

Acting Chair(s) Foreword

The last two years have been like no other and yet Autonomie has weathered the considerable challenges Covid 19 has presented.

The use of technology that allowed the service and projects to continue, has now thankfully moved on to greater face to face activities. The projects, Sail and Family Voice Hub have expanded their geographical boundaries beyond Belfast and have included Lisburn and West Belfast.

Staff have built on their success to now include holistic therapies which provides support for the young people and their families.

The fantastic support from Jerome and his team at the National Lottery Community Fund, continues to allow for innovation and embedding of services.

The dedication and hard work of the team culminated this year in a fabulous event at Belfast City Hall, hosted by the Deputy Lord Mayor Tom Haire who made Autonomie one of his charities of the year. The event was the perfect opportunity to showcase the achievement of Autonomie and allowed us to honour Trevor Boyle, founder, and former CEO, with his family and oldest friend in attendance to present the Trevor Boyle Awards.

Opportunities for fundraising presented themselves across the year, including money raised at the Celebration event, participation in the Belfast City Marathon and a show case of the young people's artwork in selling calendars to name a few.

Our thanks and appreciation for all the staff team, the young people and their families who have helped make this a very successful year.

Cathy Brannigan and Mary Bell



Just some of the highlights

“ **Autonomie is amazing!** ”

- Support for more Young People and families than ever
- Autonomie Celebrates at Belfast City Hall event 2022
- The Trevor Boyle Awards
- SAIL and Family Voice Hub projects expand geographical reach
- Autonomie supporters fundraise at Belfast City Marathon 2021
- Autonomie commended after being shortlisted for Community Prosperity award at World Health Organisation Belfast Healthy City Awards 2021
- Autonomie shortlisted in Best 'Not for Profit' Sector Project of the Year category in Belfast Telegraph IT Awards 2021
- New supporters including The Screwfix Foundation

“ **Thank you to the Autonomie team for all your hard work.** ”





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Our impact



100%

of young people and families were satisfied with our services.



74%

increase in the number of young people and families we supported.



800%

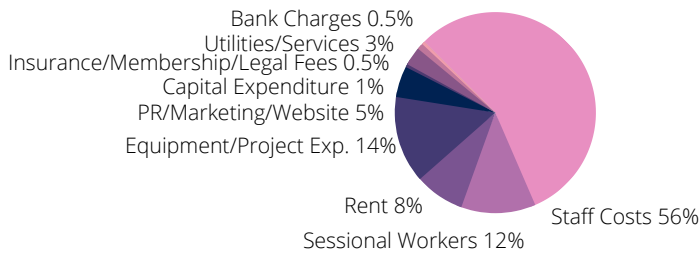
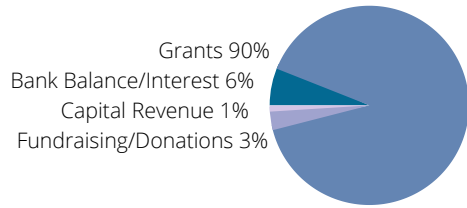
increase in the geographical reach of our services



Plans for the future

Next year provides us with opportunities to support even more young people with complex additional needs and across 8 local council areas. We will support more parents, siblings and extended families raising a child or young person with additional needs by delivering high-quality practical and emotional support.

Financial overview



Income 2021/22

Our total income for 2021/22 was £225,857.74. This was possible thanks to the generosity of all our supporters over the past 12 months. Our goal is to use their support as effectively as possible to ensure that every young person with additional needs can reach their potential and that every family raising a child or young person with additional needs is supported.

Spend 2021/22

In the last year our total expenditure was £166,987.40.

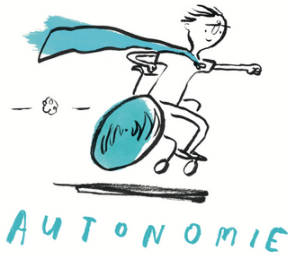
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Our supporters

Thanks to our supporters for their fantastic support during 2021-22.





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