### REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 04050994 (England and Wales) REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1091744

Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2007
for
CHESHIRE CENTRE FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
FORMERLY CHESHIRE DISABILITIES
FEDERATION

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# Cheshire Centre for Independent Living formerly Cheshire Disabilities Federation

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### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2007

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 1985, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2007. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number 04050994 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number 1091744

#### Registered office

Oakwood Lane

Barnton

Northwich

Cheshire

CW8 4HE

#### **Trustees**

M Smith

V R Butler

Secretary

S Holden

Treasurer

C Tucker

Resigned 9 June 2006

M Edwards

Resigned 28 July 2006

K Doeser

Resigned 21 December 2006

G Robinson

Resigned 8 January 2007

G Wigglesworth

A Shemilt

P Matthews

A Johnston

M Jones

Acting Chairperson

#### **Directors**

V R Butler

M Smith

S Holden

G Wigglesworth

Appointed 18 May 2006

Resigned 9 June 2006

C Tucker M Edwards

Resigned 28 July 2006

A Shemilt

Appointed 16 November 2006

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Company Secretary Mrs V R Butler

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2007

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

**Auditors** 

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#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 1985

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association that established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association, which were amended in October 2006

#### Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Two serving Trustees initially interview prospective trustees. Their suitability is assessed by way of a skills audit and the prospective trustee initially attends three Board meetings before they are appointed to trusteeship.

At each Annual General Meeting, one third (or the nearest number to one third) of the Board of Trustees. The members to retire are the longest serving since their last election or appointment. Retiring members are eligible for re-election.

#### Induction and training of new trustees

An internal training manual is in place, which is used as a point of reference for trustees' roles and responsibilities. Training is provided to trustees through Council Voluntary Service or an independent consultant in order to receive a Community Services quality mark.

#### Organisational structure

The Trustees of the Charity are responsible for determining the general policy with day-to-day management of the Federation delegated to the management team. Policy issues are addressed by Trustees via a number of Trustees and management meetings.

#### Wider network

The Charity networks with professional bodies and the Voluntary Sector Over the last year management has worked on several joint projects with Cheshire County Council and its Community Services department, Lancashire County Council Social Services and the Primary Care Trusts within Cheshire Third Sector organisations include Cheshire Age Concern, Disability Information Groups, Cheshire Council for Voluntary Service, Cheshire Community Council to name a few

#### Related parties

Simon Holden is Finance Director of Central & Eastern Cheshire Primary Care Trust

#### Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2007

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### Objectives and aims

The Cheshire Centre for Independent Living is established to relieve people with disabilities by promoting an improvement in the quality of information collection, collation, transfer and dissemination to people with disabilities and to promote public awareness of the needs and requirements of disabled people in gaining greater independence, to be proactive in developing services and policies which promote and assist integration into the wider community

#### Significant activities

During the year a new chairperson has been appointed and the Centre has moved into new premises to accommodate its expansion of services. To reflect the services offered the charity's name has been changed to the Cheshire Centre for Independent Living

#### Volunteers

The charity uses 2 volunteers for administrative and reception duties

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

#### Charitable activities

The charity is also working in Partnership with Lancashire County Council to provide free support, agency support services, information and advice

#### Internal and external factors

The charity has expanded to 20 staff and is planning for the impact of local government reviews on its activities

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

#### Reserves policy

The charity has a reserves policy of 3 months running costs

#### Principal funding sources

The principal funding sources are Cheshire and Lancashire County Councils

#### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The Board of Trustees for Cheshire Centre for Independent Living are looking to expand the skills of its board with further trustee appointments

The charity is proactively working on potential future funding sources and looking at new projects with the Department of Health

### Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2007

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the surplus or deficit of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company 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 charitable company 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 charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant information (as defined by Section 234ZA of the Companies Act 1985) of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and each trustee has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make them aware of any audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Howard Worth, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

S Holden -Trustee

15th November 2007

# Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Cheshire Centre for Independent Living formerly Cheshire Disabilities Federation

We have audited the financial statements of Cheshire Centre for Independent Livingformerly Cheshire DisabilitiesFederation for the year ended 31st March 2007 on pages seven to twelve. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005)

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

The trustees' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out on pages one to four

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

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 whether in our opinion the information given in the Report of the Trustees is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition, we report to you if, in our opinion, the charitable 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 trustees' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Report of the Trustees and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable 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 financial statements 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 financial statements

# Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of CHESHIRE CENTRE FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING FORMERLY CHESHIRE DISABILITIES FEDERATION

#### Opinion

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities, of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st March 2007 and of its surplus for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985,
   and
- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is consistent with the financial statements

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15th November 2007

## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2007

	U	nrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31/3/07 Total funds	31/3/06 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES Incoming resources from generated funds					
Activities for generating funds	2	35,284	-	35,284	18,855
Investment income	3	11,291	-	11,291	10,013
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4				
Incoming resources from charitable					
activities		337,543	39,331	376,874	300,354
Total incoming resources		384,118	39,331	423,449	329,222
RESOURCES EXPENDED	_				
Charitable activities	5	004.400	04.570	005 750	040 470
Direct charitable expenditure	_	281,180	24,573	305,753	243,479
Governance costs	6	68,892	5,151	74,043	63,537
Total resources expended		350,072	29,724	379,796	307,016
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		34,046	9,607	43,653	22,206
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RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		271,330	-	271,330	249,124
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		305,376	9,607	314,983	271,330

The notes form part of these financial statements

#### Balance Sheet At 31st March 2007

	U	nrestricted	Restricted	31/3/07 Total	31/3/06 Total
	Notes	funds £	funds £	funds £	funds £
FIXED ASSETS	140163	~	~	2	~
Tangible assets	10	38,048	424	38,472	9,520
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors amounts falling due within one ye	ar11	122,529	27,994	150,523	24,424
Cash at bank and in hand		301,557	63,255	364,812	291,827
		424,086	91,249	515,335	316,251
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(156,758)	(82,066)	(238,824)	(54,441)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		267,328	9,183	276,511	261,810
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		305,376	9,607	314,983	271,330
NET ASSETS		305,376	9,607	314,983	271,330
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	13			305,376 9,607	271,330
TOTAL FUNDS				314,983	271,330

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005)

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 15th November 2007 and were signed on its behalf by

S Holden -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2007

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005), the Companies Act 1985 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities

#### Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy

#### Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### Tangible fixed assets

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

Improvements to property

-in accordance with the property

Fixtures and fittings

-25% on cost

Computer equipment

-25% on cost

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements

#### 2 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	Other incoming resources	31/3/07 £ 35,284	31/3/06 £ 18,855
3	INVESTMENT INCOME		
	Deposit account interest	31/3/07 £ 11,291	31/3/06 £ 10,013

### Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st March 2007

4.	INCOMING RESOURCES F	FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
	Grants	Activity Incoming resources from charitable activities	31/3/07 £ 376,874	31/3/06 £ 300,354
5.	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	COSTS		
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			Direct costs	Totals
	Direct charitable expenditure	е	£ 305,753	£ 305,753
6	GOVERNANCE COSTS			
			31/3/07 £	31/3/06 £
	Office rent & services		29,776	28,100
	Payroll charges		2,552	1,321
	Legal fees		3,487	2,209
	Other administrative costs		12,046	4,373
	Auditors' remuneration	an audit wale	2,750 2,647	1,802
	Auditors' remuneration for n Post, print & stationery	on-audit work	2,617 14,879	11,005
	Room hire		1,181	2,463
	Software expense		880	8,315
	Subscriptions		1,141	1,158
	Interest payable and similar	charges	2,734	2,791
			74,043	63,537
7.	NET INCOMING/(OUTGOI	NG) RESOURCES		
	Net resources are stated aft	er charging/(crediting)		
	Auditors' remuneration		31/3/07 £ 2,750	31/3/06 £ 1,802
	Depreciation - owned assets	<b>3</b>	10,685	4,834

#### 8 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2007 nor for the year ended 31st March 2006

#### **Trustees' Expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2007 nor for the year ended 31st March 2006

## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st March 2007

9.	STAFF COSTS				
				31/3/07 £	31/3/06 £
	Wages and salanes			273,653	222,548
10.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
		Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
	COST				
	At 1st April 2006	-	30,084	3,142	33,226
	Additions Disposals	22,654	4,361 - 	12,856 (700)	39,871 (700)
	At 31st March 2007	22,654	34,445	15,298	72,397
	DEPRECIATION				
	At 1st April 2006	-	23,102	605	23,707
	Charge for year	768	8,124	1,793	10,685
	Eliminated on disposal			(467)	(467)
	At 31st March 2007		31,226	1,931	33,925
	NET BOOK VALUE				
	At 31st March 2007	21,886	3,219	13,367 ———	38,472 ======
	At 31st March 2006	<u> </u>	6,982	2,537	9,519
11.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DU	E WITHIN ONE Y	EAR		
				31/3/07	31/3/06
	Other debtors			£ 145,346	£ 20,572
	Prepayments and accrued income			5,177	20,572 3,852
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				150,523	24,424

### Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31st March 2007

12	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING D	UE WITHIN ONE	YEAR		
	Bank loans and overdrafts Trade creditors Social security and other taxes Other creditors Accruals and deferred income Accrued expenses		_	31/3/07 £ 17,138 1 156,657 3,832 52,865 8,331	31/3/06 £ - 13,756 - 40,685
			=	238,824	54,441
13.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS				
	Unrestricted funds	At 1/4/06 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/07 £
	General fund Running Costs - Designated	151,330 120,000	34,046		185,376 120,000
		271,330	34,046	-	305,376
	Restricted funds Restricted Funds	-	9,607	-	9,607
	TOTAL FUNDS	271,330	43,653	-	314,983
	Net movement in funds, included in the	e above are as fol	lows		
			Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds
	Unrestricted funds General fund		384,118	(350,072)	34,046
	Restricted funds Restricted Funds		39,331	(29,724)	9,607
	TOTAL FUNDS		423,449	(379,796)	43,653

### Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2007

INCOMING RESOURCES  Activities for generating funds Other incoming resources  Investment income Deposit account interest Incoming resources from charitable activities Grants  Total incoming resources	35,284 11,291 376,874 423,449	18,855 10,013 300,354
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Grants		300,354
		300,354
Total incoming resources	423.449	-
	,	329,222
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Wages	273,653	222,548
Telephone	2,823	1,204
Advertising	3,737	3,113
Travel expenses	14,855	11,315
Subcontract & other costs	•	465
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	10,685	4,834
	305,753	243,479
Governance costs		
Office rent & services	29,776	28,100
Payroll charges	2,552	1,321
Legal fees	3,487	2,209
Other administrative costs	12,046	4,373
Auditors' remuneration	2,750 2,617	1,802
Auditors' remuneration for non-audit work	14,879	11,005
Post, print & stationery Room hire	1,181	2,463
Software expense	880	8,315
Subscriptions	1,141	1,158
Bank charges	124	111
Leasing	2,610	2,680
	74,043	63,537
Total resources expended	379,796	307,016
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Net income/(expenditure)	43,653 =	22,206

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