DEVELOPING A CARING WALES LIMITED DATBLYGU CYMRU GOFALGAR

(A Company Limited by Guarantee/Cwmni Cyfyngedig drwy Warant)



Report and Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31st March 2023

Company Registration Number: 7235103 Charity Registration Number: 1135895

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Legal and Administrative Information

Registered Charity Number:

1135895

Registered Company Number:

7235103 (England & Wales)

Registered Office & Principal Address:

36 Princes Drive, Colwyn Bay, Conwy LL29 8LA

Independent Examiner:

Bankers:

National Westminster Bank Plc.

14/16a Oxford Street, Swansea, SA1 3AG

Directors and Trustees:

The directors of the charitable company ("the charity") are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the trustees. The trustees serving during the period and since the period were as follows:

Mrs. Caroline Phipps

Rev. Martin O. Blakebrough

Mr. Alun Thomas

Ms. Bernadette Bowen-Thomson

The Company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. The limit of the Trustees' guarantee is £10 per person.

Chairpersons:

Ms Bernie Bowen-Thomson was appointed Chair on 25th November 2021.

Company Secretary:

Mr Alun Thomas

Treasurer:

Mr. Martin Blakebrough

Structure, Governance and Management

The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

Constitution and Governing Document

DACW (Developing a Caring Wales, formerly known as Drug and Alcohol Charities Wales) was formerly constituted on 26th April 2010 when it was incorporated under the Companies Act 2006. The Charity was later registered with the Charity Commission on 12th May 2010. DACW is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, for Charitable Companies.

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees may invite representatives from charitable organisations who are based in Wales to join the board. Organisations will have substance misuse and/or mental health services as part of their key purpose. All invitations are made through the Chairperson and appointments made through ordinary resolution, in accordance with the Articles of Association.

Induction and Training

Trustees are entitled to induction and training, which will enable them to carry out all reasonable duties and obligations as board members.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are to promote good health in Wales for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively by:

- (a) developing and delivering good practice amongst members with regard to treatment provision for those with substance misuse and mental health issues, in performance management and in workforce development & training;
- (b) procurement, tendering and contract management of Pan-Wales services on behalf of its members;
- (c) working with and promoting the rights of individuals with substance misuse and mental health issues and to ensure an active and effective service user involvement in planning and in delivering services;
- (d) undertaking and promoting research and publishing the useful results of such research;
- (e) by promoting innovation for the benefit of those with substance misuse and mental health issues.

During the year, DACW member organisations continued to work on shared projects but DACW was dormant during this period.

Financial Review

There were no financial transactions during this year.

Cash balance at 31st March 2023 reflects cash in transit derived from an un-cashed cheque received from Natwest Bank (to close the account). This remains un-cashed and ongoing attempts are being made to release the funds.

Governance costs incurred by the trustees have been provided free of charge by their related member organisations. The Independent examination has also been provided free of charge.

This is the twelfth year of operation for the Charity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees of the Charity recognise the need to ensure funds are available to cover unforeseen circumstances such as variations in working capital, acquisitions of fixed assets and responding to emergencies. Our aims are to achieve reserves levels representing 3 to 6 months' operating costs. The unrestricted reserves amount is £7,740.14

Plans for the Future

The future remains uncertain with the unknown consequences of the pandemic, the economic recovery and the significant impact the cost of living crisis may have on people using our services and our staff. Strength in partnership and collaboration is vital to ensure we continue to safeguard quality provision, to offer choice and flexibility to the people who need our services, to innovate - ensuring the best services for the future and have the determination to continuously improve responses to reflect a compassionate Wales.

Our aims for the coming year are:

- For DACW continue to meet and develop and collaborate as partners, to be open to new opportunities to improve the landscape of services across Wales: To play an active role in the multi-agency Wales Coalition Against Stigma
- For DACW to determine the future of the organisation

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for the financial year. 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 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 2006. 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, avoid conflicts of interest and other irregularities.

Disclosure of Information to the Independent Examiner

So far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant information (as defined by section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the charitable company's independent examiner is unaware and each trustee has taken all steps they ought to have taken as trustees in order to make them aware of any relevant information and to establish that the charitable company's independent examiner is aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

On Behalf of the Board

Alun Thomas, Company Secretary

Date:

Statement of Financial Activities for Year Ending 31st March 2023 (Incorporating the Income & Expenditure Account)

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £		<u>Total</u> £	<u>Prior</u> <u>Year</u> £
Incoming Resources from Charita	ble Acti	<u>vities</u>				
Subscriptions		0			.0	0
Grants				0	0	0
Other Income		0			0	0
Total Incoming Resources	2	0		0	0	0
Resources Expended						
Charitable Activities		0		0	0	1,694
Governance		0			0	0
Total Resources Expended	3	0		0	0	1,694
Net Incoming / Outgoing						
Resources	5	0		0	0	-1,694
Gross Transfers Between Funds	_	0 .		0	0	0
Net Movement In Funds		0		0 .	0	-1,694
Total Funds Brought Forward		7,740		0	7,740	9,583
Total Funds Carried Forward	_	7,740		0	7,740	7,740

Continuing Operations

No operations were carried out in this year

Total Recognised Gains and Losses

There were no recognised gains and losses other than those contained within the Statement of Financial Activities.

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>31.03.2023</u> £	£	31.03.2022 £
Fixed Assets	6		0	0
Current Assets Cash Debtors and Accrued Income		7,740		7.740
<u>Liabilities</u> Current Liabilities	7	. 0		0
Net Current Assets			7,740	7.740
Net Assets			7,740	7.740
The Funds of the Charity Unrestricted Income Funds Total Funds			7,740 7,740	7.740

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ending 31st March 2023.

The trustees have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ending 31st March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- a) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which 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 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 is applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

Approved by the Board on 16th October 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Name: Martin Blakebrough, Treasurer

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005), the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (2008) and the Companies Act 2006.

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the assumption that adequate funding will be available in the future and therefore the trustees consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Incoming Resources

Income from service level agreements, grants, fees and rents, including capital grants are included in incoming resources when these become receivable, except as follows:

- When it is specified that income received by the charitable company is to be used in future periods, then the income is deferred until that period.
- When conditions are imposed which have to be fulfilled before the charitable company becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

When specified, income including capital grants is for a particular restricted purpose, which does not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds when receivable.

Subscribing members are entitled to services and benefits of membership, which is currently not designated to a particular period. The associated income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as the benefit or service is provided.

Donations are recognised as they are received unless they have a specific purpose.

Investment Income

Investment income is included as an incoming resource when receivable by the charitable company.

Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any unrecoverable VAT.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include examiner fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Where expenditure is being incurred as a direct result of a particular activity then those costs are attributed to those specific activities and cost categories. Where expenditure is shared between activities then a fair and reasonable approach is adopted to allocate those costs between activities.

Fund Accounting

Funds held by the Charity are either:

- Unrestricted general funds These are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.
- Restricted funds these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charitable company. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity would be stated at cost, less depreciation, which would be over the useful life of the asset using the straight line method.

2. Grants

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total Funds £	<u>Prior Year</u> £
Subscriptions	0		. 0	0
Grants	0		0	0
Other Income	0		0	0
Total Incoming Resources	0		0	0

3. Total Resources Expended

	Charitable Activities	Governance	<u>Total</u>	Prior Year
	£	£	£	£
Research Project	0		0	. 1,648
Internet	0		0	0
Bank Charges	0		0	0
Total Resources Expended	0	0	0	1,648

4. Staff Costs

There were no employees during the year. Activities requiring staff were provided for by the seven member organisations and chairperson on a voluntary basis.

Trustees of DACW received no remuneration from the Charity during the year.

5. Net Outgoing / Incoming Resources for the Period

There were no expenses for audit fees, leases or trustees' remuneration within the net outgoing/incoming resources for the period.

Tangible Fixed Assets

There were no fixed asset transactions during the year.

6. Creditors: Falling Due Within One Year

	31 March 2023	31 March 2022
	£	£
Accruals	0	0
Deferred Income (Subscriptions)	. 0	0
Creditors	0	0
	0	0

7. Related Parties

All four trustees of the Charity are senior representatives of their respective DACW member organisations as follows:

<u>Trustees</u>	<u>Members</u>
Mrs. Caroline Phipps	BAROD
Rev. Martin O. Blakebrough	Kaleidoscope Project
Mr. Alun Thomas	Adferiad Recovery
Ms. Bernadette Bowen-Thomson	Safer Wales