

**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 09075755 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1162441**

**Report of the Trustees and**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2021**  
**for**  
**Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust**

RfM Fylde Limited  
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# **Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust**

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 30 June 2021**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**Objectives and activities**

**Objectives and aims**

The charity's main object is to relieve the needs of disabled persons whose disabilities were caused as a result of their mother taking an anti-convulsant drug during pregnancy to treat her condition in such ways as the trustees may from time to time decide.

**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 30 June 2021**

**Achievement and performance**

As we all have continued to cope with the COVID pandemic, 2021 has been relatively quiet when it comes to face to face meetings, and like everyone we've continued with meetings through Zoom and Microsoft Teams.

Bearing this in mind, the year in general has still been as busy as ever. INFACT have continued to work with the World Health Organisation with our proposals for changes to their Essential Medicines List for Valproate accepted and put in place in June 2021.

This alone was a huge step for INFACT as this meant that patients all over the world should now receive the full information on the danger of Sodium Valproate in pregnancy.

Throughout the year we have continued with meetings through Zoom with the General Pharmaceutical Council in order to find ways in which patients receive complete information on their prescription medicines including patient information inside and on the packaging, this has continued into further discussions about other medications and replacing one brand with another with the complications that can bring.

The year has also been one for reflection and with this has brought numerous Freedom of Information (FOI) requests to the Dept of Health and Social Care. This uncovered important information which answered the question as to why INFACT has failed to receive the response for the Government and Dept of Health with Conservation MPs being informed not to enter into open discussion with us about the topic of Valproate.

Some MPs and Peers from the House of Lords have been very supportive though, as we have worked throughout the summer to ensure the correct amendments were entered towards the new Health and Care Bill, especially when it came to any form of Redress.

Work has continued with Baroness Cumberlege, the Chair of the APPG for FIRST Do No Harm and the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review. She too has put forward amendments and spoke in the House of Lords on this topic and we are grateful for her support.

Meetings through Zoom have also continued with our Medical advisors with positive results in the opening of the Diagnostic Clinics and support within the NHS. This will really help families understand Fetal Valproate Spectrum Disorder and the help and support their families need.

In July we met with the MPs and Health Minister Nadine Dorries. Although at the time the meeting seemed positive we later realized that this was not the case especially after the FOI results we received.

In September and October, when COVID restrictions had been lifted, we were able to take our first trip in 2 years to the National Archive, in the search for information on the medications licensed in the 1990's. These are proving to cause problems today with the medications becoming drug of choice and without information to the patient, yet some children are being born with similar effects as Valproate. It seems the health system continues to make the same mistakes on the back of instructions given to them from the Dept of Health.

October brought the BabyLife Conference and Patient Safety in Maternity. The conference was attended by Jeremy Hunt Chair of the Health Select Committee, and other influential people.

While discussing our subject to attendees we spoke also with a journalist whose interest into the problems caused was vast offering to follow the story up. This has become our opening into next years report with the Sunday Times reporting on the story very soon.

Due to everything which has taken place this year, we recognized that families are not receiving the support they need - some due to COVID, others happening long before. Therefore, INFACT decided to take the route in Advocacy too, writing letters for parents and helping in meetings within health and education.

All in all, it has been a very busy year, and we look forward to the next 12 months.

**Financial review**

The statement of financial activities shows a surplus of £4,316 and carried forward funds surplus of £8,834.

Donations and grants during the period were £7,720.

**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 30 June 2021**

**Structure, governance and management**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, memorandum and articles of association, and consists a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**Reference and administrative details**

**Registered Company number**

09075755 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1162441

**Registered office**

Heather Brac  
School Lane  
Pilling  
Preston  
Lancashire  
PR3 6AA

**Trustees**

Mrs J Williams Director  
Mrs E Murphy Director  
Mrs S Palmer Director

**Independent Examiner**

RfM Fylde Limited  
Summerdale  
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**Bankers**

Natwest Bank plc  
Garstang Branch  
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Garstang  
PR3 1ZA

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10 February 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs J Williams - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2021.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Alan Meikle  
FCA  
RfM Fylde Limited  
Summerdale  
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10 February 2022

**Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 30 June 2021**

		2021 Unrestricted fund £	2020 Total funds £
<b>Income and endowments from</b>	Notes		
Donations and legacies	2	7,220	11,762
<b>Expenditure on</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
General		2,904	5,778
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>4,316</u>	<u>5,984</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		4,518	(1,466)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>8,834</u></u>	<u><u>4,518</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust (Registered number: 09075755)**

**Balance Sheet  
30 June 2021**

	Notes	2021 Unrestricted fund £	2020 Total funds £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	1,540	1,110
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		9,750	5,864
<b>Creditors</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,456)	(2,456)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>7,294</u>	<u>3,408</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		8,834	4,518
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>8,834</u>	<u>4,518</u>
<b>Funds</b>	9		
Unrestricted funds		<u>8,834</u>	<u>4,518</u>
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>8,834</u>	<u>4,518</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10 February 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mrs J Williams - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements



## Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2021

#### 1. Accounting policies

##### Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

##### Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

##### Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. 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.

Fixtures and fittings - 15% on reducing balance

##### 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.

The total funds of the charity are unrestricted.

#### 2. Donations and legacies

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations	1,070	1,882
Grants	6,150	9,880
	<u>7,220</u>	<u>11,762</u>

# Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust

## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 June 2021

### 3. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>174</u>	<u>196</u>

### 4. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

#### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

### 5. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>Income and endowments from</b>	
Donations and legacies	11,762
<b>Expenditure on</b>	
<b>Charitable activities</b>	
General	5,778
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>5,984</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>	
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	(1,466)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<u>4,518</u>

# Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust

## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 June 2021

### 6. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 July 2020	2,126
Additions	604
At 30 June 2021	<u>2,730</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 July 2020	1,016
Charge for year	174
At 30 June 2021	<u>1,190</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 30 June 2021	<u>1,540</u>
At 30 June 2020	<u>1,110</u>

### 7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Other loans (see note 8)	2,173	2,173
Accruals and deferred income	283	283
	<u>2,456</u>	<u>2,456</u>

### 8. Loans

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2021 £	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Directors' loans	<u>2,173</u>	<u>2,173</u>

### 9. Movement in funds

	At 1/7/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/6/21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	4,518	4,316	8,834
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>4,518</u>	<u>4,316</u>	<u>8,834</u>

# Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust

## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 30 June 2021

### 9. Movement in funds - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	7,220	(2,904)	4,316
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>7,220</u>	<u>(2,904)</u>	<u>4,316</u>

### Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/7/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/6/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	(1,466)	5,984	4,518
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>(1,466)</u>	<u>5,984</u>	<u>4,518</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	11,762	(5,778)	5,984
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>11,762</u>	<u>(5,778)</u>	<u>5,984</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/7/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/6/21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	(1,466)	10,300	8,834
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>(1,466)</u>	<u>10,300</u>	<u>8,834</u>

**Independent Fetal Anti-Convulsant Trust**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 30 June 2021**

**9. Movement in funds - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	18,982	(8,682)	10,300
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>18,982</u>	<u>(8,682)</u>	<u>10,300</u>

**10. Related party disclosures**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2021.

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