Company no: 4357957



AGE CONCERN CHATHAM REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

Status

Age Concern Chatham was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 22 January 2002, with registration number 4357957 and was registered with the Charity Commission on 24 April 2002, registration number 1091726. It is governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

Directors and trustees

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purposes of charity law and, in accordance with the articles of association, are known as the board of trustees.

The chairman and trustees are elected at least once every three years by the members attending the charity's annual general meeting. They may serve for three years and are eligible for re-election. The chairman may serve for a maximum of six years. The board of trustees has the power to appoint persons to fill any casual vacancies, and to co-opt persons to the board.

The trustees who served during the period and since then were:

Chairman	Mrs Shirley Roper	(appointed 1 June 2002)
Vice Chairman	Mrs Sheila Hart	(appointed 22 January 2002)
	Mrs Peggy Ricketts	(appointed 22 January 2002)
	Mr Alan Beavan	(appointed 22 January 2002)
	Mrs Ruth Boyes	(appointed 1 June 2002)
	Mrs Beryl Chandler	(appointed 1 June 2002)
	Mrs Judy Etheridge	(appointed 1 June 2002)
	Mrs Margaret Grainger	(appointed 1 June 2002)
	Mrs Rona MacLeod	(appointed 1 June 2002)
	Mr Mool Khullar	(appointed 7 May 2003)
	Mrs Elvira Bullimore	(appointed 22 January 2002, resigned 12 March 2003)
	Waterlow Nominees Limited	(appointed 22 January 2002, resigned 22 January 2002)
	Waterlow Secretaries Limited	(appointed 22 January 2002, resigned 22 January 2002)
Secretary	Mrs Peggy Ricketts	

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Operations address Riverside

CHATHAM ME4 4SL

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The Old Courthouse

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Investment powers

In accordance with the memorandum of association the charity has unrestricted powers of investment but the trustees are required to take advice before buying or selling investments.

Bankers

National Westminster PO Box 171 148 High Street CHATHAM ME4 4DJ

Solicitors

Stephens & Son 41 Railway Street CHATHAM ME4 4RP

Auditors

Daniels & Co The Old Courthouse New Road Avenue CHATHAM ME4 6BE

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

This is my first report as chairman of Age Concern Chatham, and the first report of the charitable company which took over the operation of the former charitable trust on 1 May 2002.

I would like to thank my predecessor, Mrs Peggy Ricketts, for her years of exemplary stewardship. Peggy retired as Chairman on 13 November 2002, amongst her many achievements she masterminded the incorporation of the old Trust.

I should also like to thank our Chief Officer, Mrs Val McConkey, for all her hard work in managing the charitable company on a day to day basis, and, of course, to all our staff and volunteers.

The period has been challenging. We are in the process of renegotiation all our contracts with Medway Council, from which we derive most of our operational income.

We refurbished the Day Centre in September 2002 to a high standard. Partly because of this, and partly because of increased costs, the Day Centre, and the charitable company as a whole, has shown a deficit. Steps have been taken to reduce costs, and increase income, which the trustees hope will rectify the position.

Government legislation has decreed that Carers in the public and private domain are required to gain an NVQ 2/3 Certification by 2005. In keeping with this strategy, all our Carers passed the Foundation Course, recognising their current level of expertise. Additional training will be ongoing until our Carers achieve the required level.

In order for Age Concern Chatham to remain a Preferred Service Provider (PSP), Age Concern has registered with the National Care Standards Commission. The fee for this amounted to £1,400, as a one-off, there will be a yearly fee of £700.

On a more positive note, the three Age Concerns within Medway were each the recipient of monies donated by the Mayor and Mayoress of Medway 2002 Appeal as one of their preferred charities. For Age Concern Chatham, this amounted to approximately £2,400.

SHIRLEY ROPER

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

The trustees of Age Concern Chatham present the annual report of the charitable company for the period from 22 January 2002 to 31 March 2003.

Purpose of the Charity

The purpose of the charitable company is to promote the relief of elderly people in Chatham.

Statement of responsibilities of the trustees

Company law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the surplus or deficit of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- d) prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business;

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of developments

On 1 June 2002 the charitable company took over the operations and assets of Age Concern (Chatham), a charitable trust.

Financial statements

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with current legal requirements, the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in October 2000 and the charity's constitution.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

Reserves policy and risk management

The trustees have reviewed the reserves of the charitable company. The management committee have established a policy whereby the free reserves held by the charity should be between three and four months of the resources expended, between £111,000 and £148,000 in general funds. This would provide working capital and enable the charity to continue operations in the event of a significant reduction in funding long enough to reduce or cease its activities in an orderly manner.

Free reserves amounted to £45,529 at 31 March 2003. The trustees are seeking to increase the free reserves by increasing contract income and reducing costs.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate its exposure to major risks.

Tax status

The charity is exempt from taxation on its charitable activities.

Organisation

The charity is administered by the board of trustees and managed by its chief officer.

Auditors

It is proposed that the company's present auditors, Messrs Daniels & Co., be reappointed under section 385 Companies Act 1985.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in October 2000 and in accordance with the special provisions contained in part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies, and was approved by the board on 22 October 2003.

For and on behalf of the trustees

SHIRLEY ROPER

Chairman

Date 22October 2003

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the financial statements of Age Concern Chatham for the period from 22 January 2002 to 31 March 2003, which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002) under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies as set out herein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with s235 Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

As described in their report, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom auditing standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the trustees report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charitable company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees remuneration and transactions with the charitable company is not disclosed.

We read the trustees report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatement within it.

We are not required to consider whether the statement in the trustees' report concerning the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed covers all existing risks and controls, or to form an opinion on the effectiveness of the charitable company's risk management and control procedures.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS (continued)

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances, are consistently applied and are adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at 31 March 2003 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

DANIELS & CO. Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

The Old Courthouse, New Road Avenue, CHATHAM ME4 6BE

Date: 22 October 2003

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2003 £
Income and expenditure	1	~
Incoming resources		
Donations	2	4,946
Incoming resources from operating activities		
A ctivities in furtherance of the charity's objects	3	352,571
A ctivities for generating funds	4	4,484
Investment income	5	678
Net assets transferred from former charitable trust	15	120,333
Total incoming resources		483,012
Resources expended		
Cost of generating funds Charitable expenditure		251
Cost of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects	6	338,082
Management and administration	7	32,150
Total resources expended		370,483
Net incoming resources – Net income for the		
period		£ 112,529
Analysis of incoming resources		
Operating deficit for the period		(7,804)
Net assets transferred from the former charitable tru	ıst	120,333
		£ 112,529

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2003

	Notes		2003	
		£	£	
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	9		5,643	
Current assets				
Stocks		911		
Debtors	10	24,582		
Cash at bank and in hand		119,587		
		145,080		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	38,106		
Net current assets			106,974	
Net cuttent assets			112,617	
			112,017	
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	12		88	
			£ 112,529	
Funds				
Unrestricted	13		£ 112,529	

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions contained in part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by:

SHIRLEY ROPER

Chairman

Date: 22 October 2003

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 JANUARY 2002 TO 31 MARCH 2003

1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the accounts.

Basis of preparation of accounts

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts, the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in October 2000, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002), and in accordance with applicable accounting standards, under the historical cost convention.

Incoming resources

Investment income

Interest on bank deposits is taken into account on an accruals basis.

Donations

Donations are credited in the period in which they are received.

Outgoing resources

Certain expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost categories. Certain other costs, which are attributable to more than one activity, are apportioned across cost categories on the basis of an estimate of the proportion of time spent by staff on those activities.

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Balance sheet

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives, at the following annual rates:

Leased assets

over the period of the lease

Computer equipment

33.33% on cost

Fixtures and equipment

20% on cost

Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of their expected useful lives and lease terms.

Stocks

Stocks are valued on a first in, first out, basis, at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Leases and hire purchase agreements

Tangible fixed assets acquired under hire purchase agreement and leasing agreements which give rights approximating to ownership (finance leases) are capitalised at inception and depreciated at the appropriate rates for the classes of asset concerned. Payments under hire purchase agreements and finance leases are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and interest is charged to profit and loss account.

Unrestricted funds

These are funds which are expended at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

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2.	Donations		
			2003
			£
	Day centre		2,697
	Transport		2,234
	Other		15
			£ 4,946
3.	Income from activities in furtherance of the charity's		
		2003	
		£	£
	Day centre		
	Medway Council		47,197
	Other		18,092
			65,289
	Home living support service		
	Medway Council	211,175	
	Private clients	53,971	
			265,146
	Bathing		17,834
	Footcare		4,302
		-	£ 352,571
		=	<u> </u>
4.	Activities for generating funds		2003
	Fundraising	-	£ 4,484
5.	Investment income and other interest receivable		2003
	Bank deposit interest	_	£ 678

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6. Cost of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects

Cost of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects	200	13
	£	£
Day centre	~	~
Wages and salaries	40,919	
Other staff costs	538	
Premises	11,965	
Minibus	10,918	
Catering	8,577	
Other	2,128	
-		75,045
Home living support service		, , ,
Wages and salaries	225,204	
Staff travel	16,047	
Other staff costs	1,048	
-		242,299
Bathing service		·
Wages and salaries	15,435	
Staff travel	1,440	
		16,875
Footcare service		
Wages and salaries	3,627	
Staff travel	160	
Other staff costs	76	
		3,863
		£ 338,082
Management and administration		
		2003
		£
Administrative staff salaries		17,098
Audit and accountancy		4,569
Other administration costs		10,483
		£ 32,150

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8.	Employees			2003
	The average monthly number of employees w	as:		53
	Staff costs amounted to			2003 £
	Wages and salaries Social security costs		-	288,804 13,480 £ 302,284
	There are no employees who receive emolumements or expenses were payable to trus			Vo
9.	Tangible fixed assets			2003 £
	Net book values Kitchen equipment Day centre equipment Computer equipment		-	1,603 3,260 780 £ 5,643
	Movements in the year:			
	Cast	A dditions £	Disposals £	Closing balances £
	Kitchen equipment Day centre equipment Computer equipment	2,384 4,562 1,466	114	2,270 4,562 1,466
		£8,412	£114	£8,298
	Depreciation	Charge for period £	Disposals £	Closing balances £
	Kitchen equipment Day centre equipment Computer equipment	667 1,302 686 £2,655	-	667 1,302 686 £2,655

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10.	Debtors: amounts falling due within o	one year			2003 £
	Trade debtors				K.
	Medway Council				-
	Private clients				5,973
	Prepayments				1,207
	Accrued income - Medway Counc	cil		_	17,402
				-	£ 24,582
11.	Creditors: amounts falling due within	n one year			2003
					£
	Trade creditors				4,674
	Finance leases and hire purchase a	•			324
	Other taxation and social security	costs			11,813
	Accruals				4,026
	Salaries				17,213
	Other				56
					£ 38,106
12.	Creditors: amounts falling due beyon	nd one year			2003
	Finance leases and hire purchase	agreements			£ 88
13.	Analysis of income and expend	diture by fur	nds		
	•	•	Movement i	n resources	
		Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Closing balances
		£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted funds				
	General	483,012	370,483	(67,000)	45,529
	Relocation	-	-	25,000	25,000
	Redundancy	-	-	37,000	37,000
	Fixed assets			5,000	5,000
	Total	£483,012	£370,483	<u>-</u>	£112,529

The relocation fund has been set up to identify the estimated funds required for the relocation of the Day centre.

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Analysis of income and expenditure by funds (continued)

The fixed asset fund has been set up to assist in identifying those funds which are not free funds and represents the net book value of tangible fixed assets less the related loan finance.

The redundancy reserve fund has been set up to identify those funds which would be required to meet the charity's statutory redundancy obligations in the event of it ceasing operation.

14. Future financial commitments

Relocation

2003

Operating lease rental commitments due within one year: Leases expiring within one year

£ 750

25,000

15. Transfer of funds from the former charity

On 1 June 2002 the charitable company took over the operation Concern (Chatham), a charitable trust, as shown below:	ons and assets of	Age
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	~	~
Kitchen equipment		2,134
Day centre equipment		65
Computer equipment	_	1,467
		3,666
Current assets		
Stock	911	
Debtors	30,917	
Cash at bank and in hand	106,750	
	138,578	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21,575	
, c		117,003
	_	120,669
Creditors: amounts falling due beyond one year		336
	-	f,120,333
Represented by:	=	
Unrestricted funds		
General		60,333
Redundancy		32,000
Fixed asset		3,000

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16. Approval of accounts

These accounts were formally approved by the trustees on 22October 2003.