REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 FOR

MAIDSTONE MENCAP CHARITABLE TRUST LIMITED

Calcutt Matthews WBZ Ltd Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors 19 North Street Ashford Kent TN24 8LF

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2019. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

MENCAP is the UK's leading learning disability charity.

Maidstone MENCAP seeks to assist those with learning disability in the community by providing a specialist playschool to children a weekly club for older children, a holiday club for older children and a weekly club for your adults and providing community support and activities for the adult disabled.

Significant activities

The charity trustees have balanced income against expenditure and maintained all the programmes operated and met its objectives.

Volunteers

The trustees would like to thank the many volunteers who have given so much of their time to assist the charity.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities The trustees are delighted with the growth of the charity and the level of assistance provided in the year.

PLAYSCHOOL

Cobtree Playschool has continued to be reflective in its practices to ensure we maintain our caring and nurturing ethos for the children and their families in our setting.

We had our Ofsted inspection this year; we received an overall 'GOOD' with 'OUTSTANDING' practices noted throughout the report with the children's personal development behaviour and welfare especially acknowledged.

We will continue to give a lot of thought and consideration to our best practices to ensure that we support families and children, meeting and reflecting on the Welfare Requirements of Ofsted, our regulatory body. Children deserve the best possible start in their lives to enable them to reach their true potential and the early experiences they receive between birth and five have a major impact on the future life chances. We have this year, continued to provide the quality and consistency of care that supports each child to make good progress, with support from additional funding from the KCC (SENIF- special educational needs inclusion funds). With this funding we were able to recruit a new member to our team, so that the one to one care is consistent for a small group of children with more complex needs and support for children's key staff to have time for the personalised planning and the adaptations needed within the learning environment to meet our target outcomes.

With the additional support from fundraising and donations from families and others we have managed to continue to develop our resources and establish a more enabling environment, with stimulating and accessible layouts that support the children to play and explore, to be involved and motivated, to be creative and imaginative. This has included a lovely playhouse in the garden, (from a donation from CSIS, parents support putting in the base and a team from the Gas Company constructing), resources to support communication strategies such as switch adapted toys, talking buttons, story sacks and resources to support physical development and sensory input for our sensory circuits for the children such as a body roller and spinner. How lucky we are to have so much generous support with donations and time.

Staff roles have developed with training specific to meet the needs of the children; this has included Makaton to update signing techniques, intensive interactions, ASD and Down syndrome. With developing and refreshing knowledge, working with specialist teaching and therapy services the strengths of the provision we are able to provide is there for all to see. Playschool has a wonderful and dedicated team of staff and volunteers who have all worked so hard to ensure that they can fulfil the new routines and requirements within the development of their roles. We continue to try and recruit for more volunteers, as home, health and family commitments take priority and we have natural losses of support due to these. I would especially like to highlight the dedication and commitment of all our volunteers and helpers. It has been a privilege to work alongside them, absorbing their knowledge and kindness with the children, which continues to embed the ethos of the Playschool, a thank you never seems to be a big enough word for all that they do. It really goes to show what continuing support Cobtree Playschool and Maidstone Mencap have with the service we are providing for the children and their families in our community.

Working together with families and outside support agencies to promote the learning and development of all the children, their achievements are clearly evidenced in the progress each child is making in our care. The children are happy and settled, are involved in a broad range of planned and spontaneous activities, all supporting their individual development and overall learning. The children are confident to explore and investigate the opportunities and experiences planned for them, feeling safe and secure in the care we give. Credit has to be given to our Staff for their dedication, time, planning and commitment in making this all happen. With the support commitment and dedication of the team we will continue to be reflective in our practices to ensure we can be the best that we can possibly be. It is with a huge thank you to their kind help and support I can look forward to the continuing development of the Playschool for the current and the future children entrusted to our care.

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Charitable activities

We will continue to offer play and stay sessions on a Tuesday, during spring/summer for the children and their parents to come and share a lunch and have time to chat with each other and have time with our staff to share information and concerns. This proved really successful previously for our parents who formed lovely supporting relationships with each and a more developed a more in-depth awareness of our "teaching" practices. We have many visitors during the year; we continue to work alongside the Children's individual therapy teams, our KCC Welfare, Inclusion and Setting Improvement Partners and other support networks including Portage, and other Settings. Continuing to build on these relationships and working together, sharing information, we will give the children and their parents the best possible start in life; the support and experiences we give, will enable them to reach their true potential and provide the right foundation for good future progress through school and life. With this integrated approach the children's individual needs can be met through focused planning, which makes a positive difference.

Our waiting list of children still continues to evolve, with recommendations from other settings, the specialist teaching service as well as health professionals, we are constantly reflecting our practices and support, to review our registers for the start of each new term to see if there is any possible way to support these families. We continue to show young children and their parents around our playschool every term, by word of mouth and reputation families have been recommended to visit and are becoming more aware of the care and support our Setting can provide.

As a team we need to continually look at our sustainability and marketing of our service to ensure we are able to continue to offer such a valuable service to our community for many years to come, we need to ensure that we promote awareness of our setting and charity, particularly with the specialist nursery up and running at Five acre Wood and understanding that all schools will have to have a specialist attachment to support children with SEND.

We continue to be grateful to all for the support given by the fundraising team and the hard work and commitment needed to run their planned events, to all our staff and helpers for their help running stalls making the delicious tea and cakes provided at these times and setting up the Christmas Grotto all helping to make them successful and well attended days.

We have been very fortunate to have received a large donation from CIS insurance company and also donations from Aylesford business Hub, previous families, current families and their sponsored walks or climbs. These have contributed in supporting the renewal of so many resources and the development of our garden area. Pauline Easter continues to work tirelessly at her craft fayres and donates all her proceeds to us; we continue to have regular donations from Sandra Collins and her Yoga ladies from Monday nights, so a huge thank you goes to them all. The Eccles over 50's saves all their pennies and donated then to us again this year, again another big thank you to the Scottish dancers for their huge contribution. All this generosity and hard work that goes into raising these funds is hugely appreciated.

With all this support, we have managed to have some special days for the children, we went to visit Dino adventure land to say goodbye to the children going on to school in the summer with a family picnic day, and at Christmas the children received a visit and gift from Santa. Thank you to Reinhard who dressed as Father Christmas to give presents to all the children and joined in with our Christmas party buffet.

Also a special thankyou to Joyce and Mike who come to in to help pack away on a Wednesday, make us a cup of tea and to Mike for all the odd jobs that he does in mending things.

I look forward to our new year, supporting and caring for each unique child. I know that they will all thrive under the care and opportunities given from all the dedicated team at Playschool.

Liane Morris - Manager Cobtree Playschool

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JUNIOR GATEWAY AND HOLIDAY CLUB REPORT

Juniors continue to run on Saturday morning's during term time, supporting children 5-11 and 11-16. We have a wonderful dedicated team of helpers, whose commitment to the children in our care having fun and social interactions have proved to be a great asset to the service that we provide. It is great to hear feedback from parents, about how much their child enjoys coming and to see the children having such a good time they do not want to go home.

Our new Manager Rebecca works so hard throughout term time to ensure the children and young people have fun rewarding social experiences. Our waiting list is ever increasing from word of mouth and from attending our summer holiday club. It is testament to all the team, staff and volunteers who dedicate their time, share their enthusiasm and fun to ensure that all the children and young people in our care enjoy their social interactions. During the summer, we ran our holiday club for 4 weeks over August, providing respite for the families of over 50 children and young adults between the ages of 5-18. This is a large increase on previous years, lots of new children attending with several days where we supported more than our planned 20 limit.

The Children's days included opportunities for swimming trips, out to the miniature railway and in the park, the animal man came with the children able to get up close to an assortment of animals, bugs and insects to touch and hold. A magic man also came and provided entertainment and magic for the afternoon.

We again had a fantastic management team, with many familiar faces either from previous years, or the management of our Juniors and Playschool. Working together and reflecting each day to ensure that the children's days were full of fun, activities, and social interactions. We were supported by a large team of helpers, who provided the 1:1 care, many of whom were familiar with the children and the families from volunteering with us for our junior club. A huge thank you must go out to them all for the commitment, time and hard work given to make our holiday club so successful. Sharing their knowledge of the children, the techniques and strategies needed to help keep them entertained, happy and motivated, made the children feel safe and confident to explore all the opportunities and experiences we could provide for them. Photographs taken throughout the summer show the huge smiles reinforcing the fun they had, these books are available for all to see and share, with many of the children liking to go through them and see themselves whenever they attend. This Ethos continues to be embedded in our Junior clubs throughout the year, for which Maidstone Mencap is very proud.

Liane Morris - Clubs manager

YOUTH CLUB

Youth club is running on two Thursday evenings a month supporting young adults from the ages of 16 -25. Susan and her brilliant support team of carers take them out to the Trampoline Park, swimming, or bowling, having a meal and drink afterwards, or alternatively when in the hall, they cook together, play on the computer, dance and paint and generally have a fun social time together.

Again, a huge thank you must go to all the staff, for the time and commitment that goes in organising and planning these events. The young adults in their care are being given some wonderful experiences and opportunities within our community supported by the trusting and caring relationships that they have developed with our team. They are building on their confidence to try new things and to interact with their peers, engaging and understanding that during their time with us their individual needs are being met. This all supports the foundations needed for them to make a positive contribution in the decision making, and positive behaviours needed in the rules of being together in our community.

Sadly we will be losing Susan from Youth club at the end of the year, a huge thankyou to her Paul and Sam for

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making youth club what it is today, all the hard work, planning , time and commitment has been so valuable and leaves a big hole to fill.

Youth club will continue in the New Year with Florence as our new manager, with support from Beccie our Junior Club manager. Both young ladies have been supporting Maidstone Mencap and our Families for several years and bring that personal knowledge and understanding with them. I know that Susan has already shared her skills with them, to support them in having the best possible start. I know they and the whole team for youth club are a great asset to MMCT.

In addition to major financial support from the Disabled Commissioning Service in being able to run these three clubs, this year we have also had some kind donations to help support the activities and resources needed to provide these opportunities for the children using our service provision, for these we say thank you, any donations, however small go a long way in sustaining the variety and quality of experiences we can provide.

Liane Morris - Clubs Manager

BUILDING REPORT

I joined Maidstone Mencap as office staff from April and would like to say thank you to everyone who have supported me within this role.

We had a visit from the fire safety officer in April raising some issues that need to be resolved and essential works to carry out. Things bought to our attention were;

- 5 Year electrical test needed to be done carried out by Complete Wiring Solutions.
- Fire Risk Assessment of the building carried out by CS Services

As a result the fire refuge point upstairs was deemed not suitable, meaning wheelchair users and people with limited mobility are no longer able to use the upstairs hall.

These assessments also highlighted the following;

- Minor electrical works to be completed to pass the 5- year check and the fuse boards need to be updated as they do not comply with all new regulations. Minor works were completed by Complete Wiring Solutions.
- Certificate received to pass 5- year check. Further funds to be raised to update fuse boards.
- Fire risk assessment highlighted the fire alarm system needed updating to a L2 OR L4 system
- Hooks and brackets to be removed from doors.
- Sensory room needed a slow closer added (purchased from Screwfix Mike one of our volunteers fitted to door.)
- Bin needed to be padlocked to fence (chain and padlock purchased from Screwfix).
- Many of our outside lights were not working raising a health and safety issue for our users new LED lights have now been fitted around the building work completed by Complete Wiring Solutions.

Planned works for 2020

- February half term -Fuse boards will be replaced to comply with current regulations
- Easter holidays Prism Alarms will be upgrading the Fire Alarm system
- Fundraising is continuing to be able to move the sensory room to the ground floor so it can be accessed by all hall users.
- Quotations are being sort for the front parking area to repair where it has sunk.
- A spring clear out day is to be arranged to empty cellar, paint fences and seal wooden panels on the

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Charitable activities front of the building hopefully with the help of the volunteers from the gas service provider.

Thank you again for all your support and I look forward to getting the 2020 works completed, maintaining the hall and any new exciting projects for the future.

Centre Coordinator - Tina Adams

MONTHLY DRAW

Our Monthly Draw continues to be well supported both by our current members and by those who have moved away, or for various reasons are no longer members. We are grateful to everyone for their continued support. Given below is the list of the winners for 2019. January - Mrs H Thorndycroft February – Mrs M E A Jones March – Mrs A P Davis April – Mr R Springford May – Mrs M Ive June – Mrs H Thorndycroft July – Mr J Makuch August - Mrs H Thorndycroft September – Barbara Day October - Sharon White November – Kath Avison December – Graham Tillman

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Fundraising activities

We have had another busy year with our fund-raising activities and would like to thank everyone who has helped to support our events. Fund-raising is vital if we are to continue running all our services so we are really grateful to everyone who contributes their time, donates raffle prizes and other items for stalls, bakes cakes, displays posters, buys raffle tickets etc. etc. We can't manage without you and look forward to seeing you all at future fund raising events.

Last year went very well with all the usual events:

'Apple Pie Quiz' 2019 – this was again very well supported and our grateful thanks go to Roger our Quiz master.

'Jumble Sales' March and October 2019 - We held two very successful Jumble Sales which were very well attended with long queues of people waiting to snap up some bargains. Thank you to everyone who donated jumble and helped run the stalls. It's surprising how much money can be made from unwanted items so please think of Maidstone Mencap when you next sort out your wardrobes or lofts.

'Plant and Book Sale' May 2019 – this was a good day. We had plants to sell and all our usual stalls such as cakes and cards. If anyone is able to donate plants/garden items for this year's event please speak to a member of the fund raising team.

'Summer Fayre' June 2019 – Attendance was down at The Fayre due to the appalling weather. We had lots of willing helpers to set up, run stalls and clear away so thank you to everyone for your support. Thanks to all those who took part in the arena events. Special thanks to Scottish Country Dancers who presented us with a generous cheque. Many thanks to CAMRA (Campaign for Real Ale) who ran the beer garden and provided a generous donation. Thank you also to the Mayor, who opened the Fayre and to the Rotary Club who organised the parking. This is our most important event of the year and we need volunteers to plan for June 13th 2020 so please make a note in your diaries.

'Waitrose Charity Football Match ' June 2019 – We are grateful to all at Waitrose who organised a Charity football match and raised over £4,000 for us.

'Quiz Night' October 2019 - this was well supported and our grateful thanks go to our Quiz master Roger.

'Notcutts Collection' October 2019 – we were fortunate to be allowed to collect at Notcutts again this year. Thanks to all our collectors for making this a worthwhile venture.

'Christmas Bazaar' November 2019 – this event was very popular with a lovely Christmassy atmosphere. Thank you to Santa and his elves for coming all the way from the North Pole when they are so busy! The Christmas stalls were very successful.

'easyfundraising' - We receive commission and wish to encourage all members who shop online to use this scheme. www.easyfundraising.org.uk/MaidstoneMencap

Thank you to all our supporters who fundraised through our Just Giving and Virgin Money Giving website pages.

We are fortunate to receive the continued support from The Mayor of Maidstone. We wish to thank the Mayor for his support and hope to welcome him at our events in 2020.

Throughout the year many people raise money in a number of ways whilst promoting and raising the profile of Maidstone Mencap within the local community – thank you.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE Fundraising activities Mark Smith – Fund Raising Committee

FINANCIAL REVIEW Principal funding sources The charity receives regular donations from local organisations but also has a very active fundraising arm.

Reserves policy

The charity needs to hold significant cash funds to provide for uninsured unforeseen costs on Cobtree Hall. The stated policy of the charity has been that it aims to hold 6 months expenditure as net current assets.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

2019

Income: A surplus of £28,093 £140,093 versus a target of £112,000.00 Expenditure: An overspend of £22,585. (£144,580) versus a budget of (£121,995.00)

Income was greater than the targeted budget. This is a fantastic achievement and is a result of all the hard work put in by everybody, whatever their role within the charity.

We started the New Year with our newly refurbished Changing Places rooms, which was as a result of excellent fundraising in 2018. In early 2019, the Fire Regulation report gave us all a setback; however, I want to thank everyone for their ongoing hard work in ensuring we meet the necessary Fire Regulations. We managed to absorb the additional Fire Safety costs within our Facilities budget and, as a result of the fire report findings, are now looking forward to a new Sensory Room (as we work hard to hit our £12k fundraising target). Overall, 2019 had the usual unforeseen hiccups but we were able to comfortably absorb them; delivering our best year financially in at least six years (all of which posted losses), and increasing our overall savings. This reflects the hard work put in by everyone to manage our expenditure more carefully and increase our income through fundraising donations, events and grants. We have a great team in place to help deliver a fantastic 2020 for the children and young adults who rely on Maidstone Mencap.

James Burrows, Treasurer

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The charity actively pursues opportunities to recruit new trustees from amongst the volunteers and their families as and when members of the existing trustee board need to stand down. New trustees need to be nominated by two existing board members in order to ensure they are of good character and ability.

Organisational structure

The charity comprises a board of trustees and a team of volunteers divided up by those that assist running the playschool, a weekly club for older children, a holiday club for older children and a weekly club for your adults, and those involved with assisting others in the community and those involved with fundraising.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees

New trustees are encouraged to read guidance issued by MENCAP, The Charity Commission and Companies House on appointment. Where they have specific duties they will shadow the trustees with this role until they are confident they can take over.

Periodically external advisors will provide training.

Wider network Maidstone MENCAP is an associate of MENCAP England 123 Golden Lane London EC1Y ORT.

Related parties The charity works with the local authority, schools and other charities in raising funds.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Following the retirement of Andrew Wells last year, I am pleased to welcome Helen Grant as our new President. Helen is always at our events and is a great supporter of the charity. We are delighted to have Helen on board as part of our team.

Looking back over the last twelve months, I am pleased that I do not have to tell a tale of doom and gloom as it has been for the last few years. As a result of seriously pulling in our belts and only spending where necessary, combined with some tremendous efforts from our fundraising and grants team the charity has turned the corner at long last so this report will be one of thank you's for a change!

On behalf of the Trustees a massive thanks must be given to Liane Morris who is the overall manager of all our clubs. Under Liane's guidance the club managers, staff and volunteers provide an amazing service right across the charity. Liane is superb at all the administration involved from a regulatory perspective too and keeps the charity on the straight and narrow. Her experience is second to none, her reports are a testament to just how much she does and we are very privileged to have her heading up the MMCT team.

This year saw Tina Adams take over the centre coordinator role in addition to her deputyship at playschool and her role at juniors. Like Liane, Tina is an incredibly hard worker. I take this opportunity to extend my thanks to both Tina for her diligence and passion but also to Tina's family who have provided many services free of charge on the building front. Tina has some big projects coming up in 2020 and hope everyone will continue to give her any support she requires.

Teresa O'Brian joined the team last year too and is responsible for writing for grants. Teresa has already sourced income for some of our planned building projects as well as applying for some of the bigger grants such as "Children In Need", which we have never been in a position to do before. Fingers crossed some of these will come to fruition.

Susan O'Connor and her husband Paul who have run Youth club since its start both stepped down at Christmas as they are now approved foster parents and no longer able to give the time. A huge thank you must be given to them both for their hard work over the last few years and we wish them well in the future. We welcome Florence as the new youth club manager who will work alongside Beccie the Juniors Manager. Beccie already does a fabulous job with juniors so should be a great support to Florence at Youth club.

Our clubs would not survive without the volunteers. Their support is phenomenal and we are grateful for all the hours they put in. We are always looking for new volunteers so please spread the word.

Our fundraising team work tirelessly and have achieved some amazing results over the last twelve months despite severe hindrances such as the weather. The Trustees are very grateful for all their hard work as without their continued support the charity would not be able to function. Special thanks in particular must go to Suzanne Constant, Lesley Rowbotham and Mark Smith.

Last but not least on behalf of the Trustees I would like to say a huge thank you to James Burrows and Hazel Callaghan. Despite living thousands of miles away, James maintains all the accounts and is an excellent Treasurer whilst Hazel provides a magnificent service as secretary to the board of Trustees.

The new financial year brings more challenges, most notably some of the building maintenance work and the new sensory room. We hope to continue with our fundraising to cover these costs and aim to at least break even again in twelve months' time. I am looking forward to working with all involved at MMCT and hope we see another successful year.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS Registered Company number 02672192 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number 1009677

Registered office Cobtree Hall Willington Street Maidstone Kent ME15 8EB

Trustees Mark Smith Alice Enfield Lesley Rowbotham Susan Jane Roughley Sally Collett Lynn Jacqueline Snedden Mary Louise Rimmer Guy Alexander Roughley

Company Secretary Hazel Callaghan

Auditors Calcutt Matthews WBZ Ltd Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors 19 North Street Ashford Kent TN24 8LF

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity provides public benefit by assisting people with learning disabilities in the borough and surrounds of Maidstone.

More information about the national work of the charity can be found at www.mencap.org.uk.

The trustees have paid due regard to Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

- resigned 25.3.19

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of Maidstone Mencap Charitable Trust Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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 that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 financial statements comply with the Companies Act 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.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Calcutt Matthews, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on $\underbrace{21/04/2020}_{21/04/2020}$ and signed on its behalf by:

Mark Smith

Mark Smith - Trustee

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Maidstone Mencap Charitable Trust Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Nicholas Hume (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Calcutt Matthews WBZ Ltd Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors 19 North Street Ashford Kent TN24 8LF

Date: 23.04.20

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

	U	nrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31.12.19 Total funds	31.12.18 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	110(03	-	-	-	-
Donations and legacies	2	62,487	37,786	100,273	84,107
Charitable activities	5		01/100		• 1, 101
Trusts and Foundations	-	23,545	-	23,545	29,083
Other trading activities	3	16,263	-	16,263	14,005
Investment income	4	12	-	12	12
Total		102,307	37,786	140,093	127,207
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	6	2,226	-	2,226	2,653
Charitable activities	7	•		•	•
Playschool		73,769	-	73,769	73,620
Youth Club		2,506	5,098	7,604	8,604
Junior Gateway		9,888	-	9,888	10,769
Holiday Club		4,638	25,493	30,131	28,715
Senior Gateway		13,923	-	13,923	14,728
Other		7,039		7,039	2,170
Total		113,989	30,591	144,580	141,259
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(11,6 82)	7,195	(4,487)	(14,052)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		146,778	16,409	163,187	177,239
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		135,096	23,604	158,700	163,187

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET

At 31 December 2019

	U Notes	nrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.19 Total funds £	31.12.18 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	13	66,784	9,521	76,305	100,985
CURRENT ASSETS Cash at bank and in hand		64,658	17,737	82,395	68,432
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	14	3,654	(3,654)		(6,230)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		68,312	14,083	82,395	62,202
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		135,096	23,604	158,700	163,187
NET ASSETS		135,096	23,604	158,700	163,187
FUNDS Unrestricted funds:	15				
General fund				45,329	41,972
Jr Gateway				878	2,634
Fixed asset replacement fund				48,410	48,410
Contingency Fund				50,000	50,000
Playschool				(9,521)	3,762
				135,096	146,778
Restricted funds				23,604	16,409
TOTAL FUNDS				158,700	163,187

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

21/04/2020The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by:

Mark Smith

Mark Smith - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

No charge to support costs is made to the play school. Other activities absorb support costs on the basis of use.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Improvements to property	- 10% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Donations	20,135	21,999
Gift aid	454	214
Subscriptions	530	640
Holiday Club	27,474	17,651
Playschool	36,995	34,916
Junior Gateway	4,373	5,482
Youth Club	10,312	3,205
	100,273	84,107

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Fundraising events	13,202	12,475
Rent from clubs	3,061	1,530
	16,263	14,005

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

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		31.12.19 £	31.12.18 £
	Deposit account interest	 	12
•	INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		

		31.12.19	31.12.18
	Activity	£	£
Grants	Trusts and Foundations	23,545	29,083

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

5. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - continued

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Kent County Council	11,055	7,440
Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation		
-	3,000	-
Cobtree Charity Trust	2,500	-
William Brake Charitable Trust	-	1,000
Big Lottery / National Lottery	-	9,930
Brachers	-	500
Hedley Foundation	-	1,558
HR Pratt Boorman Family Foundation	-	1,000
ScrewFix		
	-	1,500
The Albert Hunt Trust	-	2,000
The Alchemy Foundation	-	500
The Sir Jules Thorn Charity	-	750
The Sylvia Waddilove Foundation	-	2,500
Waitrose Community Fund	-	405
Ann Reynolds Charitable Trust	1,000	-
Golding Vision	990	-
The ACT Foundation	5,000	-
	23,545	29,083

6. RAISING FUNDS

Other trading activities

	31.12.19 £	31.12.18 £
Fundraising activities	 2,226	2,536
Support costs	-	117
	2,226	2,653

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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct costs	Support costs (See note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£
Playschool	73,211	558	73,769
Youth Club	7,553	51	7,604
Junior Gateway	9,811	77	9,888
Holiday Club	30,051	80	30,131
Senior Gateway	13,793	130	13,923
	134,419	896	135,315

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Finance	Totals
	£	£	£
Playschool	443	115	558
Youth Club	38	13	51
Junior Gateway	58	19	77
Holiday Club	60	20	80
Senior Gateway	98	32	130
	697	199	896

9. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	24,680	24,791

10. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2019 nor for the year ended 31 December 2018 .

Trustees' expenses There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2019 nor for the year ended 31 December 2018.

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11. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.12.19	31.12.18
Staff	3	3

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The above is Full Time Equivalent. There are 18 part-time workers.

12. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	63,250	20,857	84,107
Charitable activities			
Trusts and Foundations	28,083	1,000	29,083
Other trading activities	14,005	-	14,005
Investment income	12	<u> </u>	12
Total	105,350	21,857	127,207
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	2,653	-	2,653
Charitable activities			-
Playschool	73,620	-	73,620
Youth Club	3,978	4,626	8,604
Junior Gateway	10,769	-	10,769
Holiday Club	6,190	22,525	28,715
Senior Gateway	14,728	-	14,728
Other	2,170	-	2,170
Total	114,108	27,151	141,259
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(8,758)	(5,294)	(14,052)
Transfers between funds	(3,875)	3,875	
Net movement in funds	(12,633)	(1,419)	(14,052)

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12.	COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANC	IAL ACTIVITIES - continued		
		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
	RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
	Total funds brought forward	159,411	17,828	177,239
	TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	146,778	16,409	163,187

13. **TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
39,420	240,457	22,120	301,997
-	183,129	17,883	201,012
-	24,045	635	24,680
	207,174	18,518	225,692
39,420	33,283	3,602	76,305
39,420	57,328	4,237	100,985
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CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR 14.

	31.12.19	31.12.18
	£	£
Trade creditors		6,230
Accruals and deferred income		-
	-	6,230
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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

		Net novement in	
	At 1.1.19	funds	At 31.12.19
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	41,972	3,357	45,329
Jr Gateway	2,634	(1,756)	878
Fixed asset replacement fund	48,410	-	48,410
Contingency Fund	50,000	-	50,000
Playschool	3,762	(13,283)	(9,521)
	146,778	(11,682)	135,096
Restricted funds			
The Maintenance Fund	2,250	-	2,250
Holiday Club - restricted funding	-	1,981	1,981
Youth Club - restricted funding	659	5,214	5,873
The Clothworkers Grant	13,500	•	13,500
	16,409	7,195	23,604
TOTAL FUNDS	163,187	(4,487)	158,700

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-
General fund	60,584	(57,227)	3,357
Jr Gateway	4,374	(6,130)	(1,756)
Playschool	37,349	(50,632)	(13,283)
	102,307	(113,989)	(11,682)
Restricted funds			
Holiday Club - restricted funding	27,474	(25,493)	1,981
Youth Club - restricted funding	10,312	(5,098)	5,214
	37,786	(30,591)	7,195
TOTAL FUNDS	140,093	(144,580)	(4,487)

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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

		Net movement in	Transfers between	
	At 1.1.18	funds	funds	At 31.12.18
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	53,307	(7,460)	(3,875)	41,972
Jr Gateway	1,952	682	•	2,634
Fixed asset replacement fund	48,410	-	-	48,410
Contingency Fund	50,000	-	-	50,000
Playschool	5,742	(1,980)	•	3,762
	159,411	(8,758)	(3,875)	146,778
Restricted Funds				
The Maintenance Fund	2,250	-	-	2,250
Holiday Club - restricted funding	•	(3,875)	3,875	
Youth Club - restricted funding	2,078	(1,419)		659
The Clothworkers Grant	13,500	-	-	13,500
	17,828	(5,294)	3,875	16,409
TOTAL FUNDS	177,239	(14,052)		163,187

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-
General fund	64,321	(71,781)	(7,460)
Jr Gateway	5,482	(4,800)	682
Playschool	35,547	(37,527)	(1,980)
	105,350	(114,108)	(8,758)
Restricted funds			
Holiday Club - restricted funding	18,650	(22,525)	(3,875)
Youth Club - restricted funding	3,207	(4,626)	(1,419)
	21,857	(27,151)	(5, 294)
TOTAL FUNDS	127,207	(141,259)	(14,052)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.18 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.19 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	53,307	(4,103)	(3,875)	45,329
Jr Gateway	1,952	(1,074)	-	878
Fixed asset replacement fund	48,410	•	-	48,410
Contingency Fund	50,000	-	-	50,000
Playschool	5,742	(15,263)	-	(9,521)
Restricted funds				
The Maintenance Fund	2,250	-	-	2,250
Holiday Club - restricted funding	•	(1,894)	3,875	1,981
Youth Club - restricted funding	2,078	3,795	•	5,873
The Clothworkers Grant	13,500	-	-	13,500
	17,828	1,901	3,875	23,604
TOTAL FUNDS	177,239	(18,539)		158,700

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
Unrestricted funds	£	£	£
General fund	124,905	(129,008)	(4,103)
Jr Gateway	9,856	(10,930)	(1,074)
Playschool	72,896	(88,159)	(15,263)
	207,657	(228,097)	(20,440)
Restricted funds			
Holiday Club - restricted funding	46,124	(48,018)	(1,894)
Youth Club - restricted funding	13,519	(9,724)	3,795
	59,643	(57,742)	1,901
TOTAL FUNDS	267,300	(285,839)	(18,539)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

During the year a number of Designated funds were set up and these are as follows:

Fixed asset replacement Fund

Monies set aside for the repair and replacement of owned assets.

Contingency Fund

An amount equivalent to six months expenditure was set aside in a designated fund in order to ensure that, should the charity stop receiving funding, it could continue operating for a full year before needing to close.

Playschool Fund

Income received for the playschool is set aside and used for the running of the playschool therefore all income and expenditure for this will be shown under this new designated fund.

Holiday Club Fund

Income received for the Holiday Club is set aside and used for the running of the club therefore all income and expenditure for this will be shown under this new designated fund.

Youth Club Fund

Income received for the Youth Club is set aside and used for the running of the club therefore all income and expenditure for this will be shown under this new designated fund.

Junior Gateway Fund

Income received for Junior Gateway is set aside and used for the running of this activity and therefore all income and expenditure for this will be shown under this new designated fund.

Maintenance Fund

The Maintenance fund is a restricted fund that was set up to ensure emergency repairs can be carried out using this approved money.

Clothworkers Fund

The Clothworkers Fund is a restricted fund that was set up specifically for improvements to the roof. This has been fully used, with £1500 spent on expenditure-related items incurred in the project, and the remaining £13,500 capitalised as part of the improvements to property.

16. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2019.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

			31.12.19	31.12.18
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds £	funds £	funds £
	£			
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS				
Donations and legacies				
Donations	20,135	-	20,135	21,999
Gift aid	454	-	454	214
Subscriptions	530	-	530	640
Holiday Club	•	27,474	27,474	17,651
Playschool	36,995	-	36,995	34,916
Junior Gateway	4,373	-	4,373	5,482
Youth Club		10,312	10,312	3,205
	62,487	37,786	100,273	84,107
Other trading activities				
Fundraising events	13,202	-	13,202	12,475
Rent from clubs	3,061		3,061	1,530
	16,263	-	16,263	14,005
Investment income				
Deposit account interest	12	•	12	12
Charitable activities				
Grants	23,545	•	23,545	29,083
Total incoming resources	102,307	37,786	140,093	127,207
EXPENDITURE				
Other trading activities				
Fundraising activities	2,226	•	2,226	2,536
Charitable activities				
Wages	60,817	20,842	81,659	80,754
Insurance	2,075	399	2,474	2,386
Light and heat	1,884	362	2,246	3,944
Telephone	1,008	194	1,202	1,423
Postage and stationery	1,674	331	2,005	2,238
Repairs and renewals	11,782	2,265	14,047	13,585
Holiday club expenditure	•	1,630	1,630	2,467
Youth Club expenditure	-	589	589	574
Playschool expenditure	2,465	-	2,465	3,366
Carried forward	81,705	26,612	108,317	110,737

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the Year Ended 31 December 2019

	II	De staiste d	31.12.19	31.12.18
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities	04 805	0/ //0	400.048	
Brought forward	81,705	26,612	108,317	110,737
Staff Training	1,423	•	1,423	540
Improvements to property	20,168	3,877	24,045	24,045
Fixtures and fittings	532	102	634	748
	103,828	30,591	134,419	136,070
Other				
General Expenditure	4,458	-	4,458	-
Audit	2,581	-	2,581	2,170
	7,039	-	7,039	2,170
Support costs				
Management				
Advertising	89	-	89	117
Sundries	608	-	608	113
	697		697	230
Finance				
Bank charges	199	-	199	253
Total resources expended	113,989	30,591	144,580	141,259
Net expenditure	(11,682)	7,195	(4,487)	(14,052)