

**Company Registration No: 9055762 (England and Wales)**  
**Charity Registration No. 1158846**

**Serious Fun Children's Network International**  
**(A company limited by guarantee)**

**Report of the trustees and unaudited financial statements**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2022**

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**Reference and administration information**

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**Trustees**

Mrs Deidre Ahearn  
Mr Joseph Cronly  
Mr Justin Fusaro  
Mr Blake Maher  
Mr Kevin Mathieson  
Mr Richard Twydell

**Company secretary**

Mr Richard Twydell

**Charity registration number**

1158846

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9055762

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**Trustees' report**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2022**

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The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the 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).

The company was incorporated on 23 May 2014 and gained charitable status (registered charity number 1158846) on 10 October 2014.

**Objectives and activities**

Serious Fun Children's Network International is a UK-based children's charity and a member of the international Serious Fun Children's Network. The objects of the charity are the relief of sickness and suffering for seriously ill children and young people, in particular by providing or assisting in the provision of therapeutic recreation for them, their siblings and their families.

The charity facilitates fundraising from predominantly UK and Europe based individual donors and organizations through a London gala and other fundraising efforts. The charity is a grant-making charity and the funds raised are used to make grants to support camps and projects in the UK and around the world that are affiliated to the Serious Fun Children's Network. These camps provide therapeutic recreation for children and young people with serious illness.

**Achievements and performance**

During 2022 Serious Fun Children's Network International facilitated fundraising through a corporate partnership and individual donations. The charity is a grant-making charity and the income raised through these activities have resulted in grants being made to support specific camps and projects in the UK and around the world that are affiliated to the Serious Fun Children's Network.

**Serious Fun Children's Network**

Serious Fun Children's Network International is a member of Serious Fun Children's Network that was originally founded in the USA by the late Paul Newman. Serious Fun Children's Network is a growing global community of independently managed and financed camps and programmes. Since the first camp opened in 1988, the Network has delivered more than 1.7 million camp experiences to children living with more than 130 different medical conditions and their families from more than 50 countries.

It is a fundamental tenet of the Serious Fun Children's Network that all camps and services provided to seriously ill children and their families are free of charge.

**Public benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning the charity's future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.



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**Plans for future periods**

The charity does not intend to hold a gala event in London in 2023. This fundraising event might be held again in future years. UK and European donors may send donations to Serious Fun Children's Network International.

It is intended that the income raised will be distributed to the Serious Fun Children's Network and directly to the camps affiliated with it to create opportunities for children and their families to reach beyond serious illness and discover joy, confidence, resilience and a new world of possibilities.

**Financial review and reserves policy**

During 2022 the charity received income of £339,617 (2021 – £340,580), of which £333,300 (2021 – £333,300) was for specific camps. At 31 December 2022, the charity held unrestricted funds of £29,168 (2021 – unrestricted funds of £89,718) and restricted funds of £2,220 (2021 - £28,524). Total reserves at 31 December 2022 amounted to £31,388 (2021: reserves of £118,242). At 31 December 2022 the charity had free reserves of £29,168 (2021: - free reserve of £89,718).

The Trustees reviewed the free reserves shown of £29,168. It was decided to retain these funds to provide working capital for administrative costs and provide seed capital for future fund raising projects.

**Structure, governance and management**

Serious Fun Children's Network International is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 23 May 2014 and registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 10 October 2014. The company is governed by Articles of Association which also set out the objects of the charitable company. In the event of the company being wound up, each member is required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

The trustees are also the members and directors of the company. The trustees are responsible for the overall management and strategic direction of the charity.

**Trustees**

The Trustees are shown on page 1.

Trustees are recruited by the current trustees and include the CEO of Serious Fun Children's Network, the US based affiliated charity, as well as other Board Members from that charity.



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**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Serious Fun Children's Network International for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these 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 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

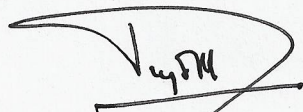
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

**Small company exemption**

The Trustees' Report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the trustees



Richard Twydell  
Chairman

22nd May

2023



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**Independent examiner's report to the members**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2022**

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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**

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

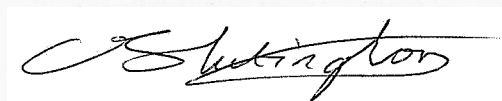
1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Cara Turtington FCA DChA**  
Saffery Champness LLP  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditors

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London EC4V 4BE

6 June 2023



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**Statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account)**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income from</b>					
Grants and Donations	2	6,250	333,300	339,550	340,580
Other trading activities		-	-	-	-
Investment income		67	-	67	-
<b>Total income</b>		<u>6,317</u>	<u>333,300</u>	<u>339,617</u>	<u>340,580</u>
<b>Expenditure on</b>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		9,171	417,300	426,471	245,783
<b>Total expenditure</b>	3	<u>9,171</u>	<u>417,300</u>	<u>426,471</u>	<u>245,783</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		(2,854)	(84,000)	(86,854)	94,797
<b>Transfers between funds</b>		(57,696)	57,696	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		(60,550)	(26,304)	(86,854)	94,797
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		89,718	28,524	118,242	23,445
<b>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2022</b>		<u>29,168</u>	<u>2,220</u>	<u>31,388</u>	<u>118,242</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period.

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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## Balance sheet

As at 31 December 2022

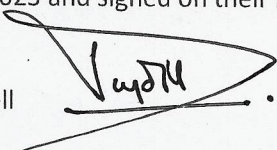
	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors		1,250		1,288	
Cash at bank and in hand		97,938		119,954	
		<u>99,188</u>		<u>121,242</u>	
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due within one year	4	(67,800)		(3,000)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			31,388		118,242
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>31,388</u>		<u>118,242</u>
<b>Funds</b>					
Restricted	6		2,220		28,524
Unrestricted			29,168		89,718
			<u>31,388</u>		<u>118,242</u>

In preparing these financial statements:

- The trustees are of the opinion that the charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit conferred by Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.
- No notice has been deposited under Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:
  - ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006, and
  - preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The financial statements were approved by the trustees on **22 May 2023** and signed on their behalf by

Richard Twydell  
Chairman



Company registration number 9055762



**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the 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), Charities SORP FRS 102- second edition and the Companies Act 2006.

Serious Fun Children's Network International constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

**1.2 Going concern**

The trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Trustees have no plans to cease or alter the activities of the charity at this time. Thus they adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual financial statements.

**1.3 Exemption from preparing a cash flow**

Advantage has been taken of the exemption for charities with income less than £500,000 from preparing a cash flow statement.

**1.4 Incoming resources**

Donations and gift aid are accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

**1.5 Resources expended**

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities comprise of those costs attributable to grants approved by the trustees.

**1.6 Support and governance costs**

Support and governance costs are allocated to the charitable activities as incurred.

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related with statutory requirements.

**Notes to the financial statements (continued)**  
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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.7 Funds**

Unrestricted funds comprise of the accumulated surpluses and deficits of unrestricted incoming revenues over resources expended, which are available for use in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the respective funds.

**1.8 Taxation**

Serious Fun Children's Network International is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income tax or corporation tax on charitable activities.

**1.9 Financial assets**

Financial assets are recognized in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs.

Financial assets are derecognized only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity.

**1.10 Financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities are initially measured at transaction price.

Financial liabilities are derecognized when, and only when, the charity's obligations are discharged, cancelled, or they expire.

**2. Voluntary income**

	2022 £	2021 £
Donations – unrestricted	6,250	7,280
Donations – restricted	333,300	333,300
	<u>339,550</u>	<u>340,580</u>



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### Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2022

#### 3. Analysis of costs

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Grants – made to Serious Fun Children's Network affiliated camps	417,300	323,550
Write off of balances previously owing to connected charities	-	(137,648)
Write off of inter-company debts	-	47,102
Administration costs	4,831	9,779
Governance costs:		
Independent examination fee	4,340	3,000
	<u>426,471</u>	<u>245,783</u>

The charity has no employees (2021: none). During the year no payments were made to any trustee for their services nor were any expenses reimbursed to them (2021: none).

#### 4. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts owed in respect of grant commitments	64,300	-
Accruals	3,500	3,000
	<u>67,800</u>	<u>3,000</u>

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5. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £
Current assets	32,668	66,520	99,188
Current liabilities	(3,500)	(64,300)	(67,800)
	<u>29,168</u>	<u>2,220</u>	<u>31,388</u>
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 £
Current assets	92,718	28,524	121,242
Current liabilities	(3,000)	-	(3,000)
	<u>89,718</u>	<u>28,524</u>	<u>118,242</u>

6. Restricted funds

2022	Balance brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers between funds £	Balance carried forward £
Over The Wall	-	28,300	(38,300)	10,000	-
Barretstown	2,304	65,000	(75,000)	7,696	-
Dynamo	-	65,000	(75,000)	10,000	-
Jordan River	-	28,300	(38,300)	10,000	-
L' Envol	-	28,300	(38,300)	10,000	-
Global Partnership Programme	2,220	-	-	-	2,220
GSK Account Management	-	41,400	(41,400)	-	-
GSK Annual Workshop	24,000	12,000	(36,000)	-	-
Bator Tabor	-	65,000	(75,000)	10,000	-
	<u>28,524</u>	<u>333,300</u>	<u>(417,300)</u>	<u>57,696</u>	<u>2,220</u>

During the year transfers were made from unrestricted funds to restricted funds to clear deficit balances.



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2021	Balance brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers between funds £	Balance carried forward £
Over The Wall	-	28,300	(28,550)	250	-
Barretstown	2,304	65,400	(65,400)	-	2,304
Dynamo	-	65,000	(65,000)	-	-
Jordan River	-	28,300	(28,300)	-	-
L'Envol	-	28,300	(30,300)	2,000	-
Bator Tabor	-	65,000	(65,000)	-	-
Global Partnership Programme	2,220	-	-	-	2,220
GSK Account Management	-	41,000	(41,000)	-	-
GSK Annual Workshop	12,000	12,000	-	-	24,000
	16,524	333,300	(323,550)	2,250	28,524

Each restricted fund relates to a specific camp affiliated to the Serious Fun Children's Network for which donations have been specifically received.

## 7. Company status

The company is limited by guarantee and as such does not have a share capital. The members, consisting of the directors, undertake to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 each in the event of the company being wound up. As at 31 December 2022 the total of those guarantees was £60 (2021 - £60).

## 8. Related party transactions

Mr Joseph Cronly, Mr Justin Fusaro and Mr Blake Maher, who are trustees of the charity, are also directors of Serious Fun Children's Network. Mr Joseph Cronly is also chairman of Over The Wall, a UK camp affiliated to the Serious Fun Children's Network. Mr Kevin Mathieson, a trustee of the charity, is the Chief Executive Officer of Over The Wall. Ms. Deirdre Ahearn is the Chief Executive Officer of Barretstown, an Irish camp affiliated to the Serious Fun Children's Network.

The charity received donations of £5,000 during the year from its trustees (2021: £5,150). These amounts were not transferred to camps and remain in the Unrestricted Funds of the charity.

