

**Company number: CE017716**  
**Charity number: 1183725**

**AUTISTIC NOTTINGHAM**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

# AUTISTIC NOTTINGHAM

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## **CHARITY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

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### **Legal and administrative information**

<b>Full name</b>	Autistic Nottingham
<b>Registered company number</b>	CE017716
<b>Registered charity number</b>	1183725
<b>Trustees</b>	J Bryan J Donne T Madar
<b>Principal address</b>	Concord House Nottingham Road Basford Nottingham NG7 7FF
<b>Independent examiner</b>	UHY Hacker Young LLP 14 Park Row Nottingham NG1 6GR

# **AUTISTIC NOTTINGHAM**

## **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

### **FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2022**

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Company number CE017716), having solely charitable objectives, and registered as a charity (number 1183725). Autistic Nottingham was registered with the Charity Commission on 5 June 2019.

#### **Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year were as follows:

J Bryan  
J Donne  
T Madar  
H Trenear (deceased 31 October 2021)

New trustees are given adequate training in respect of their legal obligations under charity law, in particular in relation to the Charity Commission Guidance on Public Benefit, the charity constitution and the trustees decision making processes.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The principal objective of the charity is the support the needs of Autistic adults without intellectual disabilities in the Nottingham/shire areas, through a variety of services tailored for their specific needs. The Charity runs regular social events appropriate for beneficiaries. They also run an Advocacy service to support Autistic adults short time to enable them to express their views and breakdown barriers. The Charity also runs a support provision, providing Personal Assistants to Autistic adults who have a social care budget, or those who self-fund.

The majority of the Charity's funds are acquired through grant applications for specific projects/services. A small amount has been accrued through donations as well as through the support services provided to beneficiaries.

#### **Review of the activities and future development**

As with many charities, Autistic Nottingham has gone through a challenging year in the face of a global pandemic. Despite this the charity has continued to thrive and has safeguarded many Autistic people living in Nottingham/shire. When the first lockdown hit the organisation was already prepared to work remotely. As the charity is run by Autistic people, all systems were set up to be accessed from staff's homes to allow for flexible working wherever required. The organisation was able to secure its physical premises and equip staff to work safely from their own homes for the duration of the proceeding lockdown periods. The Advocacy team worked hard across lockdown on a new set of challenges brought to Autistic people by the pandemic, such as ensuring those whose support network were sick or isolating were appropriately supported, that no one was being evicted illegally and challenging furlough fraud. Our Personal Assistants (PA's) continued to work throughout the pandemic, all provided with reusable N99 grade face masks and one of the first opportunities to get the vaccine (as they are classed as frontline key workers). Our social events were moved to online and continued almost weekly to keep beneficiaries informed and feeling part of a community. The charity also worked alongside local supermarkets to collect surplus food and donate it to beneficiaries who were in need of additional food.

Our plans for the future includes the following:

- Focus on maintaining our successful actions from the prior year;
- Strengthening our activities post Covid;
- Launching our Autism courses; and
- Continuing steady growth.

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## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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#### Financial results

Income for the year was £150,637 (2021 - £94,486) whilst expenditure was £135,166 (2021 - £84,258). The unrestricted funds were in surplus by £15,471 (2021 - £6,481) at the year-end. Restricted funds held at the year-end amounted to £nil (2021 - £16,377) and are shown in more detail in note 4 to the financial statements.

#### Reserves policy and risk management

The trustees recognise that they should manage income and expenditure to build a reserve to cover core costs and contingencies. The trustees aim to ensure that the charity has free reserves to meet the operational costs for at least three months. A small amount of reserves are held for emergency usage, such as unforeseen costs to the Charity or when funding is depleted for an ongoing activity.

The current economic climate is the main risk to the charity, especially as the Charity's main goals are around reducing social isolations of Autistic adults. Funding can also be difficult to acquire for the charity as it solely focuses on Autistic adults without intellectual disabilities, many funders see that as not a broad enough use of funding, but can also see that those who are not intellectually affected have no services for this very reason.

#### Contribution made by volunteers

The Charity relies on volunteers to run its social events as well as a large proportion of its fundraising. During the lockdown period there was very little work for volunteers and the amount of voluntary hours was drastically lower. The Charity is still registered to accept voluntary placements from the University of Nottingham Trent, but this was suspended during the pandemic. Thank to you all of the volunteers who have supported our work in the period and who will continue to do so.

#### Statement of trustees' responsibilities

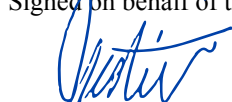
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity law required the trustees to prepare financial statement for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and applications of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Board



J Donne

Date: 14 November 2022

## AUTISTIC NOTTINGHAM

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

#### FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2022

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

#### **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').

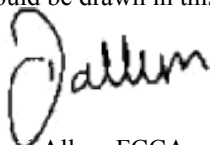
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

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



David Allum FCCA  
UHY Hacker Young  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors  
14 Park Row  
Nottingham  
NG1 6GR

Date: 14. November. 2022

# AUTISTIC NOTTINGHAM

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>Income</b>					
Income from donations	2	18,673	45,554	64,227	69,086
Charitable activities	2	86,410	-	86,410	25,400
<b>Total income</b>		105,083	45,554	150,637	94,486
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	3	595	-	595	1,362
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	72,640	61,931	134,571	82,896
<b>Total expenditure</b>		73,235	61,931	135,166	84,258
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		31,848	(16,377)	15,471	10,228
Fund balances brought forward	6	6,481	16,377	22,858	12,630
Fund balances carried forward	6	38,329	-	38,329	22,858

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## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

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	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	4	3,628	8,541
Cash at bank & in hand		38,118	16,028
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		41,746	24,569
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	5	(3,417)	(1,711)
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<b>Net assets</b>		38,329	22,858
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<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds	6	38,329	6,481
Restricted funds	6	-	16,377
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		38,329	22,858
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The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue at the Annual General Meeting and were signed on their behalf on 14 November 2022



**J Donne**

**Charity No. 1183725**



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2022

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#### 1. Accounting policies

##### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) published in October 2019 affecting reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019, the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

##### 1.2 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The trustees have successfully obtained funding for the next year, and are actively seeking new sources of income, in order to fund the charity in the long term.

##### 1.3 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

##### 1.4 Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis, including value added tax, and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### 1.5 Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:-

###### *Unrestricted funds*

These consist of funds which the charity may use in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

###### *Restricted funds*

These funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or grant provider, or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

##### 1.6 Volunteers

The trustees recognise the significant contribution made by volunteers who gave freely of their time. It is not practicable to place a value on this contribution.

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#### 1.7 Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

#### 2. Income

	2022 £	2021 £
Donations	64,227	69,086
Charitable activities	86,410	25,400
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	150,637	94,486
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Included within donations are restricted grants of £44,054 (2021 - £36,800) from The National Lottery, £nil (2021 - £10,713) from Nottinghamshire Community Foundation, £nil (2021 - £4,000) from The Jones 1986 Charitable Trust, £nil (2021 - £9,600) from Disability Action, £nil (2021 - £4,570) from Metro Centre, £nil (2021 - £400) from Neighbourly, £1,500 (2021 - £nil) from Skills for Care, and £nil (2021 - £2,000) from Nottingham City Council. Included within donations is unrestricted income of £18,673 (2021 - £1,003).

Included within charitable activities is unrestricted income of £86,410 (2021 - £25,400). Included within charitable activities is restricted income of £nil (2021 - £nil).

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 3. Expenditure

	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Direct	Support	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs (including Employer National Insurance contributions)	119,126	-	119,126	62,431
Covid-19 Support	1,362	-	1,362	5,147
LGBT	-	-	-	23
Advertising & fundraising	-	595	595	1,362
Accountancy	-	1,260	1,260	1,080
Insurance	-	28	28	228
IT equipment & running costs	-	1,214	1,214	612
Premises costs	-	9,216	9,216	7,609
Printing, postage, and stationery	-	137	137	270
Training costs	-	1,184	1,184	2,796
Employee expenses	589	-	589	1,034
Memberships and accreditations	-	278	278	1,488
Telephone	-	177	177	133
Sundry	-	-	-	45
	<u>121,077</u>	<u>14,089</u>	<u>135,166</u>	<u>84,258</u>

Included within direct costs and support costs are restricted costs of £60,747 (2021 - £61,265) and £1,184 (2021 - £2,796), respectively.

#### 4. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Accrued income	3,628	8,541
	<u>3,628</u>	<u>8,541</u>

#### 5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Taxation and social security	2,217	631
Accruals	1,200	1,080
	<u>3,417</u>	<u>1,711</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 6. Movement in funds

	Opening balance 1 Apr 21 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Closing balance 31 Mar 22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	6,481	105,083	(73,235)	38,329
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
The National Lottery	-	44,054	(44,054)	-
Skills for Care	-	1,500	(1,500)	-
Boots Charitable Trust	3,710	-	(3,710)	-
The Jones 1986 Charitable Trust	4,000	-	(4,000)	-
Disability Action	4,120	-	(4,120)	-
Metro Centre	4,547	-	(4,547)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>22,858</u>	<u>150,637</u>	<u>(135,166)</u>	<u>38,329</u>

#### Comparative

	Opening balance 1 Apr 20 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Closing balance 31 Mar 21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	275	26,403	(20,197)	6,481
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
The National Lottery	376	36,800	(37,176)	-
Boots Charitable Trust	6,506	-	(2,796)	3,710
Nottinghamshire Community Foundation	5,320	10,713	(16,033)	-
Tesco	153	-	(153)	-
The Jones 1986 Charitable Trust	-	4,000	-	4,000
Disability Action	-	9,600	(5,480)	4,120
Metro Centre	-	4,570	(23)	4,547
Neighbourly	-	400	(400)	-
Nottingham City Council	-	2,000	(2,000)	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>12,630</u>	<u>94,486</u>	<u>(84,258)</u>	<u>22,858</u>

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#### 7. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Net current assets	38,329	-	38,329
<b>Net assets at 31 March 2022</b>	<u>38,329</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,329</u>

#### 8. Staff costs and numbers

Gross wages for the year amounted to £112,964 (2021 - £56,687) and employer's national insurance costs were £6,286 (2021 - £2,631).

No employee earned more than £60,000.

The average number of employees during the year was 19 (2021 - 8).

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel were £23,304 (2021 - £16,667).

Included within the Staff costs (including National Insurance employer contributions) per note 3, the charity claimed furlough income of £13,848 (2021 - £1,938) which has been offset with the expenditure.

#### 9. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No expenses were reimbursed to the trustees during the year.

#### 10. Independent examiner remuneration

Fees payable to the charity's independent examiner totalled £1,260 (2021 - £1,080).

#### 11. Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

#### 12. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the reporting year or comparative period that requires disclosure.