

Highlights from our annual report 2019/20

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Chair, Board of Trustees

Our annual report



Introduction

Welcome to our first online AGM

Here are some key highlights from our annual report, demonstrating how UK-wide the National Autistic Society has:

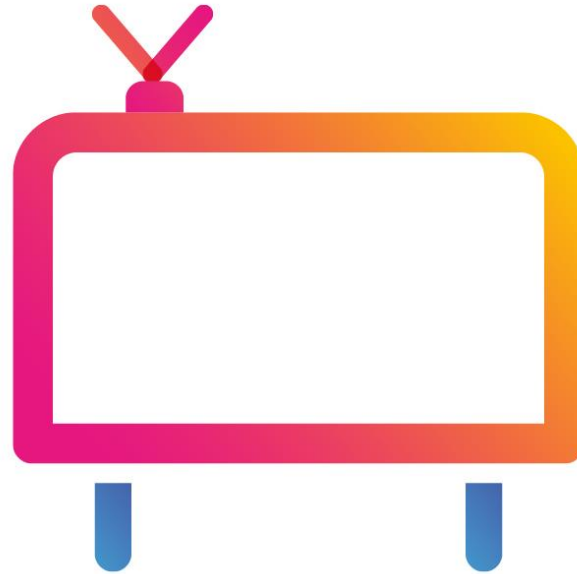
- **Transformed lives through direct services and branches**
- **Changed attitudes through campaigns and information**

Transforming lives



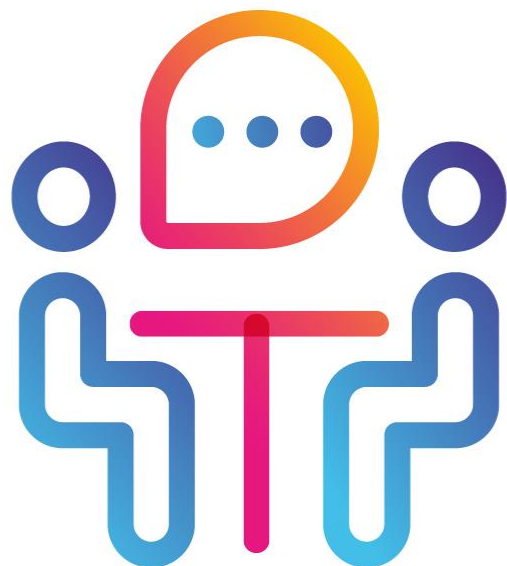
growing our local branch network to
117 branches, the highest number ever

Transforming lives



reaching **52,000** people with our
Spectrum Live broadcast on autism
in women and girls

Transforming lives in Scotland



celebrating **20 years** of our
Moving Forward service in Scotland that
helps autistic young people find work

Transforming lives in Northern Ireland



opening our new autism centre in **Belfast**

Transforming lives in England



welcoming the first students to the new
Vanguard School in London.

Transforming lives in Wales



Sustaining **adult residential, supported living and day services** in Wales and across the UK

Changing attitudes



pushing NHS England to publish
autism diagnosis waiting times
for the first time

Changing attitudes



mobilising **217,828** people behind our
campaign to end the scandal of autistic
people being inappropriately detained
in mental health hospitals

Changing attitudes



partnering with **Scouts** and ***EastEnders***
to help people learn more
about autism

Changing attitudes



supporting **14,500 businesses** to host
37,000 Autism Hours

Changing attitudes



joining with a network of employers
to advertise **job opportunities**
to autistic people.

10 year view



10 years since the Autism Act

First autism specific Free schools

Too Much Information Campaign

Every day support for every day life

And now a new chapter as we approach our 60th birthday

Time to hand on to a new Chair, and to hand over to our CEO

Thank you!



Thank you for your support!