# The Tracy Sollis Leukaemia Trust

Registered charity number 1069269

# **Annual Report January - December 2019**

# **Aims and Objectives**

The aim of The Tracy Sollis Leukaemia Trust is to relieve sickness suffering and distress of patients diagnosed with leukaemia and similar blood related disorders. The Trust achieves this by providing complementary therapy for patients, purchasing laboratory equipment for life saving research and offering short term breaks for patients on referral from the medical profession.

Any grant applications falling within The Trust's remit are welcomed.

The charity is run by a Board of Trustees and as of December 31st 2019 are listed as follows:-

- Mr Neil Batchelor (Chairperson)
- Vivien Bentley (Vice Chairperson)
- Mr Hugh David Keeling (Trustee and Treasurer)
- Mrs Margueritte Bayley (Trustee and Minute Secretary)
- Mrs Susan Sollis BEM
- Mrs Debbie Edmondson
- Mrs Gillian Gregg
- Mrs Doreen Dale
- Mrs Marion Bratt
- Mrs Helen Springthorpe
- Mrs Suzanne Palmer
- Mr Hugh David Keeley (appointed 19/8/19)

# **Treasurer Resignation**

Mrs Ann Davies resigned as The Trust's Treasurer on March 11th 2019.

(A temporary arrangement with Baldwins Accountants was made until replacement found)

# **Treasurer Replacement**

Mr Hugh David Keeling was appointed as Treasurer on **June 17th 2019.** 

# Shop 5

It can be very difficult to find volunteers and at the beginning of the year we found ourselves thin on the ground regarding the help needed. As a result he shop needed to close one day a week being a Monday. There was also the challenging weather conditions. Many roads were flooded in and around Evesham making them impassable.

The shop takings were subsequently hit hard being approximately £5,000.00 short on the previous year. Happily as the year progressed we gained several new volunteers which made a great difference in the day to day running. Takings in the shop finally totalled £42,405.09.

# Shop 7

The takings in shop 7 had a very slow start to the year and were significantly less than Shop 5. Efforts were focused on increasing its income which proved successful. By the end of the year the shop income was £33,271.40. Approximately one thousand pounds up on the previous year.

# **Complementary Therapy**

The Trust's Complementary Therapist, Carrie Ann Adams has once again provided a greatly increased number of individual therapy treatments during the year. Indeed the total of patients seen reached a total of **five hundred and ninety eight**. The Trust is delighted to have received many compliments from both patients and members of their families regarding how much of a benefit this service has been.

#### Research

We managed to purchase £27,291.05 worth of equipment for the Anthony Nolan Research Institute. Amongst items provided were laboratory freezers, a laboratory work station, Carbon dioxide incubators, CO2 incubators, Bench CO2 Incubator shakers and adjustable electronic multipipettes.

### **Research Institute Visit**

One of the highlights of the year was a visit made by trustees, volunteers and supporters of the Trust to the Research Institute. The visiting party received a warm welcome from Anthony Nolan Chief Executive Henny Braund, and a special thank you was given by Professor Alejandro Madrigal for our support towards his research centre. Comprehensive presentations of research carried out within the centre was provided by Anushruti Sarvaria (immunotherapy), Michelle O'Doherty (immunotherapy) and Thomas Turner (immunogenetics). This was followed by a very comprehensive tour of the research and routine laboratories by Nichola Bronsnan, Hazel Forde, Anushruti Sarvaria and Thomas Turner.

## **Research Video**

Professor Alejandro Madrigal has very kindly provided the Trust with a video highlighting the strong connection between Anthony Nolan and The Tracy Sollis Leukaemia Trust. It features the research work being undertaken within the laboratories and has been added to the Trust's website.

#### **AGM**

The Annual General Meeting was held at The Fleece Inn, Bretforton. Founder Member Sue Sollis read out the report and followed it up with a power point presentation of events and happenings that had taken place throughout the year. The guest speaker for the evening was laboratory manager Hazel Forde from the Anthony Nolan Research Institute. Hazel explained the recent research being carried out and the advantages of the equipment we had purchased. A buffet followed with a chance for people to socialise. The youngest attendee was 16 month old Poppy Adams. Poppy is the daughter of our complementary therapist Carrie Adams. Poppy didn't hesitate in picking up a collection bucket and walking around to seek donations. The bucket was

almost as big as Poppy and she raised £5.06 at the end of the evening. Must be one of our youngest fundraisers to date!

# Special Award—Patron Gordon Giltrap MBE

We were delighted to receive the news at the beginning of the year that our Patron Gordon Giltrap is awarded an MBE for his services to music and charity. Its well-deserved!

#### **Events**

## **Gordon Giltrap MBE at the Fleece Inn**

Our Patron Gordon Giultrap once again returned to the Fleece Inn, Bretforton for his Annual Concert in the Medieval Barn. The event is always a huge success with tickets much sort after, especially as the venue is limited to a maximum of sixty attendees. The amount raised from the evening was up on the previous year reaching £1,221.00. Sincere thanks to Landlord Nigel Smith for providing the venue and also his staff for all their help and support.

#### **Evesham Arts Centre Charity Concert**

This annual event began as a tribute to musician David Turner who was a former Trustee of the Charity. It has grown each year in its support with many artistes now offering to participate. The event was started by two bands namely Stour Concert Brass and Avonbank Brass Band in a wish to mark David's memory annually with a charity fundraiser. The event has grown and this year the bands were joined by Cleeve Harmony Ladies Chorus and forty's singer Blitz Time Sally. It was an exceptional good night with a grand finale featuring standard bearers of the Royal British Legion and with everyone joining in a nostalgic sing along. The grand total of £1,156.40 was raised. All performed completely free of charge and the marvellous venue was provided by Prince Henry's High School with members of staff assisting at the box office and with the raffle.

#### **Anthony Nolan - National Organisational Fundraiser of the Year**

At the beginning of November The Trust was delighted to be informed that it had been shortlisted for the Anthony Nolan National Organisational Fundraiser of The Year Award. The winner was to be announced at a special award ceremony being held at the Tower of London with representatives from various organisations throughout the

country invited. It was a very emotional moment when The Tracy Sollis Leukaemia Trust's name was announced as the winning finalist. A tremendous achievement.

Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who has contributed towards improving the future lives of those diagnosed with leukaemia. The part you play is important and very much appreciated.

Sue Sollis BEM

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Income	•		1 000 000 000 000	marenesses of ma	828 0		
Shop 5	40,645.05	1,760.04				42,405.09	47,527
Shop 7	32,157.14	1,114.26				33,271.40	32,075
Sale of Rags – Wilcox	937.25		2			937.25	
World of Books	54.32	1				54.32	0/10/5/
Donations	4,824.94	177.30		1 h w 1507 o		5,002.24	4,699
Just Giving	1,118.81					1,118.81	1,062
Fundraising Events	5,867.97				"	5,867.97	4,079
Interest		42.33	124.39			166.72	122
TOTAL	85,605.48	3,093.93	124.39	0.00	0.00	88,823.80	91,015
Expenses			,				
Salaries	22,352.90					22,352.90	27,395
Rent/Serv Chg - Shop 5	9,789.54					9,789.54	27,333
Rent/Serv Chg - Shop 7	10,892.99					10,892.99	
Rent/Serv Chg - Kiosk	1,054.52				10 41114	1,054.52	
Just Giving	216.00	(Continue)	X X (40) = 1 (40)			216.00	216
Bank Charges	60.00	5.00				65.00	
Insurance	1,328.32	3.00	<del></del>			1,328.32	
Complementary Therapy	12,240.00					12,240.00	9,680
Non-domestic rates	1,321.00				F K (MANAGE 17	1,321.00	
Equipment	651.97				165.93	817.90	*
Van	1,830.39					1,830.39	2,211
Phone/Utilities	2,937.64		÷.			2,937.64	
Anthony Nolan Trust	23,197.14					23,197.14	22,718
Other	1,161.35			55.72		1,217.07	
TOTAL	89,033.76	5.00	0.00			89,260.41	94,061
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Total Transfers	-2,148.50	-889.34	-60,162.16	63,000.00	200.00	0.00	
Balances at 31 Dec 2018	7,498.05	11,738.90	60,037.77	0.00	25.37	79,300.09	
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# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

#### ndependent Examiner's Report

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Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name TRACY SOLLIS LEUKAEMIA TRUST						
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2019	Charity no (if any)	1069269				
Set out on	Attached schedule	to include the page	numbers of additional sheets)				
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for The charity's trustees consider that an auunder section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1 independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:  • examine the accounts under section 4 • to follow the procedures laid down in Charity Commission (under section 4 • to state whether particular matters ha	udit is not requi 993 (the 1993 43 of the 1993 the general Di 3(7)(b) of the	aired for this year B Act) and that an B Act, irections given by the 1993 Act, and				
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination was carried out in accord by the Charity Commission. An examina accounting records kept by the charity and presented with those records. It also include items or disclosures in the accounts and trustees concerning any such matters. The provide all the evidence that would be reconsequently no opinion is given as to what and fair' view and the report is limited to the statement below.	tion includes and a comparison a comparison udes consider seeking explate the procedures quired in an auther the accomparison in the accomparison	a review of the con of the accounts ration of any unusual nations from the sundertaken do not udit, and counts present a 'true				
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	<ol> <li>to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</li> </ol>						
Signed:	The	Date:	4 May 2020				
Name:	Peter Dann						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FCA						

#### Address:

The Cottage,

Spring Bank, Defford

Worcs WR8 9BB

# Section B

#### Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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