

CHATSWORTH HIGH ASSOCIATION OF PARENTS AND STAFF (C.H.A.P.S)

England & Wales · Charity number 1022748

Details

Other names FRIENDS OF NEW CROFT HIGH

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1993-06-18

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUPILS IN THE SCHOOL

Activities: To raise funds for the benefit of all pupils at Chatsworth High School and Community College to enhance their educational experience and quality of life.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Salford City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£27,902	£9,481	-	-
2024-08-31	£8,057	£60	-	-
2023-08-31	£1,526	£200	-	-
2022-08-31	£700	£209	-	-
2021-08-31	£0	£195	-	-
2020-08-31	£2,066	£128	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Katie Law		2024-06-04
Natalie Cottrill		2024-06-04
Rebecca Hall		2024-09-01
Shannen Naylor		2024-09-01
Sophie Savage		2024-09-01

Accounts



TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

Chatsworth High Association of Parents and Staff (C.H.A.P.S.)

Charity Registration Number: 1022748

For the Year Ended 31 August 2025

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Chatsworth High Association of Parents and Staff (C.H.A.P.S.)

Charity Registration Number: 1022748

Registered Office

Chatsworth High School and Community College
Chatsworth Road
Eccles
Salford
M30 9DY

Reporting Period

1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025

Trustees

Natalie Cottrill – Chair (appointed 4 June 2024)

Rebecca Hall – Treasurer (appointed 1 September 2024)

Sophie Savage – Secretary (appointed 1 September 2024)

Katie Law – Trustee (appointed 4 June 2024)

Shannen Naylor – Trustee (appointed 1 September 2024)

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by the Parent Kind Constitution, adopted in September 2024 and uploaded to the Charity Commission in May 2025. Throughout the reporting period the trustees have operated in accordance with the Constitution and Charity Commission guidance.



The charity is managed by a committee of volunteer trustees who oversee governance, fundraising activities, financial management and the allocation of charitable funds. Trustees meet regularly throughout the year to review finances, consider requests for funding from the school and ensure that charitable funds are applied solely in furtherance of the charity's objectives.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other financial benefit for acting as trustees.

Objectives and Public Benefit

The charity exists to advance the education and improve the life opportunities of pupils attending Chatsworth High School and Community College, a specialist school supporting children and young people with a wide range of additional needs and disabilities.

The charity raises funds to purchase equipment, provide enrichment opportunities and enhance the educational environment beyond that which would ordinarily be available through statutory funding.

When planning activities and making funding decisions, the trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. All expenditure during the year was directed towards projects that improved educational outcomes, promoted inclusion, enhanced wellbeing and supported pupils' physical, emotional and social development.

Activities During the Year

The trustees continued to organise a wide range of fundraising activities involving parents, carers, staff, local businesses and the wider community.

Events held during the year included:

- Christmas Fayre
- Summer Fayre
- Valentine's Danceathon
- Live Band Night
- Seasonal raffles



- Community fundraising initiatives
- Receipt of a generous donation of £22,700 from a parent in support of the charity's work.

These activities generated significant income whilst strengthening relationships between the school and its community and raising awareness of the charity's work.

Achievements and Performance

The trustees are proud of the positive impact made during the year.

A major investment was the purchase of new rebound therapy trampolines costing over £6,800. These trampolines support physical education, sensory regulation and therapeutic intervention for pupils across the school. More than 120 pupils have benefited directly from access to the new equipment.

The trampolines are available throughout the school day, enabling pupils to regulate their emotions and sensory needs when required. Staff have reported a noticeable improvement in pupils' ability to self-regulate and a reduction in behaviours that challenge, allowing pupils to engage more successfully in learning and daily school life.

The charity also funded outdoor regulation and play equipment at one of the school's sites. These resources have created new opportunities for pupils to participate in enrichment activities, develop friendships and strengthen their communication and social interaction skills through structured and unstructured play.

Feedback from staff has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the significant difference the new equipment has made to pupils' wellbeing, engagement and enjoyment throughout the school day. Pupils have embraced the new opportunities, benefiting from improved access to therapeutic and recreational resources designed specifically to meet their needs.

The charity also contributed towards school events, including the annual prom, helping to ensure pupils could enjoy memorable experiences and celebrate important milestones alongside their peers.

Financial Review

The charity remained in a strong financial position throughout the year.



Total income for the year amounted to **£27,902.28**, reflecting another successful year of fundraising supported by parents, staff, local businesses and the wider community. This included an exceptional donation of **£22,700**, together with income generated through fundraising events including the Christmas Fayre, Summer Fayre, Valentine's Danceathon, Band Night and seasonal raffles.

Total expenditure during the year was **£9,481.19**, with funds invested directly into projects and resources that supported pupils attending Chatsworth High School and Community College. Significant expenditure included the purchase of rebound therapy trampolines, contributions towards the school prom, educational resources and equipment to enhance pupils' learning and wellbeing.

The charity reports a net surplus of **£18,421.09**

The trustees remain satisfied that the charity's finances are managed prudently and that available resources continue to be directed towards activities delivering the greatest benefit for pupils.

Reserves Policy

The trustees recognise the importance of maintaining appropriate financial reserves to enable the charity to continue supporting the school in future years.

Reserves are held to provide financial stability, meet future funding requests and ensure the charity can continue delivering projects even where fundraising income fluctuates. The trustees review reserves regularly as part of their financial planning.

At the current time, the reserve is set at **£2,500**

Risk Management

The trustees regularly review the principal risks facing the charity.

Key risks identified include:

- Reduced fundraising income due to economic pressures.
- Availability of volunteers to organise fundraising activities.
- Maintaining appropriate financial controls.
- Safeguarding during fundraising events.



- Compliance with charity law and data protection legislation.

Appropriate financial procedures are in place, including dual oversight of expenditure, regular financial reporting and committee approval of significant purchases. These arrangements provide reasonable assurance that charitable funds are safeguarded and used appropriately.

Plans for Future Periods

The trustees will continue building on the success of this year's fundraising activities.

Priorities for the coming year include:

- Continuing to enhance learning environments across the school.
- Purchasing additional specialist equipment where required.
- Supporting educational enrichment opportunities.
- Expanding community fundraising initiatives.
- Strengthening partnerships with parents, carers and local businesses.
- Building sustainable reserves to ensure the charity can continue supporting pupils for many years to come.

The trustees remain committed to ensuring that every pound raised delivers meaningful benefits for pupils attending Chatsworth High School and Community College.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and Charity Commission guidance.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Approval

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: 01.06.2026



Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Natalie Cottrill

Chair of Trustees

Signature:

N. L. Cottrill



Chatsworth High Association of Parents and Staff (C.H.A.P.S.)

Registered Charity Number: 1022748

Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the year ended 31 August 2025

Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts

Income	£
Donations (Parent Donation £22,700 + Test Donation £1 + Christmas Fayre Donation £560)	23,261.00
Summer Fayre and Raffle Tickets	1,248.15
Christmas Fayre (Stalls and Café)	1,023.65
Christmas Raffle	399.87
Valentine's Danceathon	857.00
Valentine's Raffle	119.00
Band Night (ticket sales and Stripe payments)	729.22
Halloween Raffle	211.83
Christmas Card Commission	51.56
Total Receipts	£27,902.28

Payments

Expenditure	£
Rebound Therapy Trampolines	6,805.08
School Prom Contribution	2,173.20



Expenditure	£
Band Night Expenses	340.91
Easter Gifts and Activities	19.72
Garden & Outdoor Resources	43.65
Christmas Fayre Expenses	92.37
Halloween & Christmas Raffle Prizes	20.21
Parent Kind Membership	162.00
Miscellaneous Event Costs	24.05
Total Payments	£9,481.19

Net Movement in Funds

£
Total Receipts 27,902.28
Total Payments (9,481.19)
Net Surplus 18,421.09

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

At 31 August 2025

Bank statement to year end confirms figure of £29,907.55 grand total remaining rolling over into the new year.

Cash Funds

The charity held sufficient cash reserves at the year end to support future charitable activities.

Other Assets



During the year the charity purchased specialist equipment, including rebound therapy trampolines and outdoor play and regulation equipment, for use by Chatsworth High School and Community College. These assets are held for charitable purposes and are not included as monetary assets within these Receipts and Payments Accounts.

Liabilities

At 31 August 2025 the trustees are not aware of any significant outstanding liabilities other than normal operating expenses incurred in the ordinary course of business.

Notes to the Accounts

Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the **Receipts and Payments** basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity Commission's guidance for charities with gross annual income below the statutory audit threshold.

Nature of the Charity

Chatsworth High Association of Parents and Staff (C.H.A.P.S.) exists to advance the education of pupils attending Chatsworth High School and Community College by raising funds to provide additional educational, therapeutic and recreational opportunities beyond those available through statutory funding.

Principal Funding Sources

Income during the year was generated from:

- Donations
- Community fundraising events
- Christmas and Summer Fayres
- Band Night
- Valentine's Danceathon
- Seasonal raffles
- Parent contributions

The charity also received a substantial donation from a parent in support of its charitable objectives.



Charitable Expenditure

Funds raised during the year enabled the charity to purchase:

- Rebound therapy trampolines supporting PE, sensory regulation and therapeutic intervention.
- Outdoor regulation and play equipment.
- Resources supporting enrichment activities.
- Contributions towards pupils' school prom.
- Seasonal activities and educational resources.

More than 120 pupils have directly benefited from the new specialist equipment purchased during the year.

Trustee Approval

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on:

Date: 01.06.2026

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Natalie Cottrill

Chair of Trustees

Signature: 

Independent Examiner's Report

An Independent Examiner's Report has been actioned reviewing the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2025, based on the summative information within this report.

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

A copy of this report will be uploaded to the Charity Commission website as part of the end of year reporting and recording process.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Chatsworth High Association of Parents and Staff (C.H.A.P.S)

On accounts for the year
ended

August 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1022748

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08 / 2025**

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: B Lawton

Date: 28/06/26

Name: Bethany Jade Lawton

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.