

WELLS DEMENTIA ACTION ALLIANCE

England & Wales · Charity number 1199653

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-07-14

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA AND THEIR CARERS AND FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY OF WELLS AND ITS SURROUNDING AREA, THROUGH THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT, EDUCATION, INFORMATION AND PRACTICAL ADVICE.

Activities: Wells Dementia Action Alliance (WDAA) draws together organisations and professionals that are supporting people living with Dementia, and their Carers, with the aim of enabling people to live their lives as fully as possible in Wells and its surrounding Villages. WDAA works with agencies and organisations that support people living with Dementia, and their Carers, such as The Lawrence Centre,

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,444	£693	-	-
2024-03-31	£214	£1,408	-	-
2023-03-31	£1,732	£796	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Denise Ann Denis	Chair	2022-01-19
Patricia Leigh-Mitchell		2024-11-06
Philip Fairnington Welch		2022-01-19
Siobhan Goodwin		2024-11-06

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Chair's Report 2025

Our Board of Trustees welcomed Siobhan Goodwin and Trisha Leigh and accepted the resignations of Alan Sanderson and Rebecca Mather. Denise thanked them for their hard work and support in setting up the Charity and other support they give to WDAA.

We started our year by reviewing the policies and procedures required by the Charity Commission and good practices to ensure due diligence. These included Safeguarding, Data Protection, Equality Diversity and Inclusion, and Financial Controls and Conflicts of Interest. We recognised the need to check the Safeguarding requirements for the Memory Café within its location at the Methodist Church Hall, with a DBS check for the organiser and training session for the volunteers. The Aims and Terms of Reference for the Memory Café were clarified and documented.

As you will see from the accounts, we financially support our Memory Café to continue its activities, and gave a grant to Somerset Arts Well Music for Pleasure. WDAA has remained financially healthy thanks to donations from Wells Lions, Carlton Court and Methodist Church, as well as fund raising events – the Street Collection in Dementia Weeks May 2024 and 2025, and the Autumn Quiz night. We are extremely grateful to the small but dedicated volunteers who helped with these events and the wonderful volunteers of the Memory Café. In particular, thanks to Philp Welch, Trisha Leigh, and the WCN team last year for running the 2024 Quiz.

We have offered Dementia Awareness Training Sessions to organisations in Wells over the year and gradually increasing a small team of people who can deliver the sessions. They include Claire Chettoe, Jane Mann, Trisha Leigh and me. Whilst take up is slow- we have tried to raise the interest for the sessions by renewing the certificate of achievement and publicising the organisations taking part.

Finally, we are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Sian Bainbridge as our Treasurer/Trustee as she returns to fulltime work following her maternity leave, and I would like to thank her, on behalf of the organisation, for all her hard work in helping us maintain our accounts in a very professional manner and supporting me in particular. We all wish her all the best for her future. We have been very fortunate to recruit Chris Charles to take on the role of Treasurer as he comes with a wealth of experience and is very much a Wellsian resident and will be a great ambassador for WDAA. Chris will not be taking up a Trustee's role so we would very much welcome another Trustee to replace Sian on the Board of Trustees and hope that this will be achieved in 2025/2026. \Please don't hide your light under a bushel- we are a very friendly bunch!

Denise Denis (Chair) 5/11/2025

	14th July 2022 to 31st March 2023	1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024	1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025
	£	£	£
Donations	5		
Charitable activities	0	214	646
Grants	682	-	798
	1,000	-	-
Total income	1,732	214	1,444
Adminstration:			
	(67)		
Radar keys)	(35)	(75)
Information leaflets	(91)	(252)	-
	(110)		
Insurance)	(120)	(131)
	(54)		
Website)	(30)	(45)
	(15)		
Room hire)	(108)	-
Stall costs	-	(20)	(25)
Miscellaneous	-	(70)	(73)
Charitable activities:			
Memory café	(250)	(316)	(145)
	(210)		
Equipment)	(207)	-
Singing for the brain	-	(250)	(200)
Total expenses	(796)	(1,408)	(693)
Net movement	936	(1,194)	752
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Opening balance	648	1,584	390
Net movement	936	(1,194)	752
Funds remaining	1,584	390	1,142
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	14th July 2022 to 31st March 2023	1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024	1st April 2024 to 12th October 2024
	£	£	£
Donations	50	214	446
Charitable activities	682	-	898
Grants	1,000	-	-
Total income	<u>1,732</u>	<u>214</u>	<u>1,344</u>
Adminstration:			
Radar keys	(67)	(35)	(75)
Information leaflets	(91)	(252)	-
Insurance	(110)	(120)	(131)
Website	(54)	(30)	(45)
Room hire	(15)	(108)	-
Stall costs	-	(20)	(25)
Miscellaneous	-	(70)	(73)
Charitable activities:			-
Memory café	(250)	(316)	-
Equipment	(210)	(207)	-
Singing for the brain	-	(250)	(200)
Total expenses	<u>(796)</u>	<u>(1,408)</u>	<u>(548)</u>
Net movement	<u>936</u>	<u>(1,194)</u>	<u>796</u>
Opening balance	648	1,584	390
Net movement	936	(1,194)	796
Funds remaining	<u>1,584</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>1,186</u>
Memory Café	125	65	183
SCF	630	-	-
Unrestricted Funds	829	325	1,003
Total funds	<u>1,584</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>1,186</u>

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Trustees Report for WDAA

Period 14th July 2022 to 31st March 2023

Charity Number 1199653

Wells Dementia Action Alliance was incorporated a CIC on 14 July 2022 with 5 Trustees.

The Objects of Wells Dementia Action Alliance are:

To promote and protect the physical and mental health of people living with dementia and their carers and families in the community of Wells and its surrounding area, through the provision of support, education, information and practical advice.

Trustees and Posts Held:

Chair - Denise Denis

Vice Chair - Claire Chettoe

Secretary - Alan Sanderson

Finance Officer - Sian Bainbridge

Media - Philip Welch

Rebecca Mather joined the Trustees in March 2023.

Dave Thompson - March 2023-June 2023

Members Meetings

WDAA have 22 members representing public agencies, community groups and individuals in Wells and the surrounding area. The meetings are also attended, by invitation, by providers of Dementia Services who offer information about their activities.

There have been 6 Members Meetings held since 14 July 2022, with grateful thanks to the Lawrence Centre and Heads Up for providing the venues. There has been a good attendance to the meetings with updates and inputs from members on what their organisations are doing to support people living with dementia. We also had a demonstration of technical support from Connected Living, Aster Housing, which was very helpful. We were shown a

range of home monitor units and wrist and pendant alarms along with other products for providing safety and security in the home.

Trustees Meetings

In accordance with the Constitution there have been 4 meetings where Trustees have discussed the overall strategy of the charity, reviewed finances and agreed a policy in relation to vulnerable persons and policies on Health and Safety and Data Protection.

Events

WDAA Charity Walk held on Sunday 26 March was supported by approximately 30 walkers and raised £365.

WDAA manned a stall at the Kings Coronation Community Event on 7 May 2023. Prizes were provided for the young participants in a “memory game” and this attracted a good number of young people and the event was a success.

WDAA manned a stand at the VCSE Roadshow on 22nd May. Whilst it was a useful setting for networking it failed to attract the interest of the public probably due to the event not being advertised.

WDAA manned a stall at the Wells Moat Races on 28 August Bank Holiday Monday.

Training and information

WDAA information sheets and Q&As factsheets have been developed and printed for giving out at events. The Q&As will be given out at future awareness raising sessions.

Trustees Denise Denis and Claire Chettoe have given awareness raising sessions to Mondyes Court, the Bishop’s Palace and Cathedral and the Town Hall this Autumn which include a short video sent out from the Alzheimer’s Society designed to recruit new Dementia Friends.

The WDAA website and Facebook continue to be regularly updated.

Somerset Community Foundation Grant and New Equipment

Somerset Community Foundation Grant awarded WDAA £1,000 in October which has enabled WDAA to print leaflets, purchase a gazebo, table, tablecloth, collecting buckets, lanyards, first Aid pack and high viz jackets, and pay for venues for meetings of Trustees and Network Meetings.

VCSE affiliation and Working with Other Organizations in Somerset

WDAA continues to attend the VCSE Dementia Partnership meetings and will be linked to its new website.

There will be further opportunities to contribute and collaborate with other Dementia alliances and the voluntary sector's Dementia Wellbeing services over the next 12 months.

Supporting Partners

Through fundraising events WDAA has been able to supply radar keys to carers requesting them for their loved one to enable them to use the public toilets for people with disabilities.

WDAA has given a small grant to the Memory Café for future activities.

Date	Chq no.	Who
1/5/2021		Balance b/fwd
1/6/2021	N/A	Pilgrim Client
2/9/2021	101	Veronica Devereux
4/1/2021	102	Cooper Cloud Business Services
6/25/2021	103	Cooper Cloud Business Services
10/7/2021	104	Cooper Cloud Business Services
10/13/2021	N/A	Denise Denis
10/20/2021	N/A	Cash
10/23/2021	105	Veronica Devereux
11/19/2021	N/A	Somerset Community Fund
12/20/2021	107	Claire Chettoe
12/22/2021	N/A	Somerset Community Fund
1/6/2022	108	Cooper Cloud Business Services
1/14/2022	109	Glastonbury DAA
1/19/2022	N/A	Donation
4/6/2022	110	Claire Chettoe
5/4/2022	N/A	SOUP
N/A	116	VOID - error on cheque
N/A	106	VOID - error on cheque
N/A	112	VOID - Julie Wills signature
N/A	113	VOID - Julie Wills signature
N/A	114	VOID - Julie Wills signature

	Balance	Category
1,322.02	1,322.02	
25.00	1,347.02	Donation
(96.13)	1,250.89	Radar keys
(100.00)	1,150.89	Website
(100.00)	1,050.89	Website
(100.00)	950.89	Website
20.00	970.89	Donation
250.00	1,220.89	Donation
(85.65)	1,135.24	Insurance
94.00	1,229.24	Grant
(94.50)	1,134.74	Miscellaneous
300.00	1,434.74	Grant
(100.00)	1,334.74	Website
(1,000.00)	334.74	Return of Glastonbury WDAA funds
13.00	347.74	Donation
(50.00)	297.74	Memory café
350.00	647.74	Grant
-	-	
-	-	
-	-	
-	-	
-	-	
647.74		

Date	Chq no.	Who
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Balance b/fwd		
7/25/2022	N/A	Cash
8/11/2022	111	Scout Insurance Services
8/19/2022	115	Claire Chettoe
8/19/2022	115	Claire Chettoe
9/30/2022	N/A	Donation
10/20/2022	N/A	Grant
11/7/2022	N/A	Cash
11/10/2022	117	Claire Chettoe
12/21/2023	118	Wells City Council
1/22/2023	119	Claire Chettoe
1/23/2023	119	Claire Chettoe
3/26/2023	120	Denise Denis
3/26/2023	121	St Andrews Press
3/26/2023	121	Microbits
3/26/2023	121	Jax First Aid
3/26/2023	121	TSSC
3/26/2023	121	PDK
3/26/2023	122	Claire Chettoe
3/27/2023	N/A	Various

What	Restricted funds		Unrestricted funds
	Memory café	SCF	
	250.00	-	397.74
Coffee morning donations	-	-	131.55
Insurance	-	-	(109.60)
Memory café	(100.00)	-	-
Radar key	-	-	(31.88)
Old Mill Accountancy	-	-	50.00
Somerset Community Foundation	-	1,000.00	-
Coffee morning donations	-	-	59.90
Memory cafe	(100.00)	-	-
Room hire	-	-	(15.00)
Memory cafe	(50.00)	-	-
Table	-	(38.50)	-
Gazebo	-	(99.99)	-
Flyers	-	(91.00)	-
Assistance with website	-	(54.00)	-
Hi Vis vests x12	-	(46.50)	-
First Aid Kit	-	(10.52)	-
Charity Collection bucket	-	(14.45)	-
Radar key	-	-	(34.87)
Walk donations	125.00	-	365.91
	125.00	645.04	813.75

	Balance	Category
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647.74

131.55	779.29	Charitable activities	
(109.60)	669.69	Insurance	
(100.00)	569.69	Memory café	
(31.88)	537.81	Radar keys	
50.00	587.81	Donations	
1,000.00	1,587.81	Grants	
59.90	1,647.71	Charitable activities	
(100.00)	1,547.71	Memory café	
(15.00)	1,532.71	Room hire	
(50.00)	1,482.71	Memory café	
(38.50)	1,444.21	Equipment	
(99.99)	1,344.22	Equipment	
(91.00)	1,253.22	Information leaflets	
(54.00)	1,199.22	Website	
(46.50)	1,152.72	Equipment	
(10.52)	1,142.20	Equipment	
(14.45)	1,127.75	Equipment	
(34.87)	1,092.88	Radar keys	
490.91	1,583.79	Charitable activities	Agrees to 5
936.05	1,583.79		

5 April statement

Date	Chq no.	Who
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Balance b/fwd		
5/23/2023	123	Claire Chettoe
6/7/2023	124	Denise Denis
7/5/2023	N/A	Claire Chettoe
7/30/2023	125	Claire Chettoe
8/22/2023	126	Denise Denis
8/22/2023	127	Claire Chettoe
9/18/2023	128	St Andrew Press
9/18/2023	129	Denise Denis

What	Restricted funds		Unrestricted funds
	Memory café	SCF	
	125.00	645.04	813.75
Walk cake and council tax booklet	-	-	(15.17)
Various for walk	-	-	(36.80)
Memory café, donations from coffee morning	160.00	-	-
Radar keys	-	-	(17.22)
Lanyards	-	(51.72)	-
Memory café - chair exercises	(35.00)	-	-
120 flyers		(121.00)	
ID card cases		(31.92)	
	-	-	-
	250.00	440.40	744.56

	Balance	Category	
1,583.79	1,583.79		
(15.17)	1,568.62	Miscellaneous	Agrees to 5
(36.80)	1,531.82	Miscellaneous	
160.00	1,691.82	Donation	Agrees to 5
(17.22)	1,674.60	Radar keys	Agrees to 5
(51.72)	1,622.88	Equipment	
(35.00)	1,587.88	Memory café	Agrees to 5
(121.00)	1,466.88	Information leaflets	
(31.92)	1,434.96		
-	1,587.88		
	1,434.96		

5th June statement

5th July statement

5th Aug statement

5th Sept statement

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Donations	50
Charitable activities	682
Grants	<u>1,000</u>
Total income	<u>1,732</u>

Adminstration:

Radar keys	(67)
Information leaflets	(91)
Insurance	(110)
Website	(54)
Room hire	(15)

Charitable activities:

Memory café	(250)
Equipment	<u>(210)</u>
Total expenses	<u>(796)</u>

Net movement	<u>936</u>
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Funds introduced	648
Net movement	<u>936</u>
Funds remaining	<u>1,584</u>

Memory Café	125
SCF	645
Unrestricted Funds	<u>814</u>
Total funds	<u>1,584</u>