

FASD AWARENESS

England & Wales - Charity number 1176933

Details

Other names	FASD AWARENESS SOUTH EAST, FASD AWARENESS
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2018-02-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 1) TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF SUFFERERS OF FOETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER (FASD) AND THOSE WHOSE LIVES ARE AFFECTED BY THAT CONDITION WHO LIVE OR WORK IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT OR NEIGHBOURING AREAS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND PRACTICAL ADVICE.2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN ALL AREAS RELATING TO FOETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER (FASD) INCLUDING THE PROMOTION OF RESEARCH FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN ALL ASPECTS OF FASD AND TO PUBLISH THE USEFUL RESULTS.THE AREA OF BENEFIT IS THE SOUTH EAST OF ENGLAND, COUNTY OF KENT AND MEDWAY UNITARY AUTHORITY.

Activities: Our main aim is to support the prevention of alcohol exposed pregnancies and to improve the quality of life for those living with Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) and their parents and carers. Our vision is to be a strong and effective voice for individuals and families living with FASD, while supporting initiatives across the UK to promote prevention, diagnosis, intervention & management.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-04	£88,325	£72,673	-	-
2024-04-04	£132,720	£107,129	-	-
2023-04-04	£69,829	£45,820	-	-
2022-04-04	£47,520	£49,500	-	-
2021-04-04	£51,179	£47,921	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Peggy Murphy	Chair	2023-06-14
Andy Nichols		2021-06-30
DEBORAH MATTHEWS		2020-01-30
Dr ADESOJI ADEGOKE ABIONA		2017-05-05
Michael Griffiths		2025-01-14
PAUL ANTHONY ALLEN		2017-05-05
Samantha Armstrong		2024-06-25
Sophie Cartwright Mrs		2020-07-29

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2024/25

From 5th April 2024 – 4th April 2025

Charity name: FASD AWARENESS

Charity registration number: 1176933

Objectives and Activities

1. Purpose and Intent of this report	This Trustees' Annual Report, prepared on behalf of the Board of FASD Awareness, sets out the charity's purpose, objectives, and activities during the reporting period, providing transparency and accountability to our stakeholders, including regulators, donors, beneficiaries, and the wider public.
Key documents to be read in conjunction with this document.	FASD Awareness Impact Report 2024 compiled by Andrew Keeping (CEO FASD Awareness) DOWNLOAD 2024 IMPACT REPORT
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	<p>The Objects of the charity are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To relieve the needs of sufferers of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and those whose lives are affected by that condition who live or work in the area of benefit or neighbouring areas through the provision of support, education and practical advice. 2. To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) including the promotion of research for the public benefit in all aspects of FASD and to publish the useful results. <p>The area of benefit is the South East of England, County of Kent and Medway Unitary Authority, United Kingdom and worldwide.</p>
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.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To raise awareness of the key features and lived experience of individuals affected by Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) via talks, training, films and social media. 2. To provide support for individuals and families affected by FASD eg via support groups and group outings. 3. To develop relationships with key partners, in particular with the Kent & Medway CCG, and create a system to ensure professionals offer appropriate expert help. 4. To continue to develop relationships with other FASD & Neurodisability charities both locally and nationwide.

<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. They can confirm that all the activities carried out in the year 2024/25 were consistent with this benefit.</p> <p>During the year, the charity engaged with an external organisation to support funding and strategic planning. Although the partnership did not achieve the expected outcomes, it underscored the importance of strengthening our internal focus on growth and sustainability. In response, we have begun refining our operational strategies to ensure long-term resilience and continued impact.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees met quarterly in hybrid format, combining in-person and remote attendance. Between formal meetings, trustees maintained regular communication via email and the Trustees' WhatsApp group, enabling timely decision-making and effective governance.</p> <p>Following the resignation of our Chair, Peggy Murphy, the Board has actively begun the process of recruiting a new Chair. In the interim, trustees have collaboratively taken on additional responsibilities to ensure continuity of leadership and oversight.</p>
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Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>In the past year, FASD Awareness has made significant strides in advancing its mission to support individuals affected by Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD), their families, and professionals across the UK and internationally. The charity's work has had a tangible impact on beneficiaries and contributed to broader societal awareness and systemic change.</p> <p>Key Achievements and Impact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Recognition and Collaboration FASD Awareness was invited to join the European FASD Alliance, becoming one of only three UK organisations represented. The charity also participated in international committees and conferences, including Seattle's International FASD Conference, where team members received prestigious awards for advocacy. • Criminal Justice System (CJS) Project A major initiative has been the development of a national expert committee to address FASD within the CJS. The charity has engaged academics, legal professionals, and public sector representatives to raise awareness and promote research. A comprehensive paper is being prepared for policy makers, with international collaboration underway. • Training and Education The charity delivered multiple bespoke training sessions to various sectors nationwide. These sessions have been praised for their use of lived experience and case studies, helping professionals better understand and support individuals with FASD. • Support Services Regular support groups for parents/carers, adults, and young people have continued, alongside one-to-one consultations. Based on feedback and engagement data, the charity has adapted its offerings,
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	<p>including launching new sensory and yoga projects and restructuring youth services to better meet needs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webinars and Public Engagement Webinars remain the charity’s most successful outreach tool, attracting global audiences and enhancing brand visibility. Topics have ranged from transitioning to adult services to managing challenging behaviours and celebrating FASD advocates. • #BeAware Campaign and Media Projects The charity produced impactful films and case studies, including “What Alcohol Can Do to a Foetus,” and hosted events such as “An Audience with Professor Raja Mukherjee.” These resources have been widely shared and used in training and awareness efforts. • Fundraising and Sustainability With support from First Business Solutions, the charity secured significant funding, including £18,000 from Awards for All and £10,000 from the Postcode Lottery. A strategic plan is in place to generate 30% of income through self-sustaining means, including corporate partnerships and training revenue. • Recognition and Awards FASD Awareness received the Judges’ Special Recognition Award at the Kent Charity of the Year Awards Ceremony 2024, and individual members, ambassadors and beneficiaries were honoured nationally for their advocacy and achievements, including awards at Westminster, Seattle International FASD Conference, BBC Sports personality of the Year and the National Diversity Awards. • Organisational Development The charity welcomed new team members, restructured roles for sustainability, and improved operational systems including IT security and database management. A new CRM and digital infrastructure are being explored to enhance efficiency and engagement. <p>Wider Societal Benefits</p> <p>Through its advocacy, training, and collaborative projects, FASD Awareness has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raised national and international awareness of FASD. • Influenced policy discussions and academic research. • Supported families and individuals in navigating diagnosis, education, and justice systems. • Empowered people with FASD to share their stories and contribute to community life.
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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Throughout 2024, FASD Awareness has significantly expanded its reach and deepened its impact across the community. A key development has been the growth of our face-to-face family activity days, which have become a vital source of connection, respite, and peer support for families affected by FASD. These events, typically attended by around 30 participants, offer a safe and welcoming space for shared experiences and emotional support.</p>
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	<p>In response to community feedback, we introduced an additional evening support group for parent carers, making our services more accessible to those with daytime commitments. Our adult support groups continue to run regularly, with consistent attendance and positive engagement.</p> <p>To ensure strategic alignment and accountability, we actively use our Business & Development Plan and progress tracker, which trustees engage with regularly to monitor goals and outcomes.</p> <p>We have compiled a comprehensive Impact Report, drawing on evaluations from all our services throughout 2024/25—including webinars, support groups, and training sessions. This report includes feedback from a wide-reaching survey that identified both successes and areas for improvement. The responses were overwhelmingly positive, often deeply moving, and highlighted the transformative value of our work. The survey also revealed a need for more flexible scheduling to better accommodate the diverse needs of families.</p> <p>Our local presence has been strengthened through active networking with charities, councillors, funders, and trusts. Notable collaborations include the Medway Voluntary Action referral platform, launching the Neuro Café Programme with local charitable Cafés and the Medway Neurological Network, and securing ongoing support from Kent Community Foundation.</p> <p>FASD Awareness continues to be a strong national and international voice for individuals affected by FASD. We amplify lived experience through our training and webinar programmes, contribute locally via the NHS ICB group, and remain an active member of the FASD UK Alliance. Our global #BeAware campaign is now embedded in training for medical professionals and organisations worldwide.</p> <p>In response to growing concerns around individuals with FASD transitioning into adulthood and encountering the Criminal Justice System, our CEO continues to chair a collaborative research initiative. This project engages police, judiciary, probation services, legal professionals, academics, and families with lived experience, and has been adopted as a strategic goal for 2025. They have also collaborated internationally with CJS in Canada and the USA. In addition, our CEO and Founder have been invited to sit on the Independent Advisory Group for Kent Police.</p> <p>Internally, we remain committed to strengthening governance and leadership. Our dedicated trustees continue to provide invaluable expertise and time. To support long-term sustainability, we carried out a Growth and Sustainability exercise. This encouraged our board to explore strategic partnerships and capacity-building opportunities with external organizations.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities</p>	<p>Despite encountering early challenges, we successfully met our fundraising target for the year. Achieving this required a strategic reallocation of time and resources, reflecting the team’s adaptability and commitment. However, we did experience a noticeable decline in</p>

against objectives set	support from some previous funders, largely due to the increasing financial pressures facing charities and trusts across the sector. This shift underscores the importance of diversifying our income streams and strengthening long-term sustainability planning.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Despite a difficult time to source funding, we have been able to increase our reserves, whilst focusing on streamlining our activities and offerings. A challenging year results wise still gives the charity a secure base to move forward into the next financial period whilst focusing on our key deliverables.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	As funding becomes ever more difficult to source, the charity took the decision that it would be good practice to ensure we hold a minimum of 3 months core running costs as a reserve. This was estimated to be the minimum period during which time services could be streamlined as required whilst additional funding is sourced.
Amount of reserves held	£ 18,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Our main sources of funding are grant giving trusts. In addition, we receive a small amount of money from individual donations and from businesses.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	We have not adopted an Investment Policy as do not have funds to invest. We have a small amount of reserves which is kept in our savings bank account.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	The charity continues to navigate significant risks, particularly those stemming from limited funding and the ongoing challenge of maintaining sufficient staffing and volunteer support. Our committed team consistently delivers wide-reaching impact despite operating under considerable pressure and with restricted resources. A key

	<p>vulnerability remains our reliance on a small group of individuals, which poses concerns for operational continuity and long-term sustainability. To address these challenges, we have adopted a more strategic approach to financial planning. This includes establishing clear funding priorities and developing detailed costings for both core functions and project-based initiatives. These measures have contributed to a gradual strengthening of our financial resilience.</p> <p>In pursuit of growth and long-term sustainability, we have begun exploring partnerships with external organisations. We are now collaborating with one such company and are optimistic that this relationship will support our fundraising efforts and help us plan effectively for future development.</p>
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Structure, Governance and Management

How is the charity constituted?	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), only voting members are its charity trustees. 'Foundation' Model.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions.	<p>In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO and what skills are missing from the trustee board.</p> <p>Apart from the first charity trustees, trustees are appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Normally this is our AGM. They may stand for a second term but after that there must a gap of at least one year before re-appointment.</p> <p>Trustees are interviewed in accordance with the Safer Recruitment policy and all necessary DBS checks and References are taken.</p>

Conclusion

2024 has been a transformative year for FASD Awareness, marked by growth, innovation, and deepened community engagement. From expanding our support services and launching impactful campaigns to forging strategic partnerships and influencing national conversations around FASD, the charity has continued to champion the voices of those with lived experience. Our training programmes, webinars, and collaborative projects have not only empowered individuals and families but also shaped professional understanding across sectors. The creation of our comprehensive **Impact Report**, informed by evaluations from all services delivered throughout the year, reflects the meaningful difference our work has made. As we look ahead to 2025, we remain committed to building a more inclusive, informed, and supportive society for everyone affected by FASD, whilst also being aware of the sustainability in a financially challenging climate.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	FASD Awareness
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Other name the charity uses	FASD Awareness South East
Registered charity number	1176933
Charity's principal address	1b William Street. Rainham, Gillingham KENT ME8 8HN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person who interviewed/ appointed trustee
1.	Peggy Murphy	Chair	Appointed as Chair on 14 th June 2023. (resigned March 2025)	A Keeping and Andy Nichols
2.	Dr Adesoji Abiona		2018 (reappointed at AGM)	Founding trustee
3.	Deborah Matthews	Treasurer	Appointed January 2020	A Keeping and P Rorison
4.	Paul Allen		2018 (Reappointed at AGM)	Founding trustee
5.	Andy Nichols	Vice – Chair	Appointed 20 th September 2021	A Keeping and W Spears
6.	Sophie Cartwright		Appointed July 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
7.	Samantha Armstrong		Appointed 25 th June 2024.	A Keeping and Andy Nichols
8.	Michael Griffiths		Appointed 14 th January 2025.	A Keeping and Andy Nichols

Declarations

Reference and Administrative details - The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Andy Nichols (Vice Chair) 25/10/25



Paul Allen (Trustee) 25/10/25



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees Charity Name FASD AWARENESS

On accounts for the year ended 2025 Charity no (if any) 1176933

Set out on pages 1-2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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.

Independent examiner's statement [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 14 OCT 2025

Name: LEE CARTWRIGHT

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANTS 1-B86H19

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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.

N/A.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2023/24

From 5th April 2023 – 4th April 2024

Charity name: FASD AWARENESS

Charity registration number: 1176933

Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The Objects of the charity are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To relieve the needs of sufferers of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and those whose lives are affected by the condition who live or work in the area of benefit or neighbouring areas, through the provision of support, education and practical advice. 2. To advance the education of the public in all areas relating to Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) including the promotion of research for the public benefit in all aspects of FASD and to publish the useful results. <p>The area of benefit is the Southeast of England, County of Kent and Medway Unitary Authority, United Kingdom and worldwide.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To raise awareness of the key features and lived experience of individuals affected by Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) via talks, training, films and social media. 2. To provide support for individuals and families affected by FASD eg via support groups and group outings. 3. To develop relationships with key partners, in particular with the Kent & Medway CCG, and create a system to ensure professionals offer appropriate, expert help. 4. To continue to develop relationships with other FASD & Neurodisability charities both locally and nationwide.
<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. They can confirm that all the activities carried out in the year 2023/24 were consistent with this benefit.</p> <p>The trustees met quarterly in-person during the year and discussed issues between meetings via email and the Trustees' WhatsApp Group.</p>

	<p>A new chair (Peggy Murphy) was appointed, and a skills audit carried out to look for gaps in expertise on the board of trustees. New trustees are being sourced as a result.</p>
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Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>2023/24 threw up challenges for us as we unexpectedly lost funding from the ICB, despite the larger number of families we were still supporting. However, we have managed to streamline our services effectively and continue to deliver a vital support to the FASD community whilst creating greater awareness in a wider audience. We may not have been able to expand our services in the way we hoped due to funding cuts, but we have focused on improving the delivery of what we do best and increased our clientele by nearly 200% in 2023.</p> <p>Our support groups and friendship groups continue to be the bedrock of our organisation. Numbers are increasing, but the impact of the sessions is becoming more evident as the years progress. Many of the families who join, have 1:1 emergency sessions, engage with these sessions, and find the strategies and resources have transformed their family lives. The feedback is often touching and profound.</p> <p>Our sourced guest speakers for webinars are led by our service users' needs. The bonds built in the friendship groups run by Maggie May, are really beginning to gel; a rare thing for individuals with FASD. We have regular attendees who are now requesting 2 sessions per month. We have also identified the need for a "mentorship" programme, siblings group and <i>Guys</i> support group. We are including these in our funding applications through 2024.</p> <p>Following the success of our #BeAware educational films and case studies, we completed another case study film; "Sushma & Layla's story". This film tells the uplifting story of a young child (Layla) diagnosed with FASD who is adopted by her foster family and was launched in FASD Awareness month September 2023.</p> <p>Our webinars are proving more popular and are being shared worldwide. Quotes and soundbites from the webinars are being requested by organisations as evidence to support their own awareness campaigns. The Eventbrite evaluation forms are very complimentary and gives us a clear idea of what our attendees enjoy, potential future guest suggestions and also the demographics of the audience. There is a good mix of professionals from all sectors and parent/ carers. It is also adding to our database by 200 per month.</p> <p>We have been able to attract some of the most influential figures in the FASD world to present webinars, from clinicians to those with the lived experience. These have become very popular with our audiences as they provide a greater understanding of what it looks like to live with FASD, as well as what resources, masking methods and strategies are commonly</p>
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	<p>used to get through each and every day. They provide helpful information for families, educators, social care, and medical professionals alike. These webinars are then posted onto our YouTube channel where many people then go on to view the entire series of webinars.</p> <p>We have been delivering a series of online training sessions at different times in the day to suit a varied audience (“An overview of FASD”). These have included an adult with FASD sharing the lived experience perspective. All sessions have been well-attended and cater to the great number of requests from local authorities, public sector workers and parent carers for training. It has also provided the charity with a much-needed form of income. We also deliver bespoke training “live” in schools and at foster and adoption services.</p> <p>Since the FASD NICE quality standards were launched, we have prepared ourselves to accommodate the increased demand for awareness of FASD and support ICB’s and other sectors to manage the greater numbers of individuals and families needing advice and support.</p>
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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>We use our Business & Development Plan which includes a tracker that trustees use to monitor progress towards meeting goals. We have collected data and we know that, typically, we have around 30 attendees to the day out events and 6 – 12 people at each of our Youth and Adult support group meetings.</p> <p>An impact report collated all evaluations following webinars, support groups and training sessions. A survey was also carried out to identify key areas of success and areas where we could improve our services. In the large part, these were very encouraging and, at times, incredibly touching. However, it also identified that many families needed alternative timings for the activities that are delivered.</p> <p>We have been networking with local organisations and have developed close connections with other charities, local councillors, fundraising organisations, and trusts. We attended the Medway Voluntary Action AGM and have joined their new online referral service, ‘Joy’. Our connection with Medway Neurological Network has helped us set up the Neuro Café Programme. We have worked closely with Kent Community Foundation and Tunstall Jubilee Foundation to establish continued funding in order to support the future programmes to be able to fill the gaps that we have identified. These long-term relationships will help FASD Awareness grow and be better supported where needed.</p> <p>We have achieved our objective of being a voice for people with FASD. Through the inclusion of many people with FASD in our training and on our Webinar series, we are giving a voice to the lived experience. Locally, we have done that via being a member of the NHS ICB group responsible for FASD and nationally through the FASD UK Alliance. Our #BeAware campaign continues to be shared worldwide and included in training for other medical professionals and organisations worldwide.</p>
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	<p>We have identified, through our support program, that many families are struggling with individuals transitioning into adulthood and getting involved in the Criminal Justice System. As a result, our CEO has become part of a collaborative project to research and collate data around FASD in the CJS. Meetings are being held regularly with multiple agencies including, the Police, Judiciary, Legal, Probation, Charitable organisations, Academics in Salford, Bristol and Cardiff Metropolitan Universities and families with lived experience. We have added this as a goal to our Strategic Plan moving forward in 2024.</p> <p>Internally, we are looking to further strengthen our board and have a small group of committed trustees who give many hours to the charity. We have also looked at the growth and sustainability of the charity. We are looking to bring in a company to support these ends.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	We met our fundraising target for the year, despite some initial challenges. Significant time and resource was reallocated to meet this target.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Despite a difficult time sourcing funding, we have been able to increase our reserves, while focusing on streamlining our activities and support offer. A much better year financially, gives the charity a good base to move forward into the next financial period whilst focusing on our key deliverables.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	As funding becomes ever more difficult to source, the charity took the decision that it would be good practice to ensure we hold a minimum of 3 months core running costs as a reserve. This was estimated to be the minimum period of time that services could be streamlined as required whilst additional funding is sourced.
Amount of reserves held	£ 10,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A
The charity's principal sources of	Our main sources of funding are grant-giving trusts. In addition, we receive a small amount of money from individual donations and from businesses.

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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	We have not adopted an Investment Policy as do not have funds to invest. We have a small amount of reserves which is kept in our savings bank account.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	<p>Lack of funding and not maintaining our staff and volunteers are our biggest risks. Our staff are under constant pressure to do a lot with not very much resource. There is also a risk in that the charity relies heavily on a very small number of people.</p> <p>In order to mitigate these risks, we now have clear funding priorities and clear costings of projects and core work. This has helped us to maintain a steady growth in funding. We are also looking at sourcing an outside company to help us with the charity's growth and sustainability.</p>

Structure, Governance and Management

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Conclusion

In conclusion, we have found that our focus on the Business & Development Plan which includes a tracker that trustees use to monitor progress towards goals, has helped us streamline our operations without distraction. This has helped us to target the areas that have the greatest impact whilst looking into improving other key areas of our work. We are always grateful for the tireless work of our small team, and the constant stream of appreciative messages from the families, organisations and individuals that we support.

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Sophie Cartwright		Appointed July 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
Lyndon McLean		Appointed 20 th September 2021 Stood down on 13 th September 2023	A Keeping and W Spears

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<h1>Peggy Murphy</h1>	
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Full name(s)

Peggy Murphy

Deborah Matthews

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Chair

Treasurer

Date

October 8th 2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name FASD AWARENESS

On accounts for the year ended

2024 Charity no (if any) 1176933

Set out on pages

1-2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 16.10.24

Name: LEE CARTWRIGHT

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

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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.

N/A

FASD AWARENESS

England & Wales - Charity number 1176933

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2022/23

From 5th April 2022 – 4th April 2023

Charity name: FASD AWARENESS

Charity registration number: 1176933

Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The Objects of the charity are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To relieve the needs of sufferers of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and those whose lives are affected by that condition who live or work in the area of benefit or neighbouring areas through the provision of support, education and practical advice. 2. To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) including the promotion of research for the public benefit in all aspects of FASD and to publish the useful results. <p>The area of benefit is the South East of England, County of Kent and Medway Unitary Authority, United Kingdom and worldwide.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To raise awareness of the key features and lived experience of individuals affected by Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) via talks, training, films and social media. 2. To provide support for individuals and families affected by FASD eg via support groups and group outings. 3. To develop relationships with key partners, in particular with the Kent & Medway CCG, and create a system to ensure professionals offer appropriate expert help. 4. To continue to develop relationships with other FASD & Neurodisability charities both locally and nationwide.

<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. They can confirm that all the activities carried out in the year 2022/23 were consistent with this benefit.</p> <p>The trustees met quarterly in person during the year and discussed issues between meeting via email and the Trustees' WhatsApp Group.</p> <p>The Chair (Irene Hall) had to stand down from her role as Chair due to ill health). An emergency trustees board meeting was convened, and Andy Nichols (Vice Chair) took over as acting Chair and Lyndon McLean became acting Vice-Chair until such time as a new Chairperson could be sourced, interviewed and appointed.</p>
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Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>The year 2022-23 has seen significant developments in FASD Awareness's direction and an increased public profile. We remain a local charity in that our days out for families with a child with FASD are primarily for families living in Kent, Medway and South London. But we have also embraced the digital world which has greatly expanded our reach. We have made a conscious effort to connect with other local charitable organisations like The Kent & Medway Neurodisability Network, FASD UK Alliance, National Organisation of FASD, Oshay's, Neuro Cafes, Communigrow, Local Farms, Nucleus Arts, Leeds Castle. Working with likeminded organisations helps support their own charitable work, whilst also pooling resources and ideas. We presently support and cater for around 2000 people on our database.</p> <p>Our activities, 1-2-1 sessions and friendship groups and regularly increased in numbers and attendees. They offer a safe, regulated space for individuals with FASD, and their families, to connect with like-minded people. Learning the vital social skills of accepting others and inclusion helps them come to terms with their diagnosis, behaviours and embrace their strengths & weaknesses alongside others who are managing similar hurdles. Learning from the elders, peer to peer advice and sharing views builds self-esteem and acceptance. FASD Individuals are frequently isolated socially and our activities have evidenced how friendships can be formed leading to relationship building and strong bonds. This helps to prevent relationship breakdowns in the home, increased trauma, isolation, secondary mental health issues that can affect both, those living with FASD and their caregivers. One significant impact has been the improved mental health of the siblings living in an FASD household.</p> <p>This year we attended and presented at the UK FASD</p>
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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>We use our Business & Development Plan which includes a tracker that trustees use to monitor progress towards meeting goals. However, we have collected data and we know that typically we have around 30 attendees to the day out events and 6 - 12 people at each of our Youth and Adult support group meetings. We send out online evaluation forms and these are heartfelt and full of praise. We ask for suggestions of how we can further support them and ideas that they would like to put forward. We have implemented many of these with guest speakers at our Support groups or via guests on our webinar series. Our monthly webinars which include guest speakers from all corners of the FASD Community, leading health professionals, international advocates of FASD and vitally giving a voice to those with the lived experience. The webinars reach out to an average of 200 participants every month in the UK and worldwide. Each webinar is then uploaded to our YouTube channel for wider coverage. We have achieved our objective of being a voice for people with FASD. Through including many in our training and on our Webinar series giving a voice to the lived experience. Locally we have done that via being a member of the NHS CCG group responsible for FASD and nationally through the FASD UK Alliance. Our #BeAware campaign of educational films has included a 2 new case studies showing the contrasting sides of Living with FASD either with early diagnosis and an appropriate wrap around management plan alongside the contrary where the lack of diagnosis and early interventions have led this individual into the CJS.</p> <p>Some of our goals around creating a film and PHSE classroom resource around Prevention of FASD, and a film covering FASD in the CJS have been hard to source funding for. We have found that this year sourcing funding through application writing for 2023-24 has been increasingly difficult.</p> <p>Our online and in person training for NHS CCG groups, paediatricians, adoption & fostering organisations, schools, Children in Care and social care professionals, Midwives and other medical professionals is increasing as the new FASD Nice guidance draws a greater awareness of understanding amongst medical professionals about FASD.</p> <p>Internally we are looking to further strengthen our board and have a small group of committed trustees who give many hours to the charity.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against</p>	<p>We met our fundraising target for the year.</p>

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Despite a difficult time to source funding, we have been able to increase our reserves, whilst focusing on streamlining our activities and offerings. A much better year results wise gives the charity a good base to move forward into the next financial period whilst focusing on our key deliverables.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	As funding becomes ever more difficult to source, the charity took the decision that it would be good practice to ensure we hold a minimum of 3 months core running costs as a reserve. This was estimated to be the minimum period during which time services could be streamlined as required whilst additional funding is sourced.
Amount of reserves held	£ 10,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A
The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Our main sources of funding are grant giving trusts and the NHS CCG. In addition, we receive a small amount of money from individual donations and from businesses.
Investment policy and objectives including any	We have not adopted an Investment Policy as do not have funds to invest. We have a small amount of reserves which is kept in our savings bank account.

social investment policy adopted	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	<p>Lack of funding and not maintaining our staff and volunteers are our biggest risks. Our staff are under constant pressure to do a lot with not very much. There is also a risk in that the charity relies heavily on a very small number of people.</p> <p>In order to mitigate these risks, we now have clear funding priorities and clear costings of projects and core work. This has helped us to maintain a steady growth in funding.</p>

Structure, Governance and Management

How is the charity constituted?	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), only voting members are its charity trustees. 'Foundation' Model.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions.	<p>In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO and what skills are missing from the trustee board.</p> <p>Apart from the first charity trustees, trustees are appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Normally this is our AGM. They may stand for a second term but after that there must a gap of at least one year before re-appointment.</p> <p>Trustees are interviewed in accordance with the Safer Recruitment policy and all necessary DBS checks and References are taken.</p>

Conclusion

In conclusion, we have found that our focus on the Business & Development Plan which includes a tracker that trustees use to monitor progress towards meeting goals, has helped us streamline our operations without distraction. This has helped target the areas that have the greatest impact whilst looking into improving other key areas of our work. We are always grateful for the tireless work of our small team, and the constant stream of appreciative messages from the families, organisations and individuals that we support.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	FASD Awareness
Other name the charity uses	FASD Awareness South East
Registered charity number	1176933
Charity's principal address	3 Winter Gem Lane, Faversham ME13 8YU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person who interviewed/ appointed trustee
1.	Irene Hall	Chair	Appointed 20th September 2021 - January 2023 (stood down due to ill health)	A Keeping and W Spears
2.	Dr Adesoji Abeona		2018 (reappointed at AGM)	Founding trustee
3.	Deborah Matthews	Treasurer	Appointed January 2020	A Keeping and P Rorison
4.	Paul Allen		2018 (Reappointed at AGM)	Founding trustee
5.	Wendy Purdy		Appointed September 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
6.	Sophie Cartwright		Appointed July 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
7.	Lyndon McLean	Acting Vice-Chair	Appointed 20 th September 2021 - January 2023	A Keeping and W Spears
8.	Andy Nichols	Vice - Chair Acting Chair	Appointed 20th September 2021 - January 2023	A Keeping and W Spears

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)

Andy Nichols	Deborah Matthews
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**Position (eg
Secretary, Chair,
etc)**

Vice Chair	Treasurer
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Date

14 th September 2023

Address: 44 Fallowfield
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Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):
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Name: Lee Cartwright

Signed:  Date: 12 September 23

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.

- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
 - the Act or
 - accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- respect:
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

Independent examiner's statement

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.
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").

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 04 / 04 / 2023.

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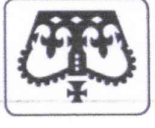
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Charity no 1176933 (if any)

Report to the trustees/ members of FASD AWARENESS
Charity Name

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES



FASD AWARENESS

England & Wales - Charity number 1176933

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2021/22

From 5th April 2021 – 4th April 2022

Charity name: FASD AWARENESS (Formerly FASD Awareness South East)

Charity registration number: 1176933

Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document</p>	<p>The Objects of the charity are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To relieve the needs of sufferers of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and those whose lives are affected by that condition who live or work in the area of benefit or neighbouring areas through the provision of support, education and practical advice. 2. To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) including the promotion of research for the public benefit in all aspects of FASD and to publish the useful results. <p>The area of benefit is the South East of England, County of Kent and Medway Unitary Authority, United Kingdom and worldwide.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To raise awareness of the key features and lived experience of individuals affected by Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) via talks, training, films and social media. 2. To provide support for individuals and families affected by FASD eg via support groups and group outings. 3. To develop relationships with key partners, in particular with the Kent & Medway CCG, and create a system to ensure professionals offer appropriate expert help. 4. To continue to develop relationships with other FASD charities.
<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance</p>	<p>The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. They can confirm that all the activities carried out in the year 2021/22 were consistent with this benefit.</p> <p>The trustees met quarterly in person during the year and discussed issues between meeting via email and the Trustees' WhatsApp Group.</p>

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Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>The year 2021-22 has seen significant developments in FASD Awareness's direction and an increased public profile. We remain a local charity in that our days out for families with a child with FASD are primarily for families living in Kent, Medway and South London. But we have also embraced the digital world which has greatly expanded our reach. In September 2021 we started a series of online monthly webinars, where we interview specialists on FASD.</p> <p>During the pandemic our support groups for young people and adults with FASD moved online. These groups are hosted by one of our Ambassadors, who herself has FASD, with support and supervision from our CEO and Founder.</p> <p>We launched our 3rd film on FASD Day (9th September). This film, "What Can Alcohol Do To A Foetus?" explores what can happen to an unborn baby when it is exposed to alcohol.</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to the Covid lockdowns all of our physical support groups were closed for most of the year. However, we did begin to offer online and telephone 121s with our Founder, who has much practical experience of bringing up children with FASD.</p> <p>Locally we have been members of the NHS Kent & Medway CCG group responsible for education and training of health professionals about FASD. At a national level were invited to sit on the All Party Parliamentary Committee on FASD. We also gave input to 'The Time is Now: The National Perspective on Ramping up FASD Prevention, Diagnosis and Support Services' published by NICE.</p> <p>In summary, our work makes a direct difference to specific individuals, such as those who attend our days out or our support groups. But we believe that this year we have had a wider impact with our webinars, membership of the CCG and the All Parliamentary Group as well as our films. As a result more people are becoming aware of FASD, its causes, its prevalence and its long term effects.</p>
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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Our target setting has not been very clear in the past and this is something which we have rectified for the current year. Our latest Business & Development Plan includes a tracker which trustees use to monitor progress towards meeting goals. However, we have collected data and we know that typically we have around 30 attendees to the day out events and 6 – 12 people at each of our Youth and Adult support group meetings. We receive much heartfelt thanks for these activities.</p>
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	<p>We are very pleased with the number of attendees at our webinars: the number of online attendees averages 115 with almost the same number of people watching later via You Tube.</p> <p>More generally, we have achieved our objective of being a voice for people with FASD. Locally we have done that via being a member of the NHS CCG group responsible for FASD and nationally through membership of the Parliamentary Group on FASD. We are also an active member of The Alliance of charities working in the field of FASD.</p> <p>Internally we have strengthened our board and have a small group of committed trustees who give many hours to the charity.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	We met our fundraising target for the year. However, the last money we were awarded was for activities starting in March 2022 and, unfortunately, the money did not reach our bank account until after our year end. This means we had a small deficit on our accounts for 2021/22.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	<p>In November 2021, we received £21,000 from Colyer Fergusson. This is the first tranche of a three-year grant. Receiving a known award for three years will help us considerably with the planning of our activities. We began spending the money in December 2021.</p> <p>As mentioned above, we ended the year with a slight deficit, just under £2,000. This unfortunate occurrence occurred because an award of £25,588 did not arrive in our bank account until after the year end.</p> <p>Our expenditure is split approximately: 72% to direct charitable costs ie personnel and associated costs directly related to achieving the charity's objectives; 25% to indirect charitable costs ie support personnel costs, insurance, etc and 3% to governance costs.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	We are working towards holding reserves equivalent to 3 months operating costs. This is so that we can manage delays in receiving funding (as happened at the end of the year) and could close down in an orderly fashion if we were to cease receiving funding.
Amount of reserves held	£ 3,625 free reserves as of the year end.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Our main sources of funding are grant giving trusts and the NHS CCG. This year we have been very fortunate to have been awarded a 3-year grant from Colyer Fergusson. In addition, we receive a small amount of money from individual donations and from businesses.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	We have not adopted an Investment Policy as do not have funds to invest. We have a small amount of reserves which is kept in our savings bank account.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	<p>Lack of funding and not maintaining our staff and volunteers are our biggest risks. Our staff are under constant pressure to do a lot with not very much. There is also a risk in that the charity relies heavily on a very small number of people.</p> <p>In order to mitigate these risks, we have recently restructured how we do our funding. We now have clear funding priorities and clear costings of projects and core work. We hope this will help us to maintain a steady growth in funding. We would then be able to expand our core staff.</p>

Structure, Governance and Management

How is the charity constituted?	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), only voting members are its charity trustees. 'Foundation' Model.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions.	<p>In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the trustees have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO and what skills are missing from the trustee board.</p> <p>Apart from the first charity trustees, trustees are appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Normally this is our AGM. They may stand for a second term but after that there must a gap of at least one year before re-appointment.</p> <p>Trustees are interviewed in accordance with the Safer Recruitment policy and all necessary DBS checks and References are taken.</p>

Conclusion

Despite the pandemic and lockdowns, the charity has continued to provide services for those with FASD and their families. This has not always been easy and has meant adapting to different ways of doing things eg having online support meetings and online 121s. But we have managed to do it. We have also continued to develop eg by introducing our popular webinars and by producing a third film.

More generally we have worked with other organisations, such as, the Kent & Medway NHS CCG and made input into the NICE guidelines on FASD. In this way we hope to educate the wider public about the causes and effects of FASD.

Achieving the level of funding we need is a constant issue but we have a committed group of trustees and staff who work well together.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	FASD Awareness
Other name the charity uses	FASD Awareness South East
Registered charity number	1176933
Charity's principal address	3 Winter Gem Lane, Faversham ME13 8YU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity



	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person who interviewed/ appointed trustee
1	Wendy Spears	Vice-Chair/Chair	Acting Chair April 2021 – September 2021	
	Irene Hall	Chair	Appointed 20th September 2021	A Keeping and W Spears
3	Dr Adesoji Abeona		2018	
4	Deborah Matthews	Treasurer	Appointed January 2020	A Keeping and P Rorison
5	Paul Allen		2018	
6	Colin Newbold		Resigned January 2020	
7	Pamela Rorison		Resigned August 2020	
8	Wendy Purdy		Appointed September 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
9	Sophie Cartwright		Appointed July 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
	Lyndon McLean		Appointed 20 th September 2021	A Keeping and W Spears
	Andy Nichols	Vice - Chair	Appointed 20th September 2021	A Keeping and W Spears

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)	Irene Hall	Andy Nichols
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee

Date 14th September 2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name FASD AWARENESS

On accounts for the year ended

2022

Charity no (if any)

1176933

Set out on pages

1-2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 04/04/2022

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: [Signature]

Date: 31/08/22

Name: LEE CARTWRIGHT

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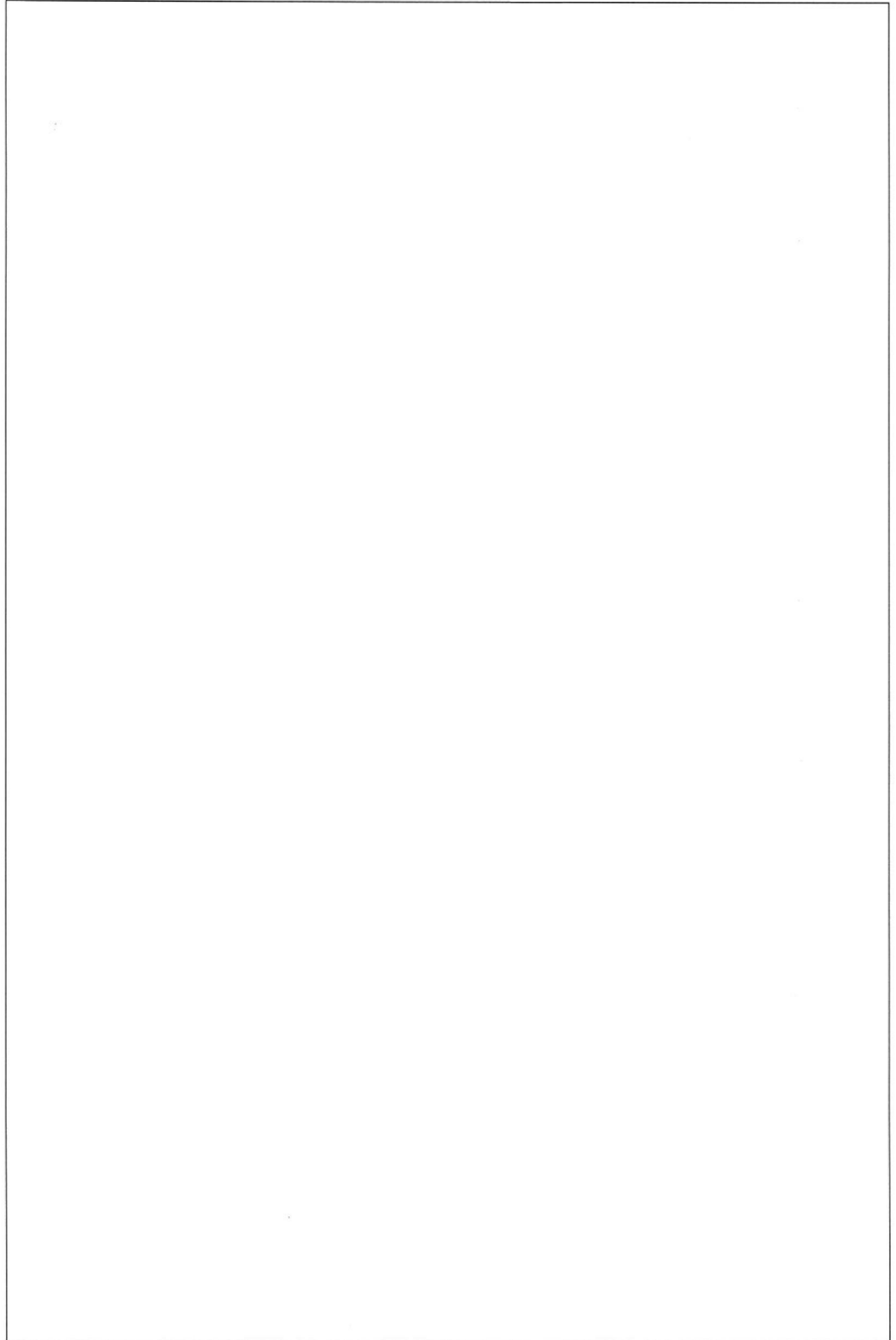
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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



FASD AWARENESS

England & Wales - Charity number 1176933

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2020-2021

From 5th April 2020 – 4th April 2021

Charity name: FASD AWARENESS (Formerly FASD Awareness South East)

Charity registration number: 1176933

Objectives and Activities

<p>Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document</p>	<p>Our main aim is to support the prevention of alcohol exposed pregnancies and to improve the quality of life for those living with Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) and their parents and carers. Our vision is to be a strong and effective voice for individuals and families living with FASD, while supporting initiatives across the UK to promote prevention, diagnosis, intervention and management.</p> <p>To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) including the promotion of research for the public benefit in all aspects of FASD and to publish the useful results.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To raise awareness of the prevalence, key features and outcomes of individuals affected by Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) 2. To intervene and offer more support for the benefit of individuals and families affected by FASD through diversification and use of video support. 3. To understand and raise awareness to the public about the lived experience from those affected by FASD 4. To understand and raise awareness to the public about the science related to FASD 5. To develop relationships with key partners and create a system to help the wider professional group to offer expert help in local areas. 6. To continue to develop relationships with other charities in the Alliance, Nationally and Internationally to gather research and share resources and have a consistent language. <p>In this last year despite the continued restrictions of the Pandemic the charity has continue to develop and thrive. As you will be aware our main aim has always been to raise awareness of FASD through gathering knowledge from the experts we work alongside, those with lived experience and understanding the challenges parents, carers, adopters, and other professionals face in trying to better understand FASD. We also aim to support people through sharing our learning with as many as</p>

	<p>possible. This is so we develop assessment processes which increase the quality of life for those living with, supporting, and working with FASD.</p> <p>During the month of September 2020, FASD Awareness announced the rollout of our #BeAware campaign. The campaign, ran across both traditional and online media, included testimonials from those with first-hand experience of living with the disorder, clinical guidance regarding alcohol and pregnancy, online videos and much more. September is officially recognised as FASD Awareness Month, a permanent expansion of International FASD Awareness Day, observed each year since 1999 on September 9th. We created a press release that was sent out to a targeted audience of female editors, to many online blogs, national press and radio. We received some very positive feedback, and BBC Newsroom South East asked the charity to do a feature.</p> <p>Tracy Allen, our Founder, was interviewed for local radio and KMTV. This has also enabled the charity to start a dialogue with Mumsnet, and other online bloggers before our January campaign. Our YouTube views have increased by just over 20k.</p> <p>On FASD day, FASD Awareness profile on all social media platforms was very evident. Some posts were shared with images of FASD Awareness and NOFAS as the leading organisations in the UK. A poet and ex-Headteacher (Karen Stanley) was commissioned to write a poem for the day. We created 2 films containing Karen reciting the poem with music and mood enhancing footage to launch on September 9th.</p> <p>FASD Awareness have maintained our training, consultations, and presentation programme this year. The Zoom platform started in March 2020 enabled a continued and developed service to offer support to groups and individuals through the pandemic and lockdown and was crucial as families were isolated in their homes during lockdown. Activity Days at Leeds Castle have been more limited due to the pandemic, but the numbers have increased further and the days are greatly appreciated by families.</p> <p>FASD Awareness still plan to locate premises to the Oast Community Centre, Rainham and the renovations are complete, but the move has still not been possible due to COVID.</p> <p><u>Pocket Parks Project</u> – This project is still going ahead but again there has been delay due to the pandemic. We have been given an extension on the funding.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	<p>The Board of trustees has met mainly online in this period. Agendas, Papers and minutes were all supplied, and Minutes taken.</p> <p>Our new Treasurer Trustee Debbie Matthews has proven to be a real asset in terms of the accounts and ringfencing money for specific projects. Supported by a new staff Member who is an expert in fundraising, finances have more clarity. We follow a strict policy of safer recruitment. As part of this we have interviewed new trustees to develop the charity further and now have an education specialist and local councillor.</p>

<p>issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>The trustees have reviewed some of the Charity policies and have a clearer organisational chart that identifies our strengths and vulnerabilities in the trustee, staff, and volunteer group.</p> <p>Safeguarding training has continued online this year.</p> <p>As a Board of Trustees, we have developed over the year and Board Members old and new have found ways to develop their knowledge and skills and share with others. The most significant change has been that after taking advice from a small charities advisory team, our chair stepped down from his role in September 2020 to take on the role of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the charity. This was supported by our Founder, Tracy Allen, trustees, staff, and volunteers. In his role as Chair, he has been very proactive within the charity, local community, Nationally and Internationally in building links with professionals. His communication skills, knowledge, and skills in sharing information with others allow him to articulate to others and support our founder, and those with lived experience to share our learning. Through utilising his film making and skills in technology alongside Tracy and Max Blustin, film maker, we now have more films in process to share Worldwide.</p> <p>As a trustee, Paul Allen, and the family of volunteers have worked even in lockdown to prepare our office and support fund raising and community activities and I know Tracy, our founder would want me to report on their support to her in the last year as in previous years and the significance of their role in achieving the outcomes of the charity reported here.</p>
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Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>This year 2020-21 has seen some dramatic developments in FASD Awareness's direction and increased public profile. Due to the Covid-19 emergency, all of our physical support groups have been closed until more recently. Our relocation to The Oast Community Centre in Rainham has been put on hold and a change of personnel and paid professionals has reflected a more targeted skillset to assist the Board of Trustees and management in attaining our objectives. The Chair, Andrew Keeping, identified a conflict of interest and stood down as Chair to take on the role of CEO of FASD Awareness. This enabled him to take on a more managerial role and support the day to day running of the charity alongside Tracy Allen Founder. Wendy Spears (Vice Chair) became Chair for the interim period.</p> <p>FASD Awareness, is a charity which in the last four years has grown from a small local initiative into a national charity offering crucial and life changing guidance and support to individuals living with FASD and their families and carers. As a result of this development we changed the name with the Charities Commission from FASD Awareness South East to FASD Awareness.</p> <p>Children with FASD are socially limited, isolation is common and their families struggle finding appropriate childcare, activities, clubs and</p>
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opportunities that the children can manage. The existing provision for children with FASD is currently very limited as it is still a much misunderstood and misdiagnosed condition. Those living with it and their parents/carers and families struggle to get the support they need and there is also a lack of understanding within the care system, often leading to huge delays in receiving treatment which further adds to the frustration, misery and confusion faced by those living with FASD. They need a safe environment which offers opportunities for them to develop friendships, essential skills and gain greater independence. The families/carers need signposting and guidance to enable them to support the individuals with all aspects of their lives as they struggle with finding appropriate schools, receiving relevant benefits, obtaining the correct diagnosis and managing even the most basic of activities such as days out, holidays, childcare etc. FASD Awareness are able to signpost families and carers to the relevant and necessary services and their network and considerable experience offers immediate reassurance helping them to reduce their frustration and feel less isolated.

As the pandemic started to disrupt nearly every facet of society, it was rightly at the forefront of our public health professionals' attention. In response to this emergency and the on-going social distancing regulations, the charity started running online support meetings to continue to fulfil the mission of raising awareness of FASD and supporting those who are living with FASD and their parents and carers. The virtual support groups have been hugely successful and a valuable experience for all involved. They have welcomed individuals from all corners of GB and parts of America too!

Going forward, the move to the new offices, at The Oast, will enable the charity to grow its services, offer additional physical support groups, accommodate larger numbers of children and adults with FASD and undertake activities such as Sensory play, Lego therapy, Art therapy, Techno play and Music therapy. The move will also enable us to train new volunteers and offer more bespoke training courses for parents, carers, health professionals, teachers, justice professionals and service providers.

Our founder, Tracy, has used her knowledge, experience and skills for group and one-to-one sessions which have been crucial in the COVID years and helped the charity to reach a wider knowledge.

FASD Awareness are delighted to be a charity partner for Kent and Medway Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), supporting the NICE programme, acting as specialist consultants and experts by experience. We will update the networks throughout the life of the programme in terms of what has been identified and provided around the three work strands: Prevention; Communications and Engagement and Workforce Development.

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Over the year our primary objectives, as written in our business plan, have been to improve awareness of FASD through our #BeAware campaign of films, online training, social media and presentations. Our films have increased views on YouTube and are shared worldwide and used as training material by organisations worldwide. Our images and posts are shared regularly among the wider FASD community on Twitter, Instagram and via Facebook Pages. We have encouraged students volunteering for FASD Awareness through the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme to create a bespoke Social Media Image campaign for Instagram. These have been shared worldwide by organisations such as DofE and MP Bill Esterson. Our support groups have increased in numbers and the online Zoom support group is seeing a considerable take up throughout the country and further afield. Our FASD friendship groups enable us to work closely with individuals to educate both ourselves, those living with FASD and help create strategies to support our individuals.</p> <p>Over the past couple of years, FASD Awareness has (as stakeholders) helped make recommendations for the forthcoming NICE guidelines and supported the CCG in running focus groups with Medway Voluntary Action. This has led to a dialogue with the local CCG and NHS Trusts in Kent & Medway. Our continued collaboration and a push for a provision to cater for FASD Families in the South East of England has resulted in the formation of the Kent and Medway Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) System Partnership Group.</p> <p>Together with the CCG and NHS Trust, we are developing a FASD system partnership group to provide greater focus on this condition. As a stakeholder in this area of work, we have invited related organisations and a variety of leading professionals that will have a connection with Neurodisability and FASD, to be a part of the developing partnership across Kent and Medway. The first sessions established the initial focus of the partnership group, and key areas that we addressed moving forwards.</p> <p>As well as forthcoming NICE guidance, the FASD Awareness, the Department of Health and Social Care are considering improvements in the following five areas, following stakeholder engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Focusing on prevention ● Improving education and awareness relating to FASD ● The whole system impacts and approach to FASD – health, education, social care, employment and the benefits system, and criminal justice ● Improving processes for diagnosis and treatment ● Improving data and intelligence relating to FASD prevalence <p>The partnership Board met for the first time on 22nd October 2020 via MS Teams. We have now set up a Task and Finish Groups Scoping Document with Groups covering, Prevention, Comms & Engagement and Workforce Mapping & Training Progs.</p>
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	<p>Partnering up with the CCG and NHS trusts in forming the Kent and Medway Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) System Partnership Group, has been a huge step forward in getting FASD understood and acknowledged amongst professional organisations who have the most profound connection with FASD this has progressed rapidly with the support of one of our trustees after the input from the founder and CEO in building relationships and sharing the work of the charity to date.</p> <p>Our founder and CEO have continued to deliver bespoke training to Student Midwives on the Kent and Canterbury University Degree Course at Christchurch College. They have also delivered a presentation to Professionals working with the Looked After Children. These have been a direct impact of the new partnerships developed with the CCG and NHS Trusts.</p> <p>Dr Adesoji Abiona has been a continued strength to the trustees and charity in his knowledge and experience in FASD and he aims to share this in the future with others.</p> <p>The support and friendship groups are proving very successful. The parent/carers groups have been very productive for many of the families. The advice and recommendations/tips from other families has proven very useful to new families and lead to some positive outcomes. Many of those who attend had stated that they would like an additional evening support group, as this would be more manageable in their daily timetables. Some have expressed that they don't like to miss a session but find the morning sessions difficult to attend regularly. These have proved a great success.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p><u>The Fore Raft Fund</u> – Allocation Summary 3-month period. Slight delays due to Covid-19 and continued thereafter first lockdown and into second lockdown.</p> <p>Delivery of 1-2-1 sessions for 15-30minutes. These included “Show & Tell” sessions, family fun discussions, how to use the Free Sports Packs, music sessions, song writing sessions & Dance. Music and video editing advice for social media.</p> <p>Delivery of 11–16-year-old FASD Friends groups. Peer group for discussions. 2-hour sessions.</p> <p>Delivery of 16+ FASD Friends Groups. 8 x 2-hour sessions.</p> <p><u>KCF Covid-19 Emergency Fund</u></p> <p>Duration 29/04/20- 29/08/20 - IT support, Artwork design for social media and advertising. Wix generated mailouts and publicity. Phone calls and emails to connections within the FASD Community & local charities/organisations/schools. Social media publicity on Twitter/Facebook/Instagram/LinkedIn and follow up responses.</p> <p>Safeguarding strategies designed and implemented via an individual registration form for each group, follow up emails with strict rules around group engagements. Initial vetting of registrants via phone call, or if abroad email. Booking and advertising. Monitoring of sessions and note taking. Report writing. Creation of 3x videos promoting the new online</p>

	<p>videos, a guide to using Zoom, and a message of reassurance to the FASD community from the Chair of FASD Awareness.</p> <p><u><i>Pocket Parks Project</i></u> A community project in collaboration with Greenspace Development, Medway Council, The Oast Community Centre Rainham and FASD Awareness to restore and create a sustainable Pocket Garden surrounding the Car Park and The Oast Community centre in Rainham, Kent. Project following Celebrity TV Gardner Mark Lane’s original plans and consultation with TPA Gardening. A film documenting the journey will be included in the project.</p> <p><u><i>Sport England & Kent Sport.org.</i></u> Purchase of sensory sports packs for 50 individuals. Delivery of 2 Family Activity Days at Leeds Castle. Sports activities delivered with social distancing rules. Evidence the days with films and advertising on social media. Additional zoom sports sessions for clients who were unable to attend event using the sensory sports packs.</p> <p><u><i>National Lottery Funding – Community Fund (HM Government)</i></u> Support of our Online Support Groups. Produced a film dedicated to the Online support Groups, #BeAware Campaign, and continuation of our services through the Covid 19 pandemic. Posted on social media and copied in National Lottery, HM Government, Community Fund and promoted via their #CommunitiesCan campaign.</p> <p><u><i>Comic Relief Community Fund (England) Project Delivery Grants scheme-</i></u> Thus fund is for the purpose of continuing to run our Online Support Group. Regular donations were also received following online social media advertising on- Facebook Birthdays, Facebook Charity Support, Amazon Smile, Local Businesses, Tesco Points, and Company Support. Our website donations and support pages have been designed to promote this area of fundraising.</p>
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Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity’s financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>With the focus on fundraising, the charity’s financial position is seeing a very positive growth and projections for the coming year are promising to be even better. The COVID-19 pandemic has shown the need for online support groups and additional funding is looking promising to continue with these for the foreseeable future. There are also other projects in the pipeline, funding for which we have been promised.</p>
<p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves</p>	<p>As well as funds received for specific projects yet to be completed, the charity holds reserves for the provision of online support groups and to cover projected administrative costs.</p>

stating why they are held	
Amount of reserves held	£ 16,805 (plus a further £ 14,810 ringfenced for upcoming/continuing projects)
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	There is a balanced mix of charitable donations, corporate partnerships and project specific funding.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	<p>As we continue to grow our charity and fundraising/ bid applications are only just starting to come to fruition, there has been no need to develop a hard and fast investment policy. However, with our focus on further developing our fundraising profile for the upcoming year this is something which will be added to the financial planning going forward.</p> <p>2020/21 has been pivotal for all charities, COVID-19 has propelled most of us into digital transformation at a pace we thought would take years. Never has fundraising been such a challenging task. Not only do fundraisers need to find remote, creative ways to engage with donors, but also to make conscious efforts to broaden the diversity of our donor pools. But the outcome is worth the work: thriving in the digital world while building inclusive donor experiences.</p> <p>No need to say we find ourselves at a turning point now, and with it comes many questions: What changes are needed to adapt to the new normal? How do we thrive when we can't meet donors face-to-face? How do we continue to fundraise in economically uncertain times?</p> <p>What we do know now is post pandemic, humans are hungry for connection and community right now – and we will focus on building strong, mutually beneficial relationships with our supporters.</p> <p>Despite the challenges of the last 18 months, we have been able to grow our services to those living with FASD and their families and this is due to receiving crucial funding from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kent Community Foundation. • The Fore Trust • Sport England.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Lottery • Ministry for Housing Communities & Local Government - • Moto in the community • SEIB Insurance Brokers <p>Also, through regular funding from:- Allied Fabrications, Chris Thomason and other generous supporters</p> <p>We have also received further funding from the KCF of £5,000 for our case studies films and £1,000 from Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme.</p>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	<p>As with any charity staffing and funding are the main issues. We have a great team of volunteers, staff and trustees but are mindful that our rapid growth and development has put a lot of pressure on a few and we need to continue to recruit staff and volunteers as funding allows and our main focus is on continuing with our current objectives, projects and fundraising.</p> <p>The support groups established during the recent COVID pandemic have proven extremely popular and is something that we would like to offer more of, particularly in the 1-2-1 category. Funding must be sought to see these groups continue and grow and will be the focus of our fundraising activities for the upcoming financial year.</p>

Structure, Governance and Management

How is the charity constituted?	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), only voting members are its charity trustees. 'Foundation' Model.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions.	<p>In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. They will retire by the next AGM but may stand for re-election.</p> <p>Trustees are interviewed in accordance with the Safer Recruitment policy and all necessary DBS checks and References are taken.</p>

Conclusion

This has been a fantastic year and I cannot take credit for much of which is reported here today. The development of the CEO role and loss to the Board of Andrew Keeping has come with mixed emotions but has been a real asset to the charity. As I stand down from

my role on the Board having 'held the fort' for six months I am pleased to report on the finding of our new Chair who was brought onto the Board at our AGM in October 2021. Tracy, our founder, continues with her determination, networking skills and resilience to develop services.

As Dr Mukerjee said in a recent webinar "A lot of people with FASD are artistic and creative and our role as parents, carers, adopters and professionals is to scaffold their weaknesses and build on their strengths." This is also true of our board and staff and volunteers, and it is evidenced and proven that our CEO and founder and the board of trustees and volunteers are working together to do that not only for the people living with FASD but also in the people involved in raising awareness through the charity and those we are working alongside. A participant in a recent support group referenced a book linked to FASD by Jan Griffin, "Find your Child's Brilliance" and that is what we all aim to do for the children, their families and the professionals we are working with. We have found the brilliance of many of those who give up their valued time to be part of the charity's work and those who have fed back on the use of the service. This has helped us to achieve our five year target in three years.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	FASD Awareness
Other name the charity uses	FASD Awareness South East
Registered charity number	1176933
Charity's principal address	Hall Wood Business Park North Dane Way Chatham ME5 8YE

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity


	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person who interviewed/ appointed trustee
1	Andrew Keeping	Chair	2018-March 2021	
2	Wendy Spears	Vice-Chair/Chair	Acting Chair April 2021 – September 2021	A Keeping and W Spears
	Irene Hall	Chair	Appointed 20th September 2021	
3	Dr Adesoji Abeona	(Medical)	Appointed 2018	
4	Deborah Matthews	(Treasurer)	Appointed January 2020	A Keeping and P Rorison
5	Paul Allen		Appointed 2018	
6	Colin Newbold		Resigned January 2020	
7	Pamela Rorison		Resigned August 2020	
8	Wendy Purdy		Appointed September 2020	A Keeping and W Spears

9	Sophie Cartwright		Appointed July 2020	A Keeping and W Spears
	Lyndon McLean		Appointed 20 th September 2021	
	Andy Nichols		Appointed 20 th September 2021	

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		Paul Allen (<i>Digital Signature</i>)
Full name(s)	Wendy Spears	Paul Allen
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	Trustee
Date	20 th September 2021	



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report on the
accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

FASD Awareness

**On accounts for the year
ended**

05/04/2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1176933

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**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **05 / 04 / 2021**.

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.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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:

Date:

18 January 2022

Name:

Lee Cartwright ACMA, CGMA

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

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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.

Nothing found

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Independent
examiner's statement

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 100 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 accounts which I consider should be drawn to the attention of the trustees in order to ensure a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

under section 146(2)(b) of the Act

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 146 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission

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 to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (the Trust) for the year ended 31 03 2022.

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