

Charity Number: 1182035

Axminster and Lyme Cancer Support

Report and unaudited financial statements

For the year ended 30 June 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Registered Charity number

1182035

Principal address

Heathermoor, Yawl Hill Lane

Yawl

Devon

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Trustees

Dr Nick Hodges, GP

Dr Yvonne Hodges, GP

Chris Stafford

Georgia Robson

Heather Sibley (new chair appointed Nov 2023)

David Elliott (new appointed Feb 2024)

Senior Staff

Mary Kahn, Charity Managing Director (CMD)

Kevin Townsend, Finance Officer

Bankers

Lloyds Bank

The Square

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Independent examiner

L Morgan, CIMA

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their annual report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Reference and administrative information set out on page 2 forms part of this report. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102).

Structure, Government and Management

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered on 15th February 2019. It is governed by a board of trustees, in accordance with its constitution, who regularly review the objectives and activities undertaken by the organisation.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and have strategically applied these principles in the Charity's objectives and activities.

The day-to-day management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Charity Managing Director, Mary Kahn and Kevin Townsend, Finance Officer. The Grant Coordinator role increased to six hours per week to support bid writing applications. Administration and IT support increased to 12 hours of paid work weekly.

The work of the Charity is underpinned by a group of exceptionally hard-working and dedicated volunteers who have a deep understanding of how cancer affects the lives of people and the support that our clients need. Their number has grown from 19 to 29 in the past financial year.

Objectives and activities

Axminster and Lyme Cancer Support aims to provide relief for anyone in the communities of Axminster, Devon, and Lyme Regis, Dorset, living with and beyond cancer, including relatives and carers, regardless of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

The Charity provides support, information and education around a variety of issues surrounding a cancer diagnosis, including specific cancers. The Charity offers drop-in sessions where volunteer workers can engage, signpost and refer clients to various support teams including counselling and complementary therapies depending on individual need, plus Volunteer led 1-2-1 support. In addition, the Charity holds events and creative workshops to support clients or raise awareness regarding aspects of cancer and the promotion of health and well-being throughout the year.

Achievements and performance

Over the past year the Charity has supported 223 new clients in addition to 353 clients that joined prior to this financial year. Sadly 18 were deceased during this period. We continue to actively support 325 people with a variety of activities as given below. Despite the huge growth in numbers we believe we have managed to provide all our clients with what they needed, when they needed it and for as long as they needed it. We seek feedback anonymously following workshops and courses and receive significant verbally and personally.

Drop-in Sessions

This financial year, our drop-in sessions continued in a face-to-face setting with an average weekly attendance of 20 clients per session. These provide a forum for peer-to-peer support and sign posting to other organisations or relevant information. 46 clients are supported by volunteers offering 1-2-1 telephone contact on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

Therapies

There are currently 42 professional partners on the website available for referrals, all interviewed, with appropriate forms, references and insurances. We are especially grateful to those therapists who are able to continue to offer support via Skype or Zoom for the most vulnerable. We also have some complementary therapists who are able to offer home visits to those who are unable to travel.

We continue our dedicated closed Facebook page for our therapists which facilitates best practice by allowing exchange of ideas and links our self-employed professionals to the organisation as a whole.

Group therapy events include Acupuncture, Nordic Walking and Swimming sessions.

We have made 291 client referrals in 2022/23 including, but not limited to:

Therapy

Counselling

Acupuncture

Physio

Bowen

Massage - Reflexology/Head

Tripudio

Scar Tissue Massage

Hair/makeup

Reiki

Nordic Walking

Nutrition

Water Therapy

Hypnotherapy

Equine

Metamorphic Technique

Oxygen therapy

Pedicure/Manicure/facial

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Workshops and Events

Our Creative Hub delivered a variety of Art Workshops in addition to the successful Creative Writing workshops, seasonal floristry workshops and Fermented Food workshops. The feedback from these workshops has been enormously positive, both at distracting clients for a short time from their health issues but also for connecting clients in a safe and secure way. Our support to men has increased in demand seeing more attend the Pie and Pint monthly meetings and the quarterly Blokes Brunch.

Beach Hut

The beach hut has been made available throughout the whole year and is in high demand. It has been an introduction to us for many of our new clients who have enquired first about the beach hut but have subsequently engaged with other forms of support that we offer. There has been a total of 295 visits to the beach hut and it has been used by 102 different clients.

Fundraising

Our fundraising activities have been successful during 2022/23. Highlights included our Art Exhibition and Hills are Alive sponsored walk, plus donations from local organisations who selected us as their charity of choice or fundraised on our behalf.

We are grateful to have received £48,542 of combined grants from Albert Hunt Trust, The Will Charitable Trust, Devon Community Fund, Tesco Community Grant, Foyle Foundation, Magic Little Grant, Axe Vale Show, Rotary Club, Active Dorset Together Fund, The National Lottery, Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival, Screwfix Foundation, GF Eyre Charitable Trust, LRTC Community Fund, Gibbons Family Trust, Morrisons Foundation and Community Matters - this helped us to continue to provide a full service to our clients.

Donations collection pots are ongoing although reduced from pre-Covid times due to less cash being carried. These, together with other donations received either personally or through online platforms, have supported our core business, especially counselling and therapies.

Sales of our recipe book, cards and music CDs through our online shop have continued to do well but this revenue stream remains a small proportion of our income.

Financial Review

It has been a positive year financially for the Charity through usual streams of income from fundraising events and collection pots. We have been fortunate to support specific projects through targeted grants. A summary of income and expenditure for the year to 30th June 2023 is as follows:

- Income - £99,561.23
- Expenditure - £65,504.00
- Surplus – £34,055.51

Full details are given in the statement of financial activities (page 9 onwards).

Reserves policy

The Charity aims to maintain enough reserves to operate for six months. This is to safeguard the Charity's service commitment to clients and to provide a cushion against risk and future uncertainties.

This target has been maintained this year through several large personal donations. Grant funding for specific projects and core activities such as counselling, therapies and purchase and delivery of distraction aids, has further reduced the need to draw on reserves. However, timely support of our client base is of paramount importance to us and we will use our reserves to pay for these services should it be necessary whilst actively seeking additional sources of income.

Plans for future periods

We have maintained our objective of providing relief for anyone living with and beyond cancer in the communities of Axminster and Lyme Regis. We have recovered well from the challenges posed by the pandemic, including financial constraints and a rapid rise in clients, allowing us to continually deliver a full range of services to those who need it. This gives us confidence that we can continue to support our clients, new and old, with our current range of services whilst also supplementing these with new activities.

In the coming year we are planning to raise awareness of cancer and cancer screening programmes through a number of targeted events including awareness days for skin cancer, breast and cervical cancer, bowel cancer and cancers that affect men.

We have secured our own premises from October 2023. This provides meeting space for drop-in sessions, creative workshops and yoga, plus a resource room and treatment room. We look forward to being able to expand our services to clients.

We will continue to seek grant income to fund our activities but will also work to secure unrestricted income from shop sales, donations and events.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The Charity's trustees are responsible for preparing a Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with the appropriate legislation. These have been prepared to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity, the incoming resources and the application of those resources for the relevant period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees have given due regard to the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 07/02/24 and signed on its behalf by:



Nick Hodges

Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF AXMINSTER AND LYME CANCER SUPPORT

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

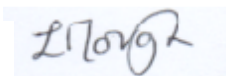
Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed



Date 6-2-24

L Morgan, CIMA
Chace Haven
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Axminster and Lyme Cancer Support

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 30th June 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	2022/23 Total funds	2021/22 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	50,468		50,468	44,325
Charitable activities (Grants)*		48,542	48,542	20,998
Other trading activities (Sales and Events)				2,778
Total	51,019	48,542	99,561	67,566
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	1,566		1,566	1,006
Charitable activities		35,448	35,448	29,881
Core costs	26,876		26,876	17,675
Other	1,064	552	1,616	662
Total	29,506	36,000	64,954	49,224
Net income/(expenditure)	21,513	12,254	34,055	18,342
Net movement in funds	21,513	12,254	34,055	18,342
Total funds carried forward	21,513	12,542	34,055	18,342

*See grants awarded in addendum

The notes form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2023

	Unrestricted income funds £	Restricted income funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Current assets				
Debtors				
Cash at bank and in hand	60,605	24,332	84,937	50,882
Total current assets	60,605	24,332	84,937	50,882
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
Net current assets/(liabilities)	60,605	24,332	84,937	50,882
Total assets less current liabilities				
Total net assets or liabilities	60,605	24,332	84,937	50,882
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted income funds				
Unrestricted funds	60,605	24,332		
Total funds	60,605	24,332	84,937	50,882

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 07/02/23 and were signed on its behalf by:



Dr N Hodges

Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the Charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Cash at Bank and In Hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and the Charity's current and deposit accounts which are immediately accessible.

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

2. Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2022 nor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

3. Staff Costs

The average weekly staff support during the year was 0.75 Full Time Equivalents, provided by three individuals.

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

4. Related Party Disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year to 30 June 2023.

We are extremely grateful for the grants awarded during this financial period:

Funder	Amount	For ...
Albert Hunt Trust	£2,000.00	Core
The Will Charitable Trust	£6,000.00	General support
Devon Community Fund	£2,000.00	Counselling
Tesco Community Fund	£1,500.00	Nutrition
Rotary Club - Lyme Regis	£250.00	Creative Hub
Foyle Foundation	£3,000.00	Core
Rotary Club - Axminster	£200.00	Creative Hub
Axe Vale Show	£500.00	Counselling & therapies
Active Dorset Together Fund	£3,562.50	Horse riding & swimming
Magic Little Grant 2022	£500.00	Creative Hub
National Lottery	£9,870.00	Clients in active treatment
Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival	£500.00	Creative Hubs
Screwfix	£5,000.00	Fixtures – new premises
GF Eyre Charitable Trust	£2,000.00	Core
LRTC Community Fund	£900.00	Counselling/Client support
Gibbons Family Trust	£2,000.00	Counselling/Client support
Magic Little Grant 2023	£500.00	Bereavement Counselling
Morrisons Foundation	£4,500.00	Furnishing – new premises
Community Matters (National Grid)	£7,000.00	Premises garden



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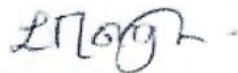
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**AXMINSTER & LYME REGIS CANCER
 SUPPORT
 Profit & Loss Statement**
 (All values reported in GBP)

Turnover

4001	Grant Income	48,542.00
4005	Donation	18,400.64
4006	Local Giving	1,430.32
4007	Easyfund Virgin Giving Fbook Amazon	53.08
4008	Collection Pots	657.52
4011	ALCS Events Income-Art Exhibition	2,845.74
4013	Bank interest	69.41
4015	Shop Sales	730.34
4018	15% Contribution to Running Costs	3,379.27
4021	Gift Aid	419.53
4022	Donation SSK	10,000.00
4023	Donation D Wood	3,000.00
4024	Donation M Stead	2,000.00
4025	Donation Lyme Regis Golf Club	7,225.00
4026	Donation 2023-24	36.00
4902	Commissions Received	612.26
4906	Refund	209.78
4907	Less Paypal Commission	(23.06)
4908	Less Stripe Commission	(1.64)
4909	Less Local Giving Commission	(24.96)
Total Turnover		<u>99,561.23</u>

Less Cost of Sales

5005	Shop Stock	(550.83)
Total Cost of Sales		<u>(550.83)</u>
Gross Profit		<u>99,010.40</u>

Less Expenses

6003	Therapists	(18,794.47)
6007	Event Catering Costs	(514.80)
6009	Client Support	(16,140.89)
6207	Office Costs	(7,889.25)
7024	Self Employed Wages	(7,016.38)
7025	Employed Staff	(5,105.00)
7100	Rent	(791.00)
7207	MK CEO Salary	(2,519.97)
7208	MK Client Support Salary	(4,617.58)
8206	Commissions Paid	(1,565.55)
Total Expenses		<u>(64,954.89)</u>
Profit Before Tax		<u>34,055.51</u>



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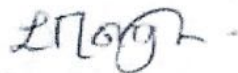
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