

**DEAFINITELY INDEPENDENT**  
(Company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)  
(Registered No 2852695)

**ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2001**

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**BURGIS & BULLOCK**  
Chartered Accountants  
2 Chapel Court  
Holly Walk  
Leamington Spa  
CV32 4YS

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**COMPANY INFORMATION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001**

**Directors and Trustees**

A Morrisson (Chairman) - appointed 5 October 2001  
Mrs D Wareham (Vice Chairwoman) - appointed 5 October 2001  
R Lymn (Treasurer) - appointed 5 October 2001  
Mrs S Cox (Secretary) - appointed 5 October 2001  
Mrs H Swan - appointed 5 October 2001  
Mrs W Baxter - appointed 5 October 2001  
D Knight - appointed 5 October 2001  
A Parton - appointed 5 October 2001  
J Baxter - appointed 5 October 2001  
J Kimpton - appointed 5 October 2001  
  
P Manning - resigned 5 October 2001  
G Doughty - resigned 5 October 2001  
Mrs T Baylis - resigned 5 October 2001  
C Grant-Parkes - appointed March 2001, resigned 19 July 2001  
J Grant-Parkes - appointed March 2001, resigned 19 July 2001  
M McKenna - appointed March 2001, resigned 19 July 2001

**Secretary**

Mrs S Cox

**Registered Office**

Beach Lodge  
28 Warwick New Road  
Leamington Spa  
CV32 5JJ

**Registered Number**

2852695 (England and Wales)

**Auditors**

Burgis & Bullock  
2 Chapel Court  
Holly Walk  
Leamington Spa  
CV32 4YS

**Bankers**

Lloyds Bank plc  
73 Parade  
Leamington Spa  
CV32 4BB

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**DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001**

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2001.

**Charitable Status**

The company is registered as a charity by the Charity Commissioners (No 1027567) and recognised as such by the Inland Revenue.

**Trustees**

The trustees named on page 1 have served during the year. Appointment of trustees is governed by the Trust deed of the charity. The Board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of existing trustees.

**Investment Powers**

The Trust Deed authorises the trustees to make and hold investments using the general funds of the charity, but no such investments are presently held.

**Constitution, Objects and Policies**

The charitable trust is constituted by Trust Deed and its objects are to:

Promote the relief of persons with learning, physical and/or dual sensory disabilities of all ages who are deaf and to provide learning experiences for such persons so as to encourage them to take responsibility for their own welfare as far as they are able and to provide residential accommodation, counselling, education and training in furtherance of these objects.

The policy of the charitable trust continues to be to seek additional finance and support to meet the needs presented by existing and potential beneficiaries.

The trustees delegate the day to day responsibility for all routine financial matters, staff selection, development and supervision, residents' and staff safety and compliance with all necessary legislation to the Registered Manager.

**Development, Activities and Achievements**

The charity has consolidated its activities during the year including openings its new home at Chestnut Lodge.

**Financial Review**

The trust has managed all its activities within income generated, donations received and Fund balances brought forward, these are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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**Future Developments**

Having relocated to much larger premises the organisation will now take time to consolidate its operation. No further developments or changes are envisaged in the coming year.

**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are required under the constitution of the charity 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 results for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

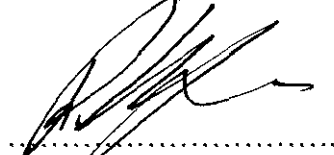
- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act, 1985. 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 Company Exemption**

The report of the directors and trustees has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board

  
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Trustee

.....15-09-02.....  
Date

**REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS  
OF DEAFINITELY INDEPENDENT**

We have audited the accounts of Deafinitely Independent for the year ended 31 December 2001 which comprise the statement of financial activities, profit and loss account, balance sheet and related notes. These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

**Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors**

As described in the statement of directors responsibilities the trustees, who are also the directors of Deafinitely Independent for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards. Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatement within it.

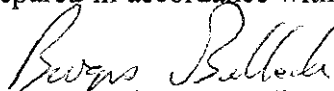
**Basis of Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the accounts.

**Opinion**

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2001 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

  
Registered Auditors  
Chartered Accountants

2 Chapel Court  
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Leamington Spa

15 September 2002

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001**

	2001 Total Funds (unrestricted) £	2000 Total Funds (unrestricted) £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>		
Donations	2442	2117
County Councils and DSS	577993	477914
Outreach Work	-	3331
Sign Teaching	280	-
Grants Received	-	-
Deposit Account Interest	1402	3088
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<u>582117</u>	<u>486450</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>		
<b>Direct Charitable Expenditure</b>		
Staff Salaries	274198	275382
Staff Welfare and Recruitment	3939	762
Residents and Housekeeping Allowances	32705	27110
Electricity and Gas	7745	7847
Rates and Water	3368	2097
Rent	122250	74580
Insurance	4827	4381
Residents' Holiday Costs	4324	6100
Cleaning and Laundry	1853	5242
Refurbishment and Relocation	1352	31605
Repairs and Renewals	6688	8276
Registration Fees	828	786
Freelance Careworkers and Enablers	391	441
Annual Subscriptions	-	69
Travelling and Minibus Expenses	5493	6572
Depreciation	34015	35533
Programme Support	4140	2411
Social Support	2546	3020
Training Courses	834	2305
Health and Safety	1358	-
	<u>512854</u>	<u>494519</u>

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001**  
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	2001 Total Funds (unrestricted) £	2000 Total Funds (unrestricted) £
<b>Fund Raising Costs</b>	-	-
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<b>Administration</b>		
Telephone	1782	2482
Stationery and Postages	2096	2105
Sundry Expenses	372	437
Audit and Accountancy	2626	705
Legal and Professional	6870	2277
Bank Charges	479	424
Loan Interest	4479	10785
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	18704	19215
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<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	531558	513734
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Net Movement in Funds	50559	(27284)
Fund Balances brought forward	78277	105561
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<b>Unrestricted Fund Balances carried forward</b>	£128836	£78277
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**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001**

	Notes	2001 £	2000 £
Turnover	2	580715	483362
Administrative Expenses		527079	502949
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Operating Loss	3	53636	(19587)
Interest Payable and Similar Charges		(4479)	(10785)
Interest Receivable and Similar Income	5	1402	3088
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Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities before Taxation		50559	(27284)
Tax on Profit/(Loss) on Ordinary Activities	6	-	-
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Profit/(Loss) for the Financial Year after Taxation		50559	(27284)
Retained Profit brought forward		78277	105561
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Retained Profit carried forward		£128836	£78277
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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2001**

	Notes	2001	2000
		£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets	7	70041	101790
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	8	18838	8706
Cash at Bank		91975	99630
		<u>110813</u>	<u>108336</u>
<b>Creditors</b>			
Amounts Falling Due within one year	9	52018	(131849)
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</b>		58795	(23513)
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		£128836	£78277
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Reserves</b>			
Unrestricted fund		128836	78277
Restricted fund		-	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
		£128836	£78277
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the Board

S. H. Cox  
 Director

25.9.02  
 Date

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**31 DECEMBER 2001**

**1. Accounting Policies**

**(a) Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the Charities Accounting Statement of Recommended Practice.

**(b) Turnover**

Turnover represents grants and donations received during the year, as well as amounts paid by County Councils and other agencies.

**(c) Tangible Fixed Assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures and Fittings	-	20% on cost
Motor Vehicles	-	25% on reducing balance
Computer Equipment	-	20% on cost

Improvements to property not subject to a leasehold interest are written off in the year of the expenditure.

**2. Turnover**

The turnover and profit before taxation are attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

**3. Operating Profit** **2001** **2000**

Operating Profit is stated after charging:-

Auditor's Remuneration	764	705
Depreciation – owned assets	34015	35533
Other Operating Leases		
Rent of Land and Buildings	122250	74580
Directors' Emoluments and Other Benefits etc	-	-
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<b>4. Staff Costs</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
Salaries	245978	254537
Social Security	19088	20845
	<u>£265066</u>	<u>£275382</u>

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:-

Direct Charitable Services	20	19
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<b>5. Interest Receivable and Similar Income</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
Deposit Account Interest	£1402	£3088
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**6. Taxation**

No liability to UK corporation tax arose on ordinary activities for the year ended 31 December 2001 nor for the year ended 31 December 2000.

The company is registered as a charity and as such is not liable to corporation tax.

<b>7. Tangible Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Fixtures and Fittings</b>	<b>Motor Vehicle</b>	<b>Computer Equipment</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2001	155434	26881	10921	193236
Additions	2178	-	88	2266
At 31 December 2001	<u>157612</u>	<u>26881</u>	<u>11009</u>	<u>195502</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2001	68002	16576	6868	91446
Charge for year	27223	4853	1939	34015
At 31 December 2001	<u>95225</u>	<u>21429</u>	<u>8807</u>	<u>125461</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At 31 December 2001	<u>£62387</u>	<u>5452</u>	<u>2202</u>	<u>70041</u>
At 31 December 2000	<u>£87432</u>	<u>10305</u>	<u>4053</u>	<u>101790</u>

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<b>8.</b>	<b>Debtors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
	Trade Debtors	14188	6255
	Other Debtors and Prepayments	4650	2451
		<u>£18838</u>	<u>£8706</u>
		<u><u>          </u></u>	<u><u>          </u></u>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
	Loan	33555	59535
	Trade Creditors	2003	6112
	Social Security and Other Taxes	6707	5843
	Fees Received in Advance	3129	46757
	Accrued Expenses	6624	13602
		<u>£52018</u>	<u>£131849</u>
		<u><u>          </u></u>	<u><u>          </u></u>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Members' Liability</b>		

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. Each member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of the same being wound up while they are a member, or within one year after they cease to be a member, for payment of debts and liabilities of the company contracted before they cease to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding twenty pounds.