

MARVELS AND MELTDOWNS

England & Wales · Charity number 1164529

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-11-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: To promote maintain and improve the physical, mental and social wellbeing of children / young people who have in particular, but not exclusively, Autistic Spectrum Conditions (ASC) and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), and their families. The relief of children who have in particular, but not exclusively, Autistic Spectrum Conditions (ASC) and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) by raising awareness of the conditions in Gosport, Fareham, and the surrounding areas through: ? a) The provision of guidance, encouragement, information and education. ? b) The provision of activities for the relief of isolation and promotion of wellbeing, c) Supporting the Parents/Carers through the provision of support group meetings? and d) Improving opportunities for work experience, volunteering opportunities, and social activities for people with autism and ADHD.

Activities: We provide regular ASC & ADHD parent/carer support group , one to one support sessions ASC & ADHD family inclusive activities during school holidays online social media forums Weekly ASC & ADHD friendly football coaching sessions, Informal coffee mornings in local schools Autism friendly Santa's grotto experience for the whole family

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£77,852	£56,366	-	-
2024-04-30	£50,442	£53,904	-	-
2023-04-30	£42,777	£22,238	-	-
2022-04-30	£32,621	£42,314	-	-
2021-04-30	£28,904	£12,275	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SHANDRIKA DAY	Chair	2015-11-22
Gemma Laurelle Needham		2023-11-13
Jade Lewington		2020-11-09
Nicola Martin		2017-10-16
Philip Bull		2020-11-09
Rachel Sarah Lewis		2020-11-09

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Accounts

Marvels and Meltdowns Chairpersons report

By
Shandrika Day

AGM 1st May 2024 – 30th April 2025



Here we are another year on, 10 years on from where it all began in a small room within another organisations building. They say time flies when your having fun, well 10 years has certainly flown by. Myself and the team have met some amazing people along the way and this continues to grow week on week.

Over the last year we have seen more and more people walk through the door and become regular faces, more families are being referred to us from their Health visitor, GP, Children's services and nursery settings as well as schools and CAMHS. A lot of the support we give to families now is daily rather than weekly with parents/carers feeling safe to come and use our centre with their children from the offset of their journey, meaning that we are able to capture and build rapport with them in a more relaxed environment that a formal support group meeting.

Early in the year we started off with forming links with the Hampshire Portage Team who have since May 2024 been using our centre as a base to meet with families on their waiting list. Portage are still currently using the centre currently and are in discussions about keeping the service going from here to stay in the community.

Our Kitchen saw a new member of staff come on board initially for maternity cover but is now our full time member of staff, we feel that Kelly goes above and beyond to keep high standards within the kitchen and is a great asset to the charity.



Our school holiday SEN sessions were kept more low key over the last year as we were not successful with any funding to be able to offer anything too extravagant, However Nikki and the team were able to offer activities once a week in the holidays from the centre which were well attended and enjoyed by all. Moving forward with the next year we have some new and exciting offerings for the families over the holidays due to new pots of funding and links created with other local organisations.

Fundraising

May kicked off our first fundraising stall of the season this year which was the Gosport Marine Festival an interesting event that we look forward to attending on an annual basis, this was successfully followed by a long line fundraising events throughout the season.

The next event that we attended which needs a mention is the Anchored in Gosport Youth Market – this needed more than just Marvels turning up to raise awareness and fundraise, given the nature of the market the only way to do this was to offer our young service users the opportunity to come and

volunteer on the stall with us, so that's exactly what we did. Each young person came and worked an hour on the stall helping to run the teddy tombola and the pocket money stall, several of them didn't want to leave when their hour had finished as they enjoyed it so much. We will endeavour to get them on board with helping out again in the future too as it is such a valuable experience for them with many life skills incorporated in too.

Other truly great events were HMS Collingwood Open Day and The Sunset Festival for reaching our highest fundraising amounts made to date on those two events.

St Vincent college Summerfest was a lovely event where we were their chosen charity, so not only were we able to fundraise and raise awareness through our own stall at the event we were recognised by the college throughout the day and they very generously raised funds for us too.

Wickham Festival sees us extending our awareness reach far beyond Hampshire and networking with other organisations as well as fundraising. We have repeat customers come back year after year to support us, but to also thank us for support that we have given to family members that are local to us and access our services.

Although we attend so many events in the community in Gosport and many local families know who we are and where to find us, it still amazes me how many don't know about us, so these events are absolutely vital for us to attend to keep growing and extending the reach, to keep evolving as to what is needed for the community and for the charity.

We aim to increase the number of events we are at over the next coming year with a focus on fundraising for a new van, but this heavily relies on having a strong and big enough volunteer team as the events are very physically demanding.

Summer 2024

This summer saw Marvels and Meltdowns Family Centre open the doors for the first time throughout the school summer holidays for a trial to see just how successful it would be. The feedback from the families that used the centre spoke volumes :-It was a lifeline and we're so grateful that you have opened, It was a safe space to be able to take the children, somewhere affordable we could come for the day.

Although the summer openings ran financially at a deficit in 2024 we are confident that the positives far outweigh that deficit and that moving forward into the next year we can turn this around. Holiday openings need to gain momentum like anything does and the team have been advertising that we will be open all year round since the beginning of 2025.

July was also a very important month for us because this is when we partnered with Level Up Gosport as one of their work experience providers. Since signing up to this initiative with them we have had two of their members come and carry out work experience with us, one is currently still with us, with her placement coming to an end in July and the other who was our very first WEXI programme member has since completed the programme with us and has come on board as one of our very own volunteers and has really come into her own since doing so.

Autumn

Moving forward towards Autumn and I had a phone call from Kirstie the Manager at Hays Travel Gosport, they were looking for a charity to support for their big fundraiser for 2024. I explained about what we do and all about Santas grotto. Fast forward to October after being chosen as their charity Hays Travel hosted a Rock n Roll bingo night, they raised a whopping £1055 for our Santas Grotto, Which was later match funded by the Hays Travel Board so was doubled. Absolutely fantastic efforts from the amazing team of travel agents at the Gosport branch.

October also saw the start of working in partnership with our local Asda community champions again, We are really pleased to have Rachel and Heidi, community champions from Asda back coming through the doors putting on activities, donating raffle prizes and being present in our Marvels community.

Our SEN Halloween event was a sell out, with Asda Donating some of the pumpkins needed towards the session. Thank you Asda for your continued support.

In November I was very privileged along with Nikki to be invited to the Houses of Parliament by our local MP in recognition of what fantastic work we do within the community, this is representative of the effort that the whole team at Marvels puts in and the difference that each volunteer and staff member make every day.

This years children's birthday party was organised slightly differently this time round, still same fantastic party just done twice in one day. This year we trialed two sessions to provide the families with a calmer experience, but still just as fabulous. We will aim to continue this set up moving forward to be able to suit the needs of the children more so. A huge thank you again goes out to the Eight Foundation who fund this party for us every year. Without their continued support there is no way that we could give the children a birthday party to attend each year in the style that we do.

Winter

Christmas seems to come around so fast once we hit October and before we know it is Santas grotto in full swing, This year we decided to add in a breakfast with Santa session for the general public, It was an absolute sell out for the two sittings with many of our SEN families booking on, it was ultimate chaos and there was lots of things to take away from the sessions to be able to make them more efficient and flow better next year.

Then the week later we went straight into our Autism friendly Santas grotto sessions, this works like a well oiled machine now with the great team of volunteers behind the scenes for all the preparation and those that transform into elves for the day, this was a sell out this year with us juggling to squeeze a couple of extra children in. Again a huge thank you to Hays Travel for making it possible for us to continue making a difference.

Marvels and Meltdowns have been part of the governments initiative as a Warm welcome space over the last 2 years, where we are proud to be a welcoming community space that is free to enter, you can



share a cuppa, connect with others and make new friends. we have given a total of 812 free hot drinks out over the cold winter months.

It has been a very busy year for Marvels and Meltdowns with some new firsts for us so now its time to look ahead to the next year for the charity and continue to grow it in the directions needed.

We have an amazing team of volunteers and employees that make a huge difference everyday in the community and the charity would be lost without them. We aim to grow this team over the next year to get bigger and stronger to be able to provide more to local families And grow the community that we serve.

We have seen our reach on social media grow over the last year, we have Jade working on that mostly and seems to know what she is doing significantly more than I do, working continually to raise our online profile to maximise the reach within the community.

We have been blessed with meeting some very wonderful and kind individuals over this last year, Betty and Pete to name a couple who have generously given pockets of money to the charity towards make n take and more recently towards the “Vantastic get us back on the road” Van fund. Without these wonderful people and many others in our lives we wouldn’t be able to keep going as we do. The generosity of the community is just invaluable.

Thank you from me personally to everyone that makes a difference here at Marvels, from the person that hands me a coffee first thing in the morning because they know I will need it,

to the families coming through the door,

the likes and shares on social media,

the organisations that offer us fantastic opportunities of working with them to make a difference,

to the amazing people I have the pleasure and absolute honour of working with day in day out

and to those we are yet to meet but it will be a privilege when we do cross paths.

Until next year.



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-May-24		30-Apr-25

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					
Room Hire	421		-	421	533
Grants	-	26,518	-	26,518	17,778
Donations	7,534		-	7,534	11,544
Other Income	233		-	233	247
Support Group	565		-	565	56
Kitchen Takings	19,512		-	19,512	9,561
Events	13,846		-	13,846	9,210
Community Lottery	371		-	371	428
Fundraising	1,014		-	1,014	996
Interest	325		-	325	89
Make and Take	453		-	453	
Sensory Room	293		-	293	
HMRC maternity pay in advance	-	6,767	-	6,767	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	44,567	33,285	-	77,852	50,442
Total receipts	44,567	33,285	-	77,852	50,442

A3 Payments					
Rent	3,625		-	3,625	3,118
Utilities	2,342		-	2,342	1,456
Building Work	-		-	-	9,424
Equipment and Resources	-		-	-	4,436
Kitchen consumables	4,500		-	4,500	4,579
Events & Excursions	8,721	191	-	8,911	10,094
Website, Phone & Internet	428		-	428	1,180
Volunteer Expenses	1,191	121	-	1,312	1,601
Services	1,878		-	1,878	510
Insurance	1,091		-	1,091	695
Motor Expenses	-		-	-	1,252
Sundries	-		-	-	445
Wages	869	27,938	-	28,807	15,114
Centre Items	2,103		-	2,103	
Cleaning	531		-	531	
Research Project	839		-	839	
Sub total	28,117	28,249	-	56,366	53,904
Total payments	28,117	28,249	-	56,366	53,904
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,450	5,036	-	21,486	- 3,462
A5 Transfers between funds					
Opening balance adjustments	- 132			- 132	- 132
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,340	22,383	200	26,923	30,385
Cash funds this year end	20,658	27,419	200	48,277	26,791

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	Community Account 30 Apr 2025	19,475	-	-
	Restricted Account 30 Apr 2025	973	27,419	200
	Cash Float	210		
	Total cash funds	20,658	27,419	200

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

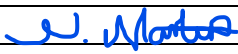
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Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval


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Nicola Martin

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Marvels and Meltdowns

On accounts for the year
ended

30th April 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1164529

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/04/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust'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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

26.02.2026

Name:

Octavia Huppler

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

MAAT

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

During the course of the independent examination, it was noted that the charity's cash records and petty cash documentation could be strengthened. It is recommended that the organisation maintains a detailed petty cash log recording all income received in cash, including the amount, the source, the reason for receipt, and the date received. Where applicable, cash counting sheets should be completed and retained to evidence the amounts counted and to support reconciliation to the petty cash log. In addition, the cash log should clearly record cash deposits made into the bank, including the date and amount deposited, to ensure a complete audit trail. Implementing these controls will improve the accuracy of cash accounting and enhance the transparency and reliability of financial records.

Reserves policy is not detailed in the Trustees Annual report however the charity hold a reserves policy document which details a 1k reserve. Have advised Trustees to include this in the report for future years.

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Marvels and Meltdowns

Chairs Report 2023-2024

Welcome to the 2023-2024 annual report.

Another successful year of growth for Marvels and Meltdowns, starting the year off with being able to employ our very first members of staff here within the family centre with thanks to The National Lottery Community fund.

We have employed a Cook to take full ownership of the kitchen and a front of house Activities Co-ordinator, both have proved invaluable to the organisation since their start.

May half term had a successful private hire Monkey bizness session that was a sell out, this session was funded and we continue to try to source funding to be able to offer more of these sessions in the future.

Our half term activity was led by the Amazing Rock Steady team who came and carried out a music session with the children offering them the opportunity to play the drums, guitar, keyboard or sing. Lots of musical noise which I am sure the neighbours loved as much as their parents that would have been on site with their children at the time. This session was very kindly delivered free of charge by the organisation.



We entered July with work experience students attending Marvels and Meltdowns to experience the working world. The students carried out all jobs that the volunteers do subject to their ages giving them a well rounded view of what we all do on a daily basis within Marvels and Meltdowns. The feedback from students and the education settings has all been positive and we will continue to engage and reach out to other local senior schools, colleges and SEN settings to ensure we can offer these opportunities for all to access.

This summer kicked off with some fabulous family inclusive activities that included a gardening session, Lego stay n play, our ever popular marvels tradition of Pizza making session and our favourite Princess the unicorn and friends came for a double session to ensure everyone could join this session as it has always been a sell out.

Whilst some of the team are working hard at the centre to offer these activities others are out and about in the community setting up the charity fundraising and

awareness stall in the wider community, here's where you may have spotted us over the last year:-

- St Vincent College Summerfest
- HMS Collingwood open day
- Elson Infant School Summer Fair
- Party in the Park
- Wickham Festival
- Fortonfest
- Sunset Festival
- Parkfest
- Lee Victory festival
- Fair at the Fort
- Party for Rowner
- Party for Seafield.



As the summer holidays draw to a close we started to prepare for Fair at the Fort, Marvels Birthday Party, Our Adult Birthday Bash and of course Santas grottos.

This year at fair at the fort we suggested that we bring Santa in his grotto, seeing as the previous year there was no Santa there, (Maximise awareness for the charity & raise a little bit of money at the same time) with all the best laid plans there was no preparing for the shocking weather that we endured on the first day. So quick thinking, sheer determination and some amazing team work from everyone we took Santa's grotto back to Marvels family centre and on Sunday spent the day warm and dry welcoming families in to the centre to meet Santa.



This picture is a prime example of why we do what we do.

Marvels 8th Birthday Party followed this event and it was a wonderful day as always, Huge thanks goes to the Eight Foundation who fund this event entirely every year for us to be able to make it happen as well as the team from Level Up that come along and support at the event. The children and young people that attend are invited to Marvels birthday party and we sure know how to party, this year we increased the numbers to 80 to enable us to offer the opportunity for more children to attend and be part of our Big party. Moving forward we have now made the decision to split the party in to two sessions to allow a more relaxed experience and we can keep numbers lower but still increase the amount of children in total. So we shall see how that works out next year.

Then the week later came the adults only birthday bash, this came with a new venue and new DJ, it felt like the most relaxed adult event we have ever had, needless to say that we have already booked the venue and DJ for next year. Save the date Saturday 30th November 2024. This event is always one that we want to just bring people together and celebrate us as an organisation, as volunteers, as a team, as individuals, as people and not just parents within a SEN community and to Raise awareness to the wider community. This is a ticketed event to be able to recoup the costs involved

with a fundraising raffle on the night. It's a night of fun and laughter.

Our Autism friendly Santas grotto was this year supported by Zurich who purchased £500 worth of gift items towards what we needed, this year was again carried out on a Saturday to maximise the amount of children and families that could have the experience with Santa in our safe environment. We will again continue this event annually due to such a demand.

After a well earned break over the christmas period we hit the ground running again and come february half term we hosted 60 children and their parents/carers at Ninja warrior UK in southampton, the feedback from this was again fantastic, they even got headbands and socks as well as food and drinks for after their 60 minutes trying to beat the wall. This is a very expensive event that we can only offer if it is funded or heavily subsidised and as with the Monkey Bizness we will continue to explore funding avenues.

We were fortunate to have been chosen by local organisation EATON who are an intelligent power management company as their charity of the year who supported us with donations of teddies, craft items, as well as offering their staff and services to give the inside of our building a paint over the summer. Due to having a vast array of expertise and contacts not only did they support us with some funding to be able to purchase a new tall fridge but they also very kindly offered to replace the fencing at the back of our

building for cost of materials, a significantly lower figure than we had been quoted and they even gave us another £880 to put towards the costs too. We have now moved into our next financial year with a fence that is safe and will last a long time. Thank you Eaton.

Over this last year we have met even more new faces through the doors of the centre, out and about at events, through networking events, in schools at coffee mornings.

- We have met more new families of children with Autism and/or ADHD by coming through the doors when the centre is open to the public, families have felt more at ease coming in to the centre in a less formal and more relaxed atmosphere.
- We have seen young people coming in for Make n take sessions that have been home schooled and watched them transition back into education settings,
- We have increased our reach back into schools for coffee mornings, which we will continue to grow over the next year.
- We have increased the amount of fundraising and awareness events we attended last year and aim to continue to grow this further
- We have taken on board the feedback from the families over the last year that they want the centre open more in the school holidays.

This next year we will aim to :-

- Continue to extend our reach offering Marvels and Meltdowns advocates attendance to coffee

mornings to more education settings, to include primary, secondary, SEN settings, Nursery and Preschool and local colleges.

- We will aim to increase the amount of community events we will be in attendance at over the next event season to continue to widen our reach and engage with other organisations to broaden our partnership working. We have already started this by being invited to attend Anchored in Gosport Markets with our stall and are hoping to secure a pitch with Santas grotto for Christmas light switch on.
- From the feedback we have received we have made the decision and are trialing opening during the summer for longer opening hours for our Marvels exclusive sessions as well as opening throughout the week for all to enjoy as they do now. We have employed someone for the summer season as a trial and if it is a success we will look at keeping the centre open all year round. This does have to however be financially viable for us to do this.

Overall we have had a very exciting and busy year so I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all that have supported us, whether that be a like and share on social media, raising money for Marvels and Meltdowns, bringing us hoards of teddys when we feel like we are fit to burst but know we will run out again in

a week, or most importantly walking through the door of the centre either for a cuppa, or with you children or for support.all of the above makes a difference and raises more awareness of Marvels and Meltdowns.

Thank you to each and every supporter.

The charity started because of my son, but it exists today because there is a need for it to be here. Every member of the team, past, present and future plays a part in what makes this charity great. Without a whole team the charity could not exist. The charity is not just one person, nor is it two, or even three but a whole community of people with a passion for what we do. Thank you to everyone for being as amazing as you are and always know you make a difference.

Charity Name	No (if any)
Marvels and Meltdowns	1164529

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-May-23		30-Apr-24

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Section A Receipts and payments

	funds £	funds £	funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
A1 Receipts					
Room hire	533	-	-	533	1,039
Grants	-	17,778	-	17,778	10,468
Donations	11,544	-	-	11,544	11,837
Other income	247	-	-	247	141
Support group	56	-	-	56	167
Kitchen takings	9,561	-	-	9,561	4,302
Event	9,210	-	-	9,210	12,667
Community Lotteries	428	-	-	428	479
Fundraising	996	-	-	996	1,652
Interest	89	-	-	89	25
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>AR)</i>	32,664	17,778	-	50,442	42,777
(see table).	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	32,664	17,778	-	50,442	42,777

A3 Payments

Rent	2,493	0	625	3,118	1,938
Utilities	(1,330)	0	2,786	1,456	1,111
Building work	9,424	0	0	9,424	400
Fund raising / hospitality	0	0	0	0	300
Equipment and resources	3,572	300	564	4,436	4,572
Kitchen consumables	2,735	846	998	4,579	4,393
Events & excursions	8,818	0	1,276	10,094	5,143
Zoom sessions	0	0	0	0	29
Website, phone and internet	336	0	844	1,180	919
Volunteer expenses	1,601	0	0	1,601	1,503
Services	510	0	0	510	282
Insurance	195	0	500	695	634
Motor expenses	752	0	500	1,252	942
Sundries	445	0	0	445	72
Wages	15,114	0	0	15,114	0
Sub total	44,665	1,146	8,093	53,904	22,238

A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	44,665	1,146	8,093	53,904	22,238
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Net of receipts/(payments)	(12,001)	16,632	(8,093)	(3,462)	20,539
A5 Transfers between funds	(3,000)	3,000	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,341	2,751	8,293	30,385	9,846
Cash funds this year end	4,340	22,383	200	26,923	30,385



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

Categories Details Unrestricted Restricted Designated

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
Future lease obligations	Unrestricted	-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on

Signature	Print Name	approval
	Nicola Leigh Martin	26/03/25
	Shandrika Day	26/03/25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Marvels and Meltdowns

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30 April 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1164529

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **30 / 04 / 2024**.

**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").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 other than that disclosed below in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:

Date:

25 March 2025

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Gillian Lodge

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

The current bookkeeping systems could benefit from some improvements to streamline the examination process and ensure timely filing. During my review, I encountered some records that were unclear, which made it more challenging to verify certain transactions. While I have worked with the information available, this did contribute to delays in finalising my report.

To help avoid similar issues in the future, I would recommend reviewing and refining the bookkeeping processes to ensure records are consistently clear, complete, and well-organised throughout the year.

MARVELS AND MELTDOWNS

England & Wales - Charity number 1164529

Accounts



Marvels and Meltdowns
Chairs Report Apr 2022-Mar 2023
13/10/2023

Another year older and its time again to report on our last year's events and successes and look to the future for Marvels and Meltdowns.

The start of our financial year saw us hit the ground running with interviews for our very first paid employment roles for a kitchen staff and activity co-ordinator and successfully hiring both roles for a fixed term contract.

July and August also saw the return of Marvels and Meltdowns getting out and about in the community with our fundraising and awareness stall. Firstly, with the weekend event at the Waterfront festival raising £1026 for the charity, this was followed the next week with a stall at Wickham festival which was again another successful event raising over £1000 and meeting lots of families and spreading the word of Marvels and Meltdowns to a wider audience. We were at each of these events fundraising with our Marvels famous teddy tombola as well as selling children's pocket money and sensory toys.

September saw the return to school for the children and return to the centre for the volunteer team and a new cohort of little ones coming through the doors with their grown ups. We attended the Michaelmas fayre which was a busy day as always .

November saw Marvels Birthday Party that is now funded by the Eight Foundation each year, for which we would like to extend our huge thanks to. The party has always been a big outlay to the charity but one that we always felt was extremely important to bare. The Birthday party gives the children that we support the opportunity to be part of something that they don't always get the opportunity of.

Marvel turned 7 at his last birthday and the children had a great time sharing the celebration. The Portsmouth News came along and did an article in the newspaper about it.

Our adults only birthday bash was also a great success with lots of fun had by all attendees, some great feedback that was taken on board for the next one too.

December saw our annual autism friendly Santa's grotto attended by approximately 60 families, several of those being new to the Marvels and Meltdowns Grotto experience. The experience worked really well with hosting on a Saturday instead of during an evening, there were some fantastic craft activities and gifts that were funded by a donation from Waitrose of £1000, we

are aiming to be able to reach more families next year by hosting it again on a Saturday throughout the day and offering 75 spaces. Santa and his helpers again lived up to the expectations and provided an amazing experience for those that came along, (it must have been the dominoes pizza at lunch time)

We were very fortunate again to be invited to attend the RAOBs Province Dinner/Dance where they presented us with another cheque and then proceeded to tell us they would be supporting us again for the next coming year, which of course we are all extremely grateful for and was quite frankly blown away by the continued support, not to mention that their dinner dance evenings are always a great evening with good company, lovely food and fantastic entertainment. Their donations go straight back into supporting the families with the activities we put on through out the year in the school holidays which we thank you for greatly.

Throughout February to April which brings our financial year to a close we have met many new people coming through the doors of Marvels and Meltdowns and look forward to meeting many more.

Future Events

Fair at the Fort will see Marvels attending with our fundraising stall and for the first year Santas Grotto.

Marvels childrens birthday party will be on the 25th November 2023

Marvels adult birthday bash with a glitz and glamour theme on the 1st December 2023.

Autism friendly santas grotto is on the 9th December 2023

Our aims for the future: -We will

Next 6 months

Continue to grow the charity in the community by rebooting coffee mornings in schools, getting out and about at more community events raising our profile to the wider community.

Aim to broaden the variety of activities we offer to the families that we support as a charity as well as regularly evaluate what we do on a weekly basis in the centre to ensure we are offering the very best of what we can do for the community.

Next 12 months

Increase the daily opening hours to include some daily after school offerings.

Increase the termly opening hours to include some daily opening in half terms, Easter and Summer holidays.

Increase the hours worked and/or employ another member of staff to cover the increased opening hours.

Build on the corporate engagement that has been started with Eaton Aerospace and BAE supporting their employees and families.

Next 12-24 months

Expand outreach engagement with local companies such as the Royal Navy and Vector Aerospace.

Expand outreach engagement within local schools and colleges.

Employ an outreach worker to support community groups.

Next 24-48 months

Look to open another centre in Fareham or the surrounding area to widen the catchment area Marvels and Meltdowns can reach.

Lastly I would like to say thank you.

Thank you to the community that we have created for continually using the services we offer and for supporting us in raising awareness and signposting new families to our doors, we welcome them all with open arms.

Thank you to the board of trustees for all the different qualities, passion, drive and dedication they bring to the table, each meeting is a productive and creative one where we all strive to give the very best of us to the charities future.

I would like to say a very big thank you to the volunteer and staff team we have here at Marvels, without you the doors wouldn't open and the community wouldn't have our warm welcome place to frequent. Without you all it just wouldn't work. Each and everyone of us have our own unique qualities which is why it works so well. Heres to another successful year ahead.



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

No (if any)
1164529

CC16a

receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-May-22	To	Period end date 30-Apr-23
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
A1 Receipts					
Room hire	1,039	-	-	1,039	113
Grants	1,550	-	8,918	10,468	17,514
Donations	11,837	-	-	11,837	3,429
Other income*	134	-	-	134	-
Support group	167	-	-	167	193
Kitchen takings	4,302	-	-	4,302	-
Events	11,998	-	-	11,998	1,840
Centre takings	669	-	-	669	1,626
Community Lotteries	479	-	-	479	-
Fundraising	1,652	-	-	1,652	7,900
Interest	25	-	-	25	1
Miscellaneous	7	-	-	7	15
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	33,859	-	8,918	42,777	32,631
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	33,859	-	8,918	42,777	32,631
A3 Payments					
Rent	1,313	-	625	1,938	438

Utilities	1,111	-	-	1,111	1,056
Building work	100	300	-	400	26,144
Fund raising / hospitality	300	-	-	300	3,344
Consumables	4,393	-	-	4,393	2,254
Events & excursions	3,369	1,774	-	5,143	1,723
Zoom sessions	29	-	-	29	173
Website, phone and internet	919	-	-	919	628
Fixtures and fittings	-	-	-	-	103
Care packages	-	-	-	-	1,424
Equipment	73	-	-	73	-
Volunteer expenses	1,503	-	-	1,503	572
Resources	4,499	-	-	4,499	-
Services	205	77	-	282	1,552
Insurance	1,426	-	-	1,426	1,443
Motor expenses	150	-	-	150	398
Sundries	72	-	-	72	84
Publications	-	-	-	-	979
Sub total	19,462	2,151	625	22,238	42,315

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	19,462	2,151	625	22,238	42,315
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Net of receipts/(payments)	14,397	(2,151)	8,293	20,539	(9,684)
A5 Transfers between funds	(27)	27	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,971	4,875	-	9,846	19,530
Cash funds this year end	19,341	2,751	8,293	30,385	9,846

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £
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B1 Cash funds

Current account	16,701	-	-
Savings account	2,430	2,751	8,293
Cash	210	-	-
Total cash funds	19,341	2,751	8,293

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Cash float	210	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Renault Master van	Unrestricted	-	-
		-	-
		-	-

		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Future lease obligations	Unrestricted	-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	S M Day	11/03/24
	N. L Martin	11/03/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Marvels and Meltdowns

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30 April 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1164529

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 / 04 / 2023.

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basis of report**

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8 March 2024

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MARVELS AND MELTDOWNS

England & Wales - Charity number 1164529

Accounts

Chairs Report 2021-2022

The time has come again to report on our last year's events and successes.

Starting this last financial year off by continuing with the renovations of the building, we ploughed on with the transformation. Whilst doing so we were able to safely hold a successful tabletop sale, which initially introduced the local community to Marvels and Meltdowns new home.

Come July we had managed to create a safe space in the main part of our building to be back hosting our family inclusive summer holiday activities which we took great pleasure in organising and being back on the map. Activities included Pizza making, a pirate day, Princess the unicorn and farm friends at the centre, stay and play sessions and we ended the summer with a Back to school party.

Just as we was about to enter the summer holidays last year we had an out of the blue phone call from the Eight Foundation advising that they were going to fund our new boiler and radiator system, as well as a sensory room for our new centre, but not only that, they have also made the very generous decision to fund our children's birthday party that we host to celebrate the charity's birthday each year.

July and August also saw the return of Marvels and Meltdowns getting out and about in the community with our fundraising and awareness stall. Firstly, with the weekend event at the Waterfront festival raising £1026 for the charity, this was followed the next week with a stall at Wickham festival which was again another successful event raising over £1000 and meeting lots of families and spreading the word of Marvels and Meltdowns to a wider audience. We were at each of these events fundraising with our Marvels famous teddy tombola as well as selling children's pocket money and sensory toys.

September saw the return to school for the children and return to the centre for the volunteer team and continue with the renovations, painting, cleaning, and preparing the centre to open, along with the Michaelmas fayre which was again a great success.

November was Marvels Birthday Party that was funded by the Eight Foundation, for which we would like to extend our huge thanks to. The party has always been quite an expense to the charity but one that we always felt was extremely important to have. The Birthday party gives the children that we support the opportunity to be part of something that they aren't always invited to by their peers at school etc.

Marvel turned 6 at his last birthday and the children had a great time sharing the celebration. The Portsmouth News came along and did an article in the newspaper about it.

Our brand new sensory room was also installed this month, an amazing addition to the centre for when we open the doors

We held our first small Christmas fair and Santa's grotto for the public in our new centre which was a huge success, we had some Christmas items to sell through that had been donated to us by the pound shop and invited some small local businesses to have a stall here along with the big man himself attending for the

children to meet and receive a gift from for a nominal fee. The day went down a storm and Santa's sack was empty at the end of it.

December saw our annual autism friendly Santa's grotto attended by approximately 45 families, several of those being new to the Marvels and Meltdowns Grotto experience. The experience worked really well with some fantastic craft activities and gifts provided by Wave 105 cash 4 kids Christmas appeal, we are aiming to be able to reach more families next year by hosting it on a Saturday throughout the day, rather than just in an evening, this will allow us to increase our reach from 45 children to approx. 75 children throughout the day enabling more families to have the relaxed experience on offer.

After the Christmas break we came back and started preparation for our GRAND OPENING,

We were also fortunate to be invited to attend the RAOBs Province Dinner/Dance where they presented us with another cheque and then proceeded to tell us they would be supporting us again for the next coming year, which of course we are all extremely grateful for and was quite frankly blown away by the continued support, not to mention that their dinner dance evenings are always a great evening with good company, lovely food and fantastic entertainment. Their donations go straight back into supporting the families with the activities we put on through out the year in the school holidays which we thank you for greatly.

The day of our Grand Opening finally arrived on Monday 7th February and WOW what a turn out, from all of the charity trustees to the Mayor of Gosport, Local Councillors, past and present supporters all turning up to see what we had achieved, the transformation of the shell we took over a year ago and of course where their money had been spent, we hope they will agree it certainly did do wonders, The day was a huge success and a very proud moment for team Marvels to be able to reflect on just how far we have come over the last couple of years, and breathe, or at least for the rest of the day as the next day was straight into the swing of things in our new home welcoming the public to our amazing new centre.

That was it we were off to a flying start with our doors officially open. Sensory room bookings every day, our main space filled with children playing and people ordering food and drink, all the while our charity objects being met by raising awareness in our new building.

By the time April was here we was in full swing and easter was upon us. We held our Easter Farm Day for local families we support where we received a huge donation of easter eggs from Ruby funerals to go with our Easter egg hunt on the day with the easter bunny visiting to give out the easter eggs to the children. The children enjoyed pony rides, brushing, grooming, and petting the farm animals as well as small animals. There were some fantastic easter and farm craft creations. This event has been so popular over the years that we decided to offer 2 sessions to ensure that more children could have this wonderful experience, we were able to offer 50 spaces to this over 2 sessions and they both sold out with all 50 children leaving happy as Larry.

Throughout February to April which brings our financial year to a close we have met many new people coming through the doors of Marvels and Meltdowns. We have enjoyed getting to know some of the neighbours and will continue to strive to meet more as we go.

One of the residents Brian made himself known to us from the very beginning of the renovations, we are pleased to have him as a neighbour he has been a god send with making us signs for outside and for loaning us tools if we cant find what we need at the moment we need it and buster his dog says hello to us every morning when we arrive, we look forward to continuing to grow our relationships with more of our neighbours in the future.

Our aims for the future: -

We will continue to grow the charity in the community by rebooting coffee mornings in schools, getting out and about at more community events raising our profile to the wider community.

We will aim to broaden the variety of activities we offer to the families that we support as a charity as well as regularly evaluate what we do on a weekly basis in the centre to ensure we are offering the very best of what we can do for the community.

I will now end with thank you's,

Thank you to all the local organisations and shops that have donated items and supported Marvels and Meltdowns over this last year and beyond.

Thank you to the community that we have created for continually using the services we offer and for supporting us in raising awareness and signposting new families to our doors, we welcome them all with open arms.

Thank you to all the professionals such as local teachers, GPs, Camhs staff, Health visitors, Nursery workers, Children's Services and other charitable organisations that also sign post families to us, the word is getting out there and our reach is growing further and wider.

Thank you to the board of trustees for all the different qualities, passion, drive and dedication they bring to the table, each meeting is a productive and creative one where we all strive to give the very best of us to the charities future.

Thank you to Nikki Martin who has taken on far more than I think she ever bargained for when she first started out as a volunteer with the charity, Nikki has taken charge of the centre as Centre Manager and much more as a trustee of the charity. Thank you for absolutely everything you do, and I know I say this every year but especially all of the computer and IT stuff that you do that is just beyond me. I am extremely grateful for every hour you dedicate to Marvels and Meltdowns.

And my last thank you but the most important I feel is that of the dedicated, amazing, and invaluable volunteer team that we have at Marvels and Meltdowns. The volunteers will tell you they call it the Marvels family. Many of the volunteer team have been with us from the very beginning and we have been fortunate since moving here to the phoenix centre to gain several more amazing volunteers to join the team or family should I say.

Without these absolute Gems Marvels and Meltdowns could not do what we do.

The charity could not support the families the way that we do.

We offer something that these people need when they come through our door, a listening ear, compassion, understanding, a friendly face, a smile, and an acknowledgement that it will be ok as they have found us now and that is what each and every one of you bring to the service users. Thank you for absolutely every minute you give to Marvels and Meltdowns, you truly make a difference.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

No (if any)
1164529

CC16a

receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-May-21	To	Period end date 30-Apr-22
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
A1 Receipts					
Grants	2,963	14,551	-	17,514	21,575
Donations	3,429	-	-	3,429	3,179
Other income	-	-	-	-	64
Support group	193	-	-	193	-
Storage	-	-	-	-	144
Events	1,840	-	-	1,840	-
Centre takings and room hire	1,626	-	-	1,626	1,395
Fareham and Gosport Lotteries	-	-	-	-	450
Sensory room	113	-	-	113	-
Fundraising	7,900	-	-	7,900	1,872
Interest	1	-	-	1	-
Miscellaneous	15	-	-	15	225
	18,081	14,551	-	32,631	28,904
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,081	14,551	-	32,631	28,904
A3 Payments					
Rent	438	-	-	438	-
Utilities	-	1,056	-	1,056	-

Building work	8,228	17,917	-	26,144	7,013
Events / fundraising / hospitality	2,844	500	-	3,344	227
Consumables	1,571	683	-	2,254	-
Events	-	675	-	675	-
Zoom sessions	-	173	-	173	173
Website and internet	-	628	-	628	179
Storage	-	-	-	-	931
Fixtures and fittings	-	103	-	103	438
Care packages	-	1,424	-	1,424	888
Equipment	-	-	-	-	145
Volunteer expenses	572	-	-	572	(9)
Resources	-	-	-	-	45
Excursions	48	1,000	-	1,048	-
Services and training	-	1,552	-	1,552	88
Insurance	-	1,443	-	1,443	2,054
Motor vehicle expenses	398	-	-	398	-
Sundries	84	-	-	84	103
Publications	979	-	-	979	-
Sub total	15,160	27,154	-	42,314	12,275

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	15,160	27,154	-	42,314	12,275
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,921	(12,603)	-	9,682	16,629
A5 Transfers between funds	(1,742)	1,742	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,793	15,736	-	19,529	2,900
Cash funds this year end	4,972	4,875	-	9,847	19,529

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
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B1 Cash funds

	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Current account	2,682	-	-
Savings account	2,290	4,875	-
Cash	-	-	-
Total cash funds	4,972	4,875	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
Cash float	60	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Renault Master van	Unrestricted	-	-
		-	-
		-	-

		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Future lease obligations	Unrestricted	-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

**On accounts for the year
ended** **Charity no
(if any)**

Set out on pages
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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Signed: **Date:**

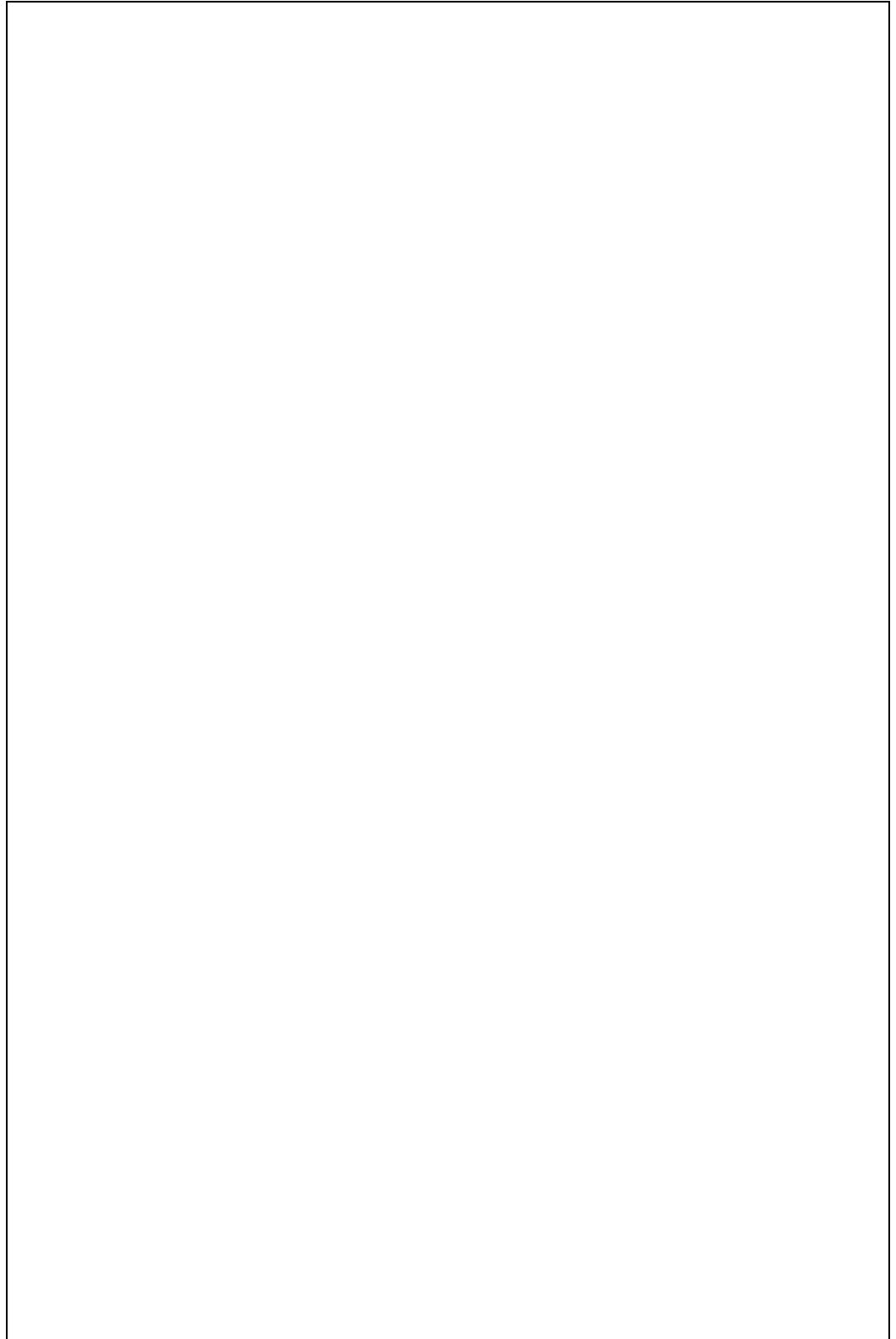
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MARVELS AND MELTDOWNS

England & Wales - Charity number 1164529

Accounts



Marvels and Meltdowns Autism & ADHD Family Support

AGM Chair and Treasurer Report

May 1st 2020 - 30th April 2021

Shandrika Day Volunteer Charity Chair and
Monique Owen Volunteer Charity Treasurer



We have said goodbye to what can only be described as a turbulent year last year, which consisted of a lot of report writing, waiting and changes.

We started of this year off in the middle of a global pandemic which will go down in history and during that time Marvels was in a state of limbo, not having a home anymore as such.

We found ourselves staying home to stay safe and found this fantastic tool called ZOOM where we could still stay in contact with people on a level, we managed to source some funding from the police & crime commissioner to continue with our parent/carer support groups via this mode for the foreseeable future, which proved a great success. Nothing beats face to face meetings with a cuppa and a smile, but this was the best we could do for a long while and it worked.

ZOOM also enabled us to carry out a children's party, our first ever virtual party which was a great success, all ages joined in with the activities and saw them running round. The house searching for various objects in a scavenger hunt, thank you to Becky for organising and facilitating this.

It was through ZOOM that we had our meeting with Gosport Borough Council that was to determine the fate of our future, which was to take over a long-term lease on one of their council owned buildings. After a lengthy meeting, then a few more days for their deliberation we got the great news that they would be happy to lease to Marvels and Meltdowns 1 Phoenix Way in Bridgemary, we would like to say a big thank you to Gosport Voluntary Action for their continued support throughout the last year in particular. All we had to do now was wait for the lease and get the keys.

Whilst waiting for the next chapter to start in the charities journey things were rather quiet as was most of the world, we managed to keep the ZOOM meetings going as well as add in a cheeky little fundraiser that got families out and about on their bikes, walking and running with our 50 miles for Marvels event , this was a brilliant success not only in raising money but getting people out and having positive effects on mental health whilst staying safe during the pandemic.

Throughout our time of limbo and only when legally we were allowed to, we managed to find a temporary home for our support group meetings, for this I would like to say a huge thank you to Tina and Darren of the Carisbrooke Arms for allowing us to use their private function room so that we could once again provide a safe space to host our meetings when COVID-19 allowed.

Fast forward to 11th February 2021 and it's moving day. We got the keys to what was a run down, filthy looking shack that we would make home.

We were successful in a wonderful community funding event - The Great Bridgemaury Fund Off where we won the bid for £4000 towards our new kitchen.

Our Fabulous new funding bid writer Jacky was successful on her first funding application with us for £10,000, which half of that was for new toilet facilities within the building to which I must say a very big thank you and long may it continue.

For all these works to be carried out we had to get several quotes and try and appeal to the community's good nature, whilst doing so we found our very own superheroes in two gentlemen named Jon and Stu from a local company called JD Electrical Solutions who came out to quote for the work. Whilst going through what work was needed Jon proceeded to tell me that they were willing to carry out all the work in the toilets and kitchen completely free of charge, we just cover the cost of the materials. I was absolutely blown away by such kindness, they have been working hard and doing a fantastic job since we first met them, and it has meant the money has been able to go a lot further than first thought.

I would like to say a very warm welcome to the volunteers that have joined us over this period as well as a very big thank you to all of the volunteers that have stood by me and the charity over this last year in particular, but also those of you that have helped to create the community that is Marvels, we continue to work tirelessly to build our empire, to once again open to the community to raise awareness of Autism and ADHD and to provide a safe haven to those that need it.



Treasurer Report

1st May 2020 - 30th April 2021

Good morning, I am Monique Owen and the treasurer of Marvels and Meltdowns.

In March this year we only had £300 in our account due to Covid-19 and being in the process of obtaining our new building at the end of this financial year we have managed to have an income of £36,000.

We have managed to do this due to fundraising by our volunteers, donations and awarded grants which has gone into helping get the building ready to reopen and staff training.

Although the outgoings exceed the incomings this is because the restricted funding has been moved to a separate account and the expenditure for this can be seen on the table at the end of this report.

At the end of April 2021;

The balance in the free reserves account is £3792.56.

The balance in the restricted funding account is £15,735.93

The awarded grants Marvels and Meltdowns have received from May 2020 - April 2021 are;

Police and Crime Commissioner £231.00 - Zoom sessions 20th May 2020.
This was so we could continue to keep supporting our families during lockdown.

Gosport Community Lottery Fund £1235 - Staff Training 11th Jan 21

The Partnership Foundation £500 - Covid safe materials 26th Jan 21

Local Connect Fund £1844 - Care packages, and advertising materials 5th Feb 21

Community Infrastructure Levy £5000 - Windows 8th March 21

Lottery Awards for All £10000 - Toilets, Core Costs, Grand Opening 12th March 21

Great Bridgemaury Fund Off £4000 - Kitchen 24th March 21

The Donations we have received are.

RAOB £300 29th Oct 2020

RAOB £300 18th Feb 21

We look forward to seeing what this year brings with the new Phoenix Centre being open.



Charity Name Marvels and Meltdowns	No (if any) 1164529
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-May-20	To	Period end date 30-Apr-21
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
A1 Receipts					
Training / room hire	160	1,235	-	1,395	1,490
Grants	-	21,575	-	21,575	3,500
Donations	3,179	-	-	3,179	872
Football	64	-	-	64	781
Support group	-	-	-	-	73
Storage	-	144	-	144	-
Events	-	-	-	-	434
Centre takings	-	-	-	-	496
Gosport Lottery	450	-	-	450	255
Stay 'n' play	-	-	-	-	527
Fundraising	1,872	-	-	1,872	59
Miscellaneous	225	-	-	225	1,946
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	5,950	22,954	-	28,904	10,433
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,950	22,954	-	28,904	10,433
A3 Payments					
Rent	-	-	-	-	8,833
Building work	-	7,013	-	7,013	-

Refreshments / hospitality	12	-	-	12	974
Publications	-	-	-	-	25
Outside agencies* (analysed in 2021)	-	-	-	-	1,662
Zoom sessions	-	173	-	173	-
Website and internet	179	-	-	179	90
Storage	787	144	-	931	-
Fixtures and fittings	438	-	-	438	-
Care packages	-	888	-	888	-
Equipment	145	-	-	145	-
Volunteer expenses	(28)	19	-	(9)	353
Resources	45	-	-	45	299
Excursions	-	-	-	-	65
Services	-	88	-	88	1,457
Insurance	2,054	-	-	2,054	290
Sundries	45	58	-	103	122
Fundraising	215	-	-	215	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	4,530
Sub total	3,892	8,383	-	12,275	18,700

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	3,892	8,383	-	12,275	18,700
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,058	14,571	-	16,629	(8,267)
A5 Transfers between funds	(1,044)	1,044	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,778	121	-	2,899	-
Cash funds this year end	3,792	15,736	-	19,528	(8,267)

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 £
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B1 Cash funds

Current account	3,792	-	-
Savings account		15,736	-
Cash	-	-	-
Total cash funds	3,792	15,736	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Cash float	60	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Renault Master van	Unrestricted	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Future lease obligations	Unrestricted	-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name Marvels and Meltdowns

On accounts for the year ended

30 April 2021

Charity no (if any)

1164529

Set out on pages

One to three

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD30/04/2021 YY.

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").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Gillian Lodge

Date:

10/02/2022

Name:

Gillian Lodge

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.