

THE STARFISH ALLIANCE

England & Wales · Charity number 1182198

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-02-25

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

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Activities

Objects: THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS WILL BE CARRIED OUT WITH A CHRISTIAN ETHOS: 4.1 TO ADVANCE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN LIFE, IN PARTICULAR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH:4.1.1 THE PROVISION OF LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES SO AS TO DEVELOP THEIR CAPABILITIES THAT THEY MAY GROW TO FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF SOCIETY; AND4.1.2 THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF SERVICE GIVEN TO CHILDREN AND OTHERS IN CARE (INCLUDING FOSTER CARE) BY BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE TO REPRESENTATIVES OF SERVICES AND ORGANISATIONS ENGAGED IN PROVIDING, IMPROVING AND ADVANCING FOSTER CARE; AND4.2 TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF CARERS OF LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN, PRINCIPALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY OFFERING A RESPITE SERVICE TO THE CHILDREN IN THEIR CARE.

Activities: We promote, oversee, and train churches to host Starfish Kids Camps, week-long residential camps for children in foster care.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Northern Ireland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£28,880	£22,893	-	-
2023-12-31	£13,378	£19,787	-	-
2022-12-31	£15,503	£12,177	-	-
2021-12-31	£7,050	£17,304	-	-
2020-12-31	£51,550	£37,969	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Bryan Elliott	Chair	2019-01-01
CLAYTON JOHN SANDRY		2019-01-01
Dr CHRISTOPHER MARK WINSTON		2019-01-01
JUDITH ALEXANDRA SANDRY		2019-01-01
KATHLEEN MARGARET WINSTON		2019-01-01
MISTY ELLIOTT		2019-01-01

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**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024**

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The income of The Starfish Alliance is comprised of charitable giving by organisations and individuals, either by monthly standing order or individual, "one off" donations, and grants from interested entities (be they government, lottery, business, or otherwise).

Responsibilities of the Trustees

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Our Aims and Objectives

The Starfish Alliance seeks to promote and establish new camps and mentoring initiatives for children in care in the United Kingdom. All funding and efforts therein are for the purpose of promotion, training, and advocacy of our camps and mentoring programs.

Activities this last year

Starfish KIDS Camps is now active in two locations: Cardiff and Aberdare. We saw 66 children come to camp with over 120 volunteers serving them. More work is needed to expand into other geographical areas of Wales, but much has been done to build up a network of camps in England and Scotland.

The Starfish Alliance web site has been reworked, with the intent of streamlining product orders and camp communications.

We were honoured to be identified as one of five finalists in the Cinnamon Network's Incubator Programme for young faith-based initiatives, and were further honoured to be recognised as the winner of the £20,000 grant, which will be disbursed in 2025 and 2026.

The Alliance added another trustee to our board. Alastair Cope, who leads Foster Wales, has joined our board of trustees for a term of three years. We will seek to add another position in 2025.

Much of the future work of our charity will focus on two areas: fundraising and church engagement.

Public Benefit requirement

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in December 2008.

Financial Review

Finances are reviewed at each trustee meeting, with an annual review of accounts to be carried out at the end of year and submitted to the Charities Commission.

Independent Examiner

Paul Burnell of CMS was appointed as the organisation's independent examiner during the year.

This Report was approved by the Trustees on 11th June 2025 and is signed on their behalf by Bryan Elliott



INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

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I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2024, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Burnell

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STARFISH ALLIANCE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
RECEIPTS					
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>	2	16,634	-	16,634	5,768
<i>Receipts from charitable activities</i>	3	5,246	-	5,246	-
<i>Other receipts</i>	4	7,000	-	7,000	7,600
Interest received		9	-	9	10
Total Receipts		28,889	-	28,889	13,378
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities	5	22,893	-	22,893	19,787
Total payments		22,893	-	22,893	19,787
Net Receipts/(Payments)		5,996	-	5,996	(6,409)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 1 st January 2024		2,041	-	2,041	8,450
Fund balances at 31 st December 2024		8,037	-	8,037	2,041

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

STARFISH ALLIANCE
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

1. Fixed Assets

	Insurance Value 2024 £	Insurance Value 2023 £
The value of assets owned are:		
Equipment	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	-	-

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>8,037</u>	<u>2,041</u>
	8,037	2,041

3. Other Assets and Liabilities

	2024 £	2023 £
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	-	-
 <i>Liabilities</i>		
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
	100	100

The accounts were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on xxxxxxxx

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STARFISH ALLIANCE

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities

2. Voluntary receipts	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donations	16,634	-	16,634	5,768
Tax recovered	-	-	-	-
	16,634	-	16,634	5,768

3. Receipts from charitable activities

Income	5,246	-	5,246	-
	5,246	-	5,246	-

4. Other Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Grants	7,000	-	7,000	7,600
	7,000	-	7,000	7,600

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
a. Direct Charitable Costs				
Employment & volunteer costs	7,292	-	7,292	6,340
Projects –Virtual Mentoring & Camp	10,685	-	10,685	9,903
	17,977	-	17,977	16,243

b. Support and Administration

Premises costs	500	-	500	1,906
General admin expenses	4,416	-	4,416	1,638
	4,916	-	4,916	3,544

c. Grants

Hardship support	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

6. Staff and Trustees

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Activities this last year

Starfish programmes are now fully operational once again. Our Cardiff camp had nearly 40 campers and 60 adult volunteers present. We hosted our first Directors Training event in conjunction with our Cardiff camp. Three individuals from Bryn Sion Baptist Church in Aberdare attended with the mission of starting a second Starfish KIDS Camp for children in the Rhondda Cynon Taff local authority and surrounding areas. This is a momentous first step in replicating our camp model across the UK.

Our founders, Bryan & Misty Elliott are wrapping up their time in the United States and will be returning in January of 2024 to commence our expansion of services across Wales, England, Scotland, and Ireland.

Public Benefit requirement

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in December 2008.

Financial Review

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Plans for Future Periods

The Starfish Alliance will be expanding its trustee board in 2024, with particular attention given to inviting people with fostering expertise and connections, as well as those with legal qualifications.

Our UK expansion efforts will begin in earnest, with representation at national church and charity conferences, as well as church engagement efforts and fundraising work.

Independent Examiner

Paul Burnell of CMS was appointed as the organisation's independent examiner during the year.

This Report was approved by the Trustees on 5th August 2024 and is signed on their behalf by Bryan Elliott



INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

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RECEIPTS					
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>	2	5,768	-	5,768	13,000
<i>Receipts from charitable activities</i>	3	-	-	-	2,497
<i>Other receipts</i>	4	7,600	-	7,600	-
Interest received		10	-	10	6
Total Receipts		13,378	-	13,378	15,503
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities	5	19,787	-	19,787	12,177
Total payments		19,787	-	19,787	12,177
Net Receipts/(Payments)		(6,409)	-	(6,409)	3,326
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 1 st January 2022		8,450	-	8,450	5,124
Fund balances at 31 st December 2022		2,041	-	2,041	8,450

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Equipment		<u>-</u>
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2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>2,041</u>	<u>8,450</u>
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3. Other Assets and Liabilities

	2023 £	2022 £
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	-	-
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Unbilled fee for Independent Examination	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
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2. Voluntary receipts

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Donations	5,768	-	5,768	13,000
Tax recovered	-	-	-	-
	5,768	-	5,768	13,000

3. Receipts from charitable activities

Income	-	-	-	2,497
	-	-	-	2,497

4. Other Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Grants	7,600	-	7,600	-
	7,600	-	7,600	-

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
a. Direct Charitable Costs				
Employment costs	6,340	-	6,340	6,240
Projects –Virtual Mentoring & Camp	9,903	-	9,903	2,785
	16,243	-	16,243	9,025

b. Support and Administration

Premises costs	1,906	-	1,906	600
General admin expenses	1,638	-	1,638	2,552
Grant consultancy	-	-	-	-
	3,544	-	3,544	3,152

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Hardship support	-	-	-	-
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Activities this last year

This was the first year regular camp and mentoring activities were fully implemented following the Covid-19 pandemic. Our South Wales camp had nearly 40 campers and 60 adult volunteers present. A new mentoring director was appointed and regular mentoring activities were initiated. All of this was through our main chapter, Capital City Church in Cardiff.

We note that Bryan and Misty Elliott, who have been leading charity efforts to this point, have been on work assignment with other responsibilities in the United States and will return in 2023-2024.

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Paul Burnell

Paul Burnell ACMI

30th October 2023

C Management Services (trading name of C Mgmt Services Ltd)
69 Velindre Road
Cardiff CF14 2TF

STARFISH ALLIANCE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
RECEIPTS					
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>	2	13,000	-	13,000	2,050
<i>Receipts from charitable activities</i>	3	2,497	-	2,497	-
<i>Other receipts</i>	4	-	-	-	5,000
Interest received		6	-	6	-
Total Receipts		15,503	-	15,503	7,050
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities	5	12,177	-	12,177	17,304
Total payments		12,177	-	12,177	17,304
Net Receipts/(Payments)		3,326	-	3,326	(10,254)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 1 st January 2022		5,124	-	5,124	15,378
Fund balances at 31 st December 2022		8,450	-	8,450	5,124

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

STARFISH ALLIANCE
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

1. Fixed Assets

	Insurance Value 2022 £
The value of assets owned are:	
Equipment	-
	-

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2022	2021 £
Cash at bank and in hand	8,450	5,124
	8,450	5,124

3. Other Assets and Liabilities

	2022 £	2021 £
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	-	-
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination	100	100
	100	100

The accounts were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on 30th October 2023y Bryan Elliott



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STARFISH ALLIANCE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities

2. Voluntary receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Donations	13,000	-	13,000	2,050
Tax recovered	-	-	-	-
	13,000	-	13,000	2,050

3. Receipts from charitable activities

Income	2,497	-	2,497	-
	2,497	-	2,497	-

4. Other Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Grants	-	-	-	5,000
	-	-	-	5,000

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
a. Direct Charitable Costs				
Employment costs	6,240	-	6,240	6,606
Projects –Virtual Mentoring & Camp	2,785	-	2,785	1,894
	9,025	-	9,025	8,500

b. Support and Administration

Premises costs	600	-	600	1,769
General admin expenses	2,552	-	2,552	645
Grant consultancy	-	-	-	6,745
	3,152	-	3,152	9,159

c. Grants

Hardship support	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

6. Staff and Trustees

The charity has one part-time employed member of staff, first employed in July 2020. Its activities are mostly carried out by volunteers

No remuneration or trustee expenses were paid to any trustee during the year, nor to any person connected to them.

THE STARFISH ALLIANCE

England & Wales - Charity number 1182198

Accounts

STARFISH ALLIANCE

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

C Management Services
69 Velindre Road
Whitchurch
Cardiff
CF14 2TF

STARFISH ALLIANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021
CHARITY INFORMATION

Trustees: Bryan Elliott
Misty Elliott
Kathleen Winston
Christopher Mark Winston
Clayton Sandry
Judith Sandry

Charitable position: Registered Charity number 1182198

Governing Document: CIO Foundation Constitution dated 25th
February 2019

Address for correspondence: Britannia House C1
3 Caerphilly Business Park
Caerphilly
CF83 3GG

Independent Examiner: Paul Burnell ACMI
C Management Services
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Bankers: CAF Bank Ltd
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year to 31st December 2021.

Objects of the Charity

The following objects will be carried out with a Christian ethos:

- 1.1. to advance children and young people in life, in particular looked after children, especially but not exclusively through:
 - 1.1.1. the provision of leisure time activities so as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society; and
 - 1.1.2. the improvement of the quality of service given to children and others in care (including foster care) by but not limited to, the provision of support, advice and guidance to representatives of services and organisations engaged in providing, improving and advancing foster care; and
- 1.2. to preserve and protect the physical and mental health of carers of looked after children, principally but not exclusively, by offering a respite service to the children in their care.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Starfish Alliance, a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, is governed by a board of trustees, appointed for a period of no more than three years by a properly convened meeting of the board of trustees. Trustees will meet at least four times per year to make decisions regarding the structure, governance, financial operations, and other relevant business.

The income of The Starfish Alliance is comprised of charitable giving by organisations and individuals, either by monthly standing order or individual, "one off" donations, and grants from interested entities (be they government, lottery, business, or otherwise).

Responsibilities of the Trustees

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and of its income and expenditure for the year.

We are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts
4. Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Our Aims and Objectives

The Starfish Alliance seeks to promote and establish new camps and mentoring initiatives for children in care in the United Kingdom. All funding and efforts therein are for the purpose of promotion, training, and advocacy of our camps and mentoring programs.

Activities this last year

All regular camp activities were on continued hiatus due to the Covid pandemic. We continued our virtual mentoring through Zoom, and as conditions allowed we would gather in small numbers to encourage former campers and staff. We adjusted our training and vetting, and were able to give encouragement and hope-inspiring activities to several children in care.

Public Benefit requirement

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in December 2008.

Financial Review

Finances are reviewed at each trustee meeting, with an annual review of accounts to be

carried out at the end of year and submitted to the Charities Commission.

Plans for Future Periods

The Starfish Alliance will be continuing with efforts to host camps in 2022. Our aim is to have a fully functional, on-site camp. We will continue to research and plan for the establishment of mentoring programs for Starfish campers. As the Covid situation changes, we will adjust our service model to ensure that children in care are not left without healthy and appropriate input from Starfish volunteers.

Independent Examiner

Paul Burnell of CMS was appointed as the organisation's independent examiner during the year.

This Report was approved by the Trustees on 7th November 2022 and is signed on their behalf by Bryan Elliott



INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

STARFISH ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2021, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Burnell

Paul Burnell ACMI

C Management Services (trading name of C Mgmt Services Ltd)
69 Velindre Road
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STARFISH ALLIANCE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

	Not e	Unrestrict ed Funds £	Restrict ed Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
RECEIPTS					
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>	2	2,050	-	2,050	3,631
<i>Receipts from charitable activities</i>	3	-	-	-	-
<i>Other receipts</i>	4	5,000	-	5,000	47,919
Interest received		-	-	-	-

Total Receipts		7,050	-	7,050	51,550
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities	5	17,304	-	17,304	37,969
Total payments		17,304	-	17,304	37,969
Net Receipts/ (Payments)		(10,254)	-	(10,254)	13,581
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 1 st January 2021		15,378	-	15,378	1,797
Fund balances at 31 st December 2021		5,124	-	5,124	15,378

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

STARFISH ALLIANCE
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

1. Fixed Assets

	Insurance Value 2020 £
The value of assets owned are:	
Equipment	-
	-

2. Bank & Cash Balances	2020	2019
	£	
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>15,378</u>	
<u>15,378</u>		15,378
15,378		

3. Other Assets and Liabilities

	2021	2020
	£	£
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	-	-
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
	100	100

The accounts were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on 7 November by Bryan Elliott



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STARFISH ALLIANCE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities

2. Voluntary receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restrict ed Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Donations	2,050	-	2,050	3,631
Tax recovered	-	-	-	-
	<u>2,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,050</u>	<u>3,631</u>

3. Receipts from charitable activities

Income	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

-	-	-
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4. Other Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restrict ed Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Grants	5,000	-	5,000	47,919
	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>47,919</u>

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restrict ed Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
a. Direct Charitable Costs				
Employment costs	6,250	-	6,606	2,920
Projects – Covid & Virtual Mentoring	1,895	-	1,894	10,874
	<u>8,145</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,500</u>	<u>13,794</u>
b. Support and Administration				
Premises costs	1,769	-	1,769	1,938
Website and general admin expenses	645	-	645	2,318
Grant consultancy	6,745	-	6,745	19,919
	<u>9,159</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,159</u>	<u>24,175</u>
c. Grants				
Hardship support	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6. Staff and Trustees

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THE STARFISH ALLIANCE

England & Wales - Charity number 1182198

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STARFISH ALLIANCE

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

**C Management Services
69 Velindre Road
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STARFISH ALLIANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020
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Trustees:	Bryan Elliott Misty Elliott Kathleen Winston Christopher Mark Winston Clayton Sandry Judith Sandry
Charitable position:	Registered Charity number 1182198
Governing Document:	CIO Foundation Constitution dated 25 th February 2019
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Activities this last year

All regular camp activities were halted by the Covid pandemic. Through special grants, we were able to launch online mentoring initiatives through which children we have previously worked with were able to meet with camp volunteers through Zoom meetings. We adjusted our training and vetting, and were able to give encouragement and hope-inspiring activities to several children in care.

Public Benefit requirement

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in December 2008.

Financial Review

Finances are reviewed at each trustee meeting, with an annual review of accounts to be carried out at the end of year and submitted to the Charities Commission.

Plans for Future Periods

The Starfish Alliance will be continuing with efforts to host camps in 2021, with the additional element of directors' training. We will continue to research and plan for the establishment of mentoring programs for Starfish campers. As the Covid situation changes, we will adjust our service model to ensure that children in care are not left without healthy and appropriate input from Starfish volunteers.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

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Paul Burnell ACMI

8th November 2020

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STARFISH ALLIANCE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
RECEIPTS					
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>	2	3,631	-	3,631	4,599
<i>Receipts from charitable activities</i>	3	-	-	-	-
<i>Other receipts</i>	4	47,919	-	47,919	2,285
Interest received		-	-	-	-
Total Receipts		51,550	-	51,550	6,884
PAYMENTS					
Charitable activities	5	37,969	-	37,969	5,087
Total payments		37,969	-	37,969	5,087
Net Receipts/(Payments)		13,581	-	13,581	1,797
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 1 st January 2020		1,797	-	1,797	-
Fund balances at 31 st December 2020		15,378	-	15,378	1,797

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

STARFISH ALLIANCE
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

1. Fixed Assets

	Insurance Value 2020 £
The value of assets owned are:	
Equipment	-
	-

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2020	2019
		£
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>15,378</u>	<u>1,797</u>
	15,378	1,797

3. Other Assets and Liabilities

	2020	2019
	£	£
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	-	-
 <i>Liabilities</i>		
Unbilled fee for Independent Examination	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
	100	100

The accounts were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on 8th November 2020 by Bryan Elliott



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STARFISH ALLIANCE

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities

2. Voluntary receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Donations	3,631	-	3,631	4,599
Tax recovered	-	-	-	-
	3,631	-	3,631	4,599

3. Receipts from charitable activities

Income	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

4. Other Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £
Grants	47,919	-	47,919	2,285
	47,919	-	47,919	2,285

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2020 £
a. Direct Charitable Costs				
Employment costs	2,920	-	2,920	200
Projects – Covid & Virtual Mentoring	10,874	-	10,874	-
	13,794	-	13,794	200

b. Support and Administration

Premises costs	1,938	-	1,938	412
Website and general admin expenses	2,318	-	2,318	4,475
Grant consultancy	19,919	-	19,919	-
	24,175	-	24,175	4,887

c. Grants

Hardship support	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

6. Staff and Trustees

The charity has one part-time employed member of staff, first employed in July 2020. Its activities are mostly carried out by volunteers

No remuneration or trustee expenses were paid to any trustee during the year, nor to any person connected to them.