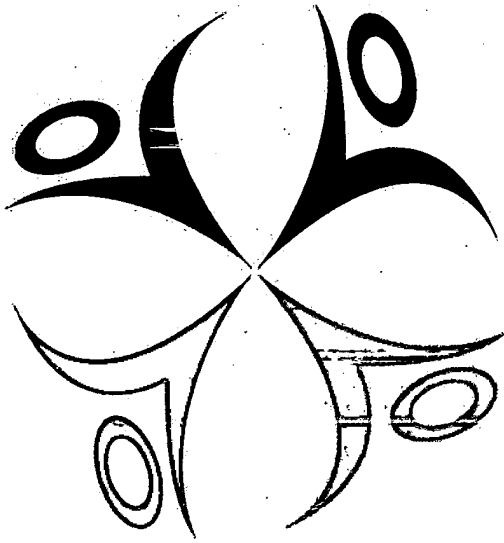


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Salford
Disability
Forum

SALFORD DISABILITY FORUM LTD

Annual Report
For the Year ended
30 June 2023



Board Report

The Committee of Management present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 30th June 2023.

Structure, Governance and Management

The company was incorporated on 30th June 2007. The company is limited by guarantee and was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members may be required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1. The company became a registered charity on 15th September 2008.

Management of the company is carried out by a committee of management made up of elected members and nominees of other organisations. Members of the Committee are described as Directors (for purposes of Company Law) and Trustees (for purposes of Charity Law). The Board has the power to appoint up to two Trustees to serve until the next Annual General Meeting. The committee of management meets each month and member's names are set out on the company details page.

Organisation Aims and Objectives

Salford Disability Forum Ltd is an organisation run by and for disabled people in Salford, Greater Manchester. The Forum seeks to promote the dignity, rights and participation of disabled people in all aspects of public life in Salford. It seeks to ensure equal access to all services and the greater involvement of disabled people in all decision-making processes.

Review of the year

Salford Disability forum has achieved a lot during the last financial year 2022-23

We have completed over 60 signposting sessions across the city in Council Gateways, and within community organisations. We have engaged with Local Authorities incl Salford Integrated Care & Salford City Council on a variety of topics to support disabled people. Our leadership team have been positively engaged with the Public Health team on the Trusted Voices and Community Leadership Development project to ensure disabled people, those with long-term health conditions, their carers and families are given the equality and equity to information and services.

We have provided advocacy for individuals with help ranging from applying to the councils discretionary fund through to supporting people during complex multi-agency reviews.

In Spring 2023 we agreed to provide significant support to two organisations working closely to support and facilitate the Claremont and Weaste opportunities club, a job club held weekly to provide job seeking opportunities and ancillary support. We also agreed to facilitate the well-established Access 2 All areas group, a campaign and access audit group who also meet and provide a well established link with local authorities to ensure the needs of disabled people are catered for.

In September 2022 we moved from St Georges Centre to our new home of Langworthy Cornerstone centre. This move was a significant challenge in making sure the new chapter for the organisation and its volunteers made us ready to respond to new challenges and that we had a consistent infrastructure to operate effectively.

We also host the Salford Deaf Community Officer for Salford Deaf Gathering. "This Partnership has complimented the IT needs and works really well as a team to co-support the respective organisations." says Kay Fairhurst Charity Secretary.

We thank our funders of Salford City Council for their financial support and also Salford CVS for our Volunteer Expenses fund grant to ensure our work continues. As we move forwards we look to ensure our groups, new sections of the organisations grow along with our established stakeholders to improve information and services in the city.

Its important to point out for anyone viewing our accounts that we are run completely by volunteers and our core leadership committee and our volunteers are the lifeblood of the charity. In a climate where the cost of living crisis and the covid-19 is and has disproportionately affected disabled people more than the general population we thank them humbly for their continued dedication and support. From our leadership team through to our occasional attendees. Their lived experience, empathetic understanding and commitment to ensure those who live and work in Salford is truly selfless.

Financial review

The Forum has limited income which restricts the activities it can carry out.

The Income and Expenditure Account reports a deficit of £6,556 (2022 surplus of £16,222).

The Trustees and other volunteers provide services which are not included in the financial statements as they are provided without charge.

Reserves Policy

As a small organisation, the aim of the Board of Management is to obtain further funding to continue to achieve the company's objectives.

The Trustees have considered the charity's reserve requirements and they consider that it would be advisable to maintain some reserves to continue operations as necessary. The amount to be held is at least £1,500.

Board Responsibilities

Company law requires the Board to prepare accounts for each financial year (or another accounting period) which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Forum and of its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the Board are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonably prudent;
- prepare accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the organisation will continue in business.

The Members of the board are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the organisation and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the organisation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Volunteers

The charity is run entirely by volunteers who receive no remuneration for the time they donate to the charity.

Review of Risks

The Board have identified and reviewed the major risks that the organisation is exposed to and have established plans and systems to mitigate those risks. The loss of long-standing experienced Board members has the potential to affect the governance of the organisation adversely. To mitigate this risk experienced members will be co-opted on to the Board to ensure good governance.

Further, the risk to the charity due to past investment has affected the financial operation of the charity. To reduce this occurring in the future, the charity will return to a minimum to be held in reserve. Additionally, the Forum invested in Princes Park Garden Centre for long term mutual benefit. The risk to the Forum is; that benefit is not realised. To reduce this possibility, the Forum Treasurer is represented on the Garden Centre Social Enterprise Board.

Method of preparation of accounts

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 and the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice for Charities 2015.

In preparing the above report, the Directors have taken advantage of special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies

This report was approved by the Board on 14 November 2023 and was signed on behalf of the Board:

Kay Fairhurst

Kay Fairhurst (Company Secretary)

Salford Disability Forum Ltd
Independent Examiner's Report to the Members
For the Year 30 June 2023

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Forum for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of a report

As trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 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 the Company's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect;

- 1 Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Forum as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 The accounts do not accord with those records or
- 3 the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

David Procter

David Procter
Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date 14 November 2023

Salford Disability Forum Ltd

Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year ended

30 June 2023

Detailed Income and Expenditure Account

		2023		2022	
	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Total £
Income from					
Legacies and Donations	2	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	2	-	6,550	6,550	21,596
Total income		<u>-</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>21,596</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		-	13,106	13,106	5,374
Total Expenditure		<u>-</u>	<u>13,106</u>	<u>13,106</u>	<u>5,374</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year		-	(6,556)	(6,556)	16,222
Total Funds Brought Forward		41,345	24,909	66,254	50,032
Total Funds Carried Forward		<u>41,345</u>	<u>18,353</u>	<u>59,698</u>	<u>66,254</u>

Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year ended

30 June 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Income from				
Legacies and Donations	2	-	-	-
Charitable activities	2	-	21,596	21,596
Total income		<u>-</u>	<u>21,596</u>	<u>21,596</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		-	5,374	5,374
Total Expenditure		<u>-</u>	<u>5,374</u>	<u>5,374</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year		-	16,222	16,222
Total Funds Brought Forward		41,345	8,687	50,032
Total Funds Carried Forward		<u>41,345</u>	<u>24,909</u>	<u>66,254</u>

Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2023

		30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	note	£	£
<u>Fixed Assets</u>			
Investments		30,232	35,732
<u>Current Assets</u>			
Debtors	7	-	-
Bank and Cash		30,745	31,801
Total Current Assets		<u>30,745</u>	<u>31,801</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	1,279	1,279
Net Current Assets		<u>29,466</u>	<u>30,522</u>
Net Assets		<u>59,698</u>	<u>66,254</u>
<u>Represented By:</u>			
Unrestricted Reserves	9	41,345	41,345
Restricted Reserves	9	18,353	24,909
Total Reserves		<u>59,698</u>	<u>66,254</u>

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006

Balance Sheet

As at

30 June 2023

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 special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 14 November 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

Andrew J Higgins

Andrew J Higgins Chair

Carol Babbs

Carol Babbs Treasurer

Date 14 November 2023

1 Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's Financial Statements

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis under the Historical Cost Convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice for Charities 2015 and the Companies Act 2006

Income

Grants and investment income are reflected in the accounts when receivable. Donations, gifts and other income are reflected in the accounts when received.

	2023			2022		
	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total £	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total £
2 Income						
Voluntary Income						
Grants and Donations	-	6,550	6,550	-	21,596	21,596
Sundry Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Grants and Donations	<u>-</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,596</u>	<u>21,596</u>
Total Income	<u>-</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,596</u>	<u>21,596</u>

3. Operating Surplus

	2023 £	2022 £
The operating surplus is stated after charging:		
Depreciation	-	-
Directors Emoluments	-	-

4 Directors Remuneration

The directors give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits from the charity (2022: Nil)

5 Staff Numbers

The company has no employees.

6 Taxation

The company is a registered charity (number 1125859) and is exempt from Income and Corporation tax to the extent that income and gains are applied towards the charitable objects of the charity. Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and is therefore included in relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

	2023 £	2022 £
7 Debtors		
Sundry debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

	2023 £	2022 £
8 Liabilities - Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	1,279	1,279
Total creditors	<u>1,279</u>	<u>1,279</u>

	2023 £	2022 £
9 Accumulated Funds		
Accumulated Funds Brought Forward	66,254	50,032
Add Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(6,556)	16,222
Accumulated Funds Carried Forward	<u>59,698</u>	<u>66,254</u>
Unrestricted Reserves	41,345	41,345
Restricted Reserves	18,353	24,909
	<u>59,698</u>	<u>66,254</u>

	At 30 June 2022 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	At 30 June 2023 £
10 Movements in Funds				
Restricted Funds				
Salford Strategic Partnership	24,409	5,000	11,888	17,521
Salford Community	500			500
Other Grants	-	1,550	1,550	-
Total Restricted Funds	<u>24,909</u>	<u>6,550</u>	<u>13,438</u>	<u>18,021</u>
Unrestricted Funds				
Josie Browne Legacy	41,345	-	-	41,345
Donations	-	332	-	332
Other unrestricted funds	-	-	-	-
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>41,345</u>	<u>332</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,677</u>
Total Funds	<u>66,254</u>	<u>6,882</u>	<u>13,438</u>	<u>59,698</u>

The Legacy Fund was created from a bequest by Josephine Browne who was instrumental in establishing the organisation and was the first Chair. The funds can be used at the discretion of the Trustees.

11 Analysis of Assets and Liabilities By Fund

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Investments	30,232	-	30,232
Debtors			
Bank	12,724	18,021	30,745
Liabilities	(1,279)	-	(1,279)
Net Assets	<u>41,677</u>	<u>18,021</u>	<u>59,698</u>

12 Legal Status of the Company

The organisation is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of a winding-up is limited to £1