



Annual Report

Charity registration number: 297667

Charity name: Abortion Talk

Period ending 30/09/2023

Our activities in 2022-23

Running the Talkline

This year, we continued to operate our confidential Talkline. From 7pm - 10pm on two evenings a week, we provided support for anyone who needs to talk about abortion. This could be because they've had an abortion, are thinking about having an abortion, know someone who has had an abortion or work in abortion care.

We trained an additional 9 Talkline volunteers (bringing our total number of active volunteers to 30), which meant we were able to answer 164 calls (an increase of 315% compared to 2021-22), providing a confidential space for callers to talk through their thoughts and feelings and reflect on their experiences. Of our callers:

- 89 were seeking an abortion
- 31 had experienced abortion
- 3 had supported someone else through an abortion
- 41 had other experiences.

We also had hundreds of missed calls during this period. In the next year, we're expanding our opening hours and developing a call back service, to make sure that we reach even more of the people who need us.

Developing workshops

Our provider support workshops are safe spaces for abortion providers, clinicians, researchers and community activists and organisers to explore the rewards and challenges of their role. This includes the emotional aspects of their work and the possible impact of abortion-related stigma on their well-being.

Over 2022-23, we delivered 9 workshops (compared to 2 in 2021-22 and 3 in 2020-21). This included:

- A one hour online *Provider support* workshop for NUPAS staff.



- A half day *Abortion conversations* workshop for Queen's University Belfast Student Union officers.
- A one-day *Provider support* workshop for staff working at Cornwall's abortion care service.
- Four *Talking about abortion* workshops with staff and officers at the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.
- Three days of VCAT (values clarification and attitude transformation) training for abortion care providers in Northern Ireland.
- A half day *Talking about abortion* workshop with Homerton theatre staff in East London.

Improving our processes, governance and support for volunteers through an expanded network of contractors

We began the process to recruit our first (contractor) Operations Manager, to be appointed in 2023-24. The new postholder will support us to improve our processes, strengthen our governance and support the development of our services.

Fundraising

This year, we received £19,800 from the Open University to develop our workshops, building on the £16,000 grant we received in 2021-22.

While the majority of our income continues to come from academic partnerships and grants from abortion care providers, we have continued to expand our individual giving (with donations totaling £2,833.59 in this period).

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WISE Account

OUTGOING

Category	Amount
Staff Wages	£14,319.98
Office/ Admin Expenses	£685.50
Volunteer Expenses	
Talkline Expenses	£172.80
Comms and Marketing	£388.98
Event/ Workshop Expenses	£10,719.00
Training and Development Expenses	
Expenditure on Raising Funds	£14.71
Research expenses	
TOTAL	£26,300.97

INCOMING

Category
Individual Giving
Grants
Partnership/ Sponsorship
Events
Workshops
Bank acc rewards
Transfer from Paypal
TOTAL NET

SUMMARY

	<u>Wise</u>	<u>Paypal</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Balance b/fwd	£9,415.39	£2,858.51	£12,273.90
Income	£36,719.59	£3,566.12	£40,285.71
Expenses	-£26,300.97	-£6,010.21	-£32,311.18
Balance c/fwd	£19,834.01	£414.42	£20,248.43

Amount

£19,800
£5,650
£1,784
£3,984
£2.06
£5,500

£36,720.00
£10,419.03

PayPal Account

Incoming

Category	Amount
Individual Giving	£ 2,833.59
Merchandise sales	£ 697.73
merchandise purchase refu	£ 34.80
TOTAL	£3,566.12

Ongoing

Category	Amount
Transfer into Wise Acc	£5,500
Merchandise purchase	£467.66
Fees	£42.55
TOTAL	£6,010.21
NET	-£2,444.09

FINAL ACCOUNTS

TOTAL OUTGOINGS	£32,311.18	TOTAL INCOME	£40,285.71
		NET	£7,974.53

INCOMINGS

Date	Amount	Description	Category
14.10.2022	£544.57	QUB General	Workshops
18.10.2022	£500	RCOG	
30.10.2022	£50	DfC	Partnership/sponsorship
30.11.2022	£50	DfC	Partnership/sponsorship
05.12.2022	£5,000	NUPAS	Partnership/sponsorship
08.12.2022	£1,384.96	Royal Cornwall Hospital	Workshops
30.12.2022	£50	DfC	Partnership/sponsorship
06.04.2023	£75	Imperial College Union	Donation
17.05.2023	£2,000	Paypal	Transfer from paypal
19.05.2023	£709	SU CSC	Fundraising events
04.06.2023	£2,000	Paypal	Transfer from paypal
24.06.2023	£500	Paypal	Transfer from paypal
04.07.2023	£500	Paypal	Transfer from paypal
08.07.2023	£1,000	DfC	Fundraising events
01.08.2023	£500	Paypal	Transfer from paypal
07.08.2023	£19,800	OU	OU funds
25.08.2023	£2,054	RCOG	Workshops

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Individual Giving	Grants
	07.08.2023

Total

Events		Workshops
06.04.2023	£75 Imperial College Union	14.10.2022
19.05.2023	£709 SU CSC	08.12.2022
08.07.2023	£1,000 DfC	25.08.2023
Total	£1,784	Total

Transfer from paypal

17.05.2023	£2,000 Paypal	Transfer from paypal
04.06.2023	£2,000 Paypal	Transfer from paypal
24.06.2023	£500 Paypal	Transfer from paypal
04.07.2023	£500 Paypal	Transfer from paypal
01.08.2023	£500 Paypal	Transfer from paypal
Total	£5,500	

Merch sales - (events)	293.46	
Merch purchase		467.66
(Teemill)	36.27	
giving fund (donations)	1532.31	
(Lesley)	368	
Fees		42.55
subscriptions	1301.28	
Transfers		5500
refund (card machine)	34.8	
	3566.12	6010.21

Notes

(Wise bank acc rewards)

Abortion disclosure work	01.12.2022	£0.28 Card cashback
	01.01.2023	£0.38 Card cashback
Recurring payment	02.02.2023	£0.28 Card cashback
Recurring payment	01.03.2023	£0.28 Card cashback
	01.03.2023	0.02USD Card cashback
Provider support worksh	01.04.2023	£0.14 Card cashback
Recurring payment	01.05.2023	0.01 USD Card cashback
Imperial College London	01.05.2023	£0.14 Card cashback
	01.06.2023	£0.14 Card cashback
RUMS Netball Society fur	03.07.2023	£0.14 Card cashback
	03.07.2023	0.01USD Card cashback
	01.08.2023	£0.14 Card cashback
	15.09.2023	£0.14 Card cashback
DfC ceilidh fundraiser		

50% total cost planning & delivery workshops 11,14,25,28th July **

	Partnership/ Sponsorship
£19,800 OU	18.10.202 £500 RCOG
	30.10.202 £50 DfC
	30.11.202 £50 DfC
£19,800	05.12.202 £5,000 NUPAS
	30.12.202 £50 DfC
	Total £5,650
	Bank acc rewards
£544.57 QUB General	Total £2.06
£1,384.96 Royal Cornwall Hospital	
£2,054 RCOG	
£3,984	

OUTGOINGS

Date	Amount	Description	
05.10.2022	£1,200	Franki	AT Coordinator September 19.10.2022
05.10.2022	£87.19	Jane C	Workshop - travel to Cornwall 23.10.2022
05.10.2022	£131.19	Jayne K	Workshop - travel to Cornwall 23.10.2022
20.10.2022	£2,862.37	DfC transfer	19.11.2022
29.10.2022	£250	Jane C	DAY Abortion Talk Workshop @ £250'23.11.2022
01.11.2022	£1,200	Franki	AT Coordinator October 26.11.2022
04.11.2022	£503.87	Lisa H	Cornwall workshop £250+ train £131.1'23.12.2022
05.12.2022	£1,000	Franki	AT Coordinator November 19.01.2023
06.01.2023	£700	Franki	AT Coordinator December 24.01.2023
31.01.2023	£1,000	Franki	AT Coordinator January 19.12.2022
27.02.2023	£900	Franki	AT Coordinator February 23.12.2022
01.03.2023	£600	Jane C	January 7-28 Online training for volun19.02.2023
29.03.2023	£1,000	Franki	AT Coordinator March 23.02.2023
11.04.2023	£1,507.50	GFTU-ET	1st payment venue AT weekend 24.02.2023
02.05.2023	£1,000	Franki	AT Coordinator April 24.02.2023
11.05.2023	£1,736.20	GFTU-ET	2nd payment venue AT weekend 03.03.2023
15.05.2023	£103.38	Ayomide Oluseye	Reimbursement AT weekend 19.03.2023
15.05.2023	£341.01	Jayne K	Reimbursement AT weekend 23.03.2023
15.05.2023	£72.95	Cath Sutton	Reimbursement AT weekend 03.04.2023
15.05.2023	£72.48	Franki A	Reimbursement AT weekend 19.04.2023
15.05.2023	£92.64	Kate Austen	Reimbursement AT weekend 21.04.2023
15.05.2023	£41.93	Edem Ntummy	Reimbursement AT weekend 23.04.2023
17.05.2023	£51.14	Jane C	Reimbursement AT weekend 03.05.2023
17.05.2023	£54.60	Jane Fisher	Reimbursement AT weekend 19.05.2023
17.05.2023	£399.30	Maria Lapavitsas	Reimbursement AT weekend 23.05.2023
17.05.2023	£103.98	Lesley H	Reimbursement AT weekend 03.06.2023
17.05.2023	£625.94	Sinead Cook	Reimbursement AT weekend 19.06.2023
25.05.2023	£206.55	Laura McLaughlin	Reimbursement AT weekend 23.06.2023
25.05.2023	£49.95	Pollyanna Cohen	Reimbursement AT weekend 24.06.2023
02.06.2023	£800	Franki	AT Coordinator May £200+ website re03.07.2023
04.06.2023	£537.03	Jayne K	Belfast Air bnb £439.69+ BA flight £9719.07.2023
19.06.2023	£191.34	Kate Austen	Belfast flights 23.07.2023
20.06.2023	£58.65	Christina Boateng	Reimbursement AT weekend 03.08.2023
24.06.2023	£239.02	Jayne K	Belfast travel 19.08.2023
24.06.2023	£432.47	Kate Austen	Belfast travel £341.66 +other expense23.08.2023
24.06.2023	£120.41	Jane C	Belfast travel 03.09.2023
24.06.2023	£400	Jane C	Belfast VCAT 16-17/6/23 £200x2 19.09.2023
24.06.2023	£88.50	Jane C	Belfast other expenses (meals) 23.09.2023
27.06.2023	£119.91	Cath Sutton	Belfast travel 24.09.2023
04.07.2023	£800	Franki	AT Coordinator June £200 + website development £600
10.07.2023	£43.54	Jayne K	Belfast other expenses
19.07.2023	£30.80	Kate Austen	Belfast other travel (2nd weekend)
19.07.2023	£513.19	Jane C	Belfast VCAT £200 + Air bnb £94.30 + travel £218.89
19.07.2023	£227.68	Jayne K	Belfast flight + other expenses
01.08.2023	£800	Franki	AT Coordinator July £200 + website development £600
05.09.2023	£685	Jayne K	33% of amount paid to AT for 2x RCOG workshops 11+14
05.09.2023	£900	Franki	AT Coordinator Aug £300 + website redevelopment £600

05.09.2023	£319.98 Kim Newman	Talkine coordinator
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Staff Wages		Office/ Admin Expenses		Volunteer Expenses
05.10.2022	£1,200 Franki	23.10.2022	£14.39 Zoom	
01.11.2022	£1,200 Franki	23.11.2022	£14.39 Zoom	
05.12.2022	£1,000 Franki	23.12.2022	£14.39 Zoom	
06.01.2023	£700 Franki	24.01.2023	£14.39 Zoom	
31.01.2023	£1,000 Franki	23.02.2023	£14.39 Zoom	
27.02.2023	£900 Franki	23.03.2023	£14.39 Zoom	
29.03.2023	£1,000 Franki			
02.05.2023	£1,000 Franki	23.04.2023	£15.59 Zoom	
02.06.2023	£800 Franki	21.04.2023	£252 Jane Ascroft Accountancy	
04.07.2023	£800 Franki			
01.08.2023	£800 Franki	23.05.2023	£15.59 Zoom	
05.09.2023	£900 Franki	23.06.2023	£15.59 Zoom	
05.09.2023	£319.98 Kim Newman	24.06.2023	£252 Jane Ascroft Accountancy	
20.10.2022*	£900 Franki wages	23.07.2023	£15.59 Zoom	
20.10.2022*	£1,800 Franki wages	23.08.2023	£15.59 Zoom	
Total	14,319.98	23.09.2023	£15.59 Zoom	
		20/10/22	0.32	
		5/10/22	0.32	
		5/10/22	0.32	
		5/10/22	0.32	
		Total	£685.16	

*Supplementary notes	20.10.2022	£2,862.37 DfC transfer
	Split into compone	£162.37 T-shirt expenses
		£900 Franki wages
		£1,800 Franki wages

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£14.40 Circleloop
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	19.10.2022	£14.40 Circleloop	23.10.2022	£10.99 Canva
	19.11.2022	£14.40 Circleloop	26.11.2022	£10.99 Canva
	19.09.2023	£14.40 Circleloop	23.12.2022	£73.11 Big Ears music&design
	19.12.2022	£14.40 Circleloop	24.09.2023	£131.52 Istock photos
	19.02.2023	£14.40 Circleloop	20.10.2022*	£162.37 T-shirt expenses
	19.03.2023	£14.40 Circleloop	Total	£388.98
	19.04.2023	£14.40 Circleloop		
	19.04.2023	£14.40 Circleloop		
	19.05.2023	£14.40 Circleloop		
	19.06.2023	£14.40 Circleloop		
	19.07.2023	£14.40 Circleloop		
	19.08.2023	£14.40 Circleloop		
		Circleloop		
	Total	£172.80		

Event/ Workshop Expenses		T & Development Expenditure on
05.10.2022	£87.19 Jane C	24.02.2023
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20.06.2023	£58.65 Christina Boateng	
24.06.2023	£239.02 Jayne K	
24.06.2023	£432.47 Kate Austen	
24.06.2023	£120.41 Jane C	
24.06.2023	£400 Jane C	
24.06.2023	£88.50 Jane C	
27.06.2023	£119.91 Cath Sutton	
10.07.2023	£43.54 Jayne K	
19.07.2023	£30.80 Kate Austen	
19.07.2023	£513.19 Jane C	
19.07.2023	£227.68 Jayne K	
05.09.2023	£685 Jayne K	
Total	10,719.34	

Raising Funds

£1.56 donorbox donation

£1.49 donorbox donation

£1.47 donorbox donation

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£2.59 donorbox donation

£1.48 donorbox donation

£1.64 donorbox donation

£1.48 donorbox donation

£1.51 donorbox donation

£1.49 donorbox donation

£14.71

Research expenses

Abortion Talk

Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of Abortion Talk

Year Ended 30 September 2023

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2023.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under charity law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

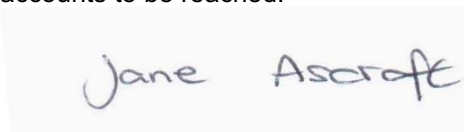
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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25th June 2024