



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1st January 2020 (Period start date)

To: 31st December 2020 (Period end date)

Charity name: The Brompton Fountain Royal Brompton & Harefield Family Support Group

Charity registration number: 1110339

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To provide support to former, present and future patients of the Paediatric Unit of The Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Trust (and any successor hospital(s)) ('The Unit'), their parents and families;2. To provide or assist in the provision at the unit of equipment, facilities and services not normally provided by the statutory authorities;3. The support and promotion of research for the public benefit into the causes, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of cardiovascular & respiratory disease;4. Any purpose ancillary to 1. to 3. above.

<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>The charity started 2020 in a strong position, both in terms finances and the wide range of services being provided to beneficiaries.</p> <p>Before the Covid-19 pandemic began in March of 2020 support was provided to children and families in a variety of ways, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff and volunteers visited the children’s wards to offer help and support, often in unsociable hours and over the weekend period. • Welcome bags containing useful items and a Brompton Fountain teddy bear were given out to families on a regular basis to those being admitted to Royal Brompton Hospital. • Essential packs (containing personal items such as toothbrush, shampoo and clothing detergent) were provided (and distributed through ward staff) for those who arrived as an emergency on to the paediatric wards. • Parent amenities were provided in the intensive care unit and accommodation kitchens. This included hot drinks, snacks, clothing detergent and leaflets. • Support was given to families out in the community. • Information and advice was provided to families on a daily basis through the use of email, telephone and text message. Social media channels were also used as a regular communication tool - the Facebook pages and Twitter account were extremely active with users sharing birthdays and other special events. The Facebook ‘closed group’ further grew, attracting hundreds of parents and older patients. This group provided members with a way to chat and ask questions in a private and more secure environment. • Meal vouchers (used for hot/cold food in the hospital canteen and coffee shop) were provided for families who were undergoing financial difficulties due to long stays at the hospital or other lack of personal income. • Social events such as ‘pizza nights’ were held at the hospital for parents and carers, providing opportunities to mix and gain peer support and advice (during Jan-March 2020).
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The charity sourced and purchased large numbers of items for the hospital playrooms at Royal Brompton (both within the main ward and in the outpatient department) and school. This included toys, art and craft supplies, a regular entertainer, musical mobiles, entertainment equipment (DVD players, DVDs, televisions), sensory equipment, small treats and bravery rewards. • Working closely with the fetal medicine team providing a monthly support and information service for families who have received a cardiac condition diagnosis in their unborn child – for the first 3 months of 2020. • Support was given to breastfeeding and expressing mothers through the provision of specialist items such as breast pads, breast pumps. • Seasonal ‘goody bags’ were distributed to young patients, siblings and parents/carers at several points in the year. • On Christmas Day we distributed fifty festive family ‘hamper’ bags filled with chocolates, biscuits and gifts specifically for parents. Families were also offered support and advice. Funds were provided for wide array of larger toys for each patient/sibling Christmas gift bag. • The charity purchased a number of pieces of medical equipment including INR machines to enable home blood testing for children using blood-thinning medication. • Funding was provided for improving the ward environment, using wall stickers and other decorations, including Christmas trees. • The charity worked closely with the hospital arts department on various projects. This included funding one day a week ‘Music teacher’ for the department. The teacher works with young patients, singing songs and playing musical instruments, helping to promote creativity and relaxation. • The charity ran information and awareness campaigns for heart and lung conditions using social media and posters. This included especially designed artwork explaining many medical conditions and procedures and looking at psychological issues surrounding areas such as scar worries. • Bereaved families were supported throughout the year in various ways, through meetings and telephone communications.
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The charity also funded and helped to organise the annual hospital remembrance day. This is a formal occasion for bereaved families, featuring a non-religious service with music and readings, refreshments and a balloon release.• Working with numerous other paediatric departments, such as the physiotherapy team and dietitians to provide equipment and resources for patients. <p>The covid-19 (coronavirus) pandemic meant that the charity needed to change and adapt to a new way of working and new needs from families.</p> <p>We started online workshops and events, sent out hundreds of boxes to children at home, including arts and crafts packs/toys/gifts/books and more.</p> <p>The charity also supported hospital staff and coordinated the deliveries of many thousands of essentials and treats.</p>
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Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have read and have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The charity does not currently provide grants.
	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We received help from a small number of highly valued and enthusiastic volunteers – at fundraising events such as cake sales, seasonal fairs and with the coordination of small community support activities.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.18</p>	<p>Large numbers of families with sick children were helped and supported within the hospital, at home and within the local community. The charity continued to build and maintain strong relationships with staff members within the hospital and supported various teams with funds for equipment, resources and activities.</p> <p>Membership figures grew, through the use of regular ward visits and through social media. The charity Facebook and Twitter accounts were extremely popular, being updated daily and encouraging interaction between members.</p> <p>The charity built further relationships with businesses, gaining their support.</p> <p>Community fundraising figures continued to grow due to increased family contact and general awareness of the charity and hospital. A large number of local events such as family fun days, cake sales and sponsored activities were undertaken bringing in valued funds.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The charity's Fundraising Manager liaised with families and supporters who contacted the charity wishing to carry out activities or hold events to raise funds, giving advice on creating online fundraising pages, posting of fundraising packs and coordinating the bookings of sporting places.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Despite a difficult year for fundraising the charity remains strong financially. Expenditure will continue to be carefully monitored moving forward and new avenues of income generation explored.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Brompton Fountain is committed to maintaining a minimum level of reserves of £150,000 at any one time which represents 1 year's running costs (approximately £100,000) plus an emergency level of charity support costs (approximately £50,000). The Trustees recognise the need for annual budgets and updated rolling forecasts through the year to take into account changes in financial circumstances to manage and mitigate potential shortfalls in fundraising income and related reductions in expenditure.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£150,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	No funds are in deficit.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's main source of income is community fundraising and donations from families, though we also carry out some Brompton Fountain led events and activities.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	We do not currently make any investments but keep all cash on deposit.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by a resolution

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity currently holds seven trustees on the board.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Brompton Fountain Royal Brompton & Harefield Family Support Group
Other name the charity uses	The Brompton Fountain
Registered charity number	1110339
Charity's principal address	Royal Brompton Hospital Sydney Street London SW3 6NP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr M Rigby	Chairman		
2	C Milner			
3	C Pridmore			
4	Dr P Daubeney			
5	Dr L Fleming			
6	N Nyoni			
7	L Strachan			
8	M Puckey		Resigned 24 th February 2020	
9	L Stedman		Resigned 14 th December 2020	

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Trudy Nickels – Chief Executive

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc.)		
Date		

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YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2020



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Brompton Fountain Royal Brompton & Harefield Family Support Group (Charity no 1110339) on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020, which comprise the statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

Responsibilities and basis of report

The charity's trustees responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Independent examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified Fellow of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that:

(1) In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulation 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.

(2) 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.

Chaweevan Williams FCCA
Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
Verdant Accountants Limited
167 Clarence Avenue, New Malden, Surrey KT3 3TX

Date:

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2020

		Unrestricted	Restricted	2020 Total	2019 Total
	Notes	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
		£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	64,804	11,889	76,693	113,614
Charitable activities	2	85,407	395	85,802	174,591
Other trading activities	2	11,083	0	11,083	20,630
Investments		0	0	0	0
Total Income		161,294	12,284	173,578	308,835
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	3	24,860	0	24,860	43,644
Charitable activities	3	236,941	24,749	261,690	227,992
Separate material item of expense		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0
Total Expenditure		261,801	24,749	286,550	271,636
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers and investment gains/(losses)					
		(100,507)	(12,465)	(112,972)	37,199
Net gains/(losses) on investments		0	0	0	0
Net income/(expenditure)		(100,507)	(12,465)	(112,972)	37,199
Extraordinary items		0	0	0	0
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0
Other recognised gains/(losses)		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		(100,507)	(12,465)	(112,972)	37,199
Reconciliation of funds:					
Fund Balances brought forward at 1 January 2020	9	405,338	12,465	417,803	380,604
Fund Balances carried forward at 31 December 2020		304,831	0	304,831	417,803

The notes on pages 17 to 25 form part of these financial statements. All activities relate to continuing operations.

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

		2020	2019	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
Notes	Funds	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	0	0	0	0
Investments	0	0	0	0
Total fixed assets	0	0	0	0
Current assets				
Stocks	6	5,000	0	5,000
Debtors	7	11,431	0	11,431
Investments		0	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand	8	308,420	0	308,420
Total current assets		324,851	0	324,851
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(20,020)	0	(20,020)
Net current assets		304,831	0	304,831
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		0	0	0
Total net assets		304,831	0	304,831
Funds of the Charity				
Restricted income funds	11	0	0	12,465
Unrestricted funds	11	304,831	0	304,831
Revaluation reserve		0	0	0
Total charity funds		304,831	0	304,831

The financial statements of The Brompton Fountain Royal Brompton & Harefield Family Support Group Charity, registered number 1110339, were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 15 December 2021.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees

Dr Michael Rigby – Chairman

Notes forming part of these Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

1. Accounting Policies

a. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" applicable to charities in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The Charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Financial Statements are prepared on the going concern basis which assumes that the charity will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Board of Trustees have considered the working capital and cash flow requirements and consider that the current and forecast cash resources are sufficient to cover the working capital requirements of the Charity for at least 12 months.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

b. Key judgements and estimates

Accounting estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

c. Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Board of Trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

d. Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income, and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

e. Resources Expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Expenditure on raising funds includes the generation of voluntary funds, the salary costs, the associated administration and cost of fundraising events, such IT, printing and stationery, and postage.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs identified as wholly or mainly incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the charity. These costs constitute direct costs together with apportionment of support costs and governance.

Accounting Policies (continued)

- f. Pension Costs
Pension costs for the defined contribution scheme are charged to the accounts on an accruals basis in accordance with FRS 102 and SORP 2015. Details of the pension schemes are disclosed in note xx to the accounts.
- g. Employee Benefits
Expenditure is recognised for all employee benefits resulting from their service to the Charity during the period.
- h. Stock
Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.
- i. Debtors
Debtors are amounts owed to the Charity. They are measured on the basis of their recoverable amount.
- j. Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the Charity.
- k. Creditors
Creditors are amounts owed by the Charity. They are measured at the amount that the Charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt. Amounts which are owed in more than a year are shown as long-term creditors.

2. Analysis of Income

				2020	2019
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
		£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:	Donations and gifts	81,411	11,889	93,300	113,614
	Gift Aid	0	0	0	0
	Legacies	0	0	0	0
	General grants provided by government/other charities	0	0	0	0
	Membership subscriptions and sponsorships which are in substance donations	0	0	0	0
	Donated goods, facilities and services	0	0	0	0
	Total donations and legacies	81,411	11,889	93,300	113,614
Charitable activities:	Rose Ward Heart Monitor Appeal	0	0	0	210
	Christmas Toy Appeal	0	395	395	2,570
	General	68,801	0	68,801	171,811
	Total charitable activities	68,801	395	69,196	174,591
Other trading activities:	Merchandise Sales	11,082	0	11,082	20,630
	Other	0	0	0	0
	Total other trading activities	11,802	0	11,082	20,630
Income from investments:	Interest income	0	0	0	0
	Dividend income	0	0	0	0
	Rental and leasing income	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0
	Total income from investments	0	0	0	0
Total Income		161,294	12,284	173,578	308,835

Other information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for: 2019 restricted income was £2,780 split between £210 relating to a heart monitor appeal and £2,570 to a christmas toy appeal.

3. Analysis of Expenditure

				2020	2019
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
		£	£	£	£
Expenditure on raising funds:	Incurring seeking donations	24,860	0	24,860	43,644
	Advertising, marketing, direct mail, publicity	0	0	0	0
	Database development costs	0	0	0	0
	Total expenditure on raising funds	24,860	0	24,860	43,644
Expenditure on charitable activities:	Charitable activities	236,941	24,749	261,690	227,992
	Other	0	0	0	0
	Total expenditure on charitable activities	236,941	24,749	261,690	227,992
Total expenditure		261,801	24,279	286,550	271,636

4. Fees for examination of the accounts

	2020	2019
	Total	Total
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	400	400
Assurance services other than audit or independent examination	0	0
Tax advisory fees	0	0
Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner	0	0

5. Pension Costs

Defined contribution pensions of £3,200 were charged to support costs as unrestricted expenditure.

6. Stocks

	2020	2019
Analysis of stock	Total	Total
	£	£
Charitable activities	2,000	0
Other trading activities	3,000	0
Total stock	5,000	0

No stock was pledged as security for liabilities

7. Debtors and Prepayments

	2020	2019
Analysis of debtors	Total	Total
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,000	0
Prepayments and accrued income	10,431	13,826
Other debtors	0	0
Total debtors and prepayments	11,431	13,826

8. Cash at Bank and In Hand

	2020	2019
Analysis of cash at bank and in hand	Total	Total
	£	£
Short term cash investments (less than 3 months maturity date)	0	0
Short term deposits	0	0
Cash at bank and on hand	308,420	415,088
Other	0	0
Total cash at bank and in hand	308,420	415,088

9. Creditors and Accruals

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Analysis of creditors	Total	Total	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	0	0	0	0
Other loans	0	0	0	0
Trade creditors	7,064	8,863	0	0
Accruals and deferred income	8,651	936	0	0
Taxation and social security	2,671	1,312	0	0
Other creditors	1,634	0	0	0
Total creditors and accruals	20,020	11,111	0	0

10. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities Year ended 31 December 2019 Analysed by Fund Type

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019 Total	2018 Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	113,614	0	113,614	35,013
Charitable activities	171,811	2,780	174,591	197,098
Other trading activities	20,630	0	20,630	0
Investments	0	0	0	0
Total Income	306,055	2,780	308,835	232,111
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	43,644	0	20,816	20,816
Charitable activities	201,713	26,279	227,992	196,880
Separate material item of expense	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditure	245,357	26,279	271,636	217,696
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers and investment gains/(losses)				
	60,698	(23,499)	37,199	14,415
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0	0	0	0
Net income/(expenditure)	60,698	(23,499)	37,199	14,415
Extraordinary items	0	0	0	0
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0
Other recognised gains/(losses)	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds	60,698	(23,499)	37,199	14,415
Reconciliation of funds:				
Fund Balances brought forward at 1 January	344,640	35,694	380,604	366,189
Fund Balances carried forward at 31 December	405,338	12,465	417,803	380,604

11. Charity Funds

Year end 31 December 2020:

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward 01/01/2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward 31/12/20
			£	£	£	£	£	£
Rose Ward Heart Monitor Appeal	R	Heart Monitors	12,465	11,889	(24,354)	0	0	0
Christmas Toy Appeal	R	Christmas Toys	0	395	(395)	0	0	0
General Funds	U	General Charitable Activities	405,338	161,294	(261,801)	0	0	304,831
Other Funds	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total funds			417,803	173,578	(286,550)	0	0	304,831

* Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendible endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds

Year end 31 December 2019:

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward 01/01/2019	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward 31/12/19
			£	£	£	£	£	£
Rose Ward Heart Monitor Appeal	R	Heart Monitors	35,964	210	(23,709)	0	0	12,465
Christmas Toy Appeal	R	Christmas Toys	0	2,570	(2,570)	0	0	0
General Funds	U	General Charitable Activities	344,640	306,055	(245,357)	0	0	405,338
Other Funds	N/A	N/a	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total funds			380,604	308,835	(271,636)	0	0	417,803

* Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendible endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds

12. Transactions with trustees and related parties

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

13. Post Balance Sheet Events

Covid-19 continued to negatively impact fundraising and operations throughout 2021.