

# **MATRIX NEUROLOGICAL CIO**

## ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

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# Introduction

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2023.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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)

# Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisors

Charity Name	MATRIX Neurological CIO		
Registered Charity Number	1159973		
Operational Address	TAD Centre Ormesby Road Middlesbrough TS3 7SF		
Trustees	Jan Rock Sara Tweddle Paul Wright	Founder Trustee & CEO Chair Treasurer	
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# Structure, Governance & Management

# **How the Charity is Constituted**

Matrix Neurological is a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) adopting the Charity Commissions Foundation Model wherebythe only voting members are the charity Trustees. We have adopted this model to ensure we comply with the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and the General Regulations. As part of this it helps us to ensure we:

- Reflect recommended best practice; and
- Are legally compliant

# **Appointment of Trustees**

Trustees are appointed for their individual knowledge, experience and skills that are considered essential to ensure the charity's effective administration and its continued sustainability, growth and development. Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees in a properly convened meeting.

There are no connected persons. There are no persons carrying out business in partnership with the charity trustees. Trustees are also screened using a needs and skillsets assessment. This approach enables us to:

- a) Ensure we have the right skills mix on the Board to meet the administrative needs of the charity
- b) Ensure we do have a range of Trustees from diverse professional backgrounds to build knowledge and skills
- c) Mitigate any potential risks or threats to the charity, as far as possible; and
- d) Reduce, as far as is possible, the potential for any conflicts of interest with each Trustee and their existing professional occupations.

#### **Additional Governance Information**

The first Trustees created a Trustee Agreement which also states our Quality Standards and our Code of Conduct. This ensures that all Trustees are aware of our expectations of them.

There are a number of quality standards that we feel are applicable to Matrix Neurological as an organisation as well as to its Trustees and Staff. These are:

- The Essential Trustee Guide
- The Charity Governance Code
- The Nolan Principles of Public Life
- Codes of conduct for Trustees (based on the Nolan Principles)
- Trustees and Management Committee National Occupational Standards

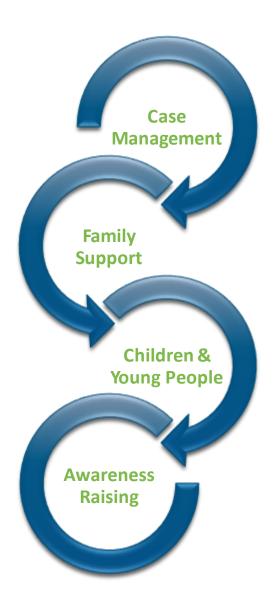
All the above have been taken into consideration in:

- Structuring the Governance model
- Stating the responsibilities of Trustees
- Setting out a 'Statement of Intent' pertaining to Governance and setting priorities for the Board
- Stating our behavioural expectations of Trustees, staff volunteers and partners
- Establishing a framework and role descriptions to enable Trustees to perform their duties competently, confidently, and professionally
- Telling Trustees what they need to know to do their job well

# **Objects and Activities**

Our Charitable Objects are the advancement of education and the advancement of health (or saving of lives).

The Advancement of Education By:



Providing knowledgeable and experiential support, assessment, supervision, advocacy, and educational advice

Peer Mentoring
Emotional Support
Educating parents on the complex effects
of acquired brain injury

Providing targeted non-clinical therapeutic and SEND interventions for children and young people living with an acquired brain injury

Raising public awareness of real-life issues related to acquired brain injury

# The Advancement of Health (or saving of lives) by:



Providing community-based neurorehabilitation interventions, assessment, management, advocacy and practical support for children and young people recovering from acquired brain injuries

Established research shows the benefits these restorative interventions bring, yet it is not provided by the NHS for our client group who need 1-1 intensive support.

Without us, the hidden complex needs of brain injured children and young people remain misdiagnosed, misunderstood, and untreated. In turn this leads to mental health issues in children and young people.

# **Our Achievements**



Our year started in April 2022, with our Chief Executive speaking at The Learning Disabilities and/or Autism: Choice, Inclusion, Control and Independence Conference at the Manchester Conference Centre. This provided an opportunity to highlight the impacts of living with acquired brain injury and more importantly generated a lot of positive feedback and interest in our work:

"Your talk was particularly powerful on a little known subject, but highlighted the positive outcomes to be gained with recognition.....the event raised some extremely interesting and important issues and the delegate audience will have taken some valued knowledge and inspiration from your plenary address."

Throughout 2022-23, Matrix Neurological has supported an increasing number of children, young people and their families as they continued to face uncertainty and disruption following the COVID pandemic.

Being able to return to delivering face to face support in schools, colleges and in our new dedicated classroom facility has been key to delivering much needed support to children who have often missed periods of school, and in many cases struggled with their complex hidden disabilities and wellbeing during periods of home schooling. Many of our kids could not engage in distance learning effectively, particularly those with attention and concentration impairments.

Our staff, volunteers and supporters also experienced significant challenges following the pandemic, both personally and professionally, as we worked to adapt the way we delivered our services in response to changing restrictions and requirements. Throughout the year, the unwavering dedication and loyalty of staff, volunteers and supporters has ensured, as always that the safety of children, young people and families, was front and centre.

We were pleased to see the Government commitment to developing an Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Strategy, leading to a consultation which has shone a powerful light on access to appropriate services and support. In

response, we have contributed to vital legislative and policy change. Meanwhile, the imminent introduction of new National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) Guidance for Head injury: assessment and early management, will bring welcome improvements in early intervention.

We have continued to ensure effective oversight of the key risks, challenges and responses throughout the year.

As we returned to traditional fundraising events, it was evident that our supporters were still very cautious about attending community fundraising activities. Cost of living pressures has also had an impact on community fundraising. However, the generosity of new and existing supporters has enabled us to expand our support services, including a range of activities running during school summer holidays, a play and stay session for our younger children and their parents, visits to a local park, community farm and craft sessions in our dedicated classroom facility. We would like to thank all our supporters for helping us continue to develop our service delivery.

We also continued to face challenges in recruiting to some roles throughout the year. While there have been occasions when our capacity has been stretched, the commitment of our staff and volunteers has been unwavering, ensuring the children and families who rely on our support, continues to be their first priority. Their response throughout has been impressive and we would like to express our appreciation for their dedication and resilience.

We have continued to develop our IT Infrastructure and use of software with support from Voice Consultancy, who's voluntary technical input has been invaluable in ensuring our IT continues to meet the demands and challenges in evolving our service provision.

A local group supported our fundraising, by completing the 15km Tough Mudder Infinity Challenge 2022 on 30th July at Broughton Hall, Skipton. Their generous support has made a significant funding contribution to our increasing core running costs. One of our Trustees also completed the Way of The Roses Coast to Coast Cycle Route, raising valuable funds through sponsorship and highlighting the work of the Charity along the route. This year we were delighted to have been selected by the staff of Lionweld Kennedy, as their chosen charity of the year. Following presentations to local Rotary Clubs, we also received generous donations from Hartlepool Rotarians and the Rotary Club of Guisborough and Great Ayton. We would also like to thank the generous and talented musicians and singers who performed at our Charity Fundraising Evening.

We continue to deliver support to children in community settings, in partnership with local schools and colleges. Children In Need, who are one of our major funders acknowledged the value of our work saying:

"Thank you for an incredibly high-quality report submission. It was good to read that the majority of your children and young people have made such considerable progress with the help of your SEN Support Team, especially considering the volume of challenges presented by Covid, not just to you as an organisation but to the families of the children and young people you are working with and the children and young people themselves."

We continue to maintain our focus on reaching and supporting more children and families living with acquired brain injury and striving for excellence in everything we do. We are looking to the future with optimism as we continue to follow our strategy of growth.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Senior Leadership Team, we would like to thank you for your support and interest in our work.

# **Statement on Public Benefit**

While the risks and challenges that we faced during 2022/23 have kept us busy, the focus of our work has been for public benefit, including supporting children and families in our local communities and long-tem unemployed volunteers into part time paid work.

# **Charitable Objects**

#### **Advancement of Education**

We can state that these have been met as follows:

Our website continues to be reviewed and updated regularly to ensure its relevance, quality, accessibility, and clarity. Our Welcome and Information Packs are greatly appreciated by parents, together with our DVD entitled 'Me and my brain injury'. We continue to promote our support services in a range of community venues, from schools, GP practices, to libraries, community hubs and youth groups. We provide advice and consultancy to schools and colleges and have delivered Brain Injury Awareness Training to schools, colleges and youth projects. One young person thanked our SEN Support Team:

"for the last few months thank you for being the BEST brain tutor person.

I cannot wait for more lessons in the future."

We are members of key partnerships and leadership groups across the Tees Valley and North Yorkshire, raising awareness of acquired brain injury. We also had an extensive article about our work, published in Neuro Rehab Times, a quarterly publication aimed at sharing best practice amongst professionals.

# Advancement of Health (or saving of lives)

We can state that these have been achieved by:

The continued provision of our innovative community-based neurorehabilitation services and therapeutic interventions for children and young people, recovering from or living with acquired brain injuries. We have been able to continue our specialist ABI Support Service, including ABI Support Workers and two specially trained SEN Staff, as a result of multi-year funding from BBC Children in Need.

We have also expanded our partnerships and relationships with local schools, colleges and alternative education providers, as we advocate for the needs of the children we support and provide direct support in school/college premises where this is needed.

We have expanded our Brain Injury Assessment Tools and they continue to highlight a range of other complex needs, which are often missed.

We consistently receive excellent feedback from funders and professionals in relation to our innovative support services, particularly how they are personalised to individual need. Much of the important information we highlight has previously been unrecognised and unsupported, which has had a huge negative

impact on the individual. We are recognised as a high-quality service and many funders and professionals have personally thanked us for the information we have provided. Following submission of our project evaluation report, Children in Need, who are one of our major funders acknowledged the value of our work saying:

"Thank you for delivering such incredible work for children and young people which is clearly helping them to make a remarkable improvement to their day-to-day life and to the lives of their families."



# **Our Services**

# **Case Management**



We continue to support families with our Case Management Service, ensuring we provide coordinated, practical assistance that is tailored to individual needs.

The service assesses and co-ordinates the needs of both the brain injured individual and their family because the wellbeing of both is key to a positive outcome.

This year our Case Management Service has assisted 40 people affected by childhood acquired brain injury, which has ensured that everybody's needs are assessed, recognised, and provided for.

Our Case Manager uses a variety of assessment tools that explore and investigate a range of potential difficulties, building a detailed needs profile of the child or young person. This information is shared with parents and provides valuable information to help families to communicate with both medical and non-medical professionals. This is vital in ensuring clinicians understand the effects and life impact the brain injury is having on the individual in a world that sits well outside of the clinical environment.

We continue to find that standard education psychological testing and school SEN services fail children and young people living with acquired brain injuries and have little or no long-term impact on their ongoing recovery. In turn this negatively impacts their future psychological, social, and economic wellbeing.

Our detailed cognitive reports identify the individuals hidden complex needs that are often missed in standard neuropsychological assessments. Our reports provide schools with a clearer understanding of a child's needs and inform EHC Plans to help deliver better long-term outcomes.

Our Case Manager advocates for the unmet needs of brain injured children and young people and works with Social Workers and Social Care Departments. The needs of these kids are frequently misunderstood, ignored or misinterpreted leaving their needs unmet and their families struggling to cope. Importantly the service continues to highlight the vulnerability and risks facing our client group and challenge poor decision making.

The in-depth investigative and analysis work we do is essential to understanding the individual needs of children and young people; and involves gathering and collating a range of reports and information across multi-disciplinary areas. We also complete baseline assessments from which to measure progress on the recovery journey.

Case Study – This child sustained a severe traumatic brain injury as a young baby and was in the foster care system. Neither the professionals involved, nor the foster carers understood anything about acquired brain injuries and the impact they have on a young child's developing brain. Additionally, the medical staff involved were focused on relaying the damage that had been caused to the child's brain and a potentially hopeless future for the child, which everyone found to be a very distressing experience. Sadly, nothing was explained by medical professionals about the potential to improve through the brain's 'natural plasticity' or how the foster carers could help the child to develop important skills and meet key development milestones.

As time went on, much pressure was being placed on foster carers for the child to attain their expected development milestones without any reference to the damage caused by the acquired brain injury and how this would impact the attainment of skills.

Our Case Manager was contacted by the family Social Worker for guidance and support for the family. Our Case Manager started by gathering a full case history along with copies of assessment reports that had been completed. Assessment questionnaires were also completed by the foster carers so we could include their views and observations.

Professionals from a visually impaired service were also involved and had recommended that the child receive an eye test at an optician. This was completed and the child was prescribed spectacles. However, we noticed at the first appointment that the child still appeared to be struggling with their vision.

From our detailed assessments, it transpired that the child had physical, sensory, visual processing, communication, cognitive, emotional, and behavioural difficulties, many of which had been missed by professionals. Our Case Manager fed this back at a multi-agency meeting and made several recommendations, resulting in the following outcomes:

- 1. Whilst the child had been seen by an optician and had a vision test, they had not been seen by an ophthalmologist to determine the impacts of the acquired brain injury on the visual process. Left untreated this would continue to negatively impact on the child's learning. The child was referred to an ophthalmologist who identified several issues with the vision process and the glasses prescription was significantly changed. The child now engages better in the classroom and their ability to see was much improved. In turn this had a positive impact on their learning. Had our Case Manager not been involved, it was highly likely that this child's issues would have remained unaddressed for some time.
- 2. The child was incontinent. Our Case Manager highlighted that her lack of control was not the fault of the foster carers but on the child's failure to develop awareness of those skills either due to sensory impairment or slowed brain development arising from the acquired brain injury. Professionals had not understood the impact of the brain injury on the attainment of key development milestones. Over a few months, our Case Manager and the foster carer worked together to find a solution that did not stress either the child or the foster carer. With recognition and improved understanding of the problem, combined with appropriate guidance and support the child developed the skills needed for control and continence and the child is now toilet trained.
- 3. The child's significant sensory difficulties were highlighted to ensure that these needs were acknowledged and ensure their successful integration into school; in particular, their heightened auditory sensory processing difficulties and how this was impacting on their behaviour. The child was given headphones to wear at school and was taken for quiet 'time out' breaks and smaller group teaching sessions.

#### 4. Conclusion

Foster carers eventually decided that mainstream school was not for this child due to the numerous difficulties they experienced daily. The child is now thriving in their new school and although late to develop, they continue to improve. We continue to monitor this child and will intervene again should further acquired brain injury related issues arise.

The family subsequently thanked us, saying:

"Thank you for all your help and support with everything – even with the EHCP. It is nice that professionals hear your advice. Matrix is the lifeline for this family."

# **Family Support Service**



With many parents struggling to understand their child's hidden disabilities and how to advocate effectively for their needs in the creation of Education, Health, and Care Plans, the overarching aims of our Family Support Service is to improve parent/carer mental health and wellbeing and build family knowledge and understanding of acquired brain injury and build family resilience.

In many cases both the child and/or the parents are blamed for unacceptable behaviours or learning difficulties that are related to hidden disabilities. Whilst many parents are told that their child has had a stroke or a concussion, many are not given clear information about the long-term effects this may have. Education professionals then struggle to understand what that means for a child's developing brain and think of it as a mental health issue or Autism, and the child falls further and further behind at school. In turn, they are referred to inappropriate services and receive treatment for misdiagnosed mental health conditions and/or are mis-diagnosed with intellectual disabilities.

Our Family Support Worker continues to support parents and carers, many of whom are at different stages of their acquired brain injury journey. She supports the parents and carers of children and young people aged from 2 up to age 25.

Additionally being fairly new in post, she has spent a lot of time out and about in the community talking to community professionals in a range of organisations, across health, education, social care and job Centre Plus staff to help raise awareness of the significance of acquired brain injuries and the long-term impacts they have on the developing brains of children, young people and young adults and how they may be affecting them during early adulthood.

#### Conclusion

This has led to increased awareness of acquired brain injuries, their causes, and the impacts they have on children and young people across a range of community professionals. For service providers it has led to a deeper understanding of their clients' complex needs and support needs. It has also facilitated new partnerships and referral sources being formed.



We have received the following feedback from a family:

"It is so helpful to talk to people who have lived this and who understand. People often think they do understand it – but they don't and their throw-way comments reflect their lack of understanding."

And the following comment from a professional:

"Thank you for bringing this to our attention and for raising awareness of this serious childhood condition. We have not heard of this disability and had no idea of its significance in numbers. We will embed this into our practice by asking direct questions about acquired brain injuries and their causes."

# **Children and Young People Support Service**



The lack of knowledge and understanding of childhood acquired brain injury across a range of medical and community professionals is astonishing. We believe this is the cause of most of the poor long-term outcome's brain injured children and young people experience.

Case Study - This child suffered a brain injury when a mobile tablet device was dropped onto their head by a young sibling. Despite being taken to A&E and having a CT scan nothing significant showed up on the scan. It is now known from research that CT scans are a popular choice used by medics despite more than 65% of brain injuries being missed by CT scans. Research also shows that it is not just the head injury or impact itself that causes harm to a developing brain, but equally the shockwave that follows the initial incident cause more harm to delicate brain structures.

Now aged 7, the head injury has left this child with sensory difficulties, behavioural issues, and development delays in the attainment of key skills and meeting their expected development milestones. In turn this has affected their successful integration into both the classroom and into school and their ability to keep up with their peers in the classroom. The school Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-Ordinator (SENDCO) had heard of us and contacted us for assistance and support.

Our Case Manager gathered a lot of information from parents, teachers, and assessment reports to build a full case history and understand the child's needs. We identified that the child has physical, sensory, communication, cognitive, emotional, and behavioural difficulties that were neither identified nor being addressed.

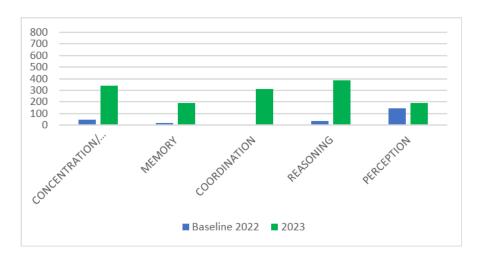
A neurocognitive assessment was then completed to understand how the brain injury had affected the attainment of key skills. Of the 23 key skills assessed, only 2 had started to develop.

The remaining 21 were significantly underdeveloped which explained why this child was struggling at school. A detailed Support Plan was created to address the needs identified.

Working closely with the school SENDCO our Specialist SEN Mentor delivered a personalised support programme via weekly 1-1 sessions that targeted the most important baseline key skills that had not developed as expected.

#### Outcome

After 12 months, when measured against their baseline assessment, the results were as follows:



The blue bars represent where this child was in terms of key skills development when compared to their peers, when they were referred to us. The green line shows the improvements made in just 12 months.

The school have stated there is a significant improvement in attention skills and the ability to focus on a piece of work. Support staff are having to intervene less, which is a huge change in just 12 months as they start to close the gap between them and their peers.

Whilst this child still has a long way to go to close the gap, we are confident that progress will continue, and our Specialist SEN staff will continue to work with this child for some time to come or until the gap has narrowed as the result of skills development/attainment.

The child's family thanked us, saying:

"Thank you for helping and supporting us all as a family and our son. It's very much appreciated, and he's come on wonderfully since you've helped him."

# **Volunteers**



At Matrix Neurological, as well as the children and families we support, we want our volunteers to achieve their own goals, so although each of them has chosen to give up their time to help others, it's important to us that we offer them the opportunity to develop skills and experience and support them on their own journey throughout their time with us.

During the past year our volunteers have been invaluable in supporting our fundraising activities and contributing to developing and improving our management processes.

We receive IT advice and support on a voluntary basis and appreciate the significant financial benefit this brings.

It is testament to the commitment of our Volunteers that Matrix Neurological continues to develop and grow as an organisation.

Our Volunteers play a key role in supporting our incredibly valuable and life-changing activities and projects and we wouldn't be in the position we are now, without them.

The Trustees wish to thank our volunteers for generously giving their time, dedication and skills. We cannot do this without you.



# Staff – Continuous Professional Development

During 2022/23 we have continued to invest in staff training and development to facilitate organisational growth and CPD. Courses completed were:

- Emergency First Aid at Work
- Emergency Paediatric First Aid
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Safeguarding Children and Young People with SEND
- It's your call Safeguarding Training
- Sleep Training
- Information governance
- Protecting you Assets
- Phishing

# **Finance and Fundraising**

# **Ethical Fundraising**

Matrix Neurological do not use any private sector fundraising agencies and aim to use only ethical fundraising practices as stated in our Fundraising Policy.

In 2022 we registered with BigGive, a third-party fundraising organisation that runs match funding campaigns for charities and special causes at key moments across the year. We did not receive any funding via this organisation during the financial year.

# **International Funding**

We do not knowingly obtain any income from international sources and the source of any donations we receive in our bank accounts are traced back to its source.

## **Funding Sources**

TYPE	SOURCE	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19	2017/18
RESTRICTED	GRANTS	77%	91%	94.84%	78.2%	28%	55.82%
UNRESTRICTED	DONATIONS	21%	6.63%	3.77%	10.76%	19%	2.18%
UNRESTRICTED	PAYMENT FOR SERVICES	2%	1.77%	1.00%	11.40%	46%	0%
UNRESTRICTED	GIFT AID		0.6%				

#### **Grants Awarded**

During 2022/23 we were pleased to have received support from the following funders:

Funder		Balances	Incoming	Total
		B/F	Resources	Amount
BBC Children in Need		£3,792.00		£3,792.00
BBC Children in Need & Youth Futures		£25,458.00		£25,458.00
The Brelms Trust x 3 years		£8,120.00	£4,965.00	£13,085.00
The Jack Brunton Charitable Trust		£293.00	£2,000.00	£2,293.00
Groundwork		£55.00		£55.00
Matthews Wrightson		£320.00		£320.00
Edward Gostling Foundation		£850.00	£5,112.00	£5,962.00
Middlesbrough Council Carers Grant		£19,831.00		£19,831.00
The Postcode Neighbourhood Trust		£18,975.00		£18,975.00
Big Lottery Awards for All 2021/22		£2,903.00	£60.00	£2,963.00
Big Lottery Awards For All 2022/23		£9,999.00		£9,999.00
Government Grants			£4,000	£4,000.00
Cooperative Bank			£1,000	£1,000.00
	TOTAL	£90,596	£17,137	£107,733.00

In many cases, funding has been allocated on a multi-year basis, ensuring continuity in the delivery of our support services. All the funding provided has been used to:

- Provide 1-1 non-clinical restorative interventions to children and young people that have been affected by childhood acquired brain injury
- Provide emotional and practical support to their families
- Contribute towards case management work

#### **Serious Incidents**

We are pleased to state that that have been no serious incidents to report this year. In February 2023, we completed a review of our Safeguarding Policy and Procedures using the NSPCC Safeguarding in Voluntary and Community Groups self-assessment tool, which provided reassurance of our robust protocols and confirmed a small number of areas for improvement, against the standard.

#### **Financial Review of Procedures**

During 2022/23 the Trustees undertook a full Financial Review of our written Financial Management Procedures and operational practices to ensure they met recommended best practice as stated by the Charity Commission. We are pleased to report that our procedures were both robust and comprehensive and were compliant with the Guidance provided by the Charity Commission.

#### **Accreditations**

During 2022/23 the Trustees felt it was important to demonstrate our commitment to ethical fundraising. We are delighted to announce we are registered with the Fundraising Regulator and have signed up to the Fundraising Code of Practice.

We also assessed the organisation against the Charity Excellence Framework and were delighted to have gained their Quality Assurance Mark.

# **Reserves Policy**

MATRIX Neurological CIO has maintained a small level of free reserves (unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets) aimed at meeting the working capital requirements of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of annual expenditure. Whilst this stands as a healthy figure the organisation has also increased its staffing levels. As at 31st March 2023 the free reserves fell short of this target. However, the trustees are aware of this and will be building up reserves with planned operating surpluses and fundraising activities where possible.

# **Own Fundraising Activities**

The Trustees acknowledge that we cannot rely on grant funding to support the work of the charity and that we have a responsibility to undertake fundraising activities ourselves. However, the charity does not have a dedicated Fundraiser, so the staff and Trustees currently do this in their own time and on a voluntary basis.

We undertake the majority of our own fundraising activities through Donations Boxes, or local people doing fundraising challenges for us, and an Annual Fundraising Event which is well supported by local people.

# **Fundraising Events**

We were able to host our Annual Fundraising evening, which took place in October 2022 and raised much needed unrestricted funding. In addition, we had a Christmas fundraising stall in a local shopping centre.

#### Support from Local Businesses

This year we were delighted to have been selected by the staff of Lionweld Kennedy, as their chosen charity of the year, along with The Bungalow Partnership. Both charities were selected for the invaluable services they provide to local children and young people who are living with significant challenges that affect their day-to-day life. This was a new venture for the company and during its first year it was really successful, with staff completing challenges in their own free time. Even their Head office matched some of the funding raised in recognition of the hard work of their staff team. We cannot thank Lionweld Kennedy enough for their support and we wish you well in your ongoing fundraising ventures.

#### **Direct Donations**

People can also make donations via a number of portals; as shown below:

- Our website (via Givey using a donate button)
- Givey by donating to our charity or creating a fundraising event for us.
- PayPal Giving whereby purchasers are asked to make a small donation
- Charity Car whereby companies and individuals can donate the value of their car
- GoRaise an online shopping donor scheme
- Give As You Live an online shopping donor scheme
- Give As You Earn a payroll giving scheme run by large employers
- Donations boxes in various locations

We wish to thank every individual who took the time to make a financial contribution towards our valuable work through one of our donation portals. We are grateful for your support and generosity.



# Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The charity trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of incoming resources and application of resources. In preparing financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 11 September 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Sara Tweddle Position: Chair of the Board of Trustees

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 March 2023

I report on the financial statements of MATRIX Neuorogical CIO for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 26 to 40.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 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.

Doug Maltman FMAAT
Connected Voice Business Services Limited
One Strawberry Lane
Newcastle upon Tyne
NE1 4BX
Date:

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies Charitable activities	6	25,240	3,172	28,412	12,146
Grants and contracts	7	-	13,965	13,965	113,934
Other trading activities	8	1,989	-	1,989	2,549
Total income		27,229	17,137	44,366	128,629
Expenditure on: Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	9	48,173	69,557	117,730	92,294
Total expenditure		48,173	69,557	117,730	92,294
Net income/(expenditure)		( 20,944 )	( 52,420 )	( 73,364 )	36,335
Transfers between funds		14,289	( 14,289 )	<u>-</u>	
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement of funds		( 6,655 )	( 66,709 )	( 73,364 )	36,335
Reconciliation of funds				-	
Total funds brought forward		8,371	90,596	98,967	62,632
Total funds carried forward	1	1,716	23,887	25,603	98,967

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 28 to 40 form an integral part of these accounts.

Charity Number 1159973

# **BALANCE SHEET**

As at 31 March 2023

	Notes	£	Total 2023 <u>£</u>	£	Total 2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	16		10,938		8,613
Total fixed assets			10,938	-	8,613
Current ecoeta					
Current assets Stock		650		_	
Debtors	17	1,310		5,776	
Cash at bank and in hand	18	21,970		87,846	
Total current assets		23,930	-	93,622	
		·		·	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	19	( 5,269 )	-	( 1,524 )	
Net current assets			18,661		92,098
Total assets less current liabilities			29,599	-	100,711
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<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due after more than one year	21	( 3,996 )		(1,744)	
			-		
Total net assets or liabilities			25,603	-	98,967
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted income funds			1,716		8,371
Restricted income funds			23,887		90,596
Total funds			25,603	-	98,967
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The notes on pages 28 to 40 form an int	egral part	of these accounts.			
These financial statements were approve	ed by the	Board on:			
and are signed on its behalf by:	S Tweddl	e			

Chair of the Board of Trustees

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### 2 Basis of accounting

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with 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 October 2019) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

MATRIX Neuorogical CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

#### 2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity reported total unrestricted funds at the year end of £1,716 and has said they are working to secure more funding for the current year. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

#### 3 Income

#### 3.1 Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is more likely than not that the resources will be received and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### 3.2 Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS102 SORP or FRS102.

#### 3.3 Grants and donations

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' 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 received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria of income recognition are met.

#### 3.4 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

#### 3.6 Volunteer help

The value of volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 3.5 Donated goods and services

Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided that the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with the equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

#### 3.7 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

#### 4 Expenditure and liabilities

#### 4.1 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

#### 4.2 Charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of providing practical help and support to children, young people and their families who are living with the effects of childhood acquired brain injury and other activities

#### 4.3 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### 4.4 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

#### 4.5 Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 4.6 Leasing

Recognises a right-of-use asset and corresponding liability at the date at which a leased asset is made available for use by the entity, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low-value assets. For these leases, the entity recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Lease liabilities are measured at the present value of the future lease payments, excluding any payments relating to non-lease components. Future lease payments include fixed payments, in-substance fixed payments, and variable lease payments that are based on an index or a rate, less any lease incentives receivable. Lease liabilities also take into account amounts payable under residual value guarantees and payments to exercise options to the extent that it is reasonably certain that

such payments will be made. The payments are discounted at the rate implicit in the lease or, where that cannot be readily determined, at an incremental borrowing rate.

Right-of-use assets are measured initially at cost based on the value of the associated lease liability, adjusted for any payments made before inception, initial direct costs and an estimate of the dismantling, removal and restoration costs required in the terms of the lease. The entity presents right-of-use assets in 'Tangible assets' in the balance sheet.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the lease liability is reduced for payments made and increased to reflect interest on the lease liability (using the effective interest method). The related right-ofuse asset is depreciated over the term of the lease or, if shorter, the useful economic life of the leased asset. The lease term shall include the period of an extension option where it is reasonably certain that the option will be exercised. Where the

lease contains a purchase option the asset is written off over the useful life of the asset when it is reasonably certain that the purchase option will be exercised.

The entity remeasures the lease liability (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use asset) whenever:

- The lease term has changed or there is a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate.
- The lease payments change due to changes in an index or rate or a change in expected payment under a guaranteed residual value, in which cases the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using the initial discount rate (unless the lease payments change is due to a change in a floating interest rate, in which case a revised discount rate is used).
- A lease contract is modified and the lease modification is not accounted for as a separate lease, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate.

#### 5 Assets

#### 5.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Individual fixed assets costing £250 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Right of use Office and computer equipment Straight line over useful life 25% Straight line

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

Ana	alysis of income				
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
6	Donations and legacies				
	Donations and gifts (GASDS)  Donations and gifts  Gift Aid	11,638 5,054	1,000 172 -	12,638 5,226	4,077 5,350 473
	Jack Brunton Charity	-	2,000	2,000	-
	Services provided	4,199	-	4,199	2,246
	Donated goods and services received	4,349		4,349	
		25,240	3,172	28,412	12,146
7	Charitable activities Income from grants				
	Big Lottery Awards for All	_	_	_	9,999
	BBC Children in Need	_	-	-	9,949
	BBC Children in Need & The Youth Futures Foundation	-	-	-	39,234
	Edward Gostling Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	-
	The Brelms Trust	-	4,965	4,965	4,965
	Community Foundation Willians Trust	-	-	-	10,000
	Postcode Neighbourhood Trust	-	-	-	19,956
	Middlesbrough Council Government Grants	-	4,000	- 4,000	19,831 -
			13,965	13,965	113,934
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8	Other trading activities				
	Calendar sales	-	-	-	180
	Employer allowance	-	-	-	2,369
	Fundraising Training delivery	1,633 356	-	1,633 356	-
	Training donvoiry				2.540
		1,989		1,989	2,549

Income was £44,366 (2022: £128,629) of which £27,229 was unrestricted or designated (2022: £14,695) and £17,137 was restricted (2022: £113,934).

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

Direct costs	Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Project salaries         2,768         46,926         49,694         43,789           Other staff costs         104         133         237         -           Training project         557         203         760         391           Advertising and PR         164         90         254         1,215           Travel and subsistence         -         664         664         1,315           Project activities         1,663         681         2,344         3,178           Volunteer expenses         231         104         335         652           Donated goods and services         4,349         -         4,349         -           Other         1,725         187         1,912         331           Support costs         296         1,041         1,337         3,832           Premises costs         13,573         14,646         28,219         12,770           IT         1,635         202         1,837         1,859           Insurance         606         -         606         502           Legal and professional fees         867         -         867         781           Interest charged         -         -	9 Charitable activities				
Other staff costs         104         133         237         -           Training project         557         203         760         391           Advertising and PR         164         90         254         1,215           Travel and subsistence         -         664         664         1,315           Project activities         1,663         681         2,344         3,178           Volunteer expenses         231         104         335         652           Donated goods and services         4,349         -         4,349         -           Other         1,725         187         1,912         331           Support costs         2         10,440         4,669         15,109         16,915           Office costs         296         1,041         1,337         3,832           Premises costs         13,573         14,646         28,219         12,770           IT         1,635         202         1,837         1,859           Insurance         606         -         606         502           Legal and professional fees         867         -         867         781           Interest charged         -	<u>Direct costs</u>				
Training project         557         203         760         391           Advertising and PR         164         90         254         1,215           Travel and subsistence         -         664         664         1,315           Project activities         1,663         681         2,344         3,178           Volunteer expenses         231         104         335         652           Donated goods and services         4,349         -         4,349         -         4,349         -         0         331           Support costs         Support costs         25         187         1,912         331         331         331         Support costs         280         1,041         1,337         3,832         331         332         331         332         331         331         332         331         331         331         331         331	Project salaries	2,768	46,926	49,694	43,789
Advertising and PR       164       90       254       1,215         Travel and subsistence       -       664       664       1,315         Project activities       1,663       681       2,344       3,178         Volunteer expenses       231       104       335       652         Donated goods and services       4,349       -       4,349       -         Other       1,725       187       1,912       331         Support costs       2       187       1,912       331         Support costs       2       187       1,912       331         Support costs       296       1,041       1,337       3,832         Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs       1ndependent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	Other staff costs	104	133	•	-
Travel and subsistence         -         664         664         1,315           Project activities         1,663         681         2,344         3,178           Volunteer expenses         231         104         335         652           Donated goods and services         4,349         -         4,349         -           Other         1,725         187         1,912         331           Support costs         2         5         187         1,912         331           Support costs         2         5         1,041         1,337         3,832           CEO salary         10,440         4,669         15,109         16,915         0,915           Office costs         296         1,041         1,337         3,832           Premises costs         13,573         14,646         28,219         12,770           IT         1,635         202         1,837         1,859           Insurance         606         -         606         502           Legal and professional fees         867         -         867         781           Interest charged         -         -         -         406           Depreciation	Training project	557	203	760	391
Project activities         1,663         681         2,344         3,178           Volunteer expenses         231         104         335         652           Donated goods and services         4,349         -         4,349         -           Other         1,725         187         1,912         331           Support costs         2         187         1,912         331           Support costs         2         10,440         4,669         15,109         16,915           Office costs         296         1,041         1,337         3,832           Premises costs         13,573         14,646         28,219         12,770           IT         1,635         202         1,837         1,859           Insurance         606         -         606         502           Legal and professional fees         867         -         867         781           Interest charged         -         -         -         406           Depreciation         8,361         -         8,361         3,575           Governance costs           Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts         834         -         -         -         -	Advertising and PR	164	90	254	1,215
Volunteer expenses       231       104       335       652         Donated goods and services       4,349       -       4,349       -         Other       1,725       187       1,912       331         Support costs       28       10,440       4,669       15,109       16,915         Office costs       296       1,041       1,337       3,832         Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Travel and subsistence	-	664	664	1,315
Donated goods and services       4,349       -       4,349       -       4,349       -       331         Support costs         CEO salary       10,440       4,669       15,109       16,915         Office costs       296       1,041       1,337       3,832         Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Project activities	1,663	681	2,344	3,178
Other       1,725       187       1,912       331         Support costs       CEO salary       10,440       4,669       15,109       16,915         Office costs       296       1,041       1,337       3,832         Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Volunteer expenses	231	104	335	652
Support costs         CEO salary       10,440       4,669       15,109       16,915         Office costs       296       1,041       1,337       3,832         Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Donated goods and services	4,349	-	4,349	-
CEO salary       10,440       4,669       15,109       16,915         Office costs       296       1,041       1,337       3,832         Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Other	1,725	187	1,912	331
Office costs         296         1,041         1,337         3,832           Premises costs         13,573         14,646         28,219         12,770           IT         1,635         202         1,837         1,859           Insurance         606         -         606         502           Legal and professional fees         867         -         867         781           Interest charged         -         -         -         406           Depreciation         8,361         -         8,361         3,575           Governance costs           Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts         834         -         766           Trustee expenditure         -         11         11         17	Support costs				
Office costs         296         1,041         1,337         3,832           Premises costs         13,573         14,646         28,219         12,770           IT         1,635         202         1,837         1,859           Insurance         606         -         606         502           Legal and professional fees         867         -         867         781           Interest charged         -         -         -         406           Depreciation         8,361         -         8,361         3,575           Governance costs           Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts         834         -         766           Trustee expenditure         -         11         11         17	CEO salary	10,440	4,669	15.109	16,915
Premises costs       13,573       14,646       28,219       12,770         IT       1,635       202       1,837       1,859         Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17			•	•	
Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Premises costs	13,573	14,646		12,770
Insurance       606       -       606       502         Legal and professional fees       867       -       867       781         Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	IT	1,635	202	1,837	1,859
Interest charged       -       -       -       406         Depreciation       8,361       -       8,361       3,575         Governance costs       Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       11       17	Insurance		_	•	
Interest charged         -         -         -         406           Depreciation         8,361         -         8,361         3,575           Governance costs         Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts         834         -         766           Trustee expenditure         -         11         11         17	Legal and professional fees	867	-	867	781
Depreciation         8,361         -         8,361         3,575           Governance costs           Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts         834         -         766           Trustee expenditure         -         11         11         17	•	-	-	-	406
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the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       17	Governance costs				
the accounts       834       -       766         Trustee expenditure       -       11       11       17	Independent examiner's fees for reporting on			834	
·	•	834	-		766
48,173 69,557 <b>117,730</b> 92,294	Trustee expenditure	-	11	11	17
		48,173	69,557	117,730	92,294

Expenditure on charitable activities was £117,730 (2022: £92,294) of which £48,173 was unrestricted or designated (2022: £19,594) and £69,557 was restricted (2022: £72,700).

#### 10 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	834	766
Other accountancy services paid to the examiner	867	713
	1,701	1,479

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 11 Analysis of staff costs, and the cost of key management personnel

	2023 £	2022 £
Salaries and wages Pension costs (defined contribution pension plan)	63,265 1,538	60,319 600
	64,803	60,919

No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2022: nil).

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the trustees and the charity manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £15,109. (2022: £16,915).

#### 12 Staff Numbers

The average monthly head count was 7 staff (2022: 5 staff) and the average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year were as follows:

The parts of the charity in which the employee's work	2023 Number	2022 Number
Charitable activities	3.0	5.0
	3.0	5.0

#### 13 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

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#### Trustees' expenses

The following detail the expenses incurred by the trustees.

	2023 £	£ 2022
J Rock Salary J Rock Travel	15,109 11	16,915 16
	15,120	16,931

A trustee has taking up position as MATRIX Neurological CIO CEO. The salary paid to the CEO is based on the going rate for the roles undertaken and they have declared an interest and thus removed themselves from any discussions designated to trustees. This has been agreed upon by the Board of Trustees and approval from the Charity Commission. The salary paid is detailed in note 11 for key management personals and above note.

#### Transaction(s) with related parties

There has been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

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#### 14 Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

The employer's pension costs represent contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amount to £1,538 (2022: £600). There was £0 outstanding as at 31 March 2023 (2022: £59).

#### 15 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

16	Tangible fixed assets	Right of Use £	Office Equipment £	Total £
	Cost			
	Balance brought forward	2,982	10,430	13,412
	Additions	8,281	2,405	10,686
	Disposals	<u>-</u> _		-
	Balance carried forward	11,263_	12,835	24,098
	<b>Depreciation</b> Basis Rate	SL 32%	SL 25%	
	Balance brought forward	1,289	3,510	4,799
	Depreciation charge for year	4,049	4,312	8,361
	Disposals			
	Balance carried forward	5,338	7,822	13,160
	Net book value			
	Brought forward	1,693	6,920	8,613
	Carried forward	5,925	5,013	10,938

MATRIX Neurological CIO adopted IFRS 16 Leases from 31 March 2019. Refer to note 4 for the accounting policy. The right-of-use assets recognised on adoption of IFRS 16 are reflected above.

#### 17 Debtors and prepayments (receivable within 1 year)

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors Prepayments	1,310 -	1,526 4,250
	1,310	5,776

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Cash in hand         34         12           21,970         87,846           19 Creditors and accruals (payable within 1 year)         2023         2022           £         £         £           Trade creditors         276         758           Accruals         834         766           Independent examination of accounts         834         766           Deferred income         678         -           Other creditors         3,481         -           5,269         1,524           20         Deferred income         -           Deferred income         2023         2022           £         £           Balance brought forward         -         -           Amount released to income earned from charitable activities         -         -           Amount deferred in year         678         -           Balance carried forward         678         -           21 Creditors and accruals (payable after more than 1 year)         21         Creditors and accruals (payable after more than 1 year)			
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# 22 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events that require adjustment to the accounts have occurred after the end of the reporting period, but before the accounts are authorised.

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## 23 Analysis of charitable funds

# Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

Year Ending 31 March 2023

	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Fund balances carried forward
Unrestricted funds	£	£	£	£	£
General unrestricted fund	8,371	27,229	(48,173)	14,289	1,716
Totals	8,371	27,229	(48,173)	14,289	1,716

## Year Ending 31 March 2022

Unrestricted funds	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Fund balances carried forward £
General unrestricted fund	8,670	14,695	( 19,594 )	4,600	8,371
Totals	8,670	14,695	(19,594)	4,600	8,371

# Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund

The 'free reserves' of the charity

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# 23 Analysis of charitable funds (continued) Analysis of movement in restricted funds

Year Ending 31 March 2023

Restricted funds	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
Restricted funds					<b>L</b>
BBC Children in Need	3,792	-	( 100 )	(3,692)	-
BBC Children in Need & The Youth Futures Foundation	25,458	-	( 33,468 )	8,010	-
Groundwork	55	-	( 58 )	3	-
Big Lottery Awards for All 2021- 22 - Formerly The National Lottery	2,903	60	(2,963)	-	-
,	9,999	-	(9,262)	(737)	_
Big Lottery awards for All 2022-23 - Formerly The National lottery	,,,,,,		( -, ,	( - /	
Matthews Wrightson	320	-	(310)	(10)	-
The Brelms Trust	8,120	4,965	(4,972)	(5,440)	2,673
Edward Gostling Foundation	850	5,112	(1,027)	(9)	4,926
MBC Carers	19,831	-	( 5,471 )	(2,710)	11,650
Jack Brunton Charity	293	2,000	( 153 )	( 2,140 )	-
Postcode Neighbourhood Trust	18,975	-	( 11,411 )	(7,564)	-
Government Grant - TV Combined Authority	-	4,000	(39)	-	3,961
Co-op Bank	-	1,000	( 323 )	-	677
Totals	90,596	17,137	( 69,557 )	( 14,289 )	23,887

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#### 23 Analysis of charitable funds (continued)

#### Year Ending 31 March 2022

Restricted funds	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
BBC Children in Need	-	9,949	(6,157)	-	3,792
BBC Children in Need & The	22,055	39,234	(35,498)	( 333 )	25,458
Youth Futures Foundation					
Groundwork	831	-	(776)	-	55
The National Lottery	9,992	9,999	(7,089)	-	12,902
Matthews Wrightson	730	-	(410)	-	320
Hospital of God	1,000	-	( 685 )	( 315 )	-
The Albert Hunt Trust	1,921	-	( 195 )	(1,726)	-
The Brelms Trust	4,965	4,965	( 1,460 )	( 350 )	8,120
Edward Gostling Foundation	5,500	-	( 4,541 )	( 109 )	850
MBC Carers	4,359	19,831	(3,924)	( 435 )	19,831
Childrens Foundation	609	-	( 581 )	( 28 )	-
Jack Brunton Charity	2,000	-	(1,374)	( 333 )	293
Community Foundation Willians Trust	-	10,000	( 9,029 )	(971)	-
Postcode Neighbourhood Trust		19,956	( 981 )		18,975
Totals	53,962	113,934	( 72,700 )	(4,600)	90,596

#### **Purpose of restricted funds**

Restricted main funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor

**BBC** Children in Need Towards the ABI support worker salary.

BBC Children in Need & The Towards the ABI SEN support service, rent, CYP resources and running

Youth Futures Foundation costs.

Groundwork For volunteer expenses.

Big Lottery Awards for All 2021-CEO salary.

22 - Formally The National

Lottery

Big Lottery Awards for All 2022-

23 - Formally The National

Lottery.

Matthews Wrightson Activity costs for children and young people. Hospital of God Family support assistant salary (North of Tees).

The Albert Hunt Trust ABI support worker salary.

ABI support worker salary and running costs. The Brelms Trust Salary contribution for specialist SEN support staff. **Edward Gostling Foundation** 

Case Manager salary.

**MBC Carers** Family support, equipment and running costs. Childrens Foundation Activity costs for children and young people.

SEN resource worker post. **Jack Brunton Charity** Community Foundation Williams Towards Apprentice costs.

Trust

Postcode Neighbourhood Trust Classroom and Classroom Assistant costs.

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Government Grant - TV

Towards Apprentice costs.

**Combined Authority** 

Co-op bank Travel expenses: Volunteers/Client Hardship Fund.

#### Transfers between funds

#### Year Ending 31 March 2023

-	Reason for transfer	Amount £
Between unrestricted and restricted funds	To cover cost of overheads and general running of the charity.	14,289
Year Ending 31 March 2022		Amount
	Reason for transfer	£
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Between unrestricted and restricted funds

To cover cost of overheads and general running of the charity.

4,600

# 24 Capital commitments

As at 31 March 2023, the charity had no capital commitments (2022 -£nil).

## 25 Analysis of net assets between funds

#### Year Ending 31 March 2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	10,938	-	10,938
Cash at bank and in hand	( 1,917 )	23,887	21,970
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	(3,309)	-	(3,309)
Long term assets/(liabilities)	(3,996)	-	( 3,996 )
	1,716	23,887	25,603

#### Year Ending 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	8,613	_	8,613
Cash at bank and in hand	(1,834)	89,680	87,846
Other net current assets/(liabilities)	3,336	916	4,252
Long term assets/(liabilities)	(1,744)	-	( 1,744 )
	8,371	90,596	98,967

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 26 Guarantee

There have been no guarantees given by the charity at 31 March 2023.

#### 27 **Debt**

There is no debt outstanding which is owed by the charity and which is secured by an excess charge on any of the assets of the charity at 31 March 2023.

#### 28 Governing document

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - Foundation registered on 16 January 2015 as a body corporate under part 11 of the Charities Act 2011.