

# Trustees' Annual Report

**From:** 1st October 2022

**To:** 30th September 2023

**Charity's full name** The Harrogate Deaf Society

**Registered Company number** None

**Registered Charity number** 223555

## Objectives and activities

### Summary of the purposes of the charity set out in its governing document

For the deaf and hard of hearing within Harrogate and the area of North Yorkshire:- 1. to provide aid and services. 2. help continue education after leaving school. 3. Help find employment. 4. Provide interpreter services. 5. Protect and promote the interests of the deaf and hard of hearing. 6. Safeguarding the society's assets.

### Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts

Provide equipment for deaf people. Provide a room to display all specialist equipment that could help deaf people. Fund a room for Lip Reading Classes for deaf adults. Fund a meeting room for hard of hearing social group. Attendance at meetings to protect and promote the interests of deaf people.

The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

The Charity has purchased specialist equipment to be installed at a Counselling training institute, providing accessibility for the deaf or hard of hearing. The charity continues to provide interpreters when requested and give continued support to provide an individual through counselling. The charity has financed the cost of carpets to enable a person to move independently into their own flat, improving their self esteem and enabling them to take pride in their home surroundings. The charity has purchased a computer with extended warranty and a microsoft package to support them through their college course. The charity has provided financial support to a local music project especially for deaf and hard of hearing children giving them the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. Harrogate Deaf Society continues to look at ways to update its communications with the wider community through an online presence, also producing an up to date leaflet to distribute through the community.

**Additional information**

The charity's Trust Deed has been reviewed by an independent advisor which enables the charity to cover a broader area now North Yorkshire and assist and help more deaf and hard of hearing individuals

**Financial review**

**Review of the charity’s financial position at the end of the period**

Investments for the charity are managed by Investec - Investment Management Services

**Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held**

In accordance with the trust deed - the trustees must apply the income and at their discretion, all or part of the capital of the Society in furthering the objectives.

**Amount of reserves held**

Market Value of Reserves held as at 30th September 2023  
£637,947

**Reasons for holding zero reserves**

N/A

**Funds materially in deficit**

N/A

**Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern**

No uncertainties

## Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

To provide support and relief to deaf and hard of hearing in the North Yorkshire region according to the rules of the Trust Deed

**Type of governing document** Trust Deed

**How the charity is constituted** Charitable Trust The constitution of the charity is governed by the rules and objectives as outlined in item 2 of the Trust Deed

**Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees** In accordance with the rules as outlined in the Trust Deed

## Reference and administration details

**Charity's full name** Harrogate Deaf Society

**Other names the charity is known by**

**Charity's principal address** Community House  
46-50 East Parade  
Harrogate

**Postcode** HG1 5RR

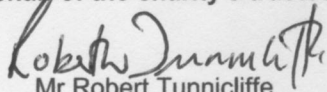
### Names of the trustees who manage the charity

| Trustee name          | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Mr Robert Tunnicliffe | Chair           |                                   |  |
| Mrs Susan Ibbotson    | Treasurer       |                                   |  |
| Mr Robert Tunnicliffe | Secretary       |                                   |  |
| Mr Steve Wright       | Convener        |                                   |  |
| Samantha Grey         |                 |                                   |  |

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

**Signature**   
**Full Name** Mr Robert Tunnicliffe  
**Position** Secretary  
**Date** 22.11.23



**The Harrogate Deaf Society**  
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| Receipts & payments accounts for the year ended: |                    |                  | 30th September 2023 |                  |
|--|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|  | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | 2023 Total funds    | 2022 Total funds |
|  | £                  | £                | £                   | £                |
| <b>Receipts</b>                                  |                    |                  |                     |                  |
| Income from investments                          | 14,808             | -                | 14,808              | 13,925           |
| Donations  | 941                | -                | 941                 | -                |
|  | <b>15,749</b>      | <b>-</b>         | <b>15,749</b>       | <b>13,925</b>    |
| Sale of investments                              | 121,115            | -                | 121,115             | 60,670           |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                            | <b>136,864</b>     | <b>-</b>         | <b>136,864</b>      | <b>74,595</b>    |
| <b>Payments</b>                                  |                    |                  |                     |                  |
| Rent   | 2,484              | -                | 2,484               | 2,102            |
| Stockbrokers fees                                | 4,630              | -                | 4,630               | 4,837            |
| Equipment & repairs                              | 42                 | -                | 42                  | 681              |
| Financial support given                          | 9,682              | -                | 9,682               | 1,293            |
| Accountancy & professional fees                  | 500                | -                | 500                 | 500              |
| TV Licence                                       | 159                | -                | 159                 | 159              |
| Sign language courses                            | -                  | -                | -                   | 780              |
| Library café                                     | 194                | -                | 194                 | 322              |
| Lip reading fees                                 | 137                | -                | 137                 | 412              |
| Interpreters fees                                | 745                | -                | 745                 | 188              |
| Web design and hosting                           | 883                | -                | 883                 | 82               |
|  | <b>19,456</b>      | <b>-</b>         | <b>19,456</b>       | <b>11,356</b>    |
| Purchase of investments                          | 125,972            | -                | 125,972             | 57,259           |
| <b>Total payments</b>                            | <b>145,428</b>     | <b>-</b>         | <b>145,428</b>      | <b>68,615</b>    |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>                | <b>(8,564)</b>     | <b>-</b>         | <b>(8,564)</b>      | <b>5,980</b>     |
| <b>Transfers between funds</b>                   | <b>-</b>           | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>            | <b>-</b>         |
| <b>Balance brought forward</b>                   | <b>27,845</b>      | <b>-</b>         | <b>27,845</b>       | <b>21,865</b>    |
| <b>Balance carried forward</b>                   | <b>19,281</b>      | <b>-</b>         | <b>19,281</b>       | <b>27,845</b>    |

# The Harrogate Deaf Society

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## Statement of Assets and Liabilities at:

30th September 2023

|  | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                          |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| <b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>        |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Current bank account                   | 2,533                      | -                        | 2,533                       | 9,418                       |
| Stockbroker account                    | 16,748                     | -                        | 16,748                      | 18,427                      |
|  | <u>19,281</u>              | <u>-</u>                 | <u>19,281</u>               | <u>27,845</u>               |
| <b>Investment assets</b>               |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Managed investment portfolio (at cost) | 585,932                    | -                        | 585,932                     | 571,626                     |
|  | <u>585,932</u>             | <u>-</u>                 | <u>585,932</u>              | <u>571,626</u>              |

The market value of investments at 30th September 2023 is £637,947 (2022: £612,943)

|                            | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Liabilities</b>         |                            |                          |                             |                             |
| Independent examiner's fee | 500                        | -                        | 500                         | 500                         |
|                            | <u>500</u>                 | <u>-</u>                 | <u>500</u>                  | <u>500</u>                  |

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| Notes to the accounts for the year ended: | 30th September 2023 |
|---|---------------------|

1. Basis of accounts

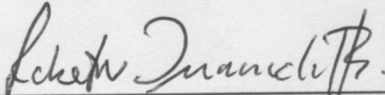
The Trustees have taken advantage of section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

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| Approval of accounts for the year ended: | 30th September 2023 |
|--|---------------------|

The report and accounts were approved at a meeting of the trustees held on:

22.11.23.

Date



Signed for and on behalf of the trustees

14/4/24

Date

ROBERT W TUNNICLIFFE

Print name

CHAIR

Position (e.g. Chair etc)



# Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Harrogate Deaf Society

I report on the accounts of: **The Harrogate Deaf Society**  
for the year ended: **30th September 2023** which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

## Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

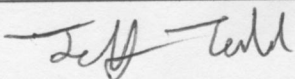
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

## Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

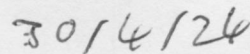
- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Jeff Todd (FCA)**

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**Date:**