



CABARET vs CANCER

helping those affected by cancer

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Report and Financial Statements

Year ending 31st March 2017

Charity registration number: 1167819

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Reference and Administrative Information

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Chairman's Review

It is an honour and a pleasure to be able to report on our first year as a registered charity. I cannot thank enough the contribution every volunteer, supporter and Ambassador has made to ensuring Cabaret vs Cancer is a success.

In our first year we have awarded grants totalling £19,955 and established a network of nine Ambassadors who fundraise on our behalf. We have two regular fundraisers; in addition we have a core team of seven volunteers who work with the Board of Trustees to ensure our publicity, administration and events run smoothly. Each gives their time and expertise to Cabaret vs Cancer for free.

The Board of Trustees are setting targets to recruit an additional two Ambassadors over the next twelve months, and an additional four regular fundraisers. We also hope to grown our online presence by recruiting a volunteer social media manager to help establish our media strategy.

This is the first year of being a registered charity, and we have come a long way. The Board of Trustees are taking the time and patience to grow the charity one step at a time. It's our priority to ensure the longevity of the charity and continue to support our community.

Elizabeth Hannah
Founder and Chair of Board of Trustees



The Board of Trustees



Report of the Trustees

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2017. The financial statements comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 1993 and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Structure, Governance and Management

Cabaret vs Cancer operates as a Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. We have been operating as a registered charity since June 2016.

Trustees

At any one time there must be a minimum of three charity Trustees. During this first year there has been no change to our founding Board of Trustees (page 3). In line with our constitution there is no remuneration paid to Trustees.

If any of the above step down from the Board of Trustees, a recruitment and selection process for a new Trustee will take place. Future Trustees will be required to serve a 6-month probationary period. This allows the new Trustee and the existing Trustees the opportunity to evaluate their decision. On completion of the probationary period the position will be confirmed for a period of 3 years, which may be renewable, by mutual agreement.

Decision Making

The Board of Trustees meet twice a year, and consult regularly, they hold ultimate responsibility for the Charity. It agrees the strategy and direction of the charity and confirms grant donations and key financial issues.

Day to day management and administration of Cabaret vs Cancer is delegated to the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Cancer is something that effects everyone unfortunately. It's an indiscriminate and heartless disease. I'm fiercely proud of my ambassadorial role with Cabaret vs Cancer and am so glad that entertainment can help fight something so woefully unfunny and cruel. I look forward to smashing my target from last year so we can help find a cure, we will have the last laugh!

Julie Ann Laidlaw, Blond Ambitions





Report of the Trustees (continued)

Objectives and Activities

Over the period of these accounts Cabaret vs Cancer awarded grants which met the Charity's overarching purpose.

The purposes of the charity

To advance such charitable purposes (according to the law of England and Wales) as the Trustees see fit from time to time in particular but not limited to the relief of sickness and the preservation and protection of good health by:-

- advancing the research, treatment, care and rehabilitation of persons suffering from cancer; and
- by making grants and awards to cancer charities and children under the age of 16, who have lost parents to cancer.

Contribution made by volunteers

We have worked to establish a team of nation-wide Ambassadors who are well respected in their field. These Ambassadors have collected donations, staged events and ensured the charity grew from strength to strength. They have been key in growing awareness of the new charity throughout the industry.

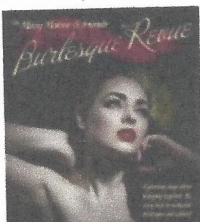
Our Edinburgh Ambassador raised over £2,000 at the Edinburgh fridge festival in August 2016 thanks to her close working relationship with the venue and persuading the local bar staff to give up all their tips on the last night of the Edinburgh Festival for Cabaret vs Cancer.

Our volunteers have also made entertainment visits to St Joseph's which has brought a little joy and spreads some happiness to those who need it most. The Christmas visit coincided with a segment on BBC One which saw our team singing in the background of the news reporter.

Our event teams work with us at our London events, each one giving their time, energy and passion to our charity. They make the customer experience and ensure a great event.

Having seen loved ones around me fight the battle against Cancer over the last couple of years I am so proud to be able to support and help raise money for such worthy causes doing the job I love so much! The Cabaret scene is a force to be reckoned in any case, I am just delighted that our troops are helping kick Cancer's ass!

Missy Malone





Report of the Trustees (continued)

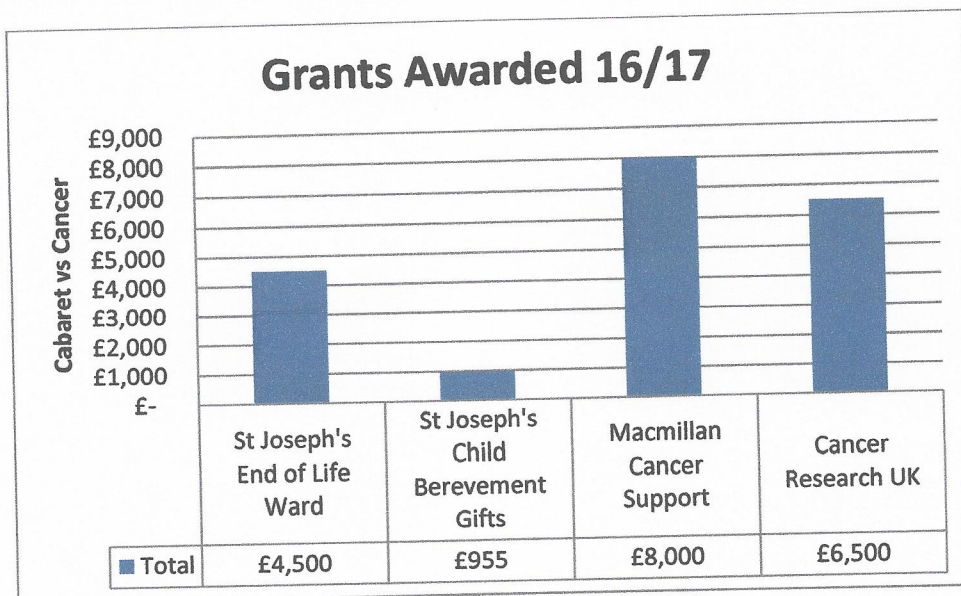
Special Relationships

During this initial year, the Trustees have taken the opportunity to build relationships with key staff at our three main beneficiaries. This enables us to see how our grants are spent and to ensure that Cabaret vs Cancer grants are being utilised for the public benefit.

Cabaret vs Cancer are official partners of UK Charity Week, and members of the Small Charities Coalition.

Achievements and Performance

Cabaret vs Cancer has awarded grants supporting our purpose. Grants are awarded twice a year, in accordance with our governing body, in June and December. The value of grants awarded is agreed upon by the board of Trustees at bi-annual meetings.



Grants Awarded

St Joseph's Hospice Hackney

The charity supports the St Michael's end of life ward at the hospice to ensure that those near the end of life have the care they need. The charity is pleased to be able to support our local hospice and the ward. This money funds medical and support staff, together with supporting our aim to enhance the care of those suffering from cancer.

St Joseph's Hospice Hackney (Child Bereavement Team)

The Trustees have been providing gifts for children working with the child bereavement team to support them after losing a parent to cancer. These small gifts are making a genuine difference to



Report of the Trustees (continued)

their lives. We were told of a small boy who had lost his mum to cancer, who after her death would not get out of bed at night, this was causing stress to dad and of course the boy. Cabaret vs Cancer gave him a Darth Vader torch to shed a little light in the darkness. This small gift made such a difference that he was empowered to get out of bed at night. "Nothing can get me when I've got Darth Vader" he told counsellors. To know that we have changed his life has made a real impact on us.

Macmillan Cancer Support

Grants awarded to Macmillan on behalf of Cabaret vs Cancer are directed to the grant giving fund of Macmillan. This ensures our grants are used to support those who need financial aid while being treated for cancer. The money is used to provide grants of up to £250 to those who may need additional financial support, whether for heating, traveling to treatments or to buy items to support their recovery.

Cancer Research UK

Grants awarded to CRUK are used to fund research into cancer and advance treatments.

Like a lot of people I've been directly affected by cancer, and as a result have always tried to support cancer charities. I am honoured to be able to spread the word, reach more people and ultimately raise more funds for Cabaret vs Cancer through Burly Q. The team make it incredibly easy to do so, and are helpful and supportive throughout.

Audrey Hepkat, Burly Q





Report of the Trustees (continued)

Achievements of the Charity

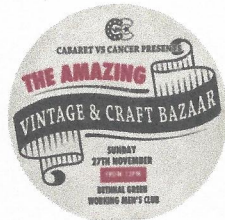
Ashes to Ashes II

In March 2017 we held our second Ashes to Ashes live event and public art auction. This event raised over £6,000 for the charity, both in personal cash donations and through our online art auction. Art donations were made from international artists, and local supporters and auction bids were received from all over the world. Our custom made Bowie badges were handmade and donated by our Leeds ambassador, which again boosted the fundraising efforts of the event.



Craft and Vintage Bazaar

Our first bazaar was held in November 2016, where we managed our own Christmas shopping and raised over £1,500. Our suppliers came from across England and as far away as Amsterdam, as we gathered to sell vintage clothes and homewares through to cosmetics and crafted items. Our tombola stall was a hit with visitors old and young alike!



Meat Raffle

This winter we drew our first meat raffle, just in time for the winners to buy their festive shopping. Raising nearly £900, prizes were supported by local butchers and key national suppliers; with prizes being shipped across the UK.

2017 All Nude Cabaret Charity Calendar

Our charity photographer, Sin Bozkurt, started to shoot the calendar in early 2016. Once again we were able to persuade a host of the UK's top cabaret and burlesque performers to strip off and help raise money for Cabaret vs Cancer and raise over £1,700.





Report of the Trustees (continued)

Plans for the Future

The Trustees' overarching intention is that Cabaret vs Cancer should continue to provide grants in line with our purpose; supported by our fundraising community and to the benefit of others.

- To increase our collaborations across the community and increase the fundraising stream.
- We will develop our relationship with the child bereavement team in 17/18 to create our own support packs for children who have a parent nearing the end of life, due to cancer.
- Launch the 2018 charity calendar, with profits around £2,000
- Hold a minimum of four events in London

Financial Review

Overall both income and expenditure rose for the year. Income for the year increased from last year's figure of £15,550 to £25,916. Resources expended increased to £22,264 compared to £5,152 for 2016. Overall, income exceeded expenditure by £3,652

The Charity's financial position remains reasonably sound with both net current assets and unrestricted funds amounting to £14,050 at the year-end suggesting a sufficient margin of solvency to allow the Charity to continue to operate in the near future. The Trustees however are aware that the Charity's ability to continue operations in the longer term depends on its ability to raise funds.

Going Concern

Note 11 to the accounts explains that the charity's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on it being able to secure fresh sources of income. A number of bids are being pursued and effort made to contain costs within the constraints of the income available. Whilst the Trustees acknowledge the inherent uncertainties that exist they have nevertheless decided that it is appropriate to produce the accounts on a going concern basis.

Investment policy

There are no restrictions on the charity's power to invest and the current policy is to invest in short term funds with the charity's bankers.

Reserve policy

In order to provide a quality, effective and efficient service to its beneficiaries the Directors have set a reserves level that in the event of funding not being sufficient to cover expenses in the future that a smooth transition can be made to a lower level of service. The Directors have a target of approximately three to six months of budgeted operating expenses, being between £1500 and £2500. Total general reserves at 31 March 2017 are £14,050. The Directors will review the reserve policy on an annual basis.



Report of the Trustees (continued)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. 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.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

| | | |
|--------------|-------------------|------------|
| Signature(s) | Elizabeth Hannah | Mason Ball |
| Full Name(s) | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| Position | Chair of Trustees | Trustee |
| Date | 27-6-17 | 27/06/17 |



Independent Examiner's Report

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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an Independent Examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £25,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Accounting Technicians

It's my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention


Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act and;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 29/06/2017

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Statement of Financial Activities For The Year Ended 31 March 2017

| | Notes | Unrestricted Income £ 2017 | Restricted Income £ 2017 | Total Income £ 2017 | Prior Year £ 2016 |
|--|-------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Income from : | 2 | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | 22,455 | - | 22,455 | 9,486 |
| Charitable activities | | 3,430 | - | 3,430 | 5,835 |
| Investments | | 31 | - | 31 | 229 |
| Total | | 25,916 | - | 25,916 | 15,550 |
| Expenditure on: | | | | | |
| Raising funds | 3 | 1,315 | - | 1,315 | 952 |
| Charitable activities | 4 | 20,949 | - | 20,949 | 4,200 |
| Total | | 22,264 | - | 22,264 | 5,152 |
| Net income/(expenditure) before tax for the reporting period | | 3,652 | - | 3,652 | 10,398 |
| Tax payable | | - | - | - | - |
| Net income/(expenditure) after tax before investment gains/(losses) | | 3,652 | - | 3,652 | 10,398 |
| Net gains/(losses) on investments | | - | - | - | - |
| Net income/(expenditure) | | 3,652 | - | 3,652 | 10,398 |
| Net movement in funds | | 3,652 | - | 3,652 | 10,398 |
| Reconciliation of funds: | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 10,398 | - | 10,398 | - |
| Total funds carried forward | | 14,050 | - | 14,050 | 10,398 |

All of the charity's transactions are derived from continuing activities.
The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.



Balance Sheet For the Year Ended 31 March 2017

| | Notes | 2017 | | 2016 | |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Cash at Bank and in Hand | | <u>14,700</u> | | <u>10,598</u> | |
| | | | 14,700 | | 10,598 |
| Creditors | | | | | |
| Amounts due in one year | 7 | <u>650</u> | | <u>200</u> | |
| | | | 650 | | 200 |
| Net Current Assets | | | 14,050 | | 10,398 |
| Net Assets | | | <u>14,050</u> | | <u>10,398</u> |
| Restricted Funds | | | 0 | | 0 |
| General Funds | | | 14,050 | | 10,398 |
| Total Funds | | | <u>14,050</u> | | <u>10,398</u> |



Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2017

1 Accounting Policies

a. Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis 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 charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Charities Act 2011.

b. Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 a restatement of comparative items was needed. No restatements were required.

c. Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income and grants receivable, including donations and gifts, are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.
- Investment income is included when receivable.

d. Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included with the item of expense to which it relates.

- Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

d. Funds accounting

Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Directors. Restricted funds are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restriction arises when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.



**Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 March 2017 (continued)**

2 Income

| | Unrestricted 2017 £ | Restricted 2017 £ | Total 2017 £ | Total 2016 £ |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations | 22,455 | - | 22,455 | 9,486 |
| Other | 3,430 | - | 3,430 | 5,835 |
| Interest | 31 | - | 31 | 229 |
| | <u>25,916</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>25,916</u> | <u>15,550</u> |

3 Expenditure on Raising Funds

| | Unrestricted 2017 £ | Restricted 2017 £ | Total 2017 £ | Total 2016 £ |
|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Fundraising Activities | 1,315 | - | 1,315 | 952 |
| | <u>1,315</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>1,315</u> | <u>952</u> |

4 Expenditure of Charitable Activities

| | Unrestricted 2017 £ | Restricted 2017 £ | Total 2017 £ | Total 2016 £ |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Administrative Expenses | 269 | - | 269 | - |
| Governance Cost | 725 | - | 725 | 200 |
| Grants | 19,955 | - | 19,955 | 4,000 |
| | <u>20,949</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>20,949</u> | <u>4,200</u> |

5 Analysis of Governance Costs

| | 2017 £ | 2016 £ |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Accountancy fees | 500 | 200 |
| Independent examination | 150 | - |
| | <u>650</u> | <u>200</u> |



Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2017 (continued)

| 5 Grant Making | 2017 | 2016 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Cancer Research | 6,500 | - |
| Macmillian | 8,000 | 4,000 |
| St Joseph's | 4,500 | - |
| St Joseph's Child Bereavement | 955 | - |
| | <u>19,955</u> | <u>4,000</u> |

| 7 Creditors | 2017 | 2016 |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Trade Creditors | 650 | 200 |
| | <u>650</u> | <u>200</u> |

8 GOING CONCERN

In common with a number of charities of similar size, Cabaret vs Cancer's ability to continue is a going concern for the foreseeable future, and depends on its ability to raise funds from various sources.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and the trustees believe no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have therefore concluded that it remains appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees recognise however that these matters are inherently uncertain and should existing funding streams be disrupted or, additional funding not become available, the trustees may have no alternative but to cease operations.