Training needs of staff and volunteers are provided according to changes in legislation and policy. The charity is working with other local organisations to ensure updating and training is provided in a consistent and cost effective way.

Financial Review

The charity's income for the year ending 31 March 2021 totalled £219,733. Resources expended in the year totalled £47,884. Funds brought forward at the beginning of the year totalled £376,777 and those carried forward at 31 March 2021 are £565,305.

Reserves Policy

Our policy states: In view of the uncertainty regarding public sector funding, the charity should have a minimum level of reserve to cover a complete year of continuing operation. In addition the charity should build reserves over the applicable time period to cater for replacement of its operational assets. As an aspiration, without comprising current levels of activity, the charity should seek to build sufficient reserve to allow it to be self-supporting in the event of cessation of public sector grant funding. To meet this objective, significant donations and legacies may be earmarked as 'designated funds'

Investment Policy

Our policy states: The charity will continue to hold six months turnover in cash or its equivalent. In view of the uncertainty in financial markets and on continuing public sector funding, the charity will hold a reserve for a possible five years need. Assets exceeding these requirements will be placed in longer term investments using collective vehicles, as may be agreed by the Trustees from time to time. A portfolio of investments diversified across a spread of assets is professionally managed.

Website

The website gives details of our staff team and Trustees. The website also allows access to the charity's constitution and its policies. Our website, blackdownsupportgroup.org.uk is regularly updated giving details of the charity activities and fundraising events.

Requests for Support

Our Trustees are kept aware of guidance and advice from the Charity Commission. We work closely with other local charities and organisations who may share in the delivery of services within the Blackdown Hills. We are granted the use of an office on the premises of the Blackdown Medical Practice which promotes close and co-operative working. We have sought professional advice and services from local businesses regarding investments, accounting systems and payroll services.

Future Prospects

There are likely to be further cuts and reduction in funding from statutory bodies in the next few years. The long term impact of the pandemic on our services is unknown but the Trustees will work to ensure the continuation of services as far as is possible and to work with other stakeholders to strive to enhance and bring the optimum level of benefit to those in our catchment area.

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The Trustees will consider alternative avenues for raising funds and to promote the charity.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

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Chairman:

V. Norton

Date:

September 2021

Charity registration number: 1013514

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Independent examiner	Robert Cadwallader FCA

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Blackdown Support Group

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 3 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under s. 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under s. 144 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under s. 152(5) of the 2011 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 Charity Commission's Directions. 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:

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- to keep accounting records in accordance with s. 130 of the 2011 Act; and
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9 July 2021

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Other income		160	377
Total income		219,733	52,407
Expenditure			
Staff costs	6	31,147	32,321
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Fundraising costs	7	791	-
Office costs	8	3,250	
Service delivery costs	9	8,840	•
Sundry expenses		130	189
Depreciation		1,865	1,865
Total expenditure		47,884	47,991
Net gains/(losses) on investments		16,679	(9,924)
Net (expense)/ income and net movement on funds		188,528	(5,508)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		376,777	382,285
Total funds carried forward		565,305	376,777

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

			2021		2020
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets			3,731		5,596
Investments	12		504,894		267,833
Current assets					
Prepayments		1,103		2,317	
Cash at bank and in hand		56,537		110,421	
Creditors: Amounts falling					
due within one year	13	(960)		(9,390)	
Net current assets/(liabilities)			56,680		103,348
Net assets			565,305		376,777
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The funds of the Trust:					
Restricted funds	14		10,250		2,000
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	14		444,010		334,810
General funds	14		111,045		39,967
Total Trust funds	14		565,305		376,777

Approved by the Trustees on \mathcal{G} July 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Trustee

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The notes on pages 5 to 9 form an integral part of these financial statements

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Basis of preparation

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The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured. No gifts in kind were received during the year (2020 - Enil).

Deferred income

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the Charity has unconditional entitlement.

Investment income

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income and the management of investments.

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Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Governance costs include the costs of the preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the costs of Trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to the Trustees on governance or constitutional matters. These costs are included within charitable expenditure.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly; others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity, and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside at the discretion of the Trustees for specific purposes.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 14.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

The main form of financial risk faced by the Charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitude of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Actives as they arisc. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021

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Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

2 Donations and legacies

		2021	2020
	General donations	8,619	6,754
	Legacies	109,200	-
	Footcare services	464	920
	Wheelchairs	120	125
		118,403	7,799
3	Grants		
	Grants from local authorities	13,794	12,798
	Local parishes and community funds	14,069	1,976
		27,863	14,774
4	Subscriptions and contributions		
	Involve	_	4,437
	Courier receipts from Blackdown Practice	5,400	5,400
	Westbank	5,897	5,897
	Hire charges for Kangoo transport	471	1,070
	Subscriptions	720	930
		12,488	17,734
5	Fundraising		
	Saturday markets	-	171
	Other	1,945	863
	Lunch and tea clubs – net surplus	-	78
		1,945	1,112
6 S1	aff costs		
	Wages and salaries	31,090	31,585
	Travel costs and mileage claims	44	420
	Training	13	316
		31,147	32,321

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021

	continued	2021	2020
_		2021	2020
7	Fundraising Costs	40.5	
	Fundraising costs	495	-
	Lunch and Tea Club costs	296	-
		791	-
8	Office costs		
	Stationery, postage, telephone etc	2,895	3,647
	Insurances	257	327
	Bank Charges	98	-
		3,250	3,974
9	Service delivery costs		
	Vehicle running costs	1,041	1,600
	Footcare costs	240	580
	Prescription deliveries	1,465	-
	Wellbeing co-ordinator	510	-
	Courier mileage costs	2,431	3,131
	Phoenix carers	40	220
	Venue hire		114
	Covid 19 expenses	3,113	-
		8,840	5,645

10 Related party transactions

No remuneration was paid to any of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor the year ended 31 March 2020.

11 Taxation

No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

12 Investments held as fixed assets

	Investments £
Market value	Ľ
As at 1 April 2020	267,833
Additions	220,382
Unrealised Gains	16,679
As at 31 March 2021	504,894

All investment assets were held in the UK

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Accruals and deferred income	960	9,390

14 Funds Reconciliation

	£	At 1 April 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended	Other recognised Gains/ (losses) £	At 31 Mar 2021 £
Restricted Funds						
Charity stewards, UK Trust grant		2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Sitting Service		-	8,250	-	-	8,250
						10,250
Unrestricted Funds Designated funds						
Equipment replacement		22,000	_	_	_	22,000
Emergency operating fund		71,000	_	-	-	22,000 71,000
Major legacies		241,810	109,200	-	-	351,010
General funds	_	39,967	102,283	(47,884)	16,679	111,045
	-	376,777	219,733	(47,884)	16,679	565,305
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Office costs	8	3,250	
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Sundry expenses		130	189
Depreciation		1,865	1,865
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