

HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK (HANCUK)

England & Wales - Charity number 1175181

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-10-17

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND PROMOTE AND PROTECT THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE HEAD OR NECK CANCER AND THEIR FAMILIES IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL THINK FIT, IN PARTICULAR BY:A) ACTING AS AN ADVOCATE AND ASSISTING PATIENTS TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR CARE AND TREATMENT;B) RAISING AWARENESS OF ALL ASPECTS OF HEAD AND NECK CANCER, PARTICULARLY ITS SYMPTOMS, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT;C) PROVIDING INFORMATION, ADVICE AND SUPPORT

Activities: To act as an advocate and assisting patients to make informed decisions about their care and treatment
Raising awareness of all aspects of head and neck cancer, particularly its symptoms, diagnosis and treatment
Providing information, advice and support

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£30,686	£17,110	-	-
2024-09-30	£14,555	£814	-	-
2023-09-30	£9,330	£1,696	-	-
2022-09-30	£2,991	£784	-	-
2021-09-30	£4,615	£480	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHRIS ELKINGTON	Chair	2017-10-17
Catherine Anne Cahill		2024-01-11
JOHN PAUL PRACY		2017-10-17
Professor Joanne Patterson		2022-01-13
SATYESH CHIMANIAL PARMAR		2017-10-17

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Head and Neck Cancer UK (HANCUK)

Annual Report

1st October 2024- 30th September 2025

Charity Number 1175181

The Charity continues to strive to achieve the Aims set out in the incorporation document, raising awareness of Head and Neck Cancer, providing information and support; and advocating for patients, carers and people affected by the condition.

Meetings

Eight general meetings were held during the year all online via Zoom. In addition, the Trustees met to approve submissions to the Charity Commission.

Presentations

The Charity manned a display and delivered a presentation raising awareness at the bi-annual BAHNON conference, held in Birmingham in June 2025.

Social Media. This sub-group is jointly administered from Ulster University and the City of London and comprises of Lecturers, students and survivors. It's remit is to raise awareness through social media platforms. The group met remotely, on five occasions, discussing ways to promote the charity and the condition, organising posts and increasing the numbers of followers on X (formerly known as Twitter) and Instagram; and creating content for podcasts with the assistance of survivors. These videos were posted to coincide with national and international campaigns such as World Cancer Day, the Make Sense Campaign, Salivary Gland Cancer Day and other related campaigns.

Website. The website (www.hancuk.org) continues to attract positive comments and is frequently updated to reflect new innovations and information.

Research

HANCUK were directly involved in consultations from NICE, NHS(England) and NIHR; and hosted several meetings for the newly re-formed CRAF (Cancer Research Advocates Forum, formerly NCRI)

Advising on, and leading on PPI for the EVEREST project based at the Royal Marsden, London; and the ALPS -HN project which is an adjunct to the EVEREST project

Participating in the PATHOS trial based in Wales.

Participating in the I I HANC investigation based in Sheffield.

Providing input into the Governments proposals for Health Improvements.

Reviewing and advising on proposals by pharmaceutical companies

Reviewing early-stage potential research projects proposed by UCLH

Assisting with applications for Grant Aid for research projects based in Liverpool and London.

Support

Signposted numerous individuals and organisations to relevant local, regional or national support services.

Fundraising

We are very grateful to our supporters who take part in a variety of events to raise funds for the charity. We were fortunate to secure a place in the 2025 London Marathon which, whilst raising a substantial sum, additionally resulted in one of our runners being interviewed prior to the race further raising awareness of the condition and the profile of the charity.

One of our Scottish supporters was made aware of a Grant scheme organised by an international company. The HANCUK application was approved and £15000 was donated to the Head and Neck Unit in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Glasgow for the improvement of facilities for Head and Neck Cancer patients from all areas of the West of Scotland who were receiving treatment.

HANCUK – Accounts to 30-9-2025

Income & Expenditure Account

<u>Income</u>	£	<u>Expenditure</u>	£
		P.O.Box subscription	424.20
Donations	9479.39	Website	120.00
Interest	1207.15	Google Ads	370.57
Grant received	20000.00	Zoom Licence	155.88
		Printing/Stationery	279.29
		Entry Fees - London Marathon	480.00
		Grant to QE Glasgow	15000.00
TOTAL	30686.54	TOTAL	17109
.04		Surplus on year	13576.60
			30686.64

BALANCE SHEET

<u>Liabilities</u>	£	<u>Assets</u>	£
Opening Balance	43470.08	Cash at Bank-current a/c	13040.96
Add surplus for year	13576.60	Cash at Bank-Deposit a/c	44005.72
TOTAL	57046.68	TOTAL	57046.68

I certify that I have audited the Annual Accounts for Head and Neck Cancer UK (HANCUK) for the period ending 30th September 2025 and can confirm that they are accurate and properly reflect the charities financial position at that date.

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Barton Mills

Bury St Edmunds

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Meetings

Four general meetings were held during the year, three were online via Zoom, one was face to face held in Birmingham. In addition, the Trustees met to approve submissions to the Charity Commission.

Presentations

Presentations raising awareness and educating various groups were provided at Birmingham Dental College, for a large group of newly qualified Dentists and Birmingham City University, for several groups of Trainee Speech and Language Therapists.

Social Media. The group met on five occasions, organising posts and increasing the numbers of followers on X (formerly known as Twitter), Instagram and creating content for podcasts. In addition, a poster was created and displayed at the Irish Head and Neck Cancer Conference in Kilkenny highlighting the impact of the groups efforts in Raising Awareness.

Website. The website (www.hancuk.org) continues to attract positive comments and is frequently updated to reflect new innovations and information.

Collaborations and consultations

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Advising on, and leading on PPI for the EVEREST project based at the Royal Marsden, London; and the ALPS -HN project which is an adjunct to the EVEREST project

Providing input into the GRIFT (Get it right first time) review of Head and Neck Cancer

Reviewing and advising on proposals by pharmaceutical companies

Reviewing early-stage potential research projects proposed by UCLH

Providing information to National Press representatives for articles on Head & Neck Cancer.

Attended 4 meetings of the UK Head & Neck Collaboration group based in London

Assisted educational establishments including Universities in London, Liverpool and Sheffield in analysing projects, reviewing publications and raising awareness.

Support

Signposted numerous individuals and organisations to relevant local, regional or national support services.

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Income & Expenditure Account

<u>Income</u>	£	<u>Expenditure</u>	£
		P.O.Box subscription	424.20
Donations	14021.70	Website	120.00
Interest	533.57	Google Ads	114.20
		Zoom licence	155.88
TOTAL	14555.27	TOTAL	814.28
		Surplus on year	13740.99
			14555.27

BALANCE SHEET

<u>Liabilities</u>	£	<u>Assets</u>	£
Opening Balance	29729.09	Cash at Bank-current a/c	17671.51
Add surplus for year	13740.99	Cash at Bank-Deposit a/c	25798.57
TOTAL	43470.08	TOTAL	43470.08

Apologies for the late email. I can confirm I have looked over the financial statements and audit evidence and am happy these are fair and true representations of the financial state of HANCUK. Please let me know if you require anything further.

Kind regards

Nick Murray

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Presentations

Presentations raising awareness and educating various groups were provided at:-

Junior Trainees Group (JTG) of British Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons (BAOMS) Conference in Newcastle.

Trainee Speech and Language Therapists from Birmingham University

Birmingham Annual Surgical Expo

Head and Neck CEN (Clinical Excellence Network) in Birmingham.

Social Media

The group met on 11 occasions, organising posts and increasing the numbers of followers on X (formerly known as Twitter), Instagram and creating content for podcasts.

Website

The website continues to attract positive comments and is frequently updated to reflect new innovations and information.

Collaborations and consultations

HANCUK were directly involved in consultations from NICE, NHS(England) and NCRI

Attended 8 meetings of the UK Head & Neck Collaboration group based in London

Assisted educational establishments including Universities in London, Birmingham, Newcastle, Aberdeen and Sheffield in analysing projects, reviewing publications and raising awareness.

Support

Signposted numerous individuals and organisations to relevant groups.

HANCUK – Accounts to 30-9-2023

Income & Expenditure Account

<u>Income</u>	£	<u>Expenditure</u>	£
		P.O.Box subscription	396.00
Donations	9329.93	Website	170.00
		T-shirts	144.30
		Zoom licence	143.88
		Sponsors entry fees	230.00
		Room Hire	611.40
TOTAL	9329.93	TOTAL	1695.58
		Surplus on year	7634.35
			9329.93

BALANCE SHEET

<u>Liabilities</u>	£	<u>Assets</u>	£
Opening Balance	22094.74	Cash at Bank	29729.09
Add surplus for year	7634.35		
TOTAL	29729.09	TOTAL	29729.09

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st October 2021
To 30th September 2022

Period start date
Period end date

Charity name: **HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK (HANCUK)**

Charity registration number: **1175181**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To relieve sickness and promote the health of people who have Head and Neck cancer and their families in such ways as the Trustees think fit.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Five meetings of the charity were held virtually during the year, in October, January, March, May and July. One of the founding Trustees, David Stanbury, who held the post of Secretary, retired in October, he was replaced as Trustee by Professor Jo Patterson, with Catherine Cahill, a survivor, agreeing to take on the secretarial duties.</p> <p>The charities original aims were examined and it was agreed that they remained relevant albeit difficult to achieve due to the constraints still imposed due to the pandemic. The charity established a social media group organised by a lecturer at Birmingham University and staffed by a number of trainee speech and language therapists, to raise awareness of Head and Neck Cancer. The group substantially increased the number of followers on Twitter and created an Instagram account which were well received by both health professionals and members of the public. The focus of the group was designed to appreciate the problems faced by survivors living beyond treatment together with raising awareness of symptoms.</p> <p>In collaboration with a commercial pharmaceutical company, a series of videos were produced and circulated</p>

		<p>amongst pharmacies throughout the country and in-person presentations recommenced.</p> <p>The charity connected survivors with both public and private sector groups to facilitate research in a series of projects designed to improve outcomes for patients. In addition, the charity joined a collaboration of support charities to increase patient influence within the NHS.</p> <p>Links with National Health bodies were improved with participation in projects, webinars and investigations organised by NIHR, NICE and the NHS. It was agreed to attempt to increase the number of survivors on the charity's steering group and develop further links with professional Head and Neck groups.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees had regard to the guidance

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The charity do not provide grants at present
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	None
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	See summary above
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The charity uses social media extensively, building up hundreds of followers viewing our posts on research ongoing and tips for survivors.</p> <p>The website is used by thousands of patients, survivors and carers. It had a minor refresh in 2021/2 and a major revamp is due in 2022/3.</p> <p>The provision of this information, both raises awareness of the condition and enables survivors to access information and support groups to improve their quality of life.</p> <p>The charity has collaborated with other similar groups to influence policy on Head and Neck Cancer.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Social media has far exceeded the objectives set as has the number of website visits.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising was less than anticipated due to the restrictions imposed by the pandemic which affected the events in which our supporters would normally participate.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity's financial position remained stable due to strong management.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The objective is to build up sufficient reserves to enable the charity to fund events for survivors and carers
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	22094
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Fundraising by supporters using a variety of activities; together with small grants from various organisations wishing to support our charity
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Persons with an interest in the condition either as a professional working with patients and survivors ; or a patient, survivor or carer with lived experience

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK (HANCUK)
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1175181

Charity's principal address	13 Wiggin Close, Barton Mills, Bury St Edmunds IP28 6AN

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)
1	Paul Pracy			
2	Satyesh Parmar			
3	Joanne Patterson		From 11/01/2022	
4	Chris Elkington	Chairman		
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Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

None

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

None

Other optional information


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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Christopher John Elkington	
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Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman	
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Date

27 th May 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK (HANCUK)

No (if any)
1175181

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 10/1/2021	To	Period end date 9/30/2022
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Donations	2,991	-	-	2,991
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,991	-	-	2,991
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,991	-	-	2,991
A3 Payments				
Printing, Postage ,stationary etc	465	-	-	465
Costs of charitable activities	319	-	-	319
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	784	-	-	784
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	784	-	-	784
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,207	-	-	2,207
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	2,207	-	-	2,207

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Nat West Accounts	22,094	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	22,094	-
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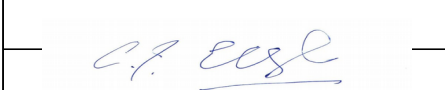
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets		0	-
			-
			-
			-
			-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		0	-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities		0	-
			-
			-
			-
			-

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

Signature	Print Name
	C.J.Elkington

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Last year
to the nearest £

4,615
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4,615

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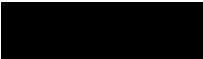
4,615

360
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4,135



Endowment funds

to nearest £

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Endowment funds

to nearest £

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Current value (optional)

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Current value (optional)

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When due (optional)

Date of approval

1/11/2022

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Restricted activities due to Covid and related issues

Due to the constraints imposed by HM Government in relation to the Covid 19 pandemic, coupled with the ongoing restrictions placed on visitors by Hospitals and Medical centres throughout the UK, the charity has been unable to continue their valued peer project with current in-patients. Nevertheless, the Trustees have participated in a number of projects designed to improve the outcomes for people suffering from Head and Neck Cancer.

The Trustees held two Trustee meetings and created a council with wider input from Head and Neck Cancer survivors and Associated Health Professionals. The latter group met on two occasions during the year in question. All meetings were held online using the zoom platform.

1. Advocacy roles and involvement in projects

Lymphatic mapping of Oropharyngeal Cancer – UCL (University College of London)
Consultee (Patient Expert) – Nivolumab- NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence)

Public Involvement Improvements – NICE

Head and Neck Timed Pathway group – NHS (National Health Service)

Head and Neck Specification Review – NHS

Co-applicant- public involvement -EVEREST project- redesigning referral pathway – Royal Marsden – NIHR (National Institute of Health Research)

Genomic Drivers & advanced Cancers- Bayer (pharmaceutical company)

2. Raising Awareness

The charity's much acclaimed website has been updated and improved with the addition of further patient stories and videos relating to Head and Neck Cancer. Additionally, a number of patients and carers have been assisted by e-mail correspondence and telephone calls; or signposted to specialist support groups.

Trustees have presented via video/zoom/teams to various groups across the European Union.

3. Links with other groups

A new link with H&NC Merseyside & Cheshire support and research group was created but the link with the Plymouth- based group was lost as that group was dissolved. Initial contact was made with a series of other support groups with a view towards more coordination amongst the Head and Neck Cancer community.

4. Fundraising

Supporters have raised £4615 by participating in a number of events and projects around the UK

A very generous supplier has donated printed tee shirts for supporters participating in events around the country.

A number of donations have been received in memory of patients who have passed away.

5. Future events

The Business Plan which was due for review in October 2020 has been examined and updated. The anticipated outcomes within the original plan have been reviewed and most of the original Aims within the plan have been achieved. Some of the original Aims have been deferred or updated.

The Trustees intend to expand the geographical base of the charity by inviting a series of interested parties from around the country to participate in meetings (which are currently held online) to help formulate policy and future strategy.

The charity's social media presence is currently poor due to a lack of volunteers with sufficient time, expertise and interest. It is hoped to improve this aspect drastically within the very near future.

As Covid constraints are relaxed, it is hoped that the Trustees may participate in face-to-face lectures and presentations.

HANCUK – Accounts to 30-9-2021

Income & Expenditure Account

<u>Income</u>	£	<u>Expenditure</u>	£
		P.O.Box subscription	360.00
Donations	4615.12	Website	120.00
TOTAL	4615.12	TOTAL	480.00
		Surplus on year	4135.12
			4615.12

BALANCE SHEET

<u>Liabilities</u>	£	<u>Assets</u>	£
Opening Balance	15752.27	Cash at Bank	19887.39
Add surplus for year	4135.12		
TOTAL	19887.39	TOTAL	19887.39