



A SMILE FOR THE JOURNEY

Love Amy

**NIC107558**

## **Annual Report**

1st Jan 2022 - 31st Dec 2022

### **Public benefits**

Love Amy feels it meets the public benefit requirement because its purposes satisfy both elements of the public benefit requirement. In practice, Love Amy's purposes provide 'Smile Grants' to a section of the public (i.e. those children and young diagnosed with cancer or affect by the disease through the diagnosis of other immediate family members (parents or siblings) or those affected by other illnesses or social issues. The direct benefits flowing from the purpose of Love Amy include:

- relief from sickness through the provision of no strings attached grants;
- relief from the emotional or social issues by hopefully helping to take the focus of the immediate situation the beneficiaries are in;
  - improved emotional wellbeing of beneficiaries;
- reduced levels of stress and anxiety caused by dealing with the impact of cancer and other illness or social issues
  - reduced levels of isolation – beneficiaries feel supported, cared for and valued at a very vulnerable time in their lives – giving individuals and families a sense of not 'being alone on the journey.
  - individuals and families are better able to cope with their or their loved ones illness
    - enhanced self-confidence and self-worth of beneficiaries
  - enhanced family life by providing opportunities to come together and just be family
- improved health outcomes of beneficiaries as a result of the increased funding for cancer research and other groups set up to alleviate suffering in children or young people.

None of the above benefits are deemed harmful. All of the above benefits can be demonstrated from feedback and sometimes photographs we receive from parents or those who have received

and benefited from a 'Smile Grants and from reports made public from Centre for Cancer Research & Cell Biology into breakthroughs into cures for cancers. A potential private benefit that any staff employed by Love Amy will receive appropriate salaries and expenses. As this is incurred in order to deliver its purposes this is necessary and incidental

### **Public Benefit Statement**

The trustees believe that our purposes meet the public benefit requirement we have given grants to children and young people affected by cancer, with no strings attached to spend to give them ' a smile for the journey'. These benefits are evident through feedback and photographs we received from those who receive the 'Smile grants'. These also help lift those who get them and their families as they know they are being regarded and thought about on the difficult journey they are on.

### **Annual Achievements**

We gave out money to children and young people affected by cancer in the form of 'Smile Grants' as we received requests for them through the families themselves or mutual contacts. No money was given to cancer research in this financial year.

### **Financial Review**

In total we raised £7,479 we raised this through various events and donations. Our expenditure was £5,726 and was primarily given out as 'Smile Grants' to children and young people in N. Ireland though £85 was bank charges and £221 insurance and accountants fee £300. Our total funds available are £12,393. We have no other assets at time of writing.

A massive thank you to all our supporters.

### **Statement Of Assets And Liabilities**

As a charity we have no assets or liabilities at this time. We neither own or are owed anything. In the time frame of this report we have, as previously stated available funds of ££12,393.

#### **Trustees**

Mark Reid

Jean Reid

Emma McGrady

