



Trustees' annual report for the period

Period start date

01 04 2021

Period end date

31 3 2022

Reference and administration details

Charity

Helen Atkin Group Riding for the Disabled

name Other names charity

is known by Registered

1182183

charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Churchdale Hall

Ashford in the Water nr Bakewell

Derbyshire

DE45 1NX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Janine Frost	Chair		
Patricia Atkin	Treasurer		
Deborah Ward	Group Secretary		
Janette Sykes			
Marie Butler		January 2022 to date	
Julie Andrew			
Karen King		March 2021 to October 2021	
Pam Prior			
Fiona Higginbotham		November 2021 to May 2022	
Niamh Simmons		January 2022 to October 2022	
Richard Davies			
Jan Abbotts		Resigned July 2021	

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisors (Optional

information) Type of advisor

Name

Accountant	Michael Percival	Lomas & Co 28A Hardwick St Buxton SK17 6DH

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution adopted 22/2/19
How the charity is constituted	Charitable Incorporated Association
Trustee selection method	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in January

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

The Helen Atkin Riding for the Disabled Group is open to children and adults with physical and learning disabilities and autism residing in the High Peak locality.

Our group is part of the national Riding for the Disabled Association

The Group carries full Insurance and a combined liability policy as required by the Riding for the Disabled Association

The trustees oversee the day to day running of the club and seek the views of members, the Coaches and volunteers in deciding the activities to be run.

There are child and adult safeguarding policies, a risk assessment for the venue, a Health and Safety policy, a GDPR policy and equine welfare policy in place.

Incident/accident procedures are in place

Fire procedures are in place

References and Disclosure barring checks are carried out prior to commencement of trusteeship and for all volunteers and checks are carried out again in line with statutory requirements.

Our group is partnered with Fern Farm Riding School with whom we jointly undertake the riding activity programme and from whom we rent equines for our RDA activities.

Our coaches complete RDA managed reviews yearly.

Our coaches and some trustees have regular Safeguarding training

Coaches have First Aid training and there is appropriate first aid

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote the objects of the Riding for the Disabled Association a charity registered under charity number 244108 by providing disabled people with the opportunity to ride and/or carriage drive to benefit their health and wellbeing in the High Peak and North Derbyshire Area

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings. The main activities are as follows:
Providing riding therapy
Enabling riders to take part in Regional and National Riding competitions

Riding benefits disabled people by delivering physical and mental benefits develops self-confidence and improves communication and social skills, . We welcome all disabled people regardless of personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are grateful for the many hours our volunteers and coaches have spent encouraging and working with our riders. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy, and expertise we would not have been able to achieve so much. We are also very grateful to Dave and Louise Thompson, without their boundless enthusiasm and hard work we would be unable to function. We have completed works on our Indoor arena and this has been a wonderful addition to the group. It enables our riders and volunteer protection from the vagaries of the Buxton weather and we have as a result of this larger space increased the number of sessions that we offer thereby increasing our rider numbers.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year.

The Helen Atkin Group has expanded and has offered more rides this year than in any previous year. We have added a new Disabled loo, an office and a kitchen plus a meeting room bought to our new Indoor riding Arena with a generous donation from Circular 1 Health and support from Sport England.

With a grant from RDA, we also had a hoist fitted to enable wheelchair users to mount with ease and dignity.

Helen Atkin RDA entered 13 riders into the Regional Qualifiers for the National Countryside Challenge and rider Niamh qualified for and competed in the National Countryside Challenge Championships.

Financial review

Cash at bank at 31/3/2022 £18,475

Brief statement of the charity is loss of funding and reduced donations.

The fund is split into to cover the indoor arena, insurance, riding fees and future operational costs in the reserves

Not applicable

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details: (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising).

How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.

Investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Our main source of funds this year has been grants, donations and riding fees.

Other optional information

Future Plans

The focus this coming year will completion of our indoor arena and adding evening sessions to reduce our waiting list

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Janine Frost	Deborah Ward
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair etc)	Chair	Secretary
Date	27/1/23	27/1/23

Registered Charity number 1182183
(previously 1074129)

HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
(a Charitable Incorporated Organisation incorporated on 22 February 2019)

ACCOUNTS

for the year ended
31 March 2022

HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
(Registered Charity Number 1182183)

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31 March 2022

	<u>This year</u>		<u>Last year</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>				
Building	186,555		1,343	
Equipment	5,573		581	
Tack	2,485		473	
		194,613		2,397
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Debtors and prepaid expenses	4,464		72	
Bank and cash balances	18,475		123,180	
		22,939		123,252
		217,552		125,649
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Creditors and accrued expenses		5,370		710
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		212,182		124,939

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 27 January 2023

Mrs J Frost (Chair)

Mrs P W Atkin (Treasurer)

HELEN ATKIN GROUP
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
for the year ended 31 March 2022

	<u>This year</u>		<u>Last year</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>				
General donations		93,499		72,351
Riding donations and fees		7,991		-
Hire of arena		542		-
Other fund-raising efforts		111		-
Grant from RDA towards cost of hoist		-		4,384
Incentive for moving bank current account		1,250		-
Receipts for first aid training		480		-
Receipts from helpers for uniforms		330		-
Building Society interest		13		32
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		104,216		76,767
<u>PAYMENTS</u>				
Riding fees	10,041		-	
Travelling expenses	100		700	
Rent and insurance	1,436		101	
Repairs and maintenance	1,334		-	
Postages, stationery and advertising	90		7	
RDA Subscription and insurance	537		665	
First aid training	572		-	
Uniform for helpers	568		-	
Expenses of meetings	80		-	
Disclosure and Barring Service checks	96		-	
Accountancy charges	394		829	
Miscellaneous expenses	35		-	
Expenditure on building	185,212		900	
Expenditure on equipment	5,976		-	
Riding hats	2,450		-	
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		208,921		3,202
<u>NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS) FOR THE YEAR</u>		<hr/>		<hr/>
		(104,705)		73,565
Bank and cash balances at beginning of year		123,180		49,615
Bank and cash balances at end of year		<hr/>		<hr/>
		18,475		123,180
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HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
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SCHEDULE RELATING TO THE ACCOUNTS
for the year ended 31 March 2022

<u>BANK AND CASH BALANCES</u>		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		£	£
Nationwide Building Society account		2,206	31,398
Bank current account		15,171	91,782
Cash in hand		1,098	-
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		18,475	123,180
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<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Tack</u>
	£	£	£
Net book value at beginning of year	1,343	581	473
Additions	185,212	5,976	2,450
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	186,555	6,557	2,923
Depreciation for year	-	984	438
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Net book value at end of year	186,555	5,573	2,485
Accumulated depreciation	-	6,197	1,674
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Cost/estimated market value at date introduced	186,555	11,770	4,159
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Additions:	£	£	£
Covered equestrian area – phase 4	165,295		
Portable office building including			
kitchen area and toilet	27.8.2021	9,675	
Fitted kitchen in above (donated)		3,000	
Prefabricated office unit (donated)	24.1.2022	7,242	
Electric hoist	27.10.2021	3,576	
2 Steriloc hand sanitiser units (donated)	24.1.2022	2,400	
49 riding hats (donated)			2,450
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HELEN ATKIN GROUP
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
(Registered Charity Number 1182183)
for the year ended 31 March 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2022 as set out on pages 1 to 3.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (a) accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- (b) 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 accounts to be reached.

Michael E Percival FCA

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27 January 2023