

# CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1006359

## Details

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Other names	ALSO USE JUST CHANCE, CHANCE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE, Chance Arts
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1991-11-27
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1. TO PROMOTE SUCH CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE AND IN PARTICULAR TO PROMOTE AND ADVANCE THE EDUCATION TRAINING AND GENERAL CARE OF CHILDREN AND IN PARTICULAR BUT WITHOUT LIMITATION THOSE CHILDREN WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN PHYSICALLY SEXUALLY OR EMOTIONALLY DAMAGED OR THOSE WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN MENTALLY OR EDUCATIONALLY HANDICAPPED AND TO UNDERTAKE SUCH WORK AS MAY BE CHARITABLE FOR THE WELFARE OF SUCH CHILDREN WHO MAY OTHERWISE BE IN NEED OF SUCH WELFARE AND TO UNDERTAKE SUPPORT AND PROMOTE RESEARCH INTO THE CAUSES EFFECTS AND METHODS OF PREVENTING OR REDUCING THE MISTREATMENT OF CHILDREN. 2. TO PROMOTE AND ADVANCE THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THOSE INVOLVED IN THE CARE AND WELFARE OF SUCH CHILDREN INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) RELATIVES FOSTER PARENTS CHILDMINDERS FIELD AND RESIDENTIAL SOCIAL WORKERS AND MANAGERS OF SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTS. 3. TO MAKE DONATIONS AND PAYMENTS TO OTHER CHARITIES

**Activities:** Advice by telephone and/or visit, individual creative arts sessions, group creative arts workshops for: children/young people and families who have suffered emotional stress; and training for organisations involved with them.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£59,582	£62,763	-	-
2024-03-31	£71,045	£65,732	-	-
2023-03-31	£63,972	£58,521	-	-
2022-03-31	£40,920	£39,639	-	-
2021-03-31	£30,400	£31,600	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Elizabeth Anne Hamerton</b>	Chair	
Gillian Mary Hill		2018-02-28
Justyn Waterman		2014-03-19

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

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# Accounts

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**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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<b>Chairman of the Trust</b>	Mrs E Hamerton
<b>Trustees</b>	Mr J Waterman Mrs G Hill
<b>Secretary</b>	Ms D Griffiths
<b>Charity number</b>	1006359
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Light Work Accounting Ltd Office B Chesil House Arrow Close, Boyatt Wood Eastleigh Hampshire SO50 4SY

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## **TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

### **Description of the Charity**

The charity was founded in 1991 and is based in West London. Our main objective is to permit children and young people who have been traumatised, to express their feelings in a safe way. We use an integrated approach to arts psychotherapies of drama, art and music as a way of enabling children who are not ready to talk, to go through a non-verbal process. Where appropriate, we include support for significant adults in their lives. We continue to work in partnership with schools and voluntary organisations in caring for the children referred to us.

We recognise the valuable contribution made by our team members to this work. They are all trained to post graduate level and have considerable experience. We are grateful to them for their enthusiasm and commitment.

### **Reserves and Finance Policy**

This year saw a continued increase in our work (see 'Achievements' below). We increased our fees for new referrals for our individual programmes. This has helped us to cover our variable costs, instead of relying on donations to provide a more sustainable funding stream in order to reach our target of three months' running costs to cover administration and project management.

The Charity does not engage professional fund raisers. Our funds come from three sources:

- ▶ Income generated from charging for our services
- ▶ Through applications to trusts and foundations for specific programmes
- ▶ And from private donors

It has always been our policy to expend the majority of our funds directly on the welfare of the children and materials for their use. We have been assisted with this endeavour by continuing to receive the benefit of the use of an office, with IT equipment and servicing.

The settings where we work, including schools and community organisations, continue to provide us with appropriate rooms and storage space. This reduces the need to hire accommodation separately from the office and to have permanent transport available for moving materials. This also means that we do not have any capital outlay for premises.

**Achievements during the Year**

We continue to work mainly in West London, although this year we have followed children placed in other Boroughs but receiving their schooling locally and recently we started working in Surrey, exceptionally as the children are now placed for adoption. We are building long-term relationships with the school staff, especially the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and frequently includes the Special Needs teacher (SENCO) and Pastoral staff.

In one of the schools, we are discussing their need for a drop-in service for the pupils’ parents and whether we could provide this. In another school where we previously completed a music programme, they were so impressed that they have returned asking for individual help for another child. The feed-back from staff of several schools and social workers from local boroughs continues to be positive for the children as it enables long term work with continuity and consistency.

These contacts have enabled us to put in some group programmes for children who would not otherwise have had more intense support. Some of the children were mute in class, even though they might have been talking to peers in the playground. Where children have had another language spoken at home, they have needed extra help with English, and some children have needed to be referred to other health professions for hearing and speech and language. The group process enabled the children to transfer their learning to the classroom, to demonstrate increased confidence and to show greater resilience. It is to be hoped this early intervention will considerably enhance the children’s educational outcomes. Our Action Research Evaluation (Beddall-Smith & Keeling) is evidence of this. We are considering researching a new paper on the effects of the lockdowns during the Covid pandemic, particularly on early years’ children born in the lockdown.

- See Charts 1 & 2 below

**Psychotherapy team Social Work Student Placements**

During the year, with great regret, we had to say goodbye to our music psychotherapist. She had to move elsewhere in the country to support a seriously ill relative. She has remained in touch, sharing ideas and practice experiences. Eventually we will explore the possibility of recruiting another music psychotherapist.

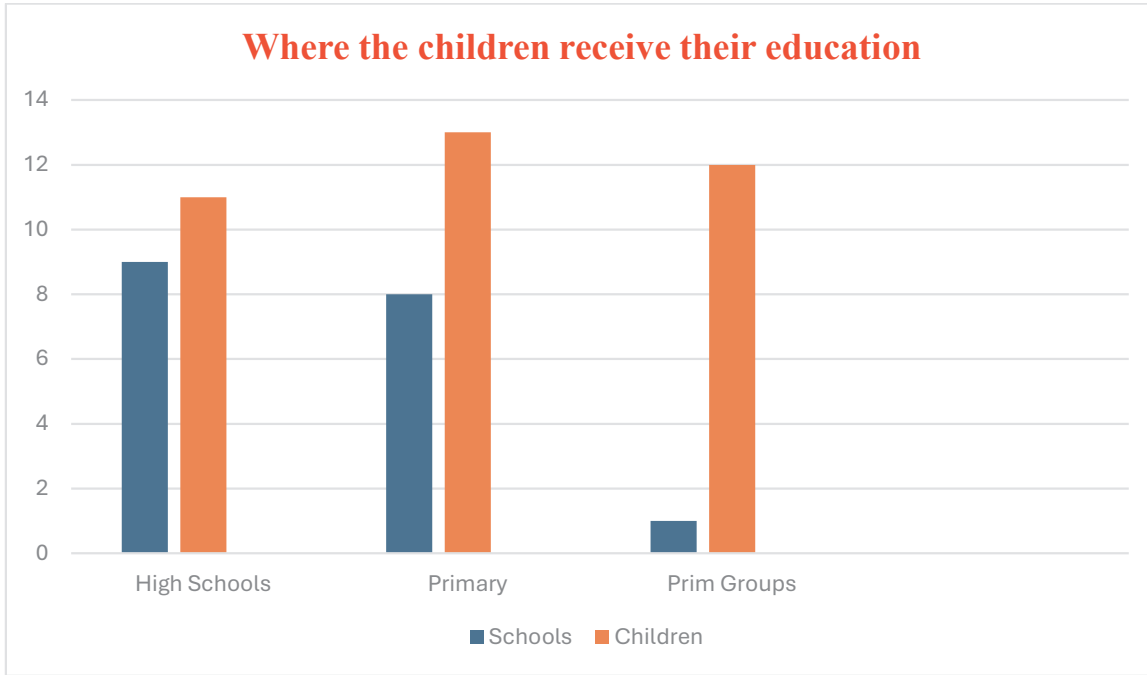
We also had two students on placement from the University of East London: one BA from October 2024 to March 2025; and one MA from January 2025 to May 2025.

Signature: .....

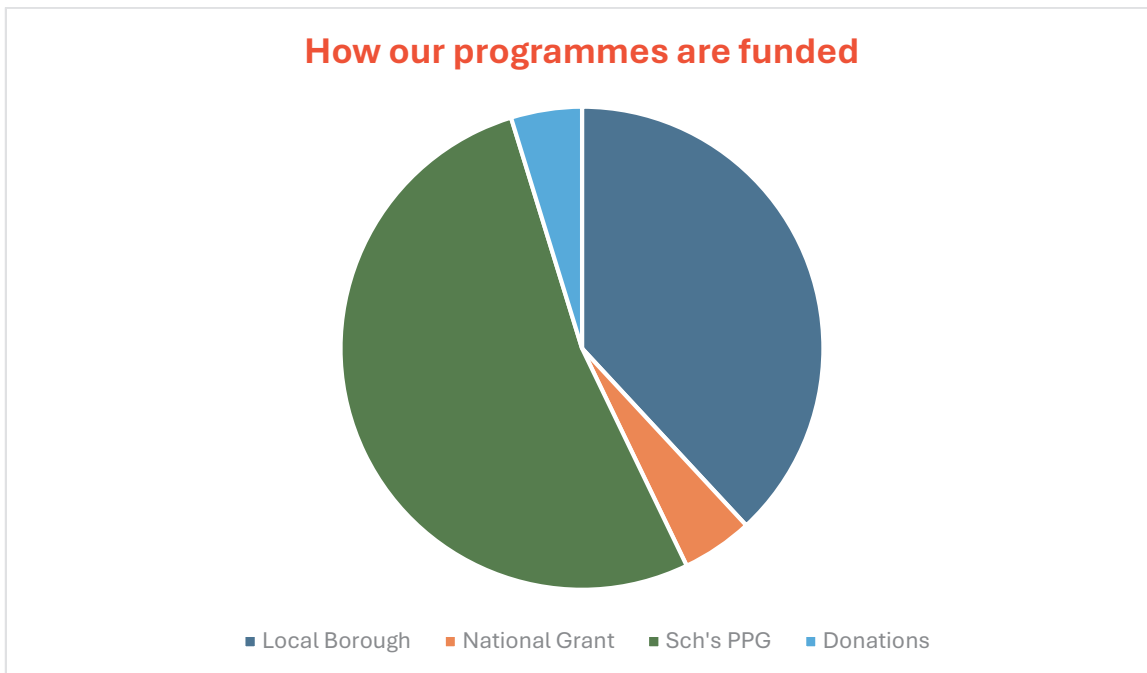
E A Hamerton Chairman (on behalf of the Trustees)

Date: .....

**Chart 1**



**Chart 2**



## CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

#### TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 5.

#### **Responsibilities and Basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirement of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Light Work Accounting Ltd

Stephen Light MAAT  
Office B Chesil House  
Arrow Close, Boyatt Wood  
Eastleigh  
Hampshire  
SO50 4SY

Dated: 22 January 2026

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CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b><u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	250	-	250	220
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	-	-	-
Other incoming resources	2	-	59,332	59,332	64,420
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>250</b>	<b>59,332</b>	<b>59,582</b>	<b>64,640</b>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Therapists	5	-	61,022	61,022	63,356
Support costs	6	1,741	-	1,741	2,376
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>1,741</b>	<b>61,022</b>	<b>62,763</b>	<b>65,732</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>(1,491)</b>	<b>(1,690)</b>	<b>(3,181)</b>	<b>(1,092)</b>
Gross transfers between funds		1,491	(1,491)	-	-
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>(3,181)</b>	<b>(3,181)</b>	<b>(1,092)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2024 As originally reported		-	5,313	5,313	6,405
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2025</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>2,132</b>	<b>2,132</b>	<b>5,313</b>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**



	Notes	31 March 2025		31 March 2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	7		16		22
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>2,616</u>		<u>6,291</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>2,632</u>		<u>6,313</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	8		<u>(500)</u>		<u>(1,000)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><u>2,132</u></u>		<u><u>5,313</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			2,132		5,313
Unrestricted funds			<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
			<u><u>2,132</u></u>		<u><u>5,313</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 22 January 2026

Mrs E Hamerton  
**Chairman**



CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST  
 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



<b>5 Total resources expended</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
<u>Therapists</u>		
Activities undertaken directly	<b>61,022</b>	63,356
<b>Governance costs</b>	<u><b>1,741</b></u>	<u>2,376</u>
	<u><b>62,763</b></u>	<u>65,732</u>

Governance costs includes payments to auditors of £500 (2023: £500) for audit fees.

<b>6 Support costs</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Independent examination	<b>500</b>	500
Depreciation	<b>6</b>	8
Materials and insurance	<b>398</b>	619
Travel/Parking	<b>-</b>	133
Stationery	<b>211</b>	70
Internet	<u><b>626</b></u>	<u>1,046</u>
	<u><b>1,741</b></u>	<u>2,376</u>

<b>7 Tangible fixed assets</b>	<b>Fixtures, fittings &amp; equipment</b>
	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 April 2023 and at 31 March 2024	<u><b>500</b></u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 April 2024	<b>478</b>
Depreciation	<u><b>6</b></u>
<b>At March 2025</b>	<u><b>484</b></u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 March 2025	<u><u><b>16</b></u></u>
At 31 March 2024	<u><u><b>22</b></u></u>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**



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**8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors	-	500
Accruals	500	500
	<u>500</u>	<u>1,000</u>

**9 Employees**

There were no employees during the year.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

**10 Trustees**

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, or reimbursed expenses.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1006359

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# Accounts

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**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST MARCH 2024

### **Description of the Charity**

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We also recognise the valuable contribution made by our team members to this work. All trained to post graduate level and we are grateful to them for their enthusiasm and commitment. This continued to be particularly helpful as staff and pupils all experienced periods of sickness during the year.

### **Reserves and Finance Policy**

This year saw a continued increase in our work. We also started to ask new referrers for a small financial increase for our individual programmes. This has helped us to cover our variable costs, instead of relying on donations. This, it is hoped will increase our reserves in order to reach our target of three months' running costs to cover administration and project management.

The Charity does not engage professional fund raisers. Our funds come from three sources:

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It has always been our policy to expend the majority of our funds directly on the welfare of the children and materials for their use. We have been assisted with this endeavour by continuing to receive the benefit of the use of an office, with IT equipment and servicing by L F.

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### **Achievements during the Year**

We continue to work mainly in Ealing, Greenford and Southall, although this year we have followed children placed in other Boroughs, including Hammersmith & Fulham, Hounslow and Buckinghamshire, and recently we started working in Surrey. We are building long-term relationships with the school staff, especially the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) but frequently includes the Special Needs teacher (SENCO) or a high-level teaching assistant/mentor (HLTA). The feed-back from staff is positive as it enables continuity for them as well as for the children.

These contacts have enabled us to put in some group programmes for children who would not otherwise have had more intense support. Some of the children were mute in class, even though they might have been talking to peers in the playground. Where children have had another language spoken at home, they have needed extra help to come to terms with English, and some children have needed to be referred to other health professions for hearing and other problems. The group process enabled the children to transfer their learning to the classroom, to demonstrate increased confidence and to show greater resilience. It is to be hoped this early intervention will considerably enhance the children's educational outcomes. Our Action Research Evaluation (Beddall-Smith & Keeling 2019) is evidence of this.



**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR (continued)  
TO 31ST MARCH 2024**

**Social Work Student Placements**

Our two MA students from the University of East London successfully completed their placements. Both reported that the experience of supporting groups as well as the individual Direct Work programmes, had helped them considerably. One of the students also had an experience of an open-ended group community programme for mothers and children under five in Southall said she found it daunting at first, and went on to gain a high degree of transferrable learning which will later enhance her social work practice.

Because we had three students during the year, two of whom were on the MA course, we made the decision to have only BA students from October 2023. This works well within the academic year and gives a better flow to the programme we can offer.

Signature:

..... Date: .....

E A Hamerton Chairman  
(on behalf of the Trustees)

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Dated: 18 November 2024

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CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024



		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes				
<b><u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	220	-	220	240
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	-	-	650
Other incoming resources	2	-	64,420	64,420	63,082
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>220</b>	<b>64,420</b>	<b>64,640</b>	<b>63,972</b>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Therapists	5	-	63,356	63,356	55,415
Support costs	6	2,376	-	2,376	3,106
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>2,376</b>	<b>63,356</b>	<b>65,732</b>	<b>58,521</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>(2,156)</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>(1,092)</b>	<b>5,451</b>
Gross transfers between funds		2,156	(2,156)	-	-
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>(1,092)</b>	<b>(1,092)</b>	<b>5,451</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2023 As originally reported		-	6,405	6,405	954
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2024</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>5,313</b>	<b>5,313</b>	<b>6,405</b>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**



		31 March 2024		31 March 2023	
		£	£	£	£
	Notes				
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	7		22		30
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>6,291</u>		<u>6,375</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>6,313</u>		<u>6,405</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	8		<u>(1,000)</u>		<u>(500)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><u>5,313</u></u>		<u><u>5,905</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			5,313		6,405
Unrestricted funds			<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
			<u><u>5,313</u></u>		<u><u>6,405</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 18 November 2024

Mrs E Hamerton  
**Chairman**



**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**



<b>5 Total resources expended</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
<u>Therapists</u>		
Activities undertaken directly	63,356	55,415
<b>Governance costs</b>	<u>2,376</u>	<u>3,106</u>
	<u><u>65,732</u></u>	<u><u>58,521</u></u>

Governance costs includes payments to auditors of £500 (2023: £500) for audit fees.

<b>6 Support costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Independent examination	500	500
Depreciation	8	10
Materials and insurance	619	1,132
Travel/Parking	133	260
Stationery	70	420
Internet	<u>1,046</u>	<u>784</u>
	<u><u>2,376</u></u>	<u><u>3,106</u></u>

<b>7 Tangible fixed assets</b>	<b>Fixtures, fittings &amp; equipment</b>
	£
<b>Cost</b>	
<b>At 1 April 2023 and at 31 March 2024</b>	<u>500</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 April 2023	470
Depreciation	<u>8</u>
<b>At March 2024</b>	<u>478</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
<b>At 31 March 2024</b>	<u><u>22</u></u>
At 31 March 2023	<u><u>30</u></u>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**



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**8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Creditors	500	-
Accruals	500	500
	<u><b>1,000</b></u>	<u><b>500</b></u>

**9 Employees**

There were no employees during the year.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

**10 Trustees**

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, or reimbursed expenses.

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1006359



**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**



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Mrs E Hamerton

**Trustees**

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Mrs G Hill

**Secretary**

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**Charity number**

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**Independent examiner**

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## REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

### Description of the Charity

Chance for Children Trust, “The Trust” was founded in 1991 and is based in West London. Our main objective is to enable children and young people who have been traumatised, to express their feelings in a safe way. We offer Individual Integrative Arts Psychotherapy sessions in schools. For over 20 years, we have been running therapeutic music groups in nurseries, schools and community settings, for children of all ages and to meet a variety of needs.

Our team members have Masters level qualifications in Art, Music and Drama Psychotherapies, Early Years and Social Work (registered with HCPC, and Social Work England). Where appropriate, we include support for significant adults in the children’s lives, and professional staff around them, including appropriate training/CPD. We continue to work in partnership with statutory services and to involve local voluntary groups in some situations.

We recognise the valuable contribution made by our team members to this work and are grateful to them for their enthusiasm and commitment. Now that the long-term effects of the Pandemic are becoming more obvious, it has been vital in the last year. In common with many working in education and other statutory services, we have needed to be flexible to adjust to the support required where long term sickness of staff and children has become an issue.

### Reserves and Finance Policy

We are finding that we are continuing to see an increase in requests for our services. While we can usually anticipate our fixed costs, we know that we have to ensure our fees cover our variable costs, thus, allowing us to be less dependent on donations which, by their nature, fluctuate. By constant monitoring, we always aim to increase our reserves in order to reach our target of three months’ running costs to cover administration and project management.

The Trust does not engage professional fund raisers and funds come from three sources:

- Income generated from charging for some of our services
- Through applications to trusts and foundations specifically for group work
- From individual donors



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

It has always been our policy to expend the majority of our funds directly on the welfare of the children and the equipment and art materials for their use. Our office is provided and thus we have no on-going capital expenditure. A number of people give us the benefit of their services in kind, including IT support for which we are very grateful.

We are provided with therapy spaces in schools and community settings, and for the most part, storage of the vital equipment which is needed to provide a full therapy service. This reduces the need to hire accommodation separately and again means that we do not have any capital outlay for premises.

### **Achievements during the Year**

Much of our current work is built on the long-term relationships we have in several schools in Ealing, Greenford and Southall. In these schools we really get to know the members of staff who work with our child clients on a daily basis. From our own Therapeutic Groups' Action Research (2018) we know how it is important to build up permanent and where possible, long-term relationships with school staff, especially with our main contact at each school. These may be a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), a Special Needs teacher (SENDCO) or a high-level teaching assistant/mentor (HLTA). The feed-back from staff very often enables us to put in a small group programme to meet specific needs and to develop, or recommend further support for some children.

The main benefit of these various therapy programmes has led to Referrals for therapy from a wider group of children and a number of new schools who have received positive feedback about our services. Although we are not able to accept all the referrals we receive, for the most part, we try to accept all those who meet our criteria. The increased interest in our work has been about schools staff being able to identify that the children are increasing in confidence, being more resilient, and showing an improvement in classroom participation. We believe that overall we are fulfilling our mission for '*Rebuilding Children's Lives*'

Our work has expanded since the end of the music programme in 2021-2 which enabled us to run group therapy programmes in spite of the restrictions, both in volume and also in type of situation in which the children and families found themselves. Our *Play, Sing and Move* (PSM) programme continued in four schools, one of them going across all the classes in a whole reception year group. We were also able to involve three students (see below) in the groups as part of their social work training.

Through this work we found that there has been a negative impact on particular ages of children because of their lack of schooling and socialisation during the Pandemic including mental ill health of the children, generally, and frequently also on their families and carers as they experienced grief, and disruption to normal life. Meeting this need continues to be a major part of our work.



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Social workers have increased calling on our services to support children in situations of Special Guardianship (Family proceedings under Children Act 1989) usually with a family member. The Guardian is entitled to receive additional welfare benefits for the child but they do not receive regular statutory social work intervention. We are appointed to give psychotherapy for the child. However, where the situation is fragile and the Guardianship is not functioning very well, we cannot necessarily call on a regular social worker for assistance for the family, and so they rely on our support.

The schools remain co-operative in facilitating remote sessions for the secondary age children so that we can maintain continuity in our contact with them. The sickness and fatigue that has followed the Pandemic, amongst school staff and our team has meant we have had to be flexible and creative in our approaches to both our individual and group work.

### Student Placements

Dilys Griffiths and the Trust have continued to provide placements for a BA student whose placement was completed during this year, and two MA social work students from the University of East London who started at the beginning of 2023.

### Looking to the Future

From our referrals over several years, we know the impact that being born after April can be an issue for some of these children referred to us, although not all. We would like to co-ordinate work with those schools where we have worked for a number of years, to see if we could help them to mitigate the negative effect on these vulnerable children. This pilot programme will have implications for funding and resources.

Signature:

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**E A Hamerton, Chairman**

Date:

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**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHANCE FOR CHILDRENT TRUST**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 5.

**Responsibilities and Basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Light Work Accounting Ltd

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Dated: 29 January 2024

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CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes				
<b><u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	240	-	240	240
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	650	650	9,225
Other incoming resources	2	-	63,082	63,082	31,455
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>240</b>	<b>63,732</b>	<b>63,972</b>	<b>40,920</b>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Therapists	5	-	55,415	55,415	38,133
Support costs	6	3,106	-	3,106	1,506
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>3,106</b>	<b>55,415</b>	<b>58,521</b>	<b>39,639</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>(2,866)</b>	<b>8,317</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>1,281</b>
Gross transfers between funds		2,866	(2,866)	-	-
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>1,281</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2022 As originally reported		-	954	954	(327)
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>6,405</b>	<b>6,405</b>	<b>954</b>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**



		31 March 2023		31 March 2022	
		£	£	£	£
	<b>Notes</b>				
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	7		30		40
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>6,375</u>		<u>1,414</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>6,405</u>		<u>1,454</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	8		<u>(500)</u>		<u>(500)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><u>5,905</u></u>		<u><u>954</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			6,405		954
Unrestricted funds			<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
			<u><u>6,405</u></u>		<u><u>954</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 23 December 2023

Mrs E Hamerton  
**Trustee**

CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	Notes				
<b><u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	240	-	240	240
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	650	650	9,225
Other incoming resources	2	-	63,082	63,082	31,455
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>240</b>	<b>63,732</b>	<b>63,972</b>	<b>40,920</b>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Therapists	5	-	55,415	55,415	38,133
Support costs	6	3,106	-	3,106	1,506
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>3,106</b>	<b>55,415</b>	<b>58,521</b>	<b>39,639</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>(2,866)</b>	<b>8,317</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>1,281</b>
Gross transfers between funds		2,866	(2,866)	-	-
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>1,281</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2022 As originally reported		-	954	954	(327)
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>6,405</b>	<b>6,405</b>	<b>954</b>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**



		31 March 2023		31 March 2022	
		£	£	£	£
	<b>Notes</b>				
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	7		30		40
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>6,375</u>		<u>1,414</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>6,405</u>		<u>1,454</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	8		<u>(500)</u>		<u>(500)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><u>5,905</u></u>		<u><u>954</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			6,405		954
Unrestricted funds			<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
			<u><u>6,405</u></u>		<u><u>954</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 29 January 2023

Mrs E Hamerton  
**Trustee**



**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**



<b>5</b>	<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		£	£
	<b>Charitable activities</b>		
	<u>Therapists</u>		
	Activities undertaken directly	55,415	38,133
	<b>Governance costs</b>	<u>3,106</u>	<u>1,506</u>
		<u><b>58,521</b></u>	<u><b>39,639</b></u>

Governance costs includes payments to auditors of £500 (2022: £500) for audit fees.

<b>6</b>	<b>Support costs</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		£	£
	Independent examination	500	500
	Depreciation	10	13
	Materials and insurance	1,132	472
	Travel/Parking	260	260
	Stationery	420	-
	Internet	784	261
		<u>3,106</u>	<u>1,506</u>

<b>7</b>	<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>	
		<b>Fixtures, fittings &amp; equipment £</b>
	<b>Cost</b>	
	<b>At 1 April 2022 and at 31 March 2023</b>	<u><b>500</b></u>
	<b>Depreciation</b>	
	At 1 April 2022	<b>460</b>
	Depreciation	<u><b>10</b></u>
	<b>At March 2023</b>	<u><b>470</b></u>
	<b>Net book value</b>	
	<b>At 31 March 2023</b>	<u><u><b>30</b></u></u>
	At 31 March 2022	<u><u><b>40</b></u></u>

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**



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**8 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>2023</b>	2022
	£	£
Accruals	<u><b>500</b></u>	<u>500</u>

**9 Employees**

There were no employees during the year.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

**10 Trustees**

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, or reimbursed expenses.

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**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1006359

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1006359



**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**



**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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**Chairman of the Trust**

Mrs E Hamerton

**Trustees**

Mr J Waterman  
Mrs G Hill

**Secretary**

Ms D Griffiths

**Charity number**

1006359

**Independent examiner**

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022



### **Description of the Charity**

The charity was founded in 1991 and is based in West London. Our main objective is to enable children and young people who have been traumatised, to express their feelings in a safe way. We use an integrated approach to arts psychotherapies of drama, art and music as a way of enabling children who are not ready to talk, to go through a non-verbal process. Where appropriate, we include support for significant adults in their lives. We continue to work in partnership with statutory services and other voluntary organisations.

We also recognise the valuable contribution made by our team members to this work. All trained to post graduate level and we are grateful to them for their enthusiasm and commitment. This continued to be particularly helpful as staff and pupils all experienced periods of sickness during the year.

### **Reserves and Finance Policy**

This year saw a continued increase in our work. We also started to ask new referrers for a small financial increase for our individual programmes. This has helped us to cover our variable costs, instead of relying on donations. This, it is hoped will increase our reserves in order to reach our target of three months' running costs to cover administration and project management.

The Charity does not engage professional fund raisers. Our funds come from three sources:

- ▶ Income generated from charging for some of our services
- ▶ Through applications to trusts and foundations for specific programmes
- ▶ And from private donors

It has always been our policy to expend the majority of our funds directly on the welfare of the children and materials for their use. We have been assisted with this endeavour by continuing to receive the benefit of the use of an office, with IT equipment and servicing by L F, and heating, and the use of a car.

The settings where we work, including schools and community organisations, continue to provide us with appropriate rooms and storage space. This reduces the need to hire accommodation separately and do not have permanent transport available for moving materials. This also means that we do not have any capital outlay for premises.

### **Achievements during the Year**

Our partnership with Ealing Music Service (EMS) continued during this year. We completed Phases Two and Three in the summer term 2021, overcoming the organisational difficulties of the post lockdown period. We received positive feedback from the schools about the children's improvement in confidence and classroom participation. Our own Action Research showed that the most important feedback and on-going support on this programme was dependent on our relationship with school staff before the programme took place and this enabled us to develop further support for specific children. As a follow up for some of the children, we were able to offer a Nature and Art programme, and subsequently one of those children went on to receive individual psychotherapy.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR  
ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (Continued)**



**Achievements during the Year (Continued)**

In the autumn of 2021, our *Play, Sing and Move* (PSM) programme continued for children in Years 2, linking the group work to outdoor play. As social mixing became possible in the spring term, we were also able to offer a Music and Art programme for children in Year 5 in which included outlining what we have perceived to be the negative impact on these children of their lack of schooling and socialisation during lockdown. The negative impact of the pandemic on the mental health of the children, and frequently of their carers, continued throughout this period.

As is usual three or four children completed their individual psychotherapy programmes, and three of those children (two together and one separately) moved on to permanent family placements. One school with whom we had been working previously referred a further young person to us. Our schools continued to work with us making 26 children and young people, not including those in the groups. The schools were most co-operative in facilitating remote sessions so that the children had continuity in their programmes.

The sickness and fatigue that has followed the pandemic, amongst school staff and our team has meant we have had to be flexible and creative in our approaches to both our individual and group work.

**Student Placements**

Dilys Griffiths and the Trust have continued to provide a placement for a MA social work student to the University of East London.

**Looking to the Future**

We expect to expand our services in the coming year in order to cater for the growing need for post-pandemic mental health support. This may take form of both group work and individual psychotherapy programmes and will have implications for resources.

Signature:

..... Date: .....  
E A Hamerton Chairman  
(on behalf of the Trustees)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 1 to 5.

**Repective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirement of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Light Work Accounting Ltd

*Stephen Light*

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Dated: 27 January 2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
	Note				
<b><u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	240	-	240	390
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	9,225	9,225	1,660
Other incoming resources	2	-	31,455	31,455	28,553
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>240</b>	<b>40,680</b>	<b>40,920</b>	<b>30,603</b>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Therapists		-	38,133	38,133	30,510
Support costs	6	1,506	-	1,506	1,103
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>1,506</b>	<b>38,133</b>	<b>39,639</b>	<b>31,613</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>(1,266)</b>	<b>2,547</b>	<b>1,281</b>	<b>(1,010)</b>
Gross transfers between funds		1,593	(1,593)	-	-
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>327</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,281</b>	<b>(1,010)</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2021 As originally reported		(327)	-	(327)	683
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2022</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>(327)</b>

# CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST



## BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		31 March 2022		31 March 2021	
		£	£	£	£
	<b>Note</b>				
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	7		40		53
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,454</u>		<u>120</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>1,454</u>		<u>173</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8		<u>(500)</u>		<u>(500)</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>954</u>		<u>(327)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>954</u>		<u>(327)</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			954		-
Unrestricted funds			<u>-</u>		<u>(327)</u>
			<u>954</u>		<u>(327)</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 27 January 2023

Mrs E Hamerton  
**Trustee**



# CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022



### 4 Incoming resources from charitable activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Families	2,325	1,660
Other funds	6,900	-
	<u>9,225</u>	<u>1,660</u>

### 5 Total resources expended

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
<u>Therapists</u>		
Activities undertaken directly	38,133	30,510
<b>Governance costs (Note 6)</b>	1,506	1,103
	<u>39,639</u>	<u>31,613</u>

Governance costs includes payments to auditors of £500 (2021: £500) for audit fees.

### 6 Governance costs

	2022 £	2021 £
<u>Support costs</u>		
Independent examination	500	500
Depreciation	13	6
Materials and insurance	472	516
Travel/Parking	260	-
Stationery	-	81
Internet	261	-
	<u>1,506</u>	<u>1,103</u>

# CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022



### 7 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 April 2021 and at 31 March 2022	<u>500</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 April 2021	447
Depreciation	<u>13</u>
<b>At March 2022</b>	<u>460</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 March 2022	<u><u>40</u></u>
At 31 March 2021	<u><u>53</u></u>

### 8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year.

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>

### 9 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

### 10 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, or reimbursed expenses.

**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1006359

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# Accounts

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**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**



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**Chairman of the Trust**

Mrs E Hamerton

**Trustees**

Mr J Waterman  
Mrs G Hill

**Secretary**

Ms D Griffiths

**Charity number**

1006359

**Independent examiner**

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I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages to 0.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) 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 those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the 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 consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met; or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Light Work Accounting Ltd*

Light Work Accounting Ltd

Stephen Light MAAT  
Wessex House  
Upper Market Street  
Eastleigh  
Hampshire  
SO50 9FD

Dated: 31 January 2022

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2021

### Description of the Charity

The Charity was founded in 1991 and is based in West London. Our main objective is to enable children and young people who have been traumatised, to express their feelings in a safe way, through the therapeutic use of drama, art and music. This also includes support for their families and other significant adults, in an appropriate way. We continue to work in partnership with statutory services and other voluntary organisations.

We also recognise the special contribution made by our team to this work. All our team members are trained to post graduate level and we are grateful for their enthusiasm and commitment. This has been particularly helpful during the lockdowns for Covid-19 and subsequent staff and pupil sickness in the schools we serve.

### Reserves and Finance Policy

This year saw a continued increase in our work, and therefore, show a small increase in our funding by the end of this financial year. This helped us to cover the increased variable costs, instead of relying on specific donations. We hope to continue in this manner so that we can increase our reserves in order to reach our target of three months' running costs to cover administration and project management.

The Charity does not engage professional fund raisers. Our funds come from four sources:

- Income generated from charging for some of our services
- Through applications to trusts and foundations for specific programmes
- From occasional events
- And from private donors

It has always been our policy to expend the majority of our funds directly on the welfare of the children and materials for their use. We have been assisted with this endeavour by continuing to receive the benefit of the use of an office, with IT equipment and phones, and the use of a car.

The settings where we work, including schools and community organisations, continue to provide us with appropriate rooms and storage space. This reduces the need to hire separately and to have permanent transport available for moving materials. This also means that we do not have any capital outlay for premises.

### Achievements during the Year

We continued to develop our partnership working with Ealing Music Service (EMS). We completed phase 1 of *Rebuilding Children's Lives through Therapeutic Music* (RCLTM) and the accompanying CPD for school staff, musicians from EMS and our team. Phases 2 and 3 had to be postponed to run concurrently in the Summer term of 2021 due to the lockdown. We, therefore, had to maintain the interest of the schools and the funder *Youth Music* (YM) to ensure the programme would continue, not overrun YM's grant, nor run into the next financial year.

As with last year, children continued to be referred to us for individual therapy. Some of these children had received some other short term interventions. However their needs



then appeared to be too complex and were then referred to us for specialist work. As a result of Covid, families that had been coping were suddenly struggling with changing regulations; their children going to school or not doing so and having to cope with home schooling. The mental health of both the parents/carers and the children suffered. Sessions were often 'remote' from different settings and we spent a good deal of time facilitating this. We also had to support social workers making difficult decisions often also remotely. We helped with children who had to move foster placement and, therefore, move also to new schools. There was also the problem of parents and carers not necessarily taking up the school places offered to their vulnerable children. We established strong links not only with pastoral staff in the schools but also with Virtual School team who, like us, work across several schools, and with social workers who were new to their Borough and/or to the situation of the children.

Student Placements

This year Dilys Griffiths (Trust Secretary and experienced social work educator) has developed contact with the University of East London. She, and the Trust, as an experienced agency, have provided a placement for a Masters level student social worker.

Looking to the Future

In 2021/2022 we plan to raise funding in conjunction with EMS in order to continue with the programmes of therapeutic music. We also will plan to pilot outdoor arts groups, alongside the individual therapy programmes.

Signature:

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E A Hamerton Chairman  
(on behalf of the Trustees)



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b><u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	390	-	390	350
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	1,660	1,660	4,200
Other incoming resources	2	-	28,553	28,553	21,875
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>390</b>	<b>30,213</b>	<b>30,603</b>	<b>26,425</b>
<b><u>Resources expended</u></b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Therapists	5	-	30,510	30,510	23,468
Governance costs	6	1,103	-	1,103	1,329
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>1,103</b>	<b>30,510</b>	<b>31,613</b>	<b>24,797</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>(713)</b>	<b>(297)</b>	<b>(1,010)</b>	<b>1,628</b>
Gross transfers between funds		(185)	185	-	-
<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(898)</b>	<b>(112)</b>	<b>(1,010)</b>	<b>1,628</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2020					
As originally reported		1,071	112	1,183	(445)
Prior year adjustment		(500)	-	(500)	-
As restated		571	112	683	(445)
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2021</b>		<b>(327)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(327)</b>	<b>1,183</b>

# CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

Chance Arts  
rebuilding lives through the creative arts



	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	7		53		59
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		120		1,674	
<b>Net current assets</b>			120		1,674
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			173		1,733
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	8		(500)		(550)
<b>Net assets</b>			(327)		1,183
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			-		(879)
Unrestricted funds			(327)		2,062
			(327)		1,183

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 31 January 2022

Mrs E Hamerton  
trustee



**CHANCE FOR CHILDREN TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**



<b>5</b>	<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Charitable activities</b>		
	<u>Therapists</u>		
	Activities undertaken directly	<b>30,510</b>	23,468
	<b>Governance costs</b>	<b>1,103</b>	1,329
		<u><b>31,613</b></u>	<u>24,797</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £500 (2020: £500) for audit fees.

<b>6</b>	<b>Support costs</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Independent examination	500	550
	Depreciation	6	8
	Materials and insurance	516	220
	Travel/Parking	-	300
	Stationery	81	81
	Hire of meeting rooms	-	170
		<u>1103</u>	<u>1329</u>

**7 Tangible fixed assets**

	<b>Fixtures, fittings &amp; equipment £</b>
<b>Cost</b>	
<b>At 1 April 2020 and at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>500</b>
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<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 April 2020	441
Revaluation	6
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<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>447</b>
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<b>Net book value</b>	
<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>53</b>
At 31 March 2020	59

**8 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accruals	<b>500</b>	550
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**9 Employees**

There were no employees during the year. -----

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more. =====

**10 Trustees**

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, or reimbursed expenses.