



Bluesky Retreat

Charity Number: 1191587

Trustees' Annual Report & Financial Statements for the Period 1st October 2020 – 31st March 2022

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Reference & Administration Details

Charity Details:

Name(s): **Bluesky Retreat**

Number: **1191587**

Address: **8 Leonard Cheshire close, Amesbury, Wiltshire, SP4 7RN**

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity

Natalie Brannon Founder and Chair of Trustees

Samantha Buchanan Co-Founder and Trustee

Katie Hughes Trustee and head of Fundraising

Lee Newnham Trustee and Treasurer

All trustees manage the governance and finances until further Trustees are appointed.

Structure, Governance & Management

Type of Governing Document:

Constitution.

How the Charity is Constituted:

Charitable Incorporated Organisation, Foundation.

Trustee Selection Methods:

- (1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.
- (2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained:

The charity trustees will make available to each new charity trustee, on or before his or her first appointment:

- (a) a copy of the current version of the constitution.
- (b) a copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual Report and statement of accounts and
- (c) a copy of the Charity Commission CC3 '***The essential trustee: what you need to do and what you need to know***'.

Objects

The objects of the CIO are

To assist in the relief, care and rehabilitation of families in the UK that are bereaved following the death of a child including (without limitation) by providing or assisting in the provision of:

- (a) a residential retreat; or
- (b) counselling and support for members of such families who are suffering mental or physical sickness resulting from bereavement or loss.

Statutory Declaration on Public Benefit

The trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Activities, Achievements & Performance

The fundraising has been localised for this initial period, with the help of a 'back your business' crowdfunding event, this Crowdfunder was whilst our application was with the commission.

There was a requirement to purchase a branded events gazebo to help demonstrate both the professional approach used by the charity but also the forward thinking and intuitive nature of the charity which will be used when attending local fetes, and community events.

Overall, the initial setup year has been positive and plans for the future to build on our success are being made with regards to fundraising events, collaborative working with other charities, local businesses as well as supporting bereaved parents in the future.

We are currently in the local Tesco superstore and express store under their blue token grant scheme, we could achieve a minimum grant of £500 to a maximum of £1500, this ends on 31st March 2022

Financial Review

Statement of the Charity's Policy on Reserves

The charity has two bank accounts, one for restricted funds and the other for expenses if needed.

The charity's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue to make all business payments for 12 months, we aim to keep a balance of at least £3000 in the unrestricted account.

The charity has minimal outgoings for 2020, 2021 and projected to be minimal in 2022 until we have secured our land and then able to build the retreat.

Until we do have our site for the Retreat, the charity will be concentrating on fundraising and providing support groups for bereaved parents.

State of the Charity's Finances

A "Receipts & Payments" summary of the accounts for the period 1st October 2020 to 31st March 2022 can be seen at the bottom of this report.

Restricted Funds/Designated Funds

The Charity has funds from our JustGiving fundraising page, these funds are restricted for the



purpose of the purchase of the land and the building of the Retreat.

Particulars of Any Outstanding Guarantee Given by the Charity

The Trustees declare that the charity has given no guarantee where potential liability is outstanding at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

Particulars of Any Outstanding Debt

The Trustees declare that the charity has no outstanding debts which are secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the charity at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report and authorised that it be signed on their behalf.

Full Name: Natalie Brannon

Position: Founder and Chair of
Trustees

Date: 1st April 2022

Signature: 
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Item	Oct 2020 – March 2021	April 2021 – March 2022
Donations and fundraising	£3659.66	£20470.19
Expenses i.e bank charges, marketing Solicitor fees and events	£889.26	£5750.27
Total excl expenses	£2770.40	£14719.92

Before gaining our charity number during 2020 we opened a crowdfunding page, we raised £3555.99 from this and spent £2440.24 of these funds on solicitor fees and marketing items.

With this in mind, as of 31st March 2022, our total is **£18606.07**

£9812.35 of which is restricted to go towards our land.

£8793.72 Unrestricted

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