

## **CHILDREN'S CHARITY MERSEYSIDE CIO - 1183756**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019 TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020**

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The objects of Children's Charity Merseyside are to improve the conditions of the life of children and young people in Merseyside and surrounding areas who are in need as a result of ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantages. This will be achieved by assisting in the provision of specialist sensory or recreational equipment and the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve the conditions of their life.

We will endeavour to arrange fund raising activities including Afternoon Teas, Christmas Lunches and a Golf Day. We will also arrange a Christmas party at the Hilton Hotel with children from schools in the Merseyside area.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

Our main fundraiser was the successful Carvers Lunch event which attracted 300 guests at the Hilton Hotel, Liverpool One in December 2019. The preparation commenced in September culminating with the Lunch held in December. This event is the cornerstone of our fundraising with events for the coming year announced to guests, Afternoon Teas and a Golf Day were planned for the next year but unfortunately most events were subsequently cancelled due to the pandemic. We have commenced providing assistance where requested with Appeals and Donations totalling £604 in this period.

Appeals met: Bedding for autistic child in Southport	£104
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Costs of outing to Chester Zoo	£500
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A Christmas party was held for 150 children from local inner city schools at the Hilton Hotel, Liverpool One in December 2019. This is to become an annual event.

#### **Financial Review**

Total receipts of unrestricted funds during the accounting period 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 were £54676. The bulk of these funds was the transfer of £33824 from Merseyside Children's Fund, an account used prior to obtaining full charity status with the Charity Commission. Donations amounting to £1803 were received, mostly sourced by Trustees. The Carvers Lunch in December 2019 was our main fundraiser with a profit of £18652. Unfortunately our planned events for the early part of 2020 had to be cancelled due to the pandemic.

The net result for this period was an excess of receipts over payments of £46991 as evidenced with the bank statement showing a balance £46991.03. This amount is carried forward to the beginning of the next reporting year. An Independent Examiners Report was conducted by Mrs Katrina Kenny who has examined the accounts and procedures and has no concerns regarding the accounts and accounting records. Statement of account exhibited and balance confirmed. See accounts and balances listed below.

## Reserves Policy

The charity does not operate a Reserves Policy

## Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustee Board still maintains the original 6 Trustees who, although not meeting every month in person, have maintained regular contact with each other during the lockdown periods in order to make decisions and to evidence the financial accounts. Full minutes have been taken at meetings.

## Administrative Information

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The registered address and correspondence address for the Charity are: 41 Watling Way, Whiston, Prescott, Merseyside L35 7NF.

The 6 trustees who have served during this period :

Jim Donaldson – Chair, Eileen Smith – Treasurer, Margaret Roberts Secretary

Terry Brogden, Tony Harris, Madeleine Tully – All Trustees

Trustees Report approved and circulated 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – Signed on behalf of the Trustees by Eileen Smith

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## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019 TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020**

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<u>Receipts</u>					
Ticket sales for events	11080				11080
Donations	1803				1803
Auctions and Raffles	7969				7969
Transfer MCF funds	33824 *				33824
	54676				54676
<u>Payments</u>					
Stationery/printing	556				556
Charity Insurance	89				89
Cost of events	6274				6274
Purchase Auction item	160				160
Appeals/Donations	604				604
	7685				7685
<u>Excess of Receipts over</u>					
<u>Payments</u>					
Bank account 6 .6.2019	Nil				Nil
Bank account 31.3.20	46991				46991

<b>STATEMENT OF ASSETS &amp; LIABILITIES</b>					
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Bank Current Account	46991				46991
Liabilities	Nil				Nil

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### **Independent Examiners Report to the trustees of Children's Charity Merseyside – Charity Number 1183756**

I report on the accounts for the year commencing 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 which are set out below.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act)

To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity

Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, and

To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

#### **Basis of Independent Examiners Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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

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#### **Independent Examiners Statement**

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

- \* accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- \* the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

**Katrina Kenny**

**32 Watling Way**

**Whiston Prescot**

**Merseyside L35 7NG**

**11 January 2021**