

WAVES ADDITIONAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1179923

Details

Other names WAVES

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2018-09-13

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

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE RELIED OF CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS, AND THEIR SIBLINGS IN NORTH EAST OF ENGLAND BY:-1)PROVIDING A SAFE, SUPPORTIVE AND NON-JUDGEMENTAL ENVIRONMENT FOR THEM TO PLAY;2)PROVIDING WEEKLY ACTIVITIES TO THE CHILDREN TO HELP DEVELOP THEIR SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL SKILLS WHICH WILL SUPPORT EMPOWERING THEIR EMOTIONAL WELLBEING; AND3)TO OFFER SUPPORT / ADVICE AND FRIENDSHIP TO THE PARENTS/CARERS OF THE ABOVE CHILDREN AS WELL AS SIGNPOSTING TO SPECIALIST SUPPORT AVAILABLE IN THE AREA.

Activities: WAVES provides a variety of indoor/outdoor activities suitable for a range of ages (0-25yrs).We have sports, bikes, scooters, cookery, independence training, crafts, hair and beauty, consoles, holistic therapies, a chill room, music, dance, yoga, dance and general fitness activities. We also offer swimming, seasonal parties, special events and activities concerning science/skills and nature.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- South Tyneside

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£88,011	£80,824	-	-
2023-09-30	£71,329	£49,772	-	-
2022-09-30	£41,866	£54,250	-	-
2021-09-30	£64,031	£78,046	-	-
2020-09-30	£74,380	£32,163	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SUZANNE HELEN JACKSON	Chair	2018-09-01
Alison Denny		2019-04-10
David Matthew Greener		2025-03-15
HELEN LOUISE Dunkley		2018-09-12
JOHN PAUL BAGLEY		2018-09-12
JOHN STUART WALLACE		2018-09-12
Jonathan Stephen		2021-05-01
Leanne Bagley		2019-04-10
Leoni Taylor		2019-04-10
Patricia Campbell		2019-04-10
RACHEL JANE MORETON		2018-09-12
Sarah Louise Devlin		2022-11-26
carole Linda Greener		2024-04-14

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Annual Report 2023-24



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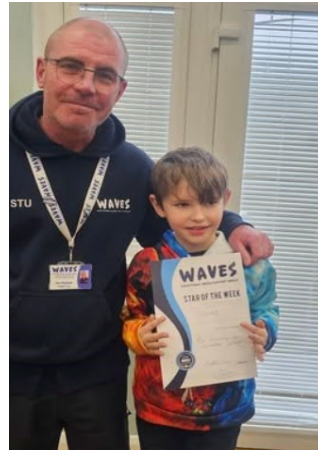
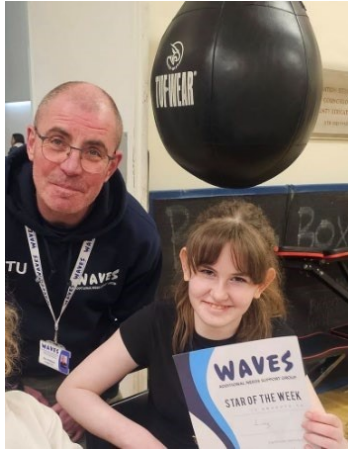
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Suzanne Jackson Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Chair Report – 2023 – 2024

Hello to you all and thank you for taking the time to read this year's annual report. As you will see when reading through, we have had another very busy year. Due to securing funding, we have been able to have many off-site activities as well as on-site. Some of the most memorable ones were:

- Flamingoland
- Moor House Camping Weekend
- The South Tyneside Summer Parade
- Paddleability
- Plessey Woods
- Butterfly World
- Surf School

Families shared many positive quotes from these such as:

I love seeing the children at waves learning ways to explore and enjoy art.

Paddleability has given me confidence in water to an extent I'm now learning to swim, I also enjoy helping/encouraging others who feel as if they are gaining their confidence on the water

My love of paddle ability it's something we would absolutely miss if we couldn't do it anymore!

Flamingoland and Preston Park were fantastic, being a single disabled parent there's no way we could have gone without waves thank you so much 😊😊

Surf school - my son absolutely loves the water, and this was ideal! Local and a supportive small session.

Some of the highlights of the year were:

- Being nominated and being finalists at this year's Best of South Tyneside Awards
- Being nominated for the Love South Tyneside Awards

Being nominated for these awards demonstrates that 'we are on the right track' and meeting the wishes of the members – which has always been our intention. So, thank you to the members and supporters that nominated WAVES Additional Needs Support Group.

We are delighted to welcome Wayne (Rambo) Groves as an Ambassador to WAVES – I am sure he will support our ventures as we will with him and the Red Bench Project.

Whilst we are disappointed that Steph Law has taken the decision to step down from the Committee to spend time with her precious granddaughter, we are over the moon with our

two new Committee Members – Emma Price and Carole Greener – already they have brought knowledge, expertise and creativity. Welcome to you both.

This year we have been very fortunate to receive funding from various sources such as Sir James Knott, The National Lottery, One Stop Community Partnership, Doggerbank, Durham Province, Bernicia Foundation, The Community Foundation, The Mayor's Charity, The Toy Fund, Asda, The Rotary Club and more - we thank these businesses for their philanthropy as without this support, we would not be able to cover the cost of running WAVES.

Be Modern approached us early in 2024 and shared that they would like WAVES to be their Charity of the Year. Since this time, they have raised an amazing amount of money through raffles and blind cards. They even provided the food required for a BBQ at Moor House Camping trip. We thank you all for taking the time to support a local charity.

I would also like to thank two outside supporters - Dan Jackson and Camilla Darling for choosing our charity to support whilst undertaking the Sunderland 10K and the Great North Run. Camilla ran in memory of her husband Paul who supported WAVES and raised over £6000. Thank you both so much.

To finish (so you can carry on reading the report), whilst I may be Chair of this Charity, and very proud to be so, it is only due to the commitment, hard work and individual selflessness of the Committee and Volunteers that WAVES Additional Needs Support Group continues to flourish and grow from strength to strength. A heartfelt thankyou to each one of you

Also, thank you to all the supporters of WAVES, we may not actually see you at WAVES, we know you are there and promoting us whenever you can – thank you.

Suzanne Jackson

Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Waves Committee/Trustee's

- Suzanne Jackson Chair/ Safeguarding Officer
- Gaynor Tate Co-Vice Chair/Secretary
- Rachel Moreton Treasurer/Shop Lead
- Helen Wallace Co-Vice Chair/Fundraiser & Events Co-Ordinator
- Patsi Campbell Arts and Crafts/Shop Lead
- Stu Wallace Equipment Maintenance/Volunteer Co-Ordinator
- Jonny Stephen Lead Sports Co-Ordinator
- John Paul Bagley Cookery Lead/ Sports Support
- Leoni Taylor Lead Events Team
- Alison Denny Events Team
- Carrie Tate Volunteer Co-Ordinator
- Leanne Bagley Events Team
- Charlie Torrance First Aid/Health and Safety Champion
- Carole Greener Bids/Early Years Lead
- Sarah Devlin Bids/Shop Lead
- Emma Price I.T. lead

Waves Patron

“Waves is a great example of hardworking volunteers coming together to form a terrific selfhelp group to support children with additional needs and their families. In these days of austerity, it has never been more important to support such groups who do so much for the vulnerable members of our community. Their drive and determination to do their very best for our ‘bairns’ is to be commended. In life we can either make Waves or calm troubled waters; they do both making sure their voice is heard and causes championed while giving their members a place in which to belong...I am honoured to have been asked to become their Patron”.

Ray Spencer MBE



Financial Report

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts	2024	2024	2024	2023
			£	£
Grants	2	30350	30350	46170
Donations	11081		11081	5080
Selling Page/Waves Shop	16356		16356	8180
Fund Raising Events	21178		21178	2855
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Takings			0	398
Raffles, Lottery, Bingo, Tombola etc	1436		1436	2669
Admission Fees	4487		4487	5120
Adult Activities	1		1	33
Tuck Shop	3122		3122	824
Total Receipts	57661	30350	88011	71329
Payments				
Trips Out	16398	13690	30088	17802
Centre Activities & Games	10567	2766	13333	6888
Sports & Outdoor Equipment	4100	3765	7865	4451
Computer Equipment	96	698	794	221
Fundraising	3187		3187	
Website & Emails		230	230	230
Kitchen & Christmas Expenses	457		457	574
Repairs & Maintenance			0	305
Uniforms	1069	527	1596	655
Postage, Stationery & Office Equipment	0	325	325	1762
Bilton Hall Rent & Room Hire	3300		3300	8880
Waves Shop	6281		6281	
Tuck Shop	3371		3371	
Swimming			0	832
Advertising	199	1284	1483	296
Parking & Travel Expenses	2078		2078	427
Minibus Insurance	827		827	831
Minibus Accessories	1180		1180	912
Insurance		161	161	159
Resource Books			0	0
Subscription	406		406	67
Accountancy Fee		300	300	370
Miscellaneous Expenses	317		317	116
Workshop & Training	200		200	0
Depreciation	3045		3045	3994
Total Payments	57078	23746	80824	49772
Surplus / deficit for the year	583	6604	7187	21557
Net Transfer between Funds	0	0	0	
Funds at 1 October 2023	34975	21449	56424	34867
Funds at 30 September 2024	35558	28053	63611	56424

**Waves Additional Needs Support Group
Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024**

		2024	2023
		£	£
Fixed Assets	6	12929	15974
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		50682	40450
Total Cash Balances		50682	40450
Current Liabilities		0	0
Net Current Assets at 30 September 2024		50682	40450
Net Assets at 30 September 2024		63611	56424
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds		28053	21449
Unrestricted Funds		34975	34975
		63028	56424

Fundraising and Events Oct 23-Sep 24

Helen Wallace & Leoni White are both leads of Events & Fundraising. We have a dedicated team to support & help run all our events.

Oct 23

This month sees our yearly Halloween party. All our committee & volunteers dress up to ensure the children have an amazing time. We have games, dancing & a massive raffle. Every child gets to take home a spooky gift. It's always a fantastic time.

Nov 23

This year we took over 100 members for an activity weekend at The Calvert Trust in Kielder. Our members took part in some brilliant activities from axe throwing, wall climbing, rifle shooting to doing a zip wire through the treetops! What an amazing weekend was had by all.



Dec 23

This is always the busiest time of the year for our events team. Every week in Dec leading up to our Christmas party at the end of the month, we have some sort of Christmas activity. This year the theme was Elfmas. We had a movie day with the best hot chocolate & cookies, Christmas face paints, amazing holiday hairstyles, arts & crafts making Elf decorations to name just a few of the things we did.



Every year we have our very own Christmas dinner at Waves. We served over 90 this year. It's always such a lovely day, prepping from very early in the morning to finally serving our members with Christmas songs playing in the background.

We took part in the South Tyneside Christmas parade, again taking part in workshops provided by The Cultural Spring to create flags, costumes & banners. Amazing to see our children walking the parade representing our group.

Singing Christmas carols to the residents of a local care home is always a heartwarming day with lots of laughter.



A cold visit to Beamish open air museum is again a yearly trip for us. We all visit Santa, have hot choc & spend the day exploring the world as it was many years ago.

We end December with our Christmas party. This is the biggest party we have of the year. Santa pays us a visit & all the children get a present from him. Our event team always put on a surprise Christmas dance & are all dressed up as Elves. The children love this! We have a massive raffle with a Christmas family hamper as 1 of the prizes. This is always so big & heavy it must be wheeled into the room! It's the best way to end the year.

Jan 24

We start the year off arranging coffee mornings for our parents/carers. This is a chance for them to get support/ guidance & just a time to make friendships within the group.

In January we also hold our annual Paddleability presentation night. Every year we celebrate with certificates given out to all members that took part the previous summer. We have food, bingo, raffle & end the night with a sing on the karaoke.

Feb 24

Mr Lip Lee comes to visit us every Chinese New Year & brings in lots of arts & crafts for the children to take part in. This year they created Chinese lanterns & decorations. He even brings in a Chinese dragon for the children to dance around in.



Easter 24

During waves we held an Easter egg & bonnet competition, egg scavenger hunt & all activities that day are all Easter themed. We even have a visit from a real bunny called Stanley who the children could hold. Every child gets an Easter egg from the Easter bunny who pays us a visit.



April 24

We arranged a visit to a local ice rink at Whitley Bay. We did a private hire so only our members on the ice at the time. This is a massive help to some of our members who struggle with anxiety. Here the children were able to explore, skate & just have fun on the ice. Some even managed jumps & moves they had never done before. Well done kids!

July 23

Waves held their 2nd ever auction night. We had been collecting donations/prizes all year & had quite a good selection on the night. We had items ranging from



bikes, clothes, bags, homemade pies & items donated from local businesses. We ordered in pizza, kebabs, chips for the members. We held some bingo games then the main auction. It was an amazing night & lots of people were happy with items they won. This will become a yearly event due to it being such a good night.

July/Aug 24

Every week in the summer holidays we put on a trip or activity. This year we had the following,
Preston Park
Ridley Park
Plessy woods
Sunderland Aquatic Centre



In Aug we had a camping trip at Moorhouse Activity Centre for 2 nights. Our members did lots of activities from den building, rock climbing to singing round the biggest campfire we have ever seen singing songs together. It was an amazing weekend.

We also worked with outside organisations Paddleability with sessions held monthly from April - Oct at Morpeth riverside & South Shields Surf school with sessions held at the beach during the summer holidays.

Sept 24

We held our annual adult's hotel sleepover. This year the theme was Grease & we had a great time dressed as T-Birds & pink ladies. The hotel package includes use of pool, overnight stay, pizza & breakfast the next morning. We have games, bingo & dancing till the early hours, it's great!



Throughout the year we have lots of activities on, below is just a few of the things we do,

Bowling,
Tree top golf,
Trampolining,
Sensory Den visits, Teen nights,
6-12 age nights,
Panto visits at Easter, Christmas & so much more.



Waves will always try to do activities that members request or show an interest in, we will continue to do the very best we can.



Equipment

Stu Wallace's main role within WAVES is to maintain equipment and repair / replace when necessary.

Volunteer co-ordinators

Stu Wallace and Carrie Tate are WAVES volunteer coordinators, our volunteers help the committee run WAVES. All our volunteers are fully DBS checked and undertake annual safeguarding training.

Paddle Ability

Each year we run 6 monthly sessions of Paddle ability as well as sessions with the local sea cadets. These sessions are organised by Stu Wallace with various water activities which include powerboating and sailing.



These sessions are very popular with the members and are a lot of fun whilst also gaining new skills on the water.

Surf School

Stu also organises our surf sessions which run during the summer holidays at south Shields beach.



Health and Safety

Charlie Torrence is Waves health and safety lead. He is responsible for ensuring all risk assessments are carried out and up to date, including trips and activities as well as inhouse on a Saturday.

Charlie also runs staff first aid training and gives safety advice to our members.

I.T.

Emma Price is responsible maintaining the Waves Additional Needs Support Group website (www.waves-support-group.com). This is used as a professional way to deliver information on our group in addition to our community Facebook page, while also offering an alternative source of information to those without Facebook. The regular maintenance of the website includes:

- Adding events information to keep our members informed as to activities that coming soon to our group, including times, locations, and the cost of events (if any) to our members.
- Keeping news up to date that is of importance to our members.
- Reviewing and adding to our well selected photographs section to give a visual representation of our group, the activities we can offer and the positive impact our group can have on our member's lives.
- The website also contains information on the committee and their roles, and a way of contact for potential partners, volunteers, and possible benefactors

Sports

Jonny Stephen- is our sports coordinator. His responsibilities include organising and running onsite and offsite sporting activities and ensuring the safety of our members whilst doing this. We offer a range of sporting activities during Waves and outside of Waves for our members and parents/carers. Our sporting activities promote social interaction, communication, listening skills, teamwork, problem solving and building confidence. We listen to our members' suggestions, and we have started offering more sporting activities.

Some of our activities include: -

Smile through Sport- we have been fortunate enough to secure multi-sport sessions on a fortnightly basis with Smile through sport. We have been working with Smile Through Sport for several months and we will be continuing with the sessions every month. This is a fantastic opportunity for our members to try new sports and to learn both practical and theory about a variety of sports and nutrition. We have two sessions available to our members, under ten and over 10's.

Pool/Snooker and Darts- we have our pool table where members can participate in killer pool, matches and/or practice with advice always on hand. This is a big hit with our members, including the adults, who appreciate a bit of healthy competition. We have continued our monthly pool nights, which continue to be a great night. Some of our members enjoyed trying snooker. The members' confidence has grown so much since running these nights. The progress our members have made has been fantastic and this is a great way to meet new members and to get to know other families. Darts are also new, and our teens love to play a variety of dart games. Darts are excellent for social interaction and working as a team.

Swimming- we have continued to offer our popular monthly swimming sessions. The staff always give advice and support to our members such as helping them to dive, swim underwater, different strokes and building confidence to jump in or put their face under the water. Our younger members have made great progress over the last year and are now confident swimmers. We also show our members what to do if they get in danger following RNLI advice.

Football- is a popular activity with our members. We continue to upgrade our football equipment so we can practice more skills and build on the skills the members already have. We play football matches, training skills, football tennis and small team games.

Rugby skills- learning new skills by learning how to hold, throw and catch a rugby ball, learning the basics of the game and playing friendly tag matches. We have had a couple of visits from a local rugby team who delivered a great training session to our members.

Basketball- is a great game and encourages our members to work on motor skills and coordination. We practice short, long and bounce passing, dribbling, and shooting and have games to finish off. Basketball is great for working in a team and builds confidence.

Dodgeball- can be played indoors or outdoors, we have soft foam balls to ensure the safety of our members, and we have parents/carers who also join in. Everyone enjoys a game of dodgeball.

Hockey- we have smaller goals that we use to play hockey, and we use tennis balls or light plastic balls for safety. We practice how to pass, how to hold a hockey stick, dribbling and shooting in a safe environment. We then finish with team games or all v all.

Cricket/ Tennis/ Badminton/ Rounders and Squash- some of our members have not played these sports before but are always willing to try new activities. We try to involve as many members as possible in participating and help is always on hand if needed. These activities really help our members with motor skills, coordination, and communication.

Water fights- during the warmer sessions we like to get the water guns and water bombs out. Everyone gets involved, from children, adults, and staff. Great fun for all.



Young Voices

Jonny Stephen organises our Young Voices meetings. Young Voices play an important role within Waves and they are there to bring suggestions, improvements, things that are going well, things members would like to see and health and safety to meetings where we will discuss and vote. We discuss topics on bullying, respect, consent, and inclusion and make sure we as a group have things in place to help others. The young voices have made suggestion boxes and QR codes for suggestions and you said we did. We are also going to be working with other community groups who have asked us for feedback on their services. Young Voices promotes working in a team, good listening and communication skills, problem solving, planning, and following instructions.

Waves Minibus



Having our own minibus has meant we have been able to offer transport for our members who do not have their own transport and to reduce the cost of travel for our members. We have been able to put on more trips such as paddle ability, Supertramp, bowling, inflata-nation, crazy golf, Beamish, Kielder, sensory den to name a few. We have been able to organise more days out in school holidays, evenings, and residential trips.

Arts and Crafts

September

we used different Crafts/ materials to help with co-ordination and sensory

October we started preparations for the Christmas Parade, alongside this, we made magic potion.

We purchased 120 pumpkins for the children to carve and take home.

November we made over 300 poppies alongside the youth club of Bilton Hall, and we made an outdoor display for Remembrance Day.

December we did various Crafts which were Christmas themed

January we asked the children to give us ideas on what they'd like to do, we done these throughout the month. We made a list and have been using their ideas throughout the year.

February

We made Valentine Hearts and cards

March

This brought us Mother's Day, Waves purchased loads of Fresh Flowers for the children, the children made baskets then arranged the flowers, they went on to make cards to go with their flower baskets.

April

We filled the tables with everything possible to make all things Bling and Easter, some made bonnets, and some entered their creations into the Waves Easter competition

May

We started preparations for the summer parade, this would carry on throughout each week alongside a small craft.

June

We made Father's Day gifts and cards



July

we finished the parade preparations

August

We made mini books. We also bought some jewellery kits. The Wavelets enjoyed making the jewellery and made some amazing items.

We also teamed up with Fred Worrell, the children were asked to create a piece of Art, spray painted, to hang in Bilton Halls gym hall. This was truly amazing, watching them build up their creations weekly and finally seeing them hung on the wall. Waves had their creations transferred onto t shirts so they could wear their art.



Cookery

Waves run cooking classes at Bilton hall. We mix between savoury and sweet food and is always a very popular activity.

This year we have made cookies, cheesecakes, pizzas among other things.

Going forward we will continue to make more great food and have lots of fun.

The members always enjoy the cooking sessions, these help the children try new things while having fun and learning a good life skill.



Sensory and Therapy Room

We opened our sensory and therapy room at waves on the 14th august 2021. This was opened by our patron Ray Spenser MBE, Lee's family, Leah Denny (member) and the chair of waves Suzanne Jackson. The sensory room had been named after Lee Neo Ternent after his family donated a collection at Lee's funeral and donated the funds to waves, Lee passed away in 2019 at just 17 years old, a plaque and photo have been placed in the room in memory of Lee. The total cost of the room was about £6500, this was used out of our unrestricted funds that was raised by events and raffles to raise the money. The sensory room is used as a calm, quiet and relaxing environment for the members to feel at ease. Each piece of equipment in the room is designed to stimulate the members. The sensory room is used every Saturday 12/3 and enjoyed by our members of all ages.

Our therapy room is used by our therapist Nicola she offers back massages, feet and hand massages, facials, as well as reiki. All treatment is done fully clothed and lasts 10/15 minutes, only non-perfumed massage cream is used. The treatments are carried out either on a massage chair or table. Nicola also offers crystal healing and mindfulness group sessions for our members in a calming relaxing environment and when funds are available, she can offer parent and carer sessions. Some children from waves have given their views about the sensory room. The children had said that it's "relaxing and calming" and somewhere they can relax, while other children said that they like to create music.



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Due to the number of medical and academic appointments, the parents/carers find it difficult to find suitable employment which will be flexible to their needs. Many of our families are unemployed and needing to rely on benefits. This also makes day-to-day life difficult which can cause stress and anxiety for the parents/carers.



Suzanne Jackson
Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Chair's Report – October 2022 – September 2023

This year was a very successful year for WAVES Additional Needs Support Group (WAVES). We have seen our membership grow week by week, many of these being signposted from schools and medical professionals as well as word of mouth from families who access the activities and support that WAVES offers. As well as our regular activities such as arts/crafts/cookery/indoor and outdoor sports/therapy sessions, we have listened to the members and made a specific over 13s area where the older Wavelets are able to have 'teen time' playing pool, darts and table tennis. We have also introduced toddler time as we have a number of young Wavelets accessing WAVES – some of these children are siblings and others starting their difficult journey with SEN.

In the summer we managed to secure a number of off-site activities such as Beamish Open Air Museum, Hamsterley Forest, Down at the Farm, Washington Wildfowl Park, Butterfly World, Override Skate Park and Bedlam Paintballing. During the spring and summer we had great turnouts for Paddleability where we work closely with Luis and his team. We have also delivered a number of teen nights out such as bowling and going for food.

Whilst we always like to be involved in parades, this year has been extra special as a number of the mam's have taken it in their stride to support Cultural Spring in developing the costumes to ensure the Wavelets turned up in style.

WAVES are always open to working with other charities/groups/community interest companies to ensure holistic needs are met. Presently we work closely with Bilton Hall and Escape Intervention Services as well as signposting members to organisations such as SURT (Stopping Unsafe Relationships Together).

WAVES's success, as always, is down to a committed team of Committee and Volunteers and the members working together. WAVES is a community/extended family to many to ensure support is in an abundance and no one is left isolated fighting the SEN system.

In July 2023 WAVES was nominated in the #Love South Tyneside Awards and we were so happy to win the People's Choice Award and I was also very humbled to win the #Love South Tyneside Award. Winning these awards mean so much to everyone connected with WAVES and their members.

It was a pleasure to receive a grant from the Mayor's Charity and value the recognition given to a small charity like WAVES.

WAVES would not be able to offer as many activities as it does without the support of local and national funders. Thank you to these funders in believing in WAVES and supporting us to support others. Some of the local funders have been Hadrian's Trust, Barbours, Sir James Knott, Doggerbank and many others.

I would like to personally thank the Committee, Volunteers, Members, Supporters of WAVES
– I am proud to lead a very successful charity and long may it continue.

Suzanne Jackson

Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Waves Committee/Trustee's

- Suzanne Jackson Chair/ Safeguarding Officer
- Gaynor Tate Co-Vice Chair/Secretary
- Rachel Moreton Treasurer/Shop Lead
- Helen Wallace Co-Vice Chair/Fundraiser & Events Co-Ordinator
- Patsi Campbell Arts and Crafts/Shop Lead
- Stu Wallace Equipment Maintenance/Volunteer Co-Ordinator
- Jonny Stephen Lead Sports Co-Ordinator
- John Paul Bagley Cookery Lead/ Sports Support
- Leoni Taylor Lead Events Team
- Alison Denny Events Team
- Carrie Tate Volunteer Co-Ordinator
- Leanne Bagley Events Team
- Charlie Torrance First Aid/Health and Safety Champion
- Stephanie Law Bids/I.T Support/Website
- Sarah Devlin Bids/Shop Lead

Waves Patron

“waves is a great example of hardworking volunteers coming together to form a terrific self-help group to support children with additional needs and their families. In these days of austerity, it has never been more important to support such groups who do so much for the vulnerable members of our community. Their drive and determination to do their very best for our ‘bairns’ is to be commended. In life we can either make Waves or calm troubled waters; they do both making sure their voice is heard and causes championed while giving their members a place in which to belong...I am honoured to have been asked to become their Patron”.

Ray Spencer MBE



Fundraising and Events

Events Oct 22 – Sept 23

Helen Wallace and Leoni White are both leads of Events and Fundraising. We have a dedicated team to support and help run all our events.

Oct 22

This month sees our yearly Halloween party. All our committee and volunteers dress up to ensure the children have an amazing time. We have games, dancing and a massive raffle. Every child gets to take home a spooky gift. It's always a fantastic time.

Dec 22

This is always the busiest time of the year for our events team. Every week in Dec leading up to our Christmas party at the end of the month, we have some sort of Christmas activity. This year the theme was Grinchmas. We had a movie day with green hot choc and cookies, Christmas face paints, amazing holiday hairstyles, arts and crafts making Grinch window decorations to name just a few of the things we did.

Every year we have our very own Christmas dinner at Waves. We served over 80 this year. It's always such a lovely day, prepping from very early in the morning to finally serving our members with Christmas songs playing in the background.

We took part in the South Tyneside Christmas parade, again taking part in workshops to create flags, costumes and banners. Amazing to see our children walking the parade representing our group.

Singing Christmas carols to the residents of a local care home is always a heartwarming day with lots of laughter.

A cold visit to Beamish open air museum is again a yearly trip for us. We all visit Santa, have hot choc and spend the day exploring the world as it was many years ago.

We end December with our Christmas party. This is the biggest party we have of the year. Santa pays us a visit and all the children get a present from him. Our event team always put on a surprise Christmas dance and are all dressed up as Elves. The children love this! We have a massive raffle with a Christmas family hamper as 1 of the prizes. This is always so big and heavy it has to be wheeled into the room! It's the best way to end the year.

Jan 23

We start the year off arranging coffee mornings every 2 weeks for our parents/carers. This is a chance for them to get support/ guidance and just a time to make friendships within the group.

In January we also held our annual Paddleability presentation night. Every year we celebrate with certificates given out to all members that took part the previous summer. We have food, bingo, raffle and end the night with a sing on the karaoke.

Feb 23

Mr Lip Lee comes to visit us every Chinese New Year and brings in lots of arts and crafts for the children to take part in. This year they created fans and lanterns. He even brings in a Chinese dragon for the children to dance around in.

March 23

We had a visit to Down at the Farm. A coach full of our members had a great day seeing all the farmyard animals and having fun on the tractor rides.

Easter 23

During waves we hold an Easter egg competition, egg hunt and all activities that day are all Easter themed. We even have a visit from a real bunny called Stanley who the child have the opportunity to hold. Every child gets an Easter egg from the Easter bunny who pays us a visit.

April 23

We arranged a visit to a local skate park called Over ride. We did a private hire so only our members on the park at the time. This is a massive help to some of our members who struggle with anxiety. Here the children were able to explore, ride and just have fun on scooters. Some even managed jumps and drops they had never done before. Well done kids!

May 23

The Kings Coronation was a lovely day. The sun was shining and we decorated the outside area ready for our afternoon tea. We had games, face painting, music, dancing and a lovely supply of cakes/sandwiches made by our lovely members. A great day celebrating our King.

July 23

Waves held their very 1st auction night. We had been collecting donations/prizes all year and had quite a good selection on the night. We had items ranging from bikes, clothes, bags, homemade pies and even a piece of space shuttle from NASA. We ordered in pizza, kebabs, chips for the members. We held some bingo games then the main auction. It was an amazing night and lots of people were happy with items they won. This will be come a yearly event due to it being such a good night.

July / Aug 23

Every week in the summer holidays we put on a trip or activity. This year we had the following:

- Washington Wildfowl Park
- Butterfly World
- Hamsterley Forest
- Picnic in Marine Park

We also worked with outside organisations Williby Rocs to hold pizza nights in their amazing gardens and South Shields Surf School with sessions held at the beach.

Sept 23

We ended the summer holidays taking part in a costal parade along South Shields seafront. Working with an outside organisation we created costumes, flags and headdresses. On the day there was not only the walk but lots of dancing and celebrations. A great time was had by all.



Equipment

Stu Wallace's main role within WAVES is to maintain equipment and repair / replace when necessary.

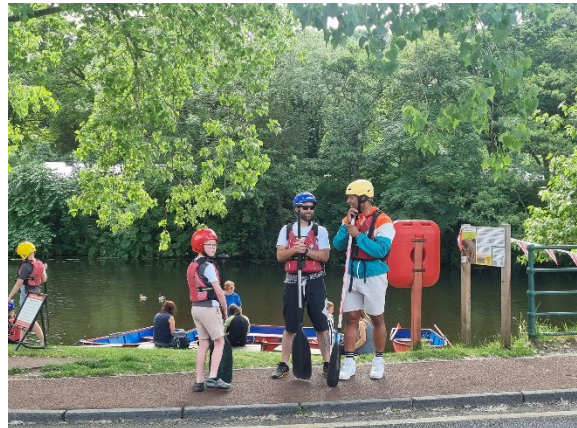
Volunteer co-ordinators

Stu Wallace and Carrie Tate are WAVES volunteer coordinators, our volunteers help the committee run WAVES. All our volunteers are fully DBS checked and undertake annual safeguarding training.

Paddle Ability

Each year we run 6 monthly sessions of Paddle ability as well as sessions with the local sea cadets. These sessions are organised by Stu Wallace with various water activities which include powerboating and sailing.

These sessions are very popular with the members and are a lot of fun whilst also gaining new skills on the water.



Health and Safety

Charlie Torrence is Waves health and safety lead. He is responsible for ensuring all risk assessments are carried out and up to date, including trips and activities as well as inhouse on a Saturday.

Charlie also runs staff first aid training and gives safety advice to our members.

I.T.

Steph Law is responsible maintaining the Waves Additional Needs Support Group website (www.waves-support-group.com). This is used as a professional way to deliver information on our group in addition to our community Facebook page, while also offering an alternative source of information to those without Facebook. The regular maintenance of the website includes:

- Adding events information to keep our members informed as to activities that coming soon to our group, including times, locations, and the cost of events (if any) to our members.
- Keeping news up to date that is of importance to our members.
- Reviewing and adding to our well selected photographs section to give a visual representation of our group, the activities we can offer and the positive impact our group can have on our member's lives.
- The website also contains information on the committee and their roles, and a way of contact for potential partners, volunteers, and possible benefactors.

Sports

Jonny Stephen is our sports coordinator. His responsibilities include organising and running sporting activities and ensuring the safety of our members whilst doing this. We offer a range of sporting activities during Waves and outside of Waves for our members and parents/carers. Our sporting activities promote social interaction, communication, listening skills, teamwork, problem solving and building confidence. We listen to our members' suggestions and have started offering more sporting activities.

Some of our activities include:

- **Football-** is a popular activity with our members. We have recently upgraded our football equipment so we can practice more skills and build on the skills the members already have. We play football matches, training skills, football tennis and small team games.
- **Rugby skills-** learning new skills by learning how to hold, throw and catch a rugby ball, learning the basics of the game and playing friendly tag matches. We have had a couple of visits from a local rugby team who delivered a great training session to our members.
- **Basketball-** is a great game and encourages our members to work on motor skills and coordination. We practice short, long and bounce passing, dribbling, and shooting and have games to finish off. Basketball is great for working in a team and builds confidence.
- **Dodgeball-** can be played indoors or outdoors, we have soft foam balls to ensure the safety of our members and we have parents/carers who also join in. Everyone enjoys a game of dodgeball.
- **Hockey-** we have smaller goals that we use to play hockey and we use tennis balls or light plastic balls for safety. We practice how to pass, how to hold a hockey stick, dribbling and shooting in a safe environment. We then finish with team games or all v all.
- **Pool/Snooker and Darts-** we have our pool table where members can participate in killer pool, matches and/or practice with advice always on hand. This is a big hit with our members, including the adults, who appreciate a bit of healthy competition. We have continued our monthly pool nights which continue to be a great night. Some of our members enjoyed trying snooker. The members' confidence has grown so much since running these nights. The progress our members have made has been fantastic and this is a great way to meet new members and to get to know other families. Darts is also new, and our teens love to play a variety of dart games. Darts are excellent for social interaction and working as a team.
- **Circuit Training-** suggested by our young voices we offer circuit training sessions for all members. We were fortunate enough to be able to purchase new equipment to start these sessions. We set out stations that all members can do, and we encourage as many members as possible to participate. It's a great way to keep fit and learn new skills. We have 2 sessions available under 11's and over 11's.

- **Swimming**- we have continued to offer our popular monthly swim sessions. The staff always give advice and support to our members such as helping them to dive, swim underwater, different strokes and building confidence to jump in or put their face under the water. Our younger members have made great progress over the last year and are now confident swimmers. We also show our members what to do if they get in danger following RNLI advice.
- **Nerf wars**- is a big hit with our younger members and they are so competitive. We have a wide range of guns and bullets and have target shooting and team games. We provide all the safety equipment to ensure the safety of everyone playing.
- **Cricket/ Tennis/ Badminton/ Rounders and Squash**- some of our members have not played these sports before but are always willing to try new activities. We try to involve as many members as possible in participating and help is always on hand if needed. These activities really help our members with motor skills, coordination, and communication. We had some cricket sessions delivered by Durham County Cricket Club which our members thoroughly enjoyed. New to 2024 we have booked squash courts for our members to try.
- **Water fights**- during the warmer sessions we like to get the water guns and water bombs out. Everyone gets involved, from children, adults, and staff. Great fun for all.
- **Smile through Sport**- we have been fortunate enough to secure multi sports session on a fortnightly basis with Smile through sport. This is a fantastic opportunity for our members to try new sports and to learn both practical and the theory to a variety of sports and nutrition. We have 2 sessions available to our members, under 10's and over 10's.



Young Voices

Jonny Stephen and Steph Law- organises our Young Voices meetings. Young Voices play an important role within Waves and they are there to bring suggestions, improvements, things that are going well, things members would like to see and health and safety to meetings where we will discuss and vote. We discuss topics on bullying, respect, consent, and inclusion and make sure we as a group have things in place to help others. The young voices are also in the process of making suggestion boxes, QR codes for suggestions and you said we did. We are also going to be working with other community groups who have asked us for feedback on their services. Young Voices promotes working in a team, good listening and communication skills, problem solving, planning, and following instructions.

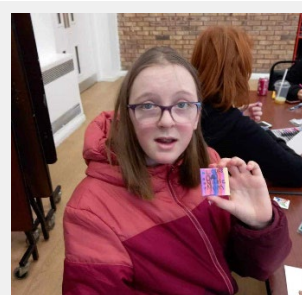
Waves Minibus

Having our own minibuss has meant we have been able to offer transport for our members who don't have their own transport and to reduce the cost of travel for our members. We have been able to put on more trips such as paddle ability, Supertramp, bowling, inflationation, crazy golf, Beamish, Kielder, sensory den to name a few. We have been able to organise more days out in school holidays, evenings and residential trips.



Arts and Crafts

Arts and crafts throughout the year, we've experimented with mica powder and the changes it has in paint and in liquid, during October through to December. October Waves bought 130 pumpkins for the waves members to decorate during the session, this is always a huge hit. Making cards and gifts for Valentine's day. Easter, we decorated styrofoam eggs with various gems, fabrics, paper, feathers, chips etc. We've been making jewellery, such as earrings, bracelets etc which is proving to be a very popular activity. In March we spent £74 on fresh flowers for the children to put into the baskets they made for Mother's day" along with a handmade card. We've been trying new things such as fridge magnets and paper crafts, just to see what the members prefer. I've been asking the members regularly of what they'd like to do on arts and crafts, Messy Play was a request from quite a few people and very much enjoyed. The low melt glue guns are popular, and more children are able to use these, although we do still insist a staff member assist. In each session we always make sure there's plenty of paper and colouring pens just to make sure there's something for an alternative to whatever going on in the session.



Cooking

Waves runs regular cooking sessions, this year we've done a range of foods and sweet treats including a variety of different cheesecakes, Halloween cupcakes and some Valentine's Day biscuit. The members always enjoy the cooking sessions, these help the children try new things while having fun and learning a good life skill.



Sensory and Therapy Room

We opened our sensory and therapy room at waves on the 14th august 2021. This was opened by our patron Ray Spenser MBE, Lee's family, Leah Denny (member) and the chair of waves Suzanne Jackson. The sensory room had been named after Lee Neo Ternent after his family donated a collection at Lee's funeral and donated the funds to waves, Lee passed away in 2019 at just 17 years old, a plaque and photo have been placed in the room in memory of Lee. The total cost of the room was about £6500, this was used out of our unrestricted funds that was raised by events and raffles to raise the money. The sensory room is used as a calm, quiet and relaxing environment for the members to feel at ease. Each piece of equipment in the room is designed to stimulate the members. The sensory room is used every Saturday 12/3 and enjoyed by our members of all ages. Our therapy room is used by our therapist Nicola she offers back massages, feet and hand massages, facials, as well as reiki. All treatment is done fully clothed and lasts 10/15 minutes, only non-perfumed massage cream is used. The treatments are carried out either on a massage chair or table. Nicola also offers crystal healing and mindfulness group sessions for our members in a calming relaxing environment and when funds are available, she is able to offer parent and carer sessions.



Tuck Shop

We opened our tuck shop November 2022. This is made affordable for our members with a good variety of sweets and drinks. Some of our children love helping with the running of the tuck shop, which also gives some of our younger members the independence to come and pick what they want to spend the money on. We made a profit of £824.00 this goes in our unrestricted funds and helps with the running of waves buying anything needed and trips for our members to enjoy.

Shop/Selling Page

WAVES has had a successful Selling Page since July 2017 and has run a small shop since 2019 with the help of volunteers. All funds raised from sales go back into WAVES unrestricted funds.

We have built many relationships over the years and have a strong relationship with Bede's Helping Hands and Bilton Hall Community trust where we are based. We have welcomed opportunities to work alongside Hoodex, where we pass on branded goods that we can not sell for them to be able to do so.

We also take regular stalls at Cheeky Monkeys car boot selling toys, baby and children's clothes and equipment. Our customers also enjoy 50p sales which are held two or three times a year and our popular container sales when our storage become too full.

Our selling page has grown vastly and currently has 2,800 members and counting. We are also run by 11 volunteers. Four shop staff who cover various days, Home Uploaders and two drivers; one driver delivers stock and collects orders to/from Home Uploaders on a weekly basis, one delivery driver who takes orders to our customers who buy a lot of item or who live too far to travel to us. Everyone is overseen by four shop Leads who are on hand at all times to assist with Home Uploaders and the running of the shop.

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

Charity No. 1179923

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: **Waves Additional Needs Support Group**

Reg'd Charity No: 1179923

Trustees:

Suzanne Helen Jackson
Rachel Jane Moreton
Helen Louise Wallace
Gaynor Elizabeth Tate
Leoni Taylor
Patricia Campbell
Leanne Bagley
John Paul Bagley
Alison Denny
John Stuart Wallace
Stephanie Law
Charlie Torrence
Carrie Tate
Jonathan Stephen
Sarah Devlin

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Independent

Examiner: Mark Thompson MAAT
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Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Trustees' Annual Report

The organisation registered with the Charity Commission on 13 September 2018, and these financial statements reflect the first twelve months of the registered charity. The organisation is governed by a Management Committee.

Activity during 2022/23

We have had another extremely busy year and saw a big increase in membership. We have a lot of younger members due to expanding families and new families attending. Due to this we have developed new activities including Sensory Play and Toddler time, we also attended the Sensory Den which is for age 6 and under. We now have an area for age 13 and over where they can play pool and darts, this gives our teen members a bit of time to socialise without interruption from our younger members. We also hold monthly meetings for our Young Voices, this is a team of children/ young adults who put forward ideas of how they would like to see WAVES develop, activities they would like to take part in and any bring forward any views they have.

We enjoyed a wide range of trips including visiting Beamish open air museum, Hamsterly Forest, Down at the Farm, Washington Wildfowl Park and Butterfly world. We also attended Override skate park and Bedlam paintballing. As always we took part in Paddleability where our members go out on the river, due to a bigger demand in members wanting to attend we bought life vests for our younger members and 4 new paddle boards.

This year we have worked closely with Cultural Spring designing and making our own costumes as we had been invited to take part in all the South Tyneside parades. We attended the Summer, Winter, and Coastal parade. Our members really enjoy these opportunities and take a lot of pride in representing WAVES.

We held our first ever Auction night which was a huge success. This will now be a yearly event. We celebrated each seasonal event including Easter, Halloween, Christmas, Valentines Day, and Chinese New Year.

Another successful year for WAVES and we look forward to what the next one brings.

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 February 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Notes to the
accounts, 2012

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

On accounts for
the year ended

30 September 2023

Charity no 1179923

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: 27 February 2024

Name:

Mark Thompson MAAT

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Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts	2023	2023	2023	2022
			£	£
Grants	2	46170	46170	23325
Donations	5080		5080	2876
Selling Page/Waves Shop	8180		8180	7972
Fund Raising Events	2855		2855	1964
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Takings	398		398	572
Raffles, Lottery, Bingo, Tombola etc	2669		2669	1962
Admission Fees	5120		5120	2922
Adult Activities	33		33	273
Tuck Shop	824		824	0
Total Receipts	25159	46170	71329	41866
Payments				
Trips Out	292	17510	17802	5182
Centre Activities & Games	4015	2873	6888	15634
Sports & Outdoor Equipment	3633	818	4451	6561
Computer Equipment		221	221	2767
Website & Emails	230		230	379
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Expenses	14	560	574	392
Repairs & Maintenance		305	305	0
Uniforms	655		655	996
Postage, Stationery & Office Equipment		1762	1762	0
Bilton Hall Rent & Room Hire		8880	8880	8560
Swimming		832	832	988
Advertising	296		296	399
Parking & Travel Expenses	427		427	2513
Minibus Insurance		831	831	869
Minibus Accessories	912		912	2869
Insurance	159		159	162
Resource Books			0	0
Subscription	67		67	0
South Tyneside Council - Bin			0	144
Container			0	0
PPE & Cleaning Materials			0	0
Accountancy Fee	370		370	350
Miscellaneous Expenses	116		116	369
Workshop			0	124
Depreciation	3994		3994	4992
Total Payments	15180	34592	49772	54250
Surplus / deficit for the year	9979	11578	21557	-12384
Net Transfer between Funds				
Funds at 1 October 2022	24996	9871	34867	47251
Funds at 30 September 2023	34975	21449	56424	34867

**Waves Additional Needs Support Group
Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2023**

		2023	2022
		£	£
Fixed Assets	6	15974	19968
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank & in Hand		40450	14899
Total Cash Balances		40450	14899
Current Liabilities		0	0
Net Current Assets at 30 September 2023		40450	14899
Net Assets at 30 September 2023		56424	34867
Represented By:			
Restricted Funds		21449	9871
Unrestricted Funds		34975	24996
		56424	34867

Signed Position

Date

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Notes to the accounts, 2023

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

Waves Additional Needs Support Group 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).

1.1 Fixed Assets are depreciated over a useful lifetime at the following rates:

Motor Vehicles 20% reducing balance

	2023
2. Grants Received:	
Asda Community	800
Bernacia Foundation	10,000
Children In Need (Project 4)	10,120
Community Foundation 2023	10,000
Doggerbank	1,000
Magic Little Grants 2023	500
National Lottery 2023	10,000
Province Durham	1,000
The Toy Fund	2,500
TK Access Solution	250
Total Grants	46,170

3. Trustees and Staff

No salaries were paid during the year.

4. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £370

5. Restricted Funds balance at 30 September 2023

	Balance 01/10/22	Income	Expend	Balance 30/09/23
Magic Grants - Wall Climbing	500			500
Rothley Trust	673			673
Children In Need (Project 2)	176		176	-
Children In Need (Project 3)	72		72	-
Children In Need (Project 4)	250	10,120	9,640	730
Grantham Hospital	200		200	-
Hadrian Trust Kielder 2022	1,000		800	200
Sir James Knott - Kielder 2022	5,000		5,000	-
Barbour Foundation 2022	2,000			2,000
Asda Community		800		800
Bernacia Foundation		10,000	8,029	1,971
Community Foundation 2023		10,000		10,000
Doggerbank		1,000		1,000
Magic Little Grants 2023		500	240	260
National Lottery 2023		10,000	10,000	-
Province Durham		1000		1000
The Toy Fund		2500	360	2140
TK Access Solution		250	75	175
Total	9871	46170	34592	21449

6. Fixed Assets

Minibus

Cost

As at 1 October 2022	
Additions	31200
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2023	31200

Depreciation

As at 1 October 2022	11232
Charge for the year	3994
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2023	15226

Net Book Value 30 September 2023	15974
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WAVES ADDITIONAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1179923

Accounts

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ADDITIONAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Registered Charity number 1179923

Annual Report 2021 – 2022



The Rothley Trust

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WAVES is an Additional Needs Support Group ran by a group of dedicated volunteers who are all parents of children with "Additional Needs." We are based in South Tyneside.

We offer a range of activities to help build and promote social skills among our children and young adults as well as friendship, advice and support to parents and carer's.

OPENING HOURS: Saturdays 12pm till 4pm

We offer lots of activities such as:

- Offsite Activities
- Indoor and Outdoor sports
- Scooters Bikes
- Hair and Beauty
- Cookery
- Social and emotional resilience enhancing activities
- Massage
- Swimming sessions
- Training for teenagers/young adults/parents/carers

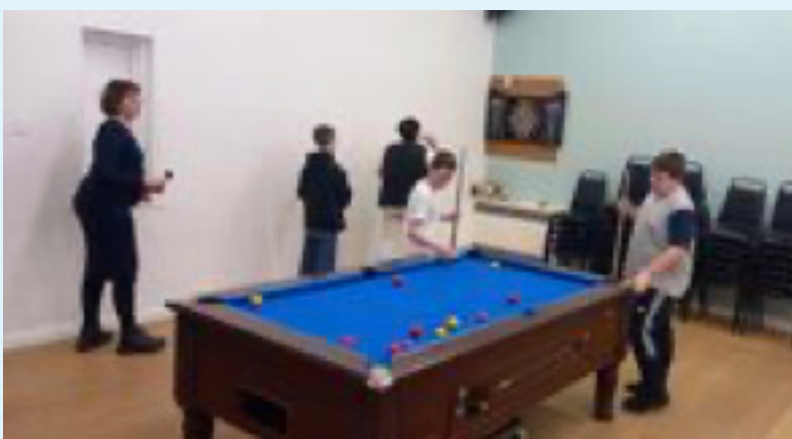
We offer (if able to secure funding) day trips and outings in the school holidays such as going to the beach, local BBQ event, camping, places of interest in order that the families can spend time together with additional support. Without this support these activities are difficult, if not impossible, for our families to access.

The disabilities the children have are vast and within these all come with difficulties in:

- Engaging in mainstream activities social interaction
- Having positive friendships
- Maintaining positive self-esteem
- Regulating emotions and self-control
- Maintaining positive relationships with parents, siblings and peers
- Having the independence children of average development have
- Academic achievements within the school setting
- Bullying
- Being judged by the general public
- As well as a number of other struggles children of appropriate development would not encounter.

We fully support the siblings within these families as they often need to take a back seat due to their siblings needs/difficulties which can lead to emotional difficulties as well as a feeling of 'second best' which is obviously not the case.

Due to the number of medical and academic appointments, the parents/carers find it difficult to find suitable employment which will be flexible to their needs. Many of our families are unemployed and needing to rely on benefits. This also makes day-to-day life difficult which can cause stress and anxiety for the parents/carers.



Chair Report 2021-2022

Welcome and thank you for taking time to read our latest annual report.

WAVES Additional Needs Support Group's 5th Birthday Year

October 2021 – September 2022 has continued to demonstrate the need of support groups such as WAVES Additional Needs Support Group (WAVES). As well as continuing to support long standing members, the influx of new families has been immense and with this WAVES has continued to expand both on-site and off-site. Activities delivered on-site have evolved to ensure all members (both young and old) have an enjoyable Saturday afternoon whilst receiving the individual support needed. Off-site activities have been ongoing throughout the year to include ice-skating, Paddleability, Jump 360, pool/snooker nights, paintballing, park/forest visits and of course our fabulous day at Flamingo Land.

This year we were able to have our celebration events such as Halloween party/Christmas party/Christmas dinner/Easter events which until lockdown many members/staff took for granted and missed celebrating with our 2nd family.

Funding has been more difficult to secure this year which is totally understandable as many funders have been ensuring funds have been used to support organisations to stay open/afloat following the pandemic. We are delighted to share that we have secured a further Children in Need grant to secure our rent and swimming sessions until October 2023.

I would like to share thanks and appreciation to the staff and members who work within the WAVES Hidden Treasures team – from working in the shop/uploading items at home/picking up donations/delivering items to customers as this regular income has proven invaluable in ensuring WAVES continues to be financially stable at this time.

I am pleased to share that WAVES Young Voices have re-established and these kids are keeping us on our toes – informing us of what we should and should not be doing. Some very good suggestions and ideas have emerged from these meetings and it is so nice to see the maturity and commitment these kids are developing.

In April 2022 all of the Committee attended The Pride of South Tyneside Awards event at the Roker Hotel following being shortlisted in the Community Champion category and in July 2022 a selection of WAVES Committee and Volunteers attended the Customs House following being nominated for a Love South Tyneside Award. Whilst we did not win overall, just being nominated/shortlisted for these awards is a tremendous achievement and demonstrates the professionalism and status of our Charity.

The Mayor of South Tyneside, Cllr Pat Haye and Mayoress Mrs Jean Copp attended WAVES in August 2022 and were delighted to see first-hand of what we offer and how happy and engaged the children were in the structured activities we offer.

In November 2021 we 'finally' had the go ahead and managed to take 100 members to the Calvert Trust in Kielder for an adventure seeking residential weekend. This weekend proved to be a fantastic success and allowed friendship bonds form between long standing members and the newer families. These relationships have continued to develop week in – week out at our regular Saturday sessions.

Another very special event I would like to highlight is on 16th September 2022 we had a WAVES 5th birthday at the Whiteleas Social Club. This was a tremendous night bringing members and supporters together to celebrate 5 years of WAVES going from strength to strength.

I personally would like to give my heartfelt thanks to:

- The Committee – The committee work so hard at WAVES, within our successful selling page, at events and behind the scenes. WAVES would not be in existence without these selfless and committed individuals. Thank you.
- Volunteers – The committee welcome the support and help from our dedicated volunteers at WAVES itself and other activities offered. Without this support WAVES would not be able to offer all it does. Thank you.
- Outside Funders – We are a non-profit charity and whilst we personally fundraise throughout the year, WAVES would not have had the opportunities they have without the generosity of funding organisations. A special thanks must go to our regular funders – The Community Foundation, BBC Children in Need, Barbours, Hadrian Trust, Sir James Knott Trust, The Mayor's Charity.
- Supporters – We have many supporters of WAVES – from family members/ local businesses/ local residents. These supporters not only attend events but raise funds for WAVES, promote the good work that we do as well as sharing the benefits to the families we offer.
- WAVES Families – We have been astounded by the amount of families we have coming through our door week by week. As of September 2022, we have over 650 members and over 150 members attending on a Saturday which demonstrates the need of support in our community.

Thank you to all that have attended, supported and continue to have faith in our group – roll on year 6.

Suzanne Jackson

Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Waves Committee/Trustee's

- Suzanne Jackson **Chair/ Safeguarding Officer**
- Gaynor Tate **Vice Chair/Secretary**
- Rachel Moreton **Treasure**
- Helen Wallace **Fundraiser/Events Co-Ordinator/ Shop Lead**
- Patsi Campbell **Arts & Crafts**
- Lee Riding Bell **Volunteer Co-Ordinator**
- Stu Wallace **Equipment Maintenance/Volunteer Co-Ordinator**
- Jonny Stephen **Lead Sports Co-Ordinator**
- John Paul Bagley **Cookery Lead/ Sports Support**
- Leoni Taylor **Events Team**
- Alison Denny **Events Team**
- Carrie Tate **I.T Support/Website Manager**
- Leanne Bagley **Events Team**
- Charlie Torrance **First Aid/Health &Safety Champion**

Quote from Waves Patron Ray Spencer MBE

"Waves is a great example of hardworking volunteers coming together to form a terrific self-help group to support children with additional needs and their families. In these days of austerity, it has never been more important to support such groups who do so much for the vulnerable members of our community. Their drive and determination to do their very best for our 'bairns' is to be commended. In life we can either make Waves or calm troubled waters; they do both making sure their voice is heard and causes championed while giving their members a place in which to belong...I am honoured to have been asked to become their Patron".



Fundraising and Events

Halloween

Halloween is always well looked forward too with in waves. This October we took part in the Halloween Parade which was funded by Sunderland Bid & we had art sessions with Creative Seed too help with our costumes.

Our annual Halloween party was held on 28th Oct & we had over 120 members attend our spooky event.

Christmas

Christmas is our busiest season & each week of December at waves we have a Christmas activity. This year we had a Polar Express day, a visit to Beamish & our very own Waves Christmas Dinner where we fed over 100 members. It's lovely to share this special time of year together.

We also took part in South Tyneside Councils Winter Parade & again had workshops with Creative Seed to create our costumes.

In February we held a Paddle ability presentation night & every member who took part last year received a certificate. We also had a quiz, karaoke, games, raffle, and we all enjoyed some pizza & chips.

For Chinese New Year we had a local artist Mr Lip Lee join us & the chicks ten created, dragons, fans & took part in some Chinese dancing.

For the adults in April, we held an overnight stay & themed it a Disney night at a local hotel. This is a great chance for parents/Carer's too relax, have fun & get to know others.

Flamingo land trip

In April we took over 140 members to flamingo land. The weather was beautiful & a great time was had by all.

Colour Rush

June saw some of our members, volunteers & committee take part in the Colour Rush to raise funds. So many happy faces & a rainbows of multicoloured all over them when they finished the race.

Summertime

We always try to have a trip/get together every week of the summer holidays. This year we went to,
Ridley Park
Morpeth Riverside
Hamsterly Forest
Jesmond Dene
Meet up in park.
Beach BBQ day.

We also took part in the South Tyneside Summer Parade. The children all made their own costumes & headdresses. The weather was beautiful & the crowd gave us lots of cheers as we all went by.

A very busy year for all at Waves & we have so many more memories too make.



Equipment

Stu Wallace, my role within WAVES is primarily to maintain equipment and repair/replace when necessary. I also coordinate the volunteers and draw up staff rotas. My other roles include organising paddle ability events, and co ordinating with the sea cadets. We currently have:

- 8 Trikes
- 4 BMX
- 10 Girls/boys bikes
- 6 Flicker scooters
- 10 Stunt scooters
- 5 Balance bikes.
- Tennis/Badminton net
- Rounders
- Dodgeballs
- Boxing Gloves/Pad and Kick pad

Indoor equipment

- Bouncy Castle
- X-Box
- PlayStation
- Pool Table
- iPad
- Soft play
- Toys
- Books
- Arts and crafts supplies
- Hair and Beauty supplies
- Cookery utensil's

Volunteer Co-Ordinators

Stu Wallace and Lee Riding-bell are WAVES volunteer co originators. Our volunteers help the committee run waves and their help is greatly appreciated by the committee and members alike. All volunteers are DBS checked and undertake annual safeguarding training.

Health & Safety

Charlie Torrance is Waves health & safety lead. He is responsible for ensuring all risk assessments are carried out and up to date, including trips and activities as well as inhouse on a Saturday. Charlie also runs staff first aid training and gives safety advice to our members.

I.T.

To maintain the Waves Additional Needs Support Group website (www.waves-support-group.com). This is used as a professional way to deliver information on our group in addition to our community Facebook page, while also offering an alternative source of information to those without Facebook. The regular maintenance of the website includes:

- Adding events information to keep our members informed as to activities that coming soon to our group, including times, locations, and the cost of events (if any) to our members.

Keeping news up to date that is of importance to our members.

- Reviewing and adding to our well selected photographs section to give a visual representation of our group, the activities we can offer and the positive impact our group can have on our member's lives.
- The website also contains information on the committee and their roles, and a way of contact for potential partners, volunteers and possible benefactors.

Paddle Ability/Sea Cadets

Each year we run 6 monthly sessions of Paddle ability as well as sessions with the local sea cadets. These sessions are organised by Stu Wallace with various water activities which include powerboating and sailing. These sessions are very popular with the members and are a lot of fun whilst also gaining new skills on the water.



Sports Coordinator

Jonny Stephen is our sports coordinator. His responsibilities include organising and running sporting activities and ensuring the safety of our members whilst doing this. We offer a range of sporting activities during Waves and outside of Waves for our members and parents/carers. Our sporting activities promote social interaction, communication, listening skills, working in a team, problem solving and building confidence. We listen to our members' suggestions and have started offering more sporting activities.

Some of our activities include: -

Football - is a popular activity with our members. We have recently upgraded our football equipment so we can practice more skills and build on the skills the members already have. We play football matches, training skills, football tennis and small team games.

Rugby skills - is a new activity we have started and is aimed at our members learning new skills by learning how to hold, throw and catch a rugby ball, learn the basics of the game and playing friendly tag matches. We have had a couple of visits from a local rugby team who delivered a great training session to our members.

Basketball - is a great game and encourages our members to work on motor skills and coordination. We practice short, long and bounce passing, dribbling, and shooting and have games to finish off. Basketball is great for working in a team and builds confidence.

Dodgeball - can be played indoors or outdoors, we have soft foam balls to ensure the safety of our members and we have parents/carers who also join in. Everyone enjoys a game of dodgeball.

Hockey - we have smaller goals that we use to play hockey and we use tennis balls or light plastic balls for safety. We practice how to pass, how to hold a hockey stick, dribbling and shooting in a safe environment. We then finish with team games or all v all.

Pool/snooker - we have our pool table where members can participate in killer pool, matches and/or practice with advice always on hand. This is a big hit with our members, including the adults, who appreciate a bit of healthy competition. This has proven so popular by all we organised pool night every 3 weeks and we have a great turn out. Some of our members have even tried snooker. The members' confidence has grown so much since running these nights. The progress our members have made has been fantastic.

Karate - is new and was suggested by our Young Voices. We have fully qualified and insured instructors who teach our members the basics of Wado Ryu karate. This involves pad work, Katas, techniques and promotes fitness and respect. We have a full class and everyone including the adults has great fun. This had led to a number of our members taking up karate and progressing well working through their belts.

Circuit Training - suggested by our young voices we offer circuit training sessions for all members. We were fortunate enough to be able to purchase new equipment to start these sessions. We set out stations that all members can do, and we encourage as many members as possible to participate. It's a great way to keep fit and learn new skills. We have 2 sessions available under 11's and over 11's.

Swimming - usually runs 1-2 times per month and is very popular with our members. The staff always give advice and support to our members such as helping them to dive, swim underwater, different strokes and building confidence to jump in or put their face under the water. Our younger members have made great progress over the last year and are now confident swimmers. We also show our members what to do if they get in danger following RNLI advice.

Nerf wars - is a big hit with our younger members and they are so competitive. We have a wide range of guns and bullets and have target shooting and team games. We provide all the safety equipment to ensure the safety of everyone playing.

Cricket/Tennis/Badminton/Rounders - some of our members have not played these sports before but are always willing to try new activities. We try to involve as many members as possible to participate and help is always on hand if needed. These activities really help our members with motor skills, coordination, and communication.



Young Voices

Jonny Stephen's - oversees our sessions with the Young Voices. The Young Voices are a small group of WAVES members of varying ages from 10-18 years. At WAVES we like to make the sessions as accessible to the families as we can and always value their input. The Young Voices play an important role within this and bring suggestions on how WAVES activities can be improved, identify things that are going well, bring forward suggestions from other members, as well as identifying any concerns regarding health and safety. The meetings give the Young Voices an important role to play in taking responsibility for their peers and their group. Suggestions and concerns are shared at the monthly Committee meetings and acted on. The Young Voices discuss topics on bullying, respect, consent, and inclusion and make sure we as a group have things in place to help others. Young Voices promotes working in a team, good listening and communication skills, problem solving, planning, and following instructions.

Waves Minibus

As many will know, we were able to secure our very own minibuss in the lockdown period. Within this financial year we have been able to use this to its full potential and it has meant we have been able to offer transport for our members who don't have their own transport and to reduce the cost of travel for our members. We have been able to put on more trips such as paddle ability, Supertramp, bowling, inflatanation, crazy golf to name a few. We have been able to organise more days out in school holidays and evenings.



Arts & Crafts

This past year we have incorporated a larger variety of materials into our crafts and had fun while putting / mixing them together.

We've made galaxies in jars and witches potions using food colouring, glitter, and Mica powder to make them glimmer, shimmer, and sparkle.

We have used the glue guns quite often for a lot of crafts such as miniature bird feeders.

The children have been asked to give ideas on what they'd like to do, a lot of these were done, such as, sensory items/toys and party confetti bombs.

We've been looking at incorporating sewing into our crafts and are going to start with a simple cross stitch pattern and hopefully we'll progress eventually with the older children to a sewing machine, at the same time ensuring all safety measures are taken.

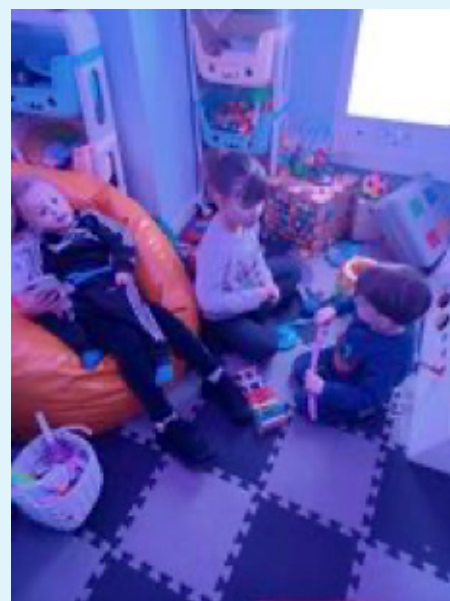
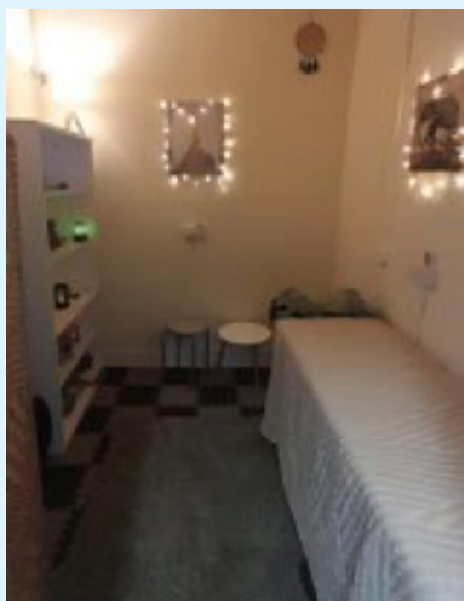
We've made costumes for the summer parade, head pieces and made giant flowers to carry along the route.

We're looking into incorporating wax carving as some of the children have expressed an interest.



Sensory & Therapy Room

We opened a sensory and therapy room at Waves on 14th August 2021. This was opened by waves patron, Ray spencer MBE, Lee's family, Leah Denny (member) and the chair of Waves Suzanne Jackson. The sensory room has been named after Lee Neo Ternent after his family done a collection at Lee's funeral and donated this to waves, Lee passed away in 2019 at just 17 years old, a plaque of the teenager and photo of him have been placed in the sensory room. It cost around £6500, and this was used out of the unrestricted funds that's been raised by different events and raffles that's been done to help raise funds. The sensory room can be used as a calm space by providing a quiet, relaxing environment where our waves members can feel safe and at ease. Each piece of equipment in the room is designed to stimulate the members senses. The sensory room is used every Saturday 12-4pm and is enjoyed by all our members of all ages. In the therapy room Nicola offers anything from back massages, feet and hand massages, facial massage, and reiki. All treatments are carried out fully clothed and lasts around 10-15 minutes, only non-perfumed massage cream is used. The treatments are all carried out either on a professional massage chair or a massage table and she do Crystal healing and mindfulness group sessions for our young members in a calm and relaxed environment and when funding is available, she offers parent and carer sessions.



Waves Additional Needs Support Group
Registered Charity number 1179923

Trustees Report and Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 September 2022

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Reg'd Charity No: 1179923

Trustees: Suzanne Helen Jackson
Rachel Jane Moreton
Helen Louise Wallace
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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: Suzanne Jackson Chair, on behalf of Trustees
Date: February 2022

Independent Examiner's Report

Notes to the accounts, 2012	Waves Additional Needs Support Group
On accounts for the year ended	30 September 2022 Charity no 1179923
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:	13 February 2022
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT
Address:	VODA Spirit of North Tyneside Wing 2nd Floor, Wallsend Customer First Centre 16 The Forum W allsend NE28 8JR

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2021

Receipts	Unrestricted Funds 2022 (£)	Restricted Funds 2022 (£)	Total Funds 2022 (£)	Total Funds 2021 (£)
Grants 2	1000	22325	23325	45240
Donations	2876	0	2876	3390
Selling Page/Waves Shop	7972	0	7972	12168
Fund Raising Events	1964	0	1964	1371
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Takings	572	0	572	74
Raffles, Lottery, Bingo, Tombola etc	1962	0	1962	772
Admission Fees	2922	0	2922	570
Adult Activities	273	0	273	446
Waves Pens	0	0	0	39
Total Receipts	19541	22325	41866	64031

Payments				
Trips Out	2700	2482	5182	20872
Centre Activities & Games	4601	11033	15634	25117
Sports & Outdoor Equipment	2703	3858	6561	4001
Computer Equipment	0	2767	2767	549
Website & Emails	379	0	392	332
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Expenses	392	0	392	635
Repairs & Maintenance	0	0	0	237
Uniforms	996	0	966	766
Postage, Stationery & Office Equipment	0	0	0	875
Bilton Hall Rent & Room Hire	0	8560	8560	10440
Swimming	0	988	988	1872
Advertising	399	0	399	0
Parking & Travel Expenses	2531	0	2531	1671
Minibus Insurance	869	0	869	1058
Minibus Accessories	2869	0	2869	195
Insurance	162	0	162	162
Resource Books	0	0	0	58
Subscription	0	0	0	115
South Tyneside Council - Bin	144	0	144	891
Container	0	0	0	900
PPE & Cleaning Materials	0	0	0	262
Accountancy Fee	350	0	350	250
Miscellaneous Expenses	369	0	369	548
Workshop	124	0	124	0
Depreciation	4992	0	4992	6240
Total Payments	24562	29688	54250	78046

Surplus / Deficit for the year	-5021	-7368	-12384	-14015
Net Transfer between Funds	0	0	0	0
Funds at 1 October 2020	30017	17234	47251	61266
Funds at 30 September 2021	24996	9871	34867	47251

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2021

	2022 (£)	2021 (£)
Fixed Assets	6	19968
		24960

Current Assets		
Cash at Bank & in Hand	14899	22291
Total Cash Balances	14899	2291

Current Liabilities	0	0
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Net Current Assets at 30 September 2022	14899	22291
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Net Assets at 30 September 2022	34867	47251
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Represented By:		
Restricted Funds	9871	17234
Unrestricted Funds	24996	30017
	34867	37251

Signed

Position

Date

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Notes to the accounts, 2022

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

Waves Additional Needs Support Group 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).

- 1.1** Fixed Assets are depreciated over a useful lifeline at the following rates:
Motor Vehicles 20% reducing balance

2. Grants Received

2019	2021(£)
Barbour Foundation 2022	2000
Children In Need (Project 4)	250
Grantham Hospital	2100
Hadrian Trust Kielder 2022	1000
Magic Little Grants Bids 2021	500
Sir James Knott - Kielder 2022	5000
UK Youth Pears	11475
Total Grants	22325

3. Trustees and Staff

No salaries were paid during the year.

4. Costs of financial services

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

5. Restricted Funds balance at 30 September 2022

	Balance 01/10/2021	Income	Expend	Balance 30/09/2022
Magic Grants - Wall Climbing	500	0	0	500
Rothley Trust	673	0	0	673
Barbour Foundation	676	0	676	0
Children In Need (Project 2)	176	0	0	176
Children In Need (Project 3)	9620	0	9548	72
Children In Need (Project 4)	0	250	0	250
Community Foundation - Winter Fund	710	0	710	710
Sports England	4879	0	4879	0
Grantham Hospital	0	2100	1900	200
Hadrian Trust Kielder 2022	0	1000	0	1000
Sir James Knott - Kielder 2022	0	5000	0	5000
UK Youth Pears	0	11475	11475	0
Barbour Foundation 2022	0	2000	0	2000
Magic Little Grants Bids 2021	0	500	500	0
Total	17234	22325	29688	9871

6. Fixed Assets - Minibus

Cost	
As at 1 October 2021	
Additions	31200
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2022	31200

Depreciation	
As at 1 October 2021	6240
Charge for the year	4992
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2022	11232

Net Book Value 30 September 2022	19968
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Minibus Insurance		869		869	1058
Minibus Accessories		2869		2869	195
Insurance		162		162	162
Resource Books				0	58
Subscription				0	115
South Tyneside Council - Bin		144		144	891
Container				0	900
PPE & Cleaning Materials				0	262
Accountancy Fee		350		350	250
Miscellaneous Expenses		369		369	548
Workshop		124		124	0
Depreciation		4992		4992	6240
Total Payments		24562	29688	54250	78046
Surplus / deficit for the year		-5021	-7363	-12384	-14015
Net Transfer between Funds					
Funds at 1 October 2021		30017	17234	47251	61266
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Waves Additional Needs Support Group

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Children In Need (Project 4)	250
Grantham Hospital	2100
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UK Youth Pears	11475

Total Grants

22325

3. Trustees and Staff

No salaries were paid during the year.

4. Costs of financial services

The cost for the Independent Examination for the financial period will be £370

5. Restricted Funds balance at 30 September 2022

	Balance 01/10/21	Income	Expend	Balance 30/09/22
Magic Grants - Wall Climbing	500			500
Rothley Trust	673			673
Barbour Foundation	676		676	0
Children In Need (Project 2)	176			176
Children In Need (Project 3)	9620		9548	72
Children In Need (Project 4)	0	250		250
Community Foundation - Winter Fund	710		710	0
Sports England	4879		4879	0
Grantham Hospital		2100	1900	200
Hadrian Trust Kielder 2022		1000		1000
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Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022

Charity No. 1179923

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Activity during 2021/22

This year saw us able to hold our events and activities in our usual way. We engaged with the public which we had missed out on the previous 2 years

We took our members to Flamingo Land and hosted our first Waves camping weekend. We provided many activities outside of Waves including, Paddleability, Swimming, Supertramp, Galaxy Golf Quest and Bowling. In the Summer holidays we visited Ridley Park, Marine Park and Hamsterly Forest.

We had a huge party to celebrate Waves 5th Birthday, it was a great night. We also held out annual Halloween and Christmas parties which our children had missed. Another successful enjoyable year for all our members.

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Signed:  Chair, on behalf of Trustees

Date February 2022

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2022

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Receipts		2022	2022	2022	2021
				£	£
Grants	2	1000	22325	23325	45240
Donations		2876		2876	3390
Selling Page/Waves Shop		7972		7972	12168
Fund Raising Events		1964		1964	1371
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Takings		572		572	74
Raffles, Lottery, Bingo, Tombola etc		1962		1962	772
Admission Fees		2922		2922	570
Adult Activities		273		273	446
Waves Pens				0	0
Total Receipts		19541	22325	41866	64031
Payments					
Trips Out		2700	2482	5182	20872
Centre Activities & Games		4601	11033	15634	25117
Sports & Outdoor Equipment		2703	3858	6561	4001
Computer Equipment			2767	2767	549
Website & Emails		379		379	332
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Expenses		392		392	635
Repairs & Maintenance				0	237
Uniforms		996		996	766
Postage, Stationery & Office Equipment				0	875
Bilton Hall Rent & Room Hire			8560	8560	10440
Swimming			988	988	1872
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WAVES

ADDITIONAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Registered Charity number 1179923

Annual Report 2020 – 2021



The Rothley Trust

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WAVES is an Additional Needs Support Group ran by a group of dedicated volunteers who are all parents of children with "Additional Needs." We are based in South Tyneside.

We offer a range of activities to help build and promote social skills among our children and young adults as well as friendship, advice and support to parents and carer's.

OPENING HOURS: Saturdays 12pm till 4pm

We offer lots of activities such as:

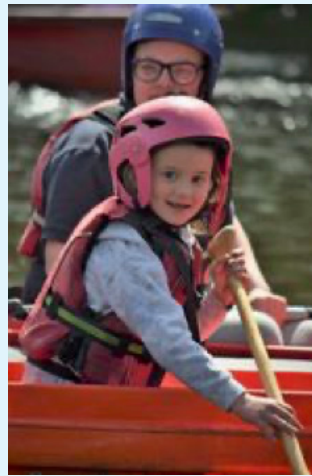
- Offsite Activities
- Indoor and Outdoor sports
- Scooters Bikes
- Hair and Beauty
- Cookery
- Social and emotional resilience enhancing activities
- Massage
- Swimming sessions
- Training for teenagers/young adults/parents/carers

We offer (if able to secure funding) day trips and outings in the school holidays such as going to the beach, local BBQ event, camping, places of interest in order that the families can spend time together with additional support. Without this support these activities are difficult, if not impossible, for our families to access. The disabilities the children have are vast and within these all come with difficulties in:

- Engaging in mainstream activities social interaction
- Having positive friendships
- Maintaining positive self-esteem
- Regulating emotions and self-control
- Maintaining positive relationships with parents, siblings and peers
- Having the independence children of average development have
- Academic achievements within the school setting
- Bullying
- Being judged by the general public
- As well as a number of other struggles children of appropriate development would not encounter.

We fully support the siblings within these families as they often need to take a back seat due to their siblings needs/difficulties which can lead to emotional difficulties as well as a feeling of 'second best' which is obviously not the case.

Due to the number of medical and academic appointments, the parents/carers find it difficult to find suitable employment which will be flexible to their needs. Many of our families are unemployed and needing to rely on benefits. This also makes day-to-day life difficult which can cause stress and anxiety for the parents/carers.



Chair Report 2020-2021

Welcome and thank you for taking time to read our latest annual report.

October 2020– September 2021 continued to throw challenges at WAVES through the pandemic. The winter period proved difficult for everyone and many of our social events were unable to go ahead. We did however manage to spread some Christmas cheer from our minibuses. Many of the committee took a day out to deliver chocolate and presents to all of our Wavelets.

April 2021 was a welcome month – we were able to open the doors and welcome back our members as well as welcoming many new families. The membership at WAVES has soared since the lockdown period and the number of children attending has doubled.

A massive bonus we have achieved during this period is the provision of two rooms within Bilton Hall – one to provide relaxing therapy sessions and the other has been made into our very own sensory den providing a relaxing environment for members of WAVES to chill and recharge. WAVES has dedicated this room to Lee Ternant, a special young man taken too soon from his family and friends.

We have been lucky enough to secure funds to provide additional equipment within WAVES as well as providing many off-site activities such as pool/snooker nights/bowling/trampolining and inflatable sessions and ice-skating.

Relations between WAVES and Escape Intervention Services has developed through the pandemic and we look forward to continuing to work together once restrictions have been lessened.

We were very fortunate to receive over £1000 from James Riley and his Motorhome Happiness group – raised at a meet-up of motorhome owners. This group has over 40,000 members and was founded by James who is a volunteer at WAVES – thank you James.

Our residential weekend was again postponed due to restrictions however on a positive note this gave time to secure funds in order to offer the families attending a fully funded weekend. The weekend is postponed until November 2021, and we hope to report on this in our next Annual Report.

I write this in September 2021 and am hopeful that no further restrictions will be put in place affecting WAVES, our members and activities that we have planned however I do know that if there is – we will again surf the WAVES until we can be together again.

Whilst 2020 – 2021 was again a strange and frustrating year, many of the staff continued to work hard behind the scenes in order that when we re-opened, we opened with a bang.

I personally would like to give my heartfelt thanks to:

- **The Committee** – The committee work so hard at WAVES, within our successful selling page, at events and behind the scenes. WAVES would not be in existence without these selfless and committed individuals. Thank you.

- **Volunteers** – The committee welcome the support and help from our dedicated volunteers at WAVES itself and other activities offered. Without this support WAVES would not be able to offer all it does. Thank you.

- **Outside Funders** – We are a non-profit charity and whilst we personally fundraise throughout the year, WAVES would not have had the opportunities they have without the generosity of funding organisations. A special thanks must go to our regular funders – The National Lottery, The Community Foundation, BBC Children in Need, Barbour's, Hadrian Trust, Sir James Knott Trust, as well as new funders such as the Police VRU, The Mayors Charity, The UK Youth Fund and The Rank Foundation.

- **Supporters** – We have many supporters of WAVES – from family members/ businesses/local residents. These supporters not only attend events but raise funds for WAVES, promote the good work that we do as well as sharing the benefits to the families we offer.

- **WAVES Families** – We have been astounded by the number of families we have coming through our door week by week. As of September 2021, we have over 650 members and over 150 members attending on a Saturday which demonstrates the need of support in our community.

Thank you to all that have attended, supported and continue to have faith in our group – roll on year 5.

Suzanne Jackson

Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Waves Committee/Trustee's

(as at September 2020)

- | | |
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| • Suzanne Jackson | Chair/ Safeguarding Officer |
| • Gaynor Tate | Vice Chair/Secretary |
| • Rachel Moreton | Treasure |
| • Helen Wallace | Fundraiser/Events Co-Ordinator/ Shop Lead |
| • Patsi Campbell | Arts & Crafts |
| • Lee Riding Bell | Volunteer Co-Ordinator |
| • Stu Wallace | Equipment Maintenance/Volunteer Co-Ordinator |
| • Jonny Stephen | Lead Sports Co-Ordinator |
| • John Paul Bagley | Cookery Lead/ Sports Support |
| • Leoni Taylor | Events Team |
| • Alison Denny | Events Team |
| • Carrie Tate | I.T Support/Website Manager |
| • Leanne Bagley | Events Team |
| • Charlie Torrance | First Aid/Health &Safety Champion |

Quote from Waves Patron Ray Spencer MBE

“Waves is a great example of hardworking volunteers coming together to form a terrific self-help group to support children with additional needs and their families. In these days of austerity, it has never been more important to support such groups who do so much for the vulnerable members of our community. Their drive and determination to do their very best for our ‘bairns’ is to be commended. In life we can either make Waves or calm troubled waters; they do both making sure their voice is heard and causes championed while giving their members a place in which to belong...I am honoured to have been asked to become their Patron”.



Fundraising and Events

Due to covid & restrictions etc. we didn't have the freedom we normally had to hold events & fundraising activities, so we had to think outside the box.

We held weekly adult & kids quizzes every Friday & Sunday night. These were popular as was a chance to catch up & chat with other People outside of your own household. The kids loved taking part & even though prizes were just sweets or chocolate bars they were very competitive.

We were unable to hold our annual Halloween or Christmas parties in 2020 but we still made sure people had a good time. In October we worked again with Williby Rocs & held outside campfire nights. For Christmas we had an activity in their gardens & made a Christmas decoration, had hot chocolate & marshmallows around the campfire & had a cheeky visit from The Grinch!

We also visited Seahaven Care Home & we sang Christmas carols outside in the garden for their residents. This was such a lovely day.

Covid restrictions may have stopped our annual Christmas party, but we made sure every wavelet received a Christmas present from Waves. A team of our committee members boarded our minibus dressed all Christmassy & even the conductor from polar express joined in. Over 10hrs later all presents delivered & lots of happy memories made.

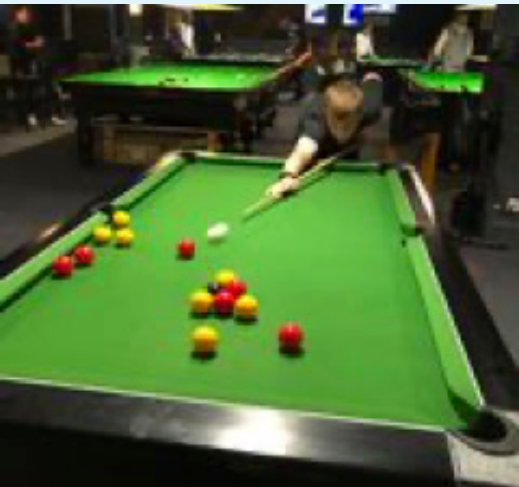
At Easter we did the same, again boarded our decorated minibus & delivered an Easter Egg too every wavelet of our group.

During the 6 weeks summer holidays we held a trip or activity every week. We visited Hamsterly Forest, Adventure Valley, Tynemouth Park, Ridley Park & finally a beach BBQ.

For our parents/carers we held a couple of activities. For the men folk we had a paintballing day. Great experience for all involved. For our ladies we held a Wonder Woman night at a local hotel The Clarion which involved an overnight stay, massage, laughing yoga, lots of dancing & fun.

We also started monthly visits to Whitley Bay Ice Rink where we private hire the rink for waves members only. The confidence created on that ice by our members has been amazing.

Now we have normality returning we have lots of exciting events/trips planned.



Equipment

Stu Wallace, my role within WAVES is primarily to maintain equipment and repair/replace when necessary. I also coordinate the volunteers and draw up staff rotas. My other roles include organising paddle ability events, and co ordinating with the sea cadets. We currently have:

- 8 Trikes
- 4 BMX
- 10 Girls/boys bikes
- 6 Flicker scooters
- 10 Stunt scooters
- 5 Balance bikes.
- Tennis/Badminton net
- Rounders
- Dodgeballs
- Boxing Gloves/Pad and Kick pad

Indoor equipment

- Bouncy Castle
- X-Box
- PlayStation
- Pool Table
- iPad
- Soft play
- Toys
- Books
- Arts and crafts supplies
- Hair and Beauty supplies
- Cookery utensil's

Volunteer Co-Ordinators

Stu Wallace and Lee Riding-bell are WAVES volunteer co originators. Our volunteers help the committee run waves and their help is greatly appreciated by the committee and members alike. All volunteers are DBS checked and undertake annual safeguarding training.

Health & Safety

Hi all, Charlie Torrance here. I joined the Waves Committee in May 2021. My role within Waves Special Needs Group is the First Aid Lead/Advisor. My first job was to assist the Covid safety team by checking all members temperature on entering Waves and Bilton Hall during the Covid 19 pandemic. I also gave safety advice for all our members. I was tasked to assist in organising the Calvert Trust, Kielder Water Residential weekend trip from the 12th - 14th November 2021. Waves took 97 members of all abilities. I was to allocate accommodation, transport, and menus for our stay. It was a great trip enjoyed by all. I am at the moment responsible for handling the Risk Assessments for our group and busy trying to organise First Aid training to our committee and then our members.

Cookery

Although waves were closed for much of year due to covid we returned in December to make short bread Christmas trees before returning fully in April. Since we restarted waves, we have baked a mixture of sweet and savoury food. We've made pizza, scones, sausage rolls, cookie monster cakes. We also celebrated Father's Day by making giant cookies. We also celebrated Liam and Chloe day by making pink and blue cakes. Cooking is always popular at waves. The children get and chance to learn new skills and be very creative



I.T Coordinator

To maintain the Waves Additional Needs Support Group website (www.waves-support-group.com). This is used as a professional way to deliver information on our group in addition to our community Facebook page, while also offering an alternative source of information to those without Facebook. The regular maintenance of the website includes:

- Adding events information to keep our members informed as to activities that coming soon to our group, including times, locations, and the cost of events (if any) to our members.

Keeping news up to date that is of importance to our members.

- Reviewing and adding to our well selected photographs section to give a visual representation of our group, the activities we can offer and the positive impact our group can have on our member's lives.
- The website also contains information on the committee and their roles, and a way of contact for potential partners, volunteers and possible benefactors.

Sports Coordinator

Jonny Stephen is our sports coordinator. His responsibilities include organising and running sporting activities and to ensure the safety of our members whilst doing this. We offer a range of sporting activities during Waves and outside of Waves for our members and parents/carers. Our sporting activities promotes social interaction, communication, listening skills, working in a team, problem solving and building confidence. We listen to our members suggestions and have started offering more sporting activities.

Some of our activities include: -

Football - is a popular activity with our members. We have recently upgraded our football equipment so we can practice more skills and build on the skills the members already have. We play football matches, training skills and small team games.

Rugby skills - is a new activity we have started and is aimed at our members learning new skills by learning how to hold, throw and catch a rugby ball, learn the basics of the game and playing friendly tag matches.

Basketball - is a great game and encourages our members to work on motor skills and coordination. We practice passing, dribbling, and shooting and have games to finish off.

Dodgeball - can be played indoors or outdoors, we have soft foam balls to ensure the safety of our members and we have parents/carers who also join in. Everyone enjoys a game of dodgeball.

Hockey - we have smaller goals that we use to play hockey and we use tennis balls or light plastic balls for safety. We practice how to pass, how to hold a hockey stick, dribbling and shooting in a safe environment. We then finish with team games or all v all.

Pool/snooker - we have our pool table where members can participate in killer pool, matches and/or practice with advice always on hand. This is a big hit with our members including the adults who appreciate a bit of healthy competition. This has proven so popular by all we organised a pool night every 3 weeks and we have a great turn out. Some of our members have even tried snooker. The member's confidence has grown so much since running these nights.

Karate - is a new activity and was suggested by our Young Voices. We have fully qualified and insured instructors teach our members the basics of Wado Ryu karate. This involves pad work, Katas, techniques and promotes fitness and respect. We have a full class and everyone including the adults have great fun.

Circuit Training - suggested by our Young Voices we offer circuit training sessions for all members. We were fortunate enough to be able to purchase new equipment to start these sessions. We set out stations that all members can do, and we encourage as many members as possible to participate. It's a great way to keep fit and learn new skills.

Swimming - usually runs 1-2 times per month and is very popular with our members. The staff always give advice and support to our members such as helping them to dive, swim under water, different strokes and building confidence to jump in or put their face under the water.

Nerf wars - is a big hit with our younger members and they are so competitive. We have a wide range of guns and bullets and have target shooting and team games. We provide all the safety equipment to ensure the safety of everyone playing.

Cricket/Tennis/Badminton/Rounders - some of our members have not played these sports before but are always willing to try new activities. We try to involve as many members as possible to participate and help is always on hand if needed. These activities really help our members with motor skills, coordination, and communication.



Young Voices

Jonny Stephen's - oversees our sessions with the Young Voices. The Young Voices are a small group of WAVES members of varying ages from 10-18 years. At WAVES we like to make the sessions as accessible to the families as we can and always value their input. The Young Voices play an important role within this and bring suggestions on how WAVES activities can be improved, identify things that are going well, bring forward suggestions from other members, as well as identifying any concerns regarding health and safety. The meetings give the Young Voices an important role to play in taking responsibility for their peers and their group. Suggestions and concerns are shared at the monthly Committee meetings and acted on. The Young Voices discuss topics on bullying, respect, consent, and inclusion and make sure we as a group have things in place to help others. Young Voices promotes working in a team, good listening and communication skills, problem solving, planning, and following instructions.

Waves Minibus

As many will know, we were able to secure our very own minibuss in the lockdown period. Within this financial year we have been able to use this to its full potential and it has meant we have been able to offer transport for our members who don't have their own transport and to reduce the cost of travel for our members. We have been able to put on more trips such as paddle ability, Supertramp, bowling, inflatanation, crazy golf to name a few. We have been able to organise more days out in school holidays and evenings.

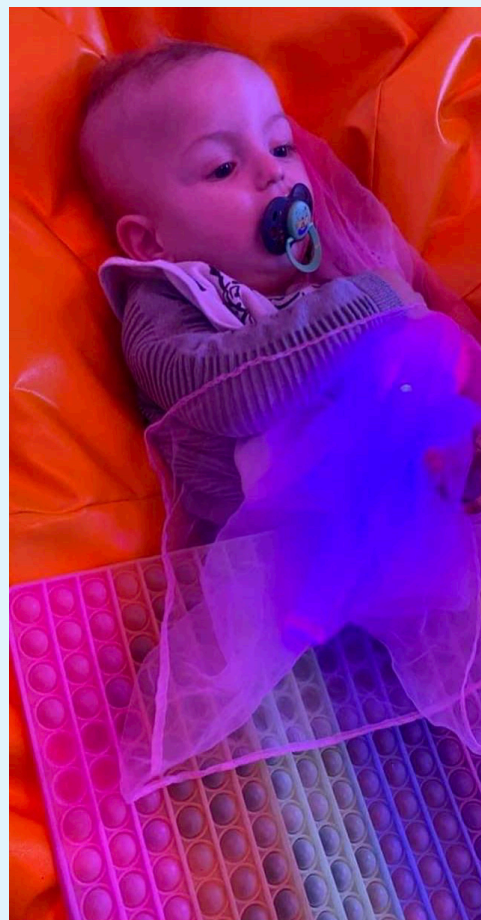


Arts & Crafts

The past year we have asked the members what arts and crafts they would like to do. We have incorporated glue guns and a range of different materials in our sessions. We often have an easier craft for younger members and more difficult crafts the older members which seems to be working well.

Sensory & Therapy Room

We opened a sensory and therapy room at Waves on 14th August 2021. This was opened by waves patron, Ray spencer MBE, Lee's family, Leah Denny (member) and the chair of Waves Suzanne Jackson. The sensory room has been named after Lee Neo Ternent after his family done a collection at Lee's funeral and donated this to waves, Lee passed away in 2019 at just 17 years old, a plaque of the teenager and photo of him have been placed in the sensory room. It cost around £6500, and this was used out of the unrestricted funds that's been raised by different events and raffles that's been done to help raise funds. The sensory room can be used as a calm space by providing a quiet, relaxing environment where our waves members can feel safe and at ease. Each piece of equipment in the room is designed to stimulate the members senses. The sensory room is used every Saturday 12-4pm and is enjoyed by all our members of all ages. In the therapy room Nicola offers anything from back massages, feet and hand massages, facial massage, and reiki. All treatments are carried out fully clothed and lasts around 10-15 minutes, only non-perfumed massage cream is used. The treatments are all carried out either on a professional massage chair or a massage table and she do Crystal healing and mindfulness group sessions for our young members in a calm and relaxed environment and when funding is available, she offers parent and carer sessions.



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Registered Charity number 1179923

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Legal and Administrative Information

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Activity during 2020/21

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Unable to hold events to fundraise, our events team made up hampers and blind cards were sold on our Facebook page. Our shop had to remain closed until restrictions were lifted but after the first lockdown, we were able to upload to our online charity page. This all helped to keep our fundraising ticking over.

2021 saw a little bit normality and we were able to run with Covid measures in place. We held a weekend on the water with the Sea Cadets, hosted a Wonder Woman Night, Paintballing, Ice Skating and many other activities

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Signed: Suzanne Jackson Chair, on behalf of Trustees
Date: March 2022

Independent Examiner's Report

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On accounts for the year ended	30 September 2021. Charity no 1179923
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:	2 March 2022
Name:	Mark Thompson MAAT
Address:	VODA Linskill Centre Linskill Terrace North Shields NE30 2AY

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2021

Receipts	Unrestricted Funds 2021 (£)	Restricted Funds 2021 (£)	Total Funds 2021 (£)	Total Funds 2020 (£)
Grants	2	45240	45240	49900
Donations	3390	0	3390	8389
Selling Page/Waves Shop	12168	0	12168	11279
Fund Raising Events	1371	0	1371	2075
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Takings	74	0	74	174
Raffles,Lottery,Bingo,Tombola etc	772	0	772	1569
Admission Fees	570	0	570	955
Adult Acitivites	446	0	446	0
Waves Pens	0	0	0	39
Total Receipts	18791	45240	64031	74380

Payments	Unrestricted Funds 2021 (£)	Restricted Funds 2021 (£)	Total Funds 2021 (£)	Total Funds 2020 (£)
Trips Out	10105	10767	20872	5005
Centre Activities & Games	7813	17304	25117	8167
Sports & Outdoor Equipment	582	3419	4001	647
Computer Equipment	549	0	549	888
Website & Emails	332	0	332	332
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Expenses	635	0	635	317
Repairs & Maintenance	237	0	237	262
Uniforms	766	0	766	1850
Postage, Stationery & Office Equipment	875	0	875	860
Bilton Hall Rent & Room Hire	2160	8280	10440	8790
Swimming	208	1664	1872	600
Advertising	0	0	0	1006
Parking & Travel Expenses	1671	0	1671	184
Minibus Insurance	1058	0	1058	1083
Minibus Accessories	195	0	195	505
Insurance	162	0	162	162
Resource Books	58	0	58	0
Subscription	115	0	115	0
South Tyneside Council - Bin	891	0	891	0
Container	900	0	900	0
PPE & Cleaning Materials	262	0	262	824
Accountancy Fee	250	0	250	250
Miscellaneous Expenses	548	0	548	431
Depreciation	6240	0	6240	0
Total Payments	36612	41434	78046	32163

Surplus / Deficit for the year	-17821	3806	-14015	42217
Net Transfer between Funds	0	0	0	0
Funds at 1 October 2020	47838	13428	61266	19049
Funds at 30 September 2021	30017	17234	47251	61266

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2021

	2021 (£)	2020 (£)
Fixed Assets	24960	31200

Current Assets		
Cash at Bank & in Hand	22291	30066
Total Cash Balances	22291	30066

Current Liabilities	0	0
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Net Current Assets at 30 September 2021	222291	30066
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Represented By:		
Restricted Funds	17234	13428
Unrestricted Funds	30017	47838
	47251	61266

Signed

Date

Position

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Notes to the accounts, 2021

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

Waves Additional Needs Support Group 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).

- 1.1** Fixed Assets are depreciated over a useful lifeline at the following rates:
 Motor Vehicles 20% reducing balance

2. Grants Received

2019	2021(£)
Barbour Foundation	1500
Charity Aid Foundation	10000
Children In Need (Project 1)	9620
Children In Need (Project 2)	9620
Community Foundation - Winter Funding	2500
Magic Grants	500
Covid 19 Support for Vulnerable Children's Charity's (Police)	1700
Rank Foundation	1200
Sports England	8600
Total Grants	45240

3. Trustees and Staff

No salaries were paid during the year.

4. Costs of financial services

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

5. Restricted Funds balance at 30 September 2021

	Balance 01/10/2020	Income	Expend	Balance 30/09/2021
Magic Grants	500	500	500	500
National Lottery Grant	3250	0	3250	0
Covid 19 Support for Vulnerable Children's Charity's (Police)	1661	1700	3361	0
Sir James Knott Trust	2717	0	2717	0
Community Foundation - Covid 19	4500	0	4500	0
Rothley Trust	800	0	127	673
Barbour Foundation	0	1500	824	676
Charity Aid Foundation	0	10000	10000	0
Children In Need (Project 1)	0	9620	9444	175
Children In Need (Project 2)	0	9620	0	9620
Community Foundation - Winter Fund	0	2500	1790	710
Rank Foundation	0	1200	1200	0
Sports England	0	8600	3721	4879
Total	13428	45240	41434	17234

6. Fixed Assets - Minibus

Cost	
As ar 1 October 2020	
Additions	31200
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2021	31200

Depreciation	
As ar 1 October 2020	
Charge for the year	6240
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2020	6240

Net Book Value 30 September 2021	24960
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WAVES ADDITIONAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1179923

Accounts

WAVES

ADDITIONAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

Waves Additional Needs Support Group
Registered Charity number 1179923

Annual Report 2019 – 2020



The Rothley Trust

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WAVES is an Additional Needs Support Group ran by a group of dedicated volunteers who are all parents/carers of children with "Disabilities and/or Additional Needs." We are based in South Tyneside.

We offer a range of activities in a safe/supportive and non-judgemental environment to help build and promote social skills among our children and young adults as well as offering friendship, advice and support to the children's caregivers.

OPENING HOURS: Saturdays 12pm till 4pm



Chairperson's Report

Welcome and thank you for taking time to read our latest annual report.

2019 – 2020 has been a rollercoaster year for WAVES Additional Needs Support, what with the fabulous winter period we had – our annual residential at Rock UK in the Scottish Borders, Halloween, Remembrance Day preparations, Boxing challenges, Christmas and then Covid 19 hit the world. Whilst, initially, we needed to stop all physical contact and subsequently suspend WAVES weekly sessions, this did not stop us continuing to give support/advice and continued friendship. Weekly challenges were set up for the kids as well as the adults which allowed us all to recognise the importance WAVES has on all our families. Thank goodness for technology at that time.

We received some very positive news when we secured enough funding to buy our very own minibus. This was very much down to The Clothworkers Foundation who granted us a large sum of money to make this possible. Vic Young Garage then took our hands and found a fantastic bus to meet our needs. Vic also reduced the amount of the vehicle, paid for the signage and offered a very attractive warranty.

Come July restrictions were reducing, and we were seeing light at the end of the tunnel. We looked to re-open WAVES in September 2020. Excitement hit, organisation to ensure we were Covid secure got underway and two fantastic evening events took place for the children.

On returning to WAVES in September!!!!!! Well, that DID NOT happen. The second wave of Covid-19 hit, and local restrictions would not allow this.

A motto I like to share is – **'look for the solutions NOT at the problems'** – and that is what we did.

- We secured funding to increase the touch therapy sessions by Kim. Along with the touch therapy she was able to offer age-appropriate wellbeing sessions (Relax Kids) which was very much needed. It is due to the generosity of Escape Intervention Services that many of our sessions have taken place in their 'very relaxing' therapy room. Escape have also offered parents/carers wellbeing sessions which are currently ongoing. We look forward to continuing to work alongside Escape once restrictions relax.
- We organised 2 Paddle ability sessions with LASP Adventures which was enjoyed by all. Louis and Stu are looking to offer something very special in the future – watch this space!!!!
- Covid secure Williby Roc's sessions were commenced and are hoped to be a regular activity on a Saturday when we do re-open.
- Swimming recommenced and due to the restrictions, we increased the number of sessions offered.
- The selling page and shop re-opened in order to raise vital funds for future activities.

It was a great disappointment not to be able to attend our annual residential weekend, however, this has been rearranged for March 2021 and something to look forward to. We are returning to The Calvert Trust in Kielder.

Whilst 2020 was a strange and frustrating year we will just put that to one side and focus on the future. I personally would like to give my heartfelt thanks to:

- **The Committee** – The committee work so hard at WAVES, at events and behind the scenes. WAVES would not be in existence without these selfless and committed individuals. Thank you.
- **Volunteers** – The committee welcome the support and help from our dedicated volunteers at WAVES itself and other activities offered. Just prior to lockdown we took on another 4 volunteers and currently have 17. Thank you.
- **Outside Funders** – We are a non-profit charity and whilst we personally fundraise throughout the year, WAVES would not have had the opportunities they have without the generosity of funding organisations. A special thanks must go to our regular funders – The National Lottery, The Community Foundation, BBC Children in Need, Barbour's, Hadrian Trust, Sir James Knott Trust, as well as new funders such as The Clothworkers Foundation, Vic Young, The Police VRU, The Masons, The Rothley Trust, John D Endowment Fund.
- **WAVES Families** – We have been astounded by the number of families we have coming through our door week by week. As of August 2019, we have over 500 members which demonstrates the need of support in our community.

Thank you to all that have attended, supported and have had faith in our group – roll on year 4.

Suzanne Jackson

Chair of WAVES Additional Needs Support Group

Waves Committee/Trustee's

(as at September 2020)

• Suzanne Jackson	Chair/ Safeguarding Officer
• Gaynor Tate	Co -Vice Chair/Secretary
• Tracy Urwin	Co-Vice Chair/Lead Fundraiser
• Rachel Moreton	Treasurer
• Helen Wallace	Fundraiser/Events Co-Ordinator/ Shop Lead
• Donna Bell	Arts & Crafts
• Joanne Turner	Volunteer Co-Ordinator
• Stu Wallace	Equipment Maintenance/Volunteer Co-Ordinator/Paddle ability
• Lee Riding Bell	Selling Page Lead/ School Liaison
• Patsi Campbell	Arts & Crafts/Events Team
• Simon Tate	Lead Sports Co-Ordinator
• John Paul Bagley	Cookery Lead/ Sports Support
• Leoni Taylor	Events Team
• Alison Denny	Events Team
• Darren Bell	I.T Support/Website Manager
• Leanne Bagley	Events Team

Quote from Waves Patron Ray Spencer MBE

"Waves staff are a great example of hardworking volunteers coming together to form a terrific self-help group to support children with additional needs and their families. In these days of austerity, it has never been more important to support such groups who do so much for the vulnerable members of our community. Their drive and determination to do their very best for our 'bairns' is to be commended. In life we can either make Waves or calm troubled waters; they do both making sure their voice is heard and causes championed while giving their members a place in which to belong... I am honoured to have been asked to become their Patron".



Waves - What We Do

WAVES Additional Needs Support Group was established in September 2017 by parents who have children with additional needs to provide a safe and non-judgemental environment for their own and other families facing the many difficulties families face both in the educational and health sectors. Due to staff having personal experience of these difficulties, they can offer a real and empathic approach to the families and carers attending. This informal support is often desperately needed and this is evidenced in the numbers attending on a weekly basis. These families often face judgement and criticism by the public who find it difficult to understand the needs of these families and children. We are a volunteer led service and rely solely on self-funding to continue to sustain this non-profit organisation. Initially we hired 'a room' in a community building, however due to the need, our membership quickly rose and currently stands at 500 members. We have, on average, 100+ attending on a weekly basis. Due to this we needed to expand and we now rent the full building and outdoor area for 4 hours on a Saturday. We offer lots of activities such as:

- Indoor and Outdoor sports
- Scooters Bikes
- Hair and Beauty
- Craft and Cookery
- Social and emotional resilience enhancing activities
- Touch Therapy/Mindfulness/Relax Kids
- Swimming sessions
- Offsite activities
- Training for teenagers/young adults/parents/carers
- Parent/Carer Therapy

We offer (if able to secure funding) day trips and outings in the school holidays such as going to the beach, local BBQ event, camping, places of interest in order that the families can spend time together with additional support. Without this support these activities are difficult, if not impossible, for our families to access.

The disabilities the children have are vast and within these all come with difficulties in:

- Engaging in mainstream activities
- Social interaction
- Gaining and maintaining positive friendships
- Maintaining positive self-esteem
- Regulating emotions and self-control
- Maintaining positive relationships with parents, siblings and other family members
- Having the independence children of average development have
- Academic achievements within the school setting
- Bullying
- Being judged by the general public
- As well as a number of other struggles children of appropriate development would not encounter.

We fully support the siblings within these families as they often need to take a back seat due to their siblings' needs/difficulties which can lead to emotional difficulties as well as a feeling of 'second best' which is obviously not the case.

Due to the number of medical and academic appointments, the parents/carers find it difficult to find suitable employment which will be flexible to their needs. Many of our families are unemployed and needing to rely on benefits. This also makes day-to-day life even more difficult, which can cause stress and anxiety for the parents/carers.

We are often classed as family by families attending – below are just a couple of quotes they have made:

'WAVES is not just a group - it's family, a place where my shy, withdrawn teenager becomes himself around many fantastic role models'

'WAVES has helped me understand so much more about my child's additional needs'

'WAVES has been my lifeline.'



Fundraising and Events

Waves teamed up with Williby Rocs for some fantastic events over the autumn/winter months in 2019 below are some of the sessions the children took part in:

Halloween

The older children got to make Halloween wreaths and wood cookie spiders, the children were able to use drills, nails and other materials, it was a great day seeing the children get involved and try out their skills in a safe environment

The younger children came dressed to their session in Halloween costumes and they made witches brooms.

Autumn Days

The older children learnt how to make their own prints using earth pigments with a pestle and mortar and were able to use tools such as drills to make a wood frame to put flowers in.

The younger children learnt how to make handmade bird feeders and snowy owls. The children then each had a try at cutting wood for the campfire at the end which they enjoyed with hot cocoa and cookies.

Christmas

For the Christmas session the children used tools and wood to make reindeers, these were brilliant, and the children were very proud of their creations.



As well as the Williby Sessions Waves put on some events for the children which included:

Neon Party

Events team put on a neon party for the younger children to enjoy, this was a brilliant night, the children designed their own neon t-shirts, and there was face painting, raffles, games and disco! Lots of fun was had by all.



Teen Night

The older children enjoyed a night out at the bowling alley where they had 2 games of bowling and pizza! This was extra special as lots of our children miss out on being able to hang with friends on an evening due to its challenges for them. They had a brilliant evening.



Family Night

Our Family Night was huge success. We held 2 Quizzes, 1 for children only and the other for everyone of all ages. We held a raffle and prizes were equal number of girls and boys, with a couple hid just in case, there was also a huge family hamper to be won. We served a choice of curry and rice or hotdogs. Bingo was a huge hit with everyone and afterwards we had a visit from our mascot "Splash" and his friend, "Mr. Blobby" which is when the children and some adults had their photos taken. The night was a huge success.



Halloween Party

Our annual Halloween party was a great success, it was held at the Buzzers bar on the 26th of Oct between 6pm and 9pm. This was a ticketed event priced at £2 per ticket and over 100 waves members attended. We had a raffle/blind card which raised £218.70. We played spooky games (mummy wrap, pass the parcel, spaghetti brain game and many more) for the children and even some adults joined in, we had a best fancy dress competition for adults and children, we also had curry and hotdogs and soft drinks for members to enjoy. We also had a disco, and we had a surprise dance from the committee witches, each child went home with a spooky sweet bag a smile on their face and the event made a profit of £179.03



Christmas Party

our Christmas party was held at the Sutton trust hall in south shields on the 15th of Dec 12/4. where over 100 members attended. we had a disco and party games, a slush machine. All members brought food for the buffet i.e., sandwiches, crisps, pies etc. Some of the committee and volunteer's took part in doing an elf dance where they got dressed up. we had a visit from Santa where each child got a selection box. we also held a kids raffle where we raised £228.00.



Equipment

Stu Wallace: My role at waves is to maintain equipment every week. All equipment is checked thoroughly and replaced/repared when needed. We currently have:

- 8 Trikes
- 4 BMX
- 10 Girls/boys bikes
- 6 Flicker scooters
- 10 Stunt scooters
- 5 Balance bikes.
- Tennis/Badminton net
- Rounders
- Dodgeballs
- Boxing Gloves/Pad and Kick pad

Indoor Equipment

- Bouncy Castle
- X-Box
- PlayStation
- Pool Table
- iPad
- Soft play
- Toys
- Books
- Arts and crafts supplies
- Hair and Beauty supplies
- Cookery utensil's

Volunteer Co-Ordinators

Stu Wallace and Joanne Turner are WAVES volunteer co-ordinators. Our volunteers help the committee run WAVES and their help is greatly appreciated by the committee and members alike. All volunteers are DBS checked and undertake annual Safeguarding training. WAVES would not run as smoothly as it does without the support of the volunteers. They help set up and support during all activities on a Saturday and take an active part in new ideas with events and fundraising team. Our Volunteers are:

- James Riley
- Bryn Howard
- Diane Murray
- David Murray
- Jonny Stephen
- Carrie Tate
- Fari Farazandeh
- Connor Donaldson
- Gillian Hansen
- Ben Turner
- Hayden Bell

Cookery

Waves runs cooking sessions every other Saturday. This year we have made a range of food including pizzas, emoji cookies, unicorn cake, old school dessert including ginger and syrup sponge, chocolate chip cookie. We also made monster face cookies at Halloween and chocolate logs at Christmas. The kids really enjoy the cooking sessions and essentially enjoy decorating cakes.

This year we also had a bake-off competition where the kids made and decorated a cake at home then brought it into waves to be judged. The cakes were then portioned and sold to raise money for waves.

We also had our annual Christmas lunch where we cooked for over 100 members.



I.T Coordinator

Darren Bell is our I.T. Coordinator. He maintains the WAVES Additional Needs Support Group website (www.waves-support-group.com). This is used as a professional way to deliver information on our group in addition to our community Facebook page, while also offering an alternative source of information to those without Facebook. The regular maintenance of the website includes:

- Adding events information to keep our members informed as to activities that are coming soon, including times, locations, and the cost of events (if any) to our members.
- Keeping news up-to-date that is of importance to our members.
- Reviewing and adding to our well selected photographs section to give a visual representation of our group, the activities we can offer and the positive impact our group can have on our members' lives.
- The website also contains information on the committee and their roles, and a way of contact for potential partners, volunteers and possible benefactors.

Darren also manages our local giving page (<https://localgiving.org/charity/waves-additional-needs-support-group/>), which offers a platform for donations to be made electronically as well as being able to share our fundraising events to a wider audience via social media.

Arts and Crafts

Donna Bell and Patsi Campbell are the arts and crafts co-ordinators for waves.

Our role in arts and crafts is to support children and young adults with all abilities, whilst promoting independence, and self-confidence, creative, enjoyable crafts. Whilst in a safe and fun environment. Enabling children to develop skills, and enhance language enabling them to express themselves during creative activities, increasing and encourage fine motor skills, and co-ordination. Hand and eye coordination, also using curriculum-based activities, maths, colour sorting, reading, instruction taking.

Also, we encourage our youngsters to share when using equipment. Also express the importance of using materials and equipment correctly and in a safe manner.

Activities this year have included:

- Gluing
- Sticking
- Christmas baubles
- Model making
- Wish jars
- Card making
- Christingles
- Painting
- T-shirt designing
- Lollypop broomsticks
- Christmas decorations
- Upcycling (old clothes)
- Remembrance poppy display

We have lots more upcoming ideas for example Easter activities, outdoor summer crafts, summer crafts,

Upcoming ideas and activities

Arts and crafts are one of our busiest sessions and always fun for all ages and abilities



Sports Coordinator

Simon Tate is the sports coordinator his role within the committee of WAVES is to organise the running of sports and activities and to ensure the safety of our members whilst doing this.

We have tried to do a range of activities for the children and young adults and even some of the parents too to get involved with, some of the activities are: -

Football - lots of the children already have a love for playing football and with the facilities having football goals already on the premises it is perfect to arrange matches and to have them supervised trying to encourage some of the more introvert kids to get involved and enjoy being part of a big group.

Rounders - some of the kids had never played this but all seem to of taken a like to it, we try to involve as many of the members to get involved, games like this can be challenging for some but we feel it really helps them with their motor skills and they are always given help if needed.

Dodgeball - this game is used with soft foam balls to ensure the safety of the kids, kids from all ages up to the parents enjoy getting stuck in with this and rally gets the kids working on their coordination and motor skills too.

Pool/Killer pool - this is a big hit at waves and a lot of the children and adults get involved with this one, once again in works on had to eye coordination and with a lot of our members appreciating a bit of healthy competition setting up tournaments and matches is something they really enjoy whether it's them playing or watching other members whilst playing.

Kickboxing/boxing - this was a little different to some of the other activities as some of the kids may not have tried doing anything like this before but was a great opportunity for them to try it and see if they'd enjoy it whilst being in a controlled environment.

Selling Page/Shop

Waves has a selling page where we have many dedicated people who work not only in the shop but who also upload from home, they all work on a volunteer basis and do this in their own time. All money made from the sale of donated items gets distributed back to Waves and is spent on equipment, supplies and fun activities for the kids in the group. This year has been a busy one with running the shop, managing the home uploaders and delivering, we have also held some competitions for not only shop and home uploaders but also for the customers, we have held container sales and page sales in order to raise funds for the group. This financial year the shop and page have made over £10,000 pound which has been a fantastic achievement for everyone involved.



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OF DONATIONS
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THANKYOU

Residential Weekends

Waves had a booking for March 2020 to go to Kielder's Calvert Trust, unfortunately this was cancelled due to Covid 19. We are hoping to make this trip in 2021.



Waves Minibus

The highlight of this year for waves was receiving funding to purchase our very own waves 16-seater minibus.

This will help reduce the cost of travel for our members for outing and activities such as paddle ability, summer trips etc. As well as waves being able to organise more group activities on evenings and school holidays for the kids especially for those without their own transport.



Covid 19

Sadly, our year was cut short, in March 2020 waves had to close its doors to our members due the national pandemic (COVID19)

This was a very difficult time for all, but we tried our best to support our members remotely and were always still only a touch of a button away, during this awful period waves still providing ongoing to support to our families via telephone and zoom calls. Lots of interaction through our Facebook group. These included:

- Uploading weekly challenges/arts and craft activities/exercises
- Weekly zoom chats
- Weekly Kids and Adult quizzes
- Themed paint your window displays
- Weekly competitions/raffles

During easter when restrictions allowed it our event team delivered over 60 easter eggs leaving them on the wall for the children to collect.

Throughout lockdown the children were having to isolate so the committee agreed to purchase items for the children to make up some "isolation packs" to help ease the boredom. We spend £70 on various things such as cooking items, craft items, books, toys, makeup ect. Each pack contained 6 different items suited to age. The children were very pleased when they received these.



Waves Additional Needs Support Group
Registered Charity number 1179923

Trustees Report and Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 September 2020

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Reg'd Charity No: 1179923

Trustees: Suzanne Helen Jackson
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Helen Louise Wallace
Tracy Veronica Urwin
Gaynor Elizabeth Tate
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Darren Bell
Joanne Turner
Leoni Taylor
Patricia Campbell
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Trustees' Annual Report

The organisation registered with the Charity Commission on 13 September 2018, and these financial statements reflect the first twelve months of the registered charity. The organisation is governed by a Management Committee.

Activity during 2019/20

In 2019 WAVES additional needs support group helped and supported many families. We helped parent and carers with DLA and EHCP paperwork. We supported families emotionally and socially. As well as running our group weekly, we took 100 members to Rock UK for a full residential weekend, which included many physical and bonding experiences.

We hosted many events, including a Neon party, Science party and a sponsored fun run. Our members enjoyed Wall Climbing, Seasonal watersports (Paddleability) and Swimming.

We also launched our own charity shop after the success of our online selling.

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: *Suzanne Jackson* Chair, on behalf of Trustees
Date: May 2021

Independent Examiner's Report

Notes to the accounts, 2012

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

On accounts for the year ended

30 September 2020. Charity no 1179923

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

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Date:

24 May, 2021

Name:

Mark Thompson MAAT

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Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2020

Receipts	Unrestricted Funds 2020 (£)	Restricted Funds 2020 (£)	Total Funds 2020 (£)	Total Funds 2019 (£)
Grants	0	49900	49900	28758
Donations	8389	0	8389	2589
Selling Page/Waves Shop	11279	0	11279	9470
Fund Raising Events	2075	0	2075	3105
Kitchen & Christmas Dinner Takings	174	0	174	916
Raffles,Lottery,Bingo,Tombola etc	1569	0	1569	2961
Admission Fees	955	0	955	2315
Bag Packing	0	0	0	169
Haircuts	0	0	0	120
Waves Pens	39	0	39	56
Total Receipts	24480	49900	74380	50459

Payments	Unrestricted Funds 2020 (£)	Restricted Funds 2020 (£)	Total Funds 2020 (£)	Total Funds 2019 (£)
Trips Out	350	4655	5005	29350
Centre Activities & Games	413	7754	8167	6313
Sports & Outdoor Equipment	0	647	647	4085
Computer Equipment	388	500	888	1211
Website & Emails	332	0	332	669
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Repairs & Maintenance	0	262	262	443
Uniforms	330	1520	1850	1508
Postage, Stationery & Office Equipment	860	0	860	665
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Waves Pens	0	0	0	124
PPE & Cleaning Materials	0	824	824	0
Accountancy Fee	250	0	250	0
Miscellaneous Expenses	431	0	431	180
Total Payments	6611	25552	56328	56328

Surplus / Deficit for the year	17869	24348	42217	-5869
Net Transfer between Funds	19500	-19500	0	0
Funds at 13 September 2018 (pre-Charity)	10469	8580	19049	24918
Funds at 30 September 2020	47838	8580	61266	19049

Waves Additional Needs Support Group Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2020

	2020 (£)	2019 (£)
Fixed Assets	31200	0

Current Assets		
Cash at Bank & in Hand	30066	19049
Total Cash Balances	30066	19049

Current Liabilities	0	0
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Net Current Assets at 30 September 2020	30066	19049
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Net Assets at 30 September 2020	61266	19049
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Represented By:		
Restricted Funds	13428	8580
Unrestricted Funds	47838	10469
	61266	19049

Signed

Date

Position

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

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Motor Vehicles 20% reducing balance

2. Grants Received

2019	(£)
The Clothworkers FDN	19500
National Lottery Grant	14500
Covid 19 support for vulnerable children's charity's (Police)	5100
Sir James Knott Trust	4500
Community Foundation - Covid 19	4500
Hadrian Trust	1000
Rothley Trust	800
Total Grants	49900

3. Trustees and Staff

No salaries were paid during the year.

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Movement for Good	580	0	580	0
Magic Grants	500	0	0	500
The Clothworkers FDN	0	19500	19500	0
National Lottery Grant	0	14500	11250	3250
Covid 19 support for vulnerable children's charity's (Police)	0	5100	3439	1661
Sir James Knott Trust	0	4500	1783	2717
Community Foundation - Covid 19	0	4500	0	4500
Hadrian Trust	0	1000	1000	0
Rothley Trust	0	800	0	800
Total	8580	49900	45052	13428

7. Fixed Assets - Minibus

Cost	
As at 1 October 2019	
Additions	31200
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2020	31200

Depreciation	
As at 1 October 2019	
Charge for the year	0
Disposals	
As at 30 September 2020	0

Net Book Value 30 September 2020	31200
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The minibus was purchased towards the end of the financial year, depreciation will be applied in the following financial period.

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Trustees Report and Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 September 2020

Charity No. 1179923

Legal and Administrative Information

Name: **Waves Additional Needs Support Group**

Reg'd Charity No: 1179923

Trustees:

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Gaynor Elizabeth Tate
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Waves Additional Needs Support Group

Trustees' Annual Report

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Activity during 2019/20

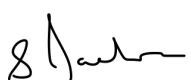
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Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to Financial Statements

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 May 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Notes to the
accounts, 2012

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

On accounts for
the year ended

30 September 2020

Charity no 1179923

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and
examiner**

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It is my responsibility to

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**Basis of
independent
examiner's
statement**

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Signed:



Date: 24 May 2021

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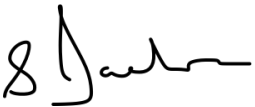
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Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2020**

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Represented By:			
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Position: Chair

Date: 25.5.21

Waves Additional Needs Support Group

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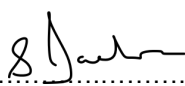
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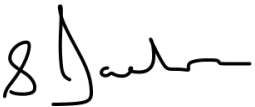
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Disposals		
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