



**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

**CHARITY NUMBER 291850**

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**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

**1. Constitution and objectives**

Somerset Court Autistic Trust ("SCAT") is a unincorporated association, governed by a constitution adopted 19 April 1985 and amended by a special resolution adopted 6 July 2013. 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 1b Oxford St, Cheltenham, GL52 6DT

**2. Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year were as follows:

Nick Sugden- Chair  
John Price - Treasurer  
Gerald de Groot

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 General Meetings.

**3. Activities**

SCAT funded the purchase of certain items for Somerset Court and also provided facilities for Partnership Day. Further details are set out on page 2 of this report.

**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**

John Price  
Trustee

4 April 2015

**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
<b>Voluntary income</b>		
Membership and donations	<b>964</b>	1,328
Open day	<b>170</b>	-
On-line fundraising	<b>221</b>	-
	<b><u>1,355</u></b>	<u>1,328</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest earned	<b>58</b>	45
	<b><u>1,413</u></b>	<u>1,373</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Brain in hand	<b>2,500</b>	-
Swing	<b>2,200</b>	-
Stepping stones	<b>225</b>	-
Other anniversary projects	<b>1,800</b>	-
Partnership day	<b>1,502</b>	1,140
Anniversary day	<b>300</b>	-
Garden furniture	<b>-</b>	952
Plate glass	<b>-</b>	389
	<b><u>8,527</u></b>	<u>2,481</u>
<b>Cost of generating voluntary income</b>	<b>-</b>	127
	<b><u>8,527</u></b>	<u>2,608</u>
<b>NET OUTGOING RESOURCES</b>	<b>(7,114)</b>	(1,235)
<b>FUND BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	<b>40,171</b>	41,406
<b>FUND CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b><u>33,057</u></b>	<u>40,171</u>

**SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2015**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash at bank	<b>33,057</b>	40,171
<b>Total assets</b>	<b><u>33,057</u></b>	<u>40,171</u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>		
<b>General fund</b>	<b><u>33,057</u></b>	<u>40,171</u>

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 4 April 2015 and are signed on their behalf by:

**John Price**  
**Trustee**

# **SOMERSET COURT AUTISTIC TRUST**

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

#### **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.

#### **3 Related parties**

Two of the trustees who served in the year are parents of residents of Somerset Court. The relatives of the trustees receive no benefit from activities of the trust other than benefits which are equally available to all residents.