

Coventry & Warwickshire Dyspraxia Society

Trustees' Annual Report **Year ending 31st March 2008**

Full name Coventry & Warwickshire Dyspraxia Society

Other known name CWDS

Registered charity number 1120633

Governing document Deed of Trust

The Charity is constituted as a Trust and Trustees are selected by election of Trustees or by appointment by the Chair should it become necessary.

Trustees

Valerie Alleyne	Chair
William Grenfell	Treasurer
Lynne Grenfell	Secretary
Ruth Pearcey	
Yvonne Brezezicki	
Ruth Anne Morant	Retired 31/03/08

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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in the Deed of Trust

- 1) To promote and protect the physical and mental health of sufferers of Dyspraxia (DCD) in Coventry and Warwickshire through the provision of financial assistance, support, education and practical advice.
- 2) To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to Dyspraxia (DCD) and related disorders.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

- 1) Hold meetings for children with dyspraxia with their families
- 2) Provides free advice to beneficiaries with regard to assessment, treatment and benefits
- 3) Provides training to professionals and the public
- 4) Promotes the awareness of dyspraxia through the media and by holding fundraising Events

The charity relies on volunteers to continue the services provided. We have 6 volunteers as well as the Trustees to enable the charity to fulfil its aims. These volunteers have made an invaluable contribution to the charity this year in respect to fundraising and working with the children at the meetings.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our main achievement this year was the training delivered to professionals with over 400 Early Years' practitioners and teachers attending a 2 part training course. This of course gave a major boost to our funds and we are hoping that the funding made available to deliver this training will continue.

We were delighted to receive funding from the Stratford upon Avon trust to develop a group within Stratford town. The funding restrictions have made it quite difficult to build up the group members; however we will endeavour to continue our services to those families who are already in attendance and look at different ways to support those families unable to attend the meetings.

The Coventry meetings continue to go from strength to strength and the families that attend have become an asset to the charity, with parents becoming more and more actively involved with our activities. The parents have gained invaluable support and are more confident with regard to their child's difficulties and the children have benefited from outings, parties and access to it equipment to assist with their learning.

Reserves policy

The charity has deposited a sum of £8000.00 into a savings account to benefit from interest. Whilst we are hoping that these funds will go towards a future aim of having our own centre, it is not restricted and therefore will be used, if need be, to continue the services of the charity.

The charity's principal sources of funds

The charities principal source of funds this year has come primarily from the training workshops and the rest from fundraising. This year has been particularly good and because of this we have been able to support our key objectives as well as spend more on resources. We were also able to provide children with Dictaphones, laptops and software to assist with their learning.

Review of major risks

We have a financial policy based on advice from the Charity Commission to ensure Funds are spent appropriately and in the best interests of the charity.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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