

WEST SCOTLAND DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name: West Scotland Deaf Children's Society

**Registered Office and
Operational Address:** 281 Central Chambers
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Charity Registration Number: SC012285

Trustees:

P Boyce	
P Clark	
E Docherty	
F Dolan	(Honorary President)
H Gray	(Chair)
S Leggett	
W Leggett	(Vice Chair)
E Lyon	
K McCulloch	
C McClafferty	(Assoc)
A Nzalwa	Resigned 2/11/20 (AGM)
S Nzalwa	Resigned 2/11/20 (AGM)
E McCluskey	Appointed 2/11/20 (AGM)
R O'Rourke	Appointed 2/11/20 (AGM)
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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the Receipts and Payments accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2020. The legal and administrative information on page one forms part of this report.

Chairman's Report

2019/20 has been another busy and exciting year for West of Scotland Deaf Children's Society. During this year, according to the CRIDE report there has been an 8% increase in the number of deaf children in Scotland, taking the figure to 3,647. We have seen a demand for our Family Support work and our clubs and have continued to work in partnership with others to deliver support and services to children and young people who are deaf in the West of Scotland and provide support to families. We have been lucky to have had the support of several funders including Shared Care Scotland and the National Lottery and have continued to drive new funding ideas and events to support our work. We continue to be proud of our Living Wage accredited provider status. Families have benefited from the range of services available to them and their children and we have worked to shape policy and practice for deaf children through our close affiliation with National Deaf Children's Society. The CRIDE report has indicated a real drop in numbers of Teachers of the Deaf – down by 18% in the last year and increasing numbers of deaf children in Scotland as noted above. According to CRIDE- 86% of deaf children continue to attend mainstream school with 22% being noted as having additional education needs. Families and children need our support more than ever to ensure they understand their rights and can exercise these. We continue to be focused on playing a key role in supporting families and helping deaf children thrive and achieve. Over 90% of deaf children are born to hearing parents and the practical and emotional support provided to families following diagnosis is essential. Our Family Officer offers this support and WSDCS continue to offer a pathway of support for deaf children up to age 25. As we continue to see a reduction in formal support for deaf children, it is vital that parents have access to the essential support and services that will allow deaf children to thrive and achieve and parents to have access to information to help them secure the best outcomes. Our Resource Worker has developed the range of opportunities further for deaf children and their families and we have updated our information and redoubled our efforts to provide great opportunities for families to come together.

We are proud to be a Living Wage Provider and have continued to pay our staff Scottish Living Wage. We are also proud to have a group of Trustees who are committed to improving the lives of deaf children and who understand their needs and those of their families.

Our Trustee Group has had new members, and this has brought new energy and enthusiasm to our work, allowing us to focus on our strategy, help more families and professionalise our work. We have introduced a more robust meeting structure to include team meetings to share, plan and evolve our work. The addition of young deaf adults to our Board has been a positive one, helping us understand the real priorities for young people.

We continue to focus on listening to what families and children and young people need. We are particularly grateful to the National Deaf Children's Society for their ongoing support and to our many members and supporters.

We have driven forward our use of social media and introduced a new social media policy, built further foundations to professionalise our approach and reached out to more families. All of this will support ongoing progress and development.

We are grateful to Better Breaks, the National Lottery and our many funders and fundraisers who make our work possible with their support.

West of Scotland Deaf Children's Society has put in place plans for the future that will see us play a key role in services for deaf children, young people and their families into the future. 2019 has been a further year of change and evolution which has had a positive impact. Our overall financial position in terms of results is positive when set within a context of change, evolution, and external challenges.

The Trustees would like to note particular thanks to our hard working and dedicated staff team- Carol Campbell, Charlene Dolan, and Iain Campbell. In addition, the Trustees would like to note the contribution of Pat Clark, a longstanding Trustee, friend, and volunteer of West of Scotland Deaf Children's Society.

The Trustees would further like to acknowledge the support of deafscotland who with their Chief Officer Janis McDonald continue to offer us support and guidance.

Heather Gray
Chair of West of Scotland Deaf Children's Society.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year and since the year-end, unless otherwise stated, were as follows:

P Boyce (Appointed 10/7/19)
P Clark
E Docherty
H Gray (Chair)
S Leggett
W Leggett (Vice Chair)
E Lyon
K McCulloch
A Nzelwa (Resigned 2/11/20)
S Nzelwa (Resigned 2/11/20)
Erin McCluskey – (Appointed 2/11/20)
Rachel O'Rourke – (Appointed 2/11/20)
Rebecca O'Rourke – (Appointed 2/11/20)
A Slimmon (Resigned 3/6/19)
C McClafferty (Assoc)
F Dolan (Honorary President)

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

West Scotland Deaf Children's Society ("the charity") is established by Constitution as a registered Association of the National Deaf Children's Society and was recognised as a Scottish Charity (no SC012285) on 10th December 1992.

Appointment of Trustees

New Trustees are appointed at the discretion of the Management Committee. There is no fixed term for membership of the Management Committee. New Trustees take part in an induction programme which aims to familiarise them with the charity's values, aims and objectives together with its day to day operations, in addition to clarifying their statutory responsibilities as a Trustee of a charity.

Objectives and Activities

The charity's principal activities are:

- Providing a unique, empathic service to deaf children and their families
- Providing social events for all the family
- Providing a weekly fun/sign/activity club
- Providing a twice monthly youth club
- Providing outreach support
- Providing emotional support to the families from the point of diagnosis

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

Achievements and Performance

In Memoriam: Joseph Owens



(16/5/49 - 19/10/19)

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of our former Chairman, Joe Owens, who passed away on 19th October 2019. Joe had been battling Motor Neurone Disease for several years but did so with great courage, dignity and without complaint.

Joe was the Chair of our society for over 20 years and during that time, worked tirelessly and was a passionate and dedicated advocate for the rights of deaf children and their families.

Joe was a Giant among men and will be greatly missed by all who knew him, he will always be known as "Big Joe", a lovely man with a big heart who was dedicated to the needs of our deaf children.

Achievements and Performance

Our AGM in November 2019 saw us bid farewell to two of our longest serving Trustees, Sydney & Angela Nzelwa, after many years of dedicated service to our board. We are delighted to say, that like their predecessors, they have remained as members and offered their services at events whenever possible. We sincerely thank them for their service to the charity and appreciate the tireless dedication they have shown over many, many years.

We also know how proud they and Joe would have been, to see us introduce & welcome three new Trustees to the board: Erin McCluskey, MSYP; Rachel O'Rourke and Rebecca O'Rourke who were formally appointed to the board at our AGM. They are already proving to be an enormous asset and who, as deaf young women, will help drive the charity and take forward the legacy of those before them, into the future. Inspiring others and ensuring we address all that affects and is important to deaf children and young people enabling us to continue to provide the essential support required.

As ever, we are proud to continue to collaborate with colleagues at National Deaf Children's Society, Scottish Minority Deaf Children's Society, deafscotland, the British Deaf Association, Glasgow Life, The Princes' Trust and St Roch's Department of Deaf Education. The strong links we have with colleagues in many other organisations are also invaluable to us and we strive to continue to build on these relationships to the advantage of all. We at WSDCS recognise the importance of partnership working and genuinely believe we are stronger together, benefiting from each other's strengths and most importantly, providing the best service possible for the families we serve. In these challenging times, the tragic demise of Deaf Connections was one which, along with the Deaf Community, their families and all those who were a part of the sector, was met with sadness and concern for everyone involved. We had longstanding ties with them. They were our colleagues. Our clubs met there both in the past and present and we were in the process of arranging some joint activities with the Youth Group. They are missed but we applaud the work they did and wish them all our very best wishes in their future endeavours.

Our Annual General Meeting & Fun Day on 2nd November 2019 was a great event. Enjoyed by all who attended & where we were able to share our news and celebrate with families, old and new, staff, trustees, volunteers, fundraisers, and colleagues. We mourned the loss of Joe Owens, celebrated the endeavours of our retiring Trustees, and welcomed our new recruits. We proudly celebrated the achievements of our young people with the presentation of our Endeavour Award and the deafscotland Award. Each year we are met with nominations which are diverse, uplifting, inspirational and confirmation of what our young people can achieve if they have the right support in place.

The successes achieved and challenges overcome must all be recognised, celebrated, and heralded for future generations and we look forward to the next round of nominations.

It has been a difficult and challenging year for all charities with our staff and Trustees all striving to meet those challenges head on. As ever, we remain dedicated to providing social and emotional support and information and endeavour to provide the best service possible to all our deaf children, young people, and their families.

Despite these challenges the charity continued to deliver this vital lifeline and service to families and handled:

- Over 2,060 telephone calls, 1630 emails & 485 Facebook requests for emotional support, information and advice and signposting.
- The family officers also made 155 visits to families at home or in a neutral setting.
- Made contact with 17 new families.
- Attended 56 meetings, or reviews, relating to Education.
- Supported 17 families to successfully claim DLA or PIP.

Our closed Facebook groups (one for our parents/carers and one for our young people) continue to thrive and have a current membership of 342. This continues to be a useful tool in reaching our families and giving them a new way to seek support (not only from staff but also from each other). Our Twitter Account has seen an increase in our followers to 197 and we currently have 85 followers on Instagram. The use of Social Media, in line with our Social Media Strategy, helps us provide support in different ways and keeps our children, young people and families informed. It is a platform we continue to use and develop, reaching new people, to provide the best all round service possible.

The service provided by WSDCS has been entirely made possible by grants, donations, and sponsorship from all those listed under funding at the end of this report. All have contributed to the events and family support detailed throughout, for which we are extremely grateful.

Highlights and Activities

Over the past 12 months we have also provided:

Mini Saturday & Fun Sign Activity Club (for our preschool (0-5) & primary school age groups): We have provided 30 joint opportunities for our younger children to come together in a relaxed and fun environment. We continued to run both simultaneously, every week during term time, at the Adelphi Centre. The club continues to offer our families with younger children, the opportunity to meet with other families whilst sharing fun activities. This can be invaluable and offers opportunities to form friendships and a strong support network for the parents, a peer group for our deaf children, whilst also welcoming siblings into what for many has been unknown territory giving them the ability to understand the obstacles faced by their sibling and allowing them to meet others who as siblings, can have their own challenges. This can help normalise concerns particularly for those who are at the early stages & whose children have been newly or recently diagnosed.

All of the children love helping to plan the activities & outings and this year included activities such as drama, T-Shirt design, a technology day, den building at Pollok Park, trips to the cinema, pantomime, Wonderland and a ceilidh!

The Saturday Club is made possible by funding from the Better Breaks Short Break Fund.

Our Youth Group (for all secondary aged pupils and beyond): Despite missing out on the last few activities planned for our new home at The Princes Trust's Wolfson Centre, due to the pandemic, we provided 21 outings or activities including pool, table tennis, Roller Stop, Jungle Rumble, Go Karting, workshops from contactScotland and Circus Skills, pantomime and Fun Days and a Ceilidh where we all came together. We are extremely proud of the way our young people support and encourage each other and are a great source of inspiration.

The Youth Group is made possible by funding from the Better Breaks Short Break Fund.

Football Tournaments: Again, this year we were delighted to be involved in supporting the annual Fun Football Festival organised by Kenny Fraser & the Sensory Service for Ayrshire & the Scottish Football Association. The event took place at Ayrshire College on 5th June 2019 and consisted of fun coaching and small sided games on the college's full-size artificial pitch. These events provide deaf children, from across the West of Scotland, with the opportunity to meet up with each other for a day of football, fun and friendship supported by SFA professional coaches and members of the SFA's VIP programme (which a number of the college's Sport & Fitness students are involved in). This event sees attendances of over 100 children accompanied by their teaching staff and is a great opportunity to bring together deaf children. As Kenny has often commented: *'The football festival is a fantastic success, with children taking part from all across Scotland. It's a day of football, fun and friendship'*. A huge thank you to everyone who helps make this day possible.

On 14th June we held the 18th Annual West Scotland Deaf Children's Society's Inter School football tournament, for secondary pupils at Pro Soccer in Rouken Glen Park. The tournament was organised by WSDCS and Derek Todd with much appreciated support from George McGowan, Robert McCourt and Kenny Fraser and refereed by George McGowan, Fraser McCulloch, Philip John Dolan, Gareth Nzelwa, Kevin Cummings, Steven Gardiner & Jordan McNicol. We have an amazing team of volunteers and supporters for this tournament and WSDCS are extremely grateful to every one of them. We could not do it without you!

Nine teams competed for the trophy and were cheered on and encouraged by their many supporters including current and former deaf students, teachers, and family members. Congratulations go to RenAyr who ultimately triumphed for the 4th year in a row and will retain the trophy for another year. They were also awarded a commemorative plate to add to their growing collection! Other awards were presented for Player of the Tournament, Top Goal Scorer, Goalkeeper of the Tournament along with, as always, medals for everyone who participated.

The games are highly competitive with some amazing skills on display, but for us the reward is in seeing our young people coming together, having fun and enjoying each other's company where they can share in something they love with their deaf peers. These events are truly a fantastic opportunity for everyone to enjoy their sport and each other's company in an environment where they know they are welcomed, supported, and valued.

The 2019 football tournament was very generously supported by a 'Magic Little Grant' of £500.00 from Localgiving towards the cost of the tournament. This funding helped us to meet the cost of the tournaments. Again, we were delighted to receive donations of water from Campsie Springs who have long been a loyal supporter of this event for which we are extremely grateful. Sadly, the 2020 tournament due to take place on Friday, 5th June was unable to take place because of the pandemic. We all look forward to the 19th Annual Tournament and hope to reschedule this as soon as circumstances allow.

Summer Trips: (for all deaf children and their families): In partnership with the Scottish Minority Deaf Children's Society, July 2019 saw us all get together to enjoy three highly successful Summer trips. We began at the always popular Ayr Farm Park, followed by what for many of us was our first visit to the Five Sisters Zoo and our final summer trip saw us returning to the much requested and ever popular M & D's Theme Park, appealing & accessible to all ages. We were this year blessed with good weather and these outings were much enjoyed by everyone who made the most of the opportunity to come together and have fun.

The summer trips were funded by a joint National Lottery Community Fund - Awards for All Grant paid to Scottish Minority Deaf Children's Society

Cinema: This year we enjoyed two trips to the cinema. The first to the Odeon Braehead in October to see 'Maleficent', followed by a trip in February for a captioned screening of 'Doolittle' and a meal at China Buffet King.

We are still striving to gain better access & better screening times to captioned films but have forged a good relationship with the staff at Odeon Braehead who are endeavouring to improve accessibility. This has been put on pause because of the pandemic but again we hope to revisit this when things return to normal. We still have a long way to go but together we hope to make a difference. The campaign continues!

The cinema trips were funded by the National Lottery Community Fund - Awards for All Grant, and the Better Breaks Short Break Fund.

Glasgow Life Museums: We are delighted to say we continue our association with Glasgow Life and Rachel Leckie, Learning & Access Curator for Glasgow Museums; and the British Deaf Association. During the year we were invited to attend several private tours and specially organised activities. In September we visited Glasgow's Kelvingrove Museum and were treated to a personal guided tour of the fossil and dinosaur exhibits where we learned lots of new and interesting information and got up close to the exhibits. We then enjoyed some refreshments and a craft activity, making badges and prehistoric 'puppets.' In February, we visited the Glasgow Museums' Resource Centre where they house everything that is not currently on display at one of the museums. It was amazing! The children were lucky enough to have a tour of some of the 'pods' containing treasures from all over the world. We saw fossils, stuffed animals, a narwhal horn, dinosaur 'skeletons', precious stones, trays of butterflies and as if that weren't enough, we then made clay models. Both visits were enjoyed by all in attendance and we cannot wait for the next one. Accompanied by staff and BSL Interpreters, our young people and families were able to fully participate and enjoy the visits, in the company of family and friends. Something they have previously been unable to achieve. We at WSDCS are extremely grateful to Rachel and all the teams at the Museums for their commitment to our deaf children and to striving to make Museums accessible for all. Again, because of the pandemic, other visits have been paused but we look forward to continuing this partnership and to resuming our visits in the future.

Halloween & Christmas Events: Halloween parties were enjoyed by both the Saturday Club and Youth Group with the children selecting the games, activities, and goodies! More amazing costumes were on display along with lots of fun and treats ensuring they were relished by one and all. We, alongside our partners at the Scottish Minority Deaf Children's Society, returned to Pollokshaws Burgh Hall for our Christmas party. This year we were entertained by the fantastic Children's Entertainer & Magician, Mark Walbank, the amazing VIP Dholies, the very talented singer/songwriter Ben Herrington and had our faces beautifully painted by Susan from 'Your Sonsie Face' and we all enjoyed some delicious Indian pakora, samosas, biriyani and Domino's pizza. Everyone was thrilled when Santa Claus found time in his busy schedule to pay an incredibly special visit to the children and deliver a selection box to each of them! Santa communicated in British Sign Language, supported by our BSL Elf Interpreter Robert, making this magical visit accessible for everyone. Thank you, Santa and his elf!

The Halloween parties were funded by the Better Breaks Short Break Fund and the Christmas Party was funded by both the Better Breaks Fund and the joint National Lottery Community Fund - Awards for All Grant paid to SMDCS.

In December, we attended two BSL Interpreted pantomimes: The Citizens 'The Lost Elves' performed at Tramway and 'Jack & The Beanstalk' at the King's Theatre catering for all age groups. Both venues helped us organise these events and made us so welcome. Everyone enjoyed the fantastic entertainment! Our thanks go to Denise Differ & her team at Citizens/Tramway and Sarah Harbison and her team at the King's. The pantomimes were made possible with the generosity of the Citizens 'Pay it Forward' project which massively reduced the ticket costs, the NDCS Local Groups Grant & the Better Breaks Short Break Fund.

Kiltwalk 2019: This year WSDCS took part in the 2019 Kiltwalk. Our staff team were accompanied by Vicky Adam, Margaret Blakely, Chris Burns, Jacqueline Devlin, Rachel Docherty, Nicole Dunipace, Lorraine Gillespie, Heather Gray, Zoe Hooper, Wilson Leggett, Orla, Ciara, Eimear & Shona McCarthy, James McNeill, Jean Menigall, Jemma Moir, Natalie Patrick, Kathleen Patterson, Sharon Reilly, Jill & Nikki Stepney, Susan, Lee, Xavier & Naomi Wallace, Ishbel & Jennifer Wright. Everyone put their best, and ultimately blistered, foot forward and with the addition from the Hunter Foundation we raised the incredible sum of £7845.59. It was a long and arduous walk, but we are delighted to say that it did not put us off signing up for 2020!

Our AGM and Fun Day was held on 2nd November 2019 at St Mirrin Cathedral Halls. We enjoyed a delicious buffet and were entertained by the amazing Mark Walbank, our incredible face painter Susan Thomson and a young, extraordinarily talented singer, Molly Mooney, who gave an incredible performance. All were supported by our BSL Interpreters Nicole Dunipace, Sarah Forrester & Amy Gunning. This year we had a raffle and auction and would like to express our thanks to all those who donated, contributed, and supported it and of course to our amazing fundraisers.

We celebrated the incredible achievements of our fundraisers and were delighted to have many of them in attendance to accept our thanks. Certificates were presented to Allan Etherington, Colin Mackie & Linda Mooney on behalf of her colleagues at the Clydesdale & Yorkshire Banking Group (CYBG) alongside all our amazing Kiltwalkers (named above). Our sincere thanks go to all our incredible fundraisers. We could not do it without you!

We were honoured to introduce and celebrate achievements, with the presentation of the deafscotland Award and WSDCS Endeavour Awards, to some of our inspirational deaf children & young people.

The deafscotland Award was presented by Janis McDonald to Ciara McCarthy. WSDCS Endeavour Awards & certificates were presented to Anthony Rozario, Harry McLachlan, Jaqueline Leiper, Judy Cook, Patrick McKinnon and Viktor Jakstys.

Our inaugural Volunteers' Award was also presented to our very own legend – Pat Clark! Recognising her phenomenal commitment and contribution to the charity. Pat had also been commended by the National Deaf Children's Society winning their 2019 'Big Thank You Award' during Volunteers' Week. Awards were presented by our Chair, Heather Gray.

We congratulate each one of them on their awards, achievements, and success. We are incredibly proud of you all!

It was a wonderful day! One where we could bring everyone together to meet with friends, old and new, enjoyed by one and all and afforded yet another opportunity to bring our families together sharing experiences and common bonds and celebrating our amazing young people, their families and supporters!

Ceilidh: In January, we held our first family ceilidh at the David Lloyd Club. The event was attended by all ages – from the incredibly young (11 months) all the way through to those not quite so young!! We had entertainment very kindly provided by our Ceilidh Band – the wonderful & talented, Billy and Bruce; with additional rousing performances from the VIP Dholies. BSL Interpretation was supported by Robert McCourt and Nicole Dunipace to ensure accessibility. We all enjoyed a wonderful night of fantastic music & entertainment, delicious food, and great company. Once again, we had a raffle bursting with a multitude of kindly donated prizes. It was a night to remember and one we hope to repeat soon. Many thanks to all who attended, donated prizes, volunteered, assisted, and gave of their time and talents to support this event.

BSL Videos, Website, Accessibility & Consultation: In the last year WSDCS can proudly advise that we are progressing with the creation of a 'Family Pack'. When completed this will be a resource that holds a wealth of information and everything D/deaf related in one place. This will also include signposting services for our families to access all available support. This need has been identified with members of our charity seeking quick access to all important information in their busy lives. Through consultation, our families spoke of a need for clear & precise information with regards to their children's deafness whether that be social, medical, equipment based or where to source lessons on BSL. We sourced this information based on our ongoing consultations with our families and created questionnaires on Survey Monkey to help us collate these needs. This is a process which is very much ongoing with online consultations taking place as face to face consultations had to be postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions.

WSDCS has created a YouTube channel with regular updated information for our families. The information provided to our families is topical with things such as DLA & PIP applications during the Covid-19 pandemic. In addition to this WSDCS have and are continuing to devise BSL tuition in video format so that our families can learn remotely and in their own time. All videos that WSDCS produce are now fully accessible to include British Sign Language, English voice over and have subtitles. We are also developing a new website. A recent grant (June 2020) from the Community Fund has enabled us to purchase filming equipment which will allow us to expand our services and equipment to allow us to work from home during the pandemic. We look forward to expanding the range of materials currently available.

All events and activities continue to be well attended providing invaluable opportunities to help build and create friendships & strong support networks in a relaxed and fun environment. The unique,

empathic support, advice and information they receive from staff, trustees, volunteers and each other is so important in empowering our young people and their families. All children have the right to fulfil their potential and it is our aim to help them and their families to do just that. We strive to help them build an inner strength to face the challenges they encounter, and we are honoured to play even a small role in that journey. The grants, fundraising and donations we receive allow us to continue to do this and to each one of them we are extremely grateful.

WSDCS receive no statutory funding and it is only with the very generous and continued support of the following, within this financial year, that make our work possible.

Funding

Grants and Donations were received from:

The Better Breaks Short Break Fund, Co-op Community Fund, SMDCS/WSDCS Awards for All Lottery Grant, NDCS Local Groups Grant & Big Thank You Award Donation, Anne R Jolly Trust, Andrew Paton Charitable Trust, Ronald Miller Foundation, Scottish Ambulance Service, 1st Prestwick Boy's Brigade, Amazon Smile, Claremont Friendship Club, Templeton Private Bowling Club (Finlay Boyd Memorial), Clydesdale & Yorkshire Banking Group (CYBG), Local Giving's Magic Little Grant, Kiltwalk & Hunter Foundation, Archibald Robertson, STV Children's Appeal; The Rotary Club of Renfrew; Lloyds Bank Fundraiser; Royal London Foundation, Glasgow Society for the Education of the Deaf, Collection in memory Nancy Finnie donated by her son George Finnie; and from many fundraising & sponsored events by our supporters, members and their families: Allan Etherington (Paisley 10k), Colin Mackie (Great Scottish Run), Clydesdale Bank Art Competition & Can Collection Fundraisers, Nicola Wilson, Alison & Marion Boyd and family, Irene Carmichael and donations from our members and families.

Financial Review

The charity's income for the year amounted to £72,992 (2019: £69,572) which is made up of mainly grants and donations, with minimal gift aid and investment income.

- Reserves Policy

All reserves of the charity are unrestricted. It is policy for the charity to maintain unrestricted reserves of approximately £56,000. Current unrestricted reserves are £75,390 (2019: £76,554).

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



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Name: Wilson Leggett, Vice Chair

Date: 22.10.20

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE
TRUSTEES OF WEST SCOTLAND DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2020, which are set out on page 9 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 28th October 2020

WEST SCOTLAND DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2020 £	2019 £
Receipts				
Charitable Grants	15,000	1,000	16,000	30,138
Donations	14,944	-	14,944	34,166
Gift Aid	659	-	659	703
Fundraising income	10,659	-	10,659	-
Interest income	61	-	61	54
Investment income	2,044	-	2,044	4,068
Proceeds from sale of investments	28,625	-	28,625	-
Activity income	-	-	-	-
Legacy income	-	-	-	443
Total Receipts	<u>71,992</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>72,992</u>	<u>69,572</u>
Payments				
Staff costs	58,893	-	58,893	52,923
Operating costs	11,565	12,039	23,604	27,302
Bank Charges	-	-	-	-
Investment management fees	106	-	106	130
Purchase of investments	-	-	-	-
Independent examination & bookkeeping fees	2,592	-	2,592	2,662
Total Payments	<u>73,156</u>	<u>12,039</u>	<u>85,195</u>	<u>83,017</u>
Surplus/(deficit) for year	<u>(1,164)</u>	<u>(11,039)</u>	<u>(12,203)</u>	<u>(13,445)</u>
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WEST SCOTLAND DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF BALANCES
AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2020 £	2019 £
Bank and cash in hand					
Opening balances		76,554	13,412	89,966	103,411
(Deficit)/Surplus for year		<u>(1,164)</u>	<u>(11,039)</u>	<u>(12,203)</u>	<u>(13,445)</u>
Closing balances		<u>75,390</u>	<u>2,373</u>	<u>77,763</u>	<u>89,966</u>
Debtors	1			7,128	6,736
Liabilities	2			2,170	2,170
Investments	3			-	45,376
Other assets	4			3,619	3,619

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Wilson Leggett
 Name: Wilson Leggett

Date: 22.10.20

WEST SCOTLAND DEAF CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

1. Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Gift Aid	660	703
Trade Debtors		206
GCVS	6,468	5,827
	<u>7,128</u>	<u>6,736</u>

2. Liabilities

	2020	2019
	£	£
Rent	1,125	1,125
Telephone	95	95
Independent examiners fee	950	950
	<u>2,170</u>	<u>2,170</u>

3. Investments

	2020	2019
	£	£
Opening Market Value	45,376	41,437
Disposal of investments at market value	(47,427)	-
Additions	-	-
Revaluations	2,051	3,939
Closing Market Value	<u>-</u>	<u>45,376</u>
Historical Cost	<u>31,970</u>	<u>31,970</u>

4. Other assets

	2020	2019
	£	£
Office furniture, fittings & equipment at cost	<u>3,619</u>	<u>3,619</u>

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5. Related Party Transactions

No Trustees received any remuneration during the year (2019: Nil).

Travel expenses totalling £99 (2019: £475) were reimbursed to 1 (2019: 1) trustee during the year.

6. Funds

	Movement in Funds				Balance at 31 Mar 2020
	Balance at 01 Apr 2019	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General funds	76,554	71,992	73,156	-	75,390
	<u>76,554</u>	<u>71,992</u>	<u>73,156</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,390</u>
Restricted Funds					
Better Breaks (2019/20)	12,397		10,308		2,089
Magic Little Grant	-	500	500		-
Awards for All	731	-	731		-
NDCS		500	500		-
City of Glasgow College	284		-		284
	<u>13,412</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>12,040</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,373</u>
	<u><u>89,966</u></u>	<u><u>72,992</u></u>	<u><u>85,195</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>77,763</u></u>

Better Breaks

Funding towards the Saturday Club, Youth Group, and St Roch projects and includes donations / income received from clubs.

Magic Little Grant

Funding towards the cost of the football tournaments.

Awards for All

Funding for Summer Trips and two Fun Days for the children and their families.

NDCS

Local Groups Grant towards the cost of the pantomimes.