



...building a brighter future for
children with Down Syndrome

The Downright Special Network

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Foreword from the Chair



Over the past 12 months, the charity has continued to provide excellent support to children, young people and their parents/carers. Despite periods of uncertainty due to the pandemic and periods of remote learning and support, the team have worked flexibly to ensure the charity's activities remained purposeful and impactful.

Downright Special is a success due to the excellent leadership of the Charity Manager, Gillian Bowlas and the wonderful team of teachers, support staff who between them have a wealth of expertise and experience across the key phases of a child and young person's education and development. The training and development our team provide for practitioners across Hull and the East Riding continues to be an important aspect of the Charity's work and the need for this training will only increase.

We recognise that understanding the health needs of children and young people with Down syndrome is integral to providing a successful education so we were delighted to introduce a Health Lead role this year.

In 2020/21 we continued to focus on:

- Implementing the Down Syndrome Care Pathway working in partnership with our NHS colleagues at the Hull Clinical Commissioning Group. Our capacity to do this along with the expertise needed to drive it forward has been strengthened this year.
- Our response to the impact of the pandemic and the safe re-opening of Friday sessions including the re-introduction of social activities so children, young people and their families remained connected.

As we look to the future our plans continue to be centred on expanding our range of services in line with the increasing age range of the children we support so we can continue to support their evolving needs and help them reach their potential. You can read more about our future plans on page 22.

These plans and the developments we have been able to achieve to-date would not be possible without the fundraising and grants we receive. These are critical to the success of the charity - thank you to all the individuals and organisations who have supported us this year. We really could not do it without you!

Finally, thank you so much to everyone in the Downright Special Family who make everything possible - children, parents, grandparents, staff, volunteers, supporters and professionals from other agencies - all of whom have a common endeavour to build a brighter future for children with Down syndrome.

I hope, in reading this report, you take great delight and inspiration from it – we at Downright Special most certainly do!

Lizann Lowson

Chair of Trustees

Background

The Downright Special Network was established in June 2007 to:

- Provide and operate such support, materials and events so both parents/carers and professionals in health and education may be assisted in helping children with Down syndrome to achieve the best possible outcomes throughout their education, social, physical and emotional development.
- Produce antenatal support and information to prospective parents and emotional and practical support to new parents.
- Strive to build a brighter future for children with Down syndrome in our area.

The work undertaken by staff, as a result of the fundraising and donations received, allows us to focus on our enduring priorities of:

- Education
- Support
- Advocacy
- Training

Safeguarding Statement

Downright Special is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults with a care and support need, engaged in the breadth of its activities. Downright Special believes that everyone has the right to be safe from harm and should be able to live free from fear of abuse, neglect and exploitation.

Downright Special takes its responsibilities for safeguarding children extremely seriously and we believe safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We follow safer recruiting guidelines. All Downright Special posts are subject to enhanced DBS disclosure. All our staff and volunteers who have contact with families must attend Level 1 Safeguarding training as a minimum with several of our staff receiving further training including safer recruiting, vulnerable babies and Makaton safeguarding workshop. Our safeguarding policy can be found on our [website](#).

Meet the Team

Our Trustees

This year we had seven trustees on the board.

	Lizann Lawson Appointed October 2019 Chair since July 2020		Angela Broekhuizen Appointed June 2016 Treasurer since June 2021
	Gavin Beresford Appointed May 2017		Katy Wood Appointed February 2018 (resigned October 2021)
	Jamie Lewis Appointed September 2019 (resigned April 2021)		Jenny Ross Appointed September 2018
	Kate Long Appointed April 2020 Parent Trustee		

Our Staff

We started this year with six part-time members of staff to ensure the smooth running of the charity and deliver our Friday education sessions, outreach work in schools and training courses for parents and professionals. In the second half of the year, we also recruited two new sessional workers to lead our baby and toddler groups on a Friday following the resignation of two of our volunteers.

The team includes:

	Gillian Bowlas Charity Manager		Louise Smith Community Fundraising Champion & Charity Coordinator
	Sam Findlay Health Lead		Katie Bewell Specialist Teacher (KS1)
	Laura Nichols Early Years Advisor		Dr Nicola O'Riordan Advisory Teacher (KS2/KS3)
	Sarah Hyde Toddler Group Leader		Susanne Townhill Baby Group Leader & New Parent Contact

Our Volunteers



Jess Ross,
Friday Group Volunteer

To keep our costs as low as possible, the Charity uses many volunteers, including several parents, and we owe a huge debt of gratitude to each one of them who helped us this year. These volunteers assist with running Friday sessions, laminating resources, organising social events, supporting new parent visits, managing our website and IT systems, running our bookstall, charity tin collections and managing the accounts. Many thanks to: Lisa Bloomer, Angela Broekhuizen, Katy Wood, Heather Clark, Jill Lambert, Neil Findlay, Erin Findlay, Paul Herrievan, Lauren Lawler, Jill Newton, Victoria Ross, Becky Constable, Emily Barnett, Jessica Ross, Rachel Bowlas, Tone Broomfield, Karl Svenson and all the amazing volunteers who helped at our Christmas and Easter events.

Review of our Activities of the Year

Education

OUR PRIORITY WAS TO RESPOND TO THE IMPACT OF COVID AND ENSURE A SAFE RE-OPENING OF FRIDAY SESSIONS

Downright Special Early Development Groups



Our Downright Special early development groups run on a Friday during term time and continue to be a great success for children from birth to approximately five years old. We currently have around 16 children who regularly attend Friday mornings and, this year, we delivered 37 sessions. Before the pandemic these sessions were face-to-face for 3 hours. These sessions are a chance for parents to get together, have a coffee, share experiences and provide mutual support. The children get the chance to play and make friends. Most importantly the sessions also incorporate 'lesson time' when the children are put in small groups to work on their speech, language and communication skills, numeracy and literacy in a way that is tailored to the specific learning profile of children with Down syndrome. We provide lots of bespoke visual resources to support the children's learning and parents are given these to continue the work at home. We use Makaton sign language throughout the morning, helping parents and children learn the signs they need to communicate with each other and help with learning new words. We have established a tried and tested curriculum of activities which is reviewed annually to ensure the latest teaching methods are used. The curriculum also helps us to track progress and record milestones for each child.



Our baby group continues to be incorporated into Friday mornings, with our youngest children enjoying a range of sensory activities and learning some of the early skills, such as taking turns and making early speech sounds in a relaxed and fun environment. It is also a chance for parents to see a demonstration of some the activities they can do at home to support their child's development and for parents to learn some of the most useful sign language to help with their baby's communication skills.

Also, an aspect which is crucially important, Downright Special Fridays offer parents and carers the opportunity to chat over coffee, share their experiences and offer peer-to-peer support whilst the children play in a safe environment. However good a statutory agency may be, there are some things that only another parent will understand and be able to offer the mutual support which is so often needed. The Friday group is striking visual evidence that there is no "type" of parent who will have a child with Down syndrome and we have a diversity of ages and cultures in the group. New dads can also be reassured it certainly isn't a "mother and baby" group, as we have several fathers attending regularly.

We have continued to alter our approach for children with specific social communication needs by delivering blocks of 1:1 or 1:2 sessions focusing on those children's particular needs. These sessions have been very successful with the children making significant progress in this time.

Downright Special Fridays During the Pandemic



We are very proud that we have managed to continue to deliver our Fridays throughout the pandemic by very quickly switching to using zoom to continue lessons online and setting up our teachers with home printers so they could continue to make and send out resources throughout. For those children who were unable to cope with zoom sessions, we provided resources to parents to use themselves and had regular telephone calls with them to check progress and give advice where needed. When we were able to welcome our youngest children back to our Friday groups for face-to-face learning, we did so with safety at the heart of everything we did. We invested to keep our space clean and safe, carried out detailed risk assessments, put staggered start times in place, and bought duplicate resources to avoid sharing.

We were really pleased to have everyone back face-to-face after Easter 2021 in small groups for lessons only and from the start of September 2021 we were able to go back to our full Friday programme of events, including singing and signing, snack time, dance and of course lesson time.



Families have fed back to us how much they value these sessions, how important they are for families to meet each other to provide mutual support and the difference the sessions make to their children's speech, language and communication development.

Downright Special Education Outreach Work with Schools



Downright Special Education aims to support effective inclusion in mainstream schools. Our three part-time members of staff provide support to 49 children in mainstream nurseries, pre-schools and schools. We have continued to increase our support to mainstream secondary schools as more of our children choose to continue their education this way. We now support seven children in mainstream secondary. The number of schools and nurseries receiving direct support from us is around 45. Our specialist teachers have visited schools to assess children and advise teaching staff, provided training for schools on the learning profile of children with Down syndrome, assisted with formulating effective Individual Education Plans (IEPs), written reports for the Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP) process, and attended annual reviews and

transition meetings. We also continue to provide Education Resource Packs for each child we support when they begin their formal education.

“Due to the teacher being shown the learning style of children with Down syndrome, they have been able to plan and resource lessons to allow the child to access the curriculum better. The child has become so confident and engaged in learning thanks to the support given to both teaching staff, support staff and the child.”

Laura Nichols is our Early Years Advisor and, in addition to leading a Friday morning early intervention group, Laura's remit is to provide support and advice on inclusion of a child with Down syndrome in mainstream nursery or pre-school settings. She ensures our children get the best start to their education before they even reach statutory school age. Laura had 19 children on her caseload and provided support to 16 different settings this year.

Katie Bewell is our Specialist Teacher, mostly working with children in Key Stage 1. Katie had 12 children on her caseload this year. The use of colourful semantics for comprehension and speech fluency, and incorporating its use in specialist Apps such as Clicker, has continued to be a success this year. Many Teaching Assistants (TAs) are now using it in the classroom and we are seeing our years of work on the use of colourful semantics paying off, with our children making significant progress in this area of development. There continues to be great success with phonological awareness training, using multiphonics bricks with matching boards, which really help children blend and segment 'CVC' words.

Dr Nicola O'Riordan is our Key Stage 2/3 Advisory Teacher. Nicola has been instrumental in providing outreach support to our KS2/3 children and supporting the children, staff and parents in the transition to secondary school. Nicola had 21 children on her case load. In the last year, has begun to support children in KS4 (years 10&11). Nicola has continued to develop our INSET training offer for schools, writing and delivering a suite of new courses to suit the requests from schools.

Very importantly, we continue to offer small-group sessions at our Downright Special Friday group for school-age children and their TAs to the end of Key Stage 1. This year, we had 12 children attending these afternoon sessions in



three different teaching groups. These structured lessons cover the core elements of the curriculum, including reading, writing, literacy, numeracy, and speech and language development. Having the TAs attend means they can see a demonstration of how to practically apply the specific teaching techniques which ensure our children’s learning is maximised. They are given resources they can take away for use in the classroom and have plenty of opportunity to ask for advice on

any issues they may be facing in the classroom, or to get guidance on next steps. It is also useful for them to meet other TAs to share experiences and learn from each other. We also continued monthly groups for children who have recently moved into KS2. Led by our KS2/3 advisor Nicola O’Riordan, these groups focused on developing comprehension skills.

During the pandemic ‘lockdowns’ these groups were delivered online via Zoom, and support to schools also continued online or in person where the guidelines have allowed it to happen.

Case Study

I have been coming to Downright Special since I was a baby and I am now five years old. I am in a group with other children who also started at the same time as me. We are good friends and I see them outside of Downright Special too. As soon as I arrive on a Friday, I ask Katie my teacher where each of them are. Our mummies are all friends too because they met at Downright Special. Now that I am at school I come in the afternoon with my TA.

My speech has become clearer, the number of words I know has increased and I can build better and longer sentences since last year. I am getting good at talking about the things I like and dislike and my needs and wants. Recently my mummy and teaching assistant were given resources from Downright Special to help me with road safety. I like reading the social story about it and I have learned some of the signs for danger.

At the beginning of the year, I had to do my Downright Special lessons online. All my resources were sent to school the week before and then my TA and I did the lessons with Katie over Zoom. I did find this tricky at times but my TA and Katie helped to make them fun and I continued to learn during this time.

At school my TA uses all the vocabulary boards, books and resources given to me every Friday and she continues to do the work with me at school in between lessons. She does the work exactly the same way as she has seen at Fridays and this routine really helps me to learn and improve my concentration. My teaching assistant also had this to say about how Downright Special has helped her to help me:

“Coming to Downright Special with the child I work with has helped me massively and has made me want to know more. My knowledge and confidence in how to support him has improved. The children work really well in the sessions and the resources are amazing for use in school as well as at Friday group. It has also been useful meeting other Teaching Assistants – we share ideas and give each other advice. I have also accessed lots of the other training the charity offers which has really helped. How the Downright Special staff are with the children, the positivity they show is great. Any behaviour issues are looked at and sorted and if I have any questions then Katie always helps.”

Support to Families

Our priorities during the year were to offer additional support to families and to further develop our social event opportunities for older children

Social Events



Parents told us how isolated they and their children were feeling during the pandemic and how desperate they were to have social events and chances to meet up with other families. Social events allow our families to get together, share experiences, pass on tips, support each other, and celebrate their children's achievements. The events also give the children a chance to make friends with other children with Down syndrome and develop what we hope will be lifelong friendships and support networks. These events are just as important as our formal activities and this year we made it a priority to offer as many social events as possible whether they were online or, later in the year, in person as restrictions eased. We also knew how much our older children valued events just for them where they could socialise with their peers of the same age.



We were unable to have our usual Christmas party in 2020 so instead we arranged a socially distanced Christmas present delivery to our families. Our team of volunteer Santas and Elves drove all over Hull and East Yorkshire, delivering gifts to some very excited children with 40 families taking part.

Restrictions also meant that we couldn't have our usual Easter-egg hunt so, following on the success of Christmas we also arranged for a team of volunteer Easter Bunnies to deliver eggs to our families with 32 families taking part.

In addition to these events, we ran the following sessions for different age groups, initially all online and then moving face-to-face as soon as restrictions allowed. Over 50 of our children attended at least one event this year.



Pre-school/Primary Events

- 5 Zoom Dance Parties including themes such as Superheros and the Zoo
- 2 Zoom Sign& Story Sessions (Going on a Bear Hunt and Peace at Last)
- 2 Dance Sessions at Anlaby Studios
- Soft Play at MegaFun Beverley



Youth Club Events (secondary age+):

- A Christmas Zoom Party
- 5 Zoom Dance/Quiz/Craft Parties
- 3 Performing Arts/Dance Sessions at Anlaby Studios
- A visit to Hollywood Bowl

The young people also completed their own 'easy-read' evaluation forms telling us how much they enjoyed it and giving us their ideas for future get-togethers.

Events for Parents

For the first time we also organised two zoom events exclusively for parents, based on feedback we had – a 'Christmas Wine and Sign' evening and a 'Coffee & Chat' afternoon. Both events were poorly attended so for next year we will have to consult again to find out what would work better.

Other Support

New and Expectant Parents



We continued to support families new to parenting a baby with Down syndrome to offer support and information and this year welcomed two new babies to our special family. Through the hospital and health visiting teams, families are usually put in contact with us within a week of the birth or if a parent knows antenatally then we provide support through the pregnancy. We set straight to work not as lone "advisors" but instead using the extensive network we have built up to put the new parents in touch with others. As our database has grown to over 120 local families, we can now go so far as to match new parents to those of similar ages, situations and with babies who have similar medical conditions. For a new parent, there is nothing better than speaking to somebody who knows exactly what they are going through and can give them a glimpse of easier times a couple of years down the road, and there is nothing that our families with older children like better than reaching out to give new parents support, reassurance, advice and hope for the future. Fantastically, our families are working together for mutual benefit, which was always our ambition.

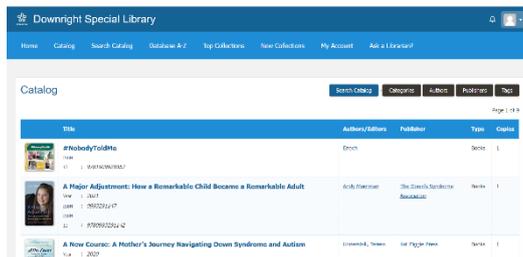
Advice

During the pandemic we have given lots of 1:1 advice and support to families by phone such as 1:1 assessments and activity ideas for our youngest children, advice on toilet training, support with accessing Early Help services and help with accessing school. We have a closed Facebook group for parents, giving them a safe place to share useful information, ask questions and provide mutual support. This was particularly useful for sharing information and questions relating to covid vaccinations for our vulnerable children.

We have supported several families this year with advice on filling in benefit forms, in providing reports and advice for Education and Health Care Plans, and with support in choosing schools and nurseries. We have been able to

help several families with their applications for claiming Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or appealing against decisions.

Online Library



We were pleased this year to move to an online library system, where we could catalogue all of the books, information and resources we have and make it easy for parents and carers to view the list and arrange to borrow items. The system also makes it easier for us to log the whereabouts of all our resources. Thanks to a grant from the Smile Foundation High Fiver grants we were able to buy some new books to add to the catalogue.

Downright Special Health

This year we were delighted to get funding to recruit into a new part-time post – Downright Special Health Lead. Downright Special has always had a strong focus on education and the aim of this new Health Lead role is to bring this same level of expertise and knowledge to the understanding of the health needs of children with Down syndrome. Sam Findlay, a registered Learning Disability Nurse started the role in December 2020.

The main achievements in the last twelve months have been:

- Creating a 'health, education and social care directory' for children aged 0-18 months in order to make the local NHS Down syndrome care pathway more accessible and relevant to children of this age. The directory clarifies the appointments children should expect to have at this age, the common health issues and details of who to contact in each service, all linked to the developmental milestones for these children. The directory has been well received by parents and this year directories will be developed for all other age groups too.
- Creating a bespoke hospital passport for children with Down syndrome. This document is for parents to record a one-page summary of their child's health needs, medical history, communication needs and any adjustments needed so that they can take it to appointments and avoid the need to retell their story over and over as well as acting as an aide-memoire for them as it is easy to forget important points in the stress of an emergency hospital visit. The passport also includes information on sepsis and infection in children with Down syndrome, Makaton signing information and communication cards.
- Working with the local Emergency Department Paediatric Consultant to set up an alert system within hospital records so that when a child with Down syndrome arrives at hospital there is a flag on their records that alerts doctors and nurses to the possible differences in how a child with Down syndrome might display symptoms of serious illness
- Helping families understand the priority vaccination lists for Covid and helping them with letters to their GP to ensure their child or young person accessed the vaccine at the right time. The Health Lead also attended several seminars on the impact of Covid on people with Down syndrome and disseminated the information to parents and carers, helping to alleviate their worries and understand the risk to their individual children.
- Building links with the local Occupational Therapy team and working jointly with them to support children with specific physical needs ensuring they can be better included in our sessions.

- Signposting families to useful information relating to health and answering lots of individual queries from parents

Plans for the future:

The first year of having the Health Lead role in place has been a huge success. In addition to carrying on the work already started there are three other areas of work we plan to undertake:

- Start work on understanding more about children with a Dual Diagnosis of Autism and Down syndrome and working with families to develop Downright Special's offer to those families who often feel that they don't fit well in either the Down syndrome community or the autism community and we want to change that for our families. We will be working to understand the latest research on dual diagnosis and how to apply that knowledge to the work we do to support the development and health of these children.
- The NHS is undergoing a reorganisation next year with the development of Integrated Care Systems and our Health Lead will be leading on making sure that the Down syndrome Care Pathway continues to be supported and developed by the NHS and doesn't get forgotten about during the transition. This work is already underway with key contacts in the NHS aware of our concerns.
- Begin work on a desensitisation programme. Many of our children find giving blood samples very difficult for many reasons but often sensory-related. We would like to develop a programme of work to try to help those children feel less stressed and upset by blood tests, which unfortunately most have to do at least annually

Supporting Young People – Building a Brighter Future Project

Our priorities during the year were to explore opportunities with further education partners and local employers to support young adults with Down syndrome



We have been thinking about our long term strategy and how we need to evolve to meet the needs of our young people as they leave school and transition to further education, work experience, training or employment. We formally began our 'Building a Brighter Future' project in July 2019, leading workshop to gather feedback from local organisations and providers and gathered feedback on the gaps in services and areas which are working well.

The project has been on hold due to the pandemic but we plan to restart work in early 2022 with the aim of having a clear view of the future role of Downright Special in supporting the transition to post-16 colleges, training and employment by the end of 2022.

Advocacy

Our priorities during the year were to work collaboratively with our NHS partners to review and communicate the Down Syndrome Care Pathway, to actively participate in Down Syndrome Awareness Week and to raise the profile of the charity.

Awareness Week

Part of our mission is to act as a voice for the children and parents we support. We aim to change perceptions and raise awareness of what it really means to have Down syndrome.



For Awareness Week this year we had a successful social media campaign throughout the week, along the theme of #LivingOurBestLives. We had some great videos of our children of all ages showing how they like to have fun. Huge thanks to Anya, Charlie, Frankie, Freya, Hermione, Jesse, Joey, Mia, Millie, Rachel and Raphi who shared films of themselves cooking, helping with the DIY, sledging, playing table tennis, cycling, reading, splashing in puddles and playing basketball.

We also had several schools and other supporters wearing their #LotsofSocks on World Down Syndrome Day to raise awareness.

New Parent Packs



Our new parent packs continue to be available on the maternity and neonatal wards. Midwives can give these packs out to parents knowing they are receiving up-to-date information on parenting a child with Down syndrome. A version of these packs is also available for those with an antenatal diagnosis. This year we made our packs available to download from our website <https://www.downrightspecial.co.uk/expectant-parents> and <https://www.downrightspecial.co.uk/new-parents>.

Campaigning



Speaking out in the media on important issues affecting our community is also an important part of our role. In November 2020 Charity Manager, Gillian, spoke to ITV Calendar news about a recent Emmerdale storyline featuring a character who was pregnant with a baby with Down syndrome, highlighting the out-of-date, negative perceptions of Down syndrome that were being perpetuated by the show's writers and the upset and distress caused to viewers with Down syndrome and families.

Towards the end of this year we also supported the work of the National Down Syndrome Policy Group as they campaigned for a Down Syndrome Bill to be passed through parliament.

Networking

We have continued to build networks with groups nationwide, through the DSUK-led Facebook group for those running parent support groups with the aim of making a difference by sharing support, services, knowledge and expertise, making sure we are delivering the best service possible to our families and running our groups as efficiently as possible. We continue to be affiliated to the Down's Syndrome Association. We work closely with the local Parent Carer Forums to feedback views from parents of key issues affecting them. We have a presence at the East Riding Learning Disability Partnership Board.

Communication with parents and carers

Making sure we hear the issues facing parents so that we can properly represent their voices is very important to us. In addition to developing a communications and engagement action plan parent and trustee Kate Long has the role of maintaining good communication between the trustees and parents, ensuring that we are continuing to deliver services that maximise the benefit to the families we support. We send regular emails to parents, began to send a termly update newsletter to parents and communicate frequently via our social media channels and closed Facebook group.

Training

Our priority during the year has been to increase our training offer for parents, schools and health professionals



Advisory Teacher Nicola delivering online training via Zoom,

We delivered 21 training courses this year including: Introduction to Working with Children with Down Syndrome; Maths using Numicon; Supporting Speech, Language and Communication Needs, Developing Language and Reading, Growing, Changing and Keeping Safe, Working Memory, Coordination Difficulties, Promoting Positive Behaviour, Toilet Training, Sensory Processing Difficulties. This year, we continued to develop our INSET training offer and delivered seven twilight training sessions on colourful semantics, coordination difficulties, language and communication, language for thinking, behaviour and signing.

Training midwives and other healthcare professionals in how to deliver the news that a baby has Down syndrome is important to us and this year we were delighted to work with Positive About Down Syndrome to deliver training to 44 midwives and others from across the new Humber Coast and Vale Local Maternity System.

Fundraising

The work of Downright Special is only made possible by the generosity and efforts of many people who have supported us by awarding us a grant, raising funds, or donating goods and services. Our plan in this year was to continue to have a broadly based fundraising strategy, rather than relying on one type of income. Because of the pandemic's impact on community fundraising, we adjusted our fundraising strategy reducing the targets for community fundraising and increasing the reliance on grants & trusts. Our new targets for this year were: grants/trusts (69%), community (25%), training (5%) regular giving (1%). These targets are monitored at trustee meetings. Increasing our focus on grants has reaped rewards in 2021, with successful grants received from:

Ironmongers	8,869.00
Sun 50 Reader Fund	2,000.00
Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Fund	500.00
Tesco Bags of Help (Groundwork)	970.00
Two Ridings Community Foundation	2,000.00
Hull Aid in Sickness Trust	1,500.00
Help For Health	5,517.00
Joseph & Annie Cattle Trust	5,000.00
BBC Children In Need	9,834.00
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	4,000.00
Garfield Weston Foundation	7,500.00
Brelms Trust CIO	5,000.00
David Solomons Charitable Trust	1,500.00
Douglas Arter Foundation	250.00
HEY Smile Foundation (High Fiver Grant)	250.00
Sir Jules Thorn (Ann Rylands Small Donation)	1,250.00
Hull + East Riding Charitable Trust	2,000.00
Barbara Ward Children's Foundation	4,000.00
Magdalen Trust	2,000.00
TOTAL	£ 63,940.00

In addition, this year we received £1171.21 from the **Co-Op Local Community Fund**, bringing the total received from them over the last two years to £2358.39. We also received £300 from the **Asda Foundation**.

Our income from grants increased by 22% compared to last year. Based on their successes to date, we have once again invested £1,050 in paying for 35 hours of a bid-writer's time to help us with our grant applications and paid for a further 35 hours to cover our needs in 2021/2022.

Our community fundraising income saw a 3% increase compared to last year but was still 23% lower than pre-pandemic levels. We have worked very hard to try to replace some of the lost income through online raffles, auctions, encouraging families to take part in our Down Syndrome Awareness Week activities and trying to find lots of other Covid-safe ways to fundraise. We raised a record £12000 during Awareness Week through families and friends taking part in a number of challenges, including Nature Scavenger Hunts, a triathlon, Beard and Head Shave, Yorkshire Rapeseed Oil 500-mile walk, Facebook donate buttons, custard pie challenge, Cookie Sale, Lots of Socks in schools and nurseries, donations and matched funds, raffles, sponsored walks.

We have been Charity of the year for **Yorkshire Rapeseed Oil** and we are very grateful for the support.

Overall, our income this year increased by 13% (from £92k to £104k) compared to last year, which given the challenging circumstances of much of this year, gives us confidence that we will be able fund the charity in line with our budget for 2021/2022 of £115k if we continue to implement our fundraising strategy in the way we have this year.

It is important to highlight we receive no statutory funding, and do not currently charge our parents or the schools and early years settings we support for the majority of the services we offer. The only charge was a heavily subsidised rate for school staff to attend training courses.

Every penny goes towards building a brighter future for children with Down syndrome and making a huge difference to their lives today. **Our heartfelt thanks go to those who supported us by raising funds or providing goods and services between November 2020 and October 2021. These include:**

Ainthorpe Parent & Toddler Sessions	Gosschalks Solicitors	ML Tuffnell
Andrew Hobley	Harris, Lacey & Swain	Mr and Mrs Coates
Angela Broekhuizen	Heather Clark	Mr and Mrs Maggs
Barry Sayer	HEY Smile Foundation	Nicola O'Riordan
Boots Kingswood	Hymers College	Rachel Popovski
Braham & Dixon Ltd	Ideal Boilers	Raymond Newmarch
Cakes by Leni	Isabel Turkington	RMS Allenby
Chrysaor - Lomond Welfare Committee	James Bryant	Robert D Webster Ltd (John Jackson)
Claire Mcmonies and Friends	John Hutton	Sally Gilbert
Craig Mcmonies HSBC	Joyce Mitchell	Scientific Laboratory Supplies
Emma Cater	Kerry Farmery	Shelagh & John
Emma Vine	Liam Robinson	Simon Stevens
Frieda Stokes	Lisa Bloomer and Jennifer Wheeler	Teesdale Family
Tesco grant (Groundwork)	Lizann Lawson	The One Point
Gavin Beresford Tough Mudder	Lloyds Bank, Ings Road, Hull	Toni's Deli
Genesis Preschool	Matthew Good Foundation	Victoria Ross
Gordons Solicitors	Mick Walker	Yorkshire Rapeseed Oil

Thanks also to everyone who:

- Supported us during Awareness Week
- Hosted a collection tin
- Set up a [Facebook Fundraiser](#) for us this year
- Set up regular giving via their Payroll or via our Just Giving Page <https://www.justgiving.com/downright-special>
- Gave us a one-off donation via Just Giving, Paypal, or direct to the charity
- Donated a raffle or auction prize
- Donated goods for our eBay shop
- Supported us by using <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> for their online shopping
- Sent e-cards using [Don't Send Me A Card](#).
- Supported us by using Amazon Smile www.smile.amazon.co.uk to do their Amazon shopping
- Bought us resources from our Amazon Wish List <https://tinyurl.com/2p87d64b>
- Everyone else who donated or supported us in any way, big or small. We couldn't do it without you!

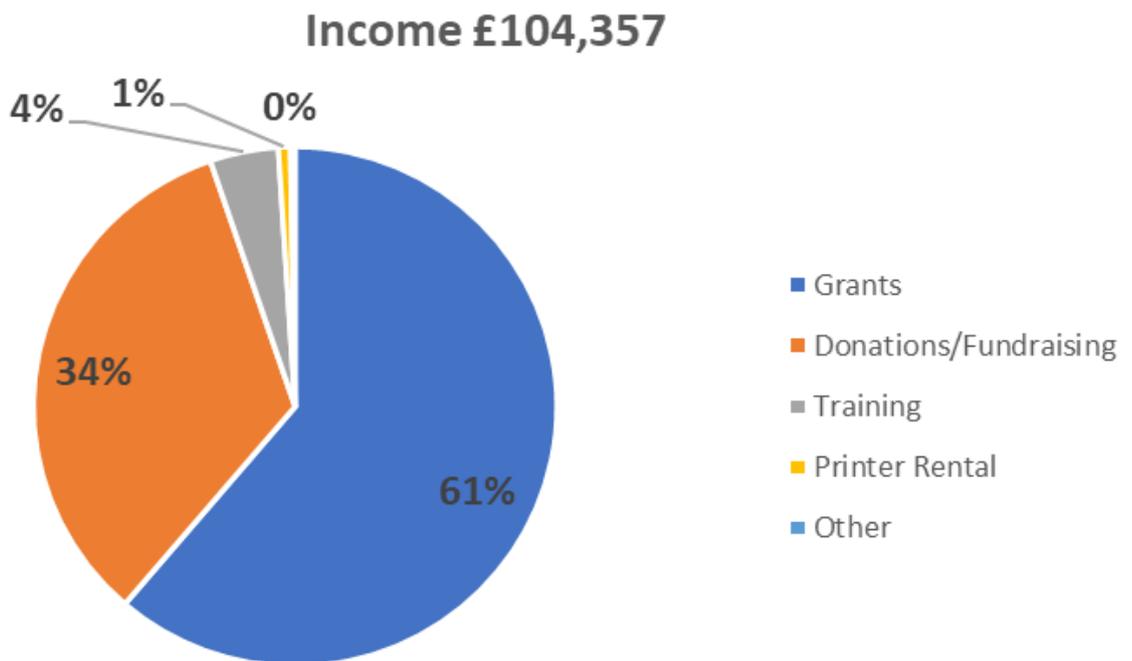
Financial Review

Income

Our levels of income saw a 13% increase compared to last year. This was mainly due to increases in grants (up 22%) due to our focus on this income stream. We began to see our community fundraising income increase following the devastating impact the pandemic had on community fundraising in 2020. Community Fundraising and donations were up 3% compared to 2020 but still 23% lower than in 2019 pre-pandemic.

We continue to fundraise ourselves with our eBay shop and income from sharing the use of our printer. Our campaigns for World Down Syndrome Day generated around £12,000 and we ran a number of online raffles and auctions.

Fundraising from individuals taking part in sponsored events continues to play a vital role in securing sufficient income to run the charity, although income from this was much reduced this year compared to before the pandemic and we continue to look for innovative, covid-safe ways to encourage individuals to fundraise for us.



Expenditure

In line with our increase in income our total costs increased as planned by 10%. Wages costs increased by 13% as we recruited the new part-time Health lead post and replaced our volunteer baby and toddler group leads with two sessional workers thus ensuring we could have reliable ongoing support for these age ranges of children.

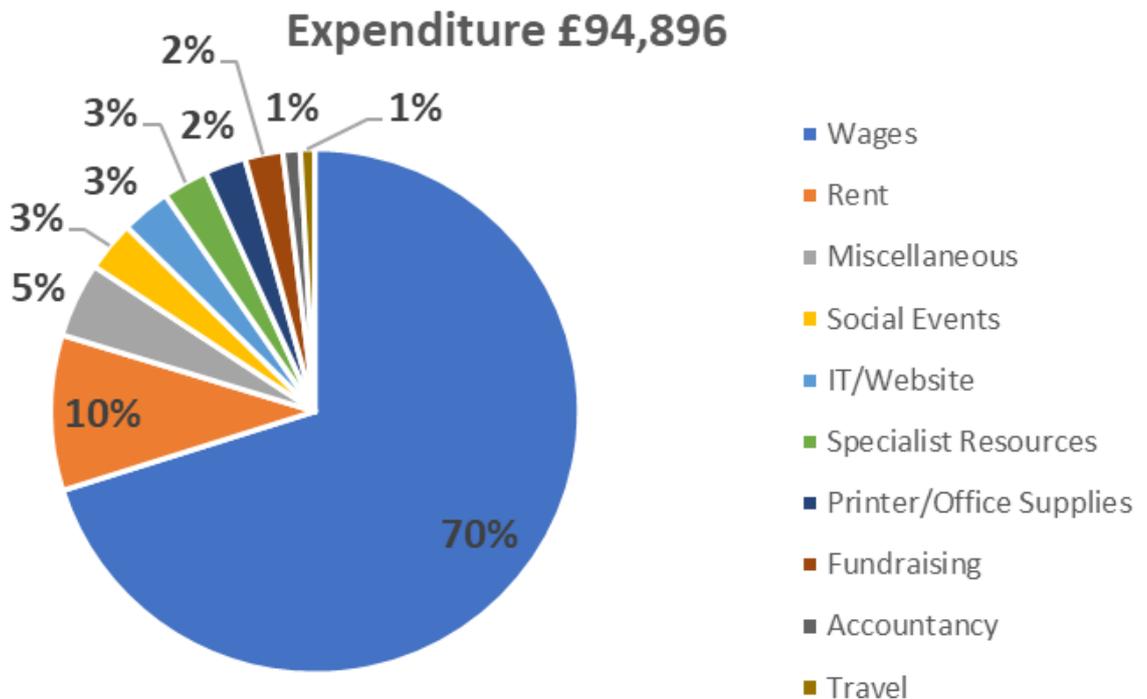
We continue to invest in specialist resources and making bespoke materials which can be used in our education sessions or given to families and schools to support the development of the children. These costs increased this year as we had to buy duplicate resources to be sent out for online lessons and to help keep our sessions covid-safe. We also invested in an update to the B-Squared Assessment Tool to help set targets and measure progress in our children in line with the latest changes to the national curriculum. We had to invest in IT systems such as zoom to allow us to deliver support online. This year we had to purchase some new laptops to replace our aging systems. We were pleased to be able to reintroduce social events during this year meaning these costs were back to similar levels to before the pandemic.

Offsetting these increases was a decrease in building rental costs and travel expenses due to delivering some sessions online rather than in-person because of the pandemic.

We are very grateful to the many individuals who purchased office supplies from our Amazon Wishlist, helping to keep these costs lower than in 2019.

We keep our costs as low as possible through gifts in kind from local businesses, such as reduced accountancy costs from Harris Lacey and Swain, employment law advice from Gosschalks solicitors, website hosting / telephony support from The One Point and many more.

We are hugely thankful for the incredible efforts from our team of volunteers, who have enabled us to continue to be so cost effective.



A full summary of the accounts is appended to this trustees' report.

Looking to the future

Our plans for the next 10 years continue to be centred on expanding our range of services in line with the increasing age range of the children we support so we can continue to support their evolving needs and help them reach their potential. Our goal is to be able to support children through their secondary school years and beyond to further education and employment. We also want to ensure that we continue to be sustainable in the short term whilst we are still adapting our offer to the needs of families during the pandemic.

Some of our plans are:

- **To secure key roles to support the ongoing development of the Charity – Deputy Manager, Baby Group Leader and Social Events Volunteer(s).**
- **To continue to develop the health agenda with a focus on the care pathway, maternity services and understanding best practice around supporting children with dual diagnosis and their families.**
- **To re-establish priorities to develop the Building a Brighter Future project, for example developing a programme of activities to support parents and developing a clear future plan for Downright Special's role in creating/supporting opportunities for young people with Down syndrome post-16.**
- **To continue to strengthen communication and engagement strategies with a particular focus on updating our website.**
- To increase our training offer for parents, schools and health professionals.
- To find long term sustainable funding for our specialist staff and our building costs.
- To continue to develop our social event opportunities for the whole family and older children.
- To continue lobbying on the regional and national stage.

We actively encourage as many people as possible to get involved in whatever way they can. If you would like to do something 'Downright Special', please contact office@downrightspecial.co.uk

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Lizann Lowson (Trustee)

Appendix: Unaudited Financial Statements

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 October 2021
for
The Downright Special Network**

Harris Lacey and Swain
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East Yorkshire
HU13 0DZ

The Downright Special Network
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for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their power of duties.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

For a full review of the Charity's reporting year including its objectives and aims and plans for the future please see the Charity report to which these accounts are attached.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The charity's policy is to hold nine months of running costs in reserves. The reserves policy is reviewed annually and is available on request.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (foundation model). The objects of the charity and the day to day running of the charity were unchanged when the conversion to a CIO took place in 2017.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees are appointed by existing trustees.

Organisational structure

For a full explanation of the organisational structure see the Charity's report.

Day to day responsibility has been delegated by the trustees to the Charity Manager Gillian Bowlas.

Policies and Procedures

The following policies and procedures were written or reviewed and updated: children's safeguarding policy and procedures, adult safeguarding policy, health and safety policy, equal opportunities policy, reserves policy, financial checklist (from the charity commission), the governance wheel (from NCVO), risk register, strategy, fundraising strategy, complaints procedure, GDPR policy, volunteers handbook, static collection tins policy.

Induction and training of new trustees

Trustees are required to familiarise themselves with the charity's governing document, safeguarding policy and employee handbook. The handbook covers a range of policies applicable to trustees or employees including confidentiality, data protection, health and safety, expenses and use of charity telephones and IT. All trustees were issued with Charity Commission's 'The Essential Trustee'. New trustees are also given the latest annual report and statement of accounts.

Six Trustee meetings were held during this reporting period and all meetings were quorate. Minutes are available for all meetings on request.

Related parties

The Charity is affiliated to the Down's Syndrome Association, a national organisation.

The Downright Special Network
Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1175863

Principal address

Bodmin Road Church Office
Padstow Close
Hull
HU7 4HE

Trustees

A Brockhuizen
K Stevens (resigned 13.10.21)
G D Beresford
J A Ross
J Lewis (resigned 20.4.21)
L Lowson
K Long

Lizann Lowson was appointed Chair of the charity in June 2020 for a term of three years from that date.

Independent Examiner

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HU13 0DZ

Solicitors

Gosschalks
Queens Gardens
Dock Street
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HU1 3DZ

Bank

CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The Downright Special Charity (registration number 1128178) converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 22 November 2017 and all the funds were transferred from the charity to the CIO.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 2/3/22 and signed on its behalf by:


L Lowson - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Downright Special Network**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Downright Special Network

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Downright Special Network (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 2/3/22

The Downright Special Network
Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		9,782	2	9,784	13,861
Charitable activities					
Charitable		50,893	43,391	94,284	78,494
Investment income	2	<u>289</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>289</u>	<u>264</u>
Total		60,964	43,393	104,357	92,619
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable		<u>47,475</u>	<u>47,421</u>	<u>94,896</u>	<u>86,345</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		13,489	(4,026)	9,461	6,274
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>72,974</u>	<u>14,440</u>	<u>87,414</u>	<u>81,140</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>86,463</u></u>	<u><u>10,412</u></u>	<u><u>96,875</u></u>	<u><u>87,414</u></u>

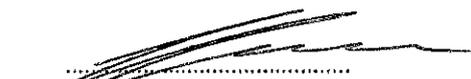
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The Downright Special Network

Balance Sheet
31 October 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		86,463	10,412	96,875	87,414
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>86,463</u>	<u>10,412</u>	<u>96,875</u>	<u>87,414</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>86,463</u>	<u>10,412</u>	<u>96,875</u>	<u>87,414</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>86,463</u>	<u>10,412</u>	<u>96,875</u>	<u>87,414</u>
FUNDS					
	6			86,463	72,974
Unrestricted funds				<u>10,412</u>	<u>14,440</u>
Restricted funds					
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>96,875</u>	<u>87,414</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 2/3/22 and were signed on its behalf by:


L. Lowson - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Downright Special Network

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>289</u>	<u>264</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2021 nor for the year ended 31 October 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2021 nor for the year ended 31 October 2020.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

4. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
General Staff	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Total staff costs in the year came to £58,493.00

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	13,861	-	13,861
Charitable activities			
Charitable	35,041	43,453	78,494
Investment income	<u>264</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>264</u>
Total	49,166	43,453	92,619
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable	<u>45,083</u>	<u>41,262</u>	<u>86,345</u>
NET INCOME	4,083	2,191	6,274
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	68,891	12,249	81,140
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>72,974</u>	<u>14,440</u>	<u>87,414</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	72,974	13,489	86,463
Restricted funds			
Help for Health	-	1,379	1,379
Breims Trust	2,392	(309)	2,083
Children In Need	1,201	414	1,615
MCF Masonic	-	(1,201)	(1,201)
Baily Thomas	800	(800)	-
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	3,010	2	3,012
Boshier Hinton Foundation	955	(881)	74
Groundwork UK	500	(500)	-
Hospital Saturday Fund	2,000	(2,000)	-
Hull Business Discretionary	3,200	(3,200)	-
Rank Foundation	132	(132)	-
Warburtons	250	(249)	1
Ironmongers	-	1,930	1,930
Magdalen Trust	-	1,519	1,519
	<u>14,440</u>	<u>(4,028)</u>	<u>10,412</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>87,414</u>	<u>9,461</u>	<u>96,875</u>

The Downright Special Network

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	60,963	(47,474)	13,489
Restricted funds			
Help for Health	5,517	(4,138)	1,379
Brelms Trust	5,000	(5,309)	(309)
Children In Need	9,835	(9,421)	414
MCF Masonic	-	(1,201)	(1,201)
Baily Thomas	-	(800)	(800)
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	8,000	(7,998)	2
Boshier Hinton Foundation	-	(881)	(881)
Co-op Community Fundraising	1,172	(1,172)	-
Groundwork UK	-	(500)	(500)
Hospital Saturday Fund	-	(2,000)	(2,000)
Hull Business Discretionary	-	(3,200)	(3,200)
Rank Foundation	-	(132)	(132)
Warburtons	-	(249)	(249)
Douglas Arter Foundation	250	(250)	-
HEY Smile Foundation	250	(250)	-
Ironmongers	8,870	(6,940)	1,930
Magdalen Trust	2,000	(481)	1,519
Two Ridings	2,000	(2,000)	-
Yorkshire Building Society	500	(500)	-
	<u>43,394</u>	<u>(47,422)</u>	<u>(4,028)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>104,357</u>	<u>(94,896)</u>	<u>9,461</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.11.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	68,891	4,083	72,974
Restricted funds			
BLF Awards for All	6,045	(6,045)	-
Brelms Trust	2,399	(7)	2,392
British Humane Association	2,480	(2,480)	-
Children In Need	1,228	(27)	1,201
Leeds Building Society Foundation	97	(97)	-
Baily Thomas	-	800	800
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	-	3,010	3,010
Boshier Hinton Foundation	-	955	955
Groundwork UK	-	500	500
Hospital Saturday Fund	-	2,000	2,000
Hull Business Discretionary	-	3,200	3,200
Rank Foundation	-	132	132
Warburtons	-	250	250
	<u>12,249</u>	<u>2,191</u>	<u>14,440</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>81,140</u>	<u>6,274</u>	<u>87,414</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	49,166	(45,083)	4,083
Restricted funds			
Persimmon	1,000	(1,000)	-
BLF Awards for All	1	(6,046)	(6,045)
Brelms Trust	5,000	(5,007)	(7)
British Humane Association	-	(2,480)	(2,480)
Children In Need	9,833	(9,860)	(27)
Leeds Building Society Foundation	-	(97)	(97)
MCF Masonic	5,000	(5,000)	-
Baily Thomas	2,000	(1,200)	800
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	8,000	(4,990)	3,010
Boshier Hinton Foundation	980	(25)	955
Co-op Community Fundraising	1,187	(1,187)	-
Groundwork UK	500	-	500
Covid 19 Furlough	1,702	(1,702)	-
Hospital Saturday Fund	2,000	-	2,000
Hull Business Discretionary	5,000	(1,800)	3,200
Rank Foundation	500	(368)	132
Scientific Lab	500	(500)	-
Warburtons	250	-	250
	<u>43,453</u>	<u>(41,262)</u>	<u>2,191</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,619</u>	<u>(86,345)</u>	<u>6,274</u>

The Downright Special Network

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.11.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	68,891	17,572	86,463
Restricted funds			
Help for Health	-	1,379	1,379
BLF Awards for All	6,045	(6,045)	-
Brelms Trust	2,399	(316)	2,083
British Humane Association	2,480	(2,480)	-
Children In Need	1,228	387	1,615
Leeds Building Society Foundation	97	(97)	-
MCF Masonic	-	(1,201)	(1,201)
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	-	3,012	3,012
Boshier Hinton Foundation	-	74	74
Warburtons	-	1	1
Ironmongers	-	1,930	1,930
Magdalen Trust	-	1,519	1,519
	<u>12,249</u>	<u>(1,837)</u>	<u>10,412</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>81,140</u>	<u>15,735</u>	<u>96,875</u>

The Downright Special Network

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	110,129	(92,557)	17,572
Restricted funds			
Help for Health	5,517	(4,138)	1,379
Persimmon	1,000	(1,000)	-
BLF Awards for All	1	(6,046)	(6,045)
Brelms Trust	10,000	(10,316)	(316)
British Humane Association	-	(2,480)	(2,480)
Children In Need	19,668	(19,281)	387
Leeds Building Society Foundation	-	(97)	(97)
MCF Masonic	5,000	(6,201)	(1,201)
Baily Thomas	2,000	(2,000)	-
Barbara Ward Childrens Foundation	16,000	(12,988)	3,012
Boshier Hinton Foundation	980	(906)	74
Co-op Community Fundraising	2,359	(2,359)	-
Groundwork UK	500	(500)	-
Covid 19 Furlough	1,702	(1,702)	-
Hospital Saturday Fund	2,000	(2,000)	-
Hull Business Discretionary	5,000	(5,000)	-
Rank Foundation	500	(500)	-
Scientific Lab	500	(500)	-
Warburtons	250	(249)	1
Douglas Arter Foundation	250	(250)	-
HEY Smile Foundation	250	(250)	-
Ironmongers	8,870	(6,940)	1,930
Magdalen Trust	2,000	(481)	1,519
Two Ridings	2,000	(2,000)	-
Yorkshire Building Society	500	(500)	-
	<u>86,847</u>	<u>(88,684)</u>	<u>(1,837)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>196,976</u>	<u>(181,241)</u>	<u>15,735</u>

The Downright Special Network

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021**

7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2021.

8. UNRESTRICTED GRANTS

Unrestricted grants of £21,720 were received in the year. These were from the following:

- £2,000.00 Sun 50 Reader
- £970.00 Groundwork
- £5,000.00 Joseph & Annie Cattle Trust
- £1,500.00 Hull Aid in Sickness Trust
- £7,500.00 Garfield Weston Foundation
- £1,500.00 David Solomons Charitable Trust
- £1,250.00 Sir Jules Thorn Trust
- £2,000.00 Hull + ER Charitable Trust

The Downright Special Network

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	9,784	12,859
Legacies	-	<u>1,002</u>
	9,784	13,861
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	289	264
Charitable activities		
Fundraising events	25,146	19,951
Printer rental income	791	1,010
Training income	4,407	5,267
Grants	<u>63,940</u>	<u>52,266</u>
	<u>94,284</u>	<u>78,494</u>
Total incoming resources	104,357	92,619
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	66,546	58,493
Building rental	9,097	10,285
Insurance	753	678
Telephone	144	164
Printing and office supplies	2,382	3,666
Specialist resources	2,653	1,099
Social and fundraising events	5,130	3,248
Marketing	594	396
Training and education	829	2,904
Travel expenses	846	1,503
Miscellaneous expenses	2,048	1,757
Website and computer expenses	2,869	836
Ebay shop expenses	-	<u>77</u>
	93,891	85,106
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	<u>1,005</u>	<u>1,239</u>
Total resources expended	<u>94,896</u>	<u>86,345</u>
Net income	<u>9,461</u>	<u>6,274</u>

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