

DEAF AWARENESS: NE

England & Wales · Charity number 1178549

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-05-29

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. THE RELIEF OF PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY IN THE NORTH EAST OF ENGLAND BY THE PROVISION OF SERVICES, INFORMATION, SUPPORT, ADVICE, EDUCATION AND FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND OTHER LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF SUCH PEOPLE. 2. THE ADVANCEMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO RAISING AWARENESS OF ISSUES OF DEAFNESS TO THE WIDER PUBLIC. NOTE: FOR THE PURPOSES ALL OBJECTS THE WORD 'DEAF' COMPRISES ALL PEOPLE WHO ARE DEAF, DEAFENED, HARD OF HEARING, DEAF-DISABLED OR CULTURALLY DEAF AND THOSE PEOPLE WHO REGARD THEMSELVES AS HEARING IMPAIRED OR OF HAVING A HEARING LOSS.

Activities: deaf awareness: NE runs a series of sessions and activities from the Linskill Centre, North Shields, to help raise awareness of issues impacting on deaf and hard of hearing people. These sessions include sign language, lipreading, tinnitus support, deaf awareness training and deaf sports. Hearing induction loops, speech to text and BSL/English interpreters are used as appropriate.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Newcastle Upon Tyne City
- North Tyneside
- Northumberland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£163,793	£113,996	-	-
2024-03-31	£95,998	£80,165	-	-
2023-03-31	£43,809	£46,089	-	-
2022-03-31	£25,806	£40,860	-	-
2021-03-31	£41,414	£23,294	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Annette Rosemary Muffitt	Chair	2023-10-31
Christine Tawse		2024-10-15
Denise Huscroft		2026-02-10
Helen Ganson		2020-10-13
Josh McKenzie		2025-10-14
Karen Skipper		2020-10-13
Trish Jackson		2025-10-14
William Peters		2022-10-18

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Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Legal and Administrative Information

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Anna Marie Beresford
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Trustees' Annual Report 2024-25

deaf awareness: NE was established to raise deaf awareness amongst people and communities and bring together deaf and hearing people with areas of common interest.

As of April 2024 a firm structure had been established within our Reaching Communities National Lottery Project called Together: Better Access.

Within this project we were able to deliver a weekly programme that incorporated Sports & Health, Arts & Creativity, Learning, and Support Groups. As our programme was more robust than previous years this led to an increase in attendance of just over 20% from the same period of the previous year (March 2024 to March 2025).

We continued our work in the local community, looking at access challenges for deaf people when attending cinemas, theatres, museums, and galleries.

Sadly in December 2024 one of our committee members, Maureen Smith-Price, passed away. Maureen's family were kind enough to donate money to deaf awareness NE via contributions raised at Maureen's funeral and beyond. This financial contribution helps our quest to improve access to arts and entertainment venues for deaf people.

In parallel with our weekly programme and our community work, we delivered deaf awareness training initiatives and sign language promotional sessions to local community centres.

Alongside our funding from National Lottery, we were also extremely grateful for continued funding from Sir James Knott Trust and the Peter Harrison Foundation, as well as additional funding from Hadrian Trust.

Within this financial period funding was also secured from the Integrated Care Board for our forthcoming Digital Inclusion Project, and from National Lottery Awards For All for our new hard of hearing project.

Membership subscriptions and donations have again been extremely valuable in helping us to maintain the diversity and quality in service delivery that we take pride in offering.

Our social media platforms play a big part in helping to keep our members informed and connected, with regular updates on our website and positive posts appearing across our Facebook and Instagram pages.

Our members, volunteers and Board of Trustees remain key to the success of our organisation and we, once again, thank each and every person for their attendance, contribution and support throughout this financial year.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to Financial Statements

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 1993.

Signed:Chair, on behalf of Trustees

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the trustees of	Deaf Awareness: NE		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2025	Charity no	1178549
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:			
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT		
Address:	VODA Spirit of North Tyneside Wing 2nd Floor, Wallsend Customer First Centre 16 The Forum Wallsend NE28 8JR		
	Date: 6 October 2025		

Deaf Awareness: NE

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts		2025	2025	2025	2024
					£
Grants	2		136553	136553	84892
Member Donations & Subscriptions		9882		9882	3200
Fundraising		862		862	692
Access to Work		13546		13546	5614
Training		2950		2950	1600
Total Receipts		27240	136553	163793	95998
Payments					
Salaries	3		44977	44977	41365
Room Hire			8453	8453	5719
Training Costs			10379	10379	6213
Communication Support		13456	20699	34155	15713
Resources & Refreshments			356	356	693
Advertising & Promotion			610	610	0
Travel			964	964	1281
Activities			200	200	1157
Rent			3035	3035	4230
Accountancy & Payroll fees			1027	1027	915
Supplies			8791	8791	2255
Insurance			239	239	207
Miscellaneous Service Costs			810	810	417
Total Payments		13456	100540	113996	80165
Surplus / deficit for the year		13784	36013	49797	15833
Funds as at 1 April 2024		4825	32714	37539	21706
Funds at 31 March 2025		18609	68727	87336	37539

Deaf Awareness: NE

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

		2025 £	2024 £
	Notes		
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		84695	32765
Debtors	4	<u>2641</u>	<u>4774</u>
Total Cash Balances		<u>87336</u>	<u>37539</u>
Current Liabilities		0	0
For the year ended 31 March 2025		<u>87336</u>	<u>37539</u>
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds	5	68727	32714
Unrestricted Funds		18609	4825
		<u>87336</u>	<u>37539</u>

Signed Position

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Date

Deaf Awareness: NE

Notes to the accounts, 2025

1. Basis of accounts

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Deaf Awareness: NE 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:

Restricted

Peter Harrison Foundation	2000
Reaching Communities North East and Cumbria	88133
Awards for All	20000
Sir James Knott Trust	5000
Hadrian Trust	1000
National Survivor	150
NHS North East & North Cumbria	20000
North Tyneside Badminton Partnership Group	100
Tinnitus UK	70
Wallsend Bewicke	100

136553

3. Trustees and Staff

Total Staff Costs for the year:

44977

4. Access to Work (Debtor)

Access to Work funding was received from the DWP.
This is funded in arrears: £2,640.50 .

5. Costs of financial services

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

6 Restricted Funds balance at 31 March 2024

	Balance at April 2024	Income	Expend	Balance at March 2025
Awards for All		20000	0	20000
Badminton England	250		250	0
Community Foundation (Daisy Marr Fund)	0			0
Coop Local Community Fund	736		736	0
Crowd Fund North of Tyne	579		579	0
Enterprise Development Fund	0			0
Hadrian Trust		1000	1000	0
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	0			0
National Survivor		150		150
NHS North East & North Cumbria		20000		20000
North Tyneside Badminton Partnership Group		100	100	0
North Tyneside Health Inequalities Fund	0			0
Peter Harrison Foundation	1349	2000	3349	0
Reaching Communities North East and Cumbria	29300	88138	89570	27868
RW Mann Trust	500			500
Sir James Knott Trust	0	5000	4639	361
Tinitus UK	0	70	70	0
Wallsend Bewicke	0	100	100	0
	32714	136558	100393	68879

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For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Trustees' Annual Report 2023-24

deaf awareness: NE was established to raise deaf awareness amongst people and communities and bring together deaf and hearing people with areas of common interest.

As of April 2023 the organisation was delivering weekly sessions mainly in-person with some option to participate online. These sessions included regular sports and health based sessions, arts and craft based sessions, a tinnitus support group, a deaf and sign social group, sign language and signed singing.

As the year progressed we established social outings and access visits that looked at the positive and not so positive experiences for deaf and hard of hearing people in community settings such as theatres and museums.

We continued the process of looking at access issues via the delivery of deaf awareness training to businesses, corporations, and some of the venues that we had previously attended for access visits.

At September 2023 we were delighted to start a National Lottery Reaching Communities programme entitled Together: Better Access, a two year project that is looking at access to services and how these might be improved for deaf and hard of hearing people.

With the start of this project we were able to secure the positions of one full time worker and two part-time workers for a two year period. The project also allowed us to connect with many more venues and organisations for collaborative work, and to include additional sessions such as healthy cookery, carpet bowls, and special events.

Under the banner of the North of Tyne Combined Authority, we successfully crowdfunded for a project to take BSL Fingerspelling into First and Primary schools across North Tyneside, Northumberland and Newcastle, concluding this with some filmed footage of the children showing their signing skills.

We are immensely grateful also to Sir James Knott Trust, Magic Little Grants, and the Co-op Local Community Fund for their financial support during this period.

Membership subscriptions and donations have again been extremely valuable in helping us to maintain the diversity and quality in service delivery that we take pride in offering.

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Signed:			
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT		
Address:	VODA Spirit of North Tyneside Wing 2nd Floor, Wallsend Customer First Centre 16 The Forum Wallsend NE28 8JR		
	Date: 24 July 2024		

Deaf Awareness: NE

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts		2024	2024	2024	2023
					£
Grants	2		84892	84892	37113
Member Donations & Subscriptions		3200		3200	2251
Fundraising		692		692	595
Access to Work		5614		5614	0
Training		1600		1600	3850
Total Receipts		11106	84892	95998	43809
Payments					
Salaries	3	1694	39671	41365	29084
Room Hire		263	5456	5719	4457
Training Costs			6213	6213	1754
Communication Support		5642	10071	15713	2145
Resources & Refreshments		22	671	693	1016
Advertising & Promotion				0	1000
Travel		6	1275	1281	418
Activities		481	676	1157	660
Rent			4230	4230	2672
Admin Fees				0	246
Accountancy & Payroll fees			915	915	762
Supplies		350	1905	2255	1489
Insurance			207	207	243
Miscellaneous Service Costs		54	363	417	143
Total Payments		8512	71653	80165	46089
Surplus / deficit for the year		2594	13239	15833	-2280
Funds as at 1 April 2023		2231	19475	21706	23986
Funds at 31 March 2024		4825	32714	37539	21706

Deaf Awareness: NE

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

		2024 £	2023 £
	Notes		
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		32765	21706
Debtors	4	<u>4774</u>	<u>21706</u>
Total Cash Balances		<u>37539</u>	<u>21706</u>
Current Liabilities		0	0
For the year ended 31 March 2024		<u>37539</u>	<u>21706</u>
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds	5	32714	19475
Unrestricted Funds		4825	2231
		<u>37539</u>	<u>21706</u>

Signed Position

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Notes to the accounts, 2024

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2. Grants Received:

Restricted

Coop Local Communtiy Fund	1223
Crowd Fund North of Tyne	4469
Enterprise Development Fund	5000
Peter Harrison Foundation	2500
RW Mann Trust	500
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	500
Reaching Communities North East and Cumbria	65700
Sir James Knott Trust	5000

84892

3. Trustees and Staff

Total Staff Costs for the year:

41365

4. Access to Work (Debtor)

Access to Work funding was received from the DWP.

This is funded in arrears: £4,774.50 was received after the year end but is accounted for within these financial statements.

5. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £350.

6 Restricted Funds balance at 31 March 2024

	Balance at April 2023	Income	Expend	Balance at March 2024
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	0	500	500	0
Coop Local Communtiy Fund	346	1223	833	736
North Tyneside Health Inequalities Fund	10833		10833	0
Badminton England	250			250
Barbour Foundation (Support Groups)	1739		1739	0
Better Together Fund (Racket Sports)	1747		1747	0
Community Foundation (Daisy Marr Fund)	4560		4560	0
Crowd Fund North of Tyne		4469	3890	579
Enterprise Development Fund		5000	5000	0
Peter Harrison Foundation		2500	1151	1349
RW Mann Trust		500	0	500
Reaching Communities North East and Cumbria		65700	36400	29300
Sir James Knott Trust		5000	5000	0
	19475	84892	71653	32714

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Following the success of these sessions we were able to launch a Health Inequalities Funded Project called DASH (deaf access to sport and health), and a project based on Racket sports via Better Together funding.

Later in the year we added an Arts & Creativity regular session to our programme and two part-time workers were enlisted to help deliver the full weekly programme.

Alongside the weekly programme we continued to develop our deaf awareness training delivery and we set up a series of deaf access visits to various venues within the local area. A promotional video was made to help advertise our deaf awareness training programme and all money raised from deaf awareness training was reinvested into our delivery of weekly sessions and activities.

Our organisation was once more accepted into the Co-op Local Community Fund and this offered opportunities for additional fundraising activity.

Along with such fundraising activity, membership subscriptions and donations have again been extremely valuable in helping us to maintain the diversity and quality in service delivery that we take pride in offering.

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Signed:			
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT		
Address:	VODA Spirit of North Tyneside Wing 2nd Floor, Wallsend Customer First Centre 16 The Forum Wallsend NE28 8JR		
	Date: 29 June 2023		

Deaf Awareness: NE

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts		2023	2023	2023	2022
					£
Grants	2		37113	37113	22269
Member Donations & Subscriptions		2251		2251	3090
Fundraising		595		595	396
Legacies				0	0
Training		3850		3850	51
Total Receipts		6696	37113	43809	25806
Payments					
Salaries	3	4538	24546	29084	28692
Room Hire		1267	3190	4457	1856
Training Costs		195	1559	1754	2080
Communication Support		1045	1100	2145	2561
Resources & Refreshments		768	248	1016	108
Advertising & Promotion		1000		1000	0
Travel		320	98	418	6
Activities			660	660	0
Rent		81	2591	2672	2736
Admin Fees		180	66	246	415
Accountancy & Payroll fees		638	124	762	692
Supplies		1172	317	1489	1455
Insurance		243		243	259
Miscellaneous Service Costs		143		143	
Total Payments		11590	34499	46089	40860
Surplus / deficit for the year		-4894	2614	-2280	-15054
Funds as at 1 April 2022		7125	16861	23986	39040
Funds at 31 March 2023		2231	19475	21706	23986

Deaf Awareness: NE

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		21706	23986
Total Cash Balances		<u>21706</u>	<u>23986</u>
Current Liabilities		0	0
For the year ended 31 March 2023		<u>21706</u>	<u>23986</u>
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds	5	19475	16861
Unrestricted Funds		2231	7125
		<u>21706</u>	<u>23986</u>

Signed Position

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Notes to the accounts, 2023

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2. Grants Received:	Restricted	Unrestrict	Total
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	500		500
Whitley Bay Big Local (Deaf & Social Sign)	1200		1200
Community Foundation (Daisy Marr Fund)	5000		5000
Community Foundation (Lets Create)	3000		3000
North Tyneside Health Inequalities Fund	19000		19000
Better Together Fund (Racket Sports)	5893		5893
North Tyneside Badminton Partnership Group (Badminton)	200		200
Badminton England (Badminton)	250		250
Barbour Foundation (Support Groups)	2000		2000
National Survivor	70		70
	37113	0	37113

3. Trustees and Staff

Total Staff Costs for the year: **29084**

4. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £350.

5 Restricted Funds balance at 31 March 2023	Balance at April 2022	Income	Expend	Balance at March 2023
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	0	500	500	0
Coop Local Community Fund	1019		673	346
Whitley Bay Big Local (Deaf & Social Sign)	0	1200	1200	0
Community Partnership Fund	2122		2122	0
North Tyneside Health Inequalities Fund	0	19000	8167	10833
Community Foundation - Awards For All	911		911	0
Badminton England	0	250	0	250
National Lottery	234		234	0
Enterprise Development Fund	12575		12575	0
Barbour Foundation (Support Groups)		2000	261	1739
Better Together Fund (Racket Sports)		5893	4146	1747
Community Foundation (Daisy Marr Fund)		5000	440	4560
Community Foundation (Lets Create)		3000	3000	0
North Tyneside Badminton Partnership Group (Badminton)		200	200	0
National Survivor		70	70	0
Restricted Funds c/fwd to 2022-23	16861	37113	34499	19475

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Deaf Awareness: NE

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2023

Charity No. 1178549

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: **Deaf Awareness: NE**

Reg'd Charity No: 1178549

Trustees: Karen Skipper (Chair)
Helen Ganson (Treasurer)
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Trustees' Annual Report 2022-23

deaf awareness: NE was established to raise deaf awareness amongst people and communities and bring together deaf and hearing people with areas of common interest.

As of April 2022 the organisation was delivering weekly sessions both in-person and online. These sessions included regular sports and health based sessions, tinnitus support, a deaf chat group, sign language and signed singing.

Following the success of these sessions we were able to launch a Health Inequalities Funded Project called DASH (deaf access to sport and health), and a project based on Racket sports via Better Together funding.

Later in the year we added an Arts & Creativity regular session to our programme and two part-time workers were enlisted to help deliver the full weekly programme.

Alongside the weekly programme we continued to develop our deaf awareness training delivery and we set up a series of deaf access visits to various venues within the local area. A promotional video was made to help advertise our deaf awareness training programme and all money raised from deaf awareness training was reinvested into our delivery of weekly sessions and activities.

Our organisation was once more accepted into the Co-op Local Community Fund and this offered opportunities for additional fundraising activity.

Along with such fundraising activity, membership subscriptions and donations have again been extremely valuable in helping us to maintain the diversity and quality in service delivery that we take pride in offering.

Our social media platforms play a big part in helping to keep our members informed and connected, with regular updates on our website and positive posts appearing across our Facebook page.

Our members, volunteers and Board of Trustees remain key to the success of our organisation and we, once again, thank each and every person for their attendance, contribution and support throughout this financial year.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to Financial Statements

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 1993.

Signed:Chair, on behalf of Trustees

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the trustees of	Deaf Awareness: NE		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2023	Charity no	1178549
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:			
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT		
Address:	VODA Spirit of North Tyneside Wing 2nd Floor, Wallsend Customer First Centre 16 The Forum Wallsend NE28 8JR		
	Date: 29 June 2023		

Deaf Awareness: NE

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts		2023	2023	2023	2022
					£
Grants	2		37113	37113	22269
Member Donations & Subscriptions		2251		2251	3090
Fundraising		595		595	396
Legacies				0	0
Training		3850		3850	51
Total Receipts		6696	37113	43809	25806
Payments					
Salaries	3	4538	24546	29084	28692
Room Hire		1267	3190	4457	1856
Training Costs		195	1559	1754	2080
Communication Support		1045	1100	2145	2561
Resources & Refreshments		768	248	1016	108
Advertising & Promotion		1000		1000	0
Travel		320	98	418	6
Activities			660	660	0
Rent		81	2591	2672	2736
Admin Fees		180	66	246	415
Accountancy & Payroll fees		638	124	762	692
Supplies		1172	317	1489	1455
Insurance		243		243	259
Miscellaneous Service Costs		143		143	
Total Payments		11590	34499	46089	40860
Surplus / deficit for the year		-4894	2614	-2280	-15054
Funds as at 1 April 2022		7125	16861	23986	39040
Funds at 31 March 2023		2231	19475	21706	23986

Deaf Awareness: NE

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		21706	23986
Total Cash Balances		<u>21706</u>	<u>23986</u>
Current Liabilities		0	0
For the year ended 31 March 2023		<u>21706</u>	<u>23986</u>
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds	5	19475	16861
Unrestricted Funds		2231	7125
		<u>21706</u>	<u>23986</u>

Signed Position

Signed Position

Date

Deaf Awareness: NE

Notes to the accounts, 2023

1. Basis of accounts

The financial 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

Deaf Awareness: NE 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:	Restricted	Unrestrict	Total
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	500		500
Whitley Bay Big Local (Deaf & Social Sign)	1200		1200
Community Foundation (Daisy Marr Fund)	5000		5000
Community Foundation (Lets Create)	3000		3000
North Tyneside Health Inequalities Fund	19000		19000
Better Together Fund (Racket Sports)	5893		5893
North Tyneside Badminton Partnership Group (Badminton)	200		200
Badminton England (Badminton)	250		250
Barbour Foundation (Support Groups)	2000		2000
National Survivor	70		70
	37113	0	37113

3. Trustees and Staff

Total Staff Costs for the year: **29084**

4. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £350.

5 Restricted Funds balance at 31 March 2023	Balance at April 2022	Income	Expend	Balance at March 2023
Magic Little Grants (Arts & Creativity Project)	0	500	500	0
Coop Local Community Fund	1019		673	346
Whitley Bay Big Local (Deaf & Social Sign)	0	1200	1200	0
Community Partnership Fund	2122		2122	0
North Tyneside Health Inequalities Fund	0	19000	8167	10833
Community Foundation - Awards For All	911		911	0
Badminton England	0	250	0	250
National Lottery	234		234	0
Enterprise Development Fund	12575		12575	0
Barbour Foundation (Support Groups)		2000	261	1739
Better Together Fund (Racket Sports)		5893	4146	1747
Community Foundation (Daisy Marr Fund)		5000	440	4560
Community Foundation (Lets Create)		3000	3000	0
North Tyneside Badminton Partnership Group (Badminton)		200	200	0
National Survivor		70	70	0
Restricted Funds c/fwd to 2022-23	16861	37113	34499	19475

Accounts

Deaf Awareness: NE

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 March 2021

Charity No. 1178549

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: **Deaf Awareness: NE**

Reg'd Charity No: 1178549

Trustees: Karen Skipper (Chair)
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Trustees' Annual Report 2020-21

deaf awareness: NE was established to raise deaf awareness amongst people and communities and bring together deaf and hearing people with areas of common interest.

From April 2020 we faced the daunting challenge of the appearance of the coronavirus and the accompanying restrictions on freedom and movement, and we knew that we needed to adapt our service provision quickly to continue to cater for the needs and desires of our client group.

Our Board of Trustees acted swiftly as we assessed the need for continued provision, deciding that this could be achieved online using the zoom platform. Our members were very positive in responding to this form of delivery and in a short space of time we were able to establish regular online Sign Language Sharing sessions and to create some online fun via our Signed Singing group.

With necessary financial support from Karbon Homes, the Covid 19 Response Fund, RW Mann and the Sylvia Wadilove Foundation, we managed to increase our weekly online programme and include a tinnitus support group, zoom photography group, deaf chat group and some generic health based sessions.

As the year progressed our Sport England funded Deaf Sports Project ably interchanged its face-to-face activity for online provision including yoga, pilates, tai chi and exercise and fitness.

Such online provision led to a broader geographical spread in our attendances and to an overall increase in membership. Membership subscriptions and donations have been crucial in helping us to maintain the diversity and quality in service delivery that we take pride in offering.

Our social media platforms have played a huge role this past twelve months in helping to keep our members informed and connected, with regular updates on our website and positive posts appearing across our Facebook and Instagram platforms.

Our members, volunteers and Board of Trustees remain key to the success of our organisation and we thank each and every person for their attendance, contribution and support through an incredibly challenging period that we are pleased say our organisation has emerged from strongly.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to Financial Statements

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 1993.

Signed:Chair, on behalf of Trustees

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the trustees of	Deaf Awareness: NE		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2021	Charity no	1178549
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.		
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Signed:			
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT		
Address:	VODA Linskill Centre Linskill Terrace North Shields NE30 2AY		
	Date: 21 June 2021		

Deaf Awareness: NE

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts		2021	2021	2021	2020
					£
Grants	2	721	37540	38261	29544
Member Donations & Subscriptions		3078		3078	2140
Fundraising		0		0	324
Legacies		0		0	0
Training		75		75	2170
Collaboration		0		0	500
Total Receipts		3874	37540	41414	34678
Payments					
Salaries	3		17268	17268	14342
Room Hire		336	421	757	3574
Training Costs		106	789	895	896
Communication Support		133	856	989	1741
Resources & Refreshments		11		11	219
Web Development				0	360
Travel				0	970
Outings				0	206
Rent			2093	2093	2048
Admin Fees			170	170	260
Accountancy & Payroll fees		439		439	511
Supplies		268	144	412	774
Tenant Signage				0	60
Insurance		260		260	0
Total Payments		1553	21741	23294	25961
Surplus / deficit for the year		2321	15799	18120	8717
Funds as at 1 April 2020		2509	18411	20920	12203
Funds at 31 March 2021		4830	34210	39040	20920

Deaf Awareness: NE

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		39040	20920
Total Cash Balances		<u>39040</u>	<u>20920</u>
Current Liabilities		0	0
For the year ended 31 March 2021		<u>39040</u>	<u>20920</u>
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds	5	34210	18411
Unrestricted Funds		4830	2509
		<u>39040</u>	<u>20920</u>

Signed Position

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Date

Deaf Awareness: NE

Notes to the accounts, 2021

1. Basis of accounts

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Deaf Awareness: NE 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:	Restricted	Unrestrict	Total
Karbon Homes	1000		1000
Badminton England	500		500
R W Mann	1000		1000
National Lottery - Covid Response	4150		4150
Co-op Local Community Fund		721	721
Sylvia Waddilove Foundation	1000		1000
Local Connection Fund	2390		2390
Enterprise Development Fund	24500		24500
Foyle Foundation	2500		2500
Magic Little Grants	500		500
	37540	721	38261

3. Trustees and Staff

Total Staff Costs for the year:
Salaries

17268

4. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £300.

5 Restricted Funds balance at 31 March 2021

	Balance at April 2020	Income	Expend	Balance at March 2021
Hadrian Trust	428	0	428	0
Karbon Homes	0	1000	1000	0
Badminton England	295	500	638	157
R W Mann	0	1000	1000	0
Community Foundation - Prime Fund	1865	0	1865	0
Sport England	6223	0	4313	1910
Community Foundation - Awards For All	9600	0	6939	2661
National Lottery - Covid Response	0	4150	3018	1132
Sylvia Waddilove Foundation	0	1000	150	850
Local Connection Fund	0	2390	2390	0
Enterprise Development Fund	0	24500	0	24500
Foyle Foundation	0	2500	0	2500
Magic Little Grants	0	500	0	500
Restricted Funds c/fwd to 2021-22	18411	37540	21741	34210