

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Hands That Talk

I report to the charitable company's trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 7 to 27.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities set out on page 5, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Having satisfied myself that the charitable company is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charitable company Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined the charitable company accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company 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.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities 2019 (FRS 102)

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.

In connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland I have found no matters that require to be drawn to your attention.

I confirm that I am a registered member of Chartered Accountants Ireland.

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