



CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER

CHAIRMAN'S TRUST

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED

31 AUGUST 2022

Registered Charity Number 1155247

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

Name	The Cheshire West and Chester Chairman's Trust
Status	Registered charity (number 1155247)
Principal Office	Whitby Hall Lodge, Stanney Lane, Ellesmere Port CH65 6QY
Charity Objects	To support the advancement of education through short term residential learning outside the classroom for financially disadvantaged school age children residing or being educated within in the borough of Cheshire West and Chester. The trustees have due regard to the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit and are happy that the trusts objectives support this.
Trustees	Cllr Robert Rudd – Chairman of Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council Cllr Robert Bissett - Deputy Chairman of Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council Michael McCann – Nominated by CWASSH Cllr Eleanor Johnson (ex-officio) Emma Drew – Nominated by CWAPH No CWASH appointed representative
Bankers	Santander – Bootle Road, Bootle L30 4GB
Auditors	Due to the level of gross annual income the accounts are subject to independent examination. The formal appointment of external auditors is not required.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity has adopted the following trustee model:

- Ex-officio trustees – the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council shall, for the time being, be automatically be a charity trustee for as long as he or she holds that office.
- Nominated trustees – the Cheshire West Associations of Secondary Head Teachers, Primary Head teachers and Special School Head Teachers shall each nominate a trustee. Apart from the first charity trustees, each appointment must be for a term of 2 years effective from 1 September.
- Appointed trustees – at least one but not more than 3 appointments shall be made. Apart from the first charity trustees, individuals must be appointed for a term of 2 years and by resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment, the trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the trust.

The charity trustees will make available to each new trustee, on or before their appointment a copy of the current constitution and a copy of the latest Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. Induction f new trustees will take place in order to ensure familiarity with the charity's aims. A training programme for new trustees shall be followed to ensure that new trustees understand their responsibilities and accountabilities as laid out in the constitution of the charity and as enshrined in the wider statutory and regulatory framework.

The Chairman shall chair meetings of the charity trustees. In the absence of the chairman, the Deputy Chairman shall chair the meeting.

Any decision may be taken either at a meeting of the trustees or by resolution in writing or electronic form agreed by all of the trustees.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trust's purpose is to develop self-sufficient, resourceful young people by supporting learning outside the classroom.

Following the lifting of Covid pandemic restrictions during this year, the Trust saw a growth in successful applications up to 108 between September 2021 and August 2022.

A sample of the evaluations following the funded trips shows how the investment made in the children has proved worthwhile:

Beat boxing was daunting because I have never done it before and the teacher was so talented. But I tried my best and was supported by my classmates and I did well in the end.

I have been told I am a good dancer, but as a boy I don't get the opportunity to dance outside of school. I really enjoyed expressing myself in the Indian dance and the capoeira. It's helped me be proud of my talent.

Working with others and the food but I worked in a team for many of the activities and managed to try some new foods.

Its made me realise I can learn new skills and you must not give up.

We did lots of activities. We did den building and activities at the place. We went on a walk around Beeston and learnt about the castle. We watched a film and had hot chocolate and marshmallows. We made candles and my mum still has the candle made for her.

I learnt how to build a den, I learnt how to follow the correct paths when walking in the countryside as you have to be careful of the nature around you. I learnt how things work on a farm.

You are always learning I have lots of friends. I can stay away from my family and not be scared. I learnt new games. I learnt how to build dens and I learnt about habitats.

I am even more enthusiastic about outdoor activities. I have been keen to come to school and I have a more positive view of teachers and friends.

I did not want to be away from my family and sleep in a strange place. I was scared I would not be able to do things. I told my friends and teachers who were really kind to me. We were so busy and having so much I did not have time to think about my family. I was so tired from the Den building I fell fast asleep.

I am more confident. I look forward to School. I do not argue as much. I am a much happier person.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trust held reserves of £61,234.39 at the start of the accounting period and these had decreased to £50,510.02 at the end of the accounting period.

The assets of the trust reflect the balance held at bank at the end of the accounting period and this totals £50,510.02

The trust had no outstanding liabilities at the end of the accounting period.

POLICIES

Investment policy

In determining the level of funds that are available to invest, the trustees have considered the amount of expected income, costs of running the charity and the likely level of grants to be awarded to current and future beneficiaries. No investments were made in the accounting period ended 31 August 2022. The trustees will need to develop an investment policy in future years to manage surplus funds.

Reserves policy

The availability of reserves to the charity enables it to fund the desired level of grant awards. A reserve of £20,000 has been agreed.

Grant making policy

Applications are invited from disadvantaged children from schools within the borough for grant aid towards the cost of board and lodgings for residential visits organised by the schools themselves.

RISK MANAGEMENT

There are currently no risks to which the charity is exposed. Grants are not allowed without sufficient funds available for disbursement. Any future risks will be reviewed and systems and processes will be established to manage those risks.

TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees must comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 with regard to the keeping of accounting records, the preparation and scrutiny of statement of accounts and to the preparation of annual reports and returns. The statement of accounts, reports and returns must be sent to the Charity Commission within ten months of the financial year end.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**Statement of Financial Activities for the
financial year ended 31 August 2020**

INCOME	Notes	2021/22	2020/21
School Donations and Grants		0.00	105.00
Other Donations and Grants		1640.70	00.00
Bank Interest (reimbursement of charges)		0.00	195.00
Total Incoming Resources		1640.70	£300.00

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Grants to Schools		12330.07	0.00
Administration Expenses		35.00	80.00
Total Resources Expended		£12365.07	£80.00
 Net (Outgoing)/Incoming Resources		 -£10724.40	 £200.00
 Fund balances brought forward at 1st September 2021		 £61234.39	 £61014.39
 Fund balances carried forward at 31st August 2022		 £50510.02	 £61234.39

Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2022

	Notes	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
ASSETS			
Cash at the Bank and in Hand		50510.02	61234.39
 LIABILITIES		 0	 0
 Net Assets		 £50510.02	 £61234.39
 THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Restricted		0	0
Unrestricted		50510.02	61234.39
Total Funds		£50510.02	£61234.39

Notes to the accounts for the financial year ended 31 August 2022

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and with applicable accounting standards.

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below:

- a. Basis for preparation of the Financial Statements. The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention.
- b. Funds Structure

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or trust deed. There are currently no restricted funds.

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds could include designated funds were the trustees, at their discretion, to create for a specific purpose.
- c. Incoming Resources are recognised in the period received.
- d. Expenditure is charge on a cash basis.
- e. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of expenditure for which it was incurred

2. Donations

No donations were received but there were refunds totalling £1640.70 from awards given for trips effected by Covid.

3. Charitable expenditure

£12330.07 was awarded between 108 children across Cheshire West and Chester.

4. Funds of the charity

	Balance 1 Sept 2022 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Balance 31 Aug 2022 £	Balance 31 Aug 2021 £
Restricted Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted	50510.02	1640.70	12365.07	50510.02	61234.39
Total	50510.02	1640.70	12365.07	50510.02	61234.39

5. Transactions and Trustee Emoluments

No remuneration or expenses were paid to the trustees during the period.

6. Independent/Auditor Examination

As the average annual gross income of the Trust is not between £25,000 and £500,000 the accounts are not required to be independently examined.

Approved by the Trustees Wednesday 7th June 2023 and signed on its behalf

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Bisset', is written over the text 'Approved by the Trustees'.

ROBERT BISSET Chairman