

Company registration number: SC356421
Charity registration number: SC041185

Patients' Advocacy Service

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2015

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Patients' Advocacy Service
Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name	Patients' Advocacy Service
Charity registration number	SC041185
Company registration number	SC356421
Principal office	State Hospital Carstairs Lanarkshire ML11 8RP
Registered office	State Hospital Carstairs Lanarkshire ML11 8RP
Trustees	Andrew Gardiner Francis Fallan Keith Swinley Roger Adams Heather Baillie Margaret Rodger Seymour Jo Birch Daniel Reilly
Bankers	Santander 301 St Vincent Street Glasgow G2 5NT
Accountant	Accountants Plus Upper Floor, Unit 1 82 Muir Street Hamilton ML3 6BJ

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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and the unaudited financial statements for the year noted above. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity

Administrative details of the charity, its directors and trustees

All directors of the company are also trustees of the charity, and there are no other trustees. All of the trustees named on the legal and administrative page served throughout the entire year unless otherwise noted.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is governed by a board of directors/trustees. The day to day running of the charity is managed by Mrs Ann Morton who employed 4 paid staff, 1 sessional worker and 3 volunteers, whose efforts throughout the year have been invaluable.

Risk Management - The charity has no commitments and as such the trustees feel that the level of reserves are sufficient for the charity and would not enter into any business or operational circumstances that may lead to significant risks.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Objectives of the charity and principal activities

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up in April 2009, gaining charitable status in January 2010. It is governed by a memorandum and articles of association.

The charity's object and principal activity is to provide an independent, highly skilled, responsible and professionally run service within the State Hospital at Carstairs. Whilst observing the safety and security of the Hospital, the Services works independently within it to promote patients as individuals, to support them and enable them to be fully informed and involved in their care and treatment.

Achievements and performance

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Trustees' Report

During the year the charity has continued to strengthen and provide further training for management, staff and volunteers in order to meet its operational requirements both today and in the future.

Plans for the future

In the coming year the charity aims to:

- Continue in the development of improved recording systems for statistical information;
- Continue to look at developing patient participation with PAS
- Continue Advocacy attendance at Community meetings
- Continue a positive relationship and open communication with the State Hospital, Board and Hospital staff
- Recruitment of of Volunteer Advocates
- Recruitment of Patients Representatives

Financial Review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows net deficit for the year of £13,498 (2013 surplus £12,669), and our reserves stand at £44,043 (2013 £57,541)

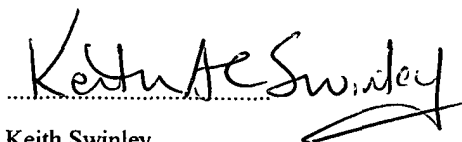
Funds held as Custodian Trustee on behalf of others

No investments were made or are held by the charity.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on 27 May 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Swinley', written over a dotted line.

Keith Swinley
Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Patients' Advocacy Service

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2015, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 matters set out in the statement below.

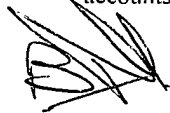
Independent examiner's statement

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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have 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.



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Bryan J. T. Wood FCCA
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Chartered Certified Accountants

27 May 2015

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Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 March 2015

		Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2015	Total Funds 2014
	Note	£	£	£
Incoming resources				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	2	141,956	141,956	146,089
Total incoming resources		<u>141,956</u>	<u>141,956</u>	<u>146,089</u>
Resources expended				
Costs of generating funds				
Costs of generating voluntary income	4	137,413	137,413	159,587
Total resources expended		<u>137,413</u>	<u>137,413</u>	<u>159,587</u>
Net movements in funds		4,543	4,543	(13,498)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		44,043	44,043	57,541
Total funds carried forward		<u>48,586</u>	<u>48,586</u>	<u>44,043</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2015

		2015		2014	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand			52,767		49,267
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8		<u>(4,181)</u>		<u>(5,224)</u>
Net current assets			<u>48,586</u>		<u>44,043</u>
Net assets			<u><u>48,586</u></u>		<u><u>44,043</u></u>
The funds of the charity:					
Restricted funds			-		-
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted income funds			<u>48,586</u>		<u>44,043</u>
Total charity funds			<u><u>48,586</u></u>		<u><u>44,043</u></u>

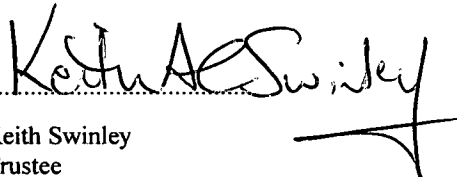
For the financial year ended 31 March 2015, the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Approved by the Board on 27 May 2015 and signed on its behalf by:


 Keith Swinley
 Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2015

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005)', issued in March 2005, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and the Companies Act 2006.

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 12.

Incoming resources

Voluntary income including donations and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Costs of generating funds are the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the statement of financial activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

2 Voluntary income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2015 £	Total Funds 2014 £
Donations and legacies			
Appeals and donations	-	-	813
UK Government grants	141,504	141,504	144,367
Interest on cash deposits	452	452	909
	<u>141,956</u>	<u>141,956</u>	<u>146,089</u>

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3 Grants receivable

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2015 £	Total Funds 2014 £
UK Government grants	141,504	141,504	144,367

4 Total resources expended

	Donations and legacies £	Total £
Direct costs		
Employment costs	131,851	131,851
Establishment costs	1,359	1,359
Printing, posting and stationery	304	304
Subscriptions and donations	100	100
Sundry and other costs	248	248
Accountancy fees	2,382	2,382
Legal and professional costs	1,169	1,169
	<u>137,413</u>	<u>137,413</u>

5 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any emoluments during the year.

Out of pocket expenses, included within employment costs above, were reimbursed to trustees as follows:

	Number	£
Travel and meeting expenses etc.	8	2,236

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6 Employees' remuneration

The average number of persons employed by the charity (including trustees) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

	2015 No.	2014 No.
Management	1	1
Administrator	1	1
Advocates	2	3
Trustees	8	8
	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	2015 £	2014 £
Wages and salaries	117,782	132,854
Other pension costs	8,377	8,354
	<u>126,159</u>	<u>141,208</u>

7 Taxation

The company is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2015

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8 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2015	2014
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	310
Taxation and social security	2,465	3,198
Accruals and deferred income	1,716	1,716
	<u>4,181</u>	<u>5,224</u>

9 Members' liability

The charity is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the members is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £nil towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

10 Pension scheme

Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to £8,377 (2014 - £8,354).

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

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11 Related parties

Controlling entity

The charity is controlled by the trustees who are all directors of the company.

12 Analysis of funds

	At 1 April 2014	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 March 2015
	£	£	£	£
General Funds				
Unrestricted income fund	44,043	141,956	(137,413)	48,586

13 Net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2015	Total Funds 2014
	£	£	£
Current assets	52,767	52,767	49,267
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(4,181)	(4,181)	(5,224)
Net assets	48,586	48,586	44,043

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Statement of financial activities by fund Year Ended 31 March 2015

	Unrestricted income fund 2015	Unrestricted income fund 2014
	£	£
Incoming resources		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
Voluntary income	141,956	145,276
Total incoming resources	<u>141,956</u>	<u>145,276</u>
Resources expended		
Costs of generating funds		
Costs of generating voluntary income	137,413	158,774
Total resources expended	<u>137,413</u>	<u>158,774</u>
Net movements in funds	4,543	(13,498)
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	44,043	57,541
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>48,586</u></u>	<u><u>44,043</u></u>

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Incoming resources from generated funds		
Voluntary income	-	813
Total incoming resources	-	813
Resources expended		
Costs of generating funds		
Costs of generating voluntary income	-	813
Total resources expended	-	813
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds carried forward	-	-

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