



Andover Twenty1 Trustee Annual Report May 2021 - April 2022

Aims & Purposes

Andover Twenty1 is a parent-led Charity. Our purpose is to provide support to people with Down's Syndrome and their families, from birth and through school. We want our members to reach their potential, both socially and academically. The charity is currently only supporting children and their families but will continue to support them as they grow into adulthood.

We support children with Down's Syndrome, and their schools, to ensure the best possible educational experience and outcome. We encourage them to be fully included within their local community and recognised as a friend, not as someone different or misunderstood. We know that children with Down's Syndrome can succeed when given the opportunity and with the right support.

Andover is at the heart of our charity and part of its name because that is where we started. It is also the centre point of the area we support. We support children and their families who live within a 25 mile radius of Andover including Newbury, Winchester and Salisbury as well as smaller towns and villages.

Objectives & Activities

Our Support Groups

Andover Twenty1 is a friendly group run by volunteers. We have a **Monthly Support Group** where parents of children with Down's Syndrome can meet to share fun and friendship but also practical and emotional support.

Parents meet every month at the Wellington Centre in Andover. People of all ages are welcome; there is a sensory room available for the children and the hall is ideal for the children to play safely, while the parents can relax, chat and enjoy the refreshments provided.

Due to the CoronaVirus Pandemic the Monthly Support Group was suspended in March 2020 but in June and July 2021 Andover Twenty1 held a socially-distanced 'Picnic in the Park' support group. Then in October 2021 the monthly support groups were started up again in earnest and have continued since then.

The charity has also held two **Weekend Stay and Play** sessions to enable siblings, parents and grandparents to attend also. After the success of these sessions we are extending the Weekend Sessions to be quarterly in the coming year.

Early Development Groups

For our babies and preschool age children Andover Twenty1 hosts monthly Early Development Groups facilitated by LETS Go! UK. These sessions teach the children a wide range of skills to help them meet their development milestones and provide a firm foundation for further learning.

Due to the CoronaVirus pandemic Andover Twenty1 worked closely with their provider LETSGo! UK to provide a remote service for the Early Development Groups via zoom. From April 2021 Face to Face groups resumed and remained in person for all of last financial year. The new groups have been planned and conducted in accordance with changing government guidelines for the time.

School Advisory Service

Every Andover Twenty1 member of school age in a mainstream school is eligible to apply for inclusion in the School Advisory Service (SAS). Participation is fully funded by Andover Twenty1 and approval is required by the child's school.

The purpose of the SAS is to provide a qualified bridge between students with Down's Syndrome, their families and the school they attend. The service recognises that not all mainstream schools have experience of, and expertise in, teaching children with Down's Syndrome.

The specialist advisor, provided by LETS Go! UK, visits children participating in the scheme for half a day every term. During each visit the child is observed within the classroom and LetsGo!UK listens to any specific educational or behavioural concerns the teaching staff may have. They will also perform individual one-to-one assessments considering the current level of development and progress. They will then discuss and develop targets with teaching staff and family.

Our provider is trialling a variation of the SAS for specialist schools. And when they are offering this as a service we will look into providing it for our members in Specialist school.

Due to the CoronaVirus Pandemic Andover Twenty1 worked closely with their provider LETS Go! UK to provide a remote service for the schools or parents, depending on whether the child was being educated at home or at school. From May - July 2021 Sessions were conducted via zoom then in September 2021 all sessions reverted to Face to Face however, when there was a close contact with covid zoom sessions were available as contingency.

Training

Andover Twenty1 provides training for parents, preschools and schools, both mainstream and specialist schools. Training has occurred only on zoom this past year and we have

found the uptake to be good and convenient for participants. So we will be continuing with zoom sessions for the time being.

The purpose of the training is to highlight the learning profile of children with Down's Syndrome. Training covers successful interventions and learning techniques specific to Down's Syndrome. As there are recognised learning strengths and challenges.

The training available covers a wide range of topics including:

- Inclusion
- Differentiation
- Communication, speech and language
- Literacy
- Memory
- Number
- Play, cognition and social skills
- Independence
- Managing behaviour

In this calendar year there were 5 sessions, conducted by 3 different providers, all of them new to Andover Twenty1 this year. These sessions provided training to 70 participants.

Achievements and Performance

At the beginning of this year, achievements were still curtailed by the Coronavirus restrictions. But by September 2021, life was returning to normal activities. We are pleased that LETS Go! UK managed to keep core services running throughout and that the last academic year has run almost as normal.

Membership

This year Andover Twenty1's membership has increased from 25 families to 34 families
This year Andover Twenty1 has provided services for 24 Children, up from 20 last year.

Early Development Groups

During the last year Andover Twenty1 provided Early Development Groups for the following numbers of children:

During the period - May- September 2021	9 children
During the period - September 2021- May 2022	12 children

School Advisory Service

During the last year Andover Twenty1 provided the School Advisory Service for the following numbers of children:

During the period - May- September 2021	11 children
During the period - September 2021- May 2022	14 children

Training

Andover Twenty1 provided 5 training sessions, presented by 3 different providers. Each session was online and lasted 2 hours. They were attended by a total of 70 parents, nursery staff and school staff.

Monthly Stay & Play

As soon as Covid restrictions allowed the monthly stay and play resumed. Andover Twenty1 has held 8 sessions, including access to the sensory room. These were attended by an average of 4 families per session.

2 Weekend Stay and Plays were held during the year. Over 12 families attended these events. These have been a great success and will continue quarterly in the next year.

Speech Therapy

In November 2020 Andover Twenty1 began a Speech Therapy project. 8 parents participated. This was an enormous success as these are children who had been discharged from the NHS provision but still needed the service. The project finally finished in July 2021. And although it was a great success with many members wanting to continue, the lack of funds meant we could not continue this at the present time.

Resource Library

In March 2021 Andover Twenty1 launched their Resource Library. A fantastic resource for its members. The Library holds a huge variety of useful things for parents to borrow. From books on education and physiotherapy equipment, to sensory toys and Speech and Language aids. All of which are expensive for our members to purchase themselves. These can be booked out and borrowed for free by Andover Twenty1 Members.

£50 has been invested in the library this financial year. However lots of items have been donated from the community. There have been 5 loans of items over the last financial year. In the next year the Library Catalogue will be available, pinned at the top of the Facebook Group Page to ensure everyone knows what is available and the resources are more widely used.

Fundraising & Awareness

Andover Twenty1 is entirely dependent on grants and donations to provide services to its members. Even though the Coronavirus Pandemic depleted our opportunities for fundraising we have been able to do the following events.

Thruxton 5 and 10K Run

In April 2022, 22 people and 2 buggies, ran the Thruxton Race Circuit to raise funds for Andover Twenty1. Between them they managed to raise a fantastic £4110 towards the Andover Twenty1 Services.

21 March 2022 World Down's Syndrome Day (WDSD)

We always support World Down's Syndrome Day on 21st March and are very grateful to the many local schools and businesses that encourage their staff and students to wear 'Lots of Socks' for the day and raise money for Andover Twenty1. This year WDSD went ahead and schools and businesses took part and we were able to raise awareness and funds.

Members of the committee made a presentation at 3 school assemblies, talking about Down's Syndrome and Andover Twenty1. This year £900 was raised.

Andover Carnival

In February 2020 Andover Twenty1 were chosen to be one of 2 charities supported at the Andover Carnival in July 2020. Unfortunately the Carnival was postponed again in 2021 but will be held in July 2022 and in the meantime the Carnival team have continued to raise awareness of Andover Twenty1 in the local community. Andover Twenty1 will now be the only charity to benefit from any proceeds the Carnival makes this year. Currently the Committee and a team of volunteers and members are preparing decorations and fun, to make the most of this celebration. It is a fantastic opportunity for Andover Twenty1 both for awareness of the charity and raising funds.

Lottie Dolls

Lotties Dolls, an Irish Company, make and sell dolls around the world, but dolls with a difference. Their dolls encourage children to be themselves, by being the proportions of children not adults, and encouraging many different role models from STEM, Diversity, Inclusion, Sustainability to name a few subjects they embrace.

This year Lottie's Dolls teamed together with one of our members, to make a doll who embraced Down's Syndrome. The new doll in their collection is named Rosie after our member. For each doll sold the company pledged to donate 1€ to Andover Twenty1 and after the initial sales period ended, £720 was donated.

In addition the members' family built a life size replica of the Lottie Doll Wendy house and then let it on Air B&B for a night. This garnered a lot of media attention and the final amount paid for the night's stay was £500, (Donated Oct 2020).

Trustee Financial Report

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £9012 which is a decrease of 36% from last year. This is due to a number of factors but can mainly be attributed to less corporate sponsorship this year. Our time as charity of the year for MUJV ended in January 2021 and no equivalent was found.

The 2020 Gift Aid amount collected after last financial year's end totalled £852 due to the widely successful LeJog Campaign. Once again this year's gift aid claim will be submitted after year end.

Amazon Smile donations totalled £142 this year which is another year on year increase. Unfortunately the Virgin Money Giving Platform closed its doors last year, Andover Twenty1 had the joining fee refunded in full and we've returned to Chuffed as our primary fundraising platform.

The charity has also utilised its Non-Profit Paypal account attaching a Zettle POS device. This means donations can be accepted easily, via contactless or chip & pin at events. At the moment all receipts go directly into the A21 bank account.

This year saw the actual increased service costs appear in the bottom line. Last year Covid contingencies and service adaptations made the services cheaper but less effective than the charity's goals. This year's offerings have not changed; however EDGs were more expensive than originally envisioned due to the grouping required to host all members. The charity is now offering services to 24 children. Early development groups, school service & our training program all together cost £13,300. Which is what we predicted in the 2021/22 budget.

Due to Covid restrictions loosening there was an increase in expenditure for community events but again within budget constraints.

Although we have had really successful individual fundraising campaigns this year, our overall fundraising total is quite low in comparison to previous years. In April 2022 we raised £4110 with our sponsored Spring Run, WDSD 2022 raised £922 and lots of awareness was raised by 3 school presentations by committee members. We had some generous donations from businesses and organisations this year, Midland Sandblast Trust, Portway Infants School, Chalkhill Blue, Totcity, Andover CO-OP Distribution Centre and Arklu (Lottie Dolls).

With our service costs increasing steadily there needs to be a shift in priority for Andover Twenty1. Grants specifically for funding our core services would bridge the gap between receipts and payments and ensure the longevity of our services at their current level. Andover Twenty1 intends to make grants a priority in the next financial year. As previously mentioned the MUJV "Charity of the Year" status made a huge difference in the 2020/21 financial year and if possible we should be on the lookout for other such opportunities going forward.

This year's financials ended up at -£6300 (unrestricted funds) We would like to take this year to try and minimise the deficit without resorting to cost saving measures. If unsuccessful we

still have another year worth of reserves and would propose cost savings in the 2023/24 financial year. We recognise the possible severity of continuing at this rate but believe we can recover swiftly.

Reserves Policy

It is Andover Twenty1's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to at least 2 academic years of core service payments, currently equivalent to £34,000. (Sept 2022 & Sept 2023) Our Current reserves sit at £32,497, approximately 1.8 years of services.

COVID-19 AMENDMENT *Reverted 2022*

Due to the financial uncertainty and inability to fundraise using traditional methods during the COVID 19 Pandemic, we amended the reserves policy to include 3 academic years of core service payments. This Covid amendment was in place for 2 financial years, 2020/21 & 2021/22.

Structure, Governance & Management

Administrative Information

Andover Twenty 1 operates in Andover, Hampshire and up to a 25 mile radius of Andover. The correspondence address is currently 79 Peake Way, Charlton, Andover, SP10 4FA. Andover Twenty 1 is a Foundation CIO in which its only voting members are the trustees. A committee composed of all the trustees and some non-trustees manage the day to day running of the charity. Andover Twenty 1 is a registered charity in England & Wales No. 1183166.

Trustees:

Ami Turner - Trustee responsible for Safeguarding

Anna Fauvelle - Trustee Chairperson

Jennifer Ogg - Treasurer

Libby Matthews

Rowen Gower

Louise Benning

Non-trustee committee members:

Kerry Mackenzie

In the 2021 Financial year the committee met nine times overseen by 3 trustees. All Trustees were consulted for decisions throughout the year. Trustees voted on 5 occasions, twice on policy and admin matters, 3 times for budget adjustments. The Safeguarding trustee held an updated safeguarding training in Nov 2021, attended by all the current committee.

Receipts & Payments Account

Receipts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	Total Last Year
	£	£	£	£	£
General Donations	2710	-	-	2710	9083
Fundraising Events	5268	-	-	5268	5087
Schemes (Gift Aid, Amazon Smile)	1034	-	-	1034	
National Lottery Community Fund					9000
Total receipts	9012	-	-	9012	23170
Payments					
Services	13282	-	-	13282	8037
Venue Hire	270	-	-	270	
Fundraising Costs	175	-	-	175	728
Processing Fees	2	-	-	2	510
Speech Therapy (NLCF)	1404	1396		2800	7604
Insurance / Overheads	175	-	-	175	751
Total payments	15308	1396	-	16704	17630
Net of Receipts/(payments)	-6296	-1396	-	-7692	5540
Cash funds last year end	38793	1396		40189	
Cash funds this year end	32497			32497	

Statements of Assets & Liabilities

Cash funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment Funds
	£	£	£
HSBC Current Account	31977		
Paypal Account	427		
Petty Cash	93		
Total cash funds	32497		

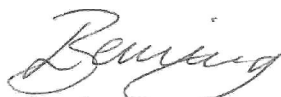
Trustee Sign Off



Anna Fauvelle (Chair)

03 Sept 22

Date



Louise Benning

03 Sept 22

Date



Rowen Gower

03 Sep 2022

Date



Elizabeth Matthews

19. 11. 2022

Date

Ami Jayne Turner

Date



Jennifer Ogg

3/9/22

Date



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Andover Twenty1

No (if any)
1183166

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/05/2021		30/04/2022

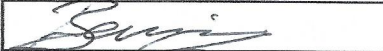

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Donations	2,710	-	-	2,710	9,083
Fundraising Events	5,268	-	-	5,268	5,087
Schemes (Smile, GiftAid etc)	1,034	-	-	1,034	
National Lottery Grant	-	-	-	-	9,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	9,012	-	-	9,012	23,170
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	9,012	-	-	9,012	23,170
A3 Payments					
Services	13,282	-	-	13,282	8,037
Venue Hire	270	-	-	270	
Fundraising Costs	175	-	-	175	728
Processing Fees	2	-	-	2	510
Speech Fees (NLCF)	1,404	1,396	-	2,800	7,604
Insurance / Overheads	175	-	-	175	751
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	15,308	1,396	-	16,704	17,630
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,308	1,396	-	16,704	17,630
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,296	- 1,396	-	- 7,692	5,540
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	38,793	1,396	-	40,189	-
Cash funds this year end	32,497	-	-	32,497	5,540

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	HSBC Current Account	31,977		-
	Paypal Account	427	-	-
	Petty Cash	93	-	-
	Total cash funds	32,497	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Louise Benning	03 Sept 22
	Anna Fauvelle	03 Sept 22