



**Cope Children's Trust  
Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts  
Year ended 31 March 2022**

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## 1. Introduction

### Elijah's Story

A brain injury has left Elijah unable to do anything for himself and needing round the clock care - but he embraces life with a smile on his face.

"I am constantly in awe of him," said mum Lizzie. "Despite everything he faces, Elijah is an incredibly happy, cheeky and fun-loving little boy who just loves life."

**Elijah was born 14 weeks early at just 2lbs 8oz and initial brain scans were promising. However at just four-weeks-old, a hernia caused a perforation in his bowel. Medics battled to save Elijah who was fighting for his life at Nottingham's Queen's Medical Centre. He was so poorly, his body had begun to shut down and his parents, Lizzie and Tim, were told several times he might not survive.**

"I think I have blocked a lot of this time out," said Lizzie. "He was just four weeks old. We thought 'we can't lose him now'; everything had been going so well. He was transferred from Derby to Nottingham in the middle of the night. I was scared and I was terrified. I still struggle to go to the Queen's Medical Centre (QMC) now, it brings back so many painful memories and I find it overwhelming."

Amazingly Elijah pulled through but the injury to his brain caused widespread damage. He is unable to talk, eat or move independently. He is profoundly deaf and has frequent seizures.

When he was four-years-old, the family first visited Rainbows and have been supported by us ever since. Elijah and his brother, Zach, love to visit our Hospice.

**"I was excited to see Rainbows and was wowed by it. Tim found it more overwhelming to start with but it had everything, and more, that we could wish for Elijah," said Lizzie.**

**"Rainbows doesn't feel at all how you expect a hospice might feel and is more about having fun and making precious memories together.**

"Elijah loves the Hydrotherapy Pool and the benefit on his muscle tone has been huge. He thinks the waterbed and lights in the Multisensory Room are great fun and thoroughly enjoys being in the garden where he can use the accessible swing and roundabout.

**"As a family, we personally have benefited from Family Support services, counselling and the home sitting services during Covid. The provision is amazing for all of us, we wouldn't be without Rainbows.**

"My professional background is in nursing where I worked with children with very complex health needs. I had supported families like ours for so long, and all of a sudden, we are on the other side of the fence. No amount of training could have prepared me for that.

**"I like to think I was always a good nurse but actually, I had no idea what those families went through on a day-to-day basis. I don't think you can truly understand that unless you are living it. Rainbows helps us to get through the tough times and, along with so many other families, we rely on their support."**

**"Elijah loves the Hydrotherapy Pool and the benefit on his muscle tone has been huge."**

Elijah's Mum





## Who we are and what we do

Cope Children's Trust is a registered charity which is based in Loughborough, Leicestershire. The charity operates Rainbows Hospice for Children and Young People. The Hospice based at Lark Rise provides care and support for children and young people who have a life-limiting or life-threatening illness and for their families from across the East Midlands.

Rainbows opened its doors in 1994, was officially opened by Prince Charles in 1995 and in 2019 celebrated 25 years of care.

## Our Vision

The Rainbows Experience wherever you are.

## Our Mission

Across the East Midlands we will:

- transform care for those children and young people who have a life-limiting or life-threatening condition
- relieve the pain and symptoms associated with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions
- support every child and young person to achieve their full potential
- create memories for families to treasure
- provide comfort and compassion at the time of and following the death of a child or young person

We provide the following services as part of the holistic care to our users

**End of  
Life Care**

**Symptom  
Control**

**Respite  
Care**

**Hydrotherapy**

**Music  
Therapy**

**Physiotherapy**

**Multi-sensory**

**Specialist Play**

**Complementary  
Therapy**

**Family  
Support**

**Neo-natal  
Support**

**Youth  
Support**

**Bereavement  
Support**

**Social  
Support**

**At Home  
Support  
Services**

**Psychological  
support**

**Sibling  
Support**

**Complex  
Care**

**Rainbows  
Nurses in  
Hospitals**

**Outreach  
Support**



## Introduction from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees

"May you live in interesting times" has often been used as a familiar quote. Whether this is true or not, it is certainly the case that we all are living in what can be conservatively defined as interesting times.

Along with everyone else, I suspect, the people involved with Rainbows took their first tentative steps, collectively and individually, out of the terrible shadow of Covid towards what we hoped would pass for something resembling the normality that we had been missing for over two years. Yet we are now faced with another bout of uncertainty and restriction brought about by conflict in the Ukraine and associated shortages and spiralling costs.

Rainbows as an organisation is in a better position than many. This is largely due to the generosity of our supporters, the skills and dedication of our staff and volunteers, the leadership of the management team and the governance and insight of the Trustees.

Our balance sheet remains strong, we have retained an excellent group of people and continue to enjoy strong support from stakeholders and the families we support.

As such, whilst we will inevitably have to show some caution, I am confident that we can further develop and grow the reach of our services to ensure that the children and young people of the East Midlands with life-threatening and life-limiting conditions, whatever their background, can benefit from the Rainbows experience wherever they are.

I want to take a moment here to thank my fellow Trustees. The past couple of years have not been easy and the necessary reliance on video-conferencing has stretched relationships at times. However, I am pleased to say that we have stuck at it and continued to provide the Senior Leadership Team our support and challenge in equal measure. At this year's AGM we will be bidding farewell to Joanne Brunner after 10 years as a Trustee. Those who have had dealings with Joanne will understand me when I say we will miss her wise counsel, passion and compassion as part of not just the Board but the wider Rainbows family.

I am constantly amazed and humbled by the skills, professionalism and dedication shown by all those involved in making Rainbows the special organisation that it is. The children, young people and their families constantly and consistently praise the support they receive from the care team. But we should not forget the whole host of staff and volunteers who also dedicate their time to contributing to what makes Rainbows special.

To you all, on behalf of the Board, I extend our gratitude and best wishes.

## Paul Stothard - Chairman



## 2. Our Strategic Report

### How we work

#### Organisation

The Board has overall remained stable during the year. The Board met quarterly during the year with other away days or meetings as necessary including a strategy away day with the Senior Leadership Team. In between the Board Meetings both Governance Committees met. Both the Clinical Quality Assurance Committee and the Corporate Governance Committee have met four times during the year. The Audit Committee met during the year to receive the Auditor's report on the Annual Report and Accounts. Due to Covid-19 restrictions and given that the majority of these meetings have been held and continue to be held virtually, Trustees have not been as visible to the staff and volunteers this year but it is hoped that we can engage their physical participation next year.

Our Senior Leadership Team welcomed Julia Bates to the role of Director of People in October 2021.

The charity continues to develop the role of the Operational Leadership Team involving the Heads of Department and members of the Senior Leadership Team. The Operational Team are integral to the decision making and performance monitoring processes. They are consulted on developments in strategy and policies and procedures.

#### Purpose built facilities

We operate the charity and run the Hospice from the Rainbows site at Lark Rise in Loughborough. The Hospice is a purpose built unit that houses 14 bedrooms, two quiet rooms, a therapy suite, offices and extensive grounds with gardens for play and quiet reflection. During 2022/23 we will be revisiting the footprint of Lark Rise to ensure we are making the most of available space and meeting environmental targets.

### Staff training and development

Our care and other professional teams are committed to continuous professional development.

The Care Team are well qualified and experienced and are supported by specialists in play, physiotherapy, complementary therapy and music therapy. The team are supported by dedicated administrators, housekeepers and catering staff.

Medical Support is provided by GP's, Hospital and Community Paediatricians.

The charity has a Supporter Relations Team who raise the funds to enable the Charity to carry out its charitable purpose.

The Business Resources and People Teams provide support functions to the Hospice such as finance, IT, estates, facilities, health and safety, human resources and learning and development.



## Developing the next generation of Hospice professionals

Rainbows supports a wide range of learning and development activities for staff and volunteers to meet mandatory requirements, develop role specific skills and address personal development needs identified through the appraisal process.

We have run a number of organisational development courses involving all staff and Trustees across the charity. This programme will continue.

During the year the charity financially supported a nurse to attend the Masters course in Paediatric Palliative Care in Cardiff, and the knowledge they gain will be shared with colleagues back at the Hospice.

We work closely with local universities to support the needs of medical students. We support students on placement at Rainbows and offer clinical expertise, education and training in palliative care across the region and further afield.

We run palliative care courses at different academic levels to meet the identified training needs of internal staff and others external to Rainbows. We have also introduced a 'monthly' learning and development focus within the Care Team to ensure competence is maintained or to improve knowledge for new techniques.

The Charity is committed to being a learning and development organisation. Two of the members of Supporter Relations have successfully completed the certificate in fundraising.

Covid-19 has presented us with opportunities to develop and enhance the skills of our nursing workforce by working in partnership with the NHS. We are continuing to develop, embed and utilise these skills in our future service provision proposals and remain committed to supporting the wider healthcare system by maintaining strong relationships built during this challenging time. We now provide Hospice Nurses in Hospitals and are developing our community and outreach model to ensure we continue to provide relevant services in a post Covid world.

## Volunteers

Without the generosity of the people and organisations of the East Midlands, Rainbows would simply not exist. Volunteers are an integral part of the Charity.

In addition to our regular active volunteers, we are also supported by many volunteers in the form of "friends" groups and individuals. They help us on an ad hoc basis with promoting Rainbows in their community, fundraising and event support, as well as organising their own fundraising initiatives.

In addition, we will continue to work alongside our volunteers based at Lark Rise.

In retail, we have continued our links with organisations to provide work placement opportunities through Kickstart for people looking to gain practical work experience. The positive benefit of these links is that many participants have signed up as regular volunteers at the end of their placement.

Our volunteers are also recognised externally. An example of this being our gardening volunteers, who work tirelessly to keep our gardens looking amazing, winning the highest award in the "It's Your Neighbourhood" category as part of the RHS Britain in Bloom campaign for a second time this year.

**Covid-19 continued to limit our normal volunteer activity but collectively they still donated 19,011 hours to the hospice which is equivalent to approximately ten FTE's. At an average annual salary, including on costs, this would value their time at £325,000.**





## Our priorities and objectives

### Purpose

The purpose of the Charity, as set out in the governing document, is to provide the Rainbows experience to children, young people and families wherever they are: Hospice, Hospital or Home.

### Aims

To provide emergency palliative and end of life care and short breaks, to children and young people with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions and to provide family and bereavement support to their families.

Across the East Midlands we will:

- transform care for those children and young people who have a life-limiting or life-threatening condition
- relieve the pain and symptoms associated with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions
- support every child and young person to achieve their full potential
- create memories for families to treasure
- provide comfort and compassion at the time of and following the death of a child or young person

The Hospice offers dynamic forward-thinking services meeting ethnic, cultural, religious, spiritual, and care needs of those using the services.

## Significant Activities for Public Benefit

### In Hospice Care

Care at the hospice in Lark Rise is made available to all children and young people who meet the medical criteria laid down by the charity. Each has an allocation of nights they can attend the hospice during the year. We have slightly reduced the number of nights available due to increased demand for complex care and end of life stays.

Each child and young person has an individualised care plan that details all of their care needs and choices, including information about the ways in which they would like to communicate with their carers.

### Outreach Service

We continue to develop outreach services to include care and support in the home at the end of life, increasing our reach to all communities within the East Midlands.

### Rainbows in Hospital

We also support a number of hospitals with Rainbows Palliative Care Specialist Nurses in both the Neonatal and Paediatric Units. We provide expert clinical advice to staff and emotional support to families and staff.

### Family Support

Families of children with life-limited conditions are often overwhelmed by the challenge of caring for their children; the complexities of working with many professionals, services and appointments; the difficulties of maintaining family life and employment; and can be isolated in the community. Accessing hospice care from Rainbows helps by providing them with relief from the day to day responsibility of care; expert care for their sick child and support for the whole family, including siblings.

When a child or young person is referred to Rainbows, a member of our Family Support Team will contact the family to talk about what they can expect from Rainbows. The team works in partnership with Community Nursing Teams and Social Care Providers to support families in the community, as well as when they are resident at the Hospice.

The Family Support Team offers a range of services including spiritual and cultural support and benefits advice. We have a bereavement co-ordinator and counsellor who offers support with end of life care planning and in all aspects of bereavement care.

## Our achievements and performance

### Getting full use of our facilities

Normally we enable families to access the facilities on a number of weekends and make the facilities in our Therapy Wing available to some external groups, including other local charities and mother and baby groups. This unfortunately has not been possible over the past year.

Rainbows is an integral part of the East Midlands Children and Young People's Palliative Care Network and hosts regular meetings throughout the year.

### Statement on Public Benefit

The Charity provides public benefit through the operation of a hospice for children and young people with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions and through the provision of family, community and bereavement support. The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission in determining the activities undertaken by the Charity.

### Criteria for measuring success

The Trustees' criteria for measuring success is to ensure the Charity continues to develop its services and reaches more children and young people who could benefit from the services we offer. We also seek to ensure our operating costs are well controlled whilst maintaining the quality of service delivery and that we maintain a level of income and reserves to ensure the sustainability of the Charity.

## Care


We are now entering the second year of our five year strategy, which will focus on increasing specialist nursing provision in hospitals and expanding our reach in the community. We continue to support the wider Health and Social Care system by providing hospital step down/transition services.

We reached out to more families across the East Midlands during the year and have continued to provide outstanding care at our Hospice in Loughborough. During the year, we continued the work of providing care for some of our region's most poorly children. And once again, this care was made possible because of the ongoing support we receive from our donors.

We continue to work with adult hospices and other services on ways in which we can successfully transition our young adults.

We recognise that we only reach 33% of those children who could benefit from Rainbows within the East Midlands and part of our strategic aim going forward is to increase the number of children we reach.





**"Orla loves the  
Multisensory Room  
and loves all of  
the lights."**

Orla's Mum

### Care Continued

Despite the ongoing pandemic, below are some of the services we provided always ensuring these were in line with the latest Government guidelines. More details can be obtained from our 2022/23 Quality Account.

- end of life care
- symptom control
- step down beds to support the NHS
- developed and implemented hospice at home services
- Rainbows in Hospital
- 66% of total referrals related to neo-natal
- provided virtual family support to an average of 100 families per day

### Investing in Technology

Implementation of our IT strategy has gathered pace over the past year. Having switched our external IT provider to Blaze Networks we have invested in a new private managed network, a new wifi system, migrated to cloud hosted servers and implemented a new care database, SystmOne. During the coming year we look to implement a new HR and recruitment system, improve the entertainment experience for all children and young adults at Lark Rise as well as embracing Office 365 and the use of SharePoint to its full potential. We continue to benefit from the continued support of our Trustee, David Wilson, for his valued guidance and support.



## Looking ahead - 2022 and beyond

Having obtained Board approval for rolling out our nurses in hospitals we have been rather preoccupied with the day to day impact of Covid-19. However, we remain committed to extending our reach in the future by increasing the number of nurses within hospitals as well as increasing Rainbows services at Lark Rise and in the community.

Learning from the Covid-19 crisis has shown us that there is much room to develop our technology and use of it to improve service delivery as well as communicating and recording data. We have proven that we can work from home, so what do we do with the offices at Lark Rise?

We have reinstated all short break services at the Hospice and are continuing to provide hospice at home services developed during the pandemic. We will be further developing our Community and Outreach services following an in depth review of the needs of children, young people and families.

The continuance of social distancing will be a part of our everyday life and we need to bear that in mind when planning services.

As we emerge from the Covid-19 crisis there are likely to be opportunities to develop further partnerships and the potential for more commissioned services in the future.

It is important that the links we have built up through the crisis are not lost but built on to work in true partnership with other professionals and the wider health and social care community. Rainbows is not an island but a part of the health community and the wider community.

It is important we hear the voice of the child and the family in all of our strategic decisions and changes to services. We must ensure we build services based on the changing needs of our community and the evidence from research such as Lorna Fraser's 'Making Every Child Count'.

We will be developing systems to ensure 'the voice of the child' is heard by implementing the 15 steps challenge and the Voice of the Child Survey in 2022.

**Sadly, some children just don't live long enough.**

Since 1994 we have opened our doors and hearts to those children, young people and the people who love them most. And now more than ever, we need your help to keep on bringing care and happiness to our children, young people and their families.

**Help brighten short lives**



## Principal risks and uncertainties

Through the risk management processes established for the charity, the Trustees are satisfied that the major risks identified have been adequately mitigated where necessary.

Major risks are identified and ranked in terms of their potential impact and likelihood; there are those which have a high likelihood of occurring and would, if they occurred, have a severe impact on the operational performance, achievement of aims and objectives or could damage the reputation of the charity, changing the relationship between Rainbows and our Trustees, supporters or beneficiaries.

As a charity providing care for children, young people and their families all staff have a responsibility to ensure the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults. In order to fulfill our responsibilities and mitigate risks, DBS checks are routinely performed on new and existing staff and volunteers where appropriate to do so. Trustees, staff and volunteers attend statutory and mandatory training, adhering to local Safeguarding Children and Adults Boards' policies and procedures and inter-agency guidance. The Charity has appropriate policies and procedures in place, employs a Safeguarding Lead and the Executive Nurse and Director of Clinical Operations has responsibility for oversight of this activity.

The annual review has identified only a few minor risks but this has resulted in improved procedures and contingency plans and has given the impetus for better planning. Particular attention was focused on non-financial risks which might arise from shortages of qualified and experienced staff which could affect the charity's ability to comply with healthcare requirements. From an employment perspective, the charity aims to recruit and maintain a motivated, skilled workforce, providing training and support as appropriate. We maintain high standards in employment practices to ensure the fair and efficient use of our most valuable asset, our people.

A key element in the management of financial risk is the setting of a reserves policy and its regular review by the Trustees. The policy is informed by forecasts of future income levels, expenditure in future years, and an analysis of future needs, opportunities and contingencies of risk. If and when these risks arise,

an assessment of the likelihood of each of those events arising and the potential consequences for the charity of not being able to meet them are also considered.

Low risks have been brought together in a "low risk register" so that we do not lose sight of these risks even if we consider them to have a low severity or impact at the time they were considered.

The Covid-19 crisis has presented the charity with significant risks to its staff, volunteers and users if they should contract the virus. There is also potential risk to our income streams as we emerge from the pandemic and seek clarity on whether the economic downturn has impacted our donors, funders and supporters. The Executive Team are working on alternative income streams to mitigate this risk going forward.



**"Rainbows is  
somewhere we  
can go and  
enjoy together."**

Rainbows' Mum



## Financial Review

Results for the year ended 31 March 2022 are shown in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities on page 22. This, together with the Consolidated Balance Sheet on page 23, should be read in conjunction with the related notes which have been produced in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

The Trustees are pleased with the result for the year recognising the continuing impact from the Covid-19 pandemic and the uncertainties and challenges this has presented.

## Where our income came from in 2021/2022

**11.1%  
overall  
increase**

Total income in the year grew by 11.1% from £7,180,000 to £ 7,976,000, which is an excellent result for the year in the current climate.

The above increase includes £625,000 from a significant major donor.

All of our supporters, donors, funders and volunteers are incredible and never fail to amaze us with their dedication and commitment to helping the children, young people and families that we support at Rainbows. We cannot thank enough each and every one of them for all they do and give in support of our cause.

Thank you so very much.

## How we spent your money in 2021/2022

Total expenditure during the year increased by 10.9% from £5,986,000 to £6,642,000.

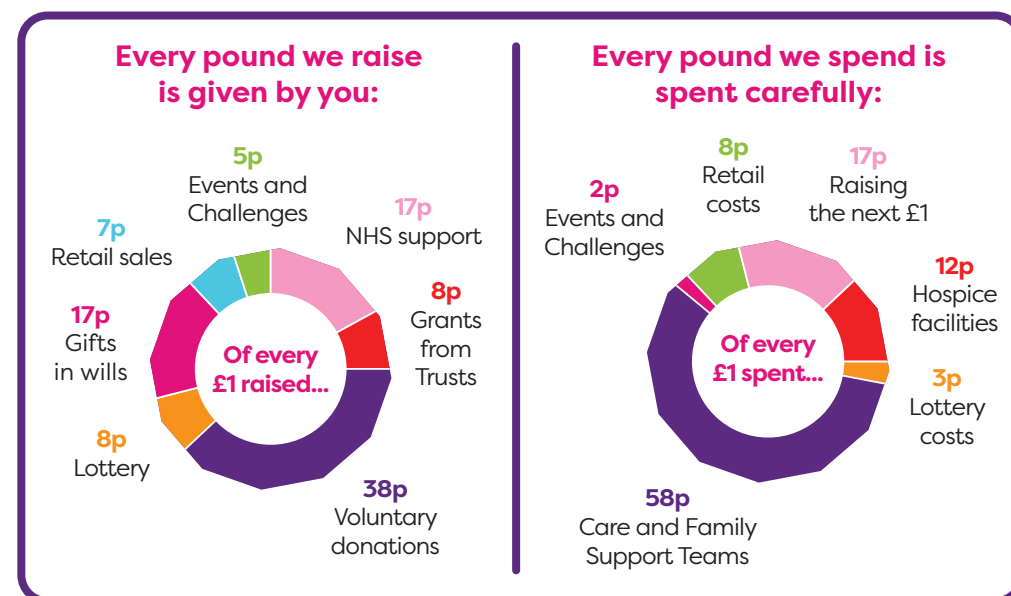
Expenditure on fundraising activities has increased to £2,064,000 from £1,634,000 in the previous year.

Overall charitable spending increased during the year from £4,350,000 to £4,565,000 and is 69% of the total expenditure for the year (2021 73%).

We aim to maximise the value of all donations by obtaining best value for money on all our operating costs. We exercise restraint on pay increase costs having due regard to the economic climate and other sector awards. Cost savings are never made at the expense of the quality of care we provide.

**10.9%  
overall  
increase**

Staff employment costs were the largest item of expenditure in the year at 70% of total costs, and they represent the salaries of the care team within the hospice and the team of staff who provide support throughout the hospice and in the community.



## Investment Policy

The Trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the hospice and to the reserves policy, have operated a policy of keeping a large proportion of available funds in interest bearing deposit accounts and seek to achieve a rate of deposit interest which matches or exceeds inflation. However, the Trustees have placed the security of cash deposits above possible financial return. Where monies are available that are not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, the Trustees have appointed investment managers on a discretionary basis. Regular communication is maintained between the investment managers and the Corporate Governance Committee relating to all portfolio changes. The Trustees exercise the "duty of care" described in the Trustee Act 2000 with regards to all investments.



## Reserves Policy

The charity's reserves are detailed in note 17 and 18 to the accounts.

The review of current and future predicted reserves, in line with forecast management accounts performance and cashflow requirements, demonstrates robustness and reassurance in relation to the preparation of the financial statements on a going concern basis.

The Trustees have established the level of reserves using the methodology outlined in the Charity Commission Guidance so have considered the level of required reserves based on the assets used in the charity and the risk to the charity and likelihood of an event occurring. This ensures that where reserves are needed to bridge any funding gaps between running the hospice and income being received, and events, commitments or emergency requirements, funds are available. This enables us to continue our current activities and fund short term expenditure should external funding drop significantly.

A review was carried out by the Director of Business Resources, the CEO and the Treasurer based on the Charity Commission Guidance on Reserves. The Trustees consider the level of required reserves to be £3,698,000 (2021 - £3,698,000) based on the report presented to them and agreed that both the policy and its implementation will be reviewed annually. The total free reserves at 31 March 2022 was £5,624,000 (2021 - £3,986,000). Note 18 details the analysis of reserves of the charity.

The Trustees consider it appropriate to retain the surplus reserves held for prudence in an uncertain economic climate and so that future strategic service developments can be pursued. We are in a positive position in that our surplus reserves will enable us to build our strategic aims in a sustainable way and allow for improvements in the utilisation of technology in our work. To facilitate these strategic aims Trustees have agreed to £2,741,000 of designated reserves.

## Review of subsidiary company performance

Shop trading was only slightly interrupted at the start of April 2021 as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. Company results are shown in note 12 to the accounts.

The charity has five shops and their financial performance improved collectively as a result of increased sales during the year. The subsidiary made a net profit of £51,794 (2021 - £21,367) for the year.

The Directors continue to review the development of retail activities as we gain an understanding of the economic climate post lockdown restrictions.

## Review of investment performance

Brewin Dolphin and St James's Place have acted as investment managers to the Trust during the year. Investments made by the advisors on our behalf are within the risk classification "Cautious with Risk".

This year the performance of the investment portfolio, which is benchmarked against the WMA Private Investors Income Index (Total Return), has performed lower than the benchmark. At the year end the portfolio reflected a gain, on a total return basis, of 3.01% compared with the benchmark of 6.08%.

The Trustees carry out an annual review of the investment managers' performance.

### 3. Statement on Fundraising Activities

Rainbows has a team of fundraisers who are employed by the charity. This team of fundraisers, part of the Supporter Relations department, supports individuals and groups that fundraise on our behalf. They also raise funds from individual donors, events, companies and grant making bodies to secure the funds needed to keep the Hospice in operation year after year. The department is split into four teams which reflect the different focus areas for our fundraising activities.

The four departments are:

1. Individual Giving (which includes our lottery and gifts in wills)
2. Organisational Giving (focusing on companies and grant making bodies)
3. Community and Events
4. Retail

The teams all work collaboratively on all aspects of funding and work hard to ensure that we offer the best support we can to those who fundraise on our behalf. Our focus is to build long term meaningful relationships with our supporters.

In addition to our in-house team, we have a commercial contract in place with Burden and Burden for the recruitment of new lottery players, which enables us to grow the amount of money we raise from the lottery to fund our work. All Rainbows fundraising activity complies with the Code of Fundraising Practice.

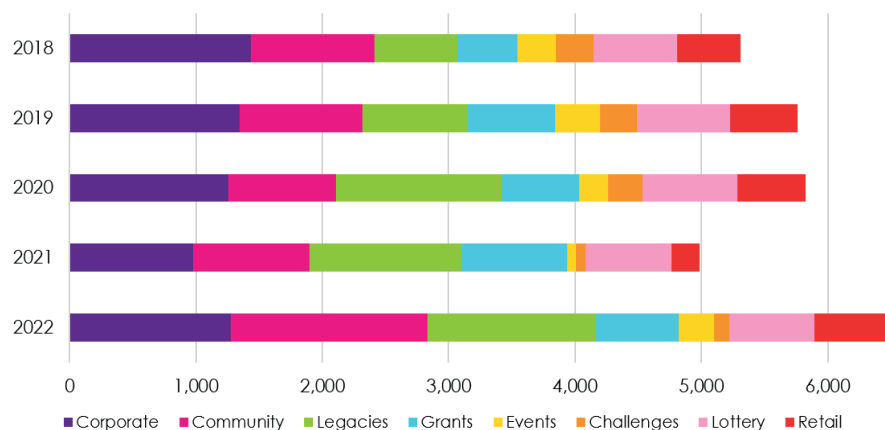
Where fundraising activity is taking place on our behalf (for example Burden and Burden or supporters putting their own events on for us) we ask that the Codes of Practice are followed. In some cases (as required by the Code of Fundraising Practice) we insist on a Commercial Participator Agreement being signed by all parties. Rainbows is registered with the Fundraising Regulator.

There is no occurrence of non-compliance with the Fundraising code.

In the year ended 31 March 2022 there were no significant matters of complaint that required further action.

The charity protects vulnerable people including its users by having appropriate checks and balances in our promotion of the charities fundraising activities to them and ensuring staff are aware of our responsibility in this area.

Income by Source £'000



## 4. Structure, Governance and Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

### Governing Document

Cope Children's Trust, operating as Rainbows Hospice for Children and Young People, is a registered charity and a Company limited by guarantee with one trading subsidiary, namely Cope Marketing Ltd. Rainbows Hospice in Loughborough is primarily engaged in the provision of specialist respite, symptom control, palliative and end of life care for children and young people with a life-limiting and life-threatening conditions. The governing document of the charity is the Articles of Association of the Company dated 2018. Having completed the review of the articles these were approved by the Board and the Charity Commission and adopted during 2019.

### Charity Governance code

The Charity has its own Framework for Board and Governance which is drawn up in line with the Charity Governance Code and there are no material departures there from.

### Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Articles of the Company and serve for an initial period of three years. An audit of the Trustees' skills and a review of available skills is completed annually and also undertaken in relation to any vacant positions. All Trustees are also directors of the Company limited by guarantee. The articles state that all trustees serve a term of three years and may stand for two further terms. Thereafter Trustees may be elected for further periods on an annual basis.

Trustees may from time to time elect a Chair and one or more Vice Chair. The Chair may be re-elected once and serve a maximum of six years.

### Trustee induction and training

New Trustees undergo an orientation day to brief them on their legal obligations under Charity and Company Law, the content of the Articles of Association of the Company, the sub-committee and decision-making processes, the business plan

and recent financial performance of the charity. During the induction day they meet key employees and other Trustees. Training needs are discussed annually with the Chair as part of the appraisal process and Trustees can access training from a variety of sources. There are Trustee/Senior Management "away days" including training, education and strategic planning. All Trustees and senior management receive safeguarding training to enable them to monitor the charity's responsibilities in this area.

### Organisation

The Board of Trustees administers the charity. As a registered charity, a limited Company, an employer and a provider of health services to vulnerable children and young people, Cope Children's Trust faces complex legislative and inspection arrangements. The Trustees have the responsibility to ensure that all the activities comply with best practice and that reliance can be placed on well documented procedures that are consistently applied. Two groups have been established to check that adequate procedures exist and to monitor by inspection that they are used effectively: a 'Corporate Governance' committee, comprising both Trustees and senior managers, and a 'Clinical Governance' committee, consisting of suitably qualified Trustees and the Executive Nurse. Both committees report to the full Board of Trustees. To facilitate effective operations, the Chief Executive Officer has delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including employment, finance, and the day to day running of the Hospice.

The Trustees confirm that all major risks have been reviewed and procedures have been established to manage those risks.



## Related Parties

None of our Trustees receive remuneration or other benefits from their work with the charity. Any personal interest between a Trustee or senior manager and the charity's activities must be disclosed to the full Board of Trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. Transactions with related parties are disclosed in note 21 to the accounts. The charity's wholly owned subsidiary Cope Marketing Ltd was established for non-primary trading activities and when available covenants its profits to the charity.

## Key Management personnel remuneration

The key management personnel are the Board of Trustees and members of the Senior Leadership Team who are detailed on page 17 and 18. The Trustees lead the strategic direction of the charity and act as an oversight Board to the Senior Leadership Team who manage the operational aspects of the charity on a day to day basis. The remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer and the Senior Leadership Team is reviewed and set annually by the Board of Trustees.

## Statement of responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees (who are also directors of Cope Children's Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' annual report including the strategic report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company or group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at year end was £13 (2021 - £13). The Trustees are members of the charity but this entitles them only to voting rights. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

## Auditor

Sayer Vincent LLP was re-appointed as the charitable company's auditor during the year and has expressed its willingness to continue in that capacity.

The Trustees' annual report which includes the strategic report has been approved by the Trustees on date and signed on their behalf by

## 5. Reference and Administration Details

**Chairman** Paul Stothard

**Vice Chair** Sue Dryden

Chan Kataria OBE

**Treasurer** Angela Browning

**Corporate Governance Committee**

Chan Kataria OBE (Chair)

Joanne Brunner

Vipal Karavadra

Richard Whall

Angela Browning

Dave Wilson

**Clinical Quality Assurance Committee**

Sue Dryden (Chair)

Vijay Sharma

Matt Rooney

Dr Gail Allsopp (retired 16/05/2022)

Christina Brooks

**Founder** Harry Moore

**President** The Duchess of Rutland

**Vice President** Vacant

**Patrons** Anne Davies

Tony Jacklin CBE

Chris Cohen

Fiona Cairns

Andy Abraham

Ady Dayman

Angela Rippon OBE

William Roache MBE

David Walliams OBE

Nina Conti

Rakhee Thakrar

Sam Bailey

Lydia Bewley

Kwoklyn Wan

## 5. Reference and Administration Details (continued)

### Company Secretary

Glyn Rees-Jones

### Senior Leadership Team

Dee Sissons – Chief Executive Officer

Julie Taylor – Executive Nurse and Director of Clinical Operations

Jane Burns – Director of Supporter Relations

Glyn Rees-Jones – Director of Business Resources

Julia Bates – Director of People – appointed October 2021

### Contact Details

Charity number – 1014051

Company number – 02743297

Operating name – Rainbows Hospice for Children and Young People

Principal and Registered Office – Lark Rise, Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE11 2HS

Countries of Registration and Incorporation: England and Wales

### Auditor

Sayer Vincent, London

### Principal Bankers

National Westminster bank plc, Leicester

### Principal Solicitors

Shoosmiths, Nottingham

### Principal Investment Managers

Brewin Dolphin, Leicester and St James's Place, Birmingham





## 6. Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Cope Children's Trust (Limited by Guarantee)

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Cope Children's Trust (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiary (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the consolidated statement of financial activities, the group and parent charitable company balance sheets, the consolidated statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011

### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the group financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on Cope Children's Trust's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' annual report, including the strategic report, other than the group financial statements and our auditor's report there on. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the group financial statements does not cover the other information, and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the group financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the group financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' annual report, including the strategic report, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements
- the Trustees' annual report, including the strategic report, has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements

## Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent charitable company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' annual report, including the strategic report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

## Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities set out in the trustees' annual report, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the parent charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and the parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the group or the parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed auditor under the Companies Act 2006 and section 151 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with those Acts.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud are set out below.

## Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- we enquired of management, and the audit committee, which included obtaining and reviewing supporting documentation, concerning the group's policies and procedures relating to:
- identifying, evaluating, and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance
- detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected, or alleged fraud
- the internal controls established to mitigate risks related to fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations
- we inspected the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance
- we obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the group operates in, focusing on those laws and regulations that had a material effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the group from our professional and sector experience
- we communicated applicable laws and regulations throughout with the audit team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit
- we reviewed any reports made to regulators
- we reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested these to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations
- we performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud
- in addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments, assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias and tested significant transactions that are unusual or those outside the normal course of business

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

## Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Fleur Holden (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Sayer Vincent LLP  
Charity Accountants, Statutory Auditor  
Invicta House, 108-114 Golden Lane, London, EC1Y 0TL  
Sayer Vincent LLP is eligible to act as auditor in  
terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

Date: 04/08/2022



## 7. Accounts and Notes to the Accounts

### Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities Year ended 31 March 2022 Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income from</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	4,132,380	686,676	4,819,056	3,940,270
Charitable activities	3	620,177	743,027	1,363,204	1,621,443
Other trading activities	3	1,663,767	0	1,663,767	1,043,772
Investments	3	75,423	0	75,423	66,696
Other	3	54,753	0	54,753	507,445
<b>Total</b>		<b>6,546,500</b>	<b>1,429,703</b>	<b>7,976,203</b>	<b>7,179,626</b>
<b>Expenditure on</b>					
Raising funds	4	2,064,321	0	2,064,321	1,633,610
Charitable activities	5	2,934,457	1,630,600	4,565,057	4,349,838
Tax payable by subsidiary	10	12,351	0	12,351	2,338
<b>Total</b>		<b>5,011,129</b>	<b>1,630,600</b>	<b>6,641,729</b>	<b>5,985,786</b>
<b>Net gains/(losses) on investments</b>	12	<b>86,152</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>86,152</b>	<b>449,560</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>1,621,523</b>	<b>(200,897)</b>	<b>1,420,626</b>	<b>1,643,400</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>1,621,523</b>	<b>(200,897)</b>	<b>1,420,626</b>	<b>1,643,400</b>
<b>Fund balances at 1 April 2021</b>		<b>7,534,728</b>	<b>3,541,524</b>	<b>11,076,252</b>	<b>9,432,852</b>
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2022</b>	17/18	<b>9,156,251</b>	<b>3,340,627</b>	<b>12,496,878</b>	<b>11,076,252</b>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses arising during the year.



**"I trust the staff at Rainbows so much, it is great and it enables me to get some respite."**

Rainbows' Mum

## Group and Charity Balance Sheets at 31 March 2022

	Notes	Group 2022 £	Group 2021 £	Charity 2022 £	Charity 2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	11	3,759,570	3,666,380	3,853,567	3,757,507
Investments	12	3,760,516	3,668,461	3,760,518	3,668,463
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>7,520,086</b>	<b>7,334,841</b>	<b>7,614,085</b>	<b>7,425,970</b>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stock	13	10,949	10,850	0	0
Debtors: including those due after one year	14	1,684,738	1,509,422	1,709,317	1,567,791
Cash at bank and in hand		4,220,603	3,329,363	4,140,230	3,318,212
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>5,916,290</b>	<b>4,849,635</b>	<b>5,849,547</b>	<b>4,886,003</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	<b>939,498</b>	<b>1,108,224</b>	<b>874,214</b>	<b>1,088,181</b>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>4,976,792</b>	<b>3,741,411</b>	<b>4,975,333</b>	<b>3,797,822</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>12,496,878</b>	<b>11,076,252</b>	<b>12,589,418</b>	<b>11,223,792</b>
<b>The funds of the Charity</b>					
Restricted funds	17	3,340,627	3,541,524	3,457,279	3,661,261
Unrestricted funds	18	8,589,433	7,025,459	8,565,321	7,053,262
Fair value reserves	18	566,818	509,269	566,818	509,269
<b>Total Charity Funds</b>		<b>12,496,878</b>	<b>11,076,252</b>	<b>12,589,418</b>	<b>11,223,792</b>

As permitted by s408 Companies Act 2006, the Charity has not presented its own statement of financial activities and related notes. The charity's income for the year was £7,433,000 (2021 - £6,790,000). The charity's surplus for the year was £1,365,625 (2021 - surplus £1,628,132). The accounts were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 04/08/2022 and are signed on its behalf by:

**Paul Stothard - Chairman of the Board of Trustees**

**Angela Browning - Treasurer**

The notes on pages 25 to 41 form part of these accounts

Company Registration No. 02743297



## Group Statement of Cashflows

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	20		1,188,411		1,670,779
<b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>					
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(366,691)		(58,651)	
Receipts from sale of tangible fixed assets		0		1,800	
Payments to acquire investments		(123,671)		(452,643)	
Receipts from sale of investments		118,480		409,431	
Interest received		3,798		(1,415)	
Dividends received		63,880		60,491	
Rent received from investment properties		7,745		7,620	
<b>Net cash outflow from investing activities</b>			(296,459)		(33,367)
<b>Net increase in cash or cash equivalents</b>			891,952		1,637,412
<b>Cash or cash equivalents at 1 April 2021</b>			<b>3,404,985</b>		<b>1,767,573</b>
<b>Cash or cash equivalents at 31 March 2022</b>			<b>4,296,937</b>		<b>3,404,985</b>
<b>Cash and Cash equivalents consist of</b>					
Cash at bank or in hand			4,220,603		3,329,363
Cash at investment managers			76,334		75,622
<b>Total</b>			<b>4,296,937</b>		<b>3,404,985</b>





## 1. Accounting Policies

### Company information

Cope Children's Trust (the Charity) is a Company limited by guarantee, domiciled and incorporated in England and Wales. The group consists of Cope Children's Trust and its subsidiary (the Group), Cope Marketing Limited. In the event of the Company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity. The address of the registered office is given in the reference and administration information on page 18.

### Basis of preparation

The Charity constitutes a Public Benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with: the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities applying FRS 102, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these accounts are rounded to the nearest £.

These accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of fixed asset investments. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate those of Cope Children's Trust and its subsidiary (i.e. the entity that the group controls through its power to govern the financial and operating policies so as to obtain economic benefits).

All financial statements are made up to 31 March 2022. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of the subsidiary to bring the accounting policies used into line with those used by the group.

All intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated on consolidation.

### Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. In line with ISA 570, it is felt that the charity can demonstrate it maintains sufficient reserves for the future based on prospective financial performance, cashflow and identification of risk reserves. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

### Funds

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the accounts.

Designated funds are funds which the Board have approved to be designated out of unrestricted reserves and which are for the purpose of spending against budgeted strategic aims. We anticipate these designated reserves will have been utilised in their entirety by 31 March 2025.

### Income Recognition

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities ("SOFA") when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Entitlement to donations usually arises immediately on receipt. For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled. Income Tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised at the time of the donation.

Donated facilities and donated professional services are recognised in income at their fair value when their economic benefit is probable, the amount can be measured reliably and the Charity has control over the item. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity. For example the amount the Charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the Charities SORP (FRS 102). Further detail is given in the Trustees' Annual Report.

Gifts in kind donated for resale or distribution are not recognised in the accounts until they are sold or distributed because the Trustees consider it is impractical to fair value the items due to the large volume of low value items. The Charity operates a retail Gift Aid Scheme for these goods which are sold in its shops on an agency basis.

Fixed asset gifts in kind are recognised when receivable and are included at fair value.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the Charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received. At this point income is recognised. On occasions, legacies will be notified to the Charity but it is not possible to measure the amount expected to be distributed. On these occasions, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed.

Income from charitable activities includes income received from NHS contracts, income from local care commissioning groups and local authorities. Income from these categories is recognised at fair value when the Charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with reliability. If entitlement is not met, then the amounts are deferred.

Income from trading activities includes income earned from the retail shops, fundraising events and trading activities to raise funds for the Charity. Income is received in exchange for supplying goods and services in order to raise funds and is recognised when entitlement has occurred.

Lottery income is accounted for in respect of those draws that have taken place in the year.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as listed investments and property. It includes dividends, interest and rent. Where it is not practicable to identify investment management costs incurred within a scheme with reasonable accuracy the investment income is reported net of these costs. It is included when the amount can be measured reliably.

Interest is recognised on an accruals basis and dividend and rental income is recognised as the Charity's right to receive payment is established.

Income from government and other grants is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred. Income arising from the coronavirus job retention scheme and retail, hospitality and leisure grants have been accounted for and included within other income. Income from NHSE Covid-19 funding through Hospice UK is included within charitable activities.

Other income primarily includes hire of facilities and other sources and is recognised on an accruals basis.

### Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Expenditure is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is recognised under the following headings:

- costs of raising funds includes costs incurred in seeking donations, grants and legacies, fundraising and investment management fees
- expenditure on charitable activities includes those costs providing specialist palliative care and support, community services, research and other educational activities undertaken to further the delivery of the objects of the Charity

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

### Support costs allocation

Support costs are those that assist the work of the Charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and costs of raising funds and include office costs, governance costs, and administrative payroll costs. Support costs are allocated to costs of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

The analysis of these costs is included in note 6.

### Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £250 are capitalised and other than freehold land are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

- freehold land is not depreciated
- leasehold property – over the life of the lease
- fixtures, fittings and equipment – on cost between three and seven years
- motor vehicles – on cost over four years

### Impairment of tangible fixed assets

At each reporting period end date, the Charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, or the asset's cash generating unit, is estimated and compared to the carrying amount estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised in the SOFA.

### Fixed asset investments

Investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries are initially recognised at transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (and losses) on investments' in the SOFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably. Other investments are measured at cost less impairment.

Investment property is measured at fair value at the reporting date with changes in fair value recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SOFA.

Interests in subsidiaries are measured at cost less impairment losses.

### Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised in the group's balance sheet when the group becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

### Stocks

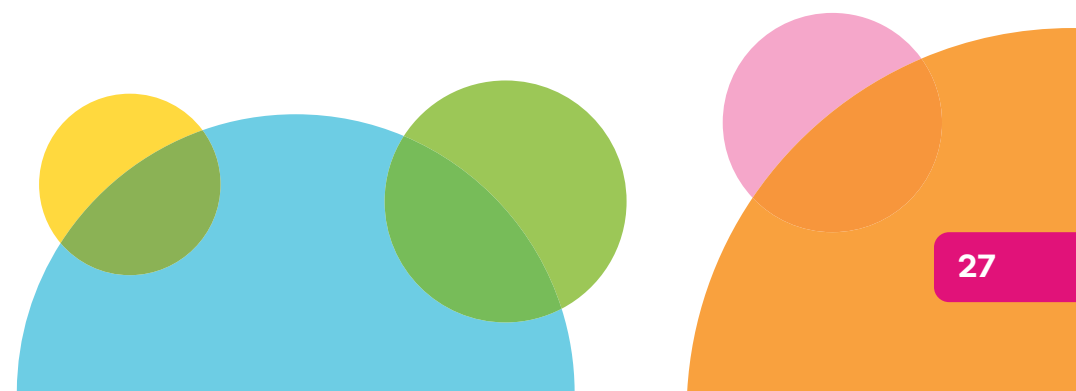
Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Stock cost is recorded at invoice price net of any discounts received. Donated items of stock for resale or distribution are not included in the accounts until they are sold or distributed because the Trustees consider it impractical to be able to assess the amount of donated stocks as there are no systems in place which record these items until they are sold and undertaking a stock take would incur undue cost for the Charity which would far outweigh the benefits.

### Debtors receivable within one year

Debtors with no stated interest rate and receivable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the SOFA.

### Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity ranging from three to six months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.





### Creditors payable within one year

Creditors with no stated interest rate and payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the SOFA.

### Loans

Loans are initially recognised at the transaction price including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less impairment.

### Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the Charity, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the Charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

### Retirement benefits

The Charity contributes to the NHS defined benefit pension scheme. This is a multi-employer pension scheme and it is not possible to identify the assets and liabilities of the scheme which are attributable to the group. In accordance with FRS 102 therefore, the scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme.

The Charity also contributes to defined contribution schemes for other staff that are not eligible to join the NHS pension scheme. Contributions are expensed as they become payable.

### Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

### Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period or in the period, of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The Trustees do not consider there to be any key sources of estimates or uncertainty that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.



## 2. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

### Year ended 31 March 2021

#### Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>Income from</b>				
Donations and legacies	3,216,204	724,066	3,940,270	4,029,983
Charitable activities	279,017	1,342,426	1,621,443	778,538
Other trading activities	1,043,772	0	1,043,772	1,797,364
Investments	66,696	0	66,696	91,007
Other	507,445	0	507,445	54,077
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,113,134</b>	<b>2,066,492</b>	<b>7,179,626</b>	<b>6,750,969</b>
<b>Expenditure on</b>				
Raising funds	1,633,610	0	1,633,610	1,957,771
Charitable activities	2,237,362	2,112,476	4,349,838	4,630,093
Tax payable by subsidiary	2,338	0	2,338	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,873,310</b>	<b>2,112,476</b>	<b>5,985,786</b>	<b>6,587,864</b>
<b>Net (losses)/gains on investments</b>	<b>449,560</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>449,560</b>	<b>(255,897)</b>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<b>1,689,384</b>	<b>(45,984)</b>	<b>1,643,400</b>	<b>(92,792)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>1,689,384</b>	<b>(45,984)</b>	<b>1,643,400</b>	<b>(92,792)</b>
<b>Fund balances at 1 April 2020</b>	<b>5,845,344</b>	<b>3,587,508</b>	<b>9,432,852</b>	<b>9,525,644</b>
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>7,534,728</b>	<b>3,541,524</b>	<b>11,076,252</b>	<b>9,432,852</b>



### 3. Income

#### Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Corporate donations and gifts	1,172,263	103,746	1,276,009	963,951	10,000	973,951
Community donations and gifts	1,528,453	25,326	1,553,779	916,605	8,481	925,086
Legacies receivable	1,334,691	0	1,334,691	1,198,822	0	1,198,822
Grants - Trusts and foundations	96,973	557,604	654,577	136,826	705,585	842,411
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,132,380</b>	<b>686,676</b>	<b>4,819,056</b>	<b>3,216,204</b>	<b>724,066</b>	<b>3,940,270</b>

The above figures include gifts in kind donated by supporters amounting to £7,206 (£72,143 in 2021).

#### Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Clinical Care Commissioning and Local Authorities	620,177	20,000	640,177	279,017	0	279,017
Grants from NHS England	0	603,293	603,293	0	540,986	540,986
NHSE Covid-19 Funding	0	119,734	119,734	0	801,440	801,440
<b>Total</b>	<b>620,177</b>	<b>743,027</b>	<b>1,363,204</b>	<b>279,017</b>	<b>1,342,426</b>	<b>1,621,443</b>

The income from the Clinical Care Commissioning Groups and local authorities relates to annually agreed contracts for the provision of Hospice services for the regions or individuals. The NHS England grant is our share of the block grant to children's hospices.

The NHSE again awarded funding to allow the hospice to make available bed capacity and community support from December 2021 to March 2022 to provide support to people with complex needs in the context of the Covid-19 situation.

#### Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Organised Events	283,644	0	283,644	66,854	0	66,854
Challenges	119,413	0	119,413	76,971	0	76,971
Lottery	669,780	0	669,780	681,642	0	681,642
Retail and business activities	590,930	0	590,930	218,305	0	218,305
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,663,767</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,663,767</b>	<b>1,043,772</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,043,772</b>



**3. Income (continued)****Investment income**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income from</b>						
Listed investments	63,880	0	63,880	60,491	0	60,491
Interest receivable	3,798	0	3,798	(1,415)	0	(1,415)
Investment property income	7,745	0	7,745	7,620	0	7,620
<b>Total</b>	<b>75,423</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>75,423</b>	<b>66,696</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66,696</b>

**Other income**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Contributions received for use of facilities	0	0	0	330	0	330
Coronavirus job retention scheme income	0	0	0	330,052	0	330,052
Retail, hospitality and leisure grants income	16,000	0	16,000	143,969	0	143,969
Other sundry income	38,753	0	38,753	33,094	0	33,094
<b>Total</b>	<b>54,753</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>54,753</b>	<b>507,445</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>507,445</b>

**4. Expenditure on raising funds**

	Staff Costs £	Depreciation £	Other Costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Cost of seeking donations and legacies	642,769	0	192,007	834,776	596,972
Fundraising					
Events/challenges	21,039	0	92,227	113,266	37,342
Lottery	17,995	0	174,435	192,430	163,291
Retail and business activities	267,346	11,789	247,177	526,312	423,183
Investments management costs	0	0	11,228	11,228	9,471
Support costs allocated (note 6)	289,494	17,438	79,377	386,309	403,351
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,238,643</b>	<b>29,227</b>	<b>796,451</b>	<b>2,064,321</b>	<b>1,633,610</b>
Restricted expenditure				0	0
Unrestricted expenditure				2,064,321	1,633,610



## 5. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Staff Costs £	Depreciation £	Other Costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Hospice direct care costs	2,881,476	0	429,662	3,311,138	3,039,262
Support costs allocated (note 6)	544,846	244,271	464,802	1,253,919	1,310,576
<b>Total Care Costs</b>	<b>3,426,322</b>	<b>244,271</b>	<b>894,464</b>	<b>4,565,057</b>	<b>4,349,838</b>
Restricted expenditure				1,630,600	2,112,476
Unrestricted expenditure				2,934,457	2,237,362

## 6. Support Costs

	Raising Funds £	Charitable Expenditure £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Governance Staff costs	0	24,648	24,648	23,202
Governance Other costs	0	15,000	15,000	14,280
Support Staff costs	289,494	520,198	809,692	861,330
Depreciation	17,438	244,271	261,709	244,563
Establishment costs	29,820	168,981	198,801	188,704
Other administration costs	49,557	280,821	330,378	381,848
<b>Total</b>	<b>386,309</b>	<b>1,253,919</b>	<b>1,640,228</b>	<b>1,713,927</b>

Support costs have been allocated on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resources.

Governance other costs relate to the costs of the annual audit.

## 7. Net income/expenditure for the year

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Is stated after charging:</b>		
Depreciation	273,501	259,850
Operating leases - land and buildings	109,702	108,266
Auditor's remuneration (excluding VAT) - Audit	15,000	14,280
Auditor's remuneration (excluding VAT) - Other	1,075	1,020

## 8. Trustees remuneration and expenses

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year, or the previous year. Two of the Trustees (but not any persons connected with them) received reimbursed expenses totalling £267 from the Charity during the year, in relation to mainly travel costs arising from activities or training as a Trustee. In the previous year, one Trustee received reimbursed expenses totalling £117.

## 9. Employees

Average Head Count excluding Trustees	2022 Actual	2022 FTE	2021 Actual	2021 FTE
Care	108	85	106	85
Administration	8	7	9	8
Fundraising	42	38	38	35
Finance	6	6	7	6
Human Resources	6	5	5	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>139</b>

## 9. Employees (continued)

Employment costs	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Wages and salaries	4,047,856	3,810,082
Social security costs	335,415	306,116
Defined contribution pension costs	129,795	163,241
Defined benefit pension operating costs	134,066	111,678
Termination payments	17,833	44,663
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,664,965</b>	<b>4,435,780</b>
Key management costs - Total Remuneration	358,370	388,925
<b>Number of volunteers</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>249</b>
<b>Number of employees whose annual remuneration was</b>		
£60,000 - £70,000	4	2
£70,000 - £80,000	0	0
£80,000 - £90,000	1	1
£90,000 - £100,000	0	1

We only include five employees in the above salary bandings. Should one of our other Directors have been in employment for the full twelve months, this would be higher and we would have shown five employees in the salary banding £60,000 - £70,000.

## 10. Tax status

The company is a Registered Charity and is entitled to certain exemptions from Corporation Tax on profits from investments and its trading activities carried on in furtherance of the Charity's primary objectives. The trading subsidiary is subject to corporation tax on its profits. A taxation charge for the year of £12,351 has been recognised (2021 - £2,338).





## 11. Tangible fixed assets

a) Group	Long Leasehold Property £	Fixtures Fittings and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 April 2021	5,064,267	2,195,095	67,752	7,327,114
Additions	10,215	356,476	0	366,691
Disposals	0	(20,162)	0	(20,162)
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>5,074,482</b>	<b>2,531,409</b>	<b>67,752</b>	<b>7,673,643</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 April 2021	1,621,783	2,003,444	35,507	3,660,734
Charge for the year	101,241	166,383	5,877	273,501
Disposals	0	(20,162)	0	(20,162)
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>1,723,024</b>	<b>2,149,665</b>	<b>41,384</b>	<b>3,914,073</b>
<b>NBV</b>				
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>3,351,458</b>	<b>381,744</b>	<b>26,368</b>	<b>3,759,570</b>
At 31 March 2021	3,442,484	191,651	32,245	3,666,380

b) Charity	Long Leasehold Property £	Fixtures Fittings and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 April 2021	5,224,608	1,990,306	51,986	7,266,900
Additions	10,215	350,764	0	360,979
Disposals	0	0	0	0
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>5,234,823</b>	<b>2,341,070</b>	<b>51,986</b>	<b>7,627,879</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 April 2021	1,657,007	1,817,925	34,461	3,509,393
Charge for the year	104,448	155,996	4,475	264,919
Disposals	0	0	0	0
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>1,761,455</b>	<b>1,973,921</b>	<b>38,936</b>	<b>3,774,312</b>
<b>NBV</b>				
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>3,473,368</b>	<b>367,149</b>	<b>13,050</b>	<b>3,853,567</b>
At 31 March 2021	3,567,601	172,381	17,525	3,757,507

Freehold land adjacent to the leasehold property was acquired as a gift from JS Bloor (Measham) Limited and Fairmeadow Limited in 2008. The Trustees believe its value is not material as the land is intrinsic to the Hospice site and buildings and could not be realised whilst this remains the case.

Leasehold property is inclusive of assets donated to the Charity in previous years. Such assets are valued at the cost price that would have been paid if the assets had not been donated as gifts in kind.

## 12. Fixed asset investments

a) Group	Listed Investments £	Cash held for investments £	Investment Property £	Subsidiary Undertaking £	Total £
Market value at 1 April 2021	3,339,839	75,622	253,000	0	3,668,461
Disposals at opening book value	(120,624)	0	0	0	(120,624)
Acquisitions at cost	123,671	0	2,144	0	125,815
Movement in Cash	0	712	0	0	712
Change in value in year	42,296	0	43,856	0	86,152
<b>Market value at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>3,385,182</b>	<b>76,334</b>	<b>299,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,760,516</b>

b) Charity	Listed Investments £	Cash held for investments £	Investment Property £	Subsidiary Undertaking £	Total £
Market value at 1 April 2021	3,339,839	75,622	253,000	2	3,668,463
Disposals at opening book value	-120,624	0	0	0	-120,624
Acquisitions at cost	123,671	0	2,144	0	125,815
Movement in Cash	0	712	0	0	712
Change in value in year	42,296	0	43,856	0	86,152
<b>Market value at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>3,385,182</b>	<b>76,334</b>	<b>299,000</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3,760,518</b>

All assets are stated at fair value. The fair value of listed investments is determined by the market price, using the bid price, at the Balance Sheet date.

The fair value of the investment property was not independently valued but is determined by the Trustees by reference to the open market value for similar properties at the Balance Sheet date.

Total net gains on investments recognised in the SOFA total £86,152 which include £80,528 unrealised gains and £5,624 realised gains.

## Subsidiary Undertaking

The Charity holds 100% of the share capital of Cope Marketing Limited (no 03209321) a company registered in England and Wales. The principal activity is the sale of new and donated goods. A summary of the trading results of Cope Marketing Limited is shown below:

	2022 £	2021 £
Turnover	545,307	402,065
Cost of sales	23,077	12,600
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>522,230</b>	<b>389,465</b>
Admin expenses	458,085	365,760
Taxation payable	12,351	2,338
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>51,794</b>	<b>21,367</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<b>51,794</b>	<b>21,367</b>

A summary of the assets, liabilities and funds of Cope Marketing Limited is shown below:

	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets	27,911	33,988
Current assets	138,543	59,433
Current liabilities	(89,284)	(44,043)
Long term liabilities	(47,800)	(71,800)
<b>Total net liabilities</b>	<b>29,370</b>	<b>(22,422)</b>
<b>Aggregate share capital and reserves</b>	<b>29,370</b>	<b>(22,422)</b>

## 13. Stock

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
Goods for resale	10,949	0	10,850	0

## 14. Debtors

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
Trade debtors	27,806	26,183	57,724	54,029
Amounts due from group undertaking	0	71,800	0	95,800
Prepayments	246,315	210,015	127,372	105,151
Other debtors	90,034	84,283	39,376	38,950
Accrued income	1,320,583	1,317,036	1,284,950	1,273,861
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,684,738</b>	<b>1,709,317</b>	<b>1,509,422</b>	<b>1,567,791</b>

Amounts falling due after more than one year and included in the debtors above are:

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
Amounts due from group undertakings	0	47,800	0	71,800

Amounts due from Group undertakings includes a current account and a loan to Cope Marketing Limited.

Interest on the loan was charged at 2.5% above the Bank of England base rate and the agreed monthly loan repayments of £2,000 each month were made. The loan has now been extended for a further three years, with loan repayments to continue to be paid at £2,000 each month with the outstanding balance being repaid by 31 March 2025.

Accrued income includes legacies receivable of £1,182,445 (2021 £1,105,471).

## 15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
Trade Creditors	205,044	189,427	87,927	82,301
Taxes and Social Security	109,648	97,297	86,645	84,307
Accruals	227,721	195,685	104,161	97,782
Deferred Income	397,085	391,805	829,491	823,791
<b>Total</b>	<b>939,498</b>	<b>874,214</b>	<b>1,108,224</b>	<b>1,088,181</b>

Deferred income represents income received in advance for grants, lottery ticket draws and entrance fees relating to events occurring in the next financial year. The movements in deferred income are shown below:

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
Balance at the beginning of the year	829,491	823,791	472,246	466,967
Amount released to income in the year	(762,153)	(756,453)	(311,796)	(306,517)
Amount deferred in the year	329,747	324,467	669,041	663,341
<b>Balance at the end of the year</b>	<b>397,085</b>	<b>391,805</b>	<b>829,491</b>	<b>823,791</b>





## 16. Pension costs

### Defined Contribution Schemes

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and contributions are charged in the financial statements as they are incurred. This scheme was closed to new members from the 31 March 2014 other than to senior employees joining the Charity.

With the introduction in July 2015 of the statutory requirements for employers to contribute to schemes and for employees to be auto-enrolled in a scheme, the Charity adopted the Government's own scheme - The People's Pension.

The Charity also contributed to the personal pension arrangements of a small number of employees who have their own private schemes.

### Defined Benefit Scheme

Past and present employees are covered by the provisions of the two NHS Pension Schemes. Details of the benefits payable and rules of the Schemes can be found on the NHS Pensions website at [www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pensions](http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pensions). Both are unfunded defined benefit schemes that cover NHS employers, GP practices and other bodies, allowed under the direction of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care in England and Wales. They are not designed to be run in a way that would enable NHS bodies to identify their share of the underlying scheme assets and liabilities. Therefore, each scheme is accounted for as if it were a defined contribution scheme: the cost to the NHS body of participating in each scheme is taken as equal to the contributions payable to that scheme for the accounting period.

In order that the defined benefit obligations recognised in the financial statements do not differ materially from those that would be determined at the reporting date by a formal actuarial valuation, the FReM requires that "the period between formal valuations shall be four years, with approximate assessments in intervening years".

An outline of these follows:

#### a) Accounting valuation

A valuation of scheme liability is carried out annually by the scheme actuary (currently the Government Actuary's Department) as at the end of the reporting period. This utilises an actuarial assessment for the previous accounting period in conjunction with updated membership and financial data for the current reporting period, and is accepted as providing suitably robust figures for financial reporting purposes. The valuation of the scheme liability as at 31 March 2022, is based on valuation data as 31 March 2021, updated to 31 March 2022 with summary global member and accounting data. In undertaking this actuarial assessment, the methodology prescribed in IAS 19, relevant FReM interpretations, and the discount rate prescribed by HM Treasury have also been used.

The latest assessment of the liabilities of the scheme is contained in the report of the scheme actuary, which forms part of the annual NHS Pension Scheme Accounts. These accounts can be viewed on the NHS Pensions website and are published annually. Copies can also be obtained from The Stationery Office.

#### b) Full actuarial (funding) valuation

The purpose of this valuation is to assess the level of liability in respect of the benefits due under the schemes (taking into account recent demographic experience), and to recommend contribution rates payable by employees and employers.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2016. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2019 to 20.6% of pensionable pay.

The 2016 funding valuation also tested the cost of the Scheme relative to the employer cost cap that was set following the 2012 valuation. There was initially a pause to the cost control element of the 2016 valuations, due to the uncertainty around member benefits caused by the discrimination ruling relating to the McCloud case.

HMT published valuation directions dated 7 October 2021 (see Amending Directions 2021) that set out the technical detail of how the costs of remedy are included in the 2016 valuation process. Following these directions, the scheme actuary has completed the cost control element of the 2016 valuation for the NHS Pension Scheme, which concludes no changes to benefits or member contributions are required. The 2016 valuation reports can be found on the NHS Pensions website at <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/nhs-pension-scheme-accounts-and-valuation-reports>.

Employer contributions	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
To defined contribution schemes	129,795	121,677	163,241	155,457
To defined benefit scheme	134,066	134,066	111,678	111,678
<b>Total</b>	<b>263,861</b>	<b>255,743</b>	<b>274,919</b>	<b>267,135</b>

## 17. Restricted funds

### (a) Group

The funds of the Group include restricted funds comprising the following balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

Movement in funds	Building for the future £	Hospice Funding £	Original Hospice £	Total £
Balance at 2021	2,207,141	497,730	836,653	3,541,524
Income	0	1,429,703	0	1,429,703
Expenditure	0	(1,456,237)	0	(1,456,237)
Depreciation	(57,105)	(85,185)	(32,073)	(174,363)
<b>Balance at 2022</b>	<b>2,150,036</b>	<b>386,011</b>	<b>804,580</b>	<b>3,340,627</b>

### (b) Charity

The funds of the Charity include restricted funds comprising the following balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

Movement in funds	Building for the future £	Hospice Funding £	Original Hospice £	Total £
Balance at 2021	2,326,878	497,730	836,653	3,661,261
Income	0	1,429,703	0	1,429,703
Expenditure	0	(1,456,237)	0	(1,456,237)
Depreciation	(60,190)	(85,185)	(32,073)	(177,448)
<b>Balance at 2022</b>	<b>2,266,688</b>	<b>386,011</b>	<b>804,580</b>	<b>3,457,279</b>

The 'Building for the Future' fund is for the therapy wing at the main Hospice site in Loughborough, Leicestershire.

The 'Hospice Funding' amounts were donated for the purchase of specified items on the Hospice wish expenses and equipment list and to increase services.

The 'Original Hospice' relates to the leasehold property building fund.

## 18. Unrestricted income funds

### (a) Group

The funds of the Group include unrestricted funds comprising the following balances:

Movement in funds	Balance at 2021 £	Movement in year £	Revaluation £	Balance at 2022 £
Designated funds for Strategic Aims	3,092,930	(351,439)	0	2,741,491
General funds	3,932,529	1,892,434	22,979	5,847,942
Unrestricted funds excluding fair value reserve	7,025,459	1,540,995	22,979	8,589,433
Fair value reserve	509,269	80,528	(22,979)	566,818
<b>Total unrestricted income funds</b>	<b>7,534,728</b>	<b>1,621,523</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,156,251</b>

### (b) Charity

The funds of the Charity include unrestricted funds comprising the following balances:

Movement in funds	Balance at 2021 £	Movement in year £	Revaluation £	Balance at 2022 £
Designated funds for Strategic Aims	3,092,930	(351,439)	0	2,741,491
General funds	3,960,332	1,840,519	22,979	5,823,830
Unrestricted funds excluding fair value reserve	7,053,262	1,489,080	22,979	8,565,321
Fair value reserve	509,269	80,528	(22,979)	566,818
<b>Total unrestricted income funds</b>	<b>7,562,531</b>	<b>1,569,608</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,132,139</b>

Designated funds for strategic aims includes planned spend on nurses in hospitals, other care developments, IT projects and lark rise developments. It is expected that £0.7m of designated funds will be spent during the financial year to 31 March 2023, with the balance of the designated fund expected to be spent over the following two years.

The fair value reserve represents the revaluation gains on the investment property and listed investments.

## 19. Analysis of net assets between funds

(a) Group Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Balance at 2022 £
Tangible Fixed Assets	789,199	2,970,371	3,759,570
Investments	3,760,516	0	3,760,516
Current assets	5,546,034	370,256	5,916,290
Creditors due within one year	(939,498)	0	(939,498)
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,156,251</b>	<b>3,340,627</b>	<b>12,496,878</b>

(b) Charity Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Balance at 2022 £
Tangible Fixed Assets	766,543	3,087,024	3,853,567
Investments	3,760,518	0	3,760,518
Current assets	5,479,292	370,255	5,849,547
Creditors due within one year	(874,214)	0	(874,214)
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,132,139</b>	<b>3,457,279</b>	<b>12,589,418</b>



## 20. Reconciliation of net income /(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Net income for the year	1,420,626	1,643,400
Investment income	(75,423)	(66,696)
Depreciation of tangible assets	273,501	259,850
Gains on investments	(80,528)	(416,912)
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	0	(1,800)
Profit on disposal of fixed asset investments	(5,624)	(32,648)
Increase in stocks	(99)	(453)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(175,316)	30,384
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(168,726)	255,654
<b>Net cash flow from operating activities</b>	<b>1,188,411</b>	<b>1,670,779</b>

## 21. Related parties

A Trustee is an employee of a healthcare company with which the charity has financial transactions. The healthcare company invoiced the Charity for a total of £102,544 during the financial year to 31 March 2022 for the provision of medical staff, of which £627 was outstanding at the year end. The trustee has no involvement in the decisions or arrangements of these contracts.

The transactions between the charity and subsidiary include the interest on the loan amounting to £2,507 (2021 £2,834). During the year, the subsidiary sold donated goods on behalf of the charity which amounted to £84,313 (2021 £29,813).

## 22. Operating Lease Commitments

At the reporting date the group and Charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
<b>Operating leases which expire:</b>				
Within one year	51,050	0	77,761	1,277
Between two and five years	35,704	0	86,754	0
In over five years	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>86,754</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>164,515</b>	<b>1,277</b>

Cope Children's Trust acts as guarantor for the leases of two of the subsidiary company's charity shops. Outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments in respect of these shops total £39,011 (2021 £70,047).





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Abigail's Mum

## 23. Financial Instruments

	2022		2021	
	Group £	Charity £	Group £	Charity £
<b>Carrying amount of financial assets:</b>				
Measured at fair value through income and expenditure	3,385,182	3,385,182	3,339,839	3,339,839

Financial assets measured at fair value comprise listed investments.

The basis of fair value for quoted investments is equivalent to the market value, using the bid price.

The main risk to the Charity from financial instruments lies in the combination of uncertain investment markets and volatility in yield.

Liquidity risk is anticipated to be low as all assets are traded and the commitment to intervention by central banks and market regulators has continued to provide for orderly trading in the markets and so the ability to buy and sell quoted equities and stock is anticipated to continue. The Charity's investments are mainly traded in markets with good liquidity and high trading volumes. The Charity has no material investment holdings in markets subject to exchange controls or trading restrictions.

The Charity manages these investment risks by retaining expert advisors and operating an investment policy that provides for a high degree of diversification of holdings within investment asset classes that are quoted on recognised stock exchanges. Furthermore, regular communication is maintained between the advisors and the Trustees.

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