

STARFISH ALLIANCE

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022
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 25 th February 2019
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year to 31st December 2022.

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

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.

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 is looking forward to having its first directors' training event in 2023, and hoping to expand to multiple camps beginning in 2024. Fundraising efforts are being planned also.

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 30th October 2023 and is signed on their behalf by Bryan Elliott

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Elliott', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

STARFISH ALLIANCE

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2022, 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

30th October 2023

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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	- - <hr/>

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2022	2021 £
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>8,450</u>	<u>5,124</u>
	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	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
	100	100

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



The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

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	-	-	-	-
	<u>13,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>2,050</u>

3. Receipts from charitable activities

Income	2,497	-	2,497	-
	<u>2,497</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,497</u>	<u>-</u>

4. Other Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Grants	-	-	-	5,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>

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
	<u>9,025</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,025</u>	<u>8,500</u>

b. Support and Administration

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

c. Grants

Hardship support	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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.