



Engage

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

1175761

Registered charity number (if any)

6 Chelgates

Bexhill on Sea

East Sussex

TN39 3BU

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)

Gillian Roberta Smyth
Chair

1

Janet Tourell

2

Denise Agnes Leary
Secretary
9/7/21 - present

3

Peter Damian Smyth

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Richard Norman Miers
TAR

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Amanda Mary Chapman

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Marian Joy Filtness

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28/7/21 - present

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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

Treasurer/Book-keeper

Karen Hammond

Magnums, Pages Hill, Heathfield, TN21 0UU

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

Denise Leary, Secretary & Lead Engage Co-ordinator

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Engage Constitution

CIO

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees are appointed by the 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.

Last year was a difficult year for everyone due to the after-effects of the Covid pandemic. It took us a while to get back to normal for varying reasons:

- Some of our dementia members deteriorated and either passed away or went into permanent care
- Confidence was knocked and not everyone returned back to the clubs
- Our numbers for both clubs haven't returned to pre-pandemic levels yet
- We remained free from Covid in the 1st and 2nd phase with more volunteers and staff getting Omicron Covid, which did have some impact on service delivery

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To promote and protect the health of people over 60 in the TN21 and TN22 areas of Wealden, who have dementia or memory loss and their carers, by the provision of social activities, information and support.

The promotion of social inclusion among older people, who are excluded from society because they live in a rural isolated area, may live alone, or who are unable to drive or easily access public transport. We provide recreational and therapeutic activities, socialisation, outings, a freshly prepared lunch, including transport to and from home.

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)

TN22 club

The TN22 club runs on alternate Wednesdays from 11am to 2.00pm in Hadlow Down village hall, Hall Lane, Hadlow Down. It is run by staff and volunteers who are passionate about combating social isolation and loneliness of older people. The Club offers entertainment and activities, a freshly prepared 2-course lunch and outings. Transportation is by volunteer drivers.

TN22 Plus Club

The TN22 Plus club runs on alternate Wednesdays in Hadlow Down and is especially tailored for people with memory loss, or mild to moderate dementia needs. The Plus club runs from 10.30am – 3.30pm and offers respite for carers as well as an activity-packed day for members. The club provides personalised activities and one-to-one support, regular entertainment, a freshly cooked 2-course lunch, refreshments and volunteer transport.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Our charity couldn't function without the support of our 35 plus volunteers who have a variety of roles. These include, drivers, activity helpers, setting-up and clearing away, kitchen help, befriending, helpers with outings and coffee mornings.

Our volunteers are an enthusiastic group of people, who are committed to helping people have a fun and socially interactive day and thus increase wellbeing. Living in a very rural area, with scarce transport links in the village, volunteer transport is essential and our drivers are indispensable to helping people get to and from the clubs and on outings.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our main achievements throughout the past year have been to ensure that we deliver the clubs on a weekly basis in a safe and welcoming manner.

The **TN22 Plus club** supports around 12 members per session, which in turn supports their families and carers. This offers respite from their caring role whilst also offering stimulating activities for dementia clients. The majority of the club sessions had externally facilitated entertainment and we provided therapeutic activities and themed events, keeping the sessions fresh and topical. Our monthly session with Dementia Support East Sussex is very popular with members and volunteers alike. We are often able to offer a ratio of 1 volunteer to 1 member, which ensures personalised support and individualised attention.

TN22 Club – we are averaging around 22 members attending the club, which helps combat social isolation and loneliness for older people. We do have more capacity so hope to increase numbers. We often have entertainers or an external person visiting with interesting topics/skills.

At the TN22 club, we were able to offer a couple of outings last year but it was difficult to do more due to restrictions at venues and a lack of confidence by members. The garden visit to Glyndebourne was a great success and enjoyed by the members. We hope to increase the sessions/outings we provide this year with an additional one per month with a new grant application.

We have welcomed some new volunteers to the club and this is good news as it enables us to offer new and different skills and a fresh dynamic for members. We had a couple of celebrations to thank volunteers for their contribution. This included: a tea party in Hadlow Down cricket pavilion with gifts presented by our local MP and a Christmas lunch in a local restaurant. It's important that we continue to thank and show appreciation for our staff and volunteers, as we couldn't function without them.

We produced a new website, which is contemporary and easier to navigate. It will also be more accessible in keeping up-to-date with news and photos. We're also trying to use more social media and keep our Facebook page current with interesting news items and photos. We also produced new promotional flyers for the clubs and for volunteers.

We surveyed members from both clubs. The TN22 club was a paper copy where we asked questions such as: what members liked – entertainment and meals; what they didn't like; what they would like to have in terms of activities and meals and any general comments. Without exception, the comments were positive and here are just a few:

"I appreciate getting out, meeting people and chatting"; "It is good to get out and meet other like minded folk"; "It is good to talk to people of our own generation, we have experienced the same events". "Very important as it is my only time I get out. I enjoy the food and socialising"; "Club is well run and very friendly".

The volunteers had a 1-1 discussion with dementia members at the Plus club and were able to glean likes, dislikes and general comments.

"Love the opportunity for conversation and different opinions"; "I'd be sad if I couldn't come"; "Lovely atmosphere, team do a lovely job. Highlight of the week"; "Enjoy company and friendship"; "General feeling of friendliness". "Would miss it - look forward to it. "Appreciate very much all the preparation that goes into the club every time".

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Restricted reserves are represented by funds that are received for a specific project or purpose. We ensure that these funds are restricted for the use according to the funding agreements of donors' instructions by accounting them in a separate spreadsheet.

Unrestricted reserves are made up of the charity's activities for generating funds, and other donations which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees to achieve the objectives of the charity. The Trustees have determined that the appropriate level of reserves to be held for non-earmarked expenditure should equate to 20% of total funds to provide sufficient working capital to cover delays in the spending and receipt of grants and to provide a cushion for unexpected emergencies.

The Trustees are responsible for ensuring that the level and use of reserves is monitored. They will do this through the receipt of financial reports prepared by the Treasurer at each Board meeting.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

Our principal source of funding is through grant applications. This generally funds paid staff, volunteer expenses, training and hall hire.

A local organisation and a benefactor donated a significant amount to us. These funds are used for the extras such as entertainment, activities, craft supplies and outings. It enables us to expand our offer to members and not be concerned that the extra costs might be prohibitive.

We also generate income from our club sessions, although this does not cover all the costs incurred such as staffing and venue hire.

We wouldn't be able to function and meet our key objectives without some paid staff. Most of our personnel are volunteers but we find that paid staff is a necessity. These include a TN22 Club Manager and TN22 Plus Club Manager; Dementia Support Worker; Lead Engage Co-ordinator and two cooks, all are self-employed and part-time.

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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Signature(s)

D A Leary
G R Smyth

Full name(s)

Denise Agnes Leary
Gillian Roberta Smyth

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Secretary
Board Chair

Date



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

ENGage

1175761

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/03/2021

To

28/02/2022

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					
Plus Club subs	7,876	-	-	7,876	23,897
TN22 Club subs	4,320	-	-	4,320	-
Grants	-	35,100	-	35,100	-
Amazon Smile	33	-	-	33	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	12,229	35,100	-	47,329	23,897
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	12,229	35,100	-	47,329	23,897
A3 Payments					
	9,042	28,441	-	37,483	21,018
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,042	28,441	-	37,483	21,018
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,042	28,441	-	37,483	21,018
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,187	6,659	-	9,846	2,879
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,395	19,452	-	31,847	28,968
Cash funds this year end	15,582	26,111	-	41,693	31,847

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	Balances as at 28.2.22	15,582	26,111	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,582	26,111	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
		G R Smyth	Gillian Roberta Smyth	14.7.22
		D A Leary	Denise Agnes Leary	14.7.22



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
ENGage

On accounts for the year
ended

28 February 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1175761

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 **28 / 02 / 2022**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: J A Woollven

Date: 11 August 2022

Name: Jacqueline Anne Woollven

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

FICB.Dip

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.