

THE PUFFIN TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2018. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Reference, Administrative and Trustee Details

This information is included on page 1 of these financial statements.

The Puffin Trust is a charitable organisation in Northern Ireland that is dedicated to funding research into problems in pregnancy.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have had due regard for the guidance produced on Public Benefit by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (CCNI), and are pleased to report that during the year ended 31 March 2018 they have continued to meet the Public Benefit requirement by the provision of programmes and activities as noted in detail within this trustees report

The main activities undertaken by the charity in the year to 31 March 2018 to further its purposes for the public benefit are:

The development and evaluation of recent changes to the provision of antenatal care for women with gestational diabetes mellitus and work on an early warning foetal motion detection system. The charity raise money by organising educational courses and then use this money to fund research. Energy is focused on obstetricians and midwives to build a culture of critical thinking for the next generation.

Financial review

During the year the charity have generated funds of £9,060 (2017: £10,134) and have incurred expenses of £16,961 (2017: £7,523). The net deficit of £7,901 (2017: £2,611) has been deducted from the unrestricted reserves of the charity to leave a deficit on the unrestricted reserves of £844 (2017: surplus of £7,057). There were no restricted funds during the year or at the year end.

The trustees undertake personal responsibility for the deficit on reserves and expect that this will be cleared by funding to be received in the next year.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets and liabilities of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:


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Dr S Ong

Date: 1/12/2018