

# Accounts for the year ended December 31<sup>st</sup> 2020

## Receipts & Payment Account

	Unrestricted Funds To nearest £	Restricted Funds To nearest £	Total Funds To nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>			
Donations	7674	-	7674
Grants	11000	2,400	13400
Fundraising Appeals	3575	-	3575
Parents Contribution to Activities	3626	-	3626
Therapist Refund – Sarah Safe Swim	270	-	270
HMRC Gift Aid	-	-	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>26,145</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>28,545</b>

<b>Payments</b>			
Admin & General	2063	-	2063
Donations	1100	-	1100
Cost of Charitable Activities	19305	-	19305
Heat & Lighting	129	-	129
Covid -19 Food Vouchers	72	-	72
Christmas Raffle Prizes	1100	-	1100
Premises Expenses	94	-	94
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>23,863</b>		<b>23,863</b>

## Assets and Investment Purchases

<b>Sub Total</b>		
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>23,863</b>	<b>23,863</b>

<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>36,090</b>	<b>36,090</b>
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## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted Funds To nearest £	Restricted Funds To nearest £	Endowment Funds To nearest £
<b>Cash Assets</b>			
First Trust Current Account	33,690	2,400	-
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>36,090</b>		
<b>Other Assets</b>			
The Listening Program	920		
Sensory Equipment (Estimated value)	500		
Weeenet Tracking Devices	623		

Registered Office: 204 Carrigenagh Road, Kilkeel, Co Down. BT34 4QA  
Charity No: NIC102894

## Notes to the Accounts

### Trustees' Expenses

No expenses were paid to any of the Trustees during the year except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the group.

### Trustees' Indemnity Insurance

No charitable funds have been used to purchase insurance to indemnify the Trustees against the consequences of any neglect or default on their part.

### Accounting Policies

Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 permits a charity to prepare receipts and payments accounts and a statement of assets and liabilities where gross income in the financial year does not exceed £250,000, therefore receipts and payments accounts and a statement of assets and liabilities have been prepared and presented for the year ended December 2016.

Bank charges are included in the Admin & General Category

All Income, including grants and investment income is recorded when received.

All Expenditure is recorded when paid.

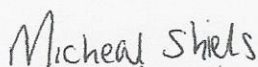
### Independent Scrutiny

In the year ended December 2022 gross income did exceed £25,000 and therefore, in accordance with the sections 144 & 145 of the Charities Act 2011 an audit by an independent examination is required and a scrutiny requirement is imposed by the Group governing document.

### Cheques not cleared at bank as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

As of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022, there were one cheque issued by the group which had not cleared the bank. Cheque No 500254 to Infinity Adventure Park for £580

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Executive Committee on October 9<sup>th</sup> 2022 and signed on their behalf.



Mr Michael Shiels  
Chairman



## Reference and Administrative Details

### Charity Name

Autism Support Kilkeel which is also known as ASK about Autism.

### Charity Number

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland, NIC102894

### Principal Address

204 Carrigenagh Road

Kilkeel

Co Down

BT34 4QA

### Charity trustees as of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022

Mr Michael Shiels

Mrs Bernie Cousins

Mrs Olive Donnan

Mrs Ashling Fitzmaurice

Mrs Pam Hazley

Mrs Irene McHugh

Miss Pauline Kearney

Mrs Sarah O'Hare

Joan Regan

Miss Cathy Spier

Chairman

Secretary

Treasurer

Deputy Chair

Fundraising/Events Officer

Public Relations Officer

Events Officer

BCPP Program Co-Ordinator

Therapies Co-ordinator

### Advisors

#### Banking

First Trust Bank

30 Greencastle Street

Kilkeel

Co Down

BT34 4BH

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### **Governing Document and Constitution**

The group is an unincorporated association and is governed by a constitution adopted January 2015 and last amended October 2015.

The group is run entirely by its members'. As of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, the group had a membership of 101.

### **Trustee Selection and Management**

The group is managed by an Executive Committee which consists of all the appointed trustees.

The Executive Committee meets typically once per month; in the year to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 7 formal meeting took place. Attendance at these meeting, shown as meeting attended/meetings eligible to attend was as follows: M Shiels (5/7), B Cousins (5/7), O Donnan (7/7), Irene Mc Hugh (7/7) P Hazley (5/7), Sarah O'Hare (5/7), P Kearney (7/7), C Spiers (3/7, J Regan (3/7) and A Fitzmaurice (5/7).

At each meeting the Treasurer presents the latest accounts and these are reviewed against budgets and forecasts; spending is discussed and approved. Officers may authorise some spending, between meetings, within set limits but must ensure such spending is reported at the next meeting.

The meetings also offer a forum to review recent activities within our group and to plan forthcoming events. In addition, officers report on their areas of responsibility. *Further ad hoc meetings are called if required*, for example to plan and manage special events or projects.

The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts are approved by the trustees and then presented to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

### **Objectives and Activities**

#### **Charitable Objects**

The object of the group as set out in our Constitution is to provide support for people living with or suspected of having an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and their families/carers in the Newry & Mourne area. This involves assisting them to achieve their maximum potential for community involvement, social inclusion and the opportunity to access employment and other facilities enjoyed by other non-Autistic members of the community.

The group aims to raise awareness of autism and to educate the general public, relevant professionals and organisations in the private, voluntary and statutory sectors.

### **Public Benefit Statement**

The trustees of Autism Support Kilkeel confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and that the public benefit requirement has informed the activities of the group in the year to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022



In evaluating public benefit, the trustees' note that membership of the group is open to all who live with autism or suspected of have autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and their families/carers.

### **Summary of main Activities**

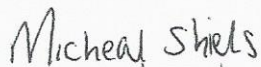
The core activities of the group are:

- Providing support to parents, siblings and children with Autism
- Offering therapies which have a positive impact on children with Autism
- Developing and maintaining the ASK Centre
- Offering support and advice to the public on matters related to Autism

Autism Support Kilkeel seeks to identify the most-needed services that reach the largest number of families and to demonstrate how these can be provided to a measurable standard of excellence. The charity aims to establish a model for the provision of services that can be delivered either as a direct activity of the charity or through the action of other organisations.

Our philosophy is to offer access to all regardless of personal circumstances, race, gender, ability, or faith. The group operates mainly in the Newry and Mourne Area however visitors from further afield are always welcome. The monthly meetings are open to all.

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