

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)
Helen Ganson (Treasurer)
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Independent
Examiner: Mark Thompson MAAT
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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.		
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 Linskill Centre Linskill Terrace North Shields NE30 2AY		
	Date: 21 June 2021		

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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

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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>

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Notes to the accounts, 2021

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
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