

HANDICAPPED CHILDRENS 'ACTION' GROUP

REGISTERED WITH THE CHARITY COMMISSION NUMBER 1015438

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report for the year ended 30th November 2024. This report is prepared in accordance with the Trust Deed and recommendations of the statement or Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities and complies with applicable law.

Handicapped Children's 'Action' Group is a registered charity and is operated under the rules of its Trust Deed dated 25th November 1992. The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust Deed.

The principal object of the charity is to provide specialized equipment for physically disabled children and children with learning difficulties and other special needs. There have been no changes in objectives since the last annual report.

Trustees: Mr ARTHUR CHARLES CAUSTON, Chair/Trustee
 Mr Joshua Zunde
 Mr CHRISTOPHER VINCENT Msc BA PGCE MCGI

Administrator: Mrs CAROLE DAVIES

Bankers: Barclays plc.,
 Town Hall Square, Grimsby DN37

Accountants: Ledgers Accountancy Services Ltd
 15 Sedgemoor Close, Flackwell Heath, High Wycombe HP10 9BH

During the year December 2023 to November 2024 the Charity provided or helped to provide various items of specialized and other needed equipment for 282 children. The equipment provided was as follows:

157 x Buggies	01 x walker
42 x special needs tricycles	08 sensory equipment (Scarborough hospital)
13 X wheelchairs	01 x nest swing
1 x treadmill	01 x buggy accessory
1 x touch screen	03 x Ipads
1 x Luna frame and hammock	05 x sensory garden equipment
02 x specialist beds and mattresses	01 Music for Children
01 x car seats	02 x medical fridges
11 x laptops	01 x visual aid
03 x specialist seating	02 x trampoline
02 x cash donations	23 x sensory equipment

Income throughout the year was by means of appeals to companies and requests for grants from other charities Trusts and Foundations. No outdoor charity events took place throughout 2024.

Income raised during 2024 was in excess of that raised in 2023, and we were able to exceed our previous year slightly by just over £13,000. The funding spent on equipment provided was £270,974 which was up from the previous year by over £58,000. Orders had been placed for additional equipment, but due to slow delivery this meant that we had over £29,000 still on order at the end of our financial year.

A total of 332 Trusts or private individuals gave their support to us during this year, of which 54 Trusts, various associations and private individuals were new supporters. We were fortunate to obtain funding from two charities that closed during this financial year. The total number of applications and enquiries received during this financial year was 539 although 41 were not considered because they were outside of our guidelines.

In this financial year, we were also able to link up 3 organizations with three of our families which resulted in donations of £2892 being made towards three buggies. This was paid directly to the suppliers.

We received on average 11 applications or enquiries per week during 2024.

We hold a reserve fund of £27,516.00p.

Approved by the Trustees on 7th FEBRUARY 2025

And signed on their behalf by MRS CAROLE DAVIES

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ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

HANDICAPPED CHILDRENS 'ACTION' GROUP

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND EXAMINERS

As the Charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts.

You consider that the audit requirements of S.43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 do not apply. It is my responsibility to state on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under S.43 (7) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Direction given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records with those 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 explanation 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the Accounts.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS STATEMENT

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

- 1/ which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with S.41 of the Act or to prepare Accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting records of the Act have not been met or
- 2/ to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

CAROLYN COLLINS FCA
LEDGERS ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES LTD
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BUCKS HP10 9BH

5th FEBRUARY 2025

HANDICAPPED CHILDRENS 'ACTION' GROUP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES – YEAR ENDED 30th NOVEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
INCOMING RESOURCES:			
Charity income		370925	357045
Investment income		48	239
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TOTAL	2	370973	357284
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RESOURCES EXPENDED:			
Cost of generating funds		93201	83302
Charitable expenditure (equipment provided)		270974	212756
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TOTAL	3	364175	296058
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NET INCOMING RESOURCES:		6798	61226
FUND BALANCES B/F		120695	59469
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FUND BALANCES C/F		127493	120695
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th NOVEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS	4	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Bank and Cash		129316	122528
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Creditors	5	1823	1833
NET ASSETS		127493	120695
		=====	=====
RESERVES		127493	120695
		=====	=====

N.B. all of the above funds are unrestricted and may be used for any of the charity's purposes.

Approved by the Trustees on 9th FEBRUARY 2025

And signed on their behalf by: *Carole J Davies*

YEAR ENDED 30th NOVEMBER 2024

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1/ ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

2/ INCOMING RESOURCES

Fundraising took place through the leasing of a charity office.

All income received was unrestricted in purpose.

3/ RESOURCES EXPENDED

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis. They are as follows:

	Notes	2024	2023
Premises costs		2223	1677
Office expenses		2764	2453
Motor expenses and travel		1906	1259
Wages and NIC		85351	75795
Depreciation			1,182
Professional fees		956	936
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		93200	83302
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4/ FIXED ASSETS			
Vehicle at cost		7884	7884
Depreciation to date		7884	7884
Written down value at 30/11/2019		0	0
5/ CREDITORS			
Accruals		956	936
PAYE		867	897
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		1823	1833

6/ OTHER MATTERS

Trustees did not receive any remuneration; there were no related party transactions and there were no significant non-monetary resources involved in the year.

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