

# 1 Chairs report.

Hi

Welcome to Aura, my name is Helen and I want to give you a bit of information about myself. I am a web onboarding specialist for a company called Click Dealer. The job carries significant responsibility but there is still time for staff to reach out if they have a problem, personal or professional.

I am a divorced mother of 4 men aged between 33 and 25, my youngest Oliver, has mental disabilities and although he has grown into the most wonderful young man he still has a lot of struggles that we deal with on a daily basis. This has taught me to be extremely patient most of the time, not all the time! My two grandsons also live with me, they are 13 and 16 so you can imagine how busy my days are.

It also gives me an insight into how changes within a family can have a massive effect on mental health and gives me a real passion for my involvement with Aura.

What a time to start a charity. During a lockdown that was unprecedented, no one knew what to expect!! And what trauma it brought to many. The changes it caused for families!! Gemma went all out when she realised how little support there is out there for people affected when changes occur within their family. And how much of that scant support is focused only on the actual person it has happened to.

Auras, aim to support all involved with the changes within the family, causing emotional trauma.

Gemma has worked tirelessly to interest people in the work we do. She has built a great relationship with agencies and has been invited to agencies within Cheshire East and Stoke on Trent.

Our aim for this coming year is to continue to work in Cheshire East introduce Aura to Stoke on Trent where there will also be demand.

We have to tread carefully as already the demand is beginning to outstrip resources a funding is elusive. But unless we can prove to funders that there is a need, we will never get that funding. A difficult place to be, but we are tenacious and will try and try until we succeed.

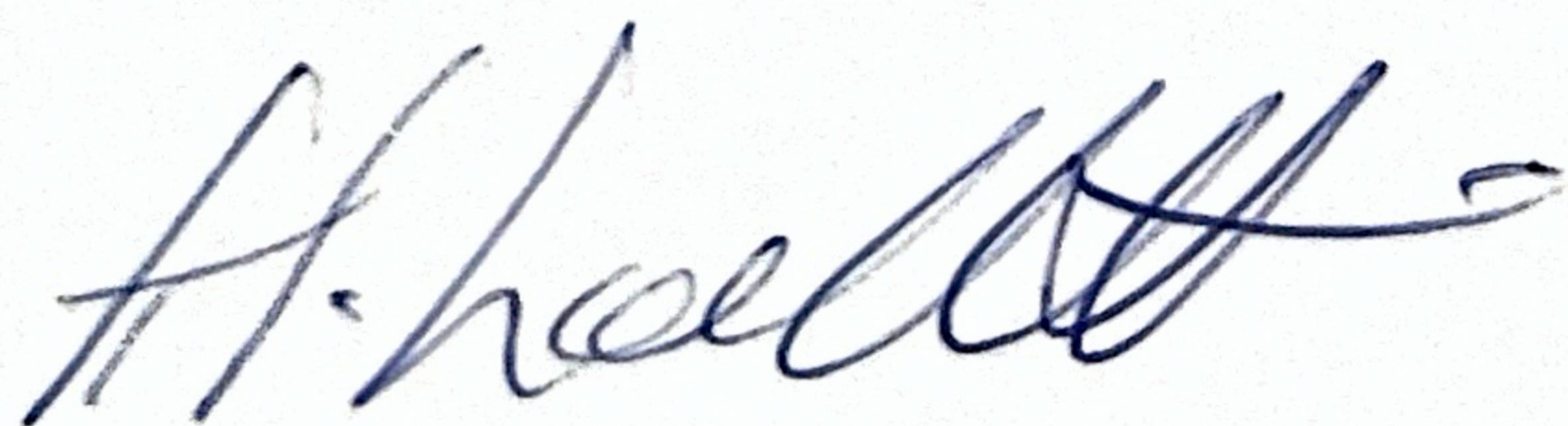
Lastly but definitely not least I want to say a big thank you to Click Dealer for all their support during the last year, choosing us for their charity of the year along with Donna Louise and letting us use their room for our AGM. Pippa and the staff have been wonderful.



INCOME			EXPENDITUR E			
MARCH	CHESHIRE COMMUNIT Y FUND	£960	MARCH	SUPERVISIO N GOODS TO RUN GROUP ADVERTISIN G INSURANCE	£445.25	
			APRIL	SUPERVISIO N ADVERTISIN G SUNDRIES	£155.88	
			MAY	SUNDRIES ADVERTISIN G	£67.98	
			JUNE	SUPERVISIO N LEAFLETS GROUP VENUE SUNDRIES	£249.50	
			JULY	SUPERVISIO N LOGO SUNDRIES	£80.72	
AUGUST	ALBERT HUNT	£1000	AUGUST	SUPERVISIO N	£45.00	
SEPTEMBE R	CLICK DEALER	£500	SEPTEMBER	SUPERVSION	£90.00	
INCOME		<b>£2460.0 0</b>	EXPENDITUR E		<b>£1134.3 3</b>	

This leaves us with £1325.67 to take into our 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

Helen Hockett



Karen Heath



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