



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/9/2020
end date

Period start date To 31/8/2021

Period

Charity name: Dementia Support South Lincs (DSSL)

Charity registration number: 1162277

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	'The objectives of Dementia Support South Lincs are to promote and encourage the physical, mental and social well-being of adult persons who have a diagnosis of dementia, or are caring for someone with dementia, or need information and/or advice regarding dementia and who live within the areas served by the main General Medical Practices in Bourne, The Deepings and Stamford, Lincolnshire, through therapeutic support, encouraging active engagement in appropriate activities, and providing information, guidance and support for their families and carers'.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	We focus on the person behind the condition and their carer. We provide information, guidance and support for our beneficiaries by personal visits, a quarterly newsletter, monthly support meetings, and our website. Up to mid-march 2020, we ran regular activities for beneficiaries such as Art for All, three monthly support groups, Singing Together, which continued to be well attended, and Tai Chi grew in numbers. Due to Covid 19 we were not able to restart any of our activities until July 2021. In the year to August 2021 only nine sessions were possible. We run a fortnightly day club for people diagnosed with early onset dementia or who are in the early stages of dementia.

		Square Hole Club is our USP. There is nothing else like it for younger or 'early stage' people in the county – the nearest is in Leicestershire. We are featured on the Young Dementia UK website. Up to March 2020, we held Dementia Friends sessions to local businesses/community groups. We help to raise awareness every year through talks and information stands. Unfortunately, this year, due to Covid 19, we were unable to hold a physical presence in the community for Dementia Action Week.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and are satisfied that we comply with the guidance.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The Trustees, all volunteers themselves, are fully aware of the invaluable support given to Dementia Support South Lincs by volunteers by both helping at events and activities and in raising funds for us.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The impact of Covid 19 was that from Mid March 2020 all our activities ceased. Up to that point we had both maintained and expanded the service we offer to our beneficiaries and to the wider community. We continued to support our members by regular phone calls giving advice and contact or just a friendly ear for a chat on social contact. We also issued regular updates on our website and Facebook with advice from other agencies and Government updates. We issued newsletters and kept our members up to date on the situation regarding recommencing our activities. In July 2021 we restarted some of our activities with almost full resumption planned for September 2021. We represent a 'safe haven' for people who have received a diagnosis of dementia [in its many forms], often being the first contact in the community they have at a very difficult time. We offer friendship, and mutual support opportunities as well as practical and emotional advice and support. We demonstrate to the wider community what is possible for people living with dementia, and how they can help, and offer advice and support to community groups in order to increase their knowledge so that they can also find ways to help our 'family' of beneficiaries.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have continued to run Dementia Support South Lincs in such a way as to support approximately 230 families or households. We continuously review our Business Plan. We have three professional support workers and an administrative assistant, part-time. We completed the first Carers' coping
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		toolkit training programme and were planning to start a new session but this has been delayed due to Covid 19 restrictions.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have met our objectives for fundraising for this year. However in the whole year our income from donations and activities has been impacted by Covid 19. In the year we received the first two instalments of our grant from the National Lottery Reaching Communities Fund amounting to £20,500 and a grant of £10,000 from National Lottery Community Fund Covid 19 and £1,000 from South Kesteven District Council.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other	Para 1.41	Impact of Covid 19 on fundraising – Cancellation of external fundraising events on our behalf etc

Other	Para 1.45	Impact of Covid 19 on activities, staff, volunteers, in 2020/21 and implications for coming year.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We are in a similar position to last year due mainly to the continued cessation of our activities and at the end of August 2021, the position was a surplus of £25.2k for the year. We have received total grants of £31.5k. It is difficult to budget for the coming year due to continued Covid 19 uncertainties, however the potential shortfall of income over expenditure is circa of £10k in the year to August 2022.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We aim to keep a minimum reserve of our running costs that will be needed for the following 12 months.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Our reserves were £145,308 at 31 st

		August 2021. The increase was mainly due to the increase of grants, which have not been fully spent due to Covid restrictions.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	We are operating in a very difficult competitive environment with grants being more difficult to achieve. But we are actively looking for new funding opportunities and were successful in achieving grants of £31.5k in the year to August 2021 of which £10k related to Covid 19 support.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Our principal sources of funding in year to August 2021 have been mainly from grants from National Lottery. Donations from the public were down on prior years due to Covid 19. In March 2020 we were awarded a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund for 3 years amounting to £62,300 in total. Due to COVID-19 the start of this project has been delayed and the first grant payments were received in year ending August 2021.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Our principal risks in the coming year are the diminishing funding available from the public sector, difficulty in recruiting volunteers and trustees able to devote time for us. In addition the level of donations may be affected by the impact of Covid 19.
Other	Para 1.49	The continued uncertainty of the impact of Covid-19 virus control measures and potential duration of virus on future aims and activities

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Our Trustees tend to be known to us by virtue of having been beneficiaries or related to them in some way. People start by volunteering and when ready to commit more time and energy can be co-opted to the committee or elected by the current Trustees to be a Trustee, for a time limited period.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	We have policies and procedures in place regarding induction. Training tends to be 'in-house' by attending events and activities, and shadowing our support workers. All people who work alone with our beneficiaries are required to have full DBS certification.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We have monthly Trustee meetings, and receive reports from sub-committees such as social events, etc. We are connected with the following organisations in mutually supportive relationships.- South West Lincs Care Consortium Lincolnshire Partnership Foundation Trust Alzheimer's Society Young Dementia UK Playlist for Life South Lincs Dementia Action Alliance Mindspace Lincolnshire Heritage Local churches, rotary clubs, businesses, shops, local pubs and clubs, Masonic lodges etc. Healthwatch. South Lincs Clinical commissioning Group We continue to use social media such as our regular newsletter, website and

		facebook to keep our 'family' connected.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Carer Sitters Service– we share an office with them and several beneficiaries.
Other		We have a full range of policies and procedures particularly in regard to safeguarding, These are reviewed annually and have been approved by LPFT.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Dementia Support South Lincolnshire
Other name the charity uses	DSSL
Registered charity number	1162277
Charity's principal address	c/o Wake House, Room 34, 41 North St., Bourne, Lincs, PE10 9AE

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Alan Bulmer	Chair		Trustees of DSSL
2	Denis Bedford			Trustees of DSSL
3	Kay Bunn			Trustees of DSSL
4	Sarah Westwood			Trustees of DSSL
5	Jill Bemrose	Treasurer		Trustees of DSSL
6	Hazel Cox			Trustees of DSSL
7	Nicholas Fahidy		11 th January 2021	Trustees of DSSL

Other optional information

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/09/2020		31/08/2021

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 and Grants	19,764	31,500	-	51,264	47,656
Charitable Activities	3,607	-	-	3,607	17,172
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	23,371	31,500	-	54,871	64,828
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	23,371	31,500	-	54,871	64,828
A3 Payments					
Charitable Activities	12,536	17,171	-	29,707	42,708
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,536	17,171	-	29,707	42,708
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,536	17,171	-	29,707	42,708
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,835	14,329	-	25,164	22,120
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	115,229	4,915	-	120,144	98,024
Cash funds this year end	126,064	19,244	-	145,308	120,144

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				
		126,064	19,244	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	126,064	19,244	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

J Bemrose

Jill Bemrose

08/09/2021

SARAH WESWOOD

14/9/21

Miss J. Bemrose
Treasurer
Dementia Support South Lincs.

Registered Charity No. 1162277

I have carried out an inspection of the accounts of the organisation for the year 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021.

In my opinion the accounts and Balance Sheet give a fair and true view of the financial activities of the Charity for that period and the position at 31st August 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. P. Lander'.

Martin P. Lander
A.C.I.B. (Retired)

31st January 2022