

**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**  
**(KNOWN AS SCAT)**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012**

**CHARITY NUMBER 291850**

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**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012**

**1. Constitution and objectives**

SCAT is a unincorporated association, governed by a constitution adopted 19 April 1985 and amended by a special resolution adopted 9 June 2001. It is registered as charity in England and Wales, number 291850.

SCAT is supported by the parents of residents of Somerset Court, a residential community for people suffering from autism and is which is owned by the National Autistic Society. The object of the charity is to support the residents of Somerset Court. In particular it aims to provide help and facilities for the residents of Somerset Court which would not otherwise be forthcoming and will enhance their lives.

The principal address is 20 Willifield Way, London, NW11 7XT

**2. Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year and at the date of this report are as follows:

Mr Gerald de Groot (Chairman)

Mr John Whitehead

Mrs Mollie Lushington

Trustees are recruited from people who have an interest in the welfare of the residents of Somerset Court and wish to advance their interests. Trustees are appointed by vote at the Annual General Meeting.

**3. Activities**

Ownership of the field was transferred to the NAS who are now fully responsible for its maintenance and use. During the year SCAT also helped with placing Wi Fi facilities in every house enabling residents to see their parents and other phone contacts when making phone calls. In addition the Trust financed work on the sensory room and the provision of a path at Somerset Court.

**4. Reserves**

Reserves are held to ensure SCAT is well placed to meet future demands on its resources. The trustees consider the level of reserves to be adequate.

**For and on behalf of the trustees**

Gerald de Groot  
Chairman

4 June 2012

**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012**

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
<b>Voluntary income</b>		
Donations and fund raising	<b>5,267</b>	3,246
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest earned	<b>93</b>	105
	<b><u>5,360</u></b>	<b><u>3,351</u></b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Land expenses	<b>723</b>	1,712
Sensory room equipment	<b>1,174</b>	1,253
Donation of land	<b>17,230</b>	
Wi-fi equipment and instalation	<b>7,200</b>	
Pathway	<b>5,250</b>	-
Partnership day	<b>264</b>	-
Summer House for Mendip	<b>-</b>	2,500
	<b><u>31,841</u></b>	<b><u>5,465</u></b>
<b>Cost of generating voluntary income</b>	<b>327</b>	392
<b>Governance costs</b>	<b>50</b>	50
	<b><u>32,218</u></b>	<b><u>5,907</u></b>
<b>NET OUTGOING RESOURCES</b>	<b>(26,858)</b>	(2,556)
<b>FUND BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	<b>69,225</b>	71,781
<b>FUND CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b><u>42,367</u></b>	<b><u>69,225</u></b>

**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2012**

	Note	<b>2012</b> £	2011 £
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Freehold land	3	-	17,230
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank		<b>42,415</b>	52,045
Less: creditors: amounts due in less than one year	4	<u><b>(50)</b></u>	<u>(50)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u><b>42,365</b></u>	<u>51,995</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u><b>42,365</b></u>	<u>69,225</u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>			
<b>General fund</b>		<u><b>42,367</b></u>	<u>69,225</u>

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 4 June 2012 and are signed on their behalf by:

**Gerald de Groot**  
**Chairman**

# **SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012**

#### **1. Accounting Policies**

##### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and the Companies Act and comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities. The policies adopted for items which are judged material to the financial statements are as follows:

##### **Incoming resources**

Donations and gifts are recognised as income when received. Donations under Gift Aid are recognised when receivable. The associated income tax recovery is recognised when the recovery is receivable.

Grants are recognised as income when they are received provided conditions for receipt have been complied with, unless they relate to a specified future period in which case they are deferred.

##### **Resources expended**

Resources expended are recognised on an accruals basis. They are allocated to activities based on actual usage and time spent. Establishment and support costs are all allocated to the activity of provision of client care as no other activity uses a significant amount of such facilities.

Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects comprise those costs incurred by the charity as a result of the delivery of its service.

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

Governance costs comprise those costs incurred by the charity in meeting its constitutional and statutory requirements.

#### **2 Resources expended**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees during the year and nor were there were any expenses reimbursed to trustees.

The Independent Examiner's fee amounted to £50 (2011: £50).

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## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012**

#### **3 Freehold land**

The freehold land consisted of a plot adjacent to Somerset Court. It was not depreciable and was stated in the accounts at cost.

During the year it was transferred to the National Autistic Society (charity number 269425) to be used for the benefit of the residents of Somerset Court.

#### **4 Creditors**

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Independent Examiner's fee	<b><u>50</u></b>	<u>50</u>

#### **5 Related parties**

All trustees are parents of residents of Somerset Court. The children of the trustees receive no benefit from activities of the trust other than benefits which are equally available to all residents.

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

I report on the accounts of Somerset Court Autistic Trust for the year ended 31 March 2012 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustee 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 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

### **Basis of 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 the seeking of 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:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 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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