

WINCHESTER & DISTRICT

SCOPE

Supporting people with cerebral palsy

ANNUAL REPORT 2015 – 2016

Chair & Secretary's Report – Past Year's Activities

The year began with our amended Constitution going to the Charity Commission and with the knowledge that our improved website can now be more easily updated.

However, we were sorry to lose our Chairman Liz Dudley who was leaving the area. Though Chair for only one year, she would be sorely missed as will her husband Peter who had been so able and willing to help with our computing system. Experiencing problems he came to the rescue and was responsible for a generous gesture by a company known to him who passed on a good reliable Dell with a large screen which has enabled us to make these advances with our website. So our thanks to both and fortunately Peter's help is still available on line.

Last year's AGM

We chose to hold our AGM in a bigger venue with better provision for children to play. St Barnabas Church Hall at Weeke fitted the bill with a play area, good size hall and kitchen. So, thanks to Helen Stevens, we were once again able to offer excellent cakes and tea.

The main topic was our re-vamped website: we asked people for their views. Most found the layout clear, they could find what they wanted quite easily and liked its general look. The strap line "Supporting people with cerebral palsy" was adopted. Again, our thanks to James Rose and Peter Dudley for enabling us to adopt a system we can manage. They worked to set up Wordpress - and Peter continues to help us online.

Elections

Gill Young kindly agreed to be our new Chairman after every effort had been made to find a replacement, advertising in many locations. She has brought with her years of experience teaching children with disabilities. Cheryl Honeycombe who has worked for years as a Paediatric OT agreed to become Vice Chair. Also welcomed was Charlotte Smallman: who replaced Karen Millachip as Hon.Treasurer. Joining our Executive is Joyce Brashaw who has personal experience of living with cerebral palsy and previously sat on the Executive. Other Execs were returned en-bloc.

Our Main Role – Requests for grants

We continue to respond as quickly as possible to requests for costly items or various therapies (as listed) – sometimes in full but contributing towards the more expensive items and at times working with other sources of help.

This year has seen an increase in the number of requests and accordingly we needed to fundraise: we were lucky enough to be able to hold a Car Boot Sale in August 2015 which raised £987.

Cameron & powerpack



We will be sorry to lose the Cattle Market site on Andover Road which has been an invaluable source of fundraising for many voluntary organisations.

Executive Committee 2015/16

Chairman	Gill Young
Vice-Chair	Cheryl Honeycombe
Hon.Treasurer	Charlotte Smallman
Hon.Secretary	Shirley Kenneally
Members	Joyce Brashaw, Trudie Christmas, Sarah Dearing, Helen Rich, Jo Syvret and Nicki Wade.

All Executives are kept in touch with community issues of relevance to our work. Emails from the Charity Commission, Care Quality Commission, HCC, Community Action Hants and national Scope are forwarded. We attend meetings organised by the Hampshire Neurological Alliance and welcome the fact that Scope's Regional Helpline worker's remit remains with families of children with cerebral palsy. They also support **Face2Face** a parent befriending scheme which was our subject at our 2012 AGM when we hoped to publicise its aim to spread across our area. For more information go to scope.org.uk/face2face.

DONATIONS MADE BETWEEN 6TH April 2015 & 5TH April 2016

	£
Physiotherapy	695
Rainbow Centre Fees	552
Buggies	995
Trike & Repairs	808
Wheelchairs & Accessories	2351
Car Seat	190
Touch Screen Computer	599
TOTAL	£ 6190

MANY THANKS FOR DONATIONS RECEIVED

Our thanks to Ruth Turnbull who ran the Southampton Half Marathon on our behalf, and donated a welcome £362 to us.

Also thanks to Positive Image who generously donated the Dell System with software Windows 7 pro and Office 2010 that has been such an enormous aid to us.

INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 05.04.16

Income		Expenditure	
2014/15	2015/16	2014/15	2015/16
1,672	-	1,014	631
-	987	2,476	5,890
4,781	4,786	525	300
21	-		
6,474	5,773	4,015	6,821
		Expenditure	
-	1,048	2,459	-
6,474	6,821	6,474	6,821

BALANCE SHEET at 05.04.16

<u>Liabilities</u>		<u>Assets</u>	
General Fund			
122,772	Opening Balance	134,607	1,058
2,459	Surplus/(deficit)	(1,048)	18,406
10,001	Unrealised gains/(losses)	(2,801)	59,423
(625)	Movement in creditors	(150)	14,339
		14,397	COIF Property Fund
			15,381
134,607		130,607	130,607

Registered Charity No. 224714

PUBLICITY

We publicise the service we offer as best we can. We are producing a new leaflet, we use our AGM invite as a poster and distribute our Annual Report. Our improved website is brighter and clearer so working towards increased publicity. <http://www.winchesterscope.org>.

WEBSITE:

www.winchesterscope.org

We must thank Peter Dudley for his dedication in helping me as Secretary to master the art of editing the website. This was made possible by adopting Wordpress as recommended by our past webmaster James Rose.

Comments and views on our new website made at our 2015 AGM were very helpful despite having a lower than usual attendance.

Unfortunately Peter and Liz Dudley have now moved out of the area, so I am very grateful that Peter has continued to give his support on-line. Shirley Kenneally

ANNUAL REPORT:

This year we've repeated the smaller size Annual Report which has saved on costs and enabled us to email it with invitations to our AGM with Tea & Cakes. Some will have to be posted...

LEAFLETS:

We are completing the updating and plan to have them printed to hand out at our AGM and made available in a few appropriate places in the community. But our website will do the job better

DIRECTORIES :

We continue to update our information in on-line directories such as Evolve, NHS Directory etc.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS WERE HELD

2nd March & 1st June 2015
23th November 2015 & 29th February 2016

AGM

12th September 2015