



Penguins Against Cancer

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Registered Charity Number: 1159905

Contact Address: FARRS, CLAPPERS LANE, CHOBHAM, WOKING, GU24 8DD

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1. Introduction & Background

Penguins Against Cancer ("**PAC**") is a charity which was set up on 6th Nov 2013 simply to combat cancer. Its unusual (and slightly quirky) name can be explained by the fact that the charity's founders were drawn from **Guy's Hospital Penguins**, the oldest team (the "veterans") in the oldest rugby club in the world (Guy's Hospital Rugby Football Club). But now its members come from a wide range of ages, backgrounds and professions, all uniting to raise money in support of:

- cancer awareness
- cancer research
- cancer treatment
- hospices

Our motto is "***Dare Quam Accipere***", which translates from Latin into "***It is better to give than to receive***".

2. Scope of This Document

The scope of this document is to provide succinct, relevant information on our charity during our financial year to 5 April 2022, in accordance with Section 7 of the Charity Commission's document "Charity reporting and accounting: the essentials" (January 2013) to these key stakeholders:

- A.** The Charity Commission
- B.** Our members and fundraisers
- C.** The recipients of our grants

It also serves to provide information to the wider general public, in order to garner interest, thereby creating future additional members.

3. Charity Registration Number & Registered Office

Our charity registration number is 1159905 and our contact address is:

FARRS, CLAPPERS LANE, CHOBHAM, WOKING, GU24 8DD

4. Summary Description of the Purposes (Objects) of the Charity

A. The Aim of PAC

Our aim is the advancement of health and the saving of lives of people affected by cancer.

B. Our Mission Statement

Penguins Against Cancer (PAC) is to raise **£1 million**, in order to make a significant contribution to the fight against cancer.

C. Our Objectives

Our objectives are:

- i. raising awareness of cancer
- ii. making grants to individuals and organisations involved in cancer research
- iii. making grants to individuals and organisations involved in cancer treatment and hospices

5. Main Activities of the Charity

A. Fundraising

PAC fundraising activities are many and diverse and include (but are not limited to): sponsored cycle rides, formal fundraising dinners, charity golf days, auctions of donated items, charity runs (marathons and half-marathons) and sales of “Penguins” merchandise (e.g. Christmas cards), as well as fundraising “veterans” rugby matches.

All PAC fundraising events are designed to be both altruistic and fun, celebrating memories and achievements, rather than mourning loss.

We also encourage members to support us through regular (monthly) standing order donations. These regular monthly donations (as well as ‘one-off’ donations, and/or donations in support of our members undertaking fund-raising events) have been facilitated via two established online fundraising vehicles in this 2021-22 reporting year: **Virgin Money Giving** (which closed its doors at end of November 2021) and **GoFund Me** (from December 2021 onwards). These are both explained in more detail under **Administrative Costs** on page 7.

B. Disbursement of Grants

Grants are disbursed from funds raised at regular intervals to individuals and organisations nominated by PAC members, many of whom have had loved ones fall victim to cancer. **To-date (to April 2022) PAC has disbursed 83 grants totalling £232,000, to raising cancer awareness, cancer research, cancer treatment, and hospices.**

Organisations supported thus far include (amongst others): **Cancer Research UK, Prostate Cancer UK, The Prostate Cancer Research Centre, The Urology Foundation, Sarcoma UK, Myeloma UK, Breakthrough Breast Cancer, The Princess Alice Hospice, St Christopher's Hospice, Bowel Cancer UK, and The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity Melanoma Research Fund.**

Our approach enables support to be targeted to particular individuals and organisations, and makes the process of staging events to raise money personal, vivid and special. It allows those bereaved and otherwise affected to contribute directly and tangibly to the memory of the cancer victim.

C. Research Bursaries

The Fergus Scholefield Cancer Research Fund (“The Fergus Fund”)

In 2016 Penguins Against Cancer announced the establishment of The Fergus Scholefield Cancer Research Fund, in memory of a brave young man who, at the tender age of 2, battled through the treatment of his brain tumour with the support of family and friends. Sadly, it was not possible to cure him of the disease and Fergus died before his third birthday. His journey and strength has inspired PAC members and supporters, and many more, to improve the lives of others and continue the search for better understanding and treatments for cancer.

This PAC Research Bursary is awarded annually, through a rigorous vetting process, to support researchers to keep pushing the boundaries in cancer research and to ensure that Fergus’s short life will continue to motivate people for many years to come.

The awarding of the 2020 Fergus Fund Bursary was postponed due to the prevailing Covid restrictions, so in this financial reporting year (2021-22), two Fergus Fund Bursaries were awarded in June 2021: the **2020 Award** of £5,000 went to Dr Stella Man of the **Institute of Cancer Research** and the **2021 Award** (£2,500) went to Mr Charles West at the **Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust**.

Dr Man's grant will contribute to funding research into Desmoplastic Small Round Cell Tumours (DSRCT) which are a rare and aggressive cancer that affects young people between 10 and 30 years old. Mr West's grant will contribute to funding research into Quality of Life for patients undergoing extended margin cancer surgery for abdominopelvic cancers.

6. Structure, Governance and Management

The Constitution for Penguins Against Cancer was adopted on the 13 December 2014. A copy of our Constitution is available at all times for viewing on our website (www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk), under "**Governance**".

The Charity is staffed entirely by its members, who are **all unpaid volunteers**.

A selection of members are elected each year as Officers and Trustees at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Officers and Trustees wishing to stand for a term greater than one year require annual re-election via the AGM.

One Annual General Meeting, plus (at least) three Trustees' Meetings take place in the course of each year. Each meeting is attended by at least four Trustees in order to be quorate and to vote on motions put forward.

A list of Trustees in post as at the date of this Report & Accounts being approved (21 February 2023) is published as **Appendix 1** in this document.

Monies raised by the charity are disbursed as grants according to nominations made by members; such nominations are usually made by two members and approved by a majority of Trustees expressing an opinion, and in all cases by at least four Trustees.

All details of grants disbursed to-date are viewable on the "**Grants**" section of our website (www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/grants), including PAC letters which accompanied the grant cheques. Letters of thanks from the grant recipients, confirming receipt of their grants as well as how the monies will be spent, are also published on our website, under "**Thanks**" (www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/thanks).

Administrative Costs

Penguins Against Cancer has **no** running costs or administrative costs to dilute the money donated by supporters, so every penny donated goes directly to the fight against cancer*:

All administration time and skills are kindly donated free of charge by PAC members. Any associated admin costs are also funded by PAC members out of their own pockets.

** [Donations by supporters to PAC via the established online fundraising vehicles of Virgin Money Giving (to end of November 2021, when it ceased to exist) and GoFundMe (December 2021 onwards) have small levels of commission deducted at source by these websites, however this is more than offset by the amount of GiftAid (see below) PAC receives from such online donations.]*

Gift Aid

This well-established government scheme allows UK charities like us to claim back the basic rate tax already paid on donations by the donor. This means we can legitimately claim back from the Government 25p for every £1 donated, **boosting the value of such donations by a quarter**, provided that the donor is a UK taxpayer and pays more in income tax annually than the amount we are claiming.

Communication

Our website (www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk) is our main form of communication to our members, and also to the wider public. It provides full details of our fundraising activities (both past and future), together with all relevant information about the charity, including compliance with governance and records of official meetings held. It is kept up-to-date by a dedicated volunteer Webmaster, who provides these services ‘*pro bono*’ to the charity.

We also have a volunteer Social Media Manager who creates posts for PAC on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

We communicate regularly by electronic newsletter to our member base, using the MailChimp proprietary email platform, which provides us with secure, reliable communication. This is also managed by our volunteer Webmaster.

Details of Relevant Organisations to the Charity

Our Bank:

NatWest Bank
45 Park Street
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Our Independent Examiner:

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7. Public Benefit Statement

We hereby confirm that the charity's Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

8. 2021-22 Financial Review

Receipts:

- i. PAC's receipts for the year totalled **£47,116**.
- ii. This total of £47,116 is a sizable increase of £26,238 (= **+126%**) over PAC's previous year's receipts figure (**£20,878** – 2020-21).

This can be attributed to more fundraising activities being able to take place, once government-imposed Covid restrictions had been relaxed.

Payments:

- i. A total of **£48,100** was disbursed as outgoing payments by PAC during this reporting year as grants to cancer research, cancer treatment and cancer care hospices. (versus £22,000 disbursed in the previous year, 2020-21)
- ii. All 2021-22 grants are detailed in **Appendix 2** of this Report on page 16.

Reserves to Carry Forward at Year-End:

- i. **-£984** is the net residual amount from this year's financial activities (£47,116 of receipts, less £48,100 disbursed);
- ii. **£9,310** of cash reserves were carried forward from the previous year (2020-21);
- iii. Giving total reserves to carry-forward into 2022-23 of **£8,326**.
- iv. Reserves policy: the charity has no administrative (staff) costs and so operates on a "zero reserves" policy, but typically with a cash buffer of around £5,000.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Penguins Against Cancer

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Penguins Against Cancer ('the Charity')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5th April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

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Date: 21st February 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "THB LLP". The letters are stylized and cursive, with the "L" and "P" being particularly prominent.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Penguins Against Cancer

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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

06/04/2021

To

05/04/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	29,358	-	-	29,358	8,191
virgin giving	13,214	-	-	13,214	12,687
Cygnat Distillery	2,573	-	-	2,573	-
Cash deposits (raffael)	527	-	-	527	-
Tower to Tower	1,445	-	-	1,445	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	47,116	-	-	47,116	20,878
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	47,116	-	-	47,116	20,878
A3 Payments					
grants to cancer research, cancer treatment and cancer care hospices.	48,100	-	-	48,100	22,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	48,100	-	-	48,100	22,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	48,100	-	-	48,100	22,000
Net of receipts/(payments)	(984.38)	-	-	(984.38)	(1,122.00)
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,310	-	-	9,310	10,432
Cash funds this year end	8,326	-	-	8,326	9,310

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	8,326	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,326	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Funds	8,326	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

Appendix 1

List of Trustees in post at the date of signing this Report (21 February 2023)

- C E Beardmore *President*
- P Gush *Vice-President*
- C Small *Treasurer*
- C Gush *Social Secretary*
- D Littlejohns *Webmaster*
- L Aaron *Social Media Manager*

- C A Beardmore
- G Thomason
- A Mistlin
- P Davis
- B Thorpe
- D P Johnston

Trustees with specific responsibility for the PAC Research Committee:

- S Hughes *Lead Trustee*
- B Challacombe
- I Abbs
- C E Beardmore

Appendix 1 (cont.)

Trustees who have resigned since the date of the last Report

(21 February 2023)

- T Gibson
- C Howell
- A Schaub
- B Scholefield

Appendix 2

Monies Disbursed as Grants: 2021-22

(Dates shown are when the grant monies were encashed by the recipient)

1	May 2021	Prostate Cancer Research	£ 4,000
2	May 2021	Frimley Health Charity [Frimley Park Hospital]	£ 3,000
3	July 2021	Institute of Cancer Research (Fergus Fund Award)	£ 5,000
4	July 2021	Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust (Fergus Fund Award)	£ 2,500
5	Aug 2021	The Urology Foundation	£ 10,000
6	Aug 2021	The Pelvic Radiation Disease Association	£ 5,000
7	Aug 2021	The Princess Alice Hospice	£ 5,000
8	Aug 2021	Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice Care	£ 5,000
9	Nov 2021	Pancreatic Cancer UK	£ 5,000
10	Nov 2021	Richard House Trust Children's Hospice	£ 3,600
Total			£ 48,100