

Merseyside Against Blood Cancers

The Bloom Appeal

**Trustees Report and Unaudited Financial
Statements
For the Year
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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trustees continue to be guided by the objectives set out in the C10 Association document.

The Trustees are mindful of their need to be appraised of current developments in the treatment of leukaemia and related blood cancers and are therefore in continual dialogue with medical staff at the Clatterbridge Cancer Centre whose Contributions to the development of the Bloom Appeal are gratefully received.

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RESERVES

The General Fund amounted to £210486.00 as at 30th June 2023. This includes restricted funds of £19000.00 which were received during the period, all of which has been allocated to the sponsorship of a PhD project.

The trustees consider the level of general funds to be prudent having regard to the Charity's anticipated future requirements.

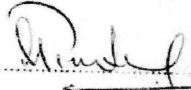
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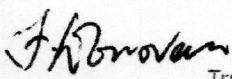
RISK

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed as identified by the Trustees have been reviewed and systems have been established to manage those risks.

The Trustees who were in office at the date of approval of these financial statements have confirmed as far as they are aware, that the accounts are true and fair.

 Chair
Date 18.1.24

Abila Pointing

 Trustee
Date 17.1.24

FRANK DONOVAN

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BLOOM APPEAL

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30th June 2023, which are set out in the following pages.

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 the 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 procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145 (50)(b) of the Charities Act and
- To state whether any matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination is carried out in accordance with the general direction given by the Charity Commission.

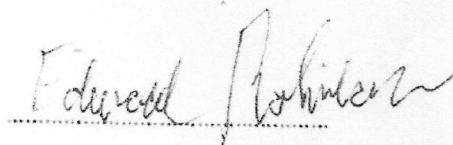
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During my examination no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act 2011 and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011

Have not been met, or to which in my opinion attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Statement of Receipts and Payments For the Year Ended 30th June 2023

<u>Receipts</u>	2023		2022	
	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>
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Christmas Card Sales			55	
Bank Interest Received	2180		863	
Events	12263			
Total Receipts	62308	19000	30884	7000
<u>Payments</u>				
Cost of Fundraising	8365		9157	
Misc Expenses	780			
Grants and Donations	42961		60290	
Insurance	521		196	
Administration Costs	6717		6116	
Events	11494			
Accountancy			200	
Total Payments	70838		75959	
Net of receipts (Payments)	-8530		-45075	
Cash Funds last Year			174019	7000
Cash Funds this Year	191486	19000		

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES For the Year Ended 30th June 2023

	2023		2022	
	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u>
Cash at Bank	<u>191486</u>	<u>19000</u>	<u>174019</u>	<u>7000</u>

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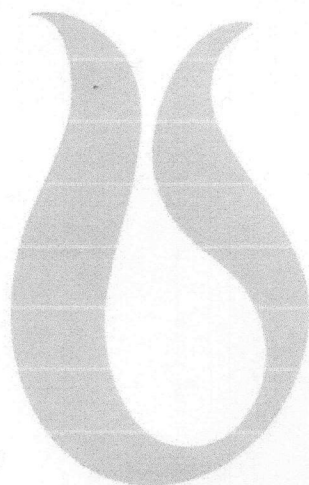
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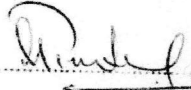
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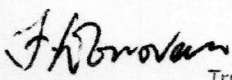
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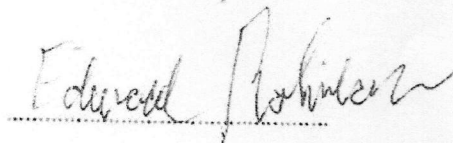
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