

**Organisation for Sickle Cell Anaemia Research & Thalassaemia Support  
(OSCAR SANDWELL CO LTD)**

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012**



**THE ORGANISATION IS SUPPORTED**

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## **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

We would like to take the opportunity to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who has given their support to the organisation.

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## INTRODUCTION

### MISSION STATEMENT

*Working together with service users, voluntary, statutory services and stakeholders to improve the quality of life for people affected by Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia in the Sandwell area.*

OSCAR (Organisation for Sickle Cell Anaemia Research) is located in West Bromwich in the Borough of Sandwell. OSCAR Sandwell is a voluntary organisation with charity and company limited status and managed by a Board of Directors. The ethos of the organisation is to provide direct services that address the well – being and collective needs of people with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.

OSCAR as it stands was founded in 1975 by a ‘Sickler’ who through personal experiences, realised there was inadequate information available to people affected directly or indirectly by the blood disorders, the public and medical professionals. OSCAR is the pioneering Sickle Cell organisation in the United Kingdom.

OSCAR operates as both providers of services and as an advocate for sufferers and their families, articulating community needs and campaigning for the development of appropriate services. The activities of the organisation have progressively increased as the understanding of the particular needs of people affected and their families have intensified.

OSCAR Sandwell was established in March 1988 in response to a growing concern expressed by members of the community about the lack of information and support for people with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia in the Borough of Sandwell.

In July 1998 the Centre at Lodge Road was formally opened by Derrick Heaven, His Excellency, The Jamaican High Commission.

The organisation for 24 years has developed and established a comprehensive service to meet the needs of Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia sufferers and their carers. In addition the organisation strives to work proactively with both statutory and voluntary agencies to educate schools, community groups, health professionals, churches and the general public in raising the awareness about the above blood disorders.

### **What is Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia?**

**Sickle Cell** disorder is a condition that affects red blood cells in the body which contains the protein called haemoglobin (Hb). People with Sickle Cell Anaemia have Sickle haemoglobin (HbS) which is different from the normal haemoglobin (HbA). Normally, red blood cells last for about 120 days though for sicklers, the red blood cells die after between 30 to 60 days. As a result of the shorter life span of the red blood cells, with low production rates, anaemia occurs i.e. low iron content of the blood.

When sickle haemoglobin (HbS) gives up its oxygen to the tissues, it sticks together to form long rods inside the red blood cells making these cells rigid and sickle-shaped. Normal red blood cells bend easily but these rigid *sickled* red blood cells are unable to move easily through blood vessels, blocking them, which in turn restricts oxygen from getting through to where it is needed. This restriction of oxygen flow through the blood can cause severe pain and can possibly lead to the damaging of vital organs.

Sickle Cell disorder is a condition that normally affects people of African, Caribbean, Middle Eastern, Asian and Mediterranean origin, but not exclusively.

**Thalassaemia**, like Sickle Cell, is an inherited disorder of the haemoglobin. There are two main Thalassaemia types, Thalassaemia Major and Thalassaemia Minor (trait).

A normal haemoglobin molecule contains four protein (globin) chains (two alpha globin chains and two beta globin chains). Different genes are responsible for producing each chain. In Thalassaemia, there is an inherited defect in one of these genes. If the alpha chain is affected, this causes Alpha Thalassaemia. If the beta chain is affected then this causes Beta Thalassaemia. There are a number of different types of Thalassaemia within these groups, alpha thalassaemia being less diverse than beta thalassaemia.

Where a person has inherited haemoglobin A from both parents, they will have **two** usual beta genes ( $b^{\wedge}b^{\wedge}$ ), one from each parent, and four alpha genes ( $aa/aa$ ), one pair from each parent.

They would, therefore, produce normal amounts of BETA and ALPHA to make healthy red blood cells. Some people inherit one usual and one unusual Beta gene, in which case they have a condition known as Beta Thalassaemia Major (Hb AbThal), sometimes referred to as a trait. Some people do not inherit the usual number of Alpha genes in which case they would have a condition known as Alpha Thalassaemia Minor (trait).

## CHAIRMAN Foreword 2011-2012

Looking at the bigger picture of having to face drastic cut backs, reduced working hours, job losses and more, it seems as if the storm of uncertainty is abating, even if its just a little. Not quite sure what lies ahead but we must remain very diligent and cautious in the way that we do our business.

The changes from Government down to the lowest level are numerous, and are still taking place as we speak. Change will always be but we only hope it will be for the betterment of life as we know it.

There have been several meetings and workshops to sort and establish the Clinical Commissioning Group(CCG) to take over from the Primary Care Trust as of 2013, regarding funding and Service Level Agreements. **We have, and are continuing to be a part of the debate in order to firmly market OSCAR Sandwell as the leader and expert in providing holistic care for people with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia Disorders, including their carers, in the Sandwell area.**

The threat of outside agencies bidding and competing to take over the service that we are best at providing, firmly exists. We are therefore challenging, as best we know how, to ensure that our Organisation will be firmly established and continue to lead in the provision of service to meet our mission statement, **"to improve the quality of life for people affected by Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia in Sandwell area"**.

We must keep pace with the times and are still faced with profound challenges in order to do so. Therefore, we continue to take relevant steps in order to survive and maintain the **best possible support for our clients and carers**. Staff reduced working hours is still in force and stringent financial constraints are exercised daily. Our business arm, OSCAR Sandwell Enterprise(OSE), will hopefully grow in stature to create self-sustain funding to aid and support our Organisation in the future.

The staff are champions in the multi-functional manner that they have collectively performed their duties in order to achieve their primary tasks, **and beyond**.

The mood of our clients, staff and members is still buoyant, with an optimistic view of a better future, sooner rather than later. However, there still remains the harsh reality and a real threat of not being able to carry out our mission statement. I therefore call upon all concerned to continue reaching the depth and height of the skills, knowledge and experience that we all possess, in order to meet our goal.

I **must** thank all staff, volunteers and members at OSCAR Sandwell for their great effort and endeavour in keeping the Organisation in the balance. It is only with your assistance, belief and dedication that we will realise a brighter future for this worthy cause.

Donald Campbell  
Chair  
OSCAR Sandwell

## **SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**2011-2012**

#### Personnel AGM Report - Chair

The Personnel Committee is one that has and must function in order to maintain consistency and stability of our Organisation. Although reduced from its full establishment of members its role and existence still remains effective. Due to lack of volunteers, the work of the other sub committees such as Quality, Building and social activity is carried out by the Personnel Committee as a natural course of action. We recently reformed the Financial Committee which is functioning very well, so many thanks to all concerned.

The aim is now to re-establish a full complement of sub committees so that OSCAR Sandwell can be supported as it should be, by each area representative focusing on relevant tasks as required. We still hope to rekindle the social ambience and sense of belonging of our clients and members.

None of the above inactivity has been deliberate, but we must continue to rebuild the internal infrastructure of our Organisation, so that we have the base to enhance our external aims for future growth. Our mindset should and must have a more holistic approach in our thinking and activities. This is in relevance to the support of our clients, carers and members, by providing more practical and social solutions to their needs.

It is our aim to continue our work by actively rebuilding other areas of support to our Organisation. If **you** would like to volunteer your skills and ability by becoming a member of one or more of our committees, please let us know as soon as possible.

My thanks to everyone for your work, time and dedication over the past year.

**Donald Campbell- Chair of Personnel Committee**

## CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT 2011-2012

During April 2011- March 2012 the organisation continued to strengthen its infrastructure and continue to can provide the best services possible and best use of resources we have available. With the change in government and cutting of budgets, the third sector as a whole has had to re-evaluate our ongoing services and those for the immediate future.

The organization has continued to work towards meeting it's strategic objectives for the past 12 months. We have continued to fulfil our legal duties and obligations to the Charity Commission and Companies House, all returns have been submitted to the relevant bodies as required.

The profile of OSCAR Sandwell Company Limited continues to make links locally, regionally and nationally. Our key activities are the provision of fundraising, guidance, advice and information, screening, education and training, health promotion, self help group, social activities, volunteers, student placement and work experience.

Core funding for OSCAR Sandwell is provided by Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council (SMBC) and Sandwell Primary Care Trust (PCT) through Service level agreement or grant which is measured through performances and outputs. Funding from external funders, Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity and Lloyds TSB Foundation have enabled us to enhance work undertaken with our Thalassaemia and Sickle Cell clients.

Our focus was on developing our services for those affected by Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia Blood disorders in Sandwell and surrounding area. We have worked in partnership and collaboration with statutory and voluntary organisations to continue to impact services to our client group.

**Black Country and Surrounding Area Strategy** - We have seen the need to liaise and communicate with other Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia providers, OSCAR Sandwell attended conferences and events hosted by NHS providers, Sickle Cell Society based in London, and PNSG (Patient Network and Support Group) based in Birmingham.

**Governance** - The organisation has continued to work toward improving and strengthening our governance to enable us to demonstrate our accountability, transparency, effectiveness and efficient, equitable whilst working within the rule of the law. With new members being voted onto the Board and Finance Committee Sub Group started up again in Jan 2012 this is an ongoing priority for the organisation.

**Strategic Direction** – We have now established a Campaign Strategy, Fundraising Strategy and Marketing Strategy to further aid the much needed focus of the future development of the organisation.

**OSE** - OSCAR Sandwell Enterprise (Community Interest Company) - with the aim of creating self-sustain funding in support of our organisation in the future. OSE has its own governing body and independent accounts. OSE held its Launch Event in Nov 2011 attended by many community members and organisations.

**Community involvement** - We continue to work in partnership to develop and deliver within the local Sandwell and surrounding areas including local schools and community centres. This partnership has helped to raise awareness of OSCAR Services. The centre continues to offer its room hire service for individuals, groups and organisations both Statutory and Voluntary, which has declined somewhat due to the general current economic climate. This creates and continues to raise further awareness about OSCAR work, and often generates interest. Our members and clients actively engaged in our Annual Conference, community events and the Annual General Meeting.

**White Space – Arts Exhibition Space** - a new initiative. OSCAR Sandwell has created WHITE SPACE, a new exhibition space at the centre, where local artists can showcase their work. The aim of the exhibit is to allow an outlet for reflection and discussion for the clients and general public who visit the centre. Using art as a new means of achieving our aims and realising our mission, we wish to use our building as a hub of cultural activity which will benefit health and well-being especially for people of the OSCAR community (Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia). We have had one exhibition this year.

**Student placements** - Places were allocated to 5 school/college work experience young people. We are happy that we have been able to contribute to the education and training of young people. We were able to offer placements to 2 University students from Birmingham City University.

**Partnership working** - Partnership continues within this financial year with a range of voluntary and statutory agencies/organisation. We continued to liaise and work in partnership which allowed organisations to support our events and activities, these were, De Montfort University, Sickle Cell Society, PSNG, ASYABI, UKTS, SCVO, ACCI Sandwell, the NHS, we engaged with our local MP Tom Watson, who pledged to support the organisation and central government in the form of the All Party Parliamentary Group (AAPG) for Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia headed by Diane Abbott MP.

A very good example of this was our **Conference** that focused on Children and Young People with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia- held at our centre and presentations given by many of our professional partners.

### **Volunteers**

Volunteers have contributed to the delivery of our services ranging from project work, administration, health promotion activities and social events. Last year a total of 15 volunteers helped to accumulate over 430+ volunteer hours. Volunteering continues to be a two-way process. Not only do volunteers contribute to the work of OSCAR Sandwell, but they get something in return. Volunteering at OSCAR offers an excellent opportunity for personal and professional development, skills sharing, developing new areas of

knowledge, building on your professional network and creating lasting personal relationships.

### **FUTURE PLANS 2012/2013**

- To bring together and inform all stakeholders.
- To carry out research into the education & training needs of our service users.
- To implement fundraising, campaign and marketing strategies for the sustainability of the organisations and various future projects and services.
- Continue to strengthen our governance.
- Collaboration and partnership working with peer organisations.
- Continue to offer core services to our membership and wider community.
- Continue to develop children and young people activities.
- Work towards the PQASSO.
- To strengthen our volunteer activities.
- Continue to develop our services across the Black Country and the surrounding area.

**Rachel McFee – Centre Manager/Secretary**

**CORE SERVICES**  
**REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**  
**2011-2012**

Our main focus continued to be developing our services for those affected by Sickle Cell or Thalassaemia Blood disorders in Sandwell and surrounding area of the Black Country West Midlands. We have worked in partnership and collaborated with many statutory and voluntary organisations to achieve the aims and objective of the organisation in service provision.

**Advice and Information** –The organisation continues to provide advice and information to members of the organisation, community groups and professionals. The majority of the requests made have been from local people and users of the service. This year **739** accessed the project for advice and information on Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.

Target 2011	Actual
120	183

**Support and advocacy** – OSCAR Sandwell continues to offer support and advocacy services to its client group. We support through hospital and home visits, tribunal representations, benefits applications, and another personalise support required.

A lot of time, work and one to one support has gone into supporting clients with issues such as benefits/financial funding, immigration, social services and housing issues, making the appropriate referrals where necessary.

With the shift in the economic we are seeing a number of clients requiring representation in appeals of all nature.

**One to ones** – one to one have been Critical this year we have a number of clients needing intense support, support in more than several different areas. Staffs have been fundamental at times exhaustive in finding ways to support those needs.

We have had a number of hospital visits this year with very severe crises. OSCAR has made every attempt to be there to help families with hospital and home visits. There has also been a need to advocate during hospital visits to ensure fairer treatment in hospital.

Target 2011	Actual
100	104

**Education and Training** – We have continued to offer education and training to voluntary, community and statutory organisations this year, the number of people receiving a service was **71** individuals. You may be aware that we are a few people short on the target. The reason for this is because we have decided to concentrate on professionals from outside companies and organisations that have no or very little knowledge of Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia. We believe

though we have done extremely well considering the people trained had not heard of either conditions before.

Target 2011	Actual
75	71

**Screening** – OSCAR Sandwell did not renew its service level agreement. Unfortunately we were unable to renew the service Level Agreement with Soho Health Centre. As many of you may be aware the PCT is changing to CCG’s and the changes have already begun. The services that we worked on to offer our client is now offered by Soho Health Centre at a very expensive rate. We are a charity organisation and cannot afford to pay such prices. We will not stop at that and are working with other organisations to start up the screening programme again.

Target 2011	Actual
35	0

### Engagement with Children and Young People

Children summer project – This year we worked alongside 4 other organisation Murray Hall Community Trust. This is a voluntary organisation and registered charity.

Indigo Sounds: A creative Community interest company which delivers experiences with music and art which aim to improve and change lives.

Artist Restart Traveling In Search Of Talent (Artist): to share our skills and abilities with others within the community.

(Ellis Consultant) Jacquie helped to engage the children in a little awareness of their culture.

The aim of the project was to allow the children to really come into contact with their condition, examine how they feel about it and how they connect to it as well as to know more clinically. We knew that it would be difficult for the children to do this, so we looked at ways in which we could get them to speak about it and come up with the topic creative therapy.

The Summer Workshop was a huge success with 22 children participating in the project. The project has successfully provided a learning experience the children will be able to transfer into other settings. The children were also able to perform their works of art; a play and three songs written and performed by them at the drum in Birmingham. We have worked this year with the younger clients in 5 different settings.

This year we have worked really hard on providing activities to reach out to the community and also to reach and reconnect with our client groups.

We re-started the youth group now called Youths United. They also began to do social activities; we have had three meetings which 10 + children have attended and feedback that they enjoyed.

Targets	Actual
1	5

### Health promotion activities

We have endeavoured to have as much health awareness as possible to help raise the profile of both the condition and the organisation and what it does to support service users.

Target 2011	Actual
10	66

**Counselling** – our Counsellor Jennifer (placement from Halesowen College) has been with us now over a year, she continues to work with our clients providing a safe place for them to talk and off load at times. Jennifer has worked with 4 of our clients with varying issues and varying time frames. This has been great help to us. OSCAR Sandwell has also welcomed clients from the community who have also utilised the service.

### Support Group Meetings-

The group is moving on to independence and self-governing. The group have appointed Chair person, Vice Chair and a Treasurer. They have also set up their own bank account and with support from Carol of SCVO to put together their own constitution. The coming year holds a lot of challenges for the group as they will be going out into the community to educate and empower other Sickle Cell carers and sufferers. However they will also get a chance to network and enjoy themselves. Events have been planned and the group will be going out in the community to find out what is on offer in the community for free.

Target 2011	Actual
12	11

**Home and Hospital Visits-** OSCAR Sandwell continues to support clients at home and in hospital. Although we do not get extra support or funding towards this service we understand the importance of it. We are aware clients are often too ill or unwell to come into the centre so we offer to meet them at home to assess their needs.

Target 2011	Actual
20	72

Being in hospital can be a difficult time and often clients find it hard to communicate with health care professionals. By providing this service we are then able to help bridge that gap and support clients with their need and help them express their feelings and in a way that solves the problem and relieves the tension.

We continue to strive to raise our profiles in the hospitals, workplaces, school etc. We look forward to the coming year with anticipation and renewed commitment for greater things to be done.

**Support and Development Worker –Lotaya Malcolm**  
**Support and Development Worker – Khudeja Khanom**

## THALLASAEMIA WORK

### THALASSAEMIA WORK (2011 – 2012)

#### Work Undertaken By Community Champion

In April 2011 in my role as Community Champion, I continued the work on Thalassaemia. This included visiting Thalassaemia clients at home, hospital and treatment centres. We were able to support clients in various ways such as completing grants forms, benefit forms, speaking to schools on their behalf and also carried out awareness sessions at local voluntary organisations, schools and day care centres.

#### **Meeting with Professors at De Montfort University**

Abdul attended a meeting with Professor Simon Dyson two of his colleagues at De Montfort University. The meeting was to discuss ways to look at how the university could work with TASG and OSCAR Sandwell to carry out a research to look into transitional and the issues that come from the process where a Thalassaemia patient is being transferred from the children's department into the adults unit. OSCAR Sandwell and De Montfort University have worked together in the past and have a good working relation together. We discussed ways of collecting information about transition, from patients that are going to be in the transitional process and those have gone through it in the past 5 years. We also looked at ways how we could apply for research funding as it's going to be setup as a pilot scheme first.

#### **Fun Day Out at the ThinkTank, Birmingham**

This event targeted parents and young clients. Separated into groups of two, younger children and teenagers, each had different activities to cater for both groups. The younger children's group was called Lil Champs and the teenagers were Teen Champs. Sandie Granville from Birmingham helped to facilitate the workshops and a variety of activities took place.

Key discussion took place and the children came up with some excellent decisions on what is needed to keep well and active. Some responses were eating well, exercising, taking medications on time and sleeping enough. We were able to see that these children are becoming more knowledgeable and soon will be able to take care of themselves generally and in relation with their condition.

#### **Community Health Day – Celebrating World Thalassaemia Day at West Bromwich Town Hall**

TASG and OSCAR Sandwell organised a health event to celebrate World Thalassaemia Day with Thalassaemia patients and the community which was very well attended. The day was fully packed with a diverse range of activities for adults and children to enjoy together. We had a Face Painter, Mendhi Artist, Arts & Crafts Group, Magician, Masseur, Flower making workshop and more. The event was opened by Hara Lioliou (TASG Sessional Worker) and Abdul Alim (Community Champion). Both Hara and Abdul did presentations about what Thalassaemia is and about TASG's background, aims and

objectives. We also spoke about Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity and thanked them for funding TASG to carry out activities in order to work closely with young Thalassaemia patients.

## **OUTCOMES SO FAR**

OSCAR Sandwell and TASG have been visiting young Thalassaemia patients at home and hospital making regular weekly visits. Some visits have been general and others have been in terms of supporting them with different problems. The parents have said that without TASG and OSCAR Sandwell they would not have known any other places to get help from. Our clients value our service and we value and give them priority.

This project has been able to achieve some of its aims as to reduce social isolation. A lot of the young Thalassaemia patients do not get out of the house often as they feel that people would not want to play and talk to them due to their condition.

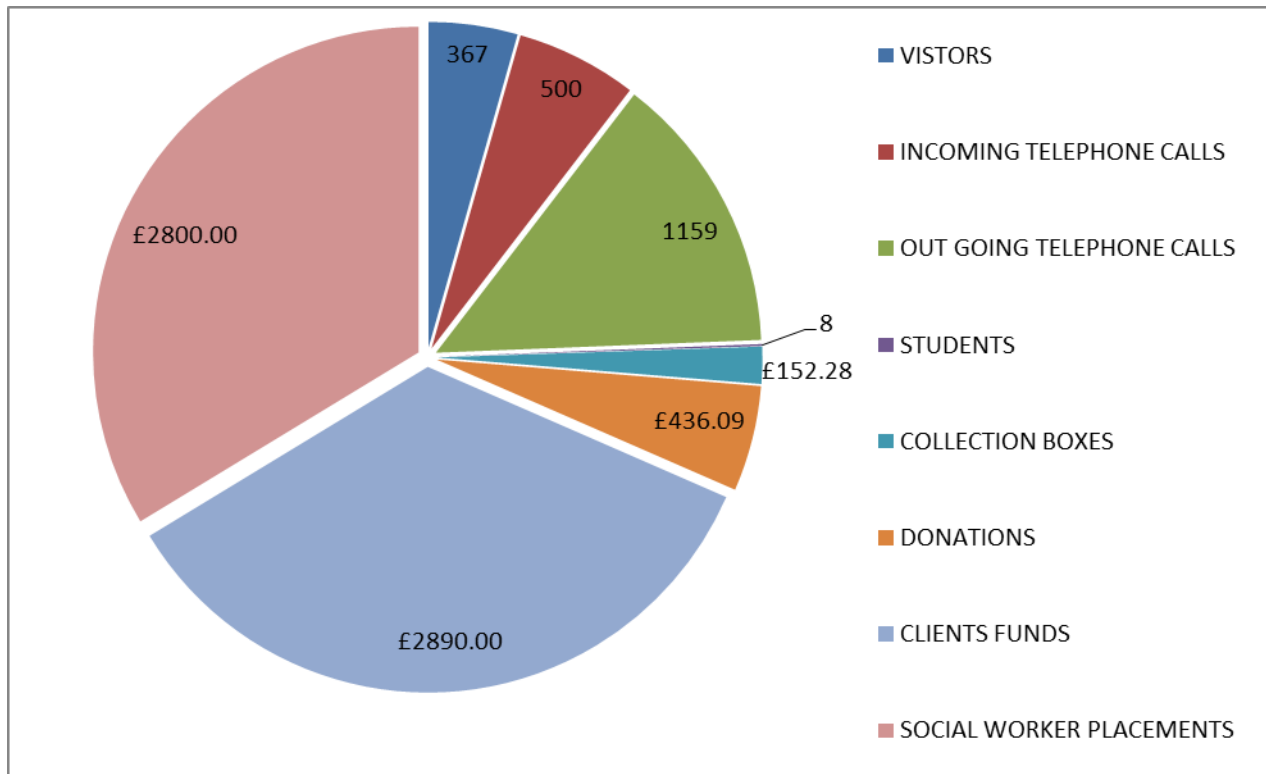
Young Thalassaemics isolation is compounded by their condition and their inability to talk about how they feel. Their capacity for achieving is now less than their peer group. They just need the motivation and enthusiasm, practical support with their medication.

We continue to encourage patients to attain their aspirations and in order to do that they have to be well and to be well they have to take their medications regularly.

Our regular one to one visits within patients' homes have allowed us to build up a strong relationship which will help us to continue to engage with them throughout the course of the project.

**Report written by: Abdul Alim, Community Champion**

## Administration Report for April 2011 to March 2012



### We have received donations from:

**City Road Baptist Church** - £350.00  
**UK Forum Haemoglobinaphy** - £86.09

We had 2 Social Worker Student on placement this year from Birmingham City University, year 1 student £980.00 and year 2 £1820.00.

### Clients Funds:

<b>Roald Dahl Marvellous Charities</b>	- T Brown -	£500.00
“ “ “	- I Solomon -	£350.00
“ “ “	- K Choudary -	£490.00
<b>Buttle (UK)</b>	- P Brocklesby-	£200.00
“ “	- F Amusa -	£250.00
“ “	- S Smith -	£300.00
“ “	- ABrown -	£300.00
<b>Sickle Cell Society</b>	- I Santos -	£500.00

We reported on funds raised for our clients at the AGM last year, sorry this was an error on our part, because the funds came in 2011, which is this financial year.

**ORGANISATION FOR SICKLE CELL ANAEMIA  
RESEARCH (OSCAR) SANDWELL COMPANY LTD**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the year ended 31 March 2012**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2012 Total funds £	2011 Total funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>					
Voluntary income	2	1,546	-	1,546	30,416
Activities for generating funds	3	500	-	500	24
Investment income	4	5	55	60	50
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>					
Charitable		<u>3,358</u>	<u>125,731</u>	<u>129,089</u>	<u>125,587</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		5,409	125,786	131,195	156,077
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable	5	13,814	112,225	126,039	117,172
<b>Governance costs</b>	6	<u>2,568</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,568</u>	<u>1,200</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>		16,382	112,225	128,607	118,372
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>					
		(10,973)	13,561	2,588	37,705
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		30,234	232,439	262,673	224,968
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>19,261</u>	<u>246,000</u>	<u>265,261</u>	<u>262,673</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**ORGANISATION FOR SICKLE CELL ANAEMIA  
RESEARCH (OSCAR) SANDWELL COMPANY LTD**

**Balance Sheet  
At 31 March 2012**

	Notes	2012 Total funds £	2011 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	10	222,833	219,626
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	11	4,858	4,476
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>40,645</u>	<u>42,759</u>
		45,503	47,235
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(3,075)	(4,188)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>42,428</u>	<u>43,047</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		265,261	262,673
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>265,261</u>	<u>262,673</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	13	19,261	30,234
Restricted funds		<u>246,000</u>	<u>232,439</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>265,261</u>	<u>262,673</u>

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**ORGANISATION FOR SICKLE CELL ANAEMIA  
RESEARCH (OSCAR) SANDWELL COMPANY LTD**

**Balance Sheet - continued  
At 31 March 2012**

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The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2012.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2012 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on .....  
and were signed on its behalf by:

.....  
C L E McIntosh -Trustee

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### Appendix 3

