

Trustees' Annual Report 2023

Ernie's Angels Charity

Trustees' report for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Objectives and activities

The purpose of the charity is to provide financial assistance towards palliative care costs and funeral expenses of local children and to support special projects to aid terminally ill and bereaved children and their families living in the Bailiwick of Guernsey.

The main activity of the charity in relation to its purpose is to fundraise locally by attending events, holding sales of donated goods, collecting donations etc.

Achievements and performance

The main achievements of the charity to beneficiaries, and to the wider community this year were paying funeral costs for local children supporting their families at their most difficult of times and supporting special projects on Frossard Ward at the PEH to benefit terminally ill children both now and in the future.

Financial review

The Statement of Income and Expenditure, and the Balance Sheet are set out on pages 3 to 6.

The charity's policy is to hold healthy reserves for future use as the need for our aid is unpredictable and often immediate. The calls on our charity for aid have varied greatly and we would always want to hold reserves to be able to assist both families and necessary future projects. The previous pandemic situations illustrated that there may be long periods where we would not be able to raise funds but we could still have families that would need financial assistance. Ernie's Angels have benefitted from free use of a pop up shop which has enabled us to raise funds over the last few years allowing us to build up a healthy reserve to sustain the charity going forward. We could not continue in the High St shop beyond the third quarter of the year as this property was no longer available to us. We opened for a week in December at the OSA in Smith St and both of these opportunities allowed us to raise funds in a way which will not be open to us next year (2024). We will have to investigate other ways to raise funds. The committee manned stalls at the Governors Fete and the West Show in the summer and the Round Table and Active Fayre at Christmas raising healthy funds. Ernie's Angels donors have been very supportive and the committee have worked extremely hard to achieve the position of having income over expenditure previously and feel that the charity is in a very fortunate position in having reserves ready to use in the future to assist the Guernsey community.

Structure, governance, and management

The charity is constituted as an unincorporated association under a Governing Document, most recently amended on 14th January 2022 and most recently reviewed on 13th January 2024.

Trustees/committee members are elected at the charity's annual general meeting and serve for 1 year before they are required to stand down and offer themselves for re-election. They may be re-elected as many times as the committee agrees.

Reference and administrative details

The full name of the charity and the Charity Registration number is Ernie's Angels, registered charity no CH567.

The charity has no physical premises and the principal office of the charity is the address of the Chairman of the Trustees, as follows La Carriere, Le Grais Lane, Les Vauxbelets, St Andrews, Guernsey, GY6 8YW.

The names of all Trustees/committee members as at the date of this report, and who served during the year are as follows ...

Clare Backlund-Leale.	Chairperson/Trustee
Zoe Gosling.	Treasurer/Trustee
Melanie Bisson.	Secretary/Trustee
Fiona McIntosh.	Committee Member/Trustee
Sara Mallett.	Committee Member/Trustee
Joseph Backlund-Leale.	Committee Member/Trustee
Jan Rushton.	Committee Member/Trustee
Martyn Rushton.	Committee Member/Trustee

For charities with Gross Income in excess of £500,000, additional disclosures are required, as set out in the SORP.

Dated 13th January 2024

Clare Backlund-Leale

Chairman

Zoe Gosling

Treasurer

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Income and Expenditure for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

			2023	2022	Notes
	Restricted or ring-fenced funds	Unrestricted funds	Total		
			£	£	
Income					
Donations and legacies		4,925.70	4,925.70	x	1
Fundraising and sales		10,318.97	10,318.97	x	3
Investment and rental income		8.03	8.03	x	
Total Income			15,252.70	xx	
Expenditure					
Raising funds			610.36	x	4
Charitable activities			20,040.00	x	5
Administrative expenditure			294.10	x	6
Other expenditure				x	
Total Expenditure			20,944.46	xx	
Net income/(expenditure)			(5,691.76)	xx	
Reserves brought forward			122,334.49	x	
Reserves carried forward			116,642.73	xx	

Notes

- 1 *Includes all donations (and any tax rebates), and membership subscriptions. Excludes donated goods and services intended for resale (but includes goods and services donated for charity's own use)*
- 3 *Income from fundraising events and trading activities to raise funds for the charity, sponsorships*

- 4 *Costs of seeking donations, grants, legacies, staging events, operating charity shops*
- 5 *All costs of activities that further the charitable aims, including costs of arranging grants*
- 6 *Costs that are not directly attributable to fundraising or furthering the charitable mission*

Sub-headings should be used to identify material items within any of the above headings

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023

	2023	2022	<i>Notes</i>
Current assets:			
Cash at bank and in hand	116,642.73	xx	
Total current assets	116,642.73	xx	
Total Net Assets or liabilities	116,642.73	xx	
Represented by the funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds	116,642.73	xx	
Total unrestricted funds	116,642.73	xx	
Total charity funds	116,642.73	xx	

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Notes to the Accounts

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounts	<p>These financial statements are prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, including FRS 102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to charities in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland, as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) agreed between all United Kingdom Charity Commissions and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accounting.</p> <p><i>The SORP provides that for charities with Gross income less than £250,000, accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis, and that is the basis on which these accounts are prepared</i></p> <p>The financial statements comply with applicable laws and give a true and fair view.</p>
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