

Registered number: 09651097

**ACTION CEREBRAL PALSY
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Philip Deane Accountancy Ltd
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**Action Cerebral Palsy
Company Information
For The Year Ended 31 December 2022**

Directors	Mr Duncan Walsh Dr Helen Hunt Mr Philip Lea Mr Anthony McGarel-Groves Ms Katharine Gollop Professor Neena Modi
Company Number	09651097
Registered Office	Units 1 & 2 Field View Baynards Green Bicester OX27 7SG
Accountants	Philip Deane Accountancy Ltd Units 1 & 2 Field View Baynards Green Bicester OX27 7SG

**Action Cerebral Palsy
Accountant's Report
For The Year Ended 31 December 2022**

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have compiled the financial statements of the company from the accounting records and information and explanations you have given to us.

This report is made to the directors in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken to prepare for approval by the directors the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, to report to the directors that we have done so, and to state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's directors for our work or for this report.

You have acknowledged on the balance sheet as at year ended 31 December 2022 your duty to ensure that the company has kept proper accounting records and to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view under the Companies Act 2006. You consider that the company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the financial statements. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

Signed

Philip Deane Accountancy Ltd

Date 31st March 2023

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**Action Cerebral Palsy
Profit and Loss Account
For The Year Ended 31 December 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
TURNOVER	58,817	49,752
Other charges	(62,964)	(48,810)
Tax	-	-
NET (LOSS)/PROFIT	<u>(4,147)</u>	<u>942</u>

**Action Cerebral Palsy
Balance Sheet
As at 31 December 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Current assets	31,280	41,895
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	(1)	(6,469)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	31,279	35,426
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	31,279	35,426
NET ASSETS	31,279	35,426
CAPITAL AND RESERVES	31,279	35,426

Notes

1. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows: 6 (2021: 6)

2. General Information

Action Cerebral Palsy is a private company, limited by shares, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 09651097. The registered office is Units 1 & 2 Field View, Baynards Green, Bicester, OX27 7SG.

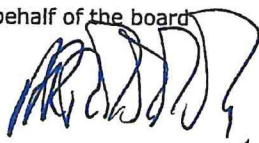
For the year ending 31 December 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions.

On behalf of the board



Mr Anthony McGarel-Groves

Director

23/03/2023

Action Cerebral Palsy
Trading Profit and Loss Account
For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER				
Donations	58,467		20,313	
Donations-Restricted	-		20,439	
Restricted	-		9,000	
Training Income	350		-	
		58,817		49,752
OTHER CHARGES				
Printing	217		-	
Accountancy fees	284		274	
Consultancy fees Public Affairs	62,274		43,713	
Bank charges	-		31	
Charitable donations	-		700	
Sundry expenses	189		(1)	
Website Hosting, Design & Branding	-		4,093	
		(62,964)		(48,810)
(LOSS)/PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		(4,147)		942
NET (LOSS)/PROFIT		(4,147)		942



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01.01.2022 to 31.12.2022

Charity Name: Action Cerebral Palsy

Registered charity number: 1165217

Website: www.actioncp.org

Principal Address: Units 1 and 2 Field View, Baynards Green, Bicester, Oxon, OX27 7SG

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Structure and Governance

Action Cerebral Palsy is a Registered Charity (number 1165217). It is a Company (number 09651097) limited by guarantee. The Charity is governed by its Articles of Association. The Trustees who served during the period were:

Mr Philip Lea (Chair)
Miss Katharine Gollop KC
Dr Helen Hunt
Mr Anthony McGarel-Groves (Treasurer)
Professor Neena Modi
Mr Duncan Walsh

The directors of the company, who are also Charity Trustees for the purpose of charity law, form the Board of Trustees. One of the Trustees serves voluntarily as Treasurer and Company Secretary. There are three full board meetings held each year. One Trustee is appointed as Chairperson for each meeting. There were no new Trustees appointed during the financial year. When new trustees are appointed, they are introduced to the Board and briefed on all aspects of the Charities objectives and policies and Charity Commission requirements. Trustees are encouraged to seek training as appropriate, and to observe and follow the requirements and guidelines set down by the Charity Commission. Action Cerebral Palsy's trustees have diverse professional backgrounds, and all have direct professional or lived experience supporting children with cerebral palsy and their families.

The Executive

The Charity's day-to-day operations are managed by the Chief Executive and additional project work by the Project Lead. The Chief Executive of Action Cerebral Palsy during 2022 was Amanda Richardson MBE. The Chief Executive and Project Lead are employed on a contractual basis. Both posts are part-time.

Our Charitable Objectives:

1. To engage with policy makers in order to promote the creation of a national strategy and care pathways for intervention and provision for children with cerebral palsies
2. To be a source of informed advice on cerebral palsy for the public and policy makers
3. To represent the best interests of the cerebral palsy community
4. To facilitate the development of best practice for intervention, care, education and support for children and young people with cerebral palsies across the United Kingdom
5. To facilitate and disseminate research on cerebral palsy and therapeutic and educational intervention

Public Benefit

In establishing annual objectives and overseeing the Charity's activities, the trustees have regard to the principles of public benefit at all times. The core purpose of Action Cerebral Palsy is to work towards better public and professional awareness and understanding of cerebral palsy and an improved quality of life for all children in the United Kingdom with the condition. Action Cerebral Palsy needs to raise funds to support the cost of working towards these outcomes.

About Cerebral Palsy

Cerebral Palsy (CP), a lifelong neurological condition, is an umbrella term that is used to describe a range of movement disorders which can have an impact on many aspects of normal childhood development: motor, sensory, communication, cognitive, health and self-care. It occurs as a result of interference or damage to the development of a baby's central nervous system (the brain and spinal cord) between conception and 3 years of age.

- ⊙ Cerebral palsy (CP) is the largest cohort of childhood onset physical disability
- ⊙ It affects approximately 1:400 children with approximately 1,800 children diagnosed each year. Despite advances in healthcare, whilst this figure has fluctuated over the past 60 years it has not changed considerably.
- ⊙ There are 33,500 children and young people of school age with a physical disability, the majority of whom have cerebral palsy
- ⊙ There are approximately **30,000 children and 130,000 adults in the UK** living with cerebral palsy
- ⊙ By 2031, there will be almost a 3-fold increase in the number of people with cerebral palsy over the age of 65.
- ⊙ The incidence rate for cerebral palsy is the same across Europe, the United States and Australia.
- ⊙ **1:3 with the condition will be unable to walk; 1:4 are unable to talk; 1:2 has intellectual impairment**
- ⊙ **Cerebral palsy is 3 times more common than Downs syndrome and similar in population to multiple sclerosis and Parkinson's disease**
- ⊙ **Cerebral palsy is nearly 30 times more common than muscular dystrophy**

Summary of main activities and achievements during 2022

Action Cerebral Palsy (“Action CP”) is the only UK charity which actively and solely campaigns on behalf of children with cerebral palsy, filling the gap left by other campaigning organisations. Our work is inspired and driven by children with CP and their families who face the many challenges of their day-to-day life with courage and resilience. The Charity continues to work in collaboration with leading clinicians, therapists, healthcare professionals, special needs educators and third sector organisations as well as parents and young people with cerebral palsy. We are very proud of the progress that Action CP has made to improve public, professional and political awareness of cerebral palsy and the issues facing the 30,000 children and young people living with the condition and their families.

Engagement with policy makers in order to promote the creation of a national strategy and care pathways for intervention and provision for children with cerebral palsies

Until the campaigning initiatives of Action Cerebral Palsy, there had previously been no unified voice or platform for cerebral palsy clinical professionals and parents of children with cerebral palsy to draw together a coherent case for policy makers for improved provisions and reform to improve early identification, intervention and pathways of care for infants with cerebral palsy.

2022 has seen Action CP engaged in ongoing policy work through our sponsorship and facilitation of the first-ever **All-Party Parliamentary Group on Cerebral Palsy**, co-chaired by Paul Maynard MP and Mary Foy MP, and follow up from last year’s APPG sessions which focused on early identification, intervention and pathways of care for infants and children and best practice in education, health and care plans, and teaching and learning. Details of the work of the APPG on CP can be viewed at <https://connectpa.co.uk/appg-cerebral-palsy/>. The APPG has brought together over 200 expert voices – parents, young people with cerebral palsy, teaching professionals, therapists, leading clinicians and healthcare professionals, policy makers, parliamentarians, charities along with our own voice. We were fortunate to be joined in our sponsorship in 2022 by John Caudwell, Founder of Caudwell Children.

This year has seen APPG meetings on the important topics of Transition to Adulthood for Young people with Cerebral Palsy and Social Participation and Recreation for Children and Young People with Cerebral Palsy. A report entitled *Growing Up: The Transition to Adulthood* was released in October on World Cerebral Day. <https://connectpa.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/The-transition-from-childhood-to-adulthood-report-October-2022-Design-V3.pdf>. A “Round Table” event in Westminster is scheduled for early 2023 in which the findings of the APPG sessions and recommendations for action will be presented to senior politicians. Action CP had a strong presence at all these meetings and has submitted verbal and written evidence drawn from expensive consultations with families, young people with cerebral palsy and our professional networks.

Westminster Reception to launch ACP's Strategy and Impact Report.

In March 2022, Action Cerebral Palsy welcomed 55 MPs, clinicians, parents, young people with CP, grant-making trusts and charity supporters including Caudwell Children. The event was hosted by Mary Foy, MP, who is co-chair of the APPG on Cerebral Palsy, and sponsored by Enable Law.

We were pleased to be able to inform guests about the progress of the Charity and our plans for the future. Further details can be viewed at <https://actioncp.org/action-cerebral-palsy-launches-five-year-strategy/>

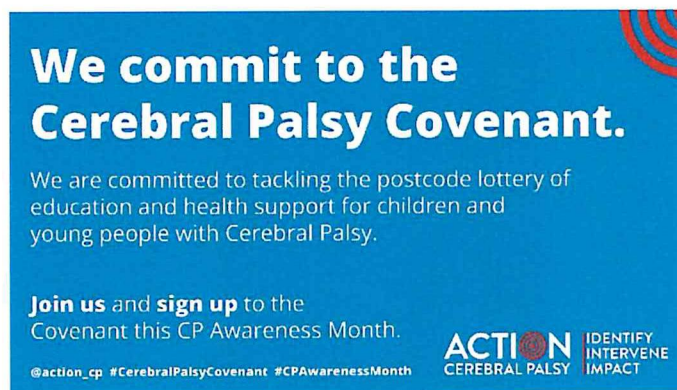
The Charity has also been involved in meetings at both national and local level to further the proposals and recommendations drawn from APPG reports from last year. This work has included:

Early Identification and Intervention.

- ⊙ Meetings with officials from NHS England and Department of Health and Social Care regarding inclusion of the CP Awareness Campaign information in the Personal Child Health Record, or Red Book, which is given to every new mother to provide information and a record for her new born infant.
- ⊙ We have been proactively promoting the CP awareness parent information and posters across our networks and to stakeholder groups

The Cerebral Palsy Covenant for Local Authorities.

- ⊙ Further to the recommendation in the second APPG Report on Education, Health and Care Plans, as part of Cerebral Palsy Awareness Month in March 2022, Action Cerebral Palsy wrote to every local council in the country asking them to sign up to the CP Covenant to improve education and care support services for children living with Cerebral Palsy and their families.
- ⊙ Action CP is calling upon councils to recognise that the complex and varied needs of the Cerebral Palsy community require close working across several widely differing areas. There are many in the system who are striving to do their best for children and young people with Cerebral Palsy, but often lack contact with others involved in the process or an understanding of how Cerebral Palsy affects those they are care for.
- ⊙ The Cerebral Palsy Covenant calls on local areas to promote the services of third sector providers for people with CP on their websites and social media and to offer and deliver training on cerebral palsy to non-specialist council employees. We have been delighted by the engagement so far of 16 local authorities with 5 interested in CP Training delivered by Action Cerebral Palsy. We delivered our first training session in early November to a Midlands borough council and have a training session scheduled in January to a Northeast council early years' SEND team.



Special Educational Needs and Disability Green Paper.

The national consultation on the SEND Green Paper took place during the summer and Action Cerebral Palsy provided a detailed response to this consultation using information and feedback from parents and professionals involved in supporting children with cerebral palsy which had been gained through our surveys and the evidence provided at the All-Party Parliamentary Group sessions. We will continue to engage with policy makers at both national and local level regarding the quality of services available for children and young people with cerebral palsy.

To be a source of informed advice on cerebral palsy for the public and policy makers

National Public Awareness Campaign about the early warning signs of Cerebral Palsy

Action Cerebral Palsy has always advocated for the need for the earliest possible intervention for babies and young children at risk of cerebral palsy due to the vital importance of harnessing the high levels of neuroplasticity in the baby's brain in the early months of life. The need was again highlighted in the All- Party Parliamentary Group sessions and report. Evidence strongly indicated the need for much greater surveillance of babies both at risk of CP and for those for whom there are no known risk factors. A factor which prevents babies being referred early is lack of awareness of the signs of cerebral palsy in the general public and first line practitioners and so the Charity decided to address this with our Signs of Cerebral Palsy Awareness campaign, headlined **If in Doubt, Check it Out**

Throughout the planning, content development, design and production of this public information material, we worked closely with a group of expert advisors and parents to help guide and refine the messaging and style. We are delighted that this process it has yielded a high-quality resource that has also successfully passed the rigorous professional **accreditation process of the Institute of Health Visiting.**



Campaign Poster



Parent Information Leaflet

The campaign was publicly launched on World Cerebral Palsy Day, 6th October, 2022 to Action Cerebral Palsy's professional network, key medical governing bodies/royal colleges, key policy makers and parliamentarians and via social media to the general public. Our initial reach from these channels has been significantly higher than any other communications activity we have undertaken and it has driven an increase of followers, those engaging with us, and traffic to our website. In 2023, Action CP will be focusing on sharing this information with GPs, Children's Development Centres and Early Years education settings.

Improving Understanding of Cerebral Palsy

Evidence provided at the APPG on CP and our own research identified that there is a lack of knowledge of cerebral palsy and its impact on the individual and their family amongst non-specialist professionals whose job often involves supporting families with children or young people with CP. These practitioners may work in community health or education settings, local authorities or disability advisory services or in mainstream schools.

In 2022, we began developing training materials and presentations to raise awareness of cerebral palsy and the work of Action Cerebral Palsy. These presentations have and will be used for;

- ⊙ Local Authorities (as part of the staff awareness commitment of the LA Covenant) – we delivered to two Local Authorities
- ⊙ Schools seeking information on cerebral palsy for their pupils – delivered to two schools
- ⊙ Presentations to organisations whose staff work with children with cerebral palsy – delivered three such training presentations
- ⊙ Conferences for those professional organisations and bodies who provide support to families with children with cerebral palsy – delivered to three professional bodies.

Representing the best interests of the cerebral palsy community

Action Cerebral Palsy is proud to have been a voice for children and young people with cerebral palsy and their families throughout 2022 and to have raised awareness of the condition through the Charity's research, publications, campaigns and engagement with the public, professionals and policy makers. The Charity's reports and publications are of value to other services, schools, practitioners and charities in this sector to who rely on this data to help them understand the status of the cerebral palsy landscape in the UK. In addition to its extensive policy and public awareness work, the Charity;

- ⊙ Maintained a commentary on social media on aspects of health and education that concerns children with cerebral palsy
- ⊙ Responded to national consultations on disability and education to represent the needs of children with cerebral palsy and their families

Facilitating Development of Best Practice

As a small charity, we know that it is through collaboration that we will be able to have a much greater impact on developing and sharing best practice. Throughout the course of this year, over and above our policy work, we have been pleased to be able to support many parents in answering their questions about cerebral palsy, its impact and where they can turn to for help and support. We are immensely grateful that we have been able to engage and collaborate with the following institutions and organisations to either support their endeavours or to gain their support and voice within our own initiatives:

- ⊙ Bobath Centre
- ⊙ Members of the CP Coalition
- ⊙ CP Scotland
- ⊙ CP Sport
- ⊙ CP Teens
- ⊙ Caudwell Children
- ⊙ Council for Disabled Children
- ⊙ Designability
- ⊙ Driving Mobility
- ⊙ Embracing Complexity Consortium
- ⊙ Enable Law
- ⊙ Institute of Health Visiting
- ⊙ National Network of Parent Carer Forums
- ⊙ Parents of children with cerebral palsy
- ⊙ PD Net
- ⊙ Researchers and academic institutions who are conducting research related to neurological conditions such as cerebral palsy
- ⊙ Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health
- ⊙ Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists
- ⊙ Scope
- ⊙ The ACE Centre

- ⊙ Up Movement for Adults with Cerebral Palsy (formerly, the Adult CP Hub)
- ⊙ Whizz Kids
- ⊙ Young People with cerebral palsy

Facilitating and disseminating research on cerebral palsy and therapeutic and educational intervention

The Charity has continued to proactively promote and disseminate the latest UK and international research activities related to cerebral palsy in social media throughout the year.

Summary

The focus of the Charity's work in 2022 was to raise awareness of the challenges facing children and young people with cerebral palsy and their families through co-sponsoring the work of the APPG on Cerebral Palsy, the CP Covenant with Local Authorities and the launch of our Signs of Cerebral Palsy campaign in October. These have been significant projects which have raised the profile of cerebral palsy and those living with the condition at national and local government level and informed the public and workforce of the signs and impact of the condition with the aim that infants and children at risk of or with cerebral palsy can be identified promptly and receive the care and support they need to thrive.

However, it is clear that there are still unacceptable anomalies and inadequacies of current educational, health and care systems of provision experienced by many families with children with cerebral palsy. Parents continue to tell us that they feel the provision is fractured, incohesive, and does not always follow the statutory timelines or duty of care. Parents are left feeling marginalised and frustrated by a system that does not understand or have sufficient training in their child's disability, where services are not joined up or consistent, and one in which their child's needs are secondary to local authority budgets.

Action CP is a small but ambitious charity which is determined to deliver change for children and young people with cerebral palsy. In 2023, we will continue to work on our own and with others in the following areas:

- ⊙ **Policy and practice change** at national and local government level through the implementation of the recommendations of the first-ever All-Party Parliamentary Group on Cerebral Palsy.
- ⊙ **Workforce Skills improvement, practical information and awareness raising about cerebral palsy** with the public and non-specialist professionals through the expansion of our If In Doubt, Check It Out awareness campaign coverage and the continued development of our CP awareness training materials
- ⊙ **Parent Support** to provide families with much needed practical information about cerebral palsy and where they can turn to for help, care, support and the opportunities available for their child

Financial Review

The trustees have a continued focus on strengthening the Charity's financial sustainability through proactively seeking new sources of charitable funding, which has included delivering CP awareness training in 2022. Despite the challenges presented by COVID and the recent cost of living crisis for those non-frontline charities on our grant and trust fundraising opportunities in particular, the Charity has been successful in securing significant non-restricted funding from trusts and foundations and from generous individual, community and corporate donors. Action Cerebral Palsy is indebted to the many individuals, families and funding organisations which have donated to the Charity or chosen to fundraise for us during 2022. While expenditures relating to the APPG and the resulting policy work as well as those related to the launch of our *If In Doubt, Check It Out* public awareness campaign were greater in 2022 than in 2021, the Charity finished the year with sufficient levels of cash reserves.

The Charity makes all possible efficiencies to keep costs to a minimum and spending continues to be tightly controlled. The Charity has also benefited from generous pro bono administrative support. The Charity does not employ paid staff, but instead uses specialist consultancy and volunteer services to support its operations.

The Charity is hugely grateful for the funding that it has received in 2022 from generous individual donors and trusts and foundations, including the Barbara Ward Children's Foundation, the Castle Lodge Relief Chest, the King Cullimore Charitable Trust, the Michael Cornish Charitable Trust, and the Roger and Jean Jefcoate Trust. We are also grateful to the increasing number of individuals who undertook endurance challenges in 2022 to fundraise for Action CP. We were also proud to welcome our first ever regular giver.

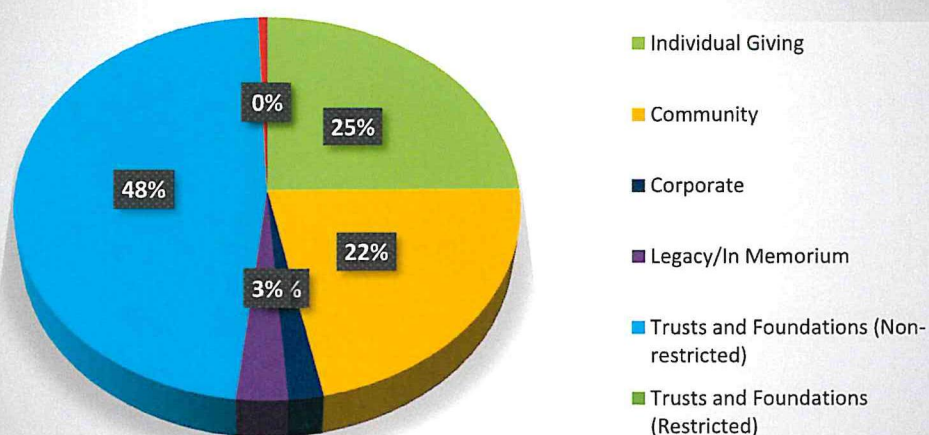
The table below identifies the Charity's income by type and expenditure by area of activity. All restricted income received in 2021 and carried forward into 2022 as well as restricted income received in 2022 were expended within 2022. While the Charity's CEO is largely focused on policy work, she is also involved in the Awareness Campaigning and Fundraising efforts. Likewise, a significant portion of the Project Lead's time has been spent on securing funding for the campaign. The Charity's website redesign has already benefited our ability to advocate and educate.

For 2022, the Charity's income and expenditure was as follows;

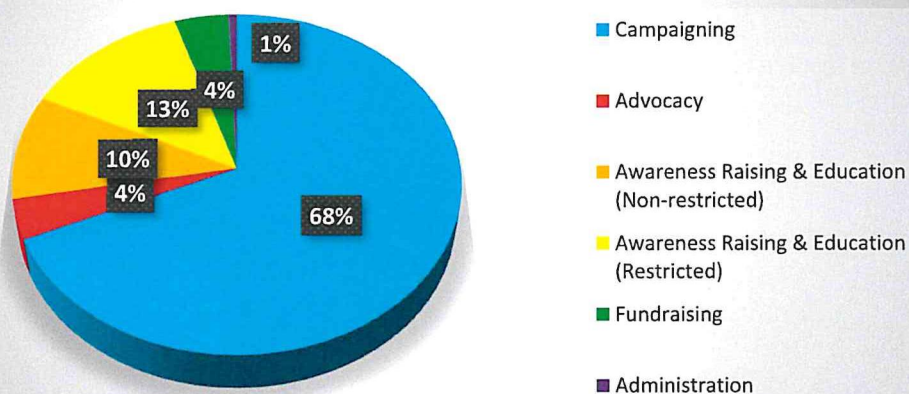
Income by Area	2022	2021
Individual Giving	£14,629	£23,995
Community	£12,859	£7,552
Corporate	£1,200	£1,140
Legacy/In Memorium	£1,779	£2,065
Trusts and Foundations (Non-restricted)	£28,000	£6,000
Trusts and Foundations (Restricted)	£0	£9,000
Training Income	£350	£0
Total Income	£58,817	£49,752

Expenditure by Area	2022	2021
Campaigning	£43,014	£23,213
Advocacy	£2,397	£2,982
Awareness Raising & Education (Non-restricted)	£6,287	£10,128
Awareness Raising & Education (Restricted)	£8,200	£8,500
Fundraising	£2,661	£3,500
Administration	£405	£488
Total Expenditure by Area of Activity	£62,964	£48,811
Net Profit/(Loss)	-£ 4,146	£ 941

Income By Type - 2022



Expenditure By Area of Activity - 2022



Reserves Policy

The Trustees have resolved, in view of the size and operational requirements of the charity, that the minimum level of reserves should be 3 months of budgeted expenditure.

Going Concern

Further to independent consultation, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Financial Strategy

Action Cerebral Palsy is ambitious in its mission and is highly conscious of its current status as being the only existing UK charity campaigning solely on behalf of children with cerebral palsy and their families. We recognise that in the current economic climate we must continue to focus on organic growth that leverages existing resources and relationships to ensure that we build from a position of financial stability while continuing to fund our key charitable activities. The Charity continues to move forward with its fundraising strategy which seeks to develop new opportunities and potential income generation across a range of fundraising activities, delivered services and projects which link us with individuals, other charities, corporates, trusts and foundations so that we can continue to expand our capabilities to campaign, educate and advocate on behalf of our community of 30,000 children and young people with cerebral palsy in the UK.