



CHERRY GROCE FOUNDATION

Trustees' Annual Report

31 March 2019

Charity Number: 1165412

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Registered CIO: **1165412**

Principal Office: 336 Brixton Road, London SW9 7AA

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CHARITY DETAILS

The trustees submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1165412

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2019. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 12 and comply with the charity's constitution and applicable law.

TRUSTEES

The trustee's names on page 2 have served throughout the year. Appointment of trustees is governed by the Constitution of the CIO. The Board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing trustee.

AIMS AND OBJECTS

Cherry Groce Foundation exists to:

To relieve the need of those with a physical or mental impairment / disability by:-

1. Acting as a resource for disabled persons and their carers;
2. Providing or assisting in the provision of activities that will enable disabled persons and their carers to participate within the community;
3. Providing or assisting in the provision of facilities and activities for recreation with the object of improving their quality of life;
4. Advancing education;
5. Advocating for the rights of disabled persons and their carers; and
6. Promoting and delivering other activities that support those affected by disability that meet the agreement of the trustees.

GOVERNANCE

The charity is governed by 3 trustees and managed by 5 Management Committee Members. The charity has a further 4 volunteers who support its activities.

In developing strategies, setting objectives and undertaking activities, the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commissions general guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The charity continues to act as a resource for disabled persons and their carers by providing information, advice, guidance, help, encouragement and practical support to BMEs, in particular, and the wider community for public benefit.

In our on-going partnership with Mobility Enterprise, we worked together to provide transport to the community, giving opportunities for those who are wheelchair bound and physically immobile to experience a range of sensitive transportation services, which incorporated cycling taster sessions to and from their homes as part of their journey.

During the year under review

In April 2018 See Life: London Aquarium we invited individual members to attend a day trip to socialise together from different groups and backgrounds. This allowed them not only to experience a fun day out but also interact with and make friends with a range of physical & disabilities. It was observed that some of the quiet and reserved made an effort to speak and sit with members they had not met before. They also assisted and supported each other during the day.



These are some of the feedback received.

"I would like to thank everyone who made today special and a memorable one, also a big thank you to The Lottery funding which also made today possible, can't wait for the next event...."

"The trip to the Sea Life London was truly amazing, the taxi was there as arranged and when we arrived there, we all met up and were introduced to other disabled people and their carers', along with our hosts."



June Midsummer Fair – in collaboration with Vinyl Memories hosted by Empower Fitness. Senior citizen residents from Crowhurst Close Sheltered Scheme attending the Myatts Field Park Midsummer Night event. Vinyl memories events is to encourage the elderly to be socially included into society.





Here is some of the feedback received:

"Enjoying the music. It's nice to come out and mix with other people. Sometimes I just go for a walk by myself to get out."

"It was nice to come with some of the people from the other care home because I don't see them regularly. The music was nice, I haven't heard some for a long time. I even had a little dance."



August 2019 Brighton, we encouraged our members who were studying or recently graduated to celebrate their achievements by having a day out at the seaside.



In October 2018 the charity was given the opportunity to be present and fundraise at Musiq Soulchild concert presented by Just About Music at The 02 indigo with a representative of the charity and volunteers and raised £700+ from the concert goers.

The charity is aware of the rise in discrimination and hate crime acts, and the effects this may have on those who are more vulnerable. In an effort to assist existing and future participants of our projects, the charity remains committed to address and deal with all form of discrimination.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

For the year ended 31st March 2019 and the trustees consider the financial position of the charity to be in line with expectations.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil their charitable objectives.

RISK REVIEW

The trustees conduct periodic reviews of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems and procedures to manage those risks identified are implemented so as to minimise any potential impact on the charity should any of those risks materialise.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- d) 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 accounting records which 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 Act 1993. 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.

Small charity provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act.

Statement as to disclosure of information to independent examiner

So far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant information of which the charity's independent examiner are unaware and each trustee has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make themselves aware of any relevant information and establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

Trustee declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above, on the 30 January 2020, and is signed on their behalf by Lee Lawrence:



Lee Lawrence, **Trustee**

Independent Examiners Report

To the trustees of Cherry Groce Foundation, I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31st March 2019 which are set out on pages 9 to 15.

Responsibility of Examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43(3)a of the 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the company 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - a. proper accounting records are kept; and
 - b. accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records. Or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed  Date: 30.01.2020

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES	Funds	Funds	2019	2018
Donations	900	1,200	2,100	9,975
Grants	0	0	0	4,510
Investment income	0	0	0	0
Total incoming resources £	900	1,200	2,100	14,485
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Cost of raising funds	100	0	100	0
Expenditure on charitable activities	0	5,169	5,169	8,502
Other expenditure	0	0	0	0
Total resources Expended £	100	5,169	5,269	8,502
Net resources surplus (deficit) for the year £	800	(3,969)	(3,169)	5,983

The notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of total recognised gains and losses.

The Charity does not have any gains and losses other than the income and Expenditure for the period to report.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

	Notes	2019		2018	
		£	£		£
ASSETS					
Tangible assets	1.6		0		
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors		3,200		3,200	
Cash at bank and in hand		577		3,246	
		3,777		6,446	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		900		400	
Net current assets			2,877		6,046
Total net assets £			2,877		6,046
Funds of the charity					
Restricted			1,200		5,983
Unrestricted			1,677		63
Total charity funds £			2,877		6,046

These financial statements were approved and signed by the trustees on the 30th January 2020.



Lee Lawrence, **Trustee**

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Exemption from audit

The charity is exempt from the requirements relating to preparing audited accounts in accordance with the audit requirement of the Act.

The trustees have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees on 30 January 2020:



Lee Lawrence, **Trustee**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follow:

1.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015).

1.2 Incoming resources

Donations and similar incoming resources are accounted for on receipt by the charity, any pledges of income also gift aid refunds are accrued in the accounting period that they arise.

1.3 Investment income

Investment income consists of interest received from saving and deposit accounts at the bank.

1.4 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT that cannot be recovered.

1.5 Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are:

- Restricted - these are funds which can only be used in accordance with the charitable specific purpose;
- Unrestricted (general funds) - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

1.6 Depreciation Tangible Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised at cost. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates on assets in order to write off their cost less any residual value over their estimated useful. The rates of depreciation are as follow:

- Fixtures & Fittings 20%
- Motor Vehicle 25%
- Computer Equipment 20% reducing balance
- Plant and Machinery 33.33% reducing balance

1.7 Staff costs and trustees' remuneration

	2019 £	2018 £
Trustees		
Remuneration	0	0
Value of contributions to trustees pension	0	0
Total £	0	0
Employees		
Wages & Salaries	0	0
Social security costs	0	0
Pensions	0	0
Total £	0	0

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1.8 Resources Expended

	Unrestricted	Restricted	£	£
	Funds	Funds	2,019	2,018
Cost of generating income				
Fundraising costs	-	-	-	1,285
Expenditure on charitable activities				
Accounting & Professional Fees	386		386	400
Event Days		1,000		-
Rent and Rates		113	113	970
Travel & subsistence		3,307	3,307	3,942
Interest Payable		-	-	-
Bank Charges			-	25
Advertising & Promotions		225	225	50
General administration		138	138	1,830
Totals	386	4,783	5,169	8,502

2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity was under the control of the Trustee throughout the current year. No transactions with related parties were undertaken such as that required disclosure.