



# Valerie Taylor Trust

Supporting the work of Valerie Taylor in Bangladesh

## Charity Details

### Charity Name

Valerie Taylor Trust

### Charity Number

1122245

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It is very encouraging that the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed is able to get an increasing share of its income from within Bangladesh: from its own sources, from corporate donors, and from the Government of Bangladesh. While grants from VTT are still important particularly to enable the treatment of those who cannot pay, the reduction in dependence on overseas funding helps to ensure CRP's long-term financial sustainability.

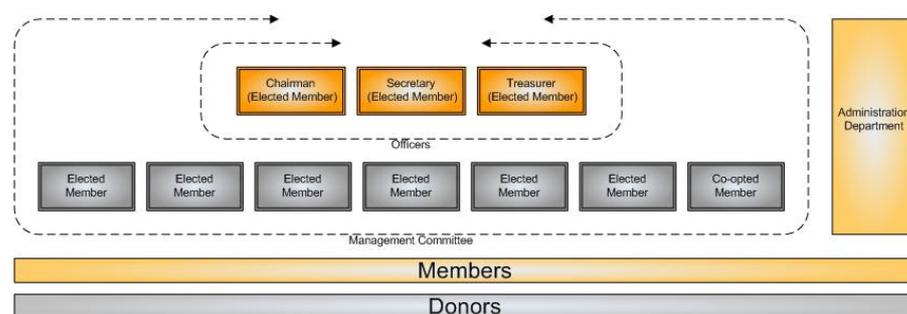
## Annual Report 2011 – 2012

### Structure, Governance and Management

The Valerie Taylor Trust is governed by a constitution adopted on 5 September 2007 as amended on 16 December 2007.

The charity is managed and administered by a Management Committee. The Management Committee for the year 2011-2012 comprised of elected and co-opted members who are also the trustees of the charity.

The chart below indicates the organisational structure of the Valerie Taylor Trust for the year 2011 - 2012:



### Recruitment of the Management Committee

At the 2010-2011 annual general meeting, one third of the members of the Management Committee stood down but were re-elected. At the Management Committee meeting held after the annual general meeting, a further member was co-opted.

At the 2011-2012 annual general meeting one third of the members of the Management Committee will again stand down but will be eligible for re-election. The Management Committee may also appoint up to three co-opted members.

All members of the Valerie Taylor Trust are eligible to become members of the Management Committee. To become a member of the Management Committee, a member of the Valerie Taylor Trust needs to be nominated by another member of the Valerie Taylor Trust and stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting.

## Our Objects

The objects of the Valerie Taylor Trust are to contribute financially to the treatment, rehabilitation and reintegration into the community of disabled people in Bangladesh, particularly those in financial need.

We also aim to assist with education of the public and relevant health care workers about the problems faced by disabled people and ways in which these difficulties can be overcome.

The Trustees have decided that at the moment the best way of fulfilling these aims is by making grants to the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP).

**Total amount raised = £106,295**

## Financial Review

Funds are raised by donations, resulting from membership support, fundraising events and Trusts. Expenditure is aimed to promote all these forms of giving, such as providing access on the Just Giving website, Gift Aid envelopes, leaflets and mailing campaigns.

During the period of this report, the total income of the trust was £106,295.

This consisted of donations and subscriptions totalling £76,679, £20,983 from other charitable activities, and reclaimed tax as Gift Aid of £8,633.

The charity made grants worth £94,000 to the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed in Bangladesh during 2011-2012.

Expenses related to supporting this giving were a total of £2,595. The balance of cash funds remaining was £27,527.

The Trust does not hold any reserve funds and there were no deficits during the period of the report. The trust does not currently have an investment policy.

## Public Benefit

The Charity Commission's requirement that we should demonstrate in our Report that our activities give rise to "Public Benefit" gives us a welcome opportunity to reflect on what we do with our income and how we can be confident that it leads to Public Benefit.

Since our income (after expenses) goes to support CRP in Bangladesh, the real question is what Public Benefit arises from CRP's activities. The Charities Act's list of charitable purposes (purposes which can be used in support of claims of Public Benefit) includes:

The advancement of health .. and the relief of those in need, by reason of .. ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

CRP's Vision statement in their Annual Report is "To ensure the inclusion of disabled people into mainstream society" and its Mission is "To promote an environment where all disabled people can have equal access to health, rehabilitation, education, employment, the physical environment and information", so on paper its purposes seem charitable, but Bangladesh is a long way away. How can VTT be confident that CRP uses its funds efficiently in pursuit of its stated objectives?

The fact that its accounts have been audited by Chartered Accountants gives us some reassurance. Also encouraging is a study carried out by CRP's Research and Evaluation Unit funded by Manusher Jonno Foundation, a well-respected NGO, evaluating the effectiveness of the vocational training program for 261 persons with disabilities. 60% of those trained secured employment, and of these 74% classified themselves as fully self-dependent.

But perhaps the most compelling evidence is more personal: that the three Trustees who visited this year returned with renewed enthusiasm; that a team from Leeds Teaching Hospital gave up a week's annual leave to go and do surgical operations in Bangladesh, some of them in CRP's own operating theatre; and that a poor man, whose son was paralysed, had no means to pay for his treatment but brought two saplings from his village to plant at CRP as a token of his appreciation of all that CRP had done.

## Achievements

- Membership of the Valerie Taylor Trust currently stands at 201, an increase of 28 members on the previous year.
- The Administrator has been able to set up a network of Regional Co-ordinators in most areas of the UK to help with the distribution of newsletters and the organisation of fund-raising events.
- Four undergraduates from Oxford University volunteered at CRP during their summer vacations. Two helped with the school children and the two medical students shadowed the doctors. Between them they also contributed £1400 to VTT.
- The link with CRP continues to provide 12-week placements for Physiotherapy and OT Students from York St John University at CRP.

## Fundraising Activities

- The United Reformed Church at Daventry raised a further £4000 through from their Tuesday morning sales.
- Peter Donnelly raised a further £1409 (in addition to what he had raised last year) by the end of his epic "Rolling Home" homeward journey from CRP.
- St Michael and all Angels Church, Marden raised £895 from various events through the year.
- Helen Mortimer and Helen Clarke organized a "Monopoly Run" in June 2011 and raised £1600.
- A generous supporter raised over £3000 through donations for VTT instead of gifts for his birthday.
- 2 newsletters helped us to keep our members and supporters in touch.

## Trustee Activities

- Our website was redesigned at very modest cost by a supporter to make it more flexible and attractive and easier to keep up-to-date.
- Three Trustees, all Bengali speakers, visited CRP, meeting Valerie and the new Executive Director.

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**Valerie Taylor Trust** is a charity registered in England and Wales (number 1122245)

## Valerie Taylor Trust

### Statement of Financial Activities: 6 April 2011 – 5 April 2012 with previous years.

	2011-12 £	2010-11 £	2009-2010 £	2008-2009 £
<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>				
<b>Donations and Subscriptions</b>				
Restricted Funds <sup>5</sup>	40,745	25,222	21,539	25,079
Unrestricted Funds	35,934	28,237	39,938	35,848
Tax refund – Gift Aid <sup>1</sup>	8,633	17,067	7,740	8,431
<b>Other Charitable Activity</b>				
Sales of donated items <sup>2</sup>	336	1,224	803	271
Other Fundraising Events <sup>3</sup>	20,647	45,431	45,114	28,483
<b>Bank Interest</b>	0	0	0	96
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b><u>106,295</u></b>	<b><u>117,181</u></b>	<b><u>115,094</u></b>	<b><u>98,208</u></b>
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>				
Printing & stationery	957	817	344	1,444
Postage	352	477	359	470
Meetings	342	294	541	181
Bank	116	104	100	69
VTT Web site	210	30	147	-
Fundraising	368	1,520	969	1,047
Independent examiner	250	250	250	
Software				118
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b><u>2,595</u></b>	<b><u>3,493</u></b>	<b><u>2,710</u></b>	<b><u>3,329</u></b>
<b>Net Incoming Resources</b>	<b>103,700</b>	<b>113,688</b>	<b>112,382</b>	<b>94,879</b>
<b>Indirect support to CRP</b>				
CRP website	90	305	312	260
Other <sup>4</sup>	198	64	4,542	314
<b>Transfer of funds to CRP</b>	<b>94,000</b>	<b>98,000</b>	<b>123,500</b>	<b>74,000</b>

#### Notes:

1. Tax rebates for 11/12 are £7,555 from VTT and £1,078 via Just Giving.
2. Includes cards, calendars, second hand books, CDs, DVDs.
3. 36 % of events are via the website of 'www.justgiving.com'.
4. Indirect support included CRP website and purchase of specialised equipment.
5. Restricted Funds represent funds which may only be expended on the specific objective for which they were given.
6. £114 of funds came from personal collection boxes.

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27<sup>th</sup> August 2012

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE  
VALERIE TAYLOR TRUST. REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1122245.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30th April 2012, which are attached.

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner.**

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts (under Section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charities Commission (under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report.**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in these accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and subsequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's Statement.**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

Signed

  
Rupert Maurice Town-Jones  
27<sup>th</sup> August 2012