



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
<b>From</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>2023</b>

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Cavernoma Alliance UK

**Other names charity is known by** CAUK

**Registered charity number (if any)** England and Wales 1114145  
Scotland SC048458

**Charity's principal address**

Po Box 366
Watlington
Oxfordshire
<b>Postcode</b> OX10 1GF

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Heather Dunbar (C)	Chair		
2	Mark Farrar (F)	Treasurer		
3	Barbara Edmonds (F)			
4	Jade Davies (C)			
5	Roxanna Dixon (C)			
6	Emily Fletcher		Appointed 01.10.23	
7	Alex Ford		Appointed 01.10.23	
8	Sian Oliphant	Treasurer	Appointed 01.02.23 Resigned 18.05.23	
9	Lee Smith (F)		Resigned 24.06.23	
10	Sharon Veiger (F)		Resigned 24.06.23	
11	David White (F)		Resigned 31.12.23	

Cavernoma Alliance UK is a charity run by and for the cavernoma community. Given the importance of lived experience we pride ourselves on having a Board of Trustees that is reflective of the community we support.

C = Trustee with cavernoma

F = Trustee who has immediate family with cavernoma.

### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/a	N/a

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Clinical Medical Advisor	Professor Rustam Al-Shahi Salman	University of Edinburgh
Clinical Medical Advisor	Mr Neil Kitchen	National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

Joanne Noakes, CEO (Left 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2023) Helen Evans, Charity Manager (Started 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2023)
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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected / re-elected at Annual General Meeting Between AGMs, can be elected by the Board

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

**Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

1. To promote and protect the physical and mental health of those with cavernoma through the provision of support, education, research and practical advice.
2. To advance the education of the general public in all areas relating to cavernoma.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

### **Cavernoma**

Cavernomas look like raspberries and are found in the brain and spinal cord. They're formed of abnormal blood vessels with thin leaky walls, which can bleed at any age without warning. 1 in 625 people are thought to have a cavernoma, and whilst most people won't experience symptoms 1 in 2,700 do. Symptoms can include haemorrhages, seizures and other neurological problems. Treatment involves 'wait and see', neurosurgery or stereotactic radiosurgery; with no medications currently available

### **Cavernoma Alliance UK**

Cavernoma Alliance UK was founded in 2005 by Dr Ian Stuart after his life changed overnight following a devastating cavernoma bleed. Lacking information and support networks, he resolved to make sure that no-one else faced cavernoma alone. What started as a helpline run from Ian's bedroom quickly became a national charity. Cavernoma Alliance UK's mission is to find a cure for cavernoma and it works to do this by promoting research and providing educational information and support services to people living with the condition.

### **Summary of 2022-23**

In 2022-23 Cavernoma Alliance UK supported 3,655 registered members with direct support provided to over 500 people. Our support took the form of our helpline, buddying, counselling, medical alert cards, online support groups, webinars, newsletter and online information resources. Alongside this support we also held the role of Patient and Public Voice (PPV) Lead for the 'Cavernomas: A Randomised Effectiveness (CARE) Study', the first study of its kind in the UK for cavernoma patients.

In March 2023, half-way through the financial year, income was forecast to be substantively below budgeted income. In addition, expenditure was forecast to be in excess of budgeted expenditure principally due to a sharp increase in quoted costs for the charity's Annual Residential due to inflation and high energy prices driving up prices for activity centres. For this reason, we needed to take some difficult decisions to reduce planned expenditure, so it was in keeping with forecast income.

These decisions to reduce planned expenditure included no-longer offering enhanced 1:1 support to families of children with cavernoma and cancelling our planned family residential. We also needed to change our model of delivery for our Helpline, Medical Alert Cards and IT support from being principally staff or contractor led to volunteer led, as we reduced staff and contractor hours from 77 hours a week (30.09.22) to 57 hours a week (30.09.23) and headcount from 2.05 (30.09.22) to 1.52 (30.09.23)

The changes to our support offer were guided by a strategic review under-taken by the Board of Trustees, all of whom have lived experience of cavernoma. Before taking these decisions, Trustees reflected on what CAUK offered people that they could not access elsewhere, the numbers of people benefitting and the total cost to the charity. As an outcome Trustees noted the importance of keeping in mind the charity's vision "To find a cure for cavernoma by 2023" and the need to continue advocating for more research and improved treatment options.

In the summer of 2023, we received a number of extraordinary donations totalling £42,000. This included £21,000 from the 'Blowing raspberries to Cavernomas' community fundraiser, £14,000 from the 'Options fundraiser' and two exceptional gifts from CAUK members (£5k and £2k respectively). As the charity's re-structure had already been implemented, and being mindful of the challenging external environment with high inflation and increased competition for grants, a decision was taken to proceed with the planned expenditure and to carry forward a surplus of £28,517 into 2023-24.

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to our team of volunteers, without whom we couldn't have kept so much of our support going despite reductions in our planned expenditure. We also wish to convey our sincere appreciation to the staff, contractors and trustees who left during this period of time and contributed so much over the years, and also to those who have either joined or continued with the charity. Whilst the decisions taken were difficult we are now in a more sustainable financial position, and are confident that we have sufficient income to fund our planned activities for 2023-24.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

### Helpline

People living with cavernoma often find themselves supported by health, social-care and education professionals who have little to no awareness or understanding of this rare neurological condition. For this reason, access to cavernoma informed support is particularly important. This year we provided 468 people with specialist practical and emotional support through our helpline, and responded to 671 telephone and email enquiries. The majority of the people supported by our helpline were adults diagnosed with cavernoma (67%) followed by parents of children with cavernoma (10%). The reasons for people seeking help included a new diagnosis, new or worsening symptoms, treatment options (e.g. surgery), the CARE Study, impact on work or education and mental ill-health.

In July 2023, as we needed to reduce expenditure, three experienced and DBS checked CAUK volunteers were trained to respond to helpline enquiries as the helpline transitioned from being principally staff-run to volunteer-run and managed by our Coordinator of Volunteers. To facilitate this change, a decision was taken to move from answering telephone calls at set times to offering people an online booking form to arrange a next-day call back. Whilst there was an initial drop in general helpline enquires of around 7%, we're hopeful of being back to normal numbers by 2023-24.

### Membership

Each year it is estimated that 197 people in the UK are diagnosed with a cavernoma that has caused symptoms. This year, 282 people registered as new members with CAUK meaning we now support 3,655 people living with cavernoma. This represented an 8.4% growth in membership, with 50% finding us through a web search and 21% referred by clinicians. Alongside access to our publicly available services, membership gives people access to a free medical alert card, up to 4 sessions of 1:1 counselling, buddying with a peer supporter and over 50+ volunteering opportunities.

### Buddying

Living with a rare neurological condition can be lonely and socially isolating. That's why we offer members the opportunity to be matched with a buddy providing emotional and practical support through phone calls, emails and in-person meetings. In total we received 28 new requests for a buddy with 20 buddying partnerships completed by the year end. Typically, a person is buddied for up to 1 year or longer in some cases. All our buddies are volunteers with their own lived experience of cavernoma, who are trained by CAUK, DBS checked and supervised by our Coordinator of Volunteers.

**Counselling**

Cavernoma can have a significant impact on a person's mental health. There is the uncertainty of not knowing if or when you will have a bleed, the impact of physical symptoms (e.g. seizures, focal neurological deficits), recovery from treatment (e.g. neurosurgery) and the knowledge you may have passed the condition on if you have the familial form. This year we supported 25 adults and young people with 4 or more sessions of 1:1 online therapy delivered by a qualified therapist with over 6 years' experience of supporting people from the cavernoma community.

**Medical Alert Cards**

The risk of having a seizure or hemorrhage (bleeding) means that it's particularly important for people living with cavernoma to carry medical information on them in the event of an emergency. This year CAUK provided 73 people with a free Medical Alert Card including their photo, name, emergency contact and information about their medical condition. In July 2023 responsibility for producing these cards was kindly taken over by a volunteer, as staff hours were reduced as part of the charity's efforts to reduce overall expenditure in keeping with forecast income.

**Online Support Groups**

An important part of CAUK's work is bringing people from the cavernoma community together so they can access peer support. To facilitate this, we hold a monthly online 'Community Chat', monthly online 'Therapeutic Group' and also manage an active closed Facebook Group with over 2,100 current members. This year a decision was taken to allow people to join the Facebook Group if they have cavernoma but are not a member of CAUK, in order to reach more people living with the condition. This decision saw a sharp growth in the Facebook Group's membership.

**Webinars**

We know how important it is for people to access the latest information about cavernoma, given widespread lack of awareness and understanding. For this reason, we host webinars for the cavernoma community, which we then record and share on our YouTube Channel. This year we hosted 8 online webinars, including our Annual Forum held on the 24<sup>th</sup> of June, with our most popular webinar on bleeding and stroke being watched over 3,800 times. Below is a complete list of our online webinars

- Let's Talk Cavernoma - Bleeding and Stroke Explained. Mr Daniel Walsh
- The Gut - Cavernoma Connection Emulsifiers and More. Dr Shelly Stevens
- Recovering Movement Following Stroke & Brain Surgery. Steve Cairns
- Gene therapy - What is it and how might it help? Ellie Chilcott
- Paediatric neurology and what the future looks like? Dr Greg James
- What is the latest research telling us about what medications help? Connie Lee
- How might gene therapy help and what progress is being made? Dr Dough Marchuk
- What we have learned from the UK's largest clinical trial? Prof Rustam Al-Shahi Salman

**Online Information Resources**

Access to accurate and update information is particularly important for a rare neurological condition like symptomatic and familial cavernoma. Informed by our Medical Advisors, Professor Rustam Al-Shahi Salman and Mr Neil Kitchen, we maintain information resources on our website [www.cavernoma.org.uk](http://www.cavernoma.org.uk) and also share this information across our social media platforms.

This year we were really pleased to extend our information resources with the addition of two new video case studies. These were filmed by producer Lucy Gohm who is a member of CAUK and are available at <https://www.youtube.com/@cavernomauk/videos> and 'Emily's Story' was a finalist in the prestigious Charity Film Awards.

Alongside our new case studies other contributions were made to our online resources through the launch of our podcast, addition of new information pages to our website (e.g.

on epilepsy), and a campaign to mark 'Cavernoma Awareness Month' featuring 'portraits' of cavernoma as members' shared their personal stories alongside a photo.

### **Cavernomas: A Randomised Effectiveness (CARE) Pilot Study**

This project was the first step towards working out whether treatment of brain cavernoma with medical care and surgery (using either neurosurgery or stereotactic radiosurgery) reduces the risk of a stroke compared to medical care alone. This project was a pilot study for a bigger randomised trial and CAUK was appointed to lead the Patient Advisory Group (PAG) and contribute to the Trial Management Group (TMG) meetings. Between August 2021 and January 2024, the pilot study team studied whether people with a brain cavernoma that had caused symptoms, and their doctors in the UK and Ireland would take part. A specialist team studied what influenced doctors' and patients' decisions. The study team aimed to set up a network of specialists at 30 neurosurgery hospitals in the UK and Ireland. These specialists aimed to involve 60 people with a brain cavernoma that had caused symptoms in the pilot randomised trial over 18 months. 30 hospitals in the UK and Ireland obtained ethics approval and 28 UK hospitals took part.

At the point of submitting this Annual Report 2022-23 it was known that of the 322 eligible people seen, 72 took part (68 adults and 4 children), and 67 were assessed 6 months later. The biggest barrier to taking part was that patients tended to prefer medical care, avoiding surgery. Recruitment was better with specialists who were comfortable offering randomisation to people for whom medical care alone was usual practice, and with specialists who presented the study as a solution to uncertainty. During follow-up, two of 33 patients treated with surgery and medical care had a stroke and two of 34 patients who had medical care alone had a stroke. There were no deaths or serious adverse events. The pilot study team showed that a randomised trial of surgery for brain cavernoma is possible. The pilot study recruited more people than planned and found what helped or stopped recruitment. A bigger randomised trial of surgery will require extensive international engagement from funders, doctors, and patients.

### **CARE PREcision medicine Platform trial (PREP)**

Building on the successes of the CARE Pilot Study, a new one-year project was funded by the National Institute for Health and Social Care Research (NIHR) to design an application for funding from the NIHR for a platform trial for drugs for cavernoma treatment. Platform trials are an advanced type of Randomized Clinical Trial that allows the simultaneous effectiveness of several potential drugs for the treatment of cavernoma. Between September 2022 and August 2023, a large international collaboration of doctors, researchers, and patients was established. CAUK was appointed to lead the international patient and public involvement and engagement (PPIE) Advisory Group (PAG), which advised the collaboration. The PAG met 6x times and agreed on a design for a platform study to compare aspirin and propranolol with standard care. A funding proposal was submitted to NIHR EME in May 2023, but the funder did not invite the collaboration to submit a full application. Feedback from the NIHR EME Funding Committee will be taken into consideration and a re-application made in due course.

### **Volunteering**

This year our team of volunteers became even more central to our work as a charity, as we changed the delivery model for our Helpline, Medical Alert Cards and IT support to being volunteer led in order to reduce our planned expenditure. We are enormously grateful to all our volunteers who helped to make this transition happen, without whom this wouldn't have been possible. In order to support our expanded group of volunteers a new role of 'Coordinator of Volunteers' was introduced and filled by an existing team member, who now has overall responsibility for our volunteers.

At the end of the year, there were 48 volunteers including: Peer Supporters (Helpline, Buddying, Online Support Groups, In-Person Meet-ups), IT support, Grant writer, Scientific advisor, Secretary, Alert Card support, Fundraisers and Trustees.

## Section D Achievements and performance

### Staff

At the end of the year, there were three part-time staff totalling 1.52 FTE:

- Helen Evans, Charity Manager (21 hpw)
- Tracey Hammond, Coordinator of Volunteers (14 hpw)
- Ailsa Crowe, Digital Content Producer (22 hpw)

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

To retain a minimum reserve of 50% of the expenditure, unless the expenditure figures are abnormally high or low then the minimum reserve is based on the budget.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Members continued to be generous in 2022-23 and supported CAUK with donations totalling £107,053k. This is a wonderful tribute to them and their belief in CAUK, for which we are very appreciative.

We are also very grateful to the following for their generous grants received during this reporting period, alongside payments made by the University of Edinburgh in respect of a National Institute for Health and Social Care (NIHR) award for research funding:

- Saturday Fund
- David Family Fund
- R G Hills Charitable Trust
- Alice Ellen Cooper Dean
- Magic Little Grant

## Section F Other optional information

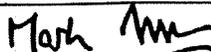
### Going Concern

In 2022-23 the Board of Trustees re-structured the charity to reduce planned expenditure in keeping with forecast income ensuring that the charity remained a going concern for 2023-24. After under-taking this restructure the charity received unexpected donations of £21,000 from the 'brAMYacs - blowing raspberries to Cavernomas' community fundraiser, £14,000 from the 'Options fundraiser for Cavernoma Alliance UK' and two exceptional gifts from CAUK members (£5k and £2k respectively). As an outcome of these unforeseen donations the charity finished the financial year in a stronger position than anticipated.

## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Mark Farrar	Heather Dunbar
Position (eg Secretary)	Treasurer	Chair

Date 11<sup>th</sup> of June 2024

Enter charity name below

Enter SC No. below

Cavernoma Alliance UK

SC048458



Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	10	2022		30	09	2023

**Section A Statement of receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>						
Donations	105,889	1,164			107,053	85,235
Grants	4,000	20,616			24,616	41,923
Receipts from fundraising activities	-	320			320	3,167
Gross receipts from other charitable activities	-	-			-	-
Other income	2,060	448			2,508	4,132
Interest	1,107				1,107	68
<b>A1 Sub total</b>	<b>113,056</b>	<b>22,548</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>135,604</b>	<b>134,625</b>
<b>A2 Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	-
<b>A2 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>113,056</b>	<b>22,548</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>135,604</b>	<b>134,625</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Salaries, NI and pensions	48,242	25,875			74,117	67,508
Recruitment		-			-	144
Training	620	317			937	144
Consultancy(Finance, Website, Therapy)	7,619	2,890			10,509	20,963
Premises Costs	738	-			738	1,440
Telephones & Internet	5,250	-			5,250	3,283
General Running expenses	4,049	534			4,583	4,047
Fundraising costs	3,186	800			3,986	5,858
Travel	877	141			1,018	4,682
Annual Forum Costs	-	-			-	-
Other Events & Activities	397	69			466	14,985
Essay Prize	-	-			-	-
Volunteer Costs (restricted)	-	-			-	-
Insurance	1,328	-			1,328	1,278
Merchandise	458	-			458	3,731
Postage		-			-	40
Other costs - restructure		-			-	-
Other	706	435			1,141	-
Governance costs:		-			-	-
Independent examination	1,620	-			1,620	522
Payroll costs	936	-			936	1,176
Other		-			-	-
<b>A3 Sub total</b>	<b>76,026</b>	<b>31,061</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>107,087</b>	<b>129,801</b>
<b>A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	-
Purchase of investments					-	-
<b>A4 Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>76,026</b>	<b>31,061</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>107,087</b>	<b>129,801</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>37,030</b>	<b>(8,513)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,517</b>	<b>4,724</b>
<b>A5 Transfers to / (from) funds</b>	<b>11,046</b>	<b>(11,046)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>48,076</b>	<b>(19,559)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,517</b>	<b>4,724</b>

**Section B Statement of balances**

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash and bank balances at start of year	44,612	24,164			68,776	64,052
	(Deficit/ Surplus shown on receipts and payments account	48,076	(19,559)			28,517	4,724
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	Cash and bank balances at end of year	92,688	4,605	-	-	97,293	68,776

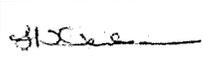
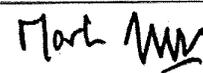
(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Investments	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation	Last year
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

B3 Other assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	4 Laptop computers (Lenovo) (1 Laptop scrapped in 2023)	Unrestricted			
	2 NEC computer monitors (scrapped in 2023)	Unrestricted			
	1 printer	Unrestricted	180		180
	Office furniture (2 desks, chair) (scrapped in 2023)	Unrestricted			352
	Edinburgh Clinical Trial Unit (debtor)	Adult Restricted			5,023
	PAYE (debtor)	Unrestricted	214		
		Total	394	-	5,556

B4 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	Last year
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	PAYE	Unrestricted	-	509
	Pensions	Unrestricted	248	-
	Accountancy	Unrestricted	1,836	1,440
	Trade Creditors	Unrestricted	83	2,552
	Trade Creditors	Restricted		1,060
		Total	2,167	5,561

B5 Contingent liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate)	Last year
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		HEATHER DUNBAR	20/01/2024
		MARK FARRAR	20.6.2024

**Section C Notes to the Accounts**

**C1 Nature and purpose of funds** *(may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)*

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**C2 Grants**

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / Institution	Number of grants made	£
<b>Total</b>			-

**C3a Trustee remuneration**

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	<b>X</b>
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**C3b Trustee remuneration - details**

Authority under which paid	£

**C4a Trustee expenses**

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	
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**C4b Trustee expenses - details**

	Number of trustees	£
Travel	1	35
General Running expenses	2	75

**C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons**

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

**C6 Other information**

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**Additional analysis (3)****6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

	Adult Restricted	CaverFamilies (previously called CYP) Restricted			Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations		1,164			1,164	15,927
Grants	20,616				20,616	34,923
Receipts from fundraising activities	320				320	2,002
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	-
Other income		448			448	100
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>20,936</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,548</b>	<b>52,952</b>
<b>Receipts from asset &amp; investment sales</b>						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>20,936</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,548</b>	<b>52,952</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Salaries, NI and pensions	18,023	7,852			25,875	30,491
Recruitment					-	-
Training	317				317	-
Consultancy(Finance, Website, Therapy)	1,690	1,200			2,890	6,875
Premises Costs					-	-
Telephones & Internet					-	-
General Running expenses	57	477			534	-
Fundraising costs	800				800	-
Travel	141				141	1,003
Annual Forum Costs					-	-
Other Events & Activities	69				69	14,583
Essay Prize					-	-
Volunteer Costs (restricted)					-	-
Insurance					-	-
Merchandise					-	-
Trustee travel and Expenses					-	-
Other costs -insurance					-	-
Other costs - restructure					-	-
Other	182	253			435	-
Governance costs:					-	-
Payroll costs					-	-
Other costs					-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>21,279</b>	<b>9,782</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,061</b>	<b>52,952</b>
<b>Payments relating to asset and investment movements</b>						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	-
Purchase of investments					-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>21,279</b>	<b>9,782</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,061</b>	<b>52,952</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>	<b>(343)</b>	<b>(8,170)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(8,513)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Transfers to / (from) funds</b>					<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Surplus / (deficit) for year</b>	<b>(343)</b>	<b>(8,170)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(8,513)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Nature and purpose of funds</b>						
The Adult Funds are for the support of adults with cavernoma and their carers.						
The CaverFamilies (previously called CYP) Funds are for the support of Children and Young People with cavernoma, their parents/guardians and carers						

# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Cavernoma Alliance UK

On accounts for the year  
ended

30 September 2023

Charity no

SC048458  
UK1114145

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 30 September 2023.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (the '2005 Act'), the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended), and the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). You are satisfied that your charity is not required by charity law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity accounts carried out under section 44 (1) (c) of the 2005 Act and section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the requirements of Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept as required by section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; and
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date:

20 June 2024

Name:

Mrs S J Hough

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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