

Ageing Without Children – Registered Charity No. 1195122
Annual Report and Statement of Accounts 1/4/22 – 31/3/23

Our Vision and Mission

Our vision is a world where people without children are enabled to age well.

With the number of older people without adult children set to rise from over 1.2 million to 2 million by 2030 we will see increasing strain on social and care services, and increasing difficulties for those ageing without children in accessing both formal and informal support.

Our mission is therefore to support those who are ageing without children for whatever reason, and to influence health and social care policy to improve their lives.

Governance and Risk

Trustee who served on the Board of the charity in this period were

Paul Goulden – Chair

Jenny Collieson – Trustee

Jason Bergen – Trustee

Jean Basson - Trustee

The Board met monthly throughout the period, to manage the activities of the charity and to assess any risk to the organisation.

Activities and Impact

Governance

In addition to the work below, we spent a considerable part of the year discussing our governance arrangements regarding the local groups, and as a result we now have a partnership agreement to manage these relationships. We also consulted on our logo with local groups and changed this to reflect those discussions.

Toolkit

We continued to promote the AWOC-friendly toolkit developed with the National Care Forum, as a way of helping organisations support those ageing without children.

Local Groups

We met every month with the local groups to support their work, share knowledge and ideas, and to help with their development. During the period there were groups and /or activity in York, Leeds, Bradford, East Lindsey, East Kent, Hastings, Middlesbrough, Dorset and Gloucestershire.

Outreach, social media and website

During the period we continued to raise the issues of those ageing without children and support them through attending meetings with relevant organisations, and through our social media work on both Facebook and Twitter. We also used our website as a tool for information and advice for those ageing without children.

Future Activities

The focus of the 2023/24 year will be to

- Apply for funding to
 - o Redesign the website
 - o Undertake activity to further promote the issues around those ageing without children
 - o support local groups
- Support the growth of local groups
- Continue to raise the profile of the issues of those ageing without children

Statement of Accounts

The charity received income of £1094 during the period to 31st March 2022. Incidental administrative expenses were covered by Trustees or volunteers.

Cash Income and Expenditure

	£
Income	1094
Expenditure	0
Surplus/Deficit	1094

Cash and other assets held by the charity at 31/3/23 totalled £1094