

### **Financial Performance**

A review of the 2020-21 Audited Accounts

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### **Financial Performance**



- An extraordinary year COVID.
- Successfully navigated our way through it and remain in a strong position.
- However, significant new challenges ahead.
- Requires action and difficult decisions now.

# **Key Financial Questions**

Are the accounts accurate?

What was our income and what was our expenditure?

Do we have Enough Cash & Reserves?

Are we solvent?

What does the future look like?











# How the National Autistic Society is structured



- National Autistic Society National Programmes.
- Adult Services
- Education Services
  - NAS Independent Schools
  - NAS Academies Trust

# Financial Highlights



£m	<u>20/21</u>	<u>19/20</u>
Income	95.5	104
Expenditure	<u>93.5</u>	<u>103</u>
NAS Group Surplus	<u>1.9</u>	1
Surplus/Deficit excl. NASAT	<u>1.9</u>	<u>-4.7</u>
Deficit excl. NASAT & Property disposal	<u>-0.7</u>	<u>-5.2</u>

### Cash and Reserves



£m	20/21	19/20
Cash Position*	12.6	9.4
Free Reserves*	8.9	6.0
Total Assets	36.1	39.2

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes NAS Academy Trust

# **Looking forward**



#### Income constraints:

- Fundraising continue to compete with high profile charities... and COVID!
- Local Authorities cash strapped and cannot always cover the true cost of our services or inflation.

#### Our costs are rising:

- Expansion of our services to meet increasing demand.
- Industry-wide staff shortage and increasing wages
- National Insurance increase of 2.5%
- Inflation
- Capital investment in our facilities

#### Actions we are taking:

- Optimise fundraising, legacy and grants.
- Review our operating model for Education and Adult Services adapt.
- Continuous efficiency and cost reduction programmes.
- Central costs reduction leadership team, shared service centre.
- 'Sweat the assets': dispose of surplus assets, review all property assets.
- Invest in technology.

### Summary



- Good performance in an extraordinary year.
- Strong financial position today.
- Need to adapt our operating model to meet the challenges.
- Next couple of years will be tough.