

Deal & District Strokes Trustees Report 2021-2022

The period 2021-22 was mainly dominated by the Covid pandemic and the requirements by government for people to isolate in order to keep themselves and others safe. This represented a major challenge for Deal and District Strokes thinking about how we could support our members who because of their health problems already struggled with isolation and loneliness. An added challenge was that most of the support offered to members is from volunteers many of whom had to protect themselves and no one had access to PPE needed to visit vulnerable people in their own homes.

When we were allowed we started to meet members outside, bringing thermoses of hot drinks to share on the pier etc. We also arranged for volunteers to ring people regularly to keep in touch, produced a monthly newsletter and delivered a Christmas hamper to every member of the club.

As we had not spent any money on activities for members and were aware that some members were struggling financially we agreed to use the money to give members a Grant to assist them.

In the autumn activities were slowly restarted, because of the curtailed programme we suspended subscriptions for the year. As the year unfolded we were able to run a full programme by the spring and the numbers attending have not only returned to the pre-pandemic level but increased, demonstrating the need for the support offered by the charity. We also noticed an increase in people referred by statutory agencies such as the NHS and Social Services.

In the aftermath of the pandemic it became clear that many members were struggling with mental health issues and the Charity decided to assist members to access counselling services if requested by members. Similarly we have entered into partnership with the local NHS hospital Stroke wards to provide equipment to improve memory, speech manual strength and flexibility.

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Income and Expenditure for the year 2021-22

Income

Donations	£200.00
Legacy	£194.23
Interest	£5,588.01
Total	£5,982.24

Expenditure

Administration	£2,333.29
Advertising (including Stroke Association)	£234.60
Meetings	£1,267.38
Insurance	£221.75
Outings	£7,270.03
Wellbeing and support	£16,130.92
Purchase of equipment to support Stroke survivors in hospital	£17,998.12
Transport	£1,067.00
Grants to members	£22,0002.00
Room Hire	£1,016.30
Bank Charges on Deposit Account	£15.70
Total	£69,557.09

NET SURPLUS/DEFICIT ON THE YEAR -£63,574.85

Balance Sheet for the year 2021/22

Balances Brought forward

NatWest Current AccountRe	£11,837.23
NatWest Business Reserve Account	£100,050.87
Lloyds Deposit Account	£186,944.29
Shawbrook Bank	£104,137.96
Charity Bank	£102,685.56
Net Surplus/Deficit in the year	-£63,574.85
Total Assets	£442,081.06

Represented by

NatWest Current Account	£6,406.78
NatWest Business Reserve Account	£95,081.55
Lloyds Deposit Account	£132,817.97
Shawbrook Bank	£104,606.58
Charity Bank	£103,168.18
Total Assets	£442,081.06

From the books and vouchers which I have inspected and the explanations given to me, it is my opinion that the above statement reflects the financial position at 1st July 2022.

Signed R.S.Moore
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