

THE ELLIE THORNTON FOUNDATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1179880

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-09-11

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

Contact

Address 127 Greenways Crescent
Shoreham-By-Sea
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Phone 07884036244

Website elliethorntonfoundation.org.uk

Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AND ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ENGLAND AND WALES:(1) THE ADVANCEMENT OF HEALTH AND THE SAVING OF LIVES OF CHILDREN BY RAISING AWARENESS OF ROAD SAFETY ISSUES AND MAKING STRATEGIC INTERVENTIONS TO IMPROVE ROAD SAFETY AND ROAD USE IN THE VICINITY OF SCHOOLS, BUS STOPS, PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS, AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOLS; (2) THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED, BY REASON OF ILL-HEALTH AND DISABILITY, INCLUDING WHERE SUCH ILL-HEALTH AND DISABILITY CAUSE SOCIAL OR ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE, BY PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO FAMILIES OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES OR ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE OUTINGS AND ACTIVITIES;(3) THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED BY REASON OF BEREAVEMENT THROUGH THE LOSS OF A CHILD, BY PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO ASSIST WITH THE GRIEVING PROCESS AND TO ENABLE FAMILIES TO REMEMBER THEIR LOVED ONES.

Activities: Raising awareness of road safety issues and making strategic interventions to improve road safety and road use in the vicinity of schools, bus stops, pedestrian crossings, and to contribute to safer routes to school. Providing financial assistance to families of children with disabilities or additional needs in order to facilitate days out.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£6,655	£9,600	-	-
2024-04-05	£800	£1,068	-	-
2023-04-05	£6,394	£4,692	-	-
2022-04-05	£1,000	£2,128	-	-
2021-04-05	£370	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
BENJAMIN MICHAEL THORNTON	Chair	2018-09-11
Katie Elizabeth Ann Paling		2024-03-18
Steven Robinson		2021-09-20
Tamsyn Holmes		2021-09-20
VICTORIA LOUISE THORNTON		2018-09-11

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Denise Thornton (deceased 31 July 2024)

Karen Fishwick (resigned 1st April 2025)

Report of the Trustees for the period ended 5 April 2025

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The activities of the Foundation in this reporting period were focussed on fundraising through the main fundraising event ELLIEFEST.

Achievements and performance

In 2024-2025 the charity activities focused on:

- Planning and delivery of ELLIEFEST 2024
- Inducting new board members
- Creating new video assets for the website to describe what the charity does
- Approving £6897 road safety grants to 21 schools which would benefit 6667 children attending those schools.

The raised income for the year was: £6655 was raised through donations throughout the year with a marked increase in the month July to September which we attribute to the ELLIEFEST 2024 event in July.



The charity gave out road safety grants of £6224 in the period. The discrepancy with approved grants is due to applicants not taking up the grant within the same financial year it was offered, or failing to complete requisite paperwork to secure their grant.

Fundraising and administration costs were: £1145

Event material costs were: £2231

Total expenditure including grants given was £9600

The highlight of the year was ELLIEFEST which raises funds for the charity mainly through donations and through the charity creating profit through refreshment, and games stalls at the event. The event also serves as a key opportunity for local level promotion of the charity and the grant making schemes we offer. Each year ELLIEFEST is a catalyst to the grant giving year ahead, both with a fresh injection of funds but also triggering a peak in applications as a result of our significant marketing campaign that reaches approx 20,000 people.

We onboarded the two new Trustees Katie Paling and Karen Fishwick.

We took part in a number of smaller charity fundraising/profile raising events in the locality led by Trustee Denise Thornton and our local volunteers.

The charity ended the year with **£12,250** funds in the bank.

Challenges

A funding application to The David Hunt Foundation resulted in a grant offer, which was then rescinded as we were informed with too little notice to attend their event which was a contingent of receiving the grant.

Founding Trustee Denise Thornton passed away after a short illness on 31 July 2024. Denise's expertise in working with volunteers and her role promoting the charity on the circuit of local charity events will be hard to replace.

Progress toward the delivery of objectives

(1) Road Safety Initiative

The 2024 / 2025 year was our most successful to date, for the road safety grant programme, supported by the addition of a skilled administrator, to support applicants to provide all the required data to make the request eligible.



(2) Ellie Days

The Ellie Days programme of support wasn't widely taken up. A partnership was explored with SIBS - a charity focused on the brothers and sisters of children and adults with disabilities, and is yet to come to full fruition.

(3) Bereaved family support

The charity is open to requests for funds but has no published scheme at present.

Public benefit

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Contribution of Volunteers

The Trustees have worked in a voluntary capacity for the charity in the year 2024 – 2025.

Plans for the future

ELLIEFEST 2026 was booked for July 2026 with a biennial pattern established, next events planned in 2028, 2030

Our focus in 2026 will be delivering ELLIEFEST 26 and a major focus on Road Safety grants.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 5/2/26 by email.
and signed by:

B Thornton
Chair of Trustees



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
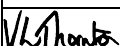
Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2024	To	Period end date 05/04/2025
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	1,601	-	-	1,601	-
Fundraising Events	5,054	-	-	5,054	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,655	-	-	6,655	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,655	-	-	6,655	-
A3 Payments					
Charity Event Materials	2,231	-	-	2,231	-
Fundraising Costs	1,145	-	-	1,145	-
Grant Funding	6,224	-	-	6,224	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,600	-	-	9,600	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,600	-	-	9,600	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,945	-	-	- 2,945	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 2,945	-	-	- 2,945	-

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in account	12,250	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	12,250	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	 	Ben Thornton Vicky Thornton	05/02/2026 05/02/2026	

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The activities of the Foundation in this reporting period were focussed on increasing capacity and systems to enable the charity to operate more effectively.

Achievements and performance

In 2023-2024 the charity activities were limited but productive for future growth, especially laying the groundwork for future grant making. The brought forward from the previous year, and a total of **£799.19** was raised through donations and via Amazon Smile.

The charity paused its grants-making as processes were reviewed and updated, through the appointment of the charity's first freelance administrator (as a 6 month pilot).

Fundraising and material costs were **£1067.69** including the cost of freelance administrator..

The highlight of the year was appointing our first administrator to support the charity, providing much needed capacity to interrogate how the programmes are working and to make improvements to forms, agreements and our mailing lists.



We undertook a comprehensive review of how we appoint trustees and agreed on a formal protocol. We undertook a skills audit to ascertain where our skills gaps are as a group. As a result we appointed two new trustees: Katie Paling and Karen Fishwick at the end of this period. Katie brings extensive marketing expertise, and Karen brings local logistics and hospitality experience.

Planning for the second ELLIEFEST 24 was well underway during this year, due to take place in July 2024 laying the groundwork for our third major fundraising event, after the Star Gala, ELLIEFEST 2022 which are the main income sources for the charity.

We took part in a number of smaller charity fundraising/profile raising events in the locality led by Trustee Denise Thornton and our local volunteers.

The charity ended the year with **£15,196** funds in the bank.

Challenges

Ellie Day grants and Road Safety Grants were paused during this period, as we undertook a review of how the schemes were working, how schools were engaging and how we communicated the offer widely. We have struggled with profile and traction on Ellie Days and the expected level of partnership with Cherstnut Tree House has not resulted in applications. Decision was taken to prioritise the Road Safety Grant and to review the scheme and marketing as a priority.

Progress toward the delivery of objectives

(1) Road Safety Initiative

In this period the grant making scheme was reviewed. The criteria were updated and published on our website. Schools mailing lists were updated and added to mailchimp and e-marketing was created and distributed. We planned to align profile raising for the scheme alongside the profile we get through the EllieFest event - planned for July 2024.

(2) Ellie Days

A review of Ellie Days led us to decide to focus on getting the Road Safety Initiative operating as a priority.

(3) Bereaved family support

This part of the programme is on hold until the Foundation's capacity is increased.

Public benefit

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Contribution of Volunteers

The Trustees have worked in a voluntary capacity for the charity in the year 2023 – 2024.

Plans for the future

ELLIEFEST 2024 was booked for July 2024 with a biennial pattern established, next events planned in 2026, 2028.

Our focus in 2024 will be delivering ELLIEFEST 24 and a major focus on Road Safety grants as a result of this year's marketing focus.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 5/2/25 by email.

and signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B Thornton", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

B Thornton
Chair of Trustees



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2023	To	Period end date 05/04/2024
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	620	-	-	620	-
Amazon Smile	26	-	-	26	-
Fundraising Events	206	-	-	206	-
Bounced Cheques	52	-	-	52	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	800	-	-	800	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	800	-	-	800	-
A3 Payments					
Charity Event Materials	3	-	-	3	-
Fundraising Costs	1,065	-	-	1,065	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,068	-	-	1,068	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,068	-	-	1,068	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 268	-	-	- 268	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	15,464	-	-	15,464	-
Cash funds this year end	15,196	-	-	15,196	-

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in account	15,211	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,211	-	-
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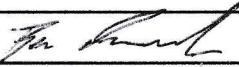
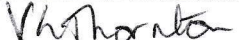
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Ben Thornton	1/2/25
	Vicky Thornton	1/2/25

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The activities of the Foundation in this reporting period were impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic, limiting its fundraising and delivery activities and the capacity of the Trustees to deliver the objectives. Planning work was the focus of the Trustees activities.

Achievements and performance

In 2022-2023 the charity activities were beginning to recover from incapacity due to the to the impact of Covid-19. **£13,777** was brought forward from the previous year, and a total of **£6,924** was raised through donations and the major fundraising event ELLIEFEST in its inaugural year.

The charity increased its activities giving grants for road safety initiatives to schools distributing: £1,086.



Fundraising costs were just £14 and the company invested £3,592 in charity materials to support profile raising and marketing over a number of years eg. A branded gazebo for events, volunteer T-shirts and print materials to advertise our programmes.

The highlight of the year was the inaugural major fundraiser ELLIEFEST which took place on 9 July 2022 at Clapham and Patching Village Hall site - which has a 3 acre showground attached. This event featured live music, arts and crafts, stalls and arena activities raising over £6000 on the day. 60 volunteers supported the event, and it was a huge success for profile raising and raising funds. The Trustees propose that ELLIEFEST becomes a biennial event in the ETF calendar.

The charity ended the year with £15,473 funds in the bank.

Challenges

Ellie Day grants were not issued in this period, and a review of that programme is under way. The Trustees have discussed internal capacity to deliver and are still in need of an administrator who can push the charities ambitions and deliver the impact the Foundation was set up to deliver. The success of ELLIEFEST 2022 as an event, demonstrated a large amount of support for the charities activities but also in turn takes a lot of the charity's human resources (Trustee time) to deliver. A biennial approach will be adopted to ensure focus on grant giving can be prioritised in the between years.

Progress toward the delivery of objectives

(1) Road Safety Initiative

The refreshed programme now allows schools to apply to ETF for funds to support any one-off road safety initiative eg. Signage, that the school requests up to a value of £1000 of which the charity will contribute 50% - maximum awards are £500.

(2) Ellie Days

Ellie Days marketing materials were produced and promoted at ELLIEFEST 2022, but we are not reaching our target market. More internal capacity is needed to build our marketing lists to ensure we are reaching eligible candidates. Ongoing conversation with Chestnut Tree House for referrals is in place.

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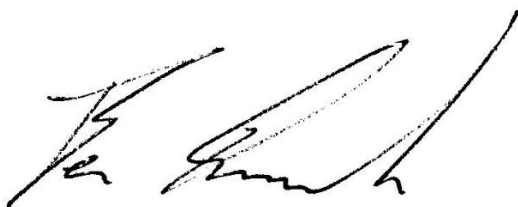
The Trustees have approached a freelancer to support the charity's administration in 2023 bringing much needed additional capacity into the team.

The Trustees also will seek to broaden the expertise on the Board, specifically in Communications and Marketing to support ETF to reach the identified beneficiaries.

ELLIEFEST 2024 is scheduled for July 2024.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 2/2/24 by email.

and signed by:



B Thornton
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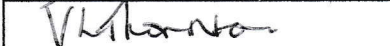
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Donations	3,425	-	-	3,425	-
Amazon Smile	35	-	-	35	-
Fundraising Events	3,480	-	-	3,480	-
Bounced Cheques	546	-	-	546	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,394	-	-	6,394	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,394	-	-	6,394	-
A3 Payments					
Charity Event Materials	3,592	-	-	3,592	-
Fundraising Costs	14	-	-	14	-
School Road Safety Grants	1,086	-	-	1,086	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,692	-	-	4,692	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,692	-	-	4,692	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,702	-	-	1,702	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,777	-	-	13,777	-
Cash funds this year end	15,479	-	-	15,479	-

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in account	15,479	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	15,479	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Ben Thornton	3/2/24	
		Vicky Thornton	3/2/24	

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Reference and administrative information for the period ended 5 April 2021

Charity number	1179880
Operational address	127 Greenways Crescent, Shoreham by Sea, West Sussex, BN43 6HP
Trustees	Trustees who served during the period from formation and up to the date of this report were as follows: Ben Thornton (Chair) Victoria Thornton Denise Thornton Anne Colvin Tamsyn Holmes Steven Robinson

Report of the Trustees for the period ended 5 April 2020

The Ellie Thornton Foundation (ETF) Trustees present their fourth report and financial statements as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) for the charity's period ended 5 April 2022. Reference and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the charity's trust deed and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the CIO are:

- (1) For the advancement of health and the saving of lives of children in England and Wales for the public benefit by raising awareness of road safety issues and making strategic interventions to improve road safety in particular, but not limited to, affecting road use in the vicinity of schools, bus stops, pedestrian crossings, and to contribute to safer routes to schools;
- (2) For the relief of those in need, by reason of ill-health and disability, including where such ill-health and disability cause financial hardship or other disadvantage to the families affected, in England and Wales for the public benefit, by providing resources such as financial and logistical support to such families to facilitate outings and activities for the siblings of children with additional needs;
- (3) For the relief of those in need by reason of bereavement through the loss of a child, by providing support and activities to promote wellbeing for families in England and Wales.

The activities of the Foundation in this reporting period were impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic, limiting its fundraising and delivery activities and the capacity of the Trustees to deliver the objectives. Planning work was the focus of the Trustees activities.

Achievements and performance

In 2021-2022 the charity activities were significantly reduced due to the impact of Covid-19. **£14,906** was brought forward from the previous year, and a total of **£1000** was raised through donations despite there being no major fundraising events.

The charity is still in a pilot/test phase of issuing grants via the Ellie days programme - **£335** award was granted to a beneficiary before a full launch to coincide with the major fundraising event EllieFest for July 2022.

As the charity was preparing for its major fundraising event in 2022, and incurred some costs towards the costs of the event of **£1775**, which were recouped at the event itself.



The charity ended the year with £13,777 funds in the bank.

Challenges

The charity has been working to build a fund to deliver the aims, but the pandemic has been an ongoing challenge to fundraising, and capacity of Trustees who have been impacted by school closures and health issues of Trustees. It has been identified that the foundation needs paid administration support to ensure continuity. Plans to develop a charity administrator role as cost effectiveness as possible to enable the charity to meet its aims are in development.

Progress toward the delivery of objectives

(1) Road Safety Initiative

The Trustees have reviewed this programme and decided to discontinue the association with West Sussex County Council specifically on body-worn cameras initiative as the council were unable to meet commitments. The programme will offer a broader scope of funding for schools to apply to us for to meet specific costs of road safety initiatives to be communicated directly to schools.

(2) Ellie Days

The Ellie Days initiative is open for application in a test phase mainly in partnership with Chestnut Tree House. Trustees have received 1 applicant before a full marketing drive has been initiated to raise awareness which was granted, and used as a test case to review how the grant can work.

(3) Bereaved family support

This part of the programme is on hold until the Foundation's capacity is increased.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties. The public benefit of the Charity's activities has been focussed on the raising of funds to support the programme moving forwards.

Policy on Grant Making

The ETF grant making policy and criteria around the Ellie days initiative and Schools Road Safety Programme are available on the website here:

<https://elliethorntonfoundation.org.uk/what-we-do/ellie-days/>

<https://elliethorntonfoundation.org.uk/what-we-do/road-safety-initiatives/>



Contribution of Volunteers

The Trustees have worked in a voluntary capacity for the charity in the year 2021 – 2022.

Plans for the future

The major fundraising event EllieFest was scheduled to take place 9th July 2022, and in this report period the Trustees were working to prepare a high quality, successful event as the second major event of the charity to raise funds for its causes.

Testing of Ellie Days grant making scheme, and a specific marketing drive with Chestnut Tree House is planned to increase the take up of test awards.

Testing the Road Safety Initiatives throughout 2022 into 2023 will enable the Trustees to assess if the scheme meets school's needs.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 3/2/23 by email.

and signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B Thornton', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

B Thornton
Chair of Trustees



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Ellie Thornton Foundation

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 06/04/2021	To	Period end date 05/04/2022
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	963	-	-	963	-
Amazon Smile	37	-	-	37	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
A3 Payments					
Charity Event Materials	69	-	-	69	-
Fundraising Costs	1,705	-	-	1,705	-
Ellie Days Grant Funding	335	-	-	335	-
Bounced Cheque	18	-	-	18	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,128	-	-	2,128	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,128	-	-	2,128	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,128	-	-	- 1,128	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,906	-	-	14,906	-
Cash funds this year end	13,777	-	-	13,777	-

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in account	13,777	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	13,777	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				


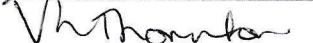
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Ben Thornton	3/2/23
	Vicky Thornton	3/2/23

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Victoria Thornton

Denise Thornton

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The activities of the Foundation in this reporting period were impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic, limiting its fundraising and delivery activities and the capacity of the Trustees to deliver the objectives. Planning work was the focus of the Trustees activities.

Achievements and performance

In 2020-2021 the charity activities were significantly reduced due to the impact of Covid-19. £14,535 was brought forward from the previous year, and a total of £370 was raised through donations (inc CAF monthly payments) and payments from Amazon Smile which the charity had signed up for. Additionally the charity completed registration for Givey, an online social fundraising donation platform following the closure of the MyDonate platform.

The continuation of Amazon Smile allowed our supporters to raise funds when they purchase items via the Amazon online shopping website.

No expenses were incurred in this financial year.



Challenges

There has been an ongoing challenge in establishing the original road safety initiative with West Sussex County Council, which was greenlit, and then was hampered by a change of personnel. Discussions are ongoing to relaunch this scheme.

The next large scale fundraising event - Ellie Fest - was planned for Summer 2020, but the subsequent pandemic has meant this event has had to be postponed to Summer 2022.

Ellie Days programme launch roll out has been postponed due to the pandemic.

Progress toward the delivery of objectives

(1) Road Safety Initiative

The pilot Body Worn Camera programme has been on hold, because West Sussex Council have been unable to deliver their side of the partnership. Due to the pandemic it has not been possible to progress further discussion with the council . This programme of road safety support is under review seeking a meaningful and impactful scheme to replace Body Worn cameras if the partnership is unviable.

(2) Ellie Days

The Ellie Days initiative was launched on the website in a test phase. An application was received, processed and grant offered, but due to pandemic there was delayed uptake from the recipient (as the theme park was closed), and finally delivered in the next reporting period.

(3) Bereaved family support

This part of the programme is on hold until the Foundation's capacity is increased.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties. The public benefit of the Charity's activities has been focussed on the raising of funds to support the programme moving forwards.

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Plans for the future

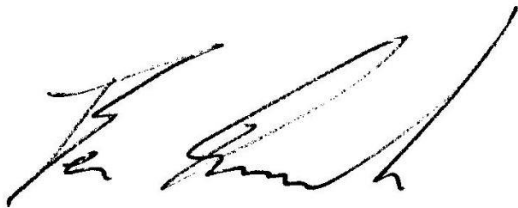
Planning for our second major fundraising event EllieFest was postponed due to Covid restriction limiting the possibility for a large scale event. EllieFest is scheduled to take place 9th July 2022.

Testing of Ellie Days grant making scheme, and a specific marketing drive with Chestnut Tree House is planned to increase the take up of test awards.

ETF Trustees continue to seek a meaningful partnership with West Sussex County council regarding supporting road safety initiatives that specific benefit school children.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 30/1/22 by email.

and signed by:



B Thornton
Chair of Trustees



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

06/04/2020

To

05/04/2021

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	347	-	-	347	-
Amazon Smile	23	-	-	23	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	370	-	-	370	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	370	-	-	370	-
A3 Payments					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	370	-	-	370	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,535	-	-	14,535	-
Cash funds this year end	14,905	-	-	14,905	-

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

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds			
Cash in account	14,905	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total cash funds	14,905	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))


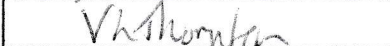
	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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

	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Ben Thornton	2/2/22
	Vicky Thornton	2/2/22