

# DOWN'S SOUTH LONDON

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

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## **REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – DOWN'S SOUTH LONDON**

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### **Directors / Trustees**

Gun Akyuz  
Andrew Aylwin  
Edward Collier  
Juliette Hill

### **Company Number**

6381649

### **Charity Number**

1123045

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## **Directors' Report for the Period Ended 31 December 2009**

The Directors present their report and the financial statements of Down's South London (the "Company") for the year ended 31 December 2009 ("the period")

### **Activities**

The principal activity of the Charity is to provide specialist speech and language therapy services to children with Down's Syndrome, living in South London. The group is open to all children with Down's Syndrome and their parents or carers who live locally. There are no formal membership criteria or fees. On 1 September 2010, the Company launched a redesigned, enhanced therapy service that now includes occupational therapy and physiotherapy in addition to speech and language therapy. Expanding the range of therapies and other key supporting services is a long-standing strategic objective for the Company. While this latest development is a significant achievement, further extensions in the services provided will continue to be sought as the funding and capital bases of the Company strengthen.

The therapy services the Company provides are supplemented by filling other significant gaps in provision that exist locally and nationally:

- a local network for information-sharing and parental support,
- assisting parents to develop strategies that promote their children's language development, using alternative and augmentative communication aids such as Makaton, and
- social and recreational opportunities for children and their families.

Overall, providing these therapies and services to our members accounted for 90% of the Company's total annual expenditure in 2009 (2008: 88%). This underlines the direct impact that donations to the Company have and the Directors wish to thank all donors for their generosity and ongoing support.

### **Review of business and future developments**

Funds are raised for the activities of the Company by its Directors, other members and independent third parties who are inspired by the services the Company provides. It is a key objective of the Company to increase the amount of funds raised year on year, specifically with a view to expanding the range and nature of services provided to members.

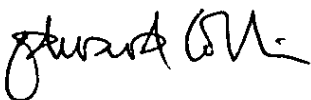
The Company raised £88,531 in 2009 for the provision of its charitable services, an increase of 19% over 2008. This is an excellent outcome and has allowed the Company to generate a surplus in the period of £16,670 (2008: £14,681). This increase in the capital base of the Company to £17,763 (2008: £1,093) underpinned the relaunch and expansion of therapy services in 2010. The Directors will continue to seek to build the Company's capital base and, with that, a broader range of services combined with long term security of provision.

### **Directors**

The names of the persons who served as Directors of the Company during the period from 1 January 2009 to the date of this report are as follows:

Gun Akyuz	
Andrew Aylwin	
Edward Collier	(appointed 6 April 2009)
Juliette Hill	(appointed 8 April 2009)
Rachel Kenchington	(appointed 6 April 2009, resigned 16 March 2010)
Kay Rogerson	(appointed 8 April 2009, resigned 16 March 2010)
Ruth Collard	(appointed 25 September 2007, resigned 20 March 2009)
Michaela Crawley	(appointed 25 September 2007, resigned 18 May 2009)
Jacqueline Mitchell	(appointed 25 September 2007, resigned 19 October 2009)
Jackie Scullion	(appointed 25 September 2007, resigned 19 October 2009)

By order of the Board



Mr E Collier  
Company Secretary  
27<sup>th</sup> September 2010

## **Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in Respect of the Financial Statements**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and financial statements in accordance with the applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to

- a) Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- b) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- c) State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts, and
- d) Prepare the financial statements on the 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and 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.

**Income Statement**  
**For the Year Ended 31 December 2009**

	Notes	2008 £	2009 £
<b>Income</b>			
Donations	1	74,417	88,531
<b>Expenses</b>	1		
Speech and language therapy provision		(44,000)	(56,500)
Training		(200)	-
Therapy resources and other materials		(939)	(2,983)
Hire of therapy rooms		(7,193)	(4,615)
Family Christmas party		(148)	(660)
Fundraising costs		(7,260)	(6,445)
Miscellaneous costs		(41)	(686)
		(59,781)	(71,889)
<b>Operating surplus</b>		<b>14,636</b>	<b>16,642</b>
<b>Interest income</b>		<b>45</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		<b>14,681</b>	<b>16,670</b>

**Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses**  
**For the Year Ended 31 December 2009**

There are no recognised gains and losses, other than the surplus of £16,670, attributable to the members of the Company in the year ended 31 December 2009 (2008 £14,681)

The results of the Company are wholly attributed to continuing operations

The notes on page 8 form an integral part of the financial statements

## Balance Sheet

### As at 31 December 2009

	Notes	At 31 December 2008 £	At 31 December 2009 £
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash		14,405	36,351
Debtors	1	5,000	7,482
		<b>19,405</b>	<b>43,833</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Creditors	2	(2,000)	(2,000)
Accruals	1	(16,312)	(24,070)
		<b>(18,312)</b>	<b>(26,070)</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>1,093</b>	<b>17,763</b>
<i>Represented by</i>			
Retained surplus for the period		14,681	16,670
Retained surplus/(pre-incorporation costs) at the beginning of the period		(13,588)	1,093
<b>Total funds</b>		<b>1,093</b>	<b>17,763</b>

- (a) For the period ended 31 December 2009 the Company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006
- (b) The Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- (c) The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for
- ensuring the Company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and
  - preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial period, and of its profit or loss for the financial period, in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to the accounts, so far as is applicable to the Company

The financial statements on pages 6 to 8 were approved by the board of Directors on 27 September 2010 and were signed on its behalf by



Gun Akyuz  
Chair



Andrew Aylwin  
Vice Chair

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## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended 31 December 2009

#### 1 Accounting Policies

##### *a. Basis of preparation*

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and Accounting Standards applicable in the United Kingdom (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, the primary and functional currency of operations for the Company

##### *b. Income*

Income is recorded on an accruals basis

##### *c. Expenses*

Expenses are recorded on an accruals basis

##### *d. Debtors*

Debtors represent monies owing from charity fundraising events that occurred during the year, for which monies have been pledged or raised but for which the cash has not yet been received

##### *e. Share Capital*

The Company is limited by guarantee and does not issue shares

##### *f. Funds*

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Directors in furthering the general objectives of the Company. During the period and at 31 December 2009, there were no restricted funds (for use in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors)

#### 2 Related party transactions

As at 31 December 2009, the Company owed a Director, Andrew Aylwin, an unsecured interest free loan of £2,000. It is expected that this will be repaid during 2010.