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Company Registration Number CEO01395 (England and Wales)

AMPUTATION FOUNDATION
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDING 28 FEBRUARY 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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	Mr C Whiteley
	Ms D Boardman
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TRUSTEE'S REPORT

YEAR ENDING 28 FEBRUARY 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ending 28 February 2025 [Period 24-25].

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016).

Objectives and Activities

The Charity's objectives are to provide broad levels of support to amputees and people who have incurred limb loss or limb impairments with a primary focus on peer support via lived experience by creating community networks and bringing individuals together to counteract the isolation from society often experienced by individuals resulting from their disability.

The Charity aims to support its members with advice covering areas such as Adjusting to Life post amputation or impairment, returning to Education / Employment, resuming or finding new Sports / Hobbies / Interests all of which helps with their personal development, builds on their self-confidence & self-esteem and encourages them to re-integrate into society.

The Charity understands the potential risks to amputees' general Health & Wellbeing if unsupported following what is undoubtedly a life changing event and strives to ensure that individuals are not left alone to manage a period of significant adjustment.

Amputation Foundation was founded by a bilateral below knee amputee and the Charity has been built by amputees for amputees with 92% of the core team bringing lived experience to the table.

Charity Service Users – Who AF helps?

Amputation Foundation is a first port of call for all amputees preparing for or dealing with limb loss or severe impairments, but the Charity also supports the families & friends of its members. In addition, the Charity supports a wide range of medical professionals from Hospitals, Clinics & Limb Centres by attending in-centre and post-discharge visits and providing a signposting

route for their patients to follow in parallel with their on-going outpatient appointments and beyond.

The Charity also works with other charities across the UK to ensure that its members receive full access to and benefit from the best possible advice and support irrespective of geography. This collaboration therefore also includes other charities amongst its service users.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

In addition, the charity consults with its charity partners, medical professionals and its members as to what events and offerings the charity should consider on an ongoing basis.

Charity Sponsors – Who helps us?

Amputation Foundation has always valued its relationships with specific legal firms specialising in PI & CN Law. One of the fundamental selection criteria established by the AF Founder has been that the Client/Member is centric to each and every consideration made when supporting a new member.

The new AF Operations Director instigated a review of the AF Legal Panel in May 2024 and revised the panel to include:

CL Medilaw

Fletchers

HCC

Lime Solicitors

Oliver and Co

Rothera Bray

Amputation Foundation and its trusted Legal Panel have developed a meeting & reporting agenda that it believes will strengthen the core offering of the Charity in supporting Amputees to tackle their new life challenges.

In addition to the core Legal Panel, the Charity is also providing support to unofficial “partners” operating in the PI & CN space whose Case Managers require additional support for their clients.

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Achievements and Performance

As with most charities, recent years have been challenging. Amputation Foundation appointed a new Operations Director in April 2024 with a view to building a more robust operating infrastructure to prop up and further develop the existing support platform.

A continued review of processes, procedures, policies and systems is underway with a strong focus on Governance, Risk & Compliance alongside HR & Employment sector considerations.

There continues to be a significant demand for the Charity's services across the board from direct service users, families & friends of potential service users, medical professionals, other Charities and research professionals. Growth is still largely organic and the Charity's aim remains for it to be more targetted and importantly more accurately reportable.

The Charity is striving to secure a new CRM in order to better manage its operations. AF has progressed over the course of 2024 to the selection stage and once funding is in place, the project plan for a new technology implementation should be ready to go.

At the beginning of 2024, the charity took a significant step towards the building of a more digitalised & backed up environment meaning that the material risk of a single point of failure should be significantly reduced.

The plan for 2024/2025 and beyond was to continue to build on this platform with digital transformation in the top 6 priorities.

Priorities for period 24-25 were (and remain) as follows:

- 1: Operating Infrastructure – Governance, Risk & Compliance
- 2: Operating Structure – People
- 3: Digital Transformation – IT & Technology
- 4: Finance – Accounting & Systems
- 5: Fundraising – Grants & Awards
- 6: Finance – Revenue generation & diversification

Financial Review

Total income in the period 24-25 was £139,798.14 and total expenditure amounted to £87,961.12. This resulted in a budget excess of £51,837.02 to be maintained in line with the charity's *reserves policy.

The accounts and balance sheet are presented at Board Meetings and Trustees are provided with full access to the details of all transactions if required. A key driver for the Board has been to make sure that the funds available to deliver the charity's services are committed and utilised effectively and economically.

Due to the 23-24 accounts' net deficit, the board took action to ensure that transactions were more regularly transparent, and that tighter checks and balances were in place. Having taken a stricter control over the Charity's finances, a more healthy status has been achieved

The Board maintains a focus on fundraising and continues to benefit from contributions raised voluntarily by service users or other parties through one-off events. Whilst the charity

appreciates every fundraising & donation effort(s), it has also recognised that grant & award applications need to increase and as such this will be one of the top 5 priorities for the accounting period 24-25.

***Reserves policy**

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between 6 and 12 month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's existing activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

As part of the Charity's digital transformation initiative and focus for 24-25, another of the top 5 priorities for the charity was to digitalise its financial transactions either via a subscription-based workbook or a software application subject to associated costs.

We acknowledge that the financial statements for 23-24 and now 24-25 have been prepared from bank statements' analysis and paper-based records.

The cost associated with deploying financial software (let alone HR software) has been too great for the Charity and despite the improvement in our financial position for the period 24-25, the priority remains to engage at least 1/2 individuals before considering a long-term commitment on software packages other than a CRM which is a primary focus for the Charity.

Risks

The Board of Trustees continues to assess the Charity's risk exposure and to agree measures to mitigate the major risks. Operating Infrastructure planning includes a physical risk register to be reviewed at every board meeting alongside the financial accounts.

Future plans

As per the previous period 24-25, the Board maintains a focus on a programme of policy and procedure reviews to ensure that its services and events are delivered effectively, safely & securely.

The Board of Trustees engaged its Trustee "Business Consultant" during 2024. The trustees signed an agreement regarding "no conflict of interest" for this trustee operating engagement as its Operations Director.

This engagement remains in place, and the Board of Trustees have voted unanimously to agree 6 monthly contracts to retain the services of the Operations Director who has significantly impacted the Charity's performance & delivery.

Structure, governance and management

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered under its constitution dated 23 February 2017.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr A Hughes

Mr C Whiteley

Ms D Boardman

Mr D Kenny

Mr S Cruse

The Board of Trustees met on 8 formal occasions throughout the year for the period 24-25. Meetings have agendas and minutes have been taken.

Adding to the focus for the 24-25 reporting period, the Charity and its Trustees have agreed to maintain the focus for 25-26 with a minimum of 8 formal meetings across the period with specific agendas and minutes in place.

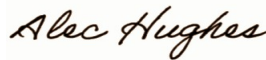
In addition to this, there will be a recorded trustee action plan detailing required support from the Board.

This trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mr A Hughes

18th November 2025

Signed:



Trustee Name: Alec Hughes

Date: 1st December 2025

Signed on behalf of the Board

Mr C Whiteley

18th November 2025

Signed: [Unavailable to sign - approved verbally]

Trustee Name: Chris Whiteley

Date: 1st December 2025

Signed on behalf of the Board

Ms D Boardman

18th November 2025

Signed:



Trustee Name: Deborah Boardman

Date: 1st December 2025

Signed on behalf of the Board

Mr D Kenny

18th November 2025

Signed:



Trustee Name: Damian Kenny

Date: 1st December 2025

Signed on behalf of the Board

Mr S Cruse

18th November 2025

Signed:



Trustee Name: Stephen Cruse

Date: 1st December 2025

Signed on behalf of the Board

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMPUTATION FOUNDATION

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDING 28 FEBRUARY 2025

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025

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