

**APHASIA RE-CONNECT**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**

**Registered Charity Number: 1176125**

**Wilkins Kennedy Audit Services  
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## APHASIA RE-CONNECT

### CHARITY INFORMATION

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<b>Chairman</b>	P Cook
<b>Secretary</b>	H Terry
<b>Trustees</b>	H Terry R Green K Hilari R Frankel V Clark
<b>Registered Charity number</b>	1176125
<b>Registered office</b>	2 Hawthorne Close Bickley Kent BR1 2HJ
<b>Independent examiner</b>	C Cooper FCCA Wilkins Kennedy Audit Services Greytown House 221-227 High Street Orpington Kent BR6 0NZ
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## **APHASIA RE-CONNECT**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

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The Trustees, present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019.

#### **Objectives**

The objectives of the charity are:

For the public benefit, to promote health and wellbeing for people with Aphasia and others with acquired long term communication disability, living in particular, but not exclusively, in South East England, through

- (a) The provision of speech therapy through supported conversation groups
- (b) Providing training to volunteers to facilitate peer groups, peer befrienders and peer training.
- (c) Providing information to the general public on all aspects of aphasia and acquired communication disability.

#### **Our Vision**

Our vision is to see a World where people with aphasia, and acquired communication disability, enjoy a life more ordinary, with opportunity, freedom of choice, responsibility, and a quality of life and wellbeing.

#### **Statement on Public Benefit**

The objectives and activities, and achievement and performance sections of this report clearly set out the activities which the charity undertakes for the public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission in determining the activities undertaken by the charity.

#### **Review of the year**

This year has seen steady progress in establishing Aphasia Re-Connect as a major charity for helping people with aphasia in the Greater London area. It has built on the base it inherited from the charity Connect and started on a programme of creating new groups in more London Boroughs. Funds have been received to assist in the commencement of this process and resulted in a new group being formed in Putney. It has also enabled preparatory work to be undertaken to help establish a new group in Croydon and a Young People's Group in the city. Funds received for creating new groups will be used in 2020 for consolidating both the Croydon and Young People's Group. It is planned to open the Croydon Group with a virtual launch in April 2020.

As with all aspects of life, the Coronavirus has had a major effect on the running of Aphasia Re-Connect. It has not been possible to continue holding group meetings with people meeting each other and engaging in the vital experience of talking with each other. We have, however, introduced virtual groups where our people who have access to the internet, can meet on-line. We have been pleasantly surprised by the number of participants and how positively they have responded. Each of the different groups also communicate weekly with a newsletter and quiz, sent either by email or post, so that we keep in touch with everyone.

We will have to wait for Lockdown restrictions to be lifted before we will be allowed to return to our normal meeting arrangements. With the benefit of the communications and virtual meeting procedures that have been set up, it is hoped the transition, when it arrives, will be smooth and relatively quick.

We anticipate that the greatest challenge for the coming year will be raising funds to continue and expand our service to people with aphasia. We will benefit from the fact that our reserves are in excess of our policy thus allowing us time to adjust to the challenges that we will face in the coming year.

Aphasia Re-Connect also wish to thank all those who have contributed time and support over the past year that has ensured the creation of a solid and stable base on which to plan for the future.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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#### Financial Review

Total income for the year was £61,017 (2019: £48,898). Total expenditure for the year was £42,363 (2019: £22,080). This resulted in a surplus for the year of £18,654 (2019: £26,818).

The funds at 31 March 2019 were £45,472 (2019: £26,818), of which £3,546 (2019: £nil) were restricted and £41,926 (2019: £26,818) were unrestricted.

#### Reserves Policy

The balance of unrestricted funds at year end was £41,926 (2019: £26,818). The Trustees' policy on reserves is to have a minimum of six months cover of budgeted operating costs approximately £25,000.

#### Risk Management

The Trustees have reviewed the major and financial risks that impact on the work of the charity. They systems that have been established enable the Trustees to review and take necessary steps to lessen these risks. The Trustees consider the following to be the principal risks that the charity faces:

- Loss of income, reduced fund raising potential and or reduced public profile.
- Compliance with the increasing regulatory controls and checks which relate to charitable organisations.

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### *Constitution*

The charity was formed on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017 as an unincorporated association, with a constitution dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

On 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017, the charity registered with the charity commission.

#### *Trustees*

The Trustees, who served during the period were:

P Cook (Chairman)	
H Terry	
R Green	
K Hilari	
R Frankel	(Appointed 30 April 2019)
V Clark	(Appointed 30 April 2019)

Apart from the first charity Trustees, every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity Trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity Trustees, the charity Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. A charity Trustee who has served for three consecutive terms may not be reappointed for a fourth consecutive term but may be reappointed after an interval of at least one year.

The charity Trustees will make available to each new charity Trustee, on or before his or her first appointment:

A copy of the current version of the constitution; and

A copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

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**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

By Order of the Board

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**P Cook**  
Trustee

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Date

## APHASIA RE-CONNECT

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF APHASIA RE-CONNECT

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I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2019 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's Trustees 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 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

#### **C Cooper (FCCA)**

For and on behalf of Wilkins Kennedy Audit Services  
Accountants  
Greytown House, 221/227 High Street  
Orpington, Kent,  
BR6 0NZ

Date: .....

# APHASIA RE-CONNECT

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

		Unrestricted Funds 2020	Restricted Funds 2020	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019 (15 months)
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>					
Donations	2	7,044	-	7,044	19,494
Fundraising activities		7,956	-	7,956	-
Charitable Activities:					
Student Training	3	-	5,183	5,183	2,001
Grants and Service delivery contracts	3	15,500	25,334	40,834	27,403
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>30,500</u>	<u>30,517</u>	<u>61,017</u>	<u>48,898</u>
<b>Expenditure from:</b>					
Charitable Activities	4	15,392	26,971	42,363	22,080
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>15,392</u>	<u>26,971</u>	<u>42,363</u>	<u>22,080</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		15,108	3,546	18,654	26,818
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		26,818	-	26,818	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>41,926</u></u>	<u><u>3,546</u></u>	<u><u>45,472</u></u>	<u><u>26,818</u></u>

All incoming resources and resources expended arise from continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.



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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Comparative information for the  
period ending 31 March 2019

		Unrestricted Funds 2019	Restricted funds 2019	Total funds 2019 (15 months)
	Note	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>				
Donations	2	19,494	-	19,494
Charitable Activities:				
Student Training	3	-	2,001	2,001
Grants and Service delivery contracts	3	15,499	11,904	27,403
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>34,993</u>	<u>13,905</u>	<u>48,898</u>
<b>Expenditure from:</b>				
Charitable Activities	4	8,175	13,905	22,080
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>8,175</u>	<u>13,905</u>	<u>22,080</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		26,818	-	26,818
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>26,818</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>26,818</u></u>

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## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

	Note	31 Mar 2020		31 Mar 2019	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	7	-		6,087	
Cash at bank and in hand		46,949		27,732	
		<u>46,949</u>		<u>33,819</u>	
<b>CREDITORS:</b> amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,477)		(7,001)	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			45,472		26,818
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<u><b>45,472</b></u>		<u><b>26,818</b></u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Restricted funds	9		3,546		-
Unrestricted funds			41,926		26,818
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			<u><b>45,472</b></u>		<u><b>26,818</b></u>

The financial statements were approved on ..... and signed on behalf of the Board by:

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**P Cook**  
*Trustee*

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**H Terry**  
*Trustee*

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### 1.1 Basis of preparation

Aphasia Re-Connect is an unincorporated charity in the United Kingdom, governed by a constitution dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are detailed on page 2.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

##### 1.2 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Voluntary income including donations is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

Charitable Activity Income is received in exchange for supplying goods and services in order to raise funds and is recognised when entitlement has occurred.

##### 1.3 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

##### 1.4 Support costs allocation

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs and administrative costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out at Headquarters. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

**1.5 Funds accounting**

Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when donors specify the purpose for which income can be used.

**1.6 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year**

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

**1.7 Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

**1.8 Taxation**

The company is a registered charity and is therefore entitled to the exemptions from corporation tax afforded by section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, there is no corporation tax charge in these financial statements.

**1.9 Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

**1.10 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

Accounting estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have been made in the process of applying the above accounting policies that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements:

*Bad debts*

Debtors are regularly reviewed for recoverability, any debts which in the opinion of management are not recoverable are provided for as a specific bad debt.

There are no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

**2. VOLUNTARY INCOME**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 31 March 2020	Total 31 March 2019 (15 months)
	£	£	£	£
Donations - individuals	6,844	-	6,844	17,409
Donations - Attend	200	-	200	2,085
	<u>7,044</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,044</u>	<u>19,494</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

### 3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 31 March 2020	Total 31 March 2019 (15 Months)
	£	£	£	£
UCL	-	1,000	1,000	2,001
Canterbury Christchurch University	-	4,183	4,183	-
Big Lottery	-	9,988	9,988	9,874
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	-
London Catalyst	-	3,000	3,000	-
Wakefield and Tetley Trust	-	2,346	2,346	-
United St Saviours	-	-	-	2,030
London Borough of Bromley Mayor	10,000	-	10,000	10,000
M and C Trust	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Miles Trust	500	-	500	-
Jack Peachy Foundation	-	-	-	499
	<u>15,500</u>	<u>30,517</u>	<u>46,017</u>	<u>29,404</u>

### 4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Support Costs Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 31 March 2020	Total 31 March 2019 (15 months)
	£	£	£	£
Room hire	3,935	-	3,935	1,630
Volunteer expenses	344	-	344	289
Speech and language therapist	7,012	26,971	33,983	6,760
DBS checks	121	-	121	374
Administrative duties	389	-	389	791
Project evaluation	-	-	-	2,209
Group facilitation	-	-	-	6,882
Independent Examination	1,596	-	1,596	1,200
Design Services	402	-	402	1,945
Subscriptions	663	-	663	-
Other	930	-	930	-
	<u>15,392</u>	<u>26,971</u>	<u>42,363</u>	<u>22,080</u>

### 5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND REIMBURSED EXPENSES

No Trustee or person related or connected to them received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the current period.

No Trustee received any reimbursed expenses.

### 6. STAFF COSTS

There were no employees during the period.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

### 7. DEBTORS

	31 Mar 2020 £	31 Mar 2019 £
Other debtors	-	594
Accrued Income	-	5493
	-	6,087

### 8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31 Mar 2020 £	31 Mar 2019 £
Other creditors	1,477	7,001
	1,477	7,001

### 9. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 31/03/2019 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Balance at 31/03/2020 £
UCL	-	1,000	1,000	-
Canterbury Christchurch University	-	4,183	4,183	-
Big Lottery	-	9,988	9,988	-
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	10,000	7,500	2,500
London Catalyst	-	3,000	2,500	500
Wakefield and Tetley Trust	-	2,346	1,800	546
	-	30,517	26,971	3,546

UCL and Canterbury Christchurch University – fund student training

Big Lottery, Garfield Weston Foundation, London Catalyst and Wakefield and Tetley Trust– fund speech therapist for group sessions

### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There are no related party transactions in the year to 31 March 2020.

Last year the charity received funds totalling £2,085 and paid £3,254 to Attend for support with group facilitation and speech and language therapist. Mr D Wood, a former Trustee, is the CEO of Attend.