



# Stepping Stones DS Annual Report 2019/20

## ONE STEP AT A TIME

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# Chair's Report

This report shows a year of two halves. The first with a highly successful networking event, Christmas party, pantomime trip and an influx of new families. The second half, one we all recognise, of online activities, new routines and immense change.

We recognised immediately that young people with Down syndrome would be at an increased risk of social isolation and disruption to learning and worked with our fantastic partners to ensure as many of our activities as possible continued online.

Finances were hit hard this year with all summer participatory events cancelled, the withdrawal of supermarket token schemes and several fundraising events postponed indefinitely. The full effect of this was mitigated by a reduction in outgoings, but we still ended the year with a £36,328 deficit which has been funded from our reserves.

The team has moved quickly to address the funding gap, taking part in online community events such as the 2.6 Challenge which was established in place of the London Marathon and other events last summer. Our thanks go to Sport England in partnership with Energise Me for their funding of our online Dance and Movers classes; to Tesco for their contribution towards our mainstream outreach service; and to the many Hampshire County Councillors who supported our online 16+ Communication Groups during lockdown.

We have been delighted to welcome three new trustees (including a new Treasurer) to our Board, who have been very supportive and dedicated, despite only attending one in-person meeting before lock-down.

I would also like to particularly thank our Board of Trustees who have had to make difficult decisions at short notice. As ever, they have put in many hours and been a great source of support.

Josh McCormack  
Chair of Trustees

# CEO's Report

Despite the immense operational challenges of this year, we have managed to continue most of our services throughout the year and introduce a completely new one:

Our brand new Special School Outreach service is designed to provide the kind of advice, training and support to special schools that our mainstream schools have been receiving for a number of years. We are very proud to have introduced this in July 2020, ready for a full roll out this September, despite all the constraints of the pandemic. Our provider, Vik Ralfs, is highly experienced working with children with Down syndrome and in providing training to professionals involved in their care. Our thanks go to her for her creative approach to introducing a new service online.

We have worked closely with our partners who have been instrumental in continuing provision throughout the year. Thanks to their hard work, our members have been able to access early development groups, mainstream school outreach, 16+ communications groups, dance, drama and movers, throughout the pandemic.

In a time before Covid, it was a pleasure to welcome some wonderful guest speakers and meet with so many supporters at our November 'Get to Know us' event. I was reminded of how strong and supportive our community is, with such a wide range of attendees including several of our families.

It has been a year full of challenges we were not expecting and we are extremely grateful to Rosemount Financial Services for their support of our Early Development Groups throughout the year. Our recycling programme was also successful despite lockdown, raising £2,880 in the year and our enormous thanks go to our team of dedicated Wombles for their hard work.

It was very sad to have to cancel several of our activities, including our much-loved summer party. The loss of these is certainly felt and we hope to have them back up and running again as soon as possible.

My personal highlight of the year was the 2.6 Challenge which saw our community come together, sharing stories and getting active with a common goal. Thank you to everyone who took part in this and our other activities and supported us this year.

Alex Brewer  
CEO

## Board

The 2019/20 Stepping Stones DS Board of Trustees is as follows:

Chair	Sarah Sutton (resigned Dec 2019) Josh McCormack (from Jan 2020)
Vice-Chair	Rob Barton
Treasurer	Jon Qualters (resigned Feb 2020) Rebecca Hitch (joined Feb 2020)
Secretary	Liz Phillipou
Others	Despina Papadimitriou Jacky McKenzie Sarahjane MacAlinden Irene Arthur (joined Feb 2020) Nick Bourne (joined Feb 2020)

The Board of Trustees is broadly 50% members of Stepping Stones DS and 50% non-members. Those who are non-members often (but not always) have experience of supporting a family member with a disability. It is important that our board has lived experience of the challenges that Stepping Stones DS seeks to address, but equally important that we have direction and input from outside our community.

Our board members bring a range of skills and experience from diverse of backgrounds. However, we are always looking for more board members and to increase that diversity to ensure that we are fully representative of the communities we serve.

## New Families

We welcomed many more new families to Stepping Stones DS this year. Anyone with Down syndrome who is under 25 and lives in our catchment, and their family, can become a Stepping Stones DS member free of charge. We do not charge for the vast majority of our services to enable as many people as possible to attend. We aim to support young people with Down syndrome, their siblings, parents, carers and professionals to help them fulfil their potential.

# Treasurer's Report

## Financial Review

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Overall, there was a deficit in the year of £36.3k (2019: deficit £12.6k trading under charity number: 1129201). This deficit is a result of the reduction in income as outlined above.

## Principal Risk and uncertainties

Our consolidated balance sheet remains strong. The trustees have reviewed the circumstances of Stepping Stones DS and consider that adequate resources continue to be available to fund the activities for the charity for the foreseeable future. The trustees are of the view that the charity is a going concern.

# Educational Services

Our aim is to help every child with Down syndrome fulfil their potential by ensuring that all young people are fully included in their communities and educational settings. All our members have access to our educational services from 6 months to 24 years of age.

## Early Development Groups

Stepping Stones DS offers monthly Early Development Groups (EDGs) to all our children from 6 months, until they start school. These were delivered by Down syndrome specialist Speech & Language Therapist, Becky Baxter, of LETS Go! UK.

***“Excellent and well put together. Thank you all for your hard work.” – Parent.***

Groups target a range of development including; communication, speech, receptive vocabulary and language, expressive vocabulary and language, number, memory, reading, play and cognition. Activities are demonstrated for families to practice with their child to promote new skills and development.



Groups took place in-person as planned from September '19 until March '20. When the Covid crisis caused a national lockdown, LETS Go! created an adapted online service to ensure our member families still received monthly support. The online service was delivered from April to July 2020.

***“Was really helpful and great to continue to have support from Becky while we were all at home.” – Parent.***

## Mainstream School Outreach

Children with Down syndrome can and do thrive in a mainstream school setting. Supporting their inclusion has enormous benefits for all children in the school, building empathy and understanding as well as challenging expectations.

We have once again funded this service which is delivered by Becky Baxter, Sarah Holton, Millie Pollard and Sam Wood from LETS Go!



***"This service has been excellent. Becky was able to give me lots of ideas, reassure me and respond to areas where I was concerned about how to carry forward what had been happening at school." – Parent.***

42 children were supported across infant, junior and secondary schools with a termly visit providing advice and information on the child's development and inclusion to school staff and parents.

In response to the lockdown, LETS Go! created a remote outreach service to ensure schools and parents continued to receive support and advice.

***"Thank-you for devising the new look service, my son was delighted that he had not been forgotten and that someone was still thinking about him. It has really helped to re-motivate his learning at home." – Parent.***

Remote support focussed on the child's education whilst they were at home and was offered in the first instance to parents. Where pupils continued to attend school, staff were allocated the appointment instead.

The feedback for this adapted service was extremely positive from parents and schools.

*"The video guides are amazing. It's so easy to forget little details or miss the nuance of how to best structure a learning task, and the videos are just the right level of insight and boost."*

*"The feedback notes ... have given me a detailed checklist which I use as my lesson plan. Becky provided all the basic materials to support the targets, which has ensured I kept focussed... That makes a huge difference to efficiency and the amount we cover."*

*"The key message of no pressure was a helpful reminder to do what we can when we can."*

*"Amazing service. Felt very supported when school is not providing any adapted home learning resources. Would love more of these sessions in the future."*

*"We found this session so very useful and have been using all the resources Millie shared with us since the session. It came at just the right time...Thank you."*

## Special School Outreach

Launching a brand new service in the 2020 lockdown did present some challenges, but we are delighted to have achieved this for our children who attend a special school setting. Schools were introduced to Down syndrome specialist, Vik Ralfs, in the 2020 Summer Term, in order to plan the full roll-out in September 2020.

Vik has worked for the Down's Syndrome Association (DSA), Mencap and Symbol UK. She has a Schools Advisory Service and co-delivers the school outreach services. Vik's experience of working in partnership with special schools makes her an ideal professional to provide outreach support to Stepping Stones DS members.

The Special School Outreach Service has been designed to be a bespoke service that responds organically through regular termly visits and the development of close partnerships between everyone around each young person with Down syndrome.



24 pupils have signed up to the service across 14 special school settings.



## 16+ Social Communication Groups

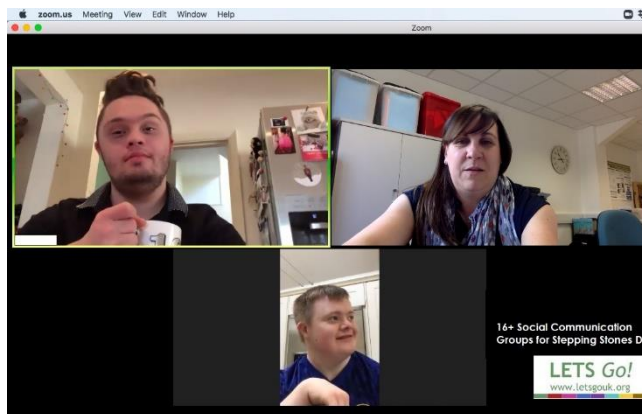
These groups aim to build confidence, friendships and communication skills for a wide variety of settings, such as work, social and community.

We continued our social communication groups again this year for young people aged 16-24. From September until December these were delivered by Leela Baksi of Symbol. Due to logistical issues, Symbol were unable to continue providing this service and as of January 2020 Becky Baxter and Jo Munt of LETS Go! took over the delivery.

***“Great to have the adapted service available and see my friends on zoom and have a good catch up with them.” – 16+ groups attendee.***

The LETS Go! groups continued to provide an opportunity to extend friendships out of school through activities designed to practise and develop social conversation skills including: talking about yourself; listening to and finding out about others; initiating and maintaining conversations; sharing concerns and worries as well as achievements and successes.

They also looked at communication for a range of audiences and how different language and social skills are used in different situations. Groups have a speech and language focus and target understanding of what makes a good communicator, how individuals can help the listener to understand and how to advocate for themselves. Understanding social communication and developing these skills was targeted using a range of methods in the group to build confidence and success in fun and motivating activities.



As of April, the groups moved to online delivery as in-person sessions were no longer possible due to the Covid crisis.

They continued to focus on the same topics covered in the face-to-face sessions and were well attended and positively received by the young people and parents alike.

***“We have seen our son regress into himself this year and we are so worried. We need him to continue his communication groups or we may not get him back.” – Parent.***

# Training

Stepping Stones DS organises a range of training workshops that help to open doors for our children and young people. We view this training as an investment in their future through sharing knowledge, information and support.



Our workshops are open to families, schools, medical professionals and anyone with a desire to learn more about Down syndrome. We are lucky to work with some of the world's leading speakers and trainers and we heavily subsidise the training workshops to make them accessible to all.



Between September 2019 and February 2020 we ran 11 courses in-person from our office, with 175 places booked across the sessions. Course titles & presenters included:

- Speech and Communication Skills - Becky Baxter of LETS Go!
- Self-Esteem & Inclusion - Vik Ralfs
- Moving to Adulthood - Julian Hallett - The Down's Syndrom Association
- Continence - Davina Richardson - Bowel & Bladder UK
- Early Number Skills in Pupils with Down Syndrome - Erica Ranzato - Happy Minds
- Language & Reading - Becky Baxter of LETS Go!
- Advanced and Functional Mathematics For Pupils with Down Syndrome - Erica Ranzato - Happy Minds
- Transition to Secondary School - Becky Baxter of LETS Go!
- Behaviour: Key Stage 2 and Beyond - Vik Ralfs
- Play, Cognition and Fine Motor Skills - Sarah Holton - LETS Go!
- Developing Literacy Skills for School Aged Pupils with Down Syndrome - Dr Kelly Burgoyne - LETS Go!

The LETS Go! team were able to adapt 2 of our planned sessions for online delivery, these were:

- Behaviour (Age 0-7)
- School Starters: An Introduction to Down Syndrome

The demand for online training places was very high with 25 attending the Behaviour course and 60 attending the School Starters session. Feedback was extremely positive.

***"Thank you again, it was all very helpful, and I'm pleased to have done the course as planned. In fact, doing it remotely gave me more time to go over it all and digest the information."***

# Recreational Activities

Stepping Stones DS has had another successful year with our recreation activities. We continue to provide a wide range of activities which help young people with Down syndrome develop key skills, provide opportunities to build friendships and for parents to get to know one another. We run our Recreational Activities for members from 6 months to 24 years.

## Stay and Play



We continued to run a monthly Stay & Play Sessions for our members which generally take place during the morning of the first Friday of the month during term time only at The Acorn Centre in Church Crookham. The sessions are informal play sessions for babies, toddlers, and pre-schoolers. They provide a great opportunity to meet other members and their little ones. Parents are welcome to attend with or without their pre-

school children and just enjoy having a coffee and catch up.

Stay and Play took place from September until March, in December our young members enjoyed a Christmas Sing & Sign Stay and Play. From March onwards sessions were unfortunately cancelled due to Covid.



## Sensory Suite

Sensory Suite sessions are for our youngest pre-school members. Sessions were run by Vicki from September to February, after which they were cancelled due to Covid. We hope to resume this activity again during 2020-21.

## Mini, Mega & Mighty Movers



These are physical activity sessions aimed at building and developing gross motor skills, building confidence and independence, and motivating children to participate in an active lifestyle whilst having fun. Classes are for children from 6 months old up to the end of primary school. In addition to the benefit to our young members, classes are also a good place for new parents to meet and start building new friendships.

***"She really enjoyed the class and seeing her friends" – Parent.***

Classes this year were delivered in-person by Jen Hansford (Studio 24) from September to March.

Following lockdown, this service moved to online classes which enabled some people to join who would not have been able to attend in-person sessions due to other weekend commitments.



***" He really enjoyed himself. Thank you to you and all involved for making it happen, we really appreciate it!!"***

### **Primary Dance & Drama**

***"A is loving it, it's the most he's been engaged with an online session in the last 6 weeks!"***  
***- Parent***

These classes are intended to help develop skills in the performing arts, increase confidence and self-esteem, and help to develop social skills and friendships. In-person classes with Ruth and Leila took place from September until March.

From April until July, Leila was able to continue delivering Dance classes online with fantastic feedback:

***"It really gives Amy something to talk about and look forward to She loves it!"***

***"F enjoyed it. It was good that she joined in with no input from us."***



***"We enjoyed the session and would like to do it again, thank you."***

### **Tennis**

Our highly popular tennis classes give young people the chance to improve, not only their tennis skills, but also their ability to take turns, listen, take instruction and to help each other. Sadly classes from mid-March until the end of the summer term were cancelled due to Covid. We look forward to restarting classes as soon as possible.



### **Secondary Age + Dance**

Classes are run for us by The Stopgap Dance Company in Farnham. These classes and performances offer our young people the opportunity to express themselves through dance, improve fitness levels, stay active and a chance to socialise and meet up with friends. Members aged 11 and over are invited to join these sessions. Classes ran from September to March after which point members were able to access dance online.



## Social Activities



This year's Stepping Stones DS Christmas Party was once again held at The Mad House in Reading on 30<sup>th</sup> November from 3.30pm to 6pm. The party was open to all our children of any age. Father Christmas and his Elf were in attendance, and members were all given a little Christmas treat of a chocolate selection box.

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, our 16+ members enjoyed their own Christmas party again this year with bowling followed by mocktails and a meal at Frenchie's Diner in Camberley. After eating, our young adults headed to the party room for some Karaoke fun!

We began 2020 with our annual pantomime outing to see Justin Fletcher in Cinderella at the Reading Hexagon on Sunday 5th January. Over 230 of our members, families and their friends joined us for a fun afternoon.

Sadly, our annual Summer picnic at Camp Mohawk was unable to take place due to social distancing restrictions.



## Community

### Get to Know us event

On 8th November 2019 we held our first ever "Get to Know Us" event. It was wonderful to welcome members of our local community, families and professionals to learn more about Down Syndrome and Stepping Stones DS.



This was a great chance for members to get together and share information and experiences with our community about the support and services we provide. Local businesses, trainers, volunteers, sponsors, charity trustees, authors, medical professionals, school staff, members, voluntary & community services, county council staff and community members joined the event.

Attendees heard talks from Sarah Sutton, Chair, about Stepping Stones DS and the services and activities we provide. Becky Baxter from LETS Go UK provided an overview of the learning profile of Down Syndrome and how we can make adaptations to support inclusion and learning, as well as giving an overview of the services LETS Go! provide for our families. Member Kathleen Humberstone, then took to the floor and told us about her life.

We were delighted with the opportunity to get to know so many members of our community.

### **Winchester University**

For many years now, Stepping Stones DS families have been supporting the team at Royal County Hospital, Winchester and Winchester University by sharing experiences and knowledge with their medical students. In October, a number of our families met with medical students to talk about life with a child who has Down Syndrome. The students were very interested and asked lots of questions. They were particularly interested to know about our families' experiences with medical professionals.



### **Down's Syndrome Association's "Tell it Right, Start it Right"**

In September we were delighted to be invited to provide some speakers at a training session for midwives and related health professionals. The objective was to give attendees up to date, accurate and balanced information about living with Down syndrome.



Three members Joanna (Mum to Grace, 12), Sarah (mum to Zoe, 9) and Kathleen (20) spoke with honesty about their journeys with Down Syndrome, from birth and diagnosis, to the present day which in Kathleen's case, included walking the catwalk at London Fashion Week! It is vital that parents have access to honest, real life stories at the point of diagnosis and we are grateful to our members for giving up their time to support this initiative.

# Fundraising

Once again, we are honored to have been chosen by Rosemount Financial Solutions Ltd to receive support from their fundraising activities this year. Having worked closely with them for a number of years, we know how hard they work to give back to charities and are delighted that they have selected SSDS to benefit from this. Our Early Development Groups have been entirely funded through their support this year.



**WE RECYCLE WITH  
TERRACYCLE !**



Our recycling scheme continued well, despite lockdown challenges, with £2,880 being raised from waste such as Tassimo discs, baby food pouches and Pringles tubes. A big thank you to our Wombling team who work extremely hard to make this happen, and the local businesses who act as collection hubs for these items.



## LOTTERY FUNDED

Sport England and Energise Me understood immediately the importance of keeping young people active during lockdown. We are extremely grateful to their funding, which ensured our online Saturday morning Dance and Movers sessions continued even when our in-person activities could not.

Thank you to everyone who attended our first ever online quiz night and who took part in or donated to our 2.6 challenge. Fundraising took a change in direction in the second half of the year and the support we received was wonderful.

We would also like to extend huge thanks to the following organisations and people for their valuable contributions this year:

- Hampshire County Councillors
- Rotary Club of Easthampstead
- Overton Black Arrows
- Bentworth C of E Primary School
- Court Moor School
- Rotary Club of Fleet
- Hook Fun Run Committee
- CENTRONIC LTD
- Trefoil Guild Brownies
- Friends of The Vyne

- Personnel Selection Associates Ltd
- White Stuff
- Waitrose
- Hogsback Chapter UK
- Tesco Bags of Help
- Masonic Charitable Foundation
- Rushmoor Rotary Club
- Individual Fundraising Events: Louis' Locks, Woodlands Day Nursery Walk Around Fleet Pond, Facebook fundraisers
- Schemes – Amazon, EasyFundraising, Rushmoor Lottery

Finally, there are many individuals who give regularly, make one-off donations or hold fundraising challenges. Without these small but mighty gifts, Stepping Stones DS would not be able to provide the services it does. Thank you.



# Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 August 2020

	<i>Note</i>	<i>2020</i> £	<i>2019</i> £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Donations	2	39,815	
Grants		8,600	
Charitable Activities	3	5,842	
Investments		1,456	
<b>Total income</b>		<b>55,713</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Raising funds		1,652	
Charitable activities		62,298	
Support costs		28,090	
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>92,041</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>		<b>(36,328)</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Total funds brought forward		217,426	-
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>181,098</b>	<b>217,426</b>

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities.

# Balance Sheet

As at 31 August 2020

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		£	£
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		181,098	217,426
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<b>Funds:</b>			
Restricted income funds	4	1,058	0
Unrestricted income funds		180,040	217,426
<b>Total Funds</b>		<u>181,098</u>	<u>217,426</u>

# Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 August 2020

	<i>Note</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>
		£	£
Net Cash used in operating activities		(37,784)	-
Interest from investments		1,456	-
<b>Change in cash in the year</b>		<u>(36,328)</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash at beginnning of the year		217,426	0
<b>Cash at the end of the year</b>		<u>181,098</u>	<u>217,426</u>

# Notes to the financial statements

## **1. Accounting policies**

### **a) Statutory Information**

Stepping Stones DS is a charitable company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England. The registered office address and principal place of business is SSDS, Sentinel House, Ancells Business Park, Harvest Crescent, Fleet, Hampshire, GU51 2UZ.

### **b) Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Account and Reporting for 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) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements have been present in Pound Sterling as this is the functional and presentational currency of the company.

### **c) Public benefit entity**

Stepping Stones DS meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

### **d) Going Concern**

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis and all operations are continuing. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charities ability to continue as a going concern and have considered the impact of covid-19 as part of this assessment.

### **e) Income and Interest receivable**

Income and Interest receivable are recognised when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity.

### **f) Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal obligation to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

**2. Income from donations**

	2020	2019
	£	£
Donations (including sponsorships)	21,689	-
Corporate Funding	17,623	-
Fund raising schemes (Amazon Smile, EF, GAYL, Lottery)	502	-
<b>Total income from donations</b>	<b>39,815</b>	<b>0</b>

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**3. Income from charitable activities**

	2020	2019
	£	£
Training	4,064	-
Social activities	1,778	-
<b>Total income from charitable activities</b>	<b>5,842</b>	<b>0</b>

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**4. Movement in Restricted Funds**

	At the start of the year	Incoming resources & gains	Outgoing resources and gains	At the End of the year
	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>				
HCC Grant: 16+ Comms Groups	-	5,650	(5,297)	353
Sports England: Movers/Dance/Drama	-	2,000	(1,295)	705
Rushmoor Rotary Club: Training School Starters	-	600	(600)	-
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,250</b>	<b>(7,192)</b>	<b>1,058</b>



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The financial statements have been present in Pound Sterling as this is the functional and presentational currency of the company.

#### c) Public benefit entity

Stepping Stones DS meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

#### d) Going Concern

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis and all operations are continuing. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charities ability to continue as a going concern and have considered the impact of covid-19 as part of this assessment.

#### e) Income and Interest receivable

Income and Interest receivable are recognised when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity.

#### f) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal obligation to make payment to a third party, it is probably that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.





## 2. Income from donations

	2020	2019
	£	£
Donations (including sponsorships)	21,689	-
Corporate Funding	17,623	-
Fund raising schemes (Amazon Smile, EF, GAYL, Lottery)	502	-
<b>Total income from donations</b>	<b>39,815</b>	<b>0</b>

All income from Donations is unrestricted

## 3. Income from charitable activities

	2020	2019
	£	£
Training	4,064	-
Social activities	1,778	-
<b>Total income from charitable activities</b>	<b>5,842</b>	<b>0</b>

All income from charitable activities is unrestricted

## 4. Movement in Restricted Funds

	At the start of the year	Incoming resources & gains	Outgoing resources and gains	At the End of the year
	£	£	£	£
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>				
HCC Grant: 16+ Comms Groups	-	5,650	(5,297)	<b>353</b>
Sports England: Movers/Dance/Drama	-	2,000	(1,295)	<b>705</b>
Rushmoor Rotary Club: Training School Starters	-	600	(600)	-
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,250</b>	<b>(7,192)</b>	<b>1,058</b>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Stepping Stones DS

On accounts for the year  
ended

31/08/2020

Charity no  
(if any)

1182787

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 08 / 2020**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust'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 confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date: 26/06/2021

Name:

Victoria Worsfold

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**