

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021
FOR
ESSEX RECOVERY FOUNDATION**

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ESSEX RECOVERY FOUNDATION

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Essex Recovery Foundation is a new charity that promotes sustained recovery for everyone in addiction so they can live their best lives.

- Addiction derails the lives of those facing it and those around them. Too many people suffer in silence - when they do seek help, some people struggle to recover.

- We know that sustained recovery needs two things: life-changing services and a supportive recovery environment. If you focus only on the former, people don't go to the services or relapse when they leave them.

- We are uniquely placed to deliver on both these aspects. We are truly a community organisation with a governance structure that combines professional expertise with lived recovery experience. In time, we will take over the management and future commissioning of Essex County Council's c.£9m recovery service contracts.

- Our innovative approach brings together the evidence, the providers and the community to revolutionise recovery at an individual and systemic level.

Our vision is of Essex as a beacon county for recovery through:

- An innovative model of commissioning services that transfers power and influence to the community and combines this with participation and evidence to achieve the greatest impact.

- Broad and representative community outreach that creates a living community voice providing ongoing feedback.

- Close collaboration with service providers to further build capacity in line with need.

- A thriving and supportive community that brings hope and friendship to people at any stage of addiction and recovery and their families and carers.

- A narrative and campaign to challenge and change societal stigma.

- Sharable toolkits that facilitate scaling of our innovative change model to other service areas and geographies.

To help build that supportive environment and wider recovery community, Essex Recovery Foundation have begun to coordinate community-based events and activities, such as, a 'Talk and Walk Tour' across all 14 districts in Essex. We have launched an 'Art and Poetry Showcase' with the theme 'Essex in Recovery' so that people in recovery can submit entries into a competition which will be showcased at a launch and celebration event on the 7th of December 2022.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The 2020/21 financial year was difficult in respect of the pandemic hindering our ability to progress with our organisations mission. However, there were some key achievements that we were still able to fulfil, as follows:

- We successfully registered as a charity.

- We established our Recovery Advisory Committee (RAC) who have been largely responsible for the majority of work carried out by the charity and the successes had during this period.

- The RAC led on the consultation of the Essex Drug and Alcohol Strategy which was launched in December 2021.

- The National Lottery Community Fund was secured, enabling the charity to commence with recruitment of a Programme Director.

- The RAC had good involvement with the commissioning of the Essex Specialist Treatment and Recovery Service.

- A Programme Director was successfully recruited.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the 2020/21 financial year we are reporting income of £366,700 in relation to a grant received from the National Lottery Community Fund, which was confirmed before 30 September 2021, and is due to be received over the following 3 year. We have also made progress as follows.

- Partially due to the impact of Covid 19, we used this year as an opportunity to mobilise and establish our board of trustees and our Recovery Advisory Committee.
- The board and Recovery Advisory Committee developed and implemented the necessary structures to be able to govern the charity and create plans for the future in respect of working towards our core mission.
- We identified and engaged potential funders and worked closely with National Lottery Community Fund and Essex County Council who have subsequently awarded us funds to deliver our project.

All of this was delivered by trustees and volunteers in return for no financial gain. Our charity had no employees and minimal other expenses during this period between September 2020 and September 2021.

It is important to highlight that we have established and indeed started to receive funding from both National Lottery Community Fund and Essex County Council, for which we are extremely grateful.

We have a guaranteed allocation of 3 years of funding from National Lottery Community Fund at a total of £366,700 over the 3 year period.

Essex County Council have committed a minimum amount of £60,000 per year for the next 3 years but have already granted £110,000 to the charity during the 2021/22 financial year.

Taking this into consideration, we are confident that we have sufficient funds to achieve our goals over the next 3 years and have the capacity and expertise to continue successfully acquiring additional funds to continue our work beyond that 3 year period. Based on our current liabilities, the trustees consider the charity a going concern for the foreseeable future.

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FUTURE PLANS

Our key plans for the future are as follows:

- The charity will continue to work towards taking responsibility for the commissioning of drug and alcohol services across Essex.
- We will co-chair the Essex Substance Misuse Commissioning Group alongside Essex County Council.
- Engage an appropriate long-term partner to work with the aim of conducting a comprehensive needs assessment and ongoing assessment of change. Further details of this as follows:

We will be engaging a long-term partner organisation who will work alongside Essex Recovery Foundation, the Recovery Advisory Committee and Essex County Council to carry out a system wide needs assessment.

There are four elements to the needs assessment and ongoing impact and assessment of change, as follows:

1. Data and Analytics
2. Lived Experience and Qualitative information
3. Wider Community and Stakeholders

4. Ongoing impact and assessment of change - this is the enhancement that we would achieve through engaging a long-term partner organisation in the process of building a true assessment of need. It will form essential evidence that ERF will need to access ongoing, external funding beyond the National Lottery Community Fund grant.

- We plan to grow our team and build upon the Programme Director and Community Partnership Lead already in post. Our next recruitment will be Workforce Development and Training Lead. It is anticipated this role will commence in September 2022.

- The Workforce Development and Training Lead will develop a plan to recruit and train volunteers with lived experience so they can access paid employment within the drug and alcohol sector. This will be rolled out across the county in partnership with service providers, commissioned and non-commissioned.

- Our Community Partnership Lead will develop and deliver a programme of community engagement. This is so that we can grow and diversify the recovery community across Essex and give more people with lived experience a voice in terms of shaping and commissioning future services.

- We will be embarking on an organisation rebrand which will commence from August 2022.

- There is a launch event and celebration booked for the 7th December 2022 which we envisage being the inaugural event of an annual celebration.

- All of this work over the coming year will be closely aligned with the new drug strategy and its subsequent recommendations. Essex Recovery Foundation will play its part in guiding Essex and its growing recovery community to becoming a beacon for recovery from drug and alcohol addiction.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

In addition to the board of trustees and Recovery Advisory Committee, the charity now has two paid members of staff, Programme Director and Community Partnership Lead. A third member of staff (Workforce Development and Training Lead) will be recruited in September 2022.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1185335

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

Trustees

Dr M E Roberts
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on **11/8/2022** and signed on its behalf by:



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Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
ESSEX RECOVERY FOUNDATION**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Essex Recovery Foundation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Essex Recovery Foundation (the Trust) for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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.



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Date: 29-7-2022

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

				Year Ended 30.9.21 Total funds £	Period 16.9.19 to 30.9.20 Total funds £
	Notes	General fund £	Restricted fund £		
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities					
Support for recovery from drug and alcohol addiction		-	366,700	366,700	-
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Support for recovery from drug and alcohol addiction		-	1,320	1,320	-
NET INCOME		-	365,380	365,380	-
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	365,380	365,380	-

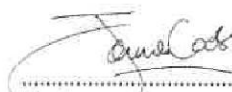
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**BALANCE SHEET
30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

	Notes	General fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	-	366,700	366,700	-
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	-	(1,320)	(1,320)	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>365,380</u>	<u>365,380</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>365,380</u>	<u>365,380</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>-</u>	<u>365,380</u>	<u>365,380</u>	<u>-</u>
FUNDS	7				
Restricted funds				<u>365,380</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>365,380</u>	<u>-</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 11/8/2022 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee

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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Essex Recovery Foundation is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), under the legal framework of Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011, complemented by the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012, the Charities Act 2011 (Charitable Incorporated Organisations) (Constitutions) Regulations 2012 and the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (Insolvency and Dissolution) Regulations 2012.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The presentational currency of the financial statements is pound sterling (£).

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Debtors

Debtors with no stated interest rate are recorded at transaction price.

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2021 nor for the period ended 30 September 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2021 nor for the period ended 30 September 2020.

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4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Total funds £
NET INCOME	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	-

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments and accrued income	73,200	-

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Other creditors	1,320	-

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.10.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.9.21 £
Restricted funds			
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	365,380	365,380
TOTAL FUNDS	-	365,380	365,380

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
The National Lottery Community Fund	366,700	(1,320)	365,380
TOTAL FUNDS	366,700	(1,320)	365,380

The National Lottery Community Fund grant is being provided under their RC London and South East programme. The grant must be used for the specific 3 year project for which the grant application was made. The grant can only be used for costs incurred between the date of the grant offer, 6 May 2021, up until the end of the 3 year project period.

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8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2021.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	Year Ended 30.9.21 £	Period 16.9.19 to 30.9.20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Charitable activities		
Grants	366,700	-
Total incoming resources	366,700	-
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Accountancy	1,320	-
Total resources expended	1,320	-
Net income	365,380	-