

Out Of Sight

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

Charity No. 1178097

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: **Out of Sight**

Reg'd Charity No: 1178097

Trustees:

Jane Claire Power
Kath Nixon
Anna Weatheritt
Gemma Chaytor
Lisa Taylor
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Denise Gilbert

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Independent

Examiner: Mark Thompson MAAT
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Trustees' Annual Report
For the year ended 31 March 2024

The Objectives of Out of Sight Charity

To relieve the charitable needs of children living in North Tyneside, aged up to 18 years (with discretion up to 25 years) who are registered blind or visually impaired, and their parents, carers and siblings, by primarily but not exclusively providing support, events and short-break holidays. To provide support as the trustees see fit, to other disadvantaged members of the surrounding community to help build friendships, promote inclusion and advance community relations

Grants and support

We have been fortunate to retain the support of The Ballinger Charitable Trust by way of a part time Events-Organiser. We have also been able to fund from this grant Chloe's Den, an adapted caravan at Amble Links. This includes all payments towards the ground rent, running costs, maintenance and insurance. This allows several families to use this facility free of charge throughout the year to offer a chance for parents and families to recharge, relax, have fun and build positive memories.

North Tyneside Council have facilitated several grants from UKSFP funding that has Helped, Out of Sight set up a Youth Group; Social Supermarket; Capital Grant, helped support crafting sessions and Winter Warmer providing warm meals for the public. We have provided funding for Visually Impaired children in hospital, in financial crisis due to long term illness.

We have provided a Christmas Party and meal; Easter Party with entertainment; trip to the Zoo for up to 50 people; Summer Party for the public with entertainment/toilets/marquee/free buffet; short break holidays to Visually Impaired families; purchased a car for the charity (second hand) for collections and continue to run the community hub 6 days a week providing crafting/refreshments and warm food on Fridays all free of charge to our community.

We continue, with the support of Feeding Families to hand out food parcels, and toiletries free of charge. At all times signposting for support, self-supporting with making new friendships, overcoming isolation, and making stronger community and connections

The traffic at the Community Hub is growing the support from volunteers is growing.

Generally

The Community Hub where we are based is open to the public Monday through to Friday 9am through to 3pm and Saturday 9am through to 2pm. Sunday we are closed.

We fund raise via raising cash from donations made in the Hub, GNR, Raffles, Tombola, Cash Donations.

Thank you to all the Trustees and Volunteers that make this possible.

Founding Trustee Kath Nixon FCILEx

Signed

Date:

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Notes to the
accounts,

Out Of Sight

On accounts for
the year ended

31 March 2024

Charity no 1178097

Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and
examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act),
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of
independent
examiner's
statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent
examiner's
statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act); and
- accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 29th November 2024

Name:

Mark Thompson MAAT

Address:

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Linskill Centre
Linskill Terrace
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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2024	2024	2024	2023
Receipts				£	£
Grants	5	1,000	29,880	30,880	42,100
Donations		6,132		6,132	7,129
Fundraising		11,312		11,312	1,000
OOS Hub		24,678		24,678	27,847
Bank Interest		1,324		1,324	299
Other		342		342	100
Total Receipts		44,788	29,880	74,668	78,475
Payments					
Activities		9,134	2,581	11,715	15,536
Hub Costs		16,073	816	16,889	4,669
Chloe's Den		924	5,265	6,189	5,405
Salary		3,039	9,143	12,182	11,966
Fundraising Expenses		5,157		5,157	2,929
Office Equipment		359		359	1,164
Print, Post & Stationery		366		366	850
Travel		1,730		1,730	1,284
Insurance		568		568	472
Fees & Charges		1,528		1,528	1,092
Others		590	11	601	603
Donations		550		550	0
Training				0	0
Total Payments		40,018	17,816	57,834	45,970
Surplus / deficit for the year		4,770	12,064	16,834	32,505
Funds at 1 April 2023		77,855	4,016	81,871	49,366
Funds at 31 March 2024		82,625	16,080	98,705	81,871

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

		2024	2023
		£	£
Fixed Assets	7	5,800	
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		92,905	81,871
Total Cash Balances		92,905	81,871
Current Liabilities		0	0
Net Current Assets		92,905	81,871
Net Assets at 31 March 2024		98,705	81,871
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Restricted Funds		16,080	4,016
Designated Funds		19,100	19,100
Unrestricted Funds		63,525	58,755
		98,705	81,871

Signed Position

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Date

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Notes to the accounts, 2024

1. Basis of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006

Out Of Sight meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

2. Grants Received:

Ballinger Charitable Trust	12,500
VINE	1,000
Asda	400
National Lottery Fund	10,000
NT Council - Warm Welcome	1,980
North Tyneside Youth Grant	4,000
Total Grants	29,880

3. Trustees and Staff

The organisation employed 2 members of staff during the period of the accounts. No payments were made to trustees' towards salary costs for the year £12,182

4. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £380

5. Restricted Funds balance at 31 March 2024

	Balance 01/04/23	Income	Expend	Balance 31/03/24
Health Inequalities Fund	1,310			1,310
Community Foundation - Cost of living	2,706		2,706	0
Ballinger Charitable Trust	0	12,500	11,730	770
VINE	0	1,000	1,000	0
Asda	0	400	400	0
National Lottery Fund	0	10,000		10,000
NT Council - Warm Welcome	0	1,980	1,980	0
North Tyneside Youth Grant	0	4,000		4,000
Total	4,016	29,880	17,816	16,080

6. Designated Funds

Caravan Maintenance Fund	5,000
Caravan Renewal Fund	6,500
Lease Commitments	7,600
Total Designated Funds	19,100

In addition to the Designated Funds, we aim to have between three and six months running costs, as recommended by the Charity Commission.

7. Fixed Assets

	Car
Cost	
As at 1 April 2023	
Additions	5,800
Disposals	
As at 31 March 2024	5,800
Depreciation	
As at 1 April 2023	0
Charge for the year	0
Disposals	
As at 31 March 2024	0
Net Book Value at 31 March 2024	5,800