

Community Awareness Income less Expenditure for the year ended 31st December 2023

Income	Year to December 2023 Year to December 2022	
Donations from firms,charities		
North Cotswolds Rotary	2,088	957
Mid Counties Co-op	1,062	1,067
Gloucester Freemasons		1,250
Gloucestershire CC	500	
Covid 19 response		
Cotswold DC		
Susanne Peake CT		
Edward Peake CT		
Notgrove Trust		3,000
Bourton Old Peoples' Club		
A. Caplin	1,000	1,000
C H K Foundation	10,000	
Other	<u>1,550</u>	<u>250</u>
	16,200	7,524
Standing orders	7,065	4,690
Other personal donations	<u>370</u>	<u>6,678</u>
	7,435	11,368
Gift aid	0	4,326
Dress sale	0	25,255
School events	400	0
Village events	2,174	500
Donations for Nuture Hub project	<u>7,500</u>	<u>10,000</u>
	33,709	58,973
	(1255 gift aid to be claimed)	

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	December 2023	December 2022
Christmas **	12,221	18,411
Furniture	3,078	2,554
Educational support*	22,939	3,746
Clothing	1,434	2,348
House clearance	0	0
Debt relief	0	0
Family Food Support	9,746	2,673
Charity administration	<u>0</u>	<u>360</u>
	49,418	30,092
Income surplus/(deficit)over expenditure	-15,709	28,881
Cash at start of year	42,463	13,582
Cash at end of year	26,754	42,463

** Christmas 2023 costs adjusted for January carry overs £ 11,420 (2022 £14,449)

* 2023 includes £17,500 for Longborough Nurture Hub



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

NORTH COTSWOLD COMMUNITY AWARENESS

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2023

Charity no
(if any)

1175482

Set out on pages

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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:

Paul Robinson

Date:

25/04/2024

Name:

PAUL ROBINSON

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

REGULATED ACCOUNTANT

Address:

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NONE

North Cotswold Community Awareness – Annual Report of the Chair of Trustees
For the year ended December 2023

Our key focus this year has been work to build on the work being done by education and health professionals around the post pandemic recovery of children and families in the area. It is clear that the scars of isolation, economic uncertainty and the consequential strains on family life are still running deep.

Our two Nurture Hubs in Ebrington and Longborough are now running at full capacity and are having a strong positive impact on the communities that they serve. Every single child that has gone through the programmes offered has returned to main stream schooling with improved behaviours as well as stronger academic achievements. It is particularly encouraging that we now have strong data to support our on-the-ground belief that these Hubs make a huge difference.

2023 saw a major increase in expenditure on Educational Support from a typical £5k pa to nearly £23k. This was almost entirely due to our support of the Longborough Nurture Hub.

We are now in discussion with another group of primary schools in Warwickshire who have seen the benefits that the Hubs bring. They will be calling on us to help fit out their Nurture Hub when it comes on line – probably in late 2024.

Additional interest has also come from Moreton in Marsh where St David's primary school will be further augmenting the wonderful work that they do around Special Educational Needs support. We have committed to providing play and sensory equipment for their facility.

Meanwhile the constant need for clothing, food support, therapeutic intervention, safety equipment and furniture continues. Thanks to our supporters we have, again, not had to turn anyone away and we are hugely grateful for those who are always there to help fund our work. Our food programme of supermarket vouchers has been well used again this year (£9.7k versus £2.6k in 2022) and remains a solid way to augment household budgets for a finite period of time, enabling families to get back on their feet at a point when budgets are tight due to ill health, employment issues or simply spiralling energy costs during last winter.

We reviewed our Christmas programme with our agencies to ensure that we were targeting the families that really needed support and gave them gifts, food and toiletries appropriate to their needs. This resulted in a decrease in costs from £14.4k in 2022 to £11.2k in 2023.

As ever the Trustees and I send our heartfelt thanks to our donors without whom we would not be able to function. Huge thanks goes to the educators, health workers, social care professionals and fellow charity workers who identify the need so that we can give support where it is most needed.