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Registered Charity No. 511290

THE FRIENDS OF DARLINGTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 20TH JUNE 2022 AT 6.00PM FIRST FLOOR BOARDROOM DARLINGTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is once again my pleasure to present this my 26th Annual Report for the year ending 30th April 2022.

The challenge of the pandemic has continued to affect our work load and income. We have no in hospital sales tables and losing the tea bar to the development of Accident and Emergency is a major loss as the two areas used to generate about £15,000 to our annual income. Good news is that our Baby Shop has reopened under the guidance of Mrs. Pat Telfer and Mrs. Margaret Weeks.

Remarkably we have continued to operate our volunteer car service albeit on a restricted basis as we only allow 1 patient in a car. The volunteer drivers have done a magnificent job and through care and a little good fortune none of them have been effected by the virus. On behalf of all of our members and the hundreds of patients we have cared for I thank them. Joy McCulloch, Colin Weeks, Jeff Simpson and Anne Robinson all do an excellent job in controlling the daily operations of the volunteer car service. This can be a very testing job and on your behalf I compliment and thank them.

Fundraising continues to be difficult but we have again been fortunate to receive funds from a number of legacies. Donations from grateful patients who use the volunteer car service have also increased which ensures that we can continue with the services we provide. Gift Aid claims boosted our income by over £4,000.

Simon Rossenelli our treasurer for the past 34 years has had his wonderful work recognised by receiving the very prestigious Order of Mercy this was presented to him by Lord Lingfield in a ceremony held in the Mansion House London. On behalf of all members and volunteers I congratulate Simon and thank him for his dedicated service.

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Sadly the Heartbeat group has not been reformed due to a lack of suitable premises and equipment. David Glover the group administrator is hopeful that this situation will change in the near future and continues to have discussions with Darlington Memorial Hospital physiotherapists.

Jeanette Smith our cashier and general administrator is now assisted by June Blewitt who does an excellent job in dealing with our daily cash flow. This enables Jeanette to concentrate on other matters of general administration, stock ordering and volunteer training. Our thanks and gratitude to Jeanette for her 15 years of commitment and work for The Friends and a thank you to June for taking her new role.

David Lister our Data Protection Officer does a wonderful job including making the mileage allowance payments to the volunteer drivers and producing the driver service statistics which includes the daily cost of operating the service. He also continues to raise funds through his interest in philately and is always requiring old stamps. On behalf of all members I thank David for his continued commitment and support.

Due to health problems I was unable to fulfil my usual daily role for part of the year. However the rest of the team took control of the situation and worked extremely hard to ensure that the services we provide continued seamlessly. My particular thanks to John Gibson one of our volunteer drivers who in my absence organised the essential routing for the other drivers.

My illness once again highlights the need for me to retire after 27 years as your Chairman but to do this requires me to find a successor to fulfil my working role.

Your President Alasdair MacConachie OBE DL for the past 32 years continues to be a constant support to myself and our work in providing services to patients. Thank you once again Alasdair for your involvement and support.

My thanks to all of our members for your continued support for the work that we do.

W. Alan Charlton MBE
Chairman

The Friends of the Darlington Memorial Hospital

Financial Statement Year Ended 30th April 2022

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Please find enclosed the financial statement for the year ending 30th April 2022. A further difficult year with many challenges which the volunteers have 'pulled together' to overcome and maintain the charities services = THANK YOU!

Income levels have reduced to £59,785.61 (£61,241.60) and expenditure has increased to £57,585.50 (£45,857.07). This due to an increase in the activity of the Driving service. The administration costs of running the Charity have been kept to a minimum. Available resources remain healthy with funds held of £116,458.81

The records are yet to be Audited and once this is complete a final set of Accounts will be submitted to the Charity Commission and put on file with the minutes of the AGM.

Should you have any queries regarding the information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Simon Rossinelli

Honorary Treasurer

16th June 2022

**The Friends of the Darlington Memorial Hospital
Financial Year Ending 30th April 2022**

Opening Bank Position & petty cash	£	114,258.70	✓
Income	£	59,785.61	✓
	£	<u>174,044.31</u>	
Expenditure	£	57,585.50	✓
	£	<u>116,458.81</u>	

Closing Bank Position

Closing petty cash	£	26.42	✓
Cheque Account	£	9,228.76	-
Active Saver Account	£	1,519.58	-
Base Rate Reward Acc	£	96,455.65	-
HeartBeat - cash	£	181.00	
HeartBeat - Bank Account	£	9,047.40	✓
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Mr Chris Butler FMAAT.

27.2.2023.

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Expenditure - Year ending 30th April 2022

Voluntary Drivers	£ 51,526.92
Shop Purchases	£ 1,456.17
Wish list equipment repair	£ 558.00
Stationery/Postage	£ 816.47
Xmas Presents	£ 1,810.94
Natl Ass Memb & Ins	£ 1,237.00
Xmas Cards	£ 180.00
Total	<u>£ 57,585.50</u>

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Income - Year Ending 30th April 2022

Shop	£	9,443.66
Volunteer Drivers	£	31,432.92
Collection Boxes	£	10.55
Membership	£	2,605.00
Donations	£	11,876.46
Bank Interest	£	9.25
Gift Aid repaid	£	3,572.52
Books/Stamps	£	835.25
Total	£	<u>59,785.61</u>

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