



POSITIVE BONES

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD OF 1st OCTOBER 2023 TO 30th SEPTEMBER 2024

CHARITY NO. 1191065

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The Trustees are pleased to present their report, together with the financial statements for the period ending 30 September 2024.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Positive Bones is a registered charity, number 1191065.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered on the 28th of August 2020.

According to the Charity's constitution, the Board of Trustees consists of at least three Trustees. All new Trustees will be provided with copies of:

- The Charity's constitution
- A copy of the minutes from the previous three board meetings
- A Trustee's job description
- Relevant policies, including social, financial, safeguarding and whistleblowing policies
- Commission Publication CC3 – Responsibilities of Charity Trustees

The general meetings are held quarterly with any additional meetings held when required.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. They confirm that in planning and carrying out the Charity's activities they have had regard to this guidance.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

For the public benefit; the relief of people with medically recognised limb difference or amputation by the provision of grants for specialist prosthesis, specialist equipment or services.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The past year has been a productive year for Positive Bones; from focused outreach to awarding grants, the trustees are all very proud of what has been achieved, see a snapshot below.

- **National Media Advocacy:** Featured on BBC Radio One during Limb Loss and Limb Difference (LLLD) Awareness Month to raise awareness of the challenges faced by individuals with LLLD, bringing national attention to the cause and promoting inclusion.
- **Strategic Awareness Campaign:** Delivered a comprehensive and professionally managed social media campaign during LLLD Awareness Month. Partnered with a leading marketing agency to increase engagement, visibility, and awareness across multiple digital platforms.
- **Collaborative National Partnerships:** Partnered with the LLLD website and several UK-based limb difference charities to amplify impact and share resources. These partnerships reflect our commitment to sustained, cooperative efforts in the sector.
- **Policy and Advocacy Engagement:** Collaborated with Irwin Mitchell and Steel Bones to advocate for improved NHS provision and recognition of individuals with LLLD. These initiatives aim to influence healthcare pathways and long-term systemic change.
- **Nationwide Outreach to Rehabilitation Centres:** Undertook a UK-wide outreach initiative, contacting all public and private rehabilitation centres to promote awareness of our grant programme and general support services. This ensures professionals and service users are informed and connected.
- **Sponsorship Development:** Designed and launched a formal corporate sponsorship package to attract private sector support and enhance organisational sustainability. Early engagement has laid the groundwork for long-term investment opportunities.
- **Support for Fundraising Initiatives:** Supported a variety of community and corporate fundraising events. Notably, Inverto held an internal fundraiser raising approximately £10,000, demonstrating growing external support and engagement.

- **Awarding Grants:** Since its launch in 2022 and to the end of this financial year we have awarded 15 people with grants of up to £3000.00 to purchase specialist equipment, services or prosthetics that enable them to do what they enjoy most. Within this financial period this has included:
 - A bionic arm for a man who wanted more support in his day-to-day activities
 - An all terrain wheelchair for an active person who enjoyed various outdoor pursuits prior to becoming an amputee and wanted the opportunity to be able to continue to do so with or without his prosthetic on.
 - An adaptive paddleboard for someone who enjoyed water sports and wanted to try out a new one!

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

We have a number of exciting and beneficial future plans for the next year

- **Ongoing National Collaboration:** Continue active collaboration with the nationwide LLLD charities we partnered with in the previous financial year. These relationships strengthen sector cohesion and maximise our collective impact across the UK.
- **Expansion of Private Sponsorship:** Proactively seek and secure new private sponsorships using our recently developed sponsorship package, with the goal of building long-term, mission-aligned partnerships to support organisational growth.
- **Sustained Grant Provision:** Maintain and expand our grant-giving programme, continuing to provide financial assistance of up to £3,000 to individuals with limb loss and/or limb difference—enabling access to life-enhancing equipment and experiences.
- **Accessibility-Focused Website and Application Review:** Conduct a comprehensive review and redesign of the Positive Bones website and grant application process, with a focus on improving accessibility, user experience, and overall clarity for applicants and professionals.
- **In-Person Engagement with Rehabilitation Centres:** Launch a programme of physical visits to both public and private rehabilitation centres across the UK to directly engage with service users, practitioners, and referrers. These visits will promote awareness, build trust, and enhance support delivery.

- **Establishment of an Annual Fundraising Event:** Introduce a yearly Positive Bones event/fundraiser, creating a repeatable, scalable platform for income generation, community building, and awareness-raising. This initiative will serve as a cornerstone of our long-term fundraising strategy.

Finally, we want to continue supporting the limb difference and limb loss community by providing more people with the opportunity to be limitless in the things they enjoy!

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.
Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees on the 23rd of July 2025.

Josephine Bridges (Signed Electronically)

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Josephine Bridges
(Chairman)

James Bridges (Signed Electronically)

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James Bridges
(Trustee)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	2023-2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2023-2024 Restricted Funds £	2023-2024 Total Funds £
Receipts			
Donations	3,661.44	N/A	3,661.44
Fundraising	10,432.90	N/A	10,432.90
Events	1,731.00	N/A	1,731.00
Grants	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Receipts	<u>15,826.20</u>	N/A	<u>15,826.20</u>
Payments			
Grants	-8,944.00	N/A	-8,944.00
Fundraising Expenses	-87.18	N/A	-87.18
Marketing Materials	-395.00	N/A	-395.00
Events	-170.92	N/A	-170.92
Purchase of New Assets	N/A	N/A	N/A
Miscellaneous	- 465.44	N/A	- 465.44
Stationary	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Payments	-10,062.54	N/A	-10,062.54
Net Receipts	<u>5,763.66</u>	N/A	<u>5,763.66</u>
Cash funds at 30th September 2024	<u>27,894.91</u>	N/A	<u>27,894.91</u>

The charity currently has no assets and no liabilities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Charity's principal sources of funding are:

Fundraising events

Grants and donations

PayPal is our chosen host for gathering online donations and charges 2.9% + GBP £0.30p on every donation.

The total receipts amounted to £15,826.20 and, after payments of -£10,062.54 the net receipts for the period amounted to £5,763.66

The Trustees consider the period end financial position to be satisfactory and confirm that the Charity can meet all known obligations.

Reserves

At the period end the Charity's bank balance totalled £27,894.91.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees 23rd of July 2025 and are signed on their behalf by:

Josephine Bridges (Signed Electronically)

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Josephine Bridges
(Chairperson)

James Bridges (Signed Electronically)

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James Bridges
(Trustee)