
Total staff costs	39,627	37,119
Contractors	0	3,348
	39,627	40,467
Other staff costs	1,464	
Training	999	234
	42,091	40,701

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000. Highest paid employee received £15,218 (2021: £12,090)

One Trustee received remuneration of £8,234 during the year.

This Trustee, is also employed as Finance Officer for which she receives a salary. She does not receive a fee for her role as trustee. No trustees received remuneration for their role as trustee.

The remuneration of a trustee for their position as an employee of the charity is allowed under the articles of association.

		2022	2021
		Number	Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	LS 29 Time		
	Average head count in the year (FTE)	9	8
	Average FTE	2	2

3 Independent Examination Fee

The fee for independent examination of the accounts was £80 (2021: £80).

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Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

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Report of the Board of Trustees/Directors for the year ended 30th April 2021

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the charity's financial statements for the year ending 30th April 2021.

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

The organisation is a registered charity with our constitution adopted on 15 May 2013 and amended on 3 July 2013.

Our Trustees

All Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity in their roles as Trustees. The Trustees comprise mainly of parents involved in the group who from the nature of their families bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise in many SEN areas, inclusive opportunities, access and planning trips and outings for children and families with additional needs. A selection of other areas of expertise they bring to the board are below:

Karen Goodman Picken	Occupational Therapy, Charity management, Safeguarding
Diane Fielding	Bookkeeping, Recruitment, Teaching Assistant
Vicki Street	Fundraising Management, HR Recruitment, Charity Governance
Nicola Scourfield	Social Worker, Counselling, Safeguarding, L2 Teaching
Jane Elliott	PR, Marketing and Communications, Fundraising
Tanya Young	Bookkeeping, Grant Applications

We continue to enhance our pool of potential trustees to ensure that we can deliver our charitable objectives in an effective and sustainable way for future generations of SEN families and we are actively trying to appoint trustees who are parents of younger children. This will help to give a voice to those parents and the trustees will hopefully stay with us for a few years. We openly communicate opportunities to attend Committee meetings to all our member and discuss at our meetings any gaps in expertise that we may have and solutions on how to address them.

The existing trustees have sought financial advice from an accountant with experience of working with charities and a finance officer has been utilised to support the LS29 Time holiday club. This is an area we review regularly to ensure we meet our obligations as trustees.

Organisational Structure

The Trustees remain a consistent knowledgeable management team who have driven the direction, and policy of the charity. They meet quarterly (these were held virtually during the pandemic) and where appropriate use sub-groups on (e.g.), event management, fundraising, etc. The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary communicate regularly, and the trustees monitor the success and attendance of activities and continually seek advice, feedback and views through social media and email.

Related Parties

LS29 continues to develop links within the local community including a buddy scheme with the local high school, links with a local café, Ilkley Lawn tennis club, a theatre and dance

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school and care home. Outside the immediate LS29 area we have also formed links with Bradford Disability Sport and Leisure for cycling sessions, a Rhythmic Gymnastics club, Downs Syndrome Training and Support Services and a local Autism charity. Ongoing links with local donors and grant makers also exist and this has supported our work. We will continue to strengthen and expand these links to support the delivery of our objects and ensure that we meet the changing needs of our members, volunteers, clients, customers and local community.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website.

Our supporters and donors

LS29 Special Needs Support Group continues to benefit from the generous contributions of many individuals, local organisations, businesses and grant-making bodies. We operate clear fundraising procedures, are registered for Gift Aid and with JustGiving and ensure all donations are tracked, acknowledged and appropriately accounted for. In 2020-21, the charity was successful in gaining funding from Ilkley Round Table, Burley in Wharfedale Scouts and Guides, Community Action Bradford and District - Ilkley Covid Response Team, Springfield Healthcare, and The Yorkshire Clinic as well as personal donations from Peter and Gay Hartley and the Gillance Family.

In August 2019, the National Lottery Community Fund committed to fully fund LS29 Time Holiday Club for 2.5 years. This gives the club the opportunity to develop its services while exploring ways to become more financially sustainable. As we were not in a position to spend that funding in full during the pandemic, we have been permitted to carry forward the balance to next financial year.

Bradford Council have kindly given funding to LS29 Time through the Department for Education's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme to provide food for children during the Easter, summer, and Christmas holidays in 2021, so LS29 Time were able to offer free lunches to all attendees. **We would like to thank all those organisations and individuals who have provided us with financial support over the year. We could not support the LS29 families without their generosity.**

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Financial Review

The charity has very limited overheads and therefore has a degree of financial security even during these very challenging times. Historically the group has always planned its activities and events around funding received and will continue to do this moving forward. Staff are employed for LS29 Time but the majority of these are on zero hours contracts. However, we have now appointed a project manager for LS29 Time. This is to reflect the additional work involved in providing future sessions for young people more significantly affected by their disability. It will also allow us to provide more sessions to meet a growing need from our members.

Principal Funding Sources

The main income streams for the charity comprised of grant applications. Other income was received from several sources including fundraising activities, donations from individuals, businesses and local community groups. In line with other charities, our fundraising has been affected by the pandemic, and we are keen to return to our usual fundraising activities such as stalls at local events, as they also raise awareness locally of the work that we do. Whilst we anticipate some of our local supporters may be less able to contribute towards our activities in the future, as a group we know we can run virtual sessions, family day trips and sport and activity sessions at minimal cost and we will continue to adapt our planning and delivery in line with our available income streams.

Main expenditure

The major expenditure of the charity is in relation to the LS29 Time holiday club which incurs staff costs and room hire. Even during the pandemic, the club was able to run during school holiday time accommodating one family bubble at a time, and the need for the holiday club in all its forms is clear. We also have the flexibility to cancel room hire as and when we do not need it. We feel confident that there will always be a need for our services as our families will always need respite and whilst we have grant funding at the moment, many of our families receive direct payments support, so we continue to explore this and other ways to fund our services.

Investment Policy

Aside from retaining a prudent level of reserves each year, the charity's funds will be invested in activities to further the objects as set out in our Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Board is committed to reinvesting any surplus funds, and will on an annual basis review the charity's investment priorities and agree relevant investments to meet identified needs and opportunities aligned to our objects.

Risk Policy

The charity will implement a reserves policy, agreed by the Trustees with independent financial advice. The Trustees at its quarterly meetings will review any risk and issues raised, information around security and any updates on good governance and management. We will also ensure robust policies and procedures in place and address any gaps in provision.

Support delivered this year

The last part of the year was understandably dominated by the COVID-19 pandemic. This year has been a very challenging one for the LS29 families, with the usual routines abandoned and significant constraints on the support and respite that families have received from schools and other statutory bodies. Because we are a small charity, we were very well placed to respond in an agile way to support families who often had nowhere else to turn. We

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have delivered low budget, peer support and family activities, many of which have been online. The strength of the group being run by parents/carers meant that we could recognise the needs of families and respond promptly to support our members within the legal restrictions.

Funding was used to distribute family activity packs and many Zoom activities were arranged including cooking, bingo, quiz nights, music sessions and yoga. At the time many of our children were not accessing online schooling and we were able to recognize need and provide support. Demand is high for support just now and our charity continues to play a vital and much needed role in our community, as demonstrated by the increase in membership over the last year, even while we were not able to provide our full range of services and support. Inevitably, as statutory bodies struggle to get back on an even keel after the pandemic, charities like LS29 will be needed more than ever to provide support to the whole family.

Plans for Future Periods

LS29 plans to continue to build on the success of our work to date and are looking to expand in the following areas:

- Develop a series of after-school sensory musical sessions in collaboration with a local arts project
- Continue to develop or set up sporting activities in collaboration with Bradford Disability Sport and Leisure
- Continue working with local networks to provide a buddying scheme for local teenagers with and without additional needs
- Explore funding options to support more families to access the LS29 Time Holiday Club and continue training staff so that additional sessions can be run for children and young people who have medical needs and those who need a quieter session. We will also explore options for a new base for the club.
- Continue to run the LS29 Youth Zone and look to further develop activities suitable for older LS29 members.
- Continue to offer a successful selection of weekend and school holiday family activities in line with feedback from previous trips.
- Work to ensure young people approaching adulthood are informed of local options in line with Preparation for Adulthood guidance.
- Maintain and continue to build strong, supportive relationships with other local groups and charities to improve the lives of children with additional needs locally. These include Outside the Box Cafe, Ilkley Round Table, Dan's Den, Ilkley Tennis Club, Bradford Youth Service, Inclusion Service, and AWARE. We plan to continue to build these relationships through our network of committed volunteers, continuous consultations with our members, committee and trustees and the support of our local community. We will at our trustee meetings continue to monitor the success of our objectives and plans and be responsive to political, social, economic and technological factors that may impact the charity's performance and future plans.

Karen Goodman-Picker
27.1.22

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Financial Statements and Independent Review

In line with recommended best practice from the Charity Commission, the charity's financial statements for year ending 30th April 2020 have been subject to Independent Review and approved by a fully qualified Independent Reviewer.

Trustees

Directors:

Karen Goodman Picken	Chair	Joined 2006
Diane Fielding	Treasurer	Joined 2006
Vicki Street	Secretary	Joined 2006
Nicola Scourfield	Director	Joined 2008
Rachael Edwards	Director	Joined 2010 (Resigned 8/2/21)
Jane Elliott	Director	Joined 2016
Tanya Young	Director	Joined 2016

Committee Members

Michelle Naylor, Sarah Capper, Ann McKerchar, Sarah Brooks, Stacey Hanson, Karen McNulty

Contact details

- Website: <http://www.ls29group.co.uk>
- Email: ls29groups@yahoo.co.uk
- Tel: 01943 609861

Acknowledgments:

The work and achievements of the charity would not be possible without the advice, support and generosity of many individuals, groups and organisations. We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for all those who have and who continue to support us. LS29 is a vital support network for over 120 families and this would not be possible without your support.

The Trustees LS29 Special Needs Support Group

Administrative information:

LS29 Special Needs Support Group – Registered Charity no. 1152732

Independent Examiner Jody Kendall ACA, 8 Craiglands Park, Ilkley, LS29 8SX

Administration Address: 7 Westville Ave, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 9AH

Bankers: Virgin Money, 10 Kirkgate, Otley, LS21 3HJ

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Independent Examiners Statement

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

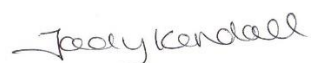
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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

Signed



Date 4/2/22

J Kendall ACA Ltd

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Statement of Financial Activities

	2021			2020		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Receipts						
Grants						
Ecclesiastical Giving	-	-	-	-	1,500	1,500
Charities Trust	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
Keighley Community Fund - LS29 Time	-	500	500	-	-	-
National Lottery - LS29 Time	-	58,446	58,446	-	58,446	58,446
Groundwork- LS29 Time	-	500	500	-	1,000	1,000
Skipton Building Society - LS29 Time	-	-	-	-	2,980	2,980
Sovereign Healthcare - LS29 Time	-	-	-	-	3,000	3,000
Edward Gostling Foundation	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
Donations						
Ilkley & District Round Table	-	6,000	6,000	-	8,697	8,697
Members contributions for outings/event	10,831	-	10,831	13,251	-	13,251
Other donations	3,151	969	4,120	6,416	4,448	10,864
Membership subscriptions	1,385	-	1,385	1,135	-	1,135
Fees - LS29 Time	-	889	889	-	2,071	2,071
	<u>15,367</u>	<u>67,304</u>	<u>82,671</u>	<u>20,801</u>	<u>88,141</u>	<u>108,942</u>
Payments						
LS29 Support Group						
Singing Hands	-	-	-	685	-	685
Family outings, events and trips	20,946	6,000	26,946	20,076	5,732	25,808
Equipment	-	-	-	-	699	699
LS29 Time						
LS29 Time -Rompa - Manhattan sensory ur	-	-	-	-	3,101	3,101
LS29 Time - equipment	-	5,725	5,725	-	-	-
LS29 Time expenses	-	4,758	4,758	-	4,845	4,845
LS29 Time Rent	-	4,250	4,250	-	2,550	2,550
LS29 Time Staff costs	-	40,467	40,467	-	24,763	24,529
General office/admin expenses	951	-	951	588	-	588
	<u>21,897</u>	<u>61,200</u>	<u>83,096</u>	<u>21,349</u>	<u>41,456</u>	<u>62,805</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year	(6,529)	6,104	(425)	(548)	46,685	46,137
Total funds brought forward	4,488	76,269	80,757	5,036	29,584	34,619
Transfers between funds	2,055	(2,055)	-	-	-	-
Total funds carried forward	<u>14</u>	<u>80,318</u>	<u>80,332</u>	<u>4,488</u>	<u>76,269</u>	<u>80,757</u>

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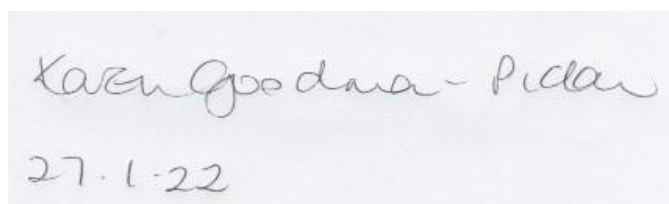
BALANCE SHEET

	2021	2020
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank	81,501	80,632
Debtors	14	1,000
Current Assets	81,515	81,632
Current Liabilities	(1,183)	(874)
	80,332	80,758

Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted	14	4,488
Restricted	80,318	76,269
	80,458	80,758

Signed



Karen Goodwin-Piddar
27.1.22

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1 Accounting Policies

Charity status

The charity is a charity limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital.

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

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

Basis of preparation

LS29 Special Needs Support Group meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognized at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Grants receivable.

Grants are recognized when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognized as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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. All donations and grants for LS29 Time are considered to be restricted for the use within LS29 Time.

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2 Staff Costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Salaries and wages	37,119	24,529
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	-	-
Other employee benefits	-	-
Staff costs	<u>37,119</u>	<u>24,529</u>
Contractors	3,348	
Total staff costs	<u>40,467</u>	

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

One Trustee received remuneration of £6,894 during the year.

This Trustee, is also employed as Finance Officer for which she receives a salary. She does not receive a fee for her role as trustee. No trustees received remuneration for their role as trustee.

The remuneration of a trustee for their position as an employee of the charity is allowed under the articles of association.

		2021	2020
		Number	Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	LS 29 Time		
	Average head count in the year (FTE)	8	1
	Average FTE	2	1

3 Independent Examination Fee

The fee for independent examination of the accounts was £80 (2020: £80).