

BEREAVED CHILDREN SUPPORT YORK

England & Wales · Charity number 1171422

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-02-01

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

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Activities

Objects: 1) TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES LIVING IN THE YORK AREA, WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED BEREAVEMENT OR LOSS BY THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT AND RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE. 2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE SUBJECT OF THE EFFECTS OF BEREAVEMENT AND LOSS ON CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE.

Activities: We seek to support bereaved children, young people and their families living in the York area so that they are better able to cope with the impact of grief on their lives. We do this by running monthly peer support drop-in sessions, offering a 1:1 therapeutic support service for those children who need it as well as recreational activities, a parental support group and training days for schools.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£72,967	£51,383	-	-
2024-05-31	£16,342	£43,031	-	-
2023-05-31	£38,098	£35,242	-	-
2022-05-31	£18,031	£12,477	-	-
2021-05-31	£47,462	£7,506	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JOANNE COLE	Chair	2017-02-01
Angela Marie White		2019-07-17
Janet Bennett		2025-03-13
Kathryn Hardaker		2025-03-13
LISA CURTIS		2017-02-01
Lucy South		2025-03-13
YVONNE METHLEY		2017-02-01

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1st	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	June	2024	31st		May	2025	

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bereaved Children Support York

Other names charity is known by

BCSY

Registered charity number (if any)

1171422

Charity's principal address

1 Dealtry Avenue

Wigginton

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Postcode

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

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2	Lisa Curtis	Treasurer		Board of Trustees
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5	Janet Bennett		13/03/25 – present	Board of Trustees
6	Kathryn Hardaker		13/03/25 – present	Board of Trustees
7	Lucy South		13/03/25 – present	Board of Trustees
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

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Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution (31/01/2017)
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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

We were delighted to appoint 3 additional trustees to our board in March 2025. They bring a wealth of experience and skills to the role and are a valuable addition.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To preserve and protect the physical and mental health of children, young people and their families living in the York area, who have experienced bereavement or loss by the provision of counselling and support and recreation and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare designed to improve their conditions of life

To advance the education of the public in the subject of the affects of bereavement and loss on children and young people.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Run a monthly peer support drop-in group

This enables bereaved children, young people and families living in the York area to come together and explore their feelings through play, creativity and peer support by meeting others who have had a similar experience, with the aim of improving their emotional well-being.

Individual therapeutic support

One-to-one therapeutic support is provided by bereavement practitioners to those children and young people who need additional specialised and individual help to better cope with the impact of grief on their lives.

Recreational activities

The organisation of recreational activities offers the opportunity for bereaved children, young people and families to meet in an even more relaxed and informal way than the drop-in sessions. This is often a good introduction to the charity and the services we provide.

These have previously included activities such as trampolining, theatre trips, music concerts, football sessions and circus skills workshops.

Parents fortnightly coffee

This provides an opportunity for the parents and carers of bereaved children and young people to meet each other without their children being present to seek, offer and gain mutual support about the issues faced by their children and them as parents.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission to ensure that all activities are provided for the public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are delighted to continue to receive the design expertise of local businessman Richard Playford on a voluntary basis in relation to the creation and maintenance of the charity's website and publicity material. We have continue to prepare content for a new updated website which we hope to have up and running next year.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Monthly peer support drop-in sessions

These sessions continued to be in-person with crafts and activities for the children to do individually and in groups. We continue to run these sessions in Oaken Grove Community Centre.

52 children have attended at least one session in the past 12 months

Individual therapeutic support

The one-to-one therapeutic support is for those children and young people who need more specialist support to help them be better able to cope with the impact of grief on their lives. The sessions continued to be face-to face, with children and young people mostly being seen at school.

We appointed 2 further part-time sessional bereavement practitioners due to increased demand and a growing waiting list. We now have 7 part-time, sessional bereavement practitioners.

68 children have been referred in the past 12 months

Parents/carers fortnightly coffee

This group continues to be well attended and very much valued by participants. It enables good conversations to be had and relationships built allowing for emotional support to be shared. There is no cost to the charity for these sessions.

Recreacnal Activities

The children, young people and families have enjoyed several recreational activities including pottery painting, trampolining and a trip to see a local production of Sister Act.

Website and publicity

The website continues to be maintained and publicity materials produced on a voluntary basis by supporter Richard Playford, although some printed resources, books and leaflets are purchased. We are beginning to write content in preparation for a new website. We hope to have this up and running next year.

Other collaborations and donations

We were fortunate enough to be chosen as the Charity of the Year for Barratt David Wilson Homes Yorkshire East and this started in July 2024. They organised some amazing fundraising events including a fishing match, golf day and the Red Ball. They entered a team in the local Dragon Boat Race and 2 young adults that have benefited from our services took part. Their fundraising team worked tirelessly and some of our trustees were lucky enough to attend the Red Ball. The total raised was an astounding £58,175.

We continue to benefit from the fundraising of others. We have had supporters raising money for us holding raffles, selling treats and cakes. One of the parents who has used our services, Jenny, ran a half-marathon and raised £2275.

The local branch of the Co-op continued have us as a beneficiary of the Community Fund until October 2024 and we received a final payment of £1833.67.

The staff and customers at the local David Lloyd Leisure Centre collected and donated chocolate Easter eggs to the children in April.

We were delighted to be chosen as one of the good causes to benefit from the Scarecrow Festival held in Haxby and organised by the local Methodist church over the May Bank Holiday weekend. The children and volunteers created a wonderful scarecrow in the form of the BFG and it gave us the opportunity to raise the profile of the charity by having an information stall in the church over the weekend. We received £1373.

We are also thrilled to be chosen as Charity of the Year by TSYS for 2025. This is the local branch of an international company and they will be organising fundraising activities throughout the year. Two of our trustees did a presentation to the staff group to explain what we do.

Also this year we have been humbled to receive increased donations from funerals and wills with a total of £4759 in donations. We are immensely grateful for this.

Future plans for the year ahead

We are hoping to have the new website up and running as well as developing a new strategy and financial plan.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have set a level equivalent to approximately 3 months of operating costs (£15,000) for the organisation as a desired level of reserves.

This fund is a contingency in the event of a sudden reduction in income, in order to protect the future operation of the organisation from the effects of any unforeseen variations in its income and expenditure.

This will be reviewed by trustees in light of increased costs, especially the therapeutic support.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

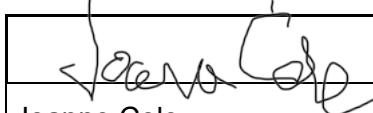
Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Joanne Cole

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	02/02/2026	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bereaved Children Support York
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date
01/06/2024

To

Period end date
31/05/2025

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					
Fundraising by individuals	3,260	-	-	2,444	2,444
Fundraising by groups/organisations	4,158	-	-	4,158	9,141
Barratts	58,176	-	-	58,176	
Donations from businesses	1,510	-	-	1,510	3,600
Donations from individuals	622	-	-	622	520
Funerals/Wills	4,759	-	-	4,759	
Gift Aid	467	-	-	467	
Misc	15	-	-		637
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	72,967	-	-	Cross Add Error	16,342
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	72,967	-	-	#VALUE!	16,342
A3 Payments					
Therapeutic support sessions	48,932	-	-	48,932	40,780
Creative supplies	745	-	-	745	571
Recreational activities/entertainment	651	-	-	651	609
Venue/room hire	675	-	-	675	686
Insurance	103	-	-	103	83
Books and resources	30	-	-	30	16
DBS check	67	-	-	67	52
Refreshments (SS)	49	1	-	49	153

Misc	131	-	-	131	81
Sub total	51,383	-	-	51,383	43,031
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	51,383	-	-	51,383	43,031
Net of receipts/(payments)	21,584	-	-	#VALUE!	- 26,689
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	39,253	-	-	39,253	65,942
Cash funds this year end	60,837	-	-	#VALUE!	39,253

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

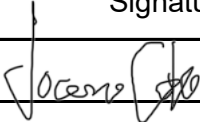
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in current account	60,836	-	-
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	Total cash funds	60,836	-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Joanne Cole	02/02/2026



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Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Bereaved Children Support York

On accounts for the year
ended

May 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1171422

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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:

Phillip

Date:

26/1/26

Name:

PHILLIP JOHN WILSON

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

FCCA

Address:

10 GREENGATES COURT,
WHILDEN, YORK
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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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These have previously included activities such as trampolining, theatre trips, music concerts, football sessions and circus skills workshops. This year we went alpaca walking.

Parents fortnightly coffee

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We appointed 2 further part-time sessional bereavement practitioners following the retirement of one of our longest serving practitioners and one having to take a break due to other work commitments. We now have 5 part-time, sessional bereavement practitioners.

58 children have been referred in the past 12 months

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Other collaborations and donations

We were fortunate enough to be chosen again to be one of the charities to benefit from the local music concert, A Night to Remember. Some of our families, volunteers and supporters attended the evening and had a great time. We received an amazing £5306 from this event.

We had a stall at the local community event, WiggyFest in June 2023, by holding a tombola and other fundraising games. Whilst it generated a modest amount it did raise our profile and publicise our services in the local area.

We continue to benefit from the fundraising of others. We have had supporters raising money for us holding raffles, selling treats and cakes.

We received support from local businesses including a Festive Walk organised by Bromwich Family Butchers in Haxby that raised a fantastic £1670 and in October 2023 the local branch of the Co-op chose us to benefit from the Community Fund for 12 months and we received an interim payment of £1111.

We also benefited again this year from one of our supporter's creative talents selling their Halloween and Easter baked goods raising a wonderful, combined total of £980.

Future plans for the year ahead

We are hoping to recruit an additional part-time bereavement practitioner due to the increased waiting times for our 1:1 service.

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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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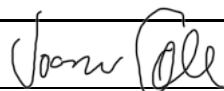
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Joanne Cole

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	23/3/2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2023	To	Period end date 31/05/2024
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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					
Fundraising by individuals	2,444	-	-	2,444	7,357
Fundraising by groups/organisations	3,835	-	-	3,835	1,139
Night to Remember	5,306	-	-	5,306	4,832
Donations from businesses	3,600	-	-	3,600	23,283
Donations from individuals	520	-	-	520	535
Tickets paid and refund	556	-	-	556	922
Misc refund	81	-	-	81	
		-	-		
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	16,342	-	-	16,342	38,098
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,342	-	-	16,342	38,098

A3 Payments

Therapeutic support sessions	40,780	-	-	40,780	33,445
Creative supplies	571	-	-	571	566
Recreational activities/entertainment	609	-	-	609	285
Venue/room hire	686	-	-	686	606
Insurance	83	-	-	83	63
Books and resources	16	1	-	16	165

DBS check	52	-	-	52	112
Refreshments	153	-	-	153	
Misc	81	-	-	81	
Sub total	43,031	-	-	43,031	35,242
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	43,031	-	-	43,031	35,242
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 26,689	-	-	- 26,689	2,856
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	65,942	-	-	65,942	10,813
Cash funds this year end	39,253	-	-	39,253	13,669

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	Cash in current account	39,253	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	39,253	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

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

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the			-	-

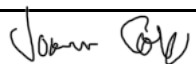
charity's own use

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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Joanne Cole	23/03/2025

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date				Period end date	
From	1st	Month June	Year 2022	To	Day 31st	Month May	Year 2023

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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2	Lisa Curtis	Treasurer		Board of Trustees
3	Yvonne Methley			Board of Trustees
4	Angela White			Board of Trustees
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution (31/01/2017)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To preserve and protect the physical and mental health of children, young people and their families living in the York area, who have experienced bereavement or loss by the provision of counselling and support and recreation and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare designed to improve their conditions of life

To advance the education of the public in the subject of the affects of bereavement and loss on children and young people.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Run a monthly peer support drop-in group

This enables bereaved children, young people and families living in the York area to come together and explore their feelings through play, creativity and peer support by meeting others who have had a similar experience, with the aim of improving their emotional well-being.

Individual therapeutic support

One-to-one therapeutic support is provided by bereavement practitioners to those children and young people who need additional specialised and individual help to better cope with the impact of grief on their lives.

Recreational activities

The organisation of recreational activities offers the opportunity for bereaved children, young people and families to meet in an even more relaxed and informal way than the drop-in sessions. This is often a good introduction to the charity and the services we provide.

These have previously included activities such as trampolining, theatre trips, music concerts, football sessions and circus skills workshops, but have been curtailed this year due to restrictions caused by the Covid 19 pandemic.

Parents fortnightly coffee

This provides an opportunity for the parents and carers of bereaved children and young people to meet each other without their children being present to seek, offer and gain mutual support about the issues faced by their children and them as parents.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission to ensure that all activities are provided for the public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are delighted to continue to receive the design expertise of local businessman Richard Playford on a voluntary basis in relation to the creation and maintenance of the charities website and publicity material.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Monthly peer support drop-in sessions

These sessions continued to be in-person with crafts and activities for the children to do individually and in groups. Our usual venue was closed for part of the year to allow building work to take place and we used the local scout hut instead during this time. We moved our sessions back to the newly refurbished Oaken Grove Community Centre in January 2023.

Individual therapeutic support

The one-to-one therapeutic support is for those children and young people who need more specialist support to help them be better able to cope with the impact of grief on their lives. The sessions continued to be face-to face, with children and young people mostly being seen at school.

We appointed 2 additional part-time practitioners in July and began the recruiting process again in March 2023 due to the imminent retirement of one of our current practitioners.

60 children have been referred in the past 12 months

Parents/carers fortnightly coffee

This group continues to be well attended and very much valued by participants. It enables good conversations to be had and relationships built allowing for emotional support to be shared. There is no cost to the charity for these sessions.

Website and publicity

The website continues to be maintained and publicity materials produced on a voluntary basis by supporter Richard Playford, although printed resources, books and leaflets are purchased.

Other collaborations and donations

We held a fundraising concert, Summer Serenade, in June 2022. One of our parents and volunteers is part of York Concert Band and they provided the musical entertainment and we held a raffle. This was well attended and raised over £800.

We were also fortunate enough to be chosen again to be one of the charities to benefit from the local music concert, A Night to Remember. Some of our families, volunteers and supporters attended the evening and had a great time. We received an amazing £4861 from this event.

Some of our families attended the Peter Pan pantomime in December with tickets kindly donated from York Theatre Royal. We also had Circus Skills York visit to run activities as part of our 7th birthday celebrations.

We continue to benefit from the fundraising of others. We have had supporters raising money for us sponsored to run the York marathon and the Leeds half marathon and staff from Jigsaw Move estate agents raised over £3000 completing the 3 Peaks Challenge.

We received support from local businesses including £1000 from Minster Law and £250 from Hunters Estate Agents.

We also received a very significant donation of £12000 on behalf of York Crematorium and the recycling scheme they use and nearly £9000 from a business that wishes to remain anonymous and not have their name shared publicly.

We received £500 from TKMaxx/Homesense and a £100 gift card from Tesco which we used to buy refreshments for the drop-in sessions. Local shop Thora and the Prince raised money by collecting donations for handwritten letters from Santa at Christmas. The Spearhead café at St Mary's Church, Strensall also raised funds and donated gifts for the children at Christmas.

We also benefited from one of our supporter's creative talents selling their Halloween baked goods raising a combined total of £210.

Future plans for the year ahead

We are hoping to recruit an additional part-time bereavement practitioner as one of our current practitioners is due to retire later this year.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have set a level equivalent to approximately 6 months of operating costs (£12,000) for the organisation as a desired level of reserves.

This fund is a contingency in the event of a sudden reduction in income, in order to protect the future operation of the organisation from the effects of any unforeseen variations in its income and expenditure.

This will be reviewed by trustees in light of increased costs, especially the therapeutic support.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

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Section F

Other optional information

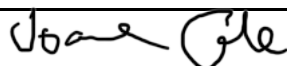
Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Joanne Cole

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	29/3/2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bereaved Children Support York
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2022	To	Period end date 31/05/2023
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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					
Fundraising by individuals	7,357	-	-	7,357	4,111
Fundraising by groups/organisations	1,139	-	-	1,139	7,238
Night to Remember	4,862	-	-	4,862	3,832
Donations from businesses	23,283	-	-	23,283	356
Donations from individuals	535	-	-	535	1,649
Summer Serenade	922	-	-	922	245
		-	-	-	600
		-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	38,098	-	-	38,098	18,031
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	38,098	-	-	38,098	18,031

A3 Payments

Therapeutic support sessions	33,445	-	-	33,445	10,494
Creative supplies	566	-	-	566	299
Recreational activities/entertainment	285	-	-	285	265
Venue hire (Drop-in sessions)	606	-	-	606	560
Insurance	63	-	-	63	63
Books and resources	165	1	-	165	84

DBS check	112	-	-	112	52
		-	-	-	425
		-	-	-	245
Sub total	35,242	-	-	35,242	12,477
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,242	-	-	35,242	12,477
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,856	-	-	2,856	5,554
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	63,086	-	-	63,086	10,813
Cash funds this year end	65,942	-	-	65,942	16,367

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	Cash in current account	65,942	-	-
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		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	65,942	-	-
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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the			-	-

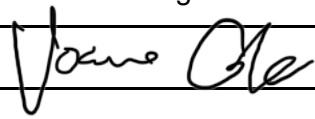
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Joanne Cole	27/03/2923

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BEREAVED CHILDREN SUPPORT YORK

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st May 2023

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with of my examination, no material matters have come to my attention

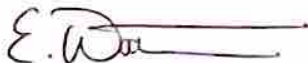
1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the Trustees have not met the requirements:

- to keep accounting in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounts records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 28/3/2024

Libby Watson
8 Dealtry Avenue
Wigginton
York
YO32 2FJ

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date				Period end date	
From	1st	Month June	Year 2021	To	Day 31st	Month May	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bereaved Children Support York

Other names charity is known by

BCSY

Registered charity number (if any)

1171422

Charity's principal address

1 Dealtry Avenue

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These have previously included activities such as trampolining, theatre trips, music concerts, football sessions and circus skills workshops, but have been curtailed this year due to restrictions caused by the Covid 19 pandemic.

Parents fortnightly coffee

This provides an opportunity for the parents and carers of bereaved children and young people to meet each other without their children being present to seek, offer and gain mutual support about the issues faced by their children and them as parents.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission to ensure that all activities are provided for the public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
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- contribution made by volunteers.

We are delighted to continue to receive the design expertise of local businessman Richard Playford on a voluntary basis in relation to the creation and maintenance of the charities website and publicity material.

Most of the refreshments provided at the drop-in sessions are donated by some trustees and other supporters as part of their contribution to the running of the charity as well as occasional donations from some local businesses.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Monthly peer support drop-in sessions

The sessions were in-person, but the effects of the Covid 19 pandemic continued. The government restrictions meant that even when we were able to meet in person it was with limited numbers and social distancing in place. We were relieved when the restrictions were gradually eased and we could begin doing interactive activities again, so that by Easter we were able to get the children working together in teams again.

Individual therapeutic support

The one-to-one therapeutic support is for those children and young people who need more specialist support to help them be better able to cope with the impact of grief on their lives. The sessions continued to be a mixture of video/telephone calls and in-person (sometimes outside) sessions due to the government restrictions in response to the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic. This continued to cause some disruption and delays to the service as it wasn't always appropriate to carry out sessions virtually. We were relieved when the practitioners could start meeting the children indoors and face-to face again.

We appointed an additional part-time practitioner in June.

43 children have been referred in the past 12 months

Parents/carers fortnightly coffee

This service was still a combination of virtual and in-person meetings and the attendees were delighted when they could start meeting together again.

This group continues to be well attended and very much valued by participants. It enables good conversations to be had and relationships built allowing for emotional support to be shared. There is no cost to the charity for these sessions.

Website and publicity

The website continues to be maintained and publicity materials produced on a voluntary basis by supporter Richard Playford.

Other collaborations and donations

The global pandemic continued to curtail many of our plans and for much of the year we were working within the limitations of government restrictions. However, we were able to begin some activities again, including two theatre trips, the first supporting one of our young people in a performance of the Wizard of Oz and the second was a dramatisation of The Missing Peace, a book written by one of our supporters about loss and grief.

We continue to be fortunate to benefit from the fundraising of others. One of our families raised over £1700 with a sponsored bike ride in Scotland, over £3000 was raised by a local school (Acomb Primary) through a sponsored Active Minutes initiative, over £1000 was raised from a raffle held at Bishopthorpe Festival and £1000 was raised by a Londis store with a raffle at Christmas.

We won £500 from the Asda green token scheme and Tesco donated some chocolate eggs at Easter.

We also benefited from some of our supporter's creative talents with one making and selling decorative bottles and another selling her Halloween baked goods raising a combined total of £418.

We also received a donation of especially made cupcakes for our birthday celebration in May.

Future plans for the year ahead

We are hoping to recruit an additional part-time bereavement practitioner to help with the ongoing delays to our therapeutic support service caused by the pandemic restrictions and high demand.

Also, the venue we currently use for the drop-in sessions, Oaken Grove Community Centre, is due to undergo significant building work, therefore we shall be moving to our temporary home of Haxby Scout Hut until at least September 2022.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have set a level equivalent to approximately 6 months of operating costs (£12,000) for the organisation as a desired level of reserves.

This fund is a contingency in the event of a sudden reduction in income, in order to protect the future operation of the organisation from the effects of any unforeseen variations in its income and expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Finance

Following such an amazing year for income generated in 2020-21 the amount received this year has returned to more moderate levels. However, last years income has provided security to cover outgoings going forward as our services begin to return to pre-pandemic levels.

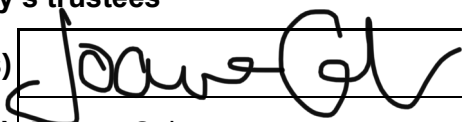
Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Joanne Cole

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair of Trustees

Date

27/03/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2021	To	Period end date 31/05/2022
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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					
Fundraising by individuals	4,111	-	-	4,111	9,035
Fundraising by groups/organisations	7,238	-	-	7,238	3,018
The Missing Peace	3,832	-	-	3,832	4,081
Donations from businesses	356	-	-	356	10,460
Donations from individuals	1,649	-	-	1,649	1,043
Grant for Bish Fest	600	-	-	600	-
Funds for concert venue hire	245	-	-	245	-
Other fundraising		-	-	-	19,825
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	18,031	-	-	18,031	47,462
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,031	-	-	18,031	47,462

A3 Payments

Therapeutic support sessions	10,494	-	-	10,494	6,414
Creative supplies	299	-	-	299	363
Recreational activities/entertainment	265	-	-	265	382
Venue hire (Drop-in sessions)	550	-	-	550	250
Insurance	63	-	-	63	63
Books and resources	84	1	-	84	34

DBS check	52	-	-	52	-
Bish Fest	425	-	-	425	-
Concert venue hire	245	-	-	245	-
Sub total	12,477	-	-	12,477	7,506
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,477	-	-	12,477	7,506
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,554	-	-	5,554	39,956
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	57,532	-	-	57,532	10,813
Cash funds this year end	63,086	-	-	63,086	50,769

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	Cash in current account	63,086	-	-
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	Total cash funds	63,086	-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the			-	-

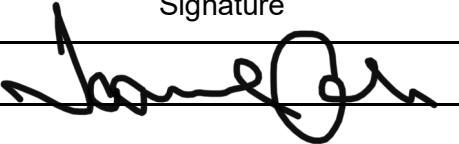
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Joanne Cole	27/03/2923

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date							
From	1st	Month	June	Year	2020	To	Day	31st	Month	May	Year	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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Recreational activities

The organisation of recreational activities offers the opportunity for bereaved children, young people and families to meet in an even more relaxed and informal way than the drop-in sessions. This is often a good introduction to the charity and the services we provide.

These have previously included activities such as trampolining, theatre trips, music concerts, football sessions and circus skills workshops, but have been curtailed this year due to restrictions caused by the Covid 19 pandemic.

Parents fortnightly coffee

This provides an opportunity for the parents and carers of bereaved children and young people to meet each other without their children being present to seek, offer and gain mutual support about the issues faced by their children and them as parents.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission to ensure that all activities are provided for the public benefit.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are delighted to continue to receive the design expertise of local businessman Richard Playford on a voluntary basis in relation to the creation and maintenance of the charities website and publicity material.

Most of the refreshments provided at the drop-in sessions are donated by some trustees and other supporters as part of their contribution to the running of the charity.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Section D

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements and performance

Monthly peer support drop-in sessions

The sessions remained a mixture of in-person and virtual meetings as the Covid 19 pandemic continued. The government restrictions meant that even when we were able to meet in person it was with limited numbers and social distancing in place. However, we did become increasingly resourceful, coming up with new ways of engaging children and young people online. The craft-along-at-home sessions were particularly popular, where we sent individual packs of craft supplies to children's homes and then met online to make the items and show their creations to each other. This helped, as much as was possible, to keep children in touch with each other and keep a feeling of community.

Individual therapeutic support

The one-to-one therapeutic support is for those children and young people who need more specialist support to help them be better able to cope with the impact of grief on their lives. The sessions continued to be a mixture of video/telephone calls and in-person (sometimes outside) sessions due to the government restrictions in response to the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic. This did cause some disruption and delays to the service as it wasn't always appropriate to carry out sessions virtually.

42 children have been referred in the past 12 months

Parents/carers fortnightly coffee

This service also became a combination of virtual and in-person meetings.

This group continues to be well attended and very much valued by participants. This enables good conversations to be had and relationships built allowing for emotional support to be shared. There is no cost to the charity for these sessions.

Website and publicity

The website continues to be maintained and publicity materials produced on a voluntary basis by supporter Richard Playford.

Other collaborations and donations

The global pandemic continued to curtail many of our plans and it has been a year of working within the limitations of government restrictions.

We have been incredibly fortunate with the fundraising of others throughout the past year when we were so limited with what we could do in person. We were delighted to have been chosen last year as the Charity of the Year by Betty's who continued to fundraise throughout lockdown. We were also a beneficiary of the Co-op Community Fund and received a very significant donation from ICCM, via Scarborough Crenatorium.

We raised £514 by our supporters and community members collecting crisp packets via the TerraCycle recycling scheme and used the money to buy a Nintendo switch console, games and additional controllers for the drop-in sessions.

Section D

Achievements and performance

One of our young people set himself a challenge to run 5K every day throughout February 2021. It captured the imagination of local people, media and even a couple of celebrity endorsements on Twitter! He raised nearly £6000.

We received a donation of activity books from a raffle held by local business Rose's Bookshelf.

We were also delighted that one of our supporters began making face coverings and selling them with all the proceeds donated to us and so far has raised £1164 for the charity.

Future plans for the year ahead

The global pandemic continues to cause a lot of uncertainty about the year ahead for us. We will continue to look for new ways to deliver our services within the ever-changing landscape of restrictions and social distancing guidelines.

We are hoping to recruit an additional bereavement practitioner to help with the delays caused by the pandemic restrictions.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We do not currently have a reserves policy, but will look to create and approve one. Our income has unexpectedly increased significantly this year due to an exceptional year of donations and fundraising. This means that our outgoings will be covered for several years ahead even if income decreases or returns to more normal levels.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Finance

During an incredibly challenging year we have been very fortunate with the money we have received from fundraising and donations. It has been by far our most successful year to date in terms of income.

We received the balance of the money raised by Betty's, the Co-op community fund donation, the ICOM donation from Scarborough crematorium alongside the amazing fundraising from the 5K challenge, the face coverings, the proceeds from the A Night to Remember concert, earlier in 2020, the raffle by the Bishopthorpe Community event, the crisp packet recycling scheme along with other donations and fundraising carried out by individuals.

The funding allowed us to continue with the services supporting bereaved children, young people and their families both as a group and individually.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Joanne Cole</i>	
Full name(s)	JOANNE COLE	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	
Date	28/3/2022	



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period	Period start date	To	Period end date
from	01/06/2020		31/05/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

A1 Receipts

Fundraising by individuals	9,035	-	9,035	3,820
Fundraising by groups/organisations	3,018	-	3,018	972
A Night to Remember	4,081	-	4,081	3,686
Donations from businesses	10,460	-	10,460	3,940
Donations from individuals	1,043	-	1,043	899
Fundraising from Betty's	19,271	-	19,271	2,282
Donation from estate/funeral	40	-	40	1,000
TerraCycle (crisp packets)	514	-	514	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	47,462	-	47,462	16,599

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-

Total receipts	47,462	-	-	47,462	16,599
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A3 Payments

Therapeutic support sessions	6,414	-	-	6,414	8,698
Creative supplies	363	-	-	363	311
Recreational activities/entertainment	382	-	-	382	397
Venue hire (Drop-in sessions)	250	-	-	250	250
Insurance	63	-	-	63	63
Books and resources	16	1	-	16	66

DBS check	-	-	-	-	52
Postage	18	-	-	18	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	7,506	-	-	7,506	9,837

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments

	7,506	-	-	7,506	9,837
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Net of receipts/(payments)

	39,956	-	-	39,956	6,762
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A5 Transfers between funds

	-	-	-	-	-
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A6 Cash funds last year end

	17,575	-	-	17,575	10,813
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Cash funds this year end

	57,531	-	-	57,531	17,575
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17615 per bank statement.
 £40 shown at end May '20
 - Bennett 10
 - Brittain 20
 - Sheridan 40

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

Categories

Details

B1 Cash funds

Cash in current account	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	57,531	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

Total cash funds

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

57,531	-	-
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B2 Other monetary assets

Details

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

B3 Investment assets

Details

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

B4 Assets retained for the CCXX R3 accounts (SS)

Details

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
3	-	-

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

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>Joanne Cole</i>	JOANNE COLE	28/8/22

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BEREAVED CHILDREN SUPPORT YORK

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st May 2021.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

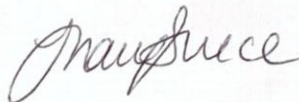
In connection with of my examination, no material matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the Trustees have not met the requirements:
 - to keep accounting in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounts records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 28 March 2022

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