

## CHAIRMANS REPORT FOR 2021

Having survived another year of covid restrictions and lockdowns we have entered 2022 in rude health and in a good position to continue our work of helping needy children/families.

Over 2021 we have built on the positives that came out of the first covid year, such as the card reader, "Mike's" storage cupboard, better processes in the shop and sense of camaraderie. We have also raised our prices to reflect the actions of other charity shops. I am pleased to note that the majority of our customers still regard our offer as the most reasonable and affordable in the area. Consequently, despite the shut down in early 2021, our sales income has shown a strong recovery as Mike will report on in a minute. Our finances are also strong helped by the sales and another grant of £7000 from the government.

However, above all, our strong performance in 2021 and our current healthy position is due to the dedication and hard work of all our volunteers and I would sincerely like to thank you all for your commitment.

It is probably fortuitous that we are in a strong position as there are a number of current major problems - Ukraine, cost of living and the increase in child mental health issues - which could result in a significant increase in requests.

So keep up the good work .

Finally, I would like to thank the executive committee members for all their hard work especially Chris and Mike for their work as Secretary and Treasurer/Maintenance Manager. I would also like to welcome Dawn as our latest Committee member.

Thank you all, committee members and volunteers, again for everything you did in 2021.

Andrew

<b>Childhelp-Hassocks (registered charity # 1065008) accounts (£s) year ending December 2021</b>									
<i>figures for y/e dec 2015 in italics</i>									
	<b>2021</b>				% change	<b>2020</b>			
	cleared	Opening	Closing	hence	relative to	cleared	Opening	Closing	hence
	amounts			true picture	last year	amounts			true picture
Sales	42366			42366	40	30228			30228
Interest received				0					0
Donations & membership <i>(includes Council Covid-19 grant)</i>	9372			9372	-20	11736			11736
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>51738</b>			<b>51738</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>41964</b>			<b>41964</b>
Rent and service charge	9950			9950	5	9502			9502
Waste Disposal charges	1775			1775	38	1282			1282
rates	204			204	292	52			52
telephone	423			423	9	388			388
electricity	735			735	-25	978			978
Other running costs	1512			1512	-13	1738			1738
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Donations to children	23401	2371	2870	<b>23900</b>	42	21061	6620	2371	<b>16812</b>
<b>Total outgoings</b>	<b>38000</b>			<b>38499</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>35001</b>			<b>30752</b>
surplus for the year				13239	18				11212
cash in hand				33562	69				19824
apportioned thus:									
uncleared cheques				2870	21				2371
reserves & accrued debts				5195	0				5213
available to donate				25497	108				12239
(petty cash deficit)				50					50
signed on behalf of trustees:									

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Childhelp - Hassocks**

**I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2021.**

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

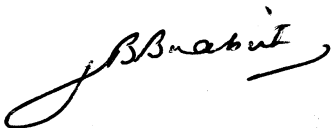
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

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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2 October 2022