

## **ALLEGRA'S AMBITION**

**Unaudited annual report and  
financial statements  
for the year ended 30 September 2023**



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## Financial statements

for the year ended 30 September 2023

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**Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors**  
for the year ended 30 September 2023

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<b>Trustees</b>	Lucy P Whittome Ashley A Whittome Adam Broke Sarah Broke Olivia Barrington-Ward Amanda Howard Amelia Ashton
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<b>Charity Registered Number</b>	1161667
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<b>Correspondence Address</b>	Lower Wield House Lower Wield Alresford SO24 9RX
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<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Joanna Williams Chartered Accountants Manor Farm Church Road Glatton Huntingdon PE28 5RR
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<b>Bankers</b>	CAF Bank 25 King Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ
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## Report of the Trustees

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### Our Charity's Aim

Allegra's Ambition aims to enable, engage and empower young, disadvantaged people to fulfil their potential through participation in sport and outdoor activities.

Allegra's Ambition works in partnership with a small number of carefully vetted charities to deliver a range of projects that support young, disadvantaged people through participation in sport and outdoor activities.

Each charity we work with is chosen because its aims closely align with our goals and because Allegra's Ambition's involvement adds real value. We are committed, wherever possible, to supporting projects on an ongoing basis and work closely with our partner charities to build relationships over time. All our partners have proven track records, are well-established, well-governed, low risk and employ dedicated, expert and inspirational staff.

Volunteering is a central part of our charity. Allegra's Ambition actively supports all our fundraisers and encourages volunteering within our partner organisations wherever possible.

Allegra's Ambition is currently working with a number of charities in London and the South of England, united by a common goal, to support vulnerable young people and make a real difference to their lives.

### Financial Review

During the year, Allegra's Ambition raised £36,666. Total expenditure made by Allegra's Ambition on projects and expenses amounted to £54,883. Of this amount, direct donations comprised £53,883, the cost of merchandise comprised £nil and administration fees (for postage of merchandise, website host, bank charges, CAF & Just Giving fees and other fundraising expenses) comprised £205. Whittome Ltd donated the funds to cover 100% of the merchandise and administration cost.

#### *Donations Made by Allegra's Ambition:*

	2023	2022
	£	£
Carney's Community	17,030	12,780
Magdalen Environmental Trust	12,148	10,720
Youth Options	2,060	10,577
Ebony Horse Club Project	-	10,800
The Wave Project	2,000	-
Street Reach	7,645	6,820
The Bourne Academy	-	17,761
Jamies's Farm	5,000	15,000
Winchester Sports Centre Outdoor Gym Project	-	2,000
Football Beyond Borders	3,000	-
Great Wood Charity	5,000	-
	<b>53,883</b>	<b>86,458</b>

## Report of the Trustees (continued)

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### Our Charity's Achievements and Performance

During the year, **Allegra's Ambition** continued to support and develop relationships with a number of charities.

**Carneys Community Centre** (<https://carneyscommunity.org/>): We have had a long-standing partnership with Carney's which is a boxing club which aims to reduce offending, re-offending, and anti-social behaviour, whilst improving social mobility and community cohesion. The services are targeted at disadvantaged young people aged 11-30 from deprived backgrounds in Wandsworth. The work is focused on building self-discipline, self-esteem, confidence, and employability of young people, as this is key to reducing offending. The charity engages around 600 young people each year in positive and constructive activities.

In 2023 we continued to fund an ongoing project at Carney's Community which engages at risk young people through boxing and other activities, and provides one to one mentoring by a team of workers, a number of whom have come through Carneys programmes themselves. Many of the mentees report having being 'passed between' different agencies (one person had to tell his story to 40 different professionals before accessing support) which can lead to them becoming frustrated and withdrawing from support services. The mentoring Carneys offer is unique and key to rebuilding trust, enabling young people to reach their full potential.

**Football beyond Borders** (<https://www.footballbeyondborders.org/>) We began a relationship with this education and social inclusion charity which uses the power of football to change the lives of young people. We funded a programme of reward trips for some of their young people which are used to reward and incentivise in the first year of the programme (Yr 8).

**Ebony Horse Club** (<https://www.ebonyhorseclub.org.uk/>): Once again we were able to invite a group of young people from EHC to Hampshire for the day in the summer holidays. We were incredibly grateful to those who lent us their ponies for the day and the volunteer riding instructors. We also booked a Bushcraft session from Youth Options for the day which was a great success. As always seeing the young people from Ebony gaining confidence on new ponies, hacking out in the countryside (many for the first time) and enjoying a day outside was a rewarding experience. We have continued to fund a local school to attend sessions at EHC.

**Greatwood** (<https://www.greatwoodcharity.org/>): We began a new partnership with this charity which uses animal assisted intervention to work with young disadvantaged people. We supported a project for a group of Young Carers from Youth Action Wiltshire to attend a day programme at the centre.

**Jamie's Farm** (<https://jamiesfarm.org.uk/>): We agreed to fund an apprenticeship scheme at Jamie's Farm in 2023. Jamie's Farm was established in 2005 and aims to transform lives through their unique residential programme built around their core elements of Farming, Family, Therapy and Legacy. Delivered via a five-day residential and rigorous follow-up programme, it is designed specifically to improve wellbeing, boost engagement, improve behaviour and develop essential life-skill such as communication and self-awareness. The week also provides valuable professional development for visiting teachers who return to school with renewed relationships with their young people, and tips and skills to sustain the changes back in the classroom.

**Magdalen Farm** (<https://magdalenfarm.org.uk/>): Magdalen offers residential, day and field trips, environmental education, care farming and other group or family activities on a 132-acre organic working farm on the banks of the River Axe in Somerset. We funded residential trips there in 2023 for Street Reach, Youth Options and Kids on Track, as well as a group of unaccompanied young asylum seekers.

**Street Reach** (<https://www.winchesterstreetreach.org/>): We continued with our funding for The Friday Football project. This provides a drop-in 'kick around' activity for young people in Winchester and, as well as playing football, there is the opportunity to talk to trained youth workers and get advice and support. For a second year we funded a project preparing young people for a residential trip to Magdalen Farm. We also provided 50% funding to support a new weekly youth club at the charity's headquarters in Winnall, the remainder being met by the City Council.

**The Wave** (<https://www.waveproject.co.uk>) is a charity originally from Cornwall which seeks to change young lives through surf therapy. They now have 16 locations nationally. We have been impressed by their work, having seen them engage in action and have begun to offer initial funding.

**Youth Options** ([www.youthoptions.co.uk](http://www.youthoptions.co.uk)): We have continued to fund bushcraft activities at the newly opened Outdoor Learning Centre. We also funded a trip to Magdalen Farm and accompanying staff costs

**Independent examiner's report on the accounts**

for the year ended 30 September 2023

I report on the accounts of Allegra's Ambition for the year ended 30 September 2023 which are set out on pages 5 and 6.

**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.

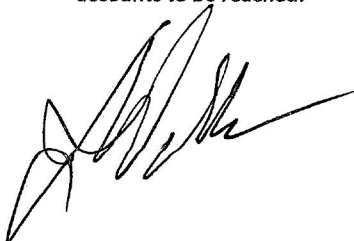
**Basis of independent examiner's statement.**

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 accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.



Joanna Williams

Chartered accountant

Independent examiner

Dated 14-Feb-24

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**Receipts and Payments**

for the year ended 30 September 2023

<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Donations</b>		
General donations, gift aid, goods sold and other fund raising	39,666	51,114
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest	3,813	492
Total Investment income	3,813	492
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>43,479</b>	<b>51,606</b>
<b>Administration</b>		
Bank charges	65	90
Website and software	-	67
Postage	53	88
CAF, MyDonate and Virgin Money fees	87	101
Total Administration	205	346
<b>Projects and donations</b>		
Carney's Community	17,030	12,780
Magdalen Environmental Trust	12,148	10,720
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Great Wood Charity	5,000	-
Fundraising goods for re-sale		2,132
Other fundraising expenses	-	-
Total projects and donations	53,883	88,590
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>54,088</b>	<b>88,936</b>
<b>Net (reduction) / increase in funds for the year</b>	<b>(10,609)</b>	<b>(37,330)</b>

**Statement of assets and liabilities**

as at 30 September 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash at bank - current account	371	441
- deposit account	251,497	262,036
<b>Net assets</b>	251,868	262,477
<b>Funds</b>		
Reserves brought forward	262,477	299,807
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	(10,609)	(37,330)
	251,868	262,477