



# **Safaplace**

Charity number: 1179202

## **Trustees' Report for the year ended May 2022**

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

Safaplace is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registered on 11th February 2017 and governed by its constitution. The CIO was established under a constitution, which defines the objects and power of the charitable organisation and is governed by such.

### **Background**

Safaplace was created in 2017 after the deaths by suicide of 16 year olds, Rachel Finke and Harry Lisle within a three month period; it grew from fundraising initiatives by school, friends and family and exists in their memory.

Safaplace became officially established as a registered charity no. 1179202 in July 2018.

As of January 2021 the Trustees are: Jane Acton (Secretary), Salma Asokomhe, Michael Collins (Chair), Annie Gammon, Sarah Finke and Rose White (Treasurer).

Our associate trustees are: Richard Allen, Antonia Canning, Kathy Manners, Tom Moore, and Andrea Watts.

### **Charitable aims and objectives**

The charity's aims are :

- To make Stoke Newington a neighbourhood where young people can find help and support for all aspects of mental health
- To make Stoke Newington school a centre for positive mental health awareness and to share and learn with other schools and the wider community

Safaplace's charitable objects: The preservation and protection of mental health and wellbeing among pupils of Stoke Newington school, people living in the London borough of Hackney and the surrounding area and throughout England and Wales by the provision of support, education, practical advice and by such other means as the trustees may determine.

SafePlace continues its role within the community, helping parents to support their children's mental health and well-being.

Once again COVID19 has meant our plans for the year have not always happened the way they were expected to but has provided us with the chance to work flexibly with others to ensure events have taken place.

The free conference, which was hosted by the online platform, Balloon, showcased some of the many organisations doing great work in our community, and explored different ways of maintaining positive wellbeing and mental health, through creativity and discussion

We were thrilled to welcome Derek Owusu, the award-winning writer and poet from North London, as this year's keynote speaker. Owusu's first novel, 'That Reminds Me', and the first work of fiction to be published by Stormzy's Merky Books imprint, won the Desmond Elliott Prize for debut fiction.

Also on the programme were Dr. Helen Sharples and Rachel Lee Jones who returned with their hugely popular talk on how to communicate with teenagers; Adisa the Verbaliser who hosted a workshop on using poetry to support well-being, and we heard from local organisations The Discovery Ship, Targeted Health and Open Minds Alliance.

Theresa Goacher discussed eating disorders, and Safaplace co-founder Sarah Finke and Trustee Richard Allen gave a workshop on supporting parents and carers.

The morning was completed with entertainment from the celebrated local poet and comedian, John Hegley. Feedback from the day was extremely positive.

The mosaic we commissioned with Hackney Mosaic Project was completed and now takes pride of place in the reflective garden in Stoke Newington School Year 7 and 8 playground. . The Hackney Mosaic Project aims to help people with addiction and mental health problems. They engage volunteers, recruited both from the Hackney recovery Services and the local community, in making large mosaics in Hackney Parks and other locations. Founder Tessa Hunkin, joined Year 7 and 8 students from Stoke Newington School to design and start work on a piece of artwork for the reflective garden. The piece was then finished by Hackney Mosaic Works in their studios.

Safaplace continues to take its place on the steering committee of The Wellbeing and Mental Health in Schools (WAMHS), a project led by the CAMHS Alliance with the support of the Children and Young People's workstream at Hackney Council. This project aims to improve mental health and wellbeing support for children and young people in schools, colleges, specialist and alternative provision education settings. Over the period, three members of the Safaplace team have been working in a close advisory capacity with WAMHS.

Eating disorders are unfortunately still on the rise. Our Eating Disorders parent /carer support group, backed by Safaplace, is run by a parent with lived experience and invites experts from different organisations to support discussions and share information and advice. This takes place monthly online.

In March 22, Safaplace welcomed the Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review which said the search should never have happened, and was "unlikely to have been disconnected from her ethnicity and her background as a child growing up on an estate in Hackney", and echoes local MP's Diane Abbot's views in pinpointing racism and misogyny in the Metropolitan police.



FINANCIAL REVIEW 1. The results of the year's operation are set out in the attached financial statements. The net movement in funds for the year amounted to £4899 and the retained reserves as at 31st May 2022 is £43973 compared with £39074 last year.

RESERVE POLICY 2. The Charity Commission requires charities to determine and explain their policy for free reserves. The trustees have reviewed the organisation's free reserves policy and have turned its entire unrestricted fund into an emergency reserve to enable Safaplace to meet its obligations in the event of a shortfall in income or sudden upturn in expenditure.

RISK MANAGEMENT 3. The trustees have examined the major risks which Safaplace faces and believe that maintaining their free reserves at a reasonable level, combined with their annual review of the controls over key financial systems will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS 4. The organisation has no fixed assets

FUNDS AVAILABLE 5. The present level of funding is adequate to support the continuation of the charity operations for the medium term, and the trustees consider the financial position of the charity to be satisfactory and have turned its entire unrestricted fund into an emergency reserve to enable Safaplace to meet its obligations in the event of a shortfall in income or sudden upturn in expenditure.



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
Safaplace

No (if any)  
1179202

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
Apr-21

To

Period end date  
May-22

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	4,652	-	-	4,652	-
Fundraising	1,375	-	-	1,375	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>5,826</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>5,826</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
conference	-	850	-	850	-
expenses	-	278	-	278	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>- 1,128</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,899</b>	<b>5,826</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>- 1,128</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,899</b>	<b>5,826</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	43,973	-	-
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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Rose White	Rose White	7/7/23
Sarah Finke	Sarah Finke	7/7/23