

Charity registration number: 1164084

Everything Ellie

Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024



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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
& BUSINESS ADVISERS

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Justeen Easton Claire Gover Claire Fisher Rhiane Easton Sue Manley Sophie Isaac Nikki Rostock Bev Harper-Penman
Charity Registration Number	1164084
Principal Office	20 Lynhurst Avenue Sticklepath Barnstaple Devon EX31 2ER
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Bankers	NatWest Barnstaple 41 High Street Barnstaple Devon EX31 1DA

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Structure, Governance and Management

Trustee appointment

Each trustee is re-selected at the AGM and seconded. Any persons wishing to join the charity as a trustee must do so in writing to the chairperson. Appointments will only be made once all elected trustees have been consulted with at the 8 weekly trustee meetings.

The constitution forms the basis of the policies and procedures for the trustees.

The Trustees have attended a training session on Microsoft Teams so we can communicate more securely and continued the subscription for IT Support.

We updated our referral forms to reduce the sensitive data we collect and adopted a privacy policy.

We have renewed our registration with the ICO.

All trustees have reviewed our policies as agreed annually.

Relationship with any related parties

We continue good relationships with other charities and look forward to being able to continue joint ventures.

We continue to encourage our volunteers who represent us to join in on other community groups events when those funds are shared with or benefitting another local charity. This also keeps our links strong with relevant stakeholders.

The charity is working with other voluntary organisations to encourage referrals and signposting.

We continue to make connections with other Charities, taking part in joint events where are stakeholders' crossover.

We have been active in forming relationships with other local charities and next year will focus of broadening to other parts of the South West.

We have a Carers Group, Bereavement Group & individual support groups using our Beach Hut and days out tickets.

The ND Hospice, CHSW & Young Lives v's Cancer Social worker continue to make referrals bringing very much a community feel to our organisation.

Objectives and Activities

Everything Ellie was created to relieve the needs of young people with life threatening or life limiting illness, or families who are affected by the impact of terminal illness in the South West of England by:

- a) Providing short term respite, and
- b) Making grants to charities local to the South West of England

Everything Ellie was set up to benefit families affected by life threatening or life limiting illness or those affected by the impact of terminal illness.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

The core work of the charity is to provide families with the opportunity to have short breaks at the Everything Ellie Lodge.

Families also have the opportunity to have day trips to the Beach Hut located at Saunton Sands beach – both facilities are free of charge for families referred by a professional from health, social care or the VCSE sector, and provides everything a family needs to have time away from hospital appointments and treatment plans all funded by community fundraising

Referrals are made into the charity through key stakeholders and other voluntary organisations, including Young Lives vs Cancer, Children's Hospice SW, Schools, consultant paediatrician at the NDDH & Exeter RD&E and North Devon Hospice.

Families can also self-refer; however, these must be authorised by a medical professional.

Everything Ellie provides family attraction tickets, food vouchers and grants to families attending short-term breaks during treatment or on a terminal diagnosis, in line with our own policies.

As trustees we recognise that our service is not provided in isolation and where we are able, we will provide signposting services to other local organisations that can benefit the wellbeing of the families using our service.

Public Benefit

The trustees of Everything Ellie have regard and are aware of the Charity Commissions public benefit guidance when exercising their duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Together we ensure that we carry out our charities purpose for the public benefit.

Contribution made by volunteers

20 volunteers have taken part in activities this year which are linked to the charity's objectives, predominantly on virtual and social platforms sharing our news and promoting the charity on social media and raising awareness.

A key area of support includes the organising and running of the annual fundraising ball which again has been supported by our volunteers and representing us at events arranged by others.

Policy on grant making

The trustees continue to make grants to families in accordance with our grant making policy which is reviewed annually and updated where appropriate.

Achievements and Performance

We have been able to offer our full range of support to both families and individuals across the Southwest and wider locations.

Key achievements include:

- **20** families have used the beach hut this season. It is also offered to extended family to use with siblings when the main carer may be away in hospital with their ill child.
- The car park company continue to offer our visitors free parking and the Cafe give a free ice-cream.

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- **34** families received a short break during this period - a total of **183** individuals had the benefit of a break away and included a range of people who either had a child on treatment, a terminally ill parent or main carer and those who had been affected by bereavement.
- Provided enhancements to their visit by providing Horse Riding Vouchers and attraction tickets.
- Continued to supply £20 per person meal vouchers.
- Rented an additional holiday home for a family who had a larger number so they could all be together.
- Continued the Legionella management maintenance service for the hot-tub
- Carried out Gas safety testing and service on the boiler and oven.
- We agreed to ringfence **£10,000** to offer Winter Pressure Grants of up to £500 per family to be applied for by a medical professional and designed to assist families pay the additional costs incurred by the winter fuel crisis and the impacts this will have on our stakeholder.
- We have paid out **29** family grants this financial year.
- We donated **£1500** in food vouchers to Young Lives Vs Cancer team in Bristol Children's Hospital for emergency food vouchers for them to distribute to families taken into the wards unexpectedly.

Funds have been raised mainly through:

- Personal sponsored challenges
- Volunteering at running events
- Selling merchandise
- General donations from the public
- Bequests
- Corporate events and donations
- Held our annual Winter ball fundraiser.

This year we have continued to forge links with other organisations and referring partners to increase the number of families being offered access to our service.

Marketing our services:

- Continued to use social media and word of mouth to promote the charity.
- Shared our website, events and fundraiser pages.
- Purchased merchandise to promote our brand and sell to the wider public.
- Maintained the website upgraded last year.

The Future:

- Continue to provide wellbeing respite breaks and days out to families and individuals.
- Continue with enhancements to the breaks to include meal, cream teas and crazy golf vouchers, swimming, horse-riding, Petorama and family days out to make the stay as free as possible to reduce the financial impacts on families experiencing a child on treatment or terminal illness.
- Continue to provide the Winter Pressure Grants.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

- Maintain and improve communications and awareness of our service through the relationships we have made with stakeholders within the medical profession, other charitable organisations, community groups, and bereavement groups, schools and look to make more connections in the future.

As detailed above, the trustees set a target of 40 beneficiaries .

Financial Review

Everything Ellie has had another prosperous year with some substantial donations from local businesses.

NFU MUTUAL

SA SAFETY LTD

SOUTH MOLTON VINTAGE RALLY

THE ENTERTAINER

We have been the chosen charity this year for

BIRD & BLEND EXETER

THE CORNERHOUSE

N.D FOOTBALL LEAGUE

We continue to benefit from the local businesses who considerably reduce our running costs by providing services:

BAYS SPAS LTD (Hot Tub Changeover)

BOWDENS CLEANING SERVICE LTD (Cleaning)

THE BREAK CAFÉ (Ice-creams)

SAUNTON BEACH SHOP (Beach Car Parking)

We have been left in a very good financial position and have continued support from the community and partnerships made over the years with 100% of our funds being unrestricted

At the end of the financial year we have

£91,288.18 in the bank and **£38.28** cash.

The trustees have agreed to ring fence the following:

£20,000 as part of a 5 year plan to upgrade the Holiday Home.

£10,000 for Winter Pressure Grants

£8,500 for year running costs & utilities.

£6,000 for enhancements to the stay, Attraction Days Out,

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Meal Vouchers £20 per person meal voucher Activities on site: Horse Riding, Swimming, Crazy Golf etc.

£1,500 to Young Lives V's Cancer Meal Vouchers for parents in Bristol Children's Hospital.

We currently have no restricted funds to use.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees policy on holding reserves is to maintain 2 years running costs it has been agreed that we will hold **£35k in reserves**.

This will be reviewed each year and amended as necessary.

The charity's principal sources of funds

The Trustees have been active in gaining support from the local community.

A publicity programme to promote events and the aims of the Charity, to create greater awareness and ultimately, support.

Encourage investment by supporters from the community e.g. local businesses with a Charity-giving policy

To ensure future funding of the Charity is assisted by targeting other Charitable funds for support e.g Councillor Grants, Rotary clubs & Charitable Trusts

The contribution made by volunteers to support events run by the Charity and to instigate events to fundraise on behalf of the Charity is recognised by the Trustees of the Charity.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities 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 charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity 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;
- 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; and
- 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 charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity 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 corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 28.1.25 and signed on its behalf by:



Justeen Easton
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Everything Ellie

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Everything Ellie for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Everything Ellie you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Everything Ellie's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the 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 Everything Ellie as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

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.



Catherine Williams FCA DChA
Independent Examiner
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Date: 29th January 2025

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Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Receipts:				
Donations and legacies	2	17,760	17,760	27,833
Activities for generating funds	3	18,957	18,957	18,404
Total receipts		36,717	36,717	46,237
Payments:				
Cost of events		6,537	6,537	6,182
Storage		3,461	3,461	2,230
Expenditure on families		19,091	19,091	10,648
Website		870	870	3,116
Sundry expenses		216	216	1,786
Lodge expenses		8,030	8,030	6,433
Insurance		605	605	574
Printing, postage and stationery		13	13	8
Subscriptions		933	933	561
Promotional material		310	310	3,248
Independent examiner's fee		630	630	588
Total payments		40,696	40,696	35,374
Net (payments)/receipts		(3,979)	(3,979)	10,863
Cash brought forward		95,305	95,305	84,442
Cash carried forward	8	91,326	91,326	95,305

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2023 is shown in note 8.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at [31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets		85,500	85,500
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand	7	<u>91,326</u>	<u>95,305</u>
Net assets		<u><u>176,826</u></u>	<u><u>180,805</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 9 to 15 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on ~~29.11.2023~~ and signed on their behalf by:


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Justeen Easton
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

Everything Ellie meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity receives the income. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations are received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year when received

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on a payments basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Donations	10,892	10,892
Collection Box	425	425
Grants	6,443	6,443
	<u>17,760</u>	<u>17,760</u>

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Donations	26,831	26,831
Collection Box	768	768
Grants	234	234
	<u>27,833</u>	<u>27,833</u>

3 Activities for generating funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Events	<u>18,957</u>	<u>18,957</u>

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Events	<u>18,404</u>	<u>18,404</u>

4 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses from the charity during the year.

5 Staff costs

No salaries or wages have been paid to employees, including the trustees, during the year.

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6 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

7 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank	91,326	95,305

8 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
General Funds	58,445	36,717	(31,272)	(18,814)	45,076
Dry Storage	1,750	-	(764)	(986)	-
Outside Storage	1,500	-	(2,319)	819	-
Defibrillator	660	-	-	(660)	-
Ground rent	7,500	-	-	1,000	8,500
Winter pressure grants	20,000	-	-	(10,000)	10,000
Holiday home	-	-	-	20,000	20,000
Enhancements for the stay	-	-	-	6,000	6,000
Meal vouchers	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Family attraction vouchers - per family	100	-	(741)	641	-
Crazy golf vouchers	300	-	(300)	-	-
Cream tea vouchers	400	-	(400)	-	-
Petorama vouchers	400	-	(400)	-	-
Swimming vouchers	250	-	(250)	-	-
Horse riding vouchers	1,000	-	(750)	-	250
Young Lives v Cancer meal vouchers	1,000	-	(1,500)	2,000	1,500
	<u>95,305</u>	<u>36,717</u>	<u>(40,696)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91,326</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
General Funds	68,942	46,237	(29,804)	(26,930)	58,445
Dry Storage	3,000	-	(500)	(750)	1,750
Outside Storage	2,500	-	(1,729)	730	1,501
Defibrillator	2,000	-	(1,341)	-	659
Website and Marketing	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Ground rent	6,000	-	-	1,500	7,500
Winter pressure grants	-	-	-	20,000	20,000
Meal vouchers	-	-	-	2,000	2,000
Family attraction vouchers					
- per family	-	-	-	100	100
Crazy golf vouchers	-	-	-	300	300
Cream tea vouchers	-	-	-	400	400
Petorama vouchers	-	-	-	400	400
Swimming vouchers	-	-	-	250	250
Horse riding vouchers	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
Young Lives v Cancer meal vouchers	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
	<u>84,442</u>	<u>46,237</u>	<u>(35,374)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>95,305</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (continued)

Purposes of unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are used to further the objects of the charity, but are subject to no restrictions on their use within those objects.

The charity designated funds to be used towards the dry storage facilities for the merchandise, promotional material and event displays.

The charity designated funds to be used towards the outside storage facilities at the lodge.

The charity designated funds to be used towards installing and maintaining a defibrillator at Stowford Village, where the lodge is sited.

The charity designated funds to be used towards the upgrade of the website and marketing of the charity.

The charity also designated funds to cover the ground rent charges.

The charity designated funds for grants for families who may struggle during the winter months.

To make each stay at the Lodge as free as possible for the families the charity designated funds to enhance the stay for each family by providing pre paid vouchers:

- 100 x £20 meal vouchers for each guest staying
- £100 per family for attraction vouchers at a venue of their choice
- 100 x Crazy Golf vouchers
- 100 x Cream Tea vouchers
- 100 x Petorama vouchers
- 100 x Swimming vouchers
- 50 x Horse Riding vouchers

After making further connections with Young Lives Vs Cancer support workers in Bristol Childrens Hospital, they requested help for families taken into the ward suddenly, as they would benefit from emergency meal vouchers for the most nearby supermarkets. It was decided Tesco and Marks and Spencers would be the most beneficial so £1500 of £10 and £20 vouchers for each were bought and they will be allocated on a needs basis.

