

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
SPACE4AUTISM CIO**

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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 31 March 2023. 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

Objectives and aims

Aims and purposes

Our mission is to promote social inclusion for the benefit of children and adults on the autism spectrum and their families principally but not exclusively within Cheshire East, who are socially excluded from society or parts of society because of ASC by:

- Providing education and information to support and enable parents of children/adults with ASC to maximise educational opportunities for their children/adults.
- Raising public awareness of the issues facing children and adults with ASC and their families, both generally and in relation to their social exclusion.
- Providing workshops, forums, advocacy and general support.
- Providing recreational facilities and opportunities for children and adults with ASC and their families.

We are based within Cheshire East, but our information and educational services are for general public benefit. Therefore, our services are available to anyone able to attend our meetings or anyone that can access information on the internet.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities

We are an independent Cheshire based charity that provides a range of clubs, activities and services for children, young people and adults with Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) and their families.

We began in 2005 when, as a group of parents of children with ASC, we got together to do something about the lack of support and services for families like ours. We felt isolated and excluded and feared for the future of our children.

We began meeting over a pub once a month with a handful of parents and in 2011 set up our 1st Social Skill Club for children aged 8-12yrs. In 2013 we moved to our first premises but outgrew this within 2yrs so moved again in 2015 to enable us to offer drop in sessions during the week whereby we invited professionals to come and speak to parents.

We moved to new larger premises, in September 2017 due to increasing demand for our services. We now offer office and meeting room space, a sensory suite, sensory garden, art room and a community cafe.

Our HQ provides us with a number of rooms which means that we can run activities simultaneously and it even provides us with office space to sublet to complimentary services.

These include:

Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (Children and Adult Assessment and Diagnosis Team, assessing school age children and adults for ASC),

Just Drop In - providing counselling service for younger children with ASC

Our service:

We run a wide range of regular events, workshops and clubs for people with ASC of all ages and their families.

From April 2022 to March 2023 we ran the following projects either face to face or online, which were accessed by over 7,000 family members.

Ten social clubs - the heart of our work, all our clubs run fortnightly for two hours giving essential respite to parent/carers- more details below.

Space for Kids, Apollo & Pluto - three clubs, each accommodating ten children aged from 4 to 8 years. Activities include team games, taking turns, sharing, music and drama and sports sessions (running races, ball games, bean bag races etc.). All activities are 'child led'. We have 'circle time' at the beginning and end of every session where everyone sits together to decide on the day's activity and to plan future activities.

Saturday Club & Saturn Saturdays - two clubs, each for twelve children aged from 8 to 11 years. As well as providing a safe play environment, both clubs offer a programme of activities designed to help children become more independent.

Space Mates - an afterschool club for twelve young people aged from 11 to 14 years. A chance for the young people to unwind afterschool with play, chat and chill.

Fun Friday - an evening club for sixteen young people aged from 11 to 14 years. Fun Friday has a 'youth club' vibe and provides 'chill out time' at the end of the week, whilst offering valuable socialising opportunities. Activities include art, pottery, pool, air hockey, table tennis, music making and movie nights. Young people also go on shopping trips to buy ingredients to make their own meals in our S4A cafe.

Space for You & Youth Space - two evening clubs, each for twenty teenagers, aged from 14 to 18 years. Providing opportunities to develop skills for independence, such as relationship building and developing communication. In-house activities include games, bingo, chess, gaming, karaoke, movie nights and baking. Community activities include visiting climbing walls, bowling, BBQs, eating meals out and Laser Quest.

Galaxy Group - an evening club for up to 40 adults aged 18+ years, providing a wide range of social and learning opportunities. Activities are varied and are decided by the people attending. They include chat and chill sessions, bingo, board games, pool, art and crafts, air hockey, karaoke, quizzes, food preparation sessions, and much more! In addition, we have interesting and educational visits from the likes of Healthwatch, Open2Autism and magicians.

School Holiday clubs - for children and young people of the above clubs to come together in the school holidays. A chance for the parents/carers to have a break from their caring role whilst the children are entertained with in-house activities and trips out.

Educational Workshops - a wide range of workshops for parents, carers and professionals. Subjects include sensory issues, challenging behaviour and what it's really like to live with ASC. We also ran workshops with Moneybox Wills and Trusts about planning ahead.

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Art Sessions - we have run three art sessions per week during term time, two for adults with ASC and one for children and young people with ASC. They work with our artist using media as a mode of expression and communication.

Open Space - a 'drop in' project for people of all ages with ASC, their families and professionals.

Outreach Service "Revive and Strive" - for members who do not know where to turn, they can now make appointments with the outreach team, who will help with any problems and refer/signpost to the right service if necessary. Members can have a one-off appointment, or, be seen for up to a maximum of 6 weeks to support them. The Outreach team also raise awareness in the community by attending various other services.

Counselling Space for ASC Adults - a counselling service for our adults with ASC which is run by counsellors who have a breadth of knowledge of ASC. These are delivered either face to face, via zoom/teams or over the telephone.

Self-Help Online Counselling Course - we developed our own self-help course with our in-house psychotherapist. The course can be completed over a 12 month period and is made up of 7 modules, each with videos and worksheets, for the member to work through themselves at a pace that is right for them. This is open to any adult member.

S4A Cafe (including sensory cafe area) - open five days a week to members and the public. Staffed by a highly qualified chef, supported by our kitchen team along with volunteers with ASC.

Kids Eat Free - held during the school holidays so children can come into the S4A Cafe with their parents/carers and have a meal for free.

ASC adult and carer weekly lunch club - groups of six attend the S4A cafe for a three course lunch each week during term time.

Adult Hubs - we work with Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (Adult Services) to provide monthly support calls for ASC adults living within Cheshire.

Training programme - a wide ranging training programme throughout Cheshire. Includes Cygnet ASC Parenting Programme, sensory and sleep courses, autism awareness and more, all delivered by highly qualified clinicians and trainers.

0-4yrs training programme - a 6 week course for parents/carers of younger children with ASC.

Pre-School Stay and Play - a chance for parents/carers of babies and toddlers to come together for a chat whilst their children play in the sensory room. Held two mornings a week during term time.

Autism Awareness Training for Professionals - training for companies and other charities delivered by one of our adult ASC members to raise awareness of what living with ASC is like.

Space4Carers - a programme of lots of activities, social opportunities, relaxation therapies, residential weekends and learning for parents/carers.

Carers Coffee, Chat and Learn Morning - for all carers of people with ASC, a chance to come and talk to other services including Occupational Therapists, Parent Carer Forum, Disability Information Bureau, CWP Diagnosis team, Local Area Co-ordinators and many more, whilst having a coffee and a cake. Held once a month during term time.

Crafty Carers - run by one of our wonderful volunteers. A chance for parents/carers to come together to craft and chat.

Gardening and Nature Project - a quarterly group for any adult wanting to learn about gardening and growing your own vegetables. Delivered by Kate from "Under the Ivy".

Cookery Classes - for parents/carers and children held once a month, a chance for all attendees to work with our professional chef in making easy dishes to take home and try.

Pizza and Play - weekly opportunities for members and siblings to come along to play and enjoy pizza's in our S4A Cafe. Space

Space to Talk - Children Counselling service - delivered by Just Drop In at our premises for children and young people aged 12yrs plus.

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Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) training - delivered by Smart Bright Training Consultancy to parents/carers to help with their children and young people's EHCP's.

1:1 Appointments - delivered by Smart Bright Training and Consultancy to parents/carers and ASC adults, to offer support and advice surrounding any issues they are having, and, signposting to the right services should they require more intervention.

Walking Group - a monthly walking club for our parents/carer and ASC adults, visiting Dunham Massey and Lyme Park to name but a few, with coffee and cake at the end! Supported by BlackDog Outdoors.

Campaigning - we work with our local MP and statutory services to ensure that the experiences of those that we support are represented.

Staff Team:

We now have 6 full time and 27 part-time staff:

- Chief Officer
- Operations Manager
- Club Manager
- 6 Revive and Strive Wellbeing Workers
- 14 support workers
- Booking Co-ordinator
- 4 clinical staff (autism training skills team)
- Charity administrator
- Chef
- Kitchen technician
- 2 Caretakers

Trustees:

We have 8 trustees who, as well as bringing personal experience of autism, bring valuable experience from the fields of finance, HR, child and community care, business, operations management and safeguarding. They also volunteer a lot of their own time.

Many of the original founders are still actively involved. We consider this a real strength because as well as bringing professional, complimentary skills and knowledge, they bring a shared history, experience, passion and commitment to Space4Autism which is at the heart of everything we do.

Volunteers

We had 80 volunteers during this accounting year supporting a wide range of services and activities. They contributed a total of 3,278 hours during this financial year. Using the living wage of £9.50 per hour as a guide, this means that our volunteers gave time to the value of £31,141.00 during this period.

We are members of or affiliated with:-

- Leaders Council of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- Connect, Lead and Learn (peer support and leaders)
- BNI Silk
- CESAP (Cheshire East Social Action Partnership)
- Police Cohesion Group
- Community Mental Health Transformation
- Open2Autism/ Macclesfield Hospital/Learning Disabilities and Autism Group
- Growth Company
- Cheshire East Mental Health Partnership Board - prevention sub-group
- Pilotlight
- 3rd sector partnership meetings
- Cheshire Voluntary Service (CVS)
- Women's Collaboration Group

We are commissioned by:

- Cheshire East Council
- Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCCG)
- NHS England
- The Growth Company - we are a supply chain partner

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Purchasing locally:

We have a policy of purchasing locally whenever possible, around 40% of our annual spend goes to local suppliers.

Environmental impact

We use The Green Office Checklist, a self-evaluation tool, which helps us to assess the environmental performance of our work. The checklist gives us clear directions for improvement. It asks questions to measure our level of "green" performance.

It is a comprehensive checklist comprising of 65 questions relating to various environmental topics such as paper usage, energy efficiency, office supplies, general office activities, recycling, transport, Health and Safety and the process for implementation of all our activities. We scored positive responses to 49 questions, equating to 75%. This is an increase of 15% over the last 12 months.

We are pleased with our progress and will continue to use the Green Office Checklist on a regular basis to improve our performance over the coming months.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

**Achievement and performance
Project delivery**

Key findings - in the year 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023:

This is our 2nd Year of being a CIO and we have again seen rapid growth; at the start of this accounting period (April 2022) we had 6,320 members. We now support 7,387 members - an increase of 1067 (16.9%) in 12 months.

Our members are broken down into the following age categories:

Under 4 - 191
4 to 8 - 800
9 to 11 - 657
12 to 14 - 611
15 to 18 - 553
19 to 25 - 289
26 to 64 - 3588
65+ - 186
Unknown - 512

Of these 496 are adults with ASC and 1344 are children with ASC.

We had a total of 15,202 attendances at our sessions.

We have made over 17,175 'individual contacts' with members via email, letters and social media etc. In addition, we send out weekly updates to over 4,000 mailing list subscribers.

We have delivered intensive sessions with 5,142 individuals in the following areas:

- Housing 12
- Finances 45
- Behaviour 61
- Information and advice 801
- Employment/volunteering 121
- Education 200
- Carers support 303
- Social opportunities 2108
- Training/workshops 769
- Therapeutic support 369
- Diagnosis 55
- Health and Wellbeing 298

- 32 staff/volunteers attended safeguarding training
- 26 staff/volunteers attended epi-pen and epilepsy training
- 15 completed their first aid training
- 1 completed SEND Code of Practice Course
- 1 completed Supporting Children with Send Course
- 3 staff gained a qualification in Autism Awareness level 2
- 2 staff gained certification in Choice Theory
- 11 attended Allergy Awareness Basic Training
- 15 staff/volunteers attended GDPR training
- 2 attended a course on equality and diversity
- 7 staff attended an online resilience course
- 3 staff attended an online behaviour that challenges course.
- 3 staff attended an online cyber security training

We employed a booking co-ordinator, 2 outreach workers, a receptionist, a club manager, a volunteer co-ordinator and more support workers for our social clubs.

New services and activities:

- Pizza and Play
- Crafty Carers
- Gardening and Nature Group

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- Walking Group
- Pre-school Stay and Play
- 2 additional social clubs, taking us to 10 clubs in total
- Implemented a self-help online counselling course
- Implemented Kids Eat Free during school holidays
- Carers Coffee, Chat and Learn Morning

Awards and supporter activities:

Trustee and Co-founder John McKellar received the Platinum Jubilee Champion Award from The Royal Voluntary Service.

Cheryl Simpson MBE received the Cheshire Life 70 Cheshire Champions Award.

We were awarded 1st place Best Community Garden by Peaks and Plains Housing Association.

We were awarded the Social Value Award by Cheshire & Merseyside Health and Care Partnership.

Cheryl Simpson MBE received an award from The High Sheriff of Cheshire in recognition of great and valuable services to the community.

We would not be able to deliver our services without the support of our funders - a massive 'thank you' to the following:

Trusts and foundations:

Henry C Hoare Charitable Trust
Bryan Lancaster Trust
Steven Bloch Image of Disability Charitable Trust
Mrs Yvonne Flux Charitable Trust
R S Brownless Charitable Trust
Astor Foundation
Gisela Graham Foundation
Lucas Harrison Trust
Douglas Arter Foundation
Cheshire Community Foundation
N Smith Charitable Settlement
Edward Gostling Foundation
Swallow Trust
Garfield Weston Foundation
BBC Children in Need
Zochonis Charitable Trust
Robert Clutterbuck Charitable Trust
Souter Charitable Trust
UKH Foundation
Lee and Bakirgian Family Trust
Sir Jules Thorn Charitable Trust (Anne Rylands)
Broome Family Charitable Trust
Louis Nicholas Residuary Charitable Trust
Sister Gwen Appleton Charitable Trust
Joan Wilkinson Charitable Trust
Mbili Charitable Trust
M and C Trust
Cheshire Freemasons' Charity
Risley Medical, Research and Charity Trust Fund
Marsh Christian Trust
The Openwork Foundation
Charles Sharland

Other funders:

Cheshire East Council - Short Breaks
National Lottery Community Fund/Reaching
Cheshire East Council - Covid-19 Response and Recovery Grant
Communities and Awards for All

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Eastern Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group
NCompass - Carers Choice
NHS England
Tytherington Pharmacy
Spinners Arms
Co-op
AstraZeneca Unite
Tesco Community Fund
Macclesfield Town Council
Jodrell Bank
Mencap
Macclesfield College
Friends that Do
Yorkshire Building Society
BNI Silk
Moneybox Wills and Trusts
B&Q Macclesfield
Redesmere Sailing Club
Green Shooters Golf Club
RocketWham
Pilotlight
Chelford Primary School
Beech Hall School
Arnold Clarke
TK Maxx and HomeSense
P Bickerdyke
Macclesfield & District Lions/Dads that Run - Matt & Tom
Rolph and Co Photography
C Berrett
Manchester Wheelers
Little Green Harvest Company
A Watkins
S Roche
Fragrance Direct
J Terrington
Anfield Agenda
H Bayley & L Trafford
M & L Beresford (Born survivor 2022 team)
St Lukes Goostrey
Hooley, Watson & Buckley Funeral Directors

Referring partners and agencies

We are committed to partnership working, sharing knowledge and resources to support the people we serve.

External project partners:

Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)
CAMHs - Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services
Professional drop in attendee's including: Occupational Therapy, Sleep Clinic, Speech and Language Therapy, Cheshire East Autism Team (CEAT), Cheshire Information and Advice Service (CEIAS), Disability Information Bureau, Local Area Co-ordinator, Just Drop In, New Leaf
Cheshire and Warrington Carers Trust
Living Autism - delivery of educational workshops
Cheshire East Council - commissioning of Short Break Social Skills clubs for children and young people aged 5-18
CVS - Community and Voluntary Services Cheshire East
Youth Federation
Cheshire East Carers Hub
Healthwatch
Healthbox
Adult Social Care
Family Support Workers
Local Schools
Social Prescribers

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Cheshire East SEND Team
DWP
The Growth Company
Local GP Practices
Smart Bright Training and Consultancy
Cheshire East Parent Carer Forum
Circus Starr
People Plus
Safer Opportunities
Speak Up Speak Out (SUSO)
Cre8
House of Healing
Therapy for Teens
Peak Sleep
Autumn Psychology
Harvest Fundraising

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The Charity started this financial year strongly and then started to feel the pinch and pain of the rise in costs both on what we have had to pay to keep the business running and from receiving less donations from our funders and fundraising.

In brief, our donations were down £64,000 - this is the money we receive from Just Giving and Sponsored events, etc. In-house fundraising totals were also down £5,000 from this time last year. In positive news, grants were up £20,000.

This means that:

- Donations decreased from £189,445 in 2022 to £125,171 in 2023
- Grants increased from £249,329 in 2022 to £269,387 in 2023
- So our total funds decreased from £261,582 in 2022 to £231,472 in 2023.

This is also taking into account that Cheshire East CCG had an outstanding invoice of £39,000 during this accounting period.

The total expenditures for 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 was £582,492.

So, all in all, it has been a difficult year financially, as it has been for many charities, and it doesn't look like we are out of the woods yet. However, despite the pressure on our finances we have been able to maintain a very full programme of activities.

Saying all of that I would like to take this opportunity to thank those that have supported us this year. We really do appreciate everything that you give to keep our Charity going.

As you have read above, finding funding for the year has been tough and continues to be so, and we are so grateful to Pete Sacket (S4A fundraiser) and Cheryl Simpson MBE (CEO) who have worked, and continue to do so tirelessly, to bring in what they can from so many sources. No mean feat in the current circumstances, so a huge thank you to you both.

I'd also like to thank our amazing staff and volunteers who have yet again, worked so hard to make our Charity one of the best. Without your support, dedication and hard work, we wouldn't be able to offer the services we have this year. You are amazing!

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

In April 2021 Space4Autism became a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). A CIO is a new type of legal format for a registered charity. The intention is to afford charities limited liability without having to register as a limited company at Companies and as a registered charity with the Charity Commission. The reasons and benefits that made us decide to change the charity's status were as follows:

- " is an incorporated form of charity which is not a limited company
- " only has to register with the Charity Commission and not Companies House
- " is only created once it is registered by the Charity Commission
- " is a legal entity that can enter into contracts in its own right
- " has trustees who will not have any liability for the debts of the CIO, in normal circumstances

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational structure

The organisational structure comprises the Board of Trustees (all volunteers with one selected as chairperson). There has to be a minimum of four Trustees but there is no maximum number.

The Trustees meet regularly during the year for full board meetings. All major policy, financial and operational decisions are decided by a majority of the Trustees. The constitution covers the structure and voting requirements.

A number of meetings, comprising a subset of Trustees, are arranged as and when necessary to discuss matters relating to specific topics.

Day to day operations:

Decision making, financial management and trust governance are all conducted in accordance with a fixed set of policies and guidelines.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1189689

Principal address

15-17 Mill Lane
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Trustees

P Girdwood
A Prior
J McKellar
L Pope
L Killilea
K Rutherford (appointed 6.10.22)
D Bramwell (appointed 6.10.22)
L Beresford (appointed 6.10.22)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 11 July 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SPACE4AUTISM CIO**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Space4Autism CIO

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Space4Autism CIO (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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 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.



Mr Neil Kennington FCA

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11 July 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	111,767	282,790	394,557	685,564
Charitable activities	5				
Educational and club activities		18,095	4,758	22,853	3,366
Other activities		-	-	-	490
Other trading activities	3	32,405	(4,730)	27,675	29,137
Investment income	4	19,795	42,090	61,885	30,875
Other income		36,667	8,744	45,411	1,470
Total		<u>218,729</u>	<u>333,652</u>	<u>552,381</u>	<u>750,902</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	6	14,367	-	14,367	14,319
Charitable activities	7				
Educational and club activities		3,598	11,257	14,855	4,719
Other activities		186,920	366,350	553,270	470,282
Total		<u>204,885</u>	<u>377,607</u>	<u>582,492</u>	<u>489,320</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		13,844	(43,955)	(30,111)	261,582
Transfers between funds	15	54,795	(54,795)	-	-
Net movement in funds		68,639	(98,750)	(30,111)	261,582
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		93,136	168,446	261,582	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>161,775</u>	<u>69,696</u>	<u>231,471</u>	<u>261,582</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
	Notes				
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	11	18,591	11,077	29,668	42,587
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	12	1,251	-	1,251	-
Debtors	13	45,636	-	45,636	3,358
Cash at bank and in hand		109,971	64,471	174,442	230,094
		<u>156,858</u>	<u>64,471</u>	<u>221,329</u>	<u>233,452</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(13,677)	(5,849)	(19,526)	(14,457)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>143,181</u>	<u>58,622</u>	<u>201,803</u>	<u>218,995</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>161,772</u>	<u>69,699</u>	<u>231,471</u>	<u>261,582</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>161,772</u>	<u>69,699</u>	<u>231,471</u>	<u>261,582</u>
FUNDS	15				
Unrestricted funds				161,772	93,136
Restricted funds				69,699	168,446
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>231,471</u>	<u>261,582</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 11 July 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee



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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

		2023 £	2022 £
	Notes		
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(53,380)	289,869
Interest paid		(744)	(632)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(54,124)</u>	<u>289,237</u>
 Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(1,871)	(59,155)
Interest received		343	12
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(1,528)</u>	<u>(59,143)</u>
 Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<u>(55,652)</u>	<u>230,094</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>230,094</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u><u>174,442</u></u>	<u><u>230,094</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(30,111)	261,582
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	14,790	16,568
Interest received	(343)	(12)
Interest paid	744	632
Increase in stocks	(1,251)	-
Increase in debtors	(42,278)	(3,358)
Increase in creditors	5,069	14,457
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	<u>(53,380)</u>	<u>289,869</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Cash flow £	At 31.3.23 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	230,094	(55,652)	174,442
	<u>230,094</u>	<u>(55,652)</u>	<u>174,442</u>
Total	<u>230,094</u>	<u>(55,652)</u>	<u>174,442</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

1. 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.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Improvements to property	- Straight line over 5 years
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- Straight line over 3 years

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

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.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	125,170	189,445
Donation from Space4Autism	-	225,177
Grants	269,387	249,329
JRS grant	-	21,613
	<u>394,557</u>	<u>685,564</u>

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
General	450	8,087
Short Breaks	30,640	44,599
Galaxy Covid Recovery	(1,224)	10,392
Space4Carers Awards for All	10,000	9,700
Space4Carers Hub	5,846	7,344
Mather Family	-	2,500
Space Mates	20,890	7,680
Big Lottery	98,870	54,874
HAF	-	287
Drop In	(2,057)	-
Sister Gwen	5,198	5,190
Saturday Club	(600)	(1,200)
ECCCG	50,248	71,001
NHS England	(5,590)	19,981
Swallow Trust	-	12,000
M&C Trust	-	4,500
JRS Grant	-	(7,606)
Garfield Weston	20,000	-
CCF - Youth Space	7,564	-
Lucas Harrison Trust	15,000	-
NHS Videos	7,440	-
Apollo	6,712	-
	<u>269,387</u>	<u>249,329</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	4,729	9,494
Shop income	1,259	1,546
Cafe income	21,687	18,097
	<u>27,675</u>	<u>29,137</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Room hire income	61,542	30,863
Interest receivable - trading	343	12
	<u>61,885</u>	<u>30,875</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		2023	2022
	Activity	£	£
Club income	Educational and club activities	22,853	3,366
Club income	Other activities	-	490
		<u>22,853</u>	<u>3,856</u>

6. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising services	<u>14,367</u>	<u>14,319</u>

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs
	£
Educational and club activities	14,855
Other activities	<u>553,270</u>
	<u>568,125</u>

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>351,667</u>	<u>285,793</u>
	<u>351,667</u>	<u>285,793</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Staff	<u>32</u>	<u>30</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	276,678	408,886	685,564
Charitable activities			
Educational and club activities	1,652	1,714	3,366
Other activities	-	490	490
Other trading activities	29,137	-	29,137
Investment income	15,630	15,245	30,875
Other income	970	500	1,470
Total	<u>324,067</u>	<u>426,835</u>	<u>750,902</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	14,319	-	14,319
Charitable activities			
Educational and club activities	1,629	3,090	4,719
Other activities	212,586	257,696	470,282
Total	<u>228,534</u>	<u>260,786</u>	<u>489,320</u>
NET INCOME	95,533	166,049	261,582
Transfers between funds	(2,400)	2,400	-
Net movement in funds	<u>93,133</u>	<u>168,449</u>	<u>261,582</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>93,133</u>	<u>168,449</u>	<u>261,582</u>

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 April 2022	9,110	32,481	11,040	6,524	59,155
Additions	-	1,111	-	760	1,871
At 31 March 2023	<u>9,110</u>	<u>33,592</u>	<u>11,040</u>	<u>7,284</u>	<u>61,026</u>
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 April 2022	5,530	5,864	2,070	3,104	16,568
Charge for year	3,580	6,838	2,220	2,152	14,790
At 31 March 2023	<u>9,110</u>	<u>12,702</u>	<u>4,290</u>	<u>5,256</u>	<u>31,358</u>
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 March 2023	-	20,890	6,750	2,028	29,668
At 31 March 2022	<u>3,580</u>	<u>26,617</u>	<u>8,970</u>	<u>3,420</u>	<u>42,587</u>

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12. STOCKS	2023	2022
	£	£
Stocks	<u>1,251</u>	<u>-</u>
13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	<u>39,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Prepayments	<u>6,636</u>	<u>3,358</u>
	<u>45,636</u>	<u>3,358</u>
14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	<u>8,969</u>	<u>4,256</u>
Taxation and social security	<u>5,497</u>	<u>5,164</u>
Other creditors	<u>5,060</u>	<u>5,037</u>
	<u>19,526</u>	<u>14,457</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	11,266	3,921	57,515	72,702
Designated fund - Renovation Work	35,000	-	-	35,000
Designated fund - Lucas Harrison Trust	14,028	(6,871)	-	7,157
Designated fund - Swallow Trust	9,352	3,060	-	12,412
Designated fund - M&C Trust	4,792	(3,500)	-	1,292
Designated fund - Social Clubs	5,000	17,733	-	22,733
Minibus	13,698	(2,308)	(11,040)	350
Kitchen Wages	-	1,806	8,320	10,126
	<u>93,136</u>	<u>13,841</u>	<u>54,795</u>	<u>161,772</u>
Restricted funds				
Short Breaks	14,630	(16,659)	5,107	3,078
Big Lottery	5,643	(3,132)	-	2,511
Tudor Trust	11,774	(10,040)	-	1,734
Sister Gwen Space4Art	1,805	(2,242)	437	-
Saturday Club	13,934	(15,139)	1,205	-
ECCCG	42,476	(11,393)	(31,083)	-
Sensory Equipment	7,685	-	(7,685)	-
Friendship Group	8,320	-	(8,320)	-
NHS England	12,538	(13,022)	484	-
Broom Family	517	3,154	-	3,671
Riseley Medical	50	(50)	-	-
JDI Counselling	167	1,890	-	2,057
Apollo	9,926	(218)	-	9,708
Galaxy Covid Recovery	8,943	(3,328)	-	5,615
CRH	9,000	(9,000)	-	-
Space4Carers Awards for All	4,020	(194)	-	3,826
Space4Carers Hub	4,319	2,984	-	7,303
Bright Ideas Cheshire	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Mather Family	1,458	(1,458)	-	-
NHS England - Space Mates/Saturn	8,241	1,951	-	10,192
1:1	3,000	(2,925)	-	75
Sir Jules Thorn	-	1,750	-	1,750
CCF - Youth Space	-	3,379	-	3,379
NHS Videos	-	4,940	(4,940)	-
Garfield Weston	-	14,800	-	14,800
	<u>168,446</u>	<u>(43,952)</u>	<u>(54,795)</u>	<u>69,699</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>261,582</u>	<u>(30,111)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>231,471</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	163,354	(159,433)	3,921
Designated fund - Lucas Harrison Trust	15,001	(21,872)	(6,871)
Designated fund - Swallow Trust	15,000	(11,940)	3,060
Designated fund - M&C Trust	-	(3,500)	(3,500)
Designated fund - Social Clubs	17,875	(142)	17,733
Minibus	(1)	(2,307)	(2,308)
Kitchen Wages	7,500	(5,694)	1,806
	<u>218,729</u>	<u>(204,888)</u>	<u>13,841</u>
Restricted funds			
Short Breaks	33,207	(49,866)	(16,659)
Big Lottery	109,760	(112,892)	(3,132)
Tudor Trust	-	(10,040)	(10,040)
Sister Gwen Space4Art	5,804	(8,046)	(2,242)
Saturday Club	2,501	(17,640)	(15,139)
ECCCG	73,613	(85,006)	(11,393)
NHS England	724	(13,746)	(13,022)
Broom Family	7,499	(4,345)	3,154
Riseley Medical	-	(50)	(50)
JDI Counselling	3,600	(1,710)	1,890
Apollo	10,184	(10,402)	(218)
Galaxy Covid Recovery	(700)	(2,628)	(3,328)
CRH	-	(9,000)	(9,000)
Space4Carers Awards for All	9,280	(9,474)	(194)
Space4Carers Hub	9,286	(6,302)	2,984
Bright Ideas Cheshire	10,000	-	10,000
Mather Family	-	(1,458)	(1,458)
NHS England - Space Mates/Saturn	20,890	(18,939)	1,951
1:1	-	(2,925)	(2,925)
Sir Jules Thorn	3,000	(1,250)	1,750
CCF - Youth Space	7,564	(4,185)	3,379
NHS Videos	7,440	(2,500)	4,940
Garfield Weston	20,000	(5,200)	14,800
	<u>333,652</u>	<u>(377,604)</u>	<u>(43,952)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>552,381</u>	<u>(582,492)</u>	<u>(30,111)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	13,666	(2,400)	11,266
Designated fund - Renovation Work	35,000	-	35,000
Designated fund - Lucas Harrison Trust	14,028	-	14,028
Designated fund - Swallow Trust	9,352	-	9,352
Designated fund - M&C Trust	4,792	-	4,792
Designated fund - Social Clubs	5,000	-	5,000
Minibus	13,698	-	13,698
	<u>95,536</u>	<u>(2,400)</u>	<u>93,136</u>
Restricted funds			
Short Breaks	14,630	-	14,630
Big Lottery	5,643	-	5,643
Tudor Trust	11,774	-	11,774
Sister Gwen Space4Art	1,805	-	1,805
Saturday Club	13,934	-	13,934
ECCCG	42,476	-	42,476
Sensory Equipment	7,685	-	7,685
Friendship Group	8,320	-	8,320
NHS England	12,538	-	12,538
Broom Family	517	-	517
Riseley Medical	50	-	50
JDI Counselling	167	-	167
Apollo	9,926	-	9,926
Galaxy Covid Recovery	8,943	-	8,943
CRH	9,000	-	9,000
Space4Carers Awards for All	4,020	-	4,020
Space4Carers Hub	4,319	-	4,319
Bright Ideas Cheshire	(2,400)	2,400	-
Mather Family	1,458	-	1,458
NHS England - Space Mates/Saturn	8,241	-	8,241
1:1	3,000	-	3,000
	<u>166,046</u>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>168,446</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>261,582</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>261,582</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	216,995	(203,329)	13,666
Designated fund - Renovation Work	35,000	-	35,000
Designated fund - Lucas Harrison Trust	24,900	(10,872)	14,028
Designated fund - Swallow Trust	20,000	(10,648)	9,352
Designated fund - M&C Trust	8,000	(3,208)	4,792
Designated fund - Social Clubs	5,000	-	5,000
Minibus	14,172	(474)	13,698
	<u>324,067</u>	<u>(228,531)</u>	<u>95,536</u>
Restricted funds			
Short Breaks	54,555	(39,925)	14,630
Big Lottery	54,874	(49,231)	5,643
Drop In	7,296	(7,296)	-
Active Cheshire	1,450	(1,450)	-
Tudor Trust	25,467	(13,693)	11,774
Sister Gwen Space4Art	10,502	(8,697)	1,805
Saturday Club	23,821	(9,887)	13,934
ECCCCG	107,135	(64,659)	42,476
Sensory Equipment	8,030	(345)	7,685
JRS Grant	14,008	(14,008)	-
Friendship Group	8,320	-	8,320
NHS England	32,085	(19,547)	12,538
Covid Support CEC	5,923	(5,923)	-
Broom Family	4,512	(3,995)	517
Royal Mencap Society	1,236	(1,236)	-
Riseley Medical	600	(550)	50
JDI Counselling	2,000	(1,833)	167
Apollo	10,296	(370)	9,926
Galaxy Covid Recovery	11,112	(2,169)	8,943
CRH	9,000	-	9,000
Space4Carers Awards for All	11,300	(7,280)	4,020
Space4Carers Hub	8,795	(4,476)	4,319
Bright Ideas Cheshire	-	(2,400)	(2,400)
Mather Family	2,500	(1,042)	1,458
NHS England - Space Mates/Saturn	8,521	(280)	8,241
1:1	3,000	-	3,000
HAF	497	(497)	-
	<u>426,835</u>	<u>(260,789)</u>	<u>166,046</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>750,902</u>	<u>(489,320)</u>	<u>261,582</u>

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	125,170	189,445
Donation from Space4Autism	-	225,177
Grants	269,387	249,329
JRS grant	-	21,613
	<u>394,557</u>	<u>685,564</u>
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	4,729	9,494
Shop income	1,259	1,546
Cafe income	21,687	18,097
	<u>27,675</u>	<u>29,137</u>
Investment income		
Room hire income	61,542	30,863
Interest receivable - trading	343	12
	<u>61,885</u>	<u>30,875</u>
Charitable activities		
Club income	22,853	3,856
Other income		
Miscellaneous income	-	1,470
Recharged utilities	2,381	-
Recharged office costs	6,363	-
Training income	36,667	-
	<u>45,411</u>	<u>1,470</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>552,381</u>	<u>750,902</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Fundraising services	14,367	14,319
Charitable activities		
Wages	351,667	285,793
Rent	42,211	37,750
Insurance	2,393	5,635
Water, electric and gas	7,473	6,252
Telephone	1,077	1,155
Printing, postage and stationery	7,610	5,676
Advertising	1,852	368
Sundries	6,266	5,619
Maintenance	12,961	6,852
Carried forward	433,510	355,100

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
Charitable activities		
Brought forward	433,510	355,100
Club running and consumables	28,743	27,376
Workshop delivery	7,348	11,567
Travel expenses	1,055	504
Subscriptions	432	930
Other	2,656	4,350
Social outings	13,045	1,662
Minibus expenses	3,083	2,668
Computer expenses	10,833	10,934
Clinicians fees	26,362	24,693
Accountancy	7,908	11,310
Legal fees	2,460	558
Professional fees	276	576
Training	12,768	2,936
HR and payroll services	1,441	600
Cleaning	260	264
Garden	411	1,773
Improvements	3,580	5,530
Fixtures and fittings	6,838	5,864
Motor vehicles	2,220	2,070
Computer equipment	2,152	3,104
Bank interest	737	632
Late payment interest	7	-
	<u>568,125</u>	<u>475,001</u>
Total resources expended	<u>582,492</u>	<u>489,320</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(30,111)</u>	<u>261,582</u>

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