

AUTISMCONNECT
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 2008

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COMPANY INFORMATION

For the year to 31st October 2008

DIRECTORS	J.R. Kinder Ms E. Hopkins Dr. M.Smith
SECRETARY	J.R. Kinder
REGISTERED OFFICE	23 Woodville Gardens Ealing, London W5 2LL
REGISTERED NUMBER	4061039
CHARITY REGISTERED NO.	1084254
INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT	David Lowe FCA Priors Court School Hermitage, Thatcham Berkshire RG18 9NU

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES For the year ended 31st October 2008

Objects of the Charity

The object of the charity is to provide an international information resource focused on autism in the form of a website known as autismconnect.

Governing Document

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee which was incorporated on 29th August, 2000. The Registered Number of the company is 4061039. The company was registered as a charity with the Charity Commissioners on 22nd December, 2000 and its Charity Number is 1084254.

The Trustees of the charity and the directors of the company are one and the same. Throughout this report they are referred to as the Trustees.

Achievements and activities during the year

On 31st October, 2000 the charity took over the website called autismconnect from The Shirley Foundation. The site had been developed since 1st January, 2000 by The Shirley Foundation in partnership with The National Autistic Society and software company RMR plc with funds provided by The Shirley Foundation. During this period considerable amounts of content had been identified, checked and loaded on to the site. On 1st November, 2000 the charity commenced to trade by launching the website to the public using the internet address www.autismconnect.org. The National Autistic Society and RMR plc provided services to autismconnect and the charity was funded by The Shirley Foundation.

The regular synopsis of press items relating to autism from around the world has continued to be popular - as has Adam's Week - a personal contribution by the editor, Adam Feinstein.

Facilities on the site include a database of links to websites concerned with all aspects of autism. These sites are manually linked to a hierarchy of keywords which allow quick and easy access by the user to relevant information relating to autism throughout the web. Other facilities include a database of support agencies throughout the world, a database of events, and an assembly of news items from the world's press.

Since 31st March, 2007 the operation of the website has been undertaken by Autism Cymru a sister charity.

Organisational Structure

The direction, funding and expenses of the charity are decided upon by the Trustees at regular Trustee meetings.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have decided that autismconnect should carry reserves of £30,000 in order to provide an adequate cushion for normal cash fluctuations.

Major Risks

The major risk to the charity is that they fail to acquire sufficient funding from Grant-making Trusts before sufficient income is generated from other sources.

Directors and Trustees

J.R. Kinder MA FCA – chair
Eileen Hopkins
Mark Smith PhD BSc Hons.

Registered Office

23 Woodville Gardens, Ealing, London W5 2LL

Offices

The charity does not have any offices since all the Trustees work from home. Inquiries should be made by e-mail to – autismconnect@btopenworld.com.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
For the year to 31st October 2008

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year to 31st October, 2008.

INCORPORATION

The company was incorporated on 29th August 2000 and commenced trading on the same date.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of a charity. The Charity Registered Number is 1084254. The Company is limited by Guarantee. The objects of the charity are detailed in the Trustees' Annual Report.

DIRECTORS

The directors during the period under review were:-

J.R. Kinder appointed 29.8.2000

Eileen Hopkins appointed 29.8.2000

Dr. Mark Smith appointed 29.8.2000

All the directors, being eligible, offer themselves for election at the forthcoming eighth Annual General Meeting.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the income and expenditure of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the directors 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 a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**ON BEHALF OF THE
BOARD:**



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J.R. Kinder – DIRECTOR

Dated:

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

In accordance with the provisions of Section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 I have examined the income and expenditure and the balance sheet of autismconnect set out on pages 3 to 10 relating to the year ending 31st October, 2008. This examination did not extend to a comprehensive audit of such accounts and balance sheet. I confirm that the accounts and balance sheet accord with the accounting records of the Trust and that such records satisfy the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention needs to be drawn in order to obtain a proper understanding of the accounts

Going Concern

Another charity operating in the field of autism has continued to operate the company's website which has been part funded by autismconnect. The company has sufficient cash resources to continue trading for 12 months on this basis.



David Lowe FCA
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Dated: 18 August 2009

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For the year to 31st October 2008

	Notes	£ Year to 31/10/2008	£ Year to 31/10/2007
INCOME			
Operating income		0	13
EXPENSES			
Administrative and operating expenses		30	4,576
Operating (Deficit)/Surplus	2	<u>(30)</u>	<u>(4,563)</u>
Interest receivable and similar income		9	29
(Deficit)/Surplus on ordinary activities before tax		<u>(21)</u>	<u>(4,534)</u>
Tax on (deficit)/surplus on ordinary activities	5	-	-
(Loss)/Surplus for the year after Taxation		<u>(21)</u>	<u>(4,534)</u>
(Deficit)/Surplus carried forward		£(21)	£(4,534)

The notes form part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year to 31st October 2008

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Year to 31/10/2007
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations received		0	0	0	0
Income resources from operating activities of the Charity		0	0	0	13
		0	0		
Bank Deposit Interest		9	0	9	29
Total Incoming Resources		9	0	9	42
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charity Expenditure					
Activities in furtherance of the Charity's objects	3	0	0	0	4,167
Management and administration of the Charity	3	30	0	30	409
Total Resources expended		30	0	30	4,576
Net Expended Resources		(21)	0	(21)	(4,534)
Total Funds brought forward		(1,311)	2,950	1,639	6,173
Total Funds carried forward		£(1,332)	£2,950	£1,618	£1,639

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BALANCE SHEET

As at 31st October 2008

	Notes	2008 £	2007 £
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Debtors		382	380
Cash at bank	6	<u>1,204</u>	<u>1,227</u>
		1,586	1,607
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	7	(32)	(32)
Net Current Assets		<u>1,618</u>	<u>1,639</u>
Total Net Assets		<u>£1,618</u>	<u>£1,639</u>
RESERVES:			
Restricted Fund		2,950	2,950
Profit and loss account		<u>(1,332)</u>	<u>(1,311)</u>
Total Reserves		<u>£1,618</u>	<u>£1,639</u>

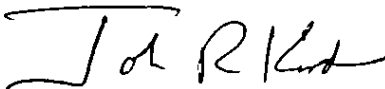
These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard of Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The directors have taken advantage of the Companies Act 1985 in not having these accounts audited under Section 249A(1) (total exemption).

For the year ended 31st October, 2008 the company was entitled to exemption under section 249a(1) of the Companies Act 1985. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 249b(2). The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:-

- I) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221; and
- II) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far applicable to the company.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD



J.R. Kinder – DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 5-8-09

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year to 31st October 2008

1 ACCOUNTING POLICES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000)), the Companies Act 1985, and follow the recommendations in Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice, issued in October, 2000.

2 OPERATING LOSS

	2008	2007
	£	£
The operating loss is stated after charging:-		
Auditor's remuneration	-	-
Independent accountant's remuneration	-	-
Directors' emoluments and other benefits	-	-

3 ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS

Website maintenance and development	0	0
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4 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHARITY

Sundry expenses	0	409
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5 TAXATION

No liability to UK corporation tax arose on ordinary activities for the period. The directors do not consider that the company will be subject to corporation tax due to its charitable status.

6 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Tax Reclaimable	326	326
Trade Debtors	55	55
Total	<u>380</u>	<u>381</u>

7 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Trade Creditors	(32)	(32)
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8 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year there were no related party transactions.

9 GUARANTEE

The liability of the members is limited by guarantee. Each member undertakes to pay an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up. This guarantee ceases one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

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DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For the year to 31st October 2008

	2008 £	2007 £
Income		
Other Income:		
Donations received	0	0
Deposit Account Interest	9	29
Commission on sale of books	0	13
	<u>9</u>	<u>42</u>
Expenditure:		
Grants to another Charity for the operation of the autismconnect website	0	4,167
Website operations and development	0	0
Sundry Expenses	0	379
Auditor's Remuneration	0	0
Accountancy	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	0	4,546
Operating(Deficit)/Surplus	<u>9</u>	<u>(4,504)</u>
Finance Costs:		
Bank Charges	30	30
Net (Deficit)/Surplus	<u>£(21)</u>	<u>£(4,504)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements