

LS29 Special Needs Support Group

Charity no. 1152732

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

30th April 2023

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LS29 Chairs Report May 2022-2023

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LS29 aims to create inclusive local communities for families who have children with additional needs. It provides support, activities and friendship for all the family.

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!

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Karen Goodman-Picken
Chair LS29

Signed

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Goodman-Picken". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Dated

26/02/2024

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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	
Leanne Jacques	Trustee	Joined 2021	Resigned 24/4/22

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

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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

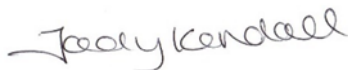
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures 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 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		
Unrestricted	14,396	5,185
Restricted	15,126	92,342
	29,522	97,527

Signed

Karen Goodman-Picker

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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

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.