

## Learning Disability England

### Trustee report and accounts summary - 31 March 2022



#### What this is about



This is an easy read summary of the Learning Disability England annual report and accounts.

It looks at the year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.



The report and accounts tell people about the work Learning Disability England has done.

And how it has spent the money.



Learning Disability England has to publish its report and accounts every year.

This is because it is a registered charity.



The report has been put together by the Board of Trustees of Learning Disability England.

[Find out more about the Trustees here](#)



## The aims and objectives of Learning Disability England



Learning Disability England is a membership organisation.



Members can be people with learning disabilities, their families, friends and paid supporters.

Organisations and groups can be members too.



Learning Disability England members share the same aims and values.

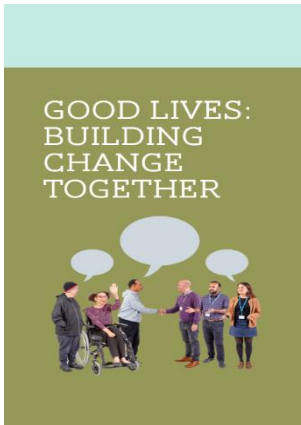


Members have to agree with these aims and values when they join.

[Read the aims and values here](#)



Members work with each other on an equal basis to share knowledge and create a movement for change together.



Members work together to build a world where people with learning disabilities have good lives with equal choices and opportunities as others.



[You can find out more about being a member here](#)



### How Learning Disability England makes decisions

Learning Disability England has a [Board of Trustees](#).



The Trustees are responsible for governing the charity.



This means they make the big decisions.

And make sure Learning Disability England works to the Charity Commission rules.



The Board of Trustees works closely with the [Representative \(Rep\) Body](#).

The Rep Body makes decisions about what members will work on together.



The Rep Body are elected by members to represent them.

There are 12 Rep Body members representing the 3 different membership 'voices'.



The Chief Executive is responsible for making day-to-day decisions alongside 7 members of staff.

[Find out about the staff team here](#)



**The big priorities Learning Disability England worked on in 2021 - 2022**



Learning Disability England's work is in 6 main areas.

These are:



Informing and supporting members.



Campaigning and influencing on what matters to people with learning disabilities to help people get a good life.



Representing members' priorities to inform policy and change attitudes.



Supporting good practice and finding solutions through the member 'voices' working together.



Showing ways that co-production and working together in different ways are making a difference.



Learning and supporting partners through projects or research.



The work Learning Disability England will prioritise is decided by the Representative (Rep) Body.

[Find out more about the Rep Body here](#)



These are the things the Rep Body said Learning Disability England members would work on together in 2021 - 2022:



1. Making sure the voice of people with learning disabilities and families is getting stronger.



2. Developing the Good Lives Framework and a new national Learning Disability vision for the future.



3. Growing Learning Disability England membership to make our voice even louder.



4. Making sure that we have enough money to do the things we want and need to do.



5. Finding ways to connect people who are working on similar things.

And using the voice of members to influence people who are making big decisions.



## Risks



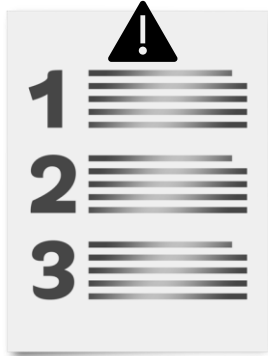
The Trustees look at the risks Learning Disability England might face.

Risks are the things that might go wrong.



Then they decide what they can do to make it less likely that these things happen.

Or to protect Learning Disability England if they do happen.



The biggest risks Trustees have worked on this year are:

- Membership numbers
- The time and space a small team has to get all the jobs done
- Coronavirus
- The economic and political changes that are happening



## About the money



The total income for the year was £416,339.

Income is the money that came into Learning Disability England.





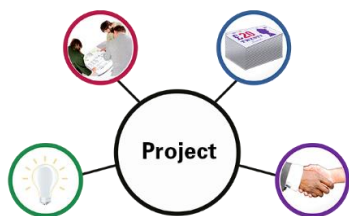
£213,635 came from grant funding.

£94,650 came from membership payments.

£22,301 came from donations.

£18,633 came from conferences, workshops and advice.

Learning Disability England got money from/for these grants and projects:



- Esmee Fairbairn Foundation
- VCSE Health and Wellbeing Alliance
- BAME Self Advocacy NHS England (Equal Treatment)
- Covid and People with Learning Disabilities Impact Research
- NHS England Covid Recovery Grant



The biggest things Learning Disability England spent money on were:

£176,962 on staff costs

£86,981 on doing projects and other work



The total funds that were brought forward were £116, 677.

This means money that Learning Disability England still had in the bank at the end of the year.



## Review of an independent examiner



Each year these annual accounts have to be checked by an independent examiner.



An independent examiner is someone who is a qualified accountant and separate from the organisation.



The independent examiner has checked these accounts.

They found that these accounts followed all the rules.



## More information



You can find out more about the work Learning Disability England did in 2021 – 2022 in the Impact Statement.

[Read the Impact Statement here](#)



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