





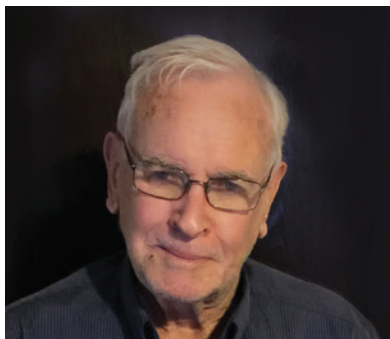
# What VICTA means to us

## Welcome to the 2017 VICTA Annual Report and Accounts

As VICTA celebrates 30 years as a registered charity supporting children, young people and their families, we take a look at what VICTA means to those we support and those who support us. Parents, young adults, fundraisers and volunteers all share their stories working with and being part of our charity.

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## Chairman's Welcome

When the charity was established 30 years ago as a family group, no-one envisioned that we would come this far and touch so many lives. Winning the Charity of the Year Award at the AOP Awards 2018 tells us that all the hard work is worth it and that people do notice. Winning an award is a team effort, and being part of that winning team is something we can all be proud of. Reflecting on what we have achieved is a great motivation for the future. And that future depends on what we do today.

It is fair to say that last year presented many complex challenges, from the implications of the Brexit referendum to greater regulatory control over fundraising, to unprecedented media attacks on the charity sector. Through all of this, I am proud of the way our staff,

fundraisers and volunteers have remained focused on our goals. We work hard to help our young people question limiting presumptions they might have, helping them to view themselves and their potential in a new way. We want them to be able to make a difference to their own lives.

It is therefore pleasing to report that this year we launched the VICTA Young Ambassador Programme: a volunteering opportunity for blind or partially sighted young adults aged 18-29 years shaped around employability with projects designed to strengthen key skills and build business understanding.

Each Young Ambassador will be given opportunities within the programme based on their interests, needs and motivations and support to overcome any barriers standing in their way. Regular contact through the bespoke mentoring programme will ensure our Young Ambassadors benefit from

the programme and can define a clear set of achievements, understandings and personal attributes that help improve their employability credentials.

And looking to the future, we are already working on other opportunities. This year we started working with the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme with a view to VICTA becoming a Centre of Excellence for the provision and delivery of programmes tailored to the needs of blind and partially sighted youths. We are currently piloting a DofE Bronze Award with a group of six visually impaired students aged 14 to 17.

We also started working with the John Muir Award scheme on a conservation expedition to the volcanic island of Skomer, a National Nature Reserve off the coast of West Wales. Working with the wardens of the Welsh Wildlife Trust, who operate an extensive research and monitoring programme, we will deliver a truly hands-on experience to a group

of visually impaired young adults about the protection of habitats and wildlife.

2017 was my last full year as the Chair of the Board of Trustees. After twenty wonderful years on the Board, I step down in 2018. As such, I would like to thank all the people whose hard work has been and continues to be integral to the success of VICTA. The excellent staff team, my fellow board members and our many fundraisers and volunteers who give up their valuable time to support the work of the charity. Our ability to change lives is entirely dependent on their dedication, commitment and common purpose. Together, we work hard to empower children and young adults who are blind or partially sighted to find their place in the world.

**Richard Lewis**  
Chairman





## Chief Executive's Review

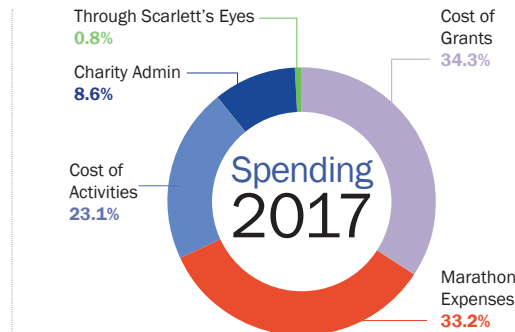
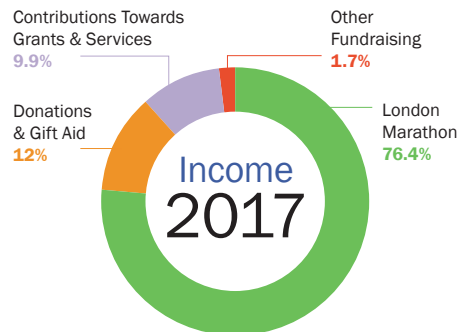


In 2017 VICTA turned 30 and boy did we celebrate. We were left breathless with the number of activities we managed to squeeze into the year. More than 25 activities were organised for our members including international trips, city tours, activity breaks, family weekends and family days. Not to mention our fantastic 30th Birthday Party, organised to coincide with Bonfire Night and opened by the Mayor of Milton Keynes. Our families, young people, professionals, volunteers and staff all enjoyed the mobile farm, bouncy castles, guy making competition, pig roast and Ceilidh dancing, all brought to an amazing climax with an explosively noisy firework display.

We started the activities early in January with a youth break to Bath for the 18 to 29s to

experience the architecture and richness that this famous spa town has to offer. Afternoon tea at the Jane Austin museum followed by a tour, had the Austin fans in the group in raptures. Other activities for this age group followed throughout the year with an Activities/Living Skills Weekend in Thetford Forest, followed by a London city break which included the Tower of London, the London Duck Tours and scaling the O2 Dome.

Summer took us to Cyprus and Sicily exploring the local culture and architecture. It also gave us the opportunity to experience the delicious traditional foods on offer. Late summer we went to Snowdonia, after an exciting day deep in the Bounce Below Caves of Wales we headed up by train to the summit of Mount Snowdon, the highest mountain in England and Wales. Our group then walked down the Llanberis Path with the help of our volunteers. Another Activity Weekend, this time in



Milton Keynes and a skiing trip to Italy took us into December with the Christmas Party rounding off the year for the 18 to 29's.

Young people aged 14 to 17 had the opportunity to attend an Activities/Living Skills Break and a Sports Camp at RNC. An International Adventure to Barcelona was crammed full of wonderful experiences, exploring the city's rich culture and vibrant Gaudi architecture hands-on.

We held three Snowsports Days up and down the country for families as well as Family Days to museums, the theatre, and a joint charity Christmas party (with father Christmas in attendance) in Milton Keynes. Of course, some of the highlights of the year were the two Family Weekends for children age 5 to 18 (more than 200 people attended each one). The children had the chance to try lots of activities that many of them hadn't experienced





*“MANY OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE ATTENDED OUR ACTIVITIES GO ON TO TRAVEL AROUND THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD INDEPENDENTLY AFTER LEARNING THAT THEY CAN. THAT’S EMPOWERMENT.”*

before, while mums, dads and guardians attending the oh-so important workshops on EHCPs and equipment as well as hearing from our amazing 18+ group represented by some of those who had attended activities this year. We also held a smaller Early Years Weekend for children under 5 providing new parents with emotional and practical support.

The 2017 International Camp on Computers and Communications was held in Leuven, Belgium and attracted blind and partially sighted young people from across the world including Japan! Our young people were able to learn from peers from other countries as well as attending the invaluable daily workshops covering IT skills, living skills and leisure activities.

In 2017 I became Chair of the Vision 2020 Children and Young People Committee. Following the amalgamation of Vision 2020, Vision England and UK Vision Strategy, under the new banner

of Vision UK, I will continue to ensure that the voice of children and young people is heard and that the group members have the opportunity to continue to meet.

Our grants team were busy in 2017, awarding grants to value of £174,634 providing 190 people with the equipment to help them to meet their full potential.

Of course, all of these amazing activities have a serious side. Depression, mental health issues and even suicide are very real concerns around our young people. By getting children and young people involved in our activities, we are giving them a lifeline. Not only do they get the opportunity to leave the confines of their four walls, they are given the chance to learn greater independence, they gain tremendously in confidence, learn new skills, experience the world out there both in the UK and internationally and make connections with others who

often become life long friends. Many of the young people who have attended our activities go on to travel around the country and the world independently after learning that they can.

That's empowerment.

**Tracie Tappenden**  
Chief Executive







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# FAMILY ACTIVITIES

VICTA activities are designed to instil confidence, promote independence and build social networks to share information and reduce isolation. From our Early Years Weekend to international adventures for our young adults, our activities help the families and young people we support grow and gain valuable life experiences.

A couple of years later, having heard about VICTA, through their incredible grant scheme which enabled our daughter to receive accessible IT, we attended our first VICTA Family Weekend. We didn't know anyone else attending and we didn't know anyone from VICTA. All we knew was that we had to get to Portsmouth to catch the ferry to the Isle of Wight where we would be transported by coach to a PGL centre.



## “Our journey with VICTA”

LAURA HUGHES, PARENT



When we discovered that our first child, Tiri, was visually impaired, we worried about a lot of things. Her education, her health, how she would get around and her future. The one thing we didn't worry about was about her meeting other similar children.

We just assumed that would happen. We had no idea that sight loss was one of the rarest disabilities of childhood and that for the large majority of children attending mainstream schools, they will be the only VI child.

When Tiri was seven years old she said, “I've never met another little girl with poorly eyes before.” And that's when it really hit us how lonely she must be. We managed to get together with some other parents in Devon and formed a small group that has now become a charity called Moorvision. But in the early days there were just a few of us and not many Tiri's age.

We couldn't believe how many other families of VI children there were on the ferry and once we arrived and had settled into our log cabin, we all met in the hall to be welcomed to the weekend.

And this weekend was the start of so many. In the following years we travelled to Swindon, Shropshire and Weymouth to take part in what became the highlight of our year – the VICTA Family Weekend!

Tiri couldn't believe how many other girls of the same age as her with sight loss there were. Thom began to realise that he wasn't the only child with a visually

impaired sister. And I began to meet other parents who actually understood how I felt.

The weekends were well organised and structured to enable all of the VI children and their siblings to take part in fantastic activities and challenges that were so fun and gave them so much confidence. Meanwhile the parents had a chance to listen to information from professionals, receive advice, learn new skills and get to know each other. They even had a chance to take part in activities themselves.

The VICTA staff and volunteers worked tirelessly to enable everyone to get the most out of each of these weekends.

In addition to the Family Weekends, VICTA offers a huge number of events and residential for young people aged 14 – 17 and 18 – 29. They are one of the

very few groups in the UK to really cover the young adult age group which is so important.

For us as a family, VICTA has given us friends for life. I have made friends with so many other VICTA parents and can't say how much I appreciate my VICTA family.

Tiri is now away at college and last year both kids were busy doing their own thing and I suddenly realised there would be no VICTA trip! I felt so sad, but not for long! I am now a registered VICTA volunteer and have spent the last two summer VICTA Family Weekends helping out.

VICTA are not the largest of the national VI charities but they deliver a quantity and quality of services that belie their size. They punch well above their weight and are a driving force in the provision of services for children and young people.



For me, VICTA has been a fantastic way to build a social group of other young, like-minded VI people and to learn from each other in a number of different ways. This might be anything from what sports and leisure activities are out there, how people go to the cinema or how people go out to a club. For me, these questions were really important to answer.

vision. When I was initially told I could go blind, I did not really react at first, the main reaction came when my friends and family left, it was a very emotional moment. You don't know how you will react until it actually happens to you. For me, the same evening after feeling emotional, I also came around to the idea that it was not the end of the world.

following year as a gap year in which I learnt to be blind and something I mastered in a year.

In the subsequent year, I learnt how to use a screen reader and how to touch type and to use the long white cane. With these skills, I then decided to go to university, it was a tough experience. One of the most difficult things about

and have since attended youth breaks, international adventures including Barcelona, Sicily and Iceland and have presented to parents at their Family Weekends.

Through goalball and VICTA my social life exploded. You learn so much through having friends and just doing normal things with them, the amount of invaluable

# “What VICTA means to me”

WARREN WILSON, YOUNG ADULT



When I was 19, due to a rare genetic condition called Lebers Hereditary Optic Neuropathy I lost the vast majority of my sight. This meant I went from being fully sighted to having a very low contrast across my full field of

I realised there were still many things to live for, friends, family, a nice day. I was also sure I would still be able to do the things I enjoyed doing, I was not sure how, but I had a feeling I was going to be able to. It is very strange how life affirming sight loss was for me, I was never a particularly positive or optimistic person, so I really do not know where this came from.

I was now in a position to go forward and find out how to do things. I was 19, had very conveniently just finished my A-level exams with enough sight to be able to complete them and had the perfect opportunity to learn how to live with a visual impairment. I like to think of the



university was the socialising. I found it difficult talking to people without being able to see their faces and they probably found it difficult to approach me, probably fearing how to physically approach me, what to say and so on. While I was at university, I decided to immerse myself in the blind world a little more by taking part in visually impaired sport, taking part in my first goalball training session. The club became a huge part of my life, gave me social connections and informed me about an organisation called VICTA. I applied to their activities



information shared is huge. I grew in confidence and in my capabilities as a blind person.

Just by seeing how visually impaired people do things day-to-day, you learn. You can laugh at each other as you do clumsy things, dance wildly in a club together; climb mountains together; travel the world or go to the cinema. I have learnt so much by doing some amazing things and some very normal, fun things with friends I have made through VICTA. For this, I will always be thankful to them.

## YOUNG ADULTS

At VICTA, support doesn't end when you turn 18. Our residential activities, international trips and grants are offered up to the age of 29 years. And for young people aged 14 to 17 years, we offer sports camps, residential and cultural adventures.



## INTERNATIONAL

Experiencing different cultures hands-on broadens horizons and expectations. VICTA's internationals bring groups of young adults together and create opportunities for semi-independent travel.

The range of activities and experiences that VICTA provides significantly enhance the lives of blind and partially sighted children and young people. As well as the enjoyment of such activities, and the evident development of self-confidence and self-esteem, such activities also enable the development of leadership competencies for teenagers and young adults.

In terms of the recognition of outcomes for young people, the VICTA Leadership Competencies framework provides an opportunity to add value to

activities without detracting from all other aspects and benefits for the young people. The trip to Thailand provided the first opportunity to trial the framework.

In Thailand, the opportunities and experiences afforded to the young adult participants were excellent. There is no doubt that each one of them really enjoyed the trip and gained very significantly from their involvement. Just putting young people outside their comfort zone, in a supported environment, and enabling success reaps many benefits in terms of the development of personal and social skills and aptitudes. Undoubtedly this was witnessed in Thailand. To observe the enjoyment of the young people and the evident development of their positive demeanour and personal growth was a privilege.

The staff and volunteers considered the Leadership Competencies framework at

# “Leadership Competencies: The Thailand Experience”

MARDY SMITH, PATRON

regular intervals in respect of each of the young people. As the framework is still in development, the discussions were not yet shared with the young people. The trip provided opportunities to observe the identified leadership skills of the young people in each of the four categories of the framework:

- Effective communication
- Social skills
- Team work
- Planning and organisation

Within each category, the skills are exemplified by indicators and these were all considered throughout the trip. As would be expected, some leadership competencies were clearly and easily evidenced, whereas others were not so applicable in the context of this particular trip. For example, in terms of planning and organisation, some of the skills indicated in the framework would be more

readily identified in an Activity Weekend where specified tasks would be planned and executed. However, in each category, there were many identified skills that could be and were observed in Thailand. Over time and with involvement in different activities, all identified competencies could be comprehensively mapped for each young person.

Positive outcomes of the trip to the young people were many and evident: the leadership framework provides a vehicle for recording and recognising skills for leadership as well as identifying those areas each young person needs to develop further. The key area each young person needs to address next was identified in the summary of the Leadership Competencies review which, at this stage should inform the staff and volunteers working with them on activities so that opportunities and discussions can address this on future activities. Once

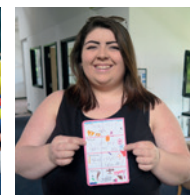


the framework has been tested, adjusted and finalised, young people will receive this feedback in a constructive manner which will provide further opportunities for discussion and development.

Altogether the numerous benefits accruing for the young people who participated in the Thailand trip were evident and undoubtedly life-enhancing. Through observation and their personal feedback, there is no doubt that their personal skills and confidence were supported and developed by their experiences in Thailand which, in turn, impacts positively on their skills for work and for constructive leisure time.







# “Having fun with VICTA”

ELLIE COWIN, VICTA VOLUNTEER

## VICTA VOLUNTEERS

VICTA volunteers play a vital role in the success of the VICTA team. Without them we wouldn't be able to run our vast network of activities and services. Volunteers are offered sighted guide training when they join us on activities and VICTA is strengthened by the service they deliver to those they support. We are always on the lookout for more volunteers to help on our activities.

I started volunteering for VICTA around three years ago and it is the best thing I have ever done. It is such an amazing experience that we are able to share with hundreds of families. Since my first VICTA Family Weekend, I have been able to see children grow up and become more confident in themselves over the various VICTA activities and it is great to have built up relationships with them and their families. The young people that we meet through VICTA are some of the most inspirational and amazing people I've ever met.

VICTA as a charity could not be more welcoming to new volunteers and they made me feel 100% comfortable with learning how to guide people correctly and also provided me with the experience of being guided. This helped massively when attending my first activity, as it can be quite daunting when you have not worked with visually impaired young people and children previously. Although we receive guide training, a lot of the younger children are quite happy to just hold your hand.

Working with people with visual impairments has opened my eyes to so many things that I probably wouldn't have thought about or noticed previously. I feel like volunteering has made me a better person and I definitely have a better understanding of how to assist people who are VI.

The kids that attend the activities with VICTA are truly unbelievable. A lot of the children are confident about all of the activities and eager to take part – sometimes even forcing the volunteers into doing them. But then you do also get a lot of children that are more reserved and nervous as, for some, it is their first time away from parents. By the end of the weekend, these children have made friends and are excited to

take part in activities and a lot of the time, they don't want to go home! It's so great to know that you have supported young children in accomplishing their fears, making friends and having fun!

I have made so many wonderful friendships with volunteers, VICTA staff and lots of families over the past three years and I look forward to making more as I continue to volunteer for VICTA. The events that VICTA put on can only be described as all-rounders. They are a great experience for everyone – parents, young people, volunteers and staff.

Being a volunteer is the most rewarding experience and one that I think all people should try!



# “Why I’m a Guide Runner”

*SIMON ELLIOT, VICTA FUNDRAISER*



I first started guide running in 2016 when my wife volunteered me to help her guide run twin 11-year old girls we know in our village.

I was apprehensive at first. But it was a fantastic experience and somehow I managed to guide them round our local Junior Park Run without any incidents. From that moment I was sold, but I did feel the need to get some training. They were putting their trust in me and I owed them a duty of care to be able to do it properly.

Both my wife and I decided to go on the England Athletics licensed guide running course, a half-day course that puts you in the shoes of a visually impaired runner.

Running blindfolded learning invaluable techniques on how to give instruction on turns, steps, or uneven terrain.

We now guide run with the twins on a regular basis and have helped them to run 5k and 10k races. After attending a sporting event for children with visual impairments, we were shocked at how many local children had a visual impairment and how little support there was available for them. It was a defining moment in my guide running.

I decided I was going to do more to help visually impaired runners and that I was going to raise funds for VICTA. We chose VICTA because our visually impaired

friends said they provided great practical support in the form of activities and grants.

Running the London Marathon for VICTA seemed the next logical step. It was around this time that I was contacted by Agata, a visually impaired runner. After running together a few times, Agata asked me to guide her first half marathon and it wasn't long before she decided to run the London Marathon.

From that point, my priorities changed and my own running took second place. I have reached the point where the pleasure in helping others outweighs my own personal achievements. Agata doesn't consider herself inspirational nor do the twins but they absolutely are. They are the most inspirational people I know.

Being blind does not make them inspirational. It's their positive, can-do approach to life and the enthusiasm for everything they do. Once their trainers are on, they put their faith in their guide runners and simply run.

There is a real bond between guide and runner built from the trust the runner has in the guide, and to the admiration the guide has in the runner for overcoming their fears. But most of all, it's fun and great company on long runs.

I am proud to be a guide runner in this year's London Marathon while raising money for VICTA in the process. I'd absolutely encourage others to do the same, I think it brings the best out in me and helps some really inspirational people do what we all take for granted.

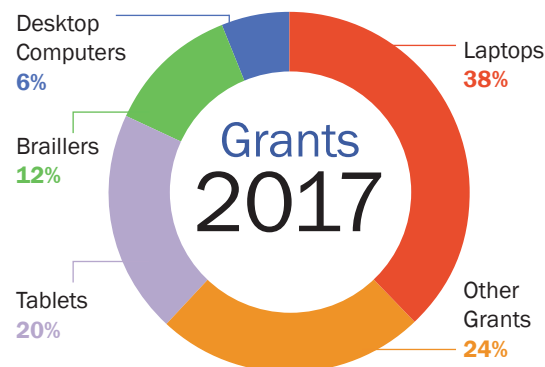
## VICTA FUNDRAISERS

We do not receive any statutory funding and rely solely on the efforts of our fantastic fundraisers, the generosity of our corporate supporters and donations from benefactors to deliver our much needed services and activities. There are a whole host of ways to engage with us and all contributions are received with thanks.



# VICTA Grants

## THANK YOU LETTERS



"Thank you so much for Sasha's new laptop, she is over the moon with it and now has a laptop available to do her homework on and to play Minecraft!"

Her touch-typing skills and her ability to find her way around on it are developing really well."

**Alison McBride**  
Parent

"The VICTA team are very dedicated to their work helping people with visual impairments and are the most helpful charity I have come across to date. It can feel like a very lonely place when you are registered blind and know there is equipment which could make such a difference but feels out of reach. I will always be grateful for their help."

**Grant Recipient**

"Thank you for my new iPad Pro which I was helped to fund by your charity. It is fabulous, I can photograph items then pinch to enlarge and take a closer look and see so many wonderful things I just normally miss out on."

I watch my favourite TV shows on my iPad because I am able to get much closer to it. Also I now do my homework on my iPad, save it and email the work to school. I love it."

**Darcey Williams**  
Age 11



## OUR GRANT SCHEME

VICTA makes grants available to buy assistive technologies to support children and young people up to the age of 29 to reach their full potential. Whether it is for a Braille or a computer to help them keep in touch, we want everyone to have the opportunity to learn and grow. We want to encourage children and young people to develop independent life skills. In addition VICTA supports other organisations by providing grants to help fund activities that reflect our outlook.

"We are very grateful for the support in enabling Robert to access the assistive technologies he needs to achieve his true potential in his A levels, having only been blind for 3 years, and having to learn how to learn audibly instead of visually, as well as managing the demands of A levels."

Having this laptop will enable him to study in the evenings, holidays and weekends, which he would otherwise not have been able to do."

Thank you very much."

**Nur Wood**  
Parent

"Thank you so much for the grant allowing us to take our group of visually impaired students on a visit to Milton Keynes Museum on the 28 June 2017."

The students all thoroughly enjoyed the trip and enjoyed having the opportunity to touch lots of different items of interest."

Many Thanks once again on behalf of all the staff and students."

**Child Development Centre**  
Bedfordshire





# Financial Accounts

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## Key Staff and Trustees

**Tracie Tappenden**, Chief Executive

**Nick Schofield**, Director

**Richard Lewis**, Chairman and Trustee  
Special responsibility for finance

**Pamela Lewis**, Charity Secretary and Trustee  
Financial, legal and statutory matters

**Estella Brown**, Trustee  
Special responsibility for activities and legal matters

**Matthew Clark**, Trustee

Special responsibility for young people

**Elizabeth Richards**, Trustee  
Special responsibility grants

**Christian Sprenger**, Trustee  
Special responsibility for engagement, fundraising and marketing

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## Our Patrons

### **Michel Roux Jr**

Michel Roux Jr took over the helm at the world famous Michelin starred Le Gavroche in 1991. Since then, Michel has won numerous awards for his cuisine and has continued to set the standard for classical French fine dining in London. Prior to Le Gavroche, Michel honed his skills working for master chefs in Paris, Lyon, Hong Kong and London, spending two years with Alain Chapel and cooking at the Elysee Palace for President Mitterrand.

Michel has also been a judge alongside Greg Wallace on Masterchef: The Professionals. Michel has been a great supporter of VICTA Children for many years, he continues to run in the London Marathon raising money to help us to provide our services.

### **Mardy Smith OBE**

Mardy worked at New College Worcester (NCW), a residential school for students who are blind or partially sighted for 27 years, including the last 13 years as Principal. She retired at Christmas 2016 but maintains her commitment to ensuring young people who are blind or partially sighted have a wide range of opportunities and challenges. In addition to such experiences resulting in enjoyment and achievement, the positive impact on self-esteem and self-confidence is invaluable and Mardy is pleased to be able to support VICTA in their work with young people and their families.

# Charity Details

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## Registered Charity Details

### Registered Charity Name

VICTA Children Ltd

### Charity Registration Number

1065029

### Company Registration Number

03424608

### Principal Office

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### CAF Bank

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West Malling  
Kent  
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### Metro Bank

44-46 Midsummer Arcade  
Midsummer Boulevard  
Milton Keynes  
MK9 3BB



# Statement of Financial Activities

(Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	(£)	Total Funds 2017 (£)	Total Funds 2016 (£)
<b>INCOME</b>			
Income from generating funds:			
Donations and legacies		18,042	14,478
Other trading activities			
Fundraising events	11,551		
Marathon runners	631,069		
Sundry income	84,587	727,207	716,905
Income from investments		327	1,055
Gift aid		79,446	68,345
Sales of assets		750	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		825,772	800,783
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Charitable activities	506,616		
Marathon fundraising costs	136,260		
Cost of marathon places	129,740		
Charity administration	74,801		
Other fund raising costs	23,819		
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		871,236	757,242
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR</b>		-45,464	43,541
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		592,240	548,699
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>546,776</b>	<b>592,240</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

# Balance Sheet

VICTA Children Ltd Company Limited By Guarantee

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	(£)	Total Funds 2017 (£)	Total Funds 2016 (£)
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Office equipment and computers		6,428	9,762
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Stocks	25,107		22,631
Marathon places carried over from 2017	34,960		60,687
Other debtors and prepayments	122,953		85,388
Cash at bank	609,316		625,731
	792,336		794,437
<b>CREDITORS:</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year			
Cheque payments not yet cashed			27,103
Trade creditors	28,944		25,587
PAYE and social security	6,376		4,314
Marathon income received in advance for 2018	155,022		93,545
Other creditors including grants approved but not yet delivered	61,646		61,410
	251,988		211,959
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		540,348	582,478
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		546,777	592,240
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		546,776	592,240
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Designated funds		363,354	242,240
General funds		183,422	350,000
		546,776	592,240

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and were approved by the members of the committee and authorised for issue and were signed by Pamela Lewis on 26 September 2018 on behalf of the Charity.

The audited financial statements can be found on the VICTA website and are available on both the Companies House and Charity Commission web sites.





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