TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales · Charity number 1036738

Details

Other names	TOYHOUSE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	02912688
Registered	1994-04-20
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS, BY WORKING WITH PARENTS, GUARDIANS, CARERS AND FAMILIES THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS AND SUPPORTIVE NETWORKS, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES, SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR THEIR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION AND PROVIDING EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PLAY FOR THE WELL BEING OF ALL CHILDREN.

Activities: Toyhouse working with families as a non profit making organisation bassed in Tower Hamlets actively facilitates and promotes play as central to all children's well-being, supports a network of member groups and empowers local communities through volunteering and training opportunies.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** TOWER HAMLETS AND ELSEWHERE
- Tower Hamlets

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£247,539	£215,380	-	-
2024-03-31	£163,251	£189,325	-	-
2023-03-31	£140,011	£176,268	-	-
2022-03-31	£142,187	£200,181	-	-
2021-03-31	£216,898	£220,586	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Renne Ann Lawrence	Chair	2023-10-17
Fatimah Selim Jobber		2023-10-17
Georgina Louise Sullivan		2024-10-22
Joy Margaret HASTINGS		2008-10-10
Laura Anne Cook		2025-10-21
Mohammed Jamelur Rahman		2025-10-21
Rahman Zenith		2021-10-19
Toby James Evans		2014-10-21
Valerie Jean Whitehead		2000-10-10

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Accounts

Toyhouse
Impact Report 2025

Supporting Families
&
Children to Thrive

Enabling Service Delivery

Message from the Vice Chair—Renee Lawrence

The last year has seen a largely stable Management Committee, despite losing a long standing & highly valued member, Sue Cox, who relocated away from London.

Toyhouse emerged well from global pandemic with the launch of Central Government "Start for Life" programme, so assured funding has secured much of our targeted work, with many families using our services. In particular, the Toy Library service where I volunteer, is seeing the return of families, as are other Toyhouse services at various locations.

Last Autumn we recruited 2x new Project workers who have settled & are facilitating funded projects. With a bigger team we've launched some new services, catering to the needs & wishes of local families.

Toyhouse success wouldn't be possible without the commitment of long-standing senior staff. I extend our thanks & appreciation to the whole Toyhouse team (staff, volunteers, Peer Supporters) for another busy, successful year; - also for the year ahead, when we'll welcome new faces, both staff & families.

Committee members & myself look forward to overseeing another successful year, offering relevant services & support for local families.

Management Committee Members:

Patron:	Cath Armstrong
Chair:	Sian Harris
Treasurer:	Val Whitehead
Vice Chair:	Renee Lawrence
Secretary:	Joy Hastings
	Kalsoom Khan
	Toby Evans
	Zenith Rahman
	Fatimah Jobber
	Ana Figueiredo
	Georgina Sullivan

Senior Staff Members

Pip Pinhorn:	Manager
Julie Morgan:	Deputy Manager
Mohammad Selim:	Finance Officer

Play & Family Support Team

Afia Begum, Dilara Begum & Natasha Forbes

Project Wokers:
Hena Begum & Mumtaz Begum

"To everyone who works at The Toyhouse, thank you for the Incredible work you do. You provide such a supportive environment for SO many people. You have made such a difference to my parenting journey & A has loved attending!" L & A

The Toyhouse Centre

A note from Toyhouse Patron

The German educator Frederick Froebel wrote in the 18th century, 'That which follows is always conditioned on that which goes before'

What has that got to do with Toyhouse you might ask?

The services that Toyhouse offer give parents or parents-to-be support through the activities and courses available for them and for their children. The children benefit from the consistent approach of Toyhouse – how staff work with them and their parents/carers, supporting and encouraging them. The calm voices at baby massage, through to the cheery encouraging voices at Creative Cookery Club, all help children in those early formative years. Toyhouse always works to ensure that what they have been able to offer during the child's early years is a firm foundation for what follows. Toyhouse offers a 'Sure Start'

Froebel would have approved!

Cath Armstrong: Patron

A note from a family

"Thank you for all the love, support & experiences you've all given SL over the years. The Toyhouse Centre has been such a nurturing & joyful part of our lives. The activities, support & sense of belonging you provide have helped him grow with confidence & happiness.
Thank you for all you do, not just for us, but for so many families like ours, and for the whole community. Your work truly makes a difference & we feel lucky to have you" L & SL

Over the last year, across 28 Member Groups 3092 people have taken up our services

Toyhouse directly offers families an average of 18 sessions each week over the last year

"I've learned how to support my child's play at home from what staff share in the sessions It's helped me see play as part of learning and development"

Community Toy Libraries

TOY LIBRARIES

The Mayor's Community Grants Programme funding has enabled us to maintain our support to 12 Member Community Toy Libraries. Whilst the majority operate their weekly "Stay & Play" session within a school setting, there is some variety in how this is carried out. This is also true in our Community building based Member Toy Libraries, most of whom have been in action for many years. We offer a face-to-face support service, plus response to phone calls & emails, addressing questions.
All settings received some new stock in the spring; then all completed the Annual Returns form that contributes to the statistical picture of the service annually, in July.
Nearly all verbal feedback from Librarians articulates the beneficial impact coming regularly to Toy Library sessions has, building the interactional & language acquisition skills of pre-school aged children.

PIP PINHORN & JULIE MORGAN – Toy Library Support Workers

"I am extremely well supported with skills and a variety of toys to help me successfully run the Toy Library. Having a names support worker is very helpful"

We have 12 Member Toy Libraries: 6 are based in schools; 2 in Special Schools; 1 in an Idea Store; 3 in Voluntary & Community settings.

Toyhouse has had a longstanding link with **St Paul's Way Medical Centre**. We have been working in partnership with them, providing **Play & Information** session in the waiting area during the ante-natal clinic and the baby 6-8 week cheek sessions. These sessions have been very successful in reaching families at the earliest points

"Being a member of Toyhouse has offered fantastic support, advice & resources"

"It's lovely having somewhere safe where my children can play, and I can meet other parents. It makes me feel less alone"

Benefits for Early Learning

STORIES, SONGS & RHYMES

This energetic weekly session provides a fun interactive environment for parents & children to explore stories, music & movement together. Each week we bring a new and exciting story to life followed by parachute games, song bag, instruments, large action songs and then everyone's favourite time…Bubbles! These sessions are designed to boost children's early communication and language skills while giving parents practical tools and confidence to support their child's development at home

NATASHA & MUMTAZ

"My Daughter looks forward to this session every week and always asks to sing the songs again at home. I've noticed since coming that her attention span has really improved, she can now sit and listen to a story right to the end"

"The repetition and energy of this group have really helped with my son's speech, he is copying words now and sings the songs at home"

INVITED TO STAY & PLAY

This project works with families where children may not have met expected milestones for communication & social development at their 1 year check. Referred via the Start 4 Life Bright Beginnings Pilot, families are encouraged to observe following their child's lead, noting what they are interested in, reinforcing everyday sounds & interactions. With short film clips giving ideas & widening understanding about engaging in play and using everyday opportunities to introduce language & communication. Developing important skills such listening & finding a range of ways to communicate, supporting their child in these important skills. Meeting other families and interacting during the sessions promotes social and interaction skill in a fun and engaging manner.

With funding via Bright Beginnings these sessions for referred families with children with a identified developmental delay at the 12 month check.

Supporting Attachment

BABY SENSORY & RHYME TIME

Parents appreciate the chance to connect with other parents as they begin a new phase in their lives. The welcoming, cosy environment, is a place to relax with their baby & make new friendships. They often tell us that once they come to the Baby Sensory sessions they and their child don't want to leave. Once baby is mobile, they move to other Toyhouse sessions. Many of the parent come via hearing from others, coming along with their friends & subsequently returning when a second baby arrives. Telling us they value the small group, soft classical music, a cup of tea with cake, the sensory environment and the chance to interact with others. Enjoying a familiar, friendly surrounding and taking part in the songs & rhyme circle time before leaving.

Mumtaz & Sume Toyhouse Volunteer

"Thank you for hosting the wonderful Baby Sensory sessions in The Toyhouse Centre. It has been one of our favourite places to come together. The atmosphere is wonderful & it shows you all clearly love what you do!" Mum N & baby S

BABY MASSAGE

Toyhouse has 3 members of staff who hold the International Association of Infant Massage qualification. Our courses have proved very popular with many new parents being recommended by those who have previously completed the course. Our partnership work with St Paul's Way MC enables us to reach new families pre & post birth. We aim to run Baby Massage classes 6 times per year.

Touch is the first sense to develop and the last to leave us. Encouraging parents to use "nurturing touch" on their baby strengthens the bond between them; Baby Massage courses show parents the strokes for a full massage, discussion time builds peer support networks and friendships, with many finding this the first time they are able to meet other local parents and build social networks.

"Thanks to Julie for the excellent Baby Massage course – as well as her weekly yummy bakes!" Mum N & baby S

Julie, Pip & Afia
(Certified Infant Massage Instructors)
Funded via Start 4 Life

Sure STEPs Peer Suport

SURE STEPS & THE PEER SUPPORT VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME

We have received many new referrals over the last year & sadly we have not been able to support all families who could benefit from dedicated one-to-one support from a trained Peer Support Volunteer (PSV). Some referrals have been for families living outside our catchment area, whilst others have focused more on significant practical assistance, rather than the emotional skills are PSVs are trained to deliver.

We continue to see high levels of parental anxiety, coupled with isolation & parenting alone. Whilst trying to match parents with trained PSVs, we also strive to support referred families into sessions we run; this can reap yet more benefits.

PEER SUPPORT VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Toyhouse held 2 training courses for those wanting to become Peer Support Volunteers (PSV). The first course was in November-December and the second February-March, resulting in 12 newly trained PSV's. Some are now actively involved in supporting local families. The course runs for 7 session, exploring areas mums-to-be and new families may be struggling with, and includes Active Listening, Mental Health, behaviour types, Family relationships and Attachment Theory. Preparing PSV' to be matched with families.

Our next course beginning late September.

PIP PINHORN – Co-ordinator & JULIE MORGAN – Trainer

Funded via Start 4 Life

"I really enjoyed the course & gained lots of useful skills for supporting families"

"Me and another mum came to Toyhouse the first time with our older daughters when they were babies. This time I have a boy and she has a girl and it's lovely we can come here for them to play together"

Mum to 3yr old girl, & 5 month old boy

EARLY SUPPORT

MELLOW BUMPS

Connecting with mums-to-be during pregnancy is one of the most valuable ways we can support families and give children the very best start in life. Our friendly 6 session course helps mums-to-be prepare emotionally and practically for parenthood, while also developing a deeper understanding of how their baby grows and develops in the womb. Through informative video clips, discussions & practical activities we explore the fascinating science of early brain development, as well as practical ways to build strong bonds before birth. Our support doesn't end with the course, we continue to keep in touch with parents through pregnancy, birth, and beyond. Providing encouragement, reassurance & a listening ear whenever it's needed.

BUMPS Plus PLAY SESSION

Once the Mellow Bumps mums have given birth we offer our Mellow Bumps Plus sessions. Some of these vulnerable mums experience high anxiety and accessing sessions may be difficult, with extra support is often needed; encouraging calls, texts and visits supports their wellbeing. The Mellow Bumps play session is an nurturing, small group that offers ongoing support before they feel ready to move on to other sessions

Natasha & Mumtaz

"I really looked forward to these sessions each week. They gave me space to focus on my pregnancy and connect with my baby"

Special Early Family Support

We are now into our 2nd year of utilising Central Government "Start for Life" funding to provide a supportive service to those families faced with a rather different childhood for their baby than they had previously imagined when they discover their baby has a significant developmental delay, often without a specific name, or a diagnosed congenital condition that adversely impacts their development. Toyhouse staff are supporting up to 6 parents & their babies, with both emotional support plus the loan of appropriately chosen toys & play resources, which can aid their development. Recently, we have been delighted to find two of the families come to The Toyhouse Centre and join one of our Stay & Play sessions!

Pip, Mumtaz & Hena

START 4 LIFE

MELLOW PARENTING — babies & toddlers

The winter of 2024 -2025 found Toyhouse facilitating yet another 14x whole day sessions for families referred to this in depth programme, who have babies aged 6 – 24 months the point the course launched. This parent's course was facilitated by Pip & Hena, whilst Afia, Natasha & Sume facilitated with children's group. Yet again, Julie prepared us all a delicious lunch, so all participants & staff could sit together to eat & enjoy.
This was the first course in 13 years when all families were Muslim and the adults decided they did not wish to meet during Ramadan; thus we completed the course in April. End of course evaluations yielded not only positive feedback, but interesting insights. Support is ongoing for 12 months after the last formal session.
Contract & funding for 2025-2026 has been delayed by over 5 months, so planning & recruitment will take place much later than usual. However, this has enabled support to continue for graduates of the last **two** courses.

PIP PINHORN: Mellow Lead

Course Facilitators: Pip, & Hena
Children's Group: Afia & Natasha
Parent Volunteer: Sume

What wouuld you tell others about the course

- It was SO GOOD – you can connect with new people and you can trust them and get to know so many things about babies and parenting – and enjoy yummy food!
- It was about learning & getting to know yourself + others, and to feel seen and heard.
- Growing confidence and having a place that provides support
- A safe place to go if you think you may have post-natal depression, feel alone and have little support system at home.

Mellow Parenting
PROMOTING PARENT CHILD RELATIONSHIPS

"This course really helped me feel calmer and more connected to my baby. I didn't realise how much was happening inside my womb"

Listening to Families

Reaching the community—Stats from our annual returns questionnaire

- 3092 child users, 56% boys & 44% girls
- 1239 total adult users with 13% of these being male carers
- 1144 total users are of Asian origin – 40%
- 494 users are White British;17% 831 European 25% total
- There are 81 Facilitators (many are volunteers)
- 327 People declared a disability 63% were boys

"My son is normally so shy, but in these sessions, he has gained so much confidence, he knows the routine, joins in and has the best time from beginning to end"

"These sessions give me time to connect with other parents , It feels like a safe welcoming community for both me and my children"

"Toyhouse, its staff & Volunteers, are an asset to this community"
Mum N & baby S

What families on the Mellow Babies course told us
If it has helped, what do you think helped most?

- My baby was playing and seeing other babies playing
- Sharing our life. Having people I could trust. Similar experiences
- Talking about problems
- Talking about it with others who have similar experiences and will not judge
- Being able to be open in a non-judgemental environment & talk freely about my experiences.

Getting to Know Others

Creative Cook Club

This after school session is very popular with local families and was supported for part of the year by a 'Save the Children' Innovation Grant. Aimed at children between 3 to 10 years it explores healthy alternatives to high sugar/fat snacks, with fun recipes and ideas suggest by the children. Looking at healthier cooking methods and incorporating more fruit and vegetables and trying new taste, textures and flavours from around the world. The course has also proved to be a great way to meet new people from the many school in this area.

Afia , Shazna & Julie

Part funded via Save the Children Innovation Grant

"The sessions were welcoming and relaxed, it was great that my son could get involved with the cooking too"

Cook, Community & Culture

This project will bring together parents with pre-school children and people aged over 50 for a 5-week course designed to explore and celebrate diversity within the community. Using food as a central theme, families discover both the traditions and stories behind different dishes by cooking, tasting, and learning together. With the aim to build a greater understanding, strengthen relationships, and create lasting links within the local community. Families will be encouraged to take what they have learnt back to their families and networks, helping to spread understanding, foster new friendships, and strengthen community connections.

Facilitator: Natasha. Volunteer: Shakara
Funded via LBTH Mayors Community Grant Programme

TOWER HAMLETS

"I really enjoyed sharing recipes from my own background and learning about others.
The course gave me confidence to try new foods and talk to new people"

"It was lovely to try different food and learn about other cultures and religions. I've made friends I will continue to see now the course has finished"

Physical Activies

ACTIVE PHYSICAL PLAY

Physical Play is essential of children's development and Active Physical Play offers a fun way for children and their parents to interact in a free play session. We hold the session in the large ground floor hall at St Hilda's community centre E2, twice a week on Monday morning and Wednesday afternoon. With large soft mats and play shapes, slides, climbing frames and sit and ride resources there are lots of opportunities for young children to explore, experiment and take risk in a safe environment. There are also quieter areas for babies and a range of imaginative toys & resources to promote development.

Afia, Hena, Natasha & Volunteer Shazna
Funded via LBTH Family & Children's Centre

EARLY YEARS ACTIVE PLAY

Through Early years active play, children learn to take safe risks, solve problems, pushing the boundaries of what they can do, in a supportive environment. By taking safe risks and exploring new abilities, children develop both physically & emotionally, laying strong foundations for lifelong health and learning. Families attending these twice weekly sessions benefit from quality time together in a safe, supportive space where children can build strength, coordination, and resilience, while parents actively engage in their child's development. These play opportunities contribute to stronger family connections & inclusion within the community.

At Mile End Play Pavilion Mon & Wed 10-11.30

Natasha, Dilara & volunteers: Nazmin & Shakara

Funded via National Lottery: Awards for All

Connecting with the local community

Both Active Play sessions offer Toyhouse the opportunity to reach the wider community. Being based at opposite ends of the borough enables us to listen to more families, hearing their views and ideas on what they would like to see for their young children.

Volunteering

Volunteering @ Toyhouse Project

Nazmin, Shakara, Shazna, & Sume,

Toyhouse is very fortunate to have an active group of volunteers supporting many of our projects. This enables Toyhouse to offer a wider range of services to more local families. All our volunteers are parents and live in the local community, providing a more personal link and connections for the families we support.

"I have been volunteering at toy house for 8 years and it has become like a family to me. It feels like a responsibility to me to work here and do the sessions with the kids and the parents. I really like working here because as a volunteer, i don't feel like i am left out as everyone loves working together. I want to continue volunteering at toy house as it is a very comfortable environment for me". Sume—Toyhouse volunteer

Barclays Bank

Toyhouse was very grateful to staff at Barclays for their generosity donating toys for the families. With budgets tight there is little spare money for extras. We were thrilled when boxes of gifts arrived & the children and families who received the toys were grateful. We received so much positive feedback & thank you cards from the children.

James Noe & Family

For many years James & his family have generously donated toys for local families. We continue to be very grateful for the generous gifts, chosen by his children, & given to the children we work with.

The Foresight Group

Collection and delivery of pre loved toys

Active Peer Support Volunteers

Elisa, Kate, Shirin, Zoe, Shafla,

East London Business Alliance

Over many years Toyhouse has been very fortunate to receive support from ELBA Via Team Challenges .
This has always made an amazing difference to many families

"We want to say to the whole Toyhouse family a HUGE Thank you for providing such a special, warm, friendly space for R & me, to spend time over the last 9 months. From 10weeks old to 10 months, R has clearly felt safe & at ease, and I cannot believe we are STILL discovering new toys!!
J&R

Toyhouse Makes a Difference

Our Thanks to those who have helped Toyhouse this year:

Individual Donors / Gift Aid pledges
ELBA
Gateway Housing
Peter Tayler
James Noe
Ken Morgan
Family & Friends of Staff & Management Committee members
Voluntary Sector Children's Forum
Wakefield & Tetley Trust
Cath & Bob Armstrong
Postcode Society Trust
Mile End Play Pavilion
Start4Life programme

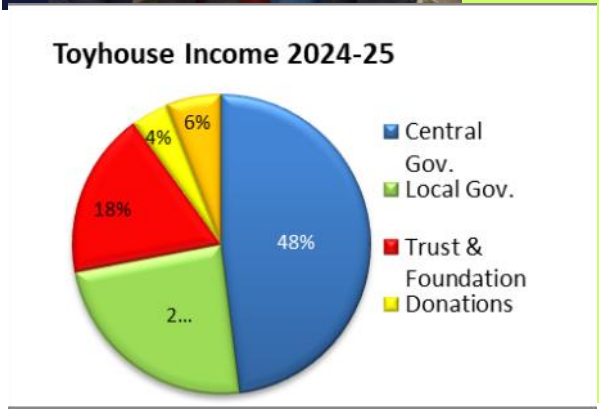
Volunteers & Peer Supporters
East End Community Foundation
TH Children & Family Centre Hubs
LB Tower Hamlets Mayors Community Grant Programme
Barclays
National Lottery Awards for All
Save the Children
St Hilda's Community Centre
St Paul's Way Medical Centre
Donators of used toys
CAF/Give As You Earn/Just Giving
Blue Lizard
Toy Library Member Groups

A complete set of Annual Accounts is available from Toyhouse

Message from the Treasurer: Val Whitehead

This year has been a very positive one and our financial outlook is good. Due to the dedication and hard work of key staff we ended the year with a small surplus and are in a strong financial position to continue our work with families and children. We will continue to ensure our overhead costs are as low as possible and concentrate on service delivery to our community. We are extremely grateful to all the trusts, Government bodies and individuals whose generosity allows us to continue, and to all our dedicated staff team.

Finance Sub-Committee:
Val, Rene, Joy, Pip & Selim,



Partnerships & Funders

Save the Children
Funding Creative Cook Club via their Innovation grants

Bright Beginnings

Central Government Funding via LBTH PCT & GP Care Group

ELBA: Supporting Christmas events

For their continued support over the festive period

LBTH Mayors Community Fund grant for Toy Library Support work & Cook, Community & Culture

Awards 4 All: Funding to pilot our new Early Years Active Play Project

LBTH Children & Family Centres commissioned Toyhouse to run Active Physical Play

A **Grant from Wakefield & Tetley** to support our core operating cost

TOYHOUSE MISSION STATEMENT

Toyhouse makes a difference.....
by supporting the wellbeing of families locally and throughout the community. With over 46years' experience of working with families through the medium of play, Toyhouse fosters attachment between parents and children, enabling them to interact together and share experiences. Toyhouse empowers individuals, families, volunteers and employees to develop the skills and resilience to achieve their aspirations.

.....early support for a better future

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FOR

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for the year ended 31 March 2025

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects are to provide and assist in the provision of facilities for children and adults with special educational needs, primarily in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, for their recreation, especially through the provision of therapeutic and educational toys with the object of improving their conditions of life. The policies adopted in furtherance of these objectives are to support individual member groups in Tower Hamlets and there has been no change to these during the year.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objects and in planning future activities and setting policy for the year.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Toyhouse is a deeply rooted, community-based charity that has supported families in Tower Hamlets for approaching five decades. Toyhouse mission focuses on enhancing family wellbeing, particularly parent-child attachment, through trauma informed practice, ongoing support, and the transformative power of play. Toyhouse uniquely delivers many universal, targeted, and a specialist service, by our trauma informed practice, co-producing solutions with families, supporting and building community cohesion, and responding swiftly to evolving needs locally.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Toyhouse remains in a stable financial position at the end of the financial year 2024–2025. Total funds increased from £192,247 to £223,359, reflecting a net positive movement of £31,112. This improvement is jointly due to prudent financial management as well as increased income, particularly from investment returns.

The charity’s Unrestricted General Fund stood at £103,395, with a further £70,766 held in Designated Funds, reflecting a cautious approach to financial planning. Restricted Funds totaled £49,198 at year-end. While the charity maintained a stable cash position, continued attention to funding diversification and cost control will be essential to support future sustainability.

It is the Policy of Toyhouse that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six months expenditure. The Trustees consider reserves of this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue Toyhouse current activities, whilst consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

Toyhouse continues to manage its resources responsibly, with a focus on sustainability and long-term impact. The Trustees are confident the charity is financially well-positioned to meet its commitments, and deliver its strategic objectives in the year ahead.

FUTURE PLANS

Looking ahead to 2025–2028, Toyhouse is committed to deepening its impact and sustainability as a trusted provider of early support and early intervention when appropriate, to families in Tower Hamlets. Our recently revised three year Strategy is centred on delivering effective, community-rooted services that address inequality, promote wellbeing, and strengthen positive parent-child relationships.

Details of key priorities can be found in the Strategy Document and include:

- Securing multi-year funding to support a range of quality service provision
- Maintaining our focused, home-based service for referred families of children with Special Needs and Disabilities;
- Enhancing service reach to all who may benefit
- Reducing health inequalities where appropriate across all service delivery
- Investing in local capacity by accessing opportunities for development of all people connected with Toyhouse

Toyhouse is actively seeking strategic partnerships with funders who share our vision for early intervention, community empowerment, and lasting social change.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity was formed on 25 March 1994, at that time is took over the activities, assets and liabilities of the previous unincorporated association of the same name, which had been set up in March 1979.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Toyhouse actively encourages nomination of those who have an active interest and connection with the charity, its Objectives and its services. Recruitment actively takes place prior to the AGM, when new Trustees can be appointed. As all appointments are for one year, all Trustees are invited to put themselves forward for re-election prior to each AGM.

Induction and training of new trustees

Once elected, new Trustees are matched with an existing Trustee for initial support and are provided with a folder containing Policies and other Documents relevant to being a Toyhouse Trustee. Trustees are encouraged to identify a project with which they wish to be linked, then they are expected to visit the project and meet with the staff concerned. The Trustees have a rolling process of identifying Trustee skills and also gaps. This leads to sourcing opportunities for Trustees to access relevant information sessions and training opportunities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

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Registered office

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 31 March 2025

Trustees
S Cox (resigned 22.10.24)
T Evans
V Whitehead
J Hastings
H Iqbal (resigned 22.10.24)
Z Rahman
K Khan
S Harris
F Jobber
R Lawrence
W LU
G L Sullivan (appointed 22.10.24)
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This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 16th September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

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V Whitehead - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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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Date: 24/09/2025

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	9,545	-	9,545	11,146
Charitable activities					
General & Overheads		13,435	-	13,433	5,404
Parenting Programmes		-	109,923	109,923	41,908
EY Stay & Play Sessions		-	56,214	56,214	57,816
Toy Library Activities		-	16,045	16,045	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions		-	27,764	27,764	21,864
Volunteer Programmes		-	-	-	13,385
Investment income	3	14,363	-	14,363	5,265
Other income		250	-	250	225
Total		37,593	209,946	247,539	163,254
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General & Overheads		6,473	8	6,481	48,112
Parenting Programmes		-	108,875	108,875	41,909
EY Stay & Play Sessions		-	56,213	56,213	57,816
Toy Library Activities		-	16,047	16,047	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions		-	27,764	27,764	21,864
Volunteer Programmes		-	-	-	13,386
Total		6,473	208,907	215,380	189,328
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	(1,047)	(1,047)	-
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		31,120	(8)	31,112	(26,074)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		143,041	49,206	192,247	218,321
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		174,161	49,198	223,359	192,247

CONTINUING OPERATIONS
All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

BALANCE SHEET
31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	5,324	-	5,324	2,852
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	13,118	-	13,118	28,637
Cash at bank and in hand		160,145	190,448	350,593	361,364
		173,263	190,448	363,711	390,001
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(4,426)	(141,250)	(145,676)	(200,606)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		168,837	49,198	218,035	189,395
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		174,161	49,198	223,359	192,247
NET ASSETS		174,161	49,198	223,359	192,247
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				174,161	143,041
Restricted funds				49,198	49,206
TOTAL FUNDS				223,359	192,247

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for
(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 March 2025

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 16th September 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

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Trustee - V Whitehead

R Lawrence (Sep 24, 2025 15:44:37 GMT+1)

Trustee - R Lawrence

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The financial statements are presented in sterling (£).

Income
All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.
- o income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- o legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- o income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or estimated resale value. Donated facilities are services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contributions of general volunteers.
- o income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a specific purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment	-	33% on reducing balance

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Debtors
Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand includes cash, current bank accounts and deposit bank accounts with no withdrawal limitations.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where then charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Donations	8,436	9,655
Gift aid	1,109	1,491
	9,545	11,146

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Deposit account interest	14,363	5,265

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,707	963
Independent Examination	1,250	1,500

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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	11,146	-	11,146
Charitable activities			
General & Overheads	5,402	-	5,404
Parenting Programmes	-	41,908	41,908
EY Stay & Play Sessions	-	57,816	57,816
Toy Library Activities	-	6,241	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions	-	21,866	21,866
Volunteer Programmes	-	13,385	13,385
Investment income	5,265	-	5,265
Other income	225	-	225
Total	22,038	141,216	163,254
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General & Overheads	21,420	26,692	48,112
Parenting Programmes	-	41,909	41,909
EY Stay & Play Sessions	-	57,816	57,816
Toy Library Activities	-	6,241	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions	-	21,864	21,864
Volunteer Programmes	-	13,386	13,386
Total	21,420	167,908	189,328
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	618	(26,692)	(26,074)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	142,423	75,898	218,321
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	143,041	49,206	192,247

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7. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Direct Charitable Activities	6	6
Administration	2	1
	8	7

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Key Management
The Trustees consider the roles of Manager, Deputy Manager and Finance Officer to be those of key management.

During the year the Key Management received remuneration totalling £95,625 in Gross Wages, £1,640 in Employers Pension Contributions and a further £9,430 was incurred in Employer's National Insurance.

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024	196,962	18,631	5,302	220,895
Additions	-	5,226	-	5,226
Disposals	-	(6,180)	-	(6,180)
At 31 March 2025	196,962	17,677	5,302	219,941
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	196,961	17,126	3,956	218,043
Charge for year	-	1,261	446	1,707
Eliminated on disposal	-	(5,133)	-	(5,133)
At 31 March 2025	196,961	13,254	4,402	214,617
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	1	4,423	900	5,324
At 31 March 2024	1	1,505	1,346	2,852

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other debtors	6,250	25,000
Prepayments and accrued income	6,868	3,637
	13,118	28,637

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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	42	-
Other creditors	173	-
Accruals and deferred income	143,207	198,081
Accrued expenses	2,254	2,525
	145,676	200,606

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	84,407	31,120	(12,132)	103,395
Premises Replacement Fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	-	12,132	50,766
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
	143,041	31,120	-	174,161
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	8	(8)	-	-
Running Costs	39,698	-	-	39,698
Other restricted funds	9,500	-	-	9,500
	49,206	(8)	-	49,198
TOTAL FUNDS	192,247	31,112	-	223,359

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	37,593	(6,473)	-	31,120
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	-	(8)	-	(8)
Cooking	27,764	(27,764)	-	-
Parenting	109,922	(108,875)	(1,047)	-
Stay & Play	56,213	(56,213)	-	-
Toy Library Service	16,047	(16,047)	-	-
	209,946	(208,907)	(1,047)	(8)
TOTAL FUNDS	247,539	(215,380)	(1,047)	31,112

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	83,789	618	84,407
Premises Replacement Fund	10,000	-	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	-	38,634
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	-	10,000
	142,423	618	143,041
Restricted funds			
Community Fund	8	-	8
Running Costs	66,390	(26,692)	39,698
Other restricted funds	9,500	-	9,500
	75,898	(26,692)	49,206
TOTAL FUNDS	218,321	(26,074)	192,247

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	22,038	(21,420)	618
Restricted funds			
Running Costs	-	(26,692)	(26,692)
Cooking	21,864	(21,864)	-
Parenting	41,909	(41,909)	-
Stay & Play	57,816	(57,816)	-
Toy Library Service	6,241	(6,241)	-
Volunteers Programme	13,386	(13,386)	-
	141,216	(167,908)	(26,692)
TOTAL FUNDS	163,254	(189,328)	(26,074)

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	83,789	31,738	(12,132)	103,395
Premises Replacement Fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	-	12,132	50,766
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
	142,423	31,738	-	174,161
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	8	(8)	-	-
Running Costs	66,390	(26,692)	-	39,698
Other restricted funds	9,500	-	-	9,500
	75,898	(26,700)	-	49,198
TOTAL FUNDS	218,321	5,038	-	223,359

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	59,631	(27,893)	-	31,738
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	-	(8)	-	(8)
Running Costs	-	(26,692)	-	(26,692)
Cooking	49,628	(49,628)	-	-
Parenting	151,831	(150,784)	(1,047)	-
Stay & Play	114,029	(114,029)	-	-
Toy Library Service	22,288	(22,288)	-	-
Volunteers Programme	13,386	(13,386)	-	-
	351,162	(376,815)	(1,047)	(26,700)
TOTAL FUNDS	410,793	(404,708)	(1,047)	5,038

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12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 02912688 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1036738

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FOR

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects are to provide and assist in the provision of facilities for children and adults with special educational needs, primarily in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, for their recreation, especially through the provision of therapeutic and educational toys with the object of improving their conditions of life. The policies adopted in furtherance of these objectives are to support individual member groups in Tower Hamlets and there has been no change to these during the year.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objects and in planning future activities and setting policy for the year.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Toyhouse is a deeply rooted, community-based charity that has supported families in Tower Hamlets for approaching five decades. Toyhouse mission focuses on enhancing family wellbeing, particularly parent-child attachment, through trauma informed practice, ongoing support, and the transformative power of play. Toyhouse uniquely delivers many universal, targeted, and a specialist service, by our trauma informed practice, co-producing solutions with families, supporting and building community cohesion, and responding swiftly to evolving needs locally.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Toyhouse remains in a stable financial position at the end of the financial year 2024–2025. Total funds increased from £192,247 to £223,359, reflecting a net positive movement of £31,112. This improvement is jointly due to prudent financial management as well as increased income, particularly from investment returns.

The charity’s Unrestricted General Fund stood at £103,395, with a further £70,766 held in Designated Funds, reflecting a cautious approach to financial planning. Restricted Funds totaled £49,198 at year-end. While the charity maintained a stable cash position, continued attention to funding diversification and cost control will be essential to support future sustainability.

It is the Policy of Toyhouse that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six months expenditure. The Trustees consider reserves of this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue Toyhouse current activities, whilst consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

Toyhouse continues to manage its resources responsibly, with a focus on sustainability and long-term impact. The Trustees are confident the charity is financially well-positioned to meet its commitments, and deliver its strategic objectives in the year ahead.

FUTURE PLANS

Looking ahead to 2025–2028, Toyhouse is committed to deepening its impact and sustainability as a trusted provider of early support and early intervention when appropriate, to families in Tower Hamlets. Our recently revised three year Strategy is centred on delivering effective, community-rooted services that address inequality, promote wellbeing, and strengthen positive parent-child relationships.

Details of key priorities can be found in the Strategy Document and include:

- Securing multi-year funding to support a range of quality service provision
- Maintaining our focused, home-based service for referred families of children with Special Needs and Disabilities;
- Enhancing service reach to all who may benefit
- Reducing health inequalities where appropriate across all service delivery
- Investing in local capacity by accessing opportunities for development of all people connected with Toyhouse

Toyhouse is actively seeking strategic partnerships with funders who share our vision for early intervention, community empowerment, and lasting social change.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The charity was formed on 25 March 1994, at that time is took over the activities, assets and liabilities of the previous unincorporated association of the same name, which had been set up in March 1979.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Toyhouse actively encourages nomination of those who have an active interest and connection with the charity, its Objectives and its services. Recruitment actively takes place prior to the AGM, when new Trustees can be appointed. As all appointments are for one year, all Trustees are invited to put themselves forward for re-election prior to each AGM.

Induction and training of new trustees

Once elected, new Trustees are matched with an existing Trustee for initial support and are provided with a folder containing Policies and other Documents relevant to being a Toyhouse Trustee. Trustees are encouraged to identify a project with which they wish to be linked, then they are expected to visit the project and meet with the staff concerned. The Trustees have a rolling process of identifying Trustee skills and also gaps. This leads to sourcing opportunities for Trustees to access relevant information sessions and training opportunities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

02912688 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1036738

Registered office

The Toy House Centre
92 St Pauls Way
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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

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for the year ended 31 March 2025

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General & Overheads		6,473	8	6,481	48,112
Parenting Programmes		-	108,875	108,875	41,909
EY Stay & Play Sessions		-	56,213	56,213	57,816
Toy Library Activities		-	16,047	16,047	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions		-	27,764	27,764	21,864
Volunteer Programmes		-	-	-	13,386
Total		6,473	208,907	215,380	189,328
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	(1,047)	(1,047)	-
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		31,120	(8)	31,112	(26,074)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		143,041	49,206	192,247	218,321
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		174,161	49,198	223,359	192,247

CONTINUING OPERATIONS
All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

BALANCE SHEET
31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	5,324	-	5,324	2,852
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	13,118	-	13,118	28,637
Cash at bank and in hand		160,145	190,448	350,593	361,364
		173,263	190,448	363,711	390,001
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(4,426)	(141,250)	(145,676)	(200,606)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		168,837	49,198	218,035	189,395
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		174,161	49,198	223,359	192,247
NET ASSETS		174,161	49,198	223,359	192,247
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				174,161	143,041
Restricted funds				49,198	49,206
TOTAL FUNDS				223,359	192,247

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for
(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 March 2025

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 16th September 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

V Whitehead (Sep 24, 2025 15:46:07 GMT+1)

Trustee - V Whitehead

R Lawrence (Sep 24, 2025 15:44:37 GMT+1)

Trustee - R Lawrence

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The financial statements are presented in sterling (£).

Income
All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.
- o income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- o legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- o income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or estimated resale value. Donated facilities are services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contributions of general volunteers.
- o income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a specific purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Computer equipment	-	33% on reducing balance

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Debtors
Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Cash at bank and in hand
Cash at bank and in hand includes cash, current bank accounts and deposit bank accounts with no withdrawal limitations.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where then charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Donations	8,436	9,655
Gift aid	1,109	1,491
	9,545	11,146

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Deposit account interest	14,363	5,265

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,707	963
Independent Examination	1,250	1,500

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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	11,146	-	11,146
Charitable activities			
General & Overheads	5,402	-	5,404
Parenting Programmes	-	41,908	41,908
EY Stay & Play Sessions	-	57,816	57,816
Toy Library Activities	-	6,241	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions	-	21,866	21,866
Volunteer Programmes	-	13,385	13,385
Investment income	5,265	-	5,265
Other income	225	-	225
Total	22,038	141,216	163,254
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General & Overheads	21,420	26,692	48,112
Parenting Programmes	-	41,909	41,909
EY Stay & Play Sessions	-	57,816	57,816
Toy Library Activities	-	6,241	6,241
Creative Cooking Sessions	-	21,864	21,864
Volunteer Programmes	-	13,386	13,386
Total	21,420	167,908	189,328
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	618	(26,692)	(26,074)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	142,423	75,898	218,321
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	143,041	49,206	192,247

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7. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Direct Charitable Activities	6	6
Administration	2	1
	8	7

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Key Management
The Trustees consider the roles of Manager, Deputy Manager and Finance Officer to be those of key management.

During the year the Key Management received remuneration totalling £95,625 in Gross Wages, £1,640 in Employers Pension Contributions and a further £9,430 was incurred in Employer's National Insurance.

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024	196,962	18,631	5,302	220,895
Additions	-	5,226	-	5,226
Disposals	-	(6,180)	-	(6,180)
At 31 March 2025	196,962	17,677	5,302	219,941
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	196,961	17,126	3,956	218,043
Charge for year	-	1,261	446	1,707
Eliminated on disposal	-	(5,133)	-	(5,133)
At 31 March 2025	196,961	13,254	4,402	214,617
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	1	4,423	900	5,324
At 31 March 2024	1	1,505	1,346	2,852

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other debtors	6,250	25,000
Prepayments and accrued income	6,868	3,637
	13,118	28,637

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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	42	-
Other creditors	173	-
Accruals and deferred income	143,207	198,081
Accrued expenses	2,254	2,525
	145,676	200,606

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	84,407	31,120	(12,132)	103,395
Premises Replacement Fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	-	12,132	50,766
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
	143,041	31,120	-	174,161
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	8	(8)	-	-
Running Costs	39,698	-	-	39,698
Other restricted funds	9,500	-	-	9,500
	49,206	(8)	-	49,198
TOTAL FUNDS	192,247	31,112	-	223,359

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	37,593	(6,473)	-	31,120
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	-	(8)	-	(8)
Cooking	27,764	(27,764)	-	-
Parenting	109,922	(108,875)	(1,047)	-
Stay & Play	56,213	(56,213)	-	-
Toy Library Service	16,047	(16,047)	-	-
	209,946	(208,907)	(1,047)	(8)
TOTAL FUNDS	247,539	(215,380)	(1,047)	31,112

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	83,789	618	84,407
Premises Replacement Fund	10,000	-	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	-	38,634
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	-	10,000
	142,423	618	143,041
Restricted funds			
Community Fund	8	-	8
Running Costs	66,390	(26,692)	39,698
Other restricted funds	9,500	-	9,500
	75,898	(26,692)	49,206
TOTAL FUNDS	218,321	(26,074)	192,247

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	22,038	(21,420)	618
Restricted funds			
Running Costs	-	(26,692)	(26,692)
Cooking	21,864	(21,864)	-
Parenting	41,909	(41,909)	-
Stay & Play	57,816	(57,816)	-
Toy Library Service	6,241	(6,241)	-
Volunteers Programme	13,386	(13,386)	-
	141,216	(167,908)	(26,692)
TOTAL FUNDS	163,254	(189,328)	(26,074)

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	83,789	31,738	(12,132)	103,395
Premises Replacement Fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	-	12,132	50,766
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	-	-	10,000
	142,423	31,738	-	174,161
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	8	(8)	-	-
Running Costs	66,390	(26,692)	-	39,698
Other restricted funds	9,500	-	-	9,500
	75,898	(26,700)	-	49,198
TOTAL FUNDS	218,321	5,038	-	223,359

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	59,631	(27,893)	-	31,738
Restricted funds				
Community Fund	-	(8)	-	(8)
Running Costs	-	(26,692)	-	(26,692)
Cooking	49,628	(49,628)	-	-
Parenting	151,831	(150,784)	(1,047)	-
Stay & Play	114,029	(114,029)	-	-
Toy Library Service	22,288	(22,288)	-	-
Volunteers Programme	13,386	(13,386)	-	-
	351,162	(376,815)	(1,047)	(26,700)
TOTAL FUNDS	410,793	(404,708)	(1,047)	5,038

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12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1036738

Accounts

TOYHOUSE MISSION STATEMENT

Toyhouse makes a difference.....
by supporting the wellbeing of families locally and throughout the community. With over 45years' experience of working with families through the medium of play, Toyhouse fosters attachment between parents and children, enabling them to interact together and share experiences. Toyhouse empowers individuals, families, volunteers and employees to develop the skills and resilience to achieve their aspirations.

.....early support for a better future

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Toyhouse Impact Report 2024

Building Firmer Foundations For Over 45 years

Enabling service delivery

Message from the Chair - Sue Cox

Like everyone else, Toyhouse has experienced significant challenges over the last few years. We emerged from a global pandemic to an environment of cutbacks and reduced funding streams, while realising the need for Toyhouse services was increasing, with local families facing difficulties of re-engaging with the wider community during a cost-of-living crisis.
To manage this situation Toyhouse established a new Strategy for 22-25, with a key focus on 'Listening to the Local Community'. Senior staff have worked tirelessly to identify and apply for funding; with support of dedicated committee members plus input from staff and users, we have reviewed and adapted our services to ensure we meet the needs of local families. The Impact Report highlights the range of wonderful services delivered by Toyhouse over the last year.

Due to hard work, dedication, and resilience of the amazing Toyhouse staff team, our brilliant Sure STEPs Peer Support workers and volunteers; alongside generosity of both old and new funders who contribute to Toyhouse, we are still active; so now we look to the future. In the light of this, we have employed two new part time Project Workers. These staff enable us to extend and develop our range of services, ensuring we continue to 'make a difference' for local families. this is my last message as Chair as my circumstances have changed and I no longer live in Tower Hamlets. It has been my privilege to be involved with Toyhouse on and off over the last 30 years - as a user with my own children, committee member, and then Chair. It is a fantastic organisation to be involved with and I would recommend it to anyone thinking of joining the committee. I end with a big THANK YOU to everyone involved with Toyhouse – keep up the fantastic work.

Management Committee Members:

Patron:	Cath Armstrong
Chair:	Sue Cox
Treasurer:	Val Whitehead
Vice Chair:	Sian Harris
Secretary:	Joy Hastings
	Kalsoom Khan
	Toby Evans
	Zenith Rahman
	Halon Iqbal
	Renee Lawrence
	Fatimah Jobber

Senior Staff Members

Pip Pinhorn:	Manager
Julie Morgan:	Deputy Manager
Mohammad Selim:	Finance Officer

Co-ordinator: Supporting Young Families: Service & Strategy
Tugela Barnes

Play & Family Support Team
Afia Begum, Dilara Begum & Natasha Forbes

Project Wokers:
Hena Begum & Mumtaz Begum

Partnerships & Funders

Save the Children
Supporting Toyhouse with events

Funding from Postcode Society supported our Sure STEPs Programme

BBC Children in Need funded us to run after-school sessions for children on healthy lifestyles

LBTH Mayors Community Fund grant for Toy Library Support work & Cook, Community & Culture

ELBA: Supporting Christmas events

LBTH Children & Family Centres commissioned Toyhouse to run Physical Play sessions,

Awards 4 All: Funding to pilot our new Early Years Active Play Project

A Small Grant from Wakefield & Tetley to support our core operating cost

Toyhouse makes a difference

Our Thanks to those who have helped Toyhouse this year:

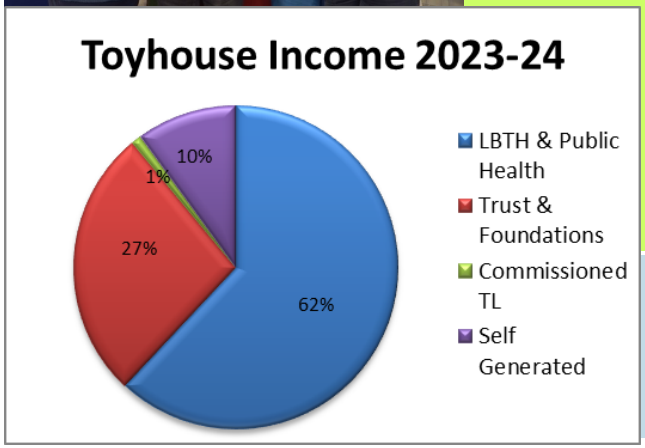
Individual Donors / Gift Aid pledges
ELBA
Gateway Housing
Travis Perkins
James Noe
Ken Morgan
Family & Friends of Staff & Management Committee members
Voluntary Sector Children's Forum
Wakefield & Tetley Trust
Cath & Bob Armstrong
Postcode Society Trust
Mile End Play Pavilion
Morgan Stanley
Start4Life programme
British Land

Volunteers & Peer Supporters
East End Community Foundation
TH Children & Family Centre Hubs
LB Tower Hamlets Mayors Community Grant Programme
BBC Children in Need
Barclays
National Lottery Awards for All
Save the Children
St Hilda's Community Centre
St Paul's Way Medical Centre
Donators of used toys
CAF/Give As You Earn/Just Giving
Blue Lizard
Canary Wharf
Harca

A complete set of Annual Accounts is available from Toyhouse

Message from the Treasurer: Val Whitehead

This year we have increased our income & reduced our deficit & we have had significant successes in recent funding bids so that the prospects for the next year look very positive, however we will still face challenges ahead in continuing this trend in the longer term. Many thanks to all the hard work from our dedicated staff & volunteers for all their work & to our generous funders and donors who make this possible



Over 3000 people have been involved in Toyhouse services during the last year

The Toyhouse Centre

WHAT A YEAR IT HAS BEEN!!!

Since its inception 45 years ago, Toyhouse has always held the needs of the youngest children and their parents as central to service provision. Over the years, research evidence has increasingly demonstrated just how important it is to start as well as possible – to build ***Firm Foundations***, when building both tower blocks and human beings! The Central Government launch of the "Start for Life" initiative in March 2021 was recognition of the need to prioritise the **First 1001 Days**, but sadly took 2 years to become an emerging reality locally. I distinctly remember being invited to my first meeting in March 2023, since when the pace of day-to-day Toyhouse working life has been relentless. We were trilled and relieved to be awarded funding in late 2023; and so 2024 has been incredibly busy; rolling out the range of services we are now funded to deliver, and which you can read about in this **Impact Report**. Toyhouse needed to be both agile and tenacious, driven by our commitment to be supported financially, enabled to facilitate appropriate services that address needs preventively - even ***before they first emerge***; - rather than later, when problems are deeply embedded and harder to unravel. Now we need to secure funding over a longer time period so we can focus on *service delivery* rather than the need constantly to replenish our coffers. Meeting the needs of the new generation deserves nothing less!

Some interesting Stats about Toyhouse & our services:

- **19% are White British**
- **36% are European**
- **27% are Bangladeshi**
- **37% are Asian**

Community Toy Libraries

TOY LIBRARIES

We were pleased to be awarded funding from the **Mayor's Community Grants Programme**, enabling us to provide support to 12 community Toy Libraries currently delivering play & toy loan services for local families. Toy Library provision closed for 18 months during the pandemic then, via an Innovation Grant from Save the Children Fund, we were able to provide *direct* support so 6 were enabled to re-launch; the others were gradually able to re-open via significant voluntary effort. For the last year, *this* Grant has enabled us to provide face2face support plus training to new Librarians; also we provide advice via email or phone. A Newsletter is now a feature and wear & tear replacement of some stock is in the pipeline. Toy Libraries for pre-schoolers facilitate a wonderful setting to support early learning, develop social skills plus encouragement for language acquisition.

Supporting Toy Libraries: Pip & Julie

– 'It's so helpful him coming to Toyhouse, when he gets home I can see the confidence. It's good for him to play and meet other children.' (T & S)

We have 12 Member Toy Libraries: 6 are based in schools; 2 in Special Schools; 1 in an Idea Store; 3 in Voluntary & Community settings.

A new look for the Toyhouse Centre

The Toyhouse Centre has been included in a street art project to brighten up St Paul's Way. A big Thank you to Harca, Global Street Art & Gateway. The feedback from families has been very positive

Volunteering

East London Business Alliance

Over many years Toyhouse has been very fortunate to be support by ELBA supporting Toyhouse Via Team Challenges this has always made an amazing difference to many families

James Noe & Family

For many years James & his family have generously donated toys for local families. We continue to be very grateful for the generous gifts, chosen by his children, & given to the children we work with.

British Land

Two teams of volunteers from British Land joined Toyhouse. On a lovely sunny day in June the first took families on a trip to Greenwich Park and the second team gave the Toyhouse Centre a fresh coat of paint, making it look much brighter. Opportunities like this are really important to Toyhouse and the families we work with, providing new experiences for both children & adults alike.

Barclays Bank

Toyhouse was very grateful to staff at Barclays for their generosity in donating toys for the families we are working with. With budgets tight there is little spare money for those extras. Everyone was really thrilled when boxes were delivered to the Toyhouse Centre.
The children and families who received the toys were thrilled & we received so much positive feedback and thank you cards from the children.

Volunteering @ Toyhouse Project

Toyhouse is very fortunate to have an active group of volunteers supporting many of our projects. This enables Toyhouse to offer a wider range of services to more local families.
All our volunteers are parents and live in the local community, providing a more personal link and connections for the families we support.

Active Peer Support Volunteers

Elisa, Iishita, Kate, Mumtaz, Zoe & Hena

Volunteering @ Toyhouse

Nazmin, Shazna, Shakara, Leonilyn, Sume, & Ayesha

Family Wellbeing-Physical

ACTIVE PHYSICAL PLAY

Physical Play is essential for a child developing balance, coordination, reaction time, building stronger muscles and improving emotional & mental wellbeing. Active Physical Play runs twice a week throughout the year and provides a safe environment for parents & their young children to explore a range of equipment & opportunities. Importantly it is somewhere very young children can safely 'take risks pushing & extending existing skills.

Facilitated by experienced staff who can support parents & children both within the session and by offering information to extend their knowledge of Play in the local area.. Held every Mon 10-12 noon & Wed 1-3pm

At St Hilda's Community Centre.

Afia, Dilara, Natasha & Volunteer Shazna

EARLY YEARS ACTIVE PLAY

Offering all the fun and benefits of our Active Physical Play session, but run at the opposite end of the borough in the Play Pavilion, Mile End Park. Early Years Active Play has the benefit of being located in a large play area enabling families access to an extensive outside play space, in addition to the purpose built Play Pavilion. This project runs in term time Mon & Wed10-11.30

Staff: Natasha & Dilara

Volunteers: Nazmin, & Ayeshea

We are please to announce Awards 4 All are now funding this project, enabling local families ongoing opportunities to support their well-being and meet others from the local community

Connecting with the local community

Both Active Play sessions offer Toyhouse the opportunity to reach the wider community. Being based at opposite ends of the borough enables us to listen to more families, hearing their views and ideas on what they would like to see for their young children

Benefits for Early Learning

STORIES, SONGS & RHYMES

This fun, energetic session remains popular with families. Each week, a new story is introduced and retold together using sounds and actions. There are parachute games, puppets, nursery rhymes, musical instruments and dancing! The session has been planned to maximise communication between parents and their babies and toddlers, in a playful and enjoyable way, as a way of boosting children's language skills and parental confidence. Concerns about young children's speech, language and communication delay after the Covid-19 pandemic have been widely reported for several years. Most recently, there is a reported rise in the number of children missing communication milestones at age 12 months, causing concern locally and nationally. It was with this in mind that Stories, Songs & Rhymes has now been tailored to be part of the Bright Beginnings initiative with LBTH's GP Care Group. In addition to the usual hour of lively, interactive storytelling and music, we now offer an extra, targeted half-hour for referred families whose children have concerns raised about their speech & language development.

Facilitator: Tugela & Natasha

INVITED TO STAY & PLAY

This weekly session, for invited and referred families, provided an opportunity to play and make social connections in a smaller group, bringing parents from across communities together. Sessions enabled manageable, small-group socialising between parents and children when many remained nervous of larger social gatherings post-Covid. It provided valuable opportunities for babies and young children to interact, developing speech, language and play skills supported by parent and a variety of play resources. Parents received consistent, emotional and psychological support from the facilitators. Crucially, parents were able to support each other, sharing advice and experiences. This session has been particularly valuable for families who have faced additional challenges during the first years of parenthood, who have benefitted from the consistent and sensitive support of Toyhouse workers and trained Peer Support Volunteers. **Tugela & Mumtaz PSV**

With n NEW funding via Bright Beginnings from September we have introduced a new session for referred families with children 9mths-18mths with a identified developmental delay at the 12 month check.

Listening to the youngest Children

BABY SENSORY & RHYME TIME

The ever-popular Baby Sensory & Rhyme Time session runs weekly and welcomes parents & carers with pre-crawling babies. Each session, our community room is transformed into a cosy sensory play space, with a changing variety of high-quality toys and sensory play resources. Each session ends with a lively round of nursery rhymes and songs, accompanied by lots of delighted baby squeals! The session offers a peaceful, welcoming environment for parents & babies to play, relax and make vital social connections in the early days of parenthood. Many families return weekly and form supportive friendships during this session. We offer calming classical music, gentle lighting, as well as home-made cake and hot drinks for parents. As one mum told us: '*it's been a lifeline, especially in those early weeks when you're not sleeping, you've not eaten, you can come here and be taken care of for an hour*'. Feedback from families tells us that they value the small size of the group, which allows them to build meaningful, lasting relationships with Toyhouse staff & other families.

Tugela & Sume

Dad – 'We've really loved it here at **Story, Songs & Rhymes,** it's her favourite session. You've been incredible.'

'Toyhouse has been amazing. In my darkest hour, I could come and sit here, and know A would be cared for, and be surrounded by love. It has been a real life line' (R & A)

BABY MASSAGE

Toyhouse has 3 members of staff who hold the International Association of Infant Massage qualification. Our courses have proved very popular with many new parents being recommended by those who have previously completed the course. Our partnership work with St Pauls' Way MC enables us to reach new families pre-& post birth we aim to run Baby Massage classes 6 times per year.

Touch is the first sense to develop and the last to leave us. Encouraging parents to use "nurturing touch" on their baby strengthens the bond between them; Baby Massage courses show parents the strokes for a full massage, discussion time builds peer support networks and friendships, with many finding this the first time they are able to meet other local parents and build social networks.

Julie, Pip & Afia (Certified Infant Massage Instructors)

Wellbeing

Creative Cook Club & Summer Workshops

A fun healthier lifestyle project, running afterschool for primary aged children together with their parents/ carers and interests. Each week they are able to explore healthy alternatives to high sugar/fat foods, from across the world. With the children deciding what to cook, including ways to adapt these to healthier ingredients, cooking methods.

In the summer holidays the project is adapted to workshops, enabling more children to access, making use of local open spaces for play & games. Cook Club has supported Toyhouse to hear the views and ideas of local primary age children, helping us shape services to meet local needs and interests. This project is incredibly popular and we always have a waiting list for the courses and workshops. **Facilitators: Afia & Julie**

"Sorry Meabh and I missed the Cook, Community group party, it was such a special lovely group with great people. Natasha & Lyn made it all come together in such an inclusive, caring atmosphere where it felt so nice and safe to share our stories. One of the best things I've done since Motherhood". Love & Thanks Meabh & Lou

Cook, Community & Culture Course

Funded by LBTH Mayors Community Fund, this project will aim to bring a wide range of parents with pre-school children plus people aged over 50yrs in a 5-week course during which they will explore a variety of ways in which we might appear to be different. We will bring people together through the medium of food across cultures, both day to day and celebratory events, with the aim of building wider understand and stronger links within the local community. Participants will take their experiences and learning back to their own family and community building wider understand, social connections & friendships

Facilitator: Natasha.
Volunteers: Lyn & Shakara

Partnerships

Toyhouse has had a longstanding link with **St Paul's Way Medical Centre**. We have been working in partnership with them, providing **Play & Information** session in the waiting area during the ante-natal clinic and the baby 6-8 week cheek sessions. These sessions have been very successful in reaching families at the earliest points

"I have never worked with the Toyhouse, but have heard great things from my team"
Practice Manager, St Andrews Health Centre!

Save the Children invited Toyhouse families to the launch of Lego Christmas event. Traveling by mini bus to the Lego flagship store in Leicester Square, great fun was had by all.

Over 3000 people have been involved in Toyhouse services during the last year

Reaching the community

- 2279 child users, 58% boys & 42% girls
- 1491 total adult users with 10% of these being male carers
- 1535 total users are of Asian origin – 40%
- 647 users are White British;17% total users
- There are 80 Facilitators (many are volunteers)

For a second year Toyhouse have been very fortunate to work in partnership with the **Half Moon Theatre** offering more varied opportunities for families at the Toyhouse Centre, their Creative workshops for families with pre-school children were a great success. They were able to explore, themed movement, story & songs &the families really enjoyed the sessions. All were given the chance to attend a theatre performance.

Video Interaction Guidance (VIG)

This year, Tugela has been training to deliver Video Interaction Guidance (VIG), a strengths-based intervention designed to promote quality, attuned interactions between parents and very young children. Research shows that attunement between caregiver and child in the first 1001 days is vital to laying firm foundations for children's learning, development and emotional wellbeing.

Sure STEPs Peer Suport

SURE STEPS & THE PEER SUPPORT VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME

Our trained Peer Support Volunteers (PSVs) have continued to support local families. We have made several successful new matches this year. Participating families face a variety of challenges, most notably high levels of anxiety, which we continue to see in unprecedented levels since the Covid-19 pandemic. Families are often also socially isolated, especially those who are single parents or have children with additional needs. Therefore, the flexible, informal support offered by our PSVs can make a real difference. Support is offered either over the phone – via text message or calls – or in person, encouraging isolated families to get out and about in the local area, or accompanying them to sessions at Toyhouse.

PEER SUPPORT TRAINING

Toyhouse held 2 training courses for those wanting to become Peer Support Volunteers (PSV). The first course was in November-December and the second during April-May and resulted in 12 people completing the training and some now actively involved in supporting local families. The course runs for 8 session, exploring areas mums-to-be and new families may be struggling with, reasons for these difficulties and how they can offer support. Our next course is due to start in October.

Pip, Julie & Tugela

"If I could do this course at Toyhouse over and over again, I wouldn't think twice! It's a safe, inclusive, fun, sad, happy – and pretty much all!"
Mellow parent

*"Thank you so much for all the support, knowledge, kindness, gifts and cake you have given us in the over the past year – in **Baby Group, Massage, Story & Rhyme time.** Coming to Toyhouse has helped me connect to the community & feel more confident as a new parent"*

EARLY SUPPORT

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

'In the spring, Toyhouse was approached and asked whether we could offer sessions for families who had been identified as likely to benefit from a group work input, in particular focusing on opportunities to develop social communication, speech & skills. Following discussion within the team, we presented 4 possible options! Some linked to universal services, whilst others are wholly targeted. The first launched in The Toyhouse Centre in August, outlined elsewhere in this report as it is a variation on "Stories, Songs and Rhymes" – an instantly successful session!

The second session, again in The Toyhouse Centre, launched in the early autumn, is a play session for referred families, during which we show short film clips and provide other information to support parents increased understanding of the importance of communication and interaction with their young child.

We plan to start session 3 & 4 later in the autumn, basing them elsewhere in the Borough, but linked to universal services Toyhouse delivers.

We are pleased to be working with the **Bright Beginnings** team on this Pilot programme and hope to contribute to positive outcomes; both for the families and for the research!

Special Early Family Support

This is a new development, funded via the Central Government "**Start for Life**" Programme, but linked to work Toyhouse previously undertook for 15years via the Home Visiting Mobile Toy Library service, for the families of pre school aged children with special needs. This new service can receive referrals for those identified at the 20week scan, or later, who either have a named, or as yet unnamed, cause of developmental delay. The service provides emotional support to the parents in their home, plus relevant toys & resources to encourage their interactive play & engagement with the child. The project aims to reduce isolation, promoting the well-being of parents, despite the challenges of caring for a baby with additional needs.

Pip, Mumtaz & Hena

<u>Baby Sensory & Rhyme Time</u>

'There's nothing else like it in Tower Hamlets Everyone is so welcoming and friendly.' – mum

Mellow Parenting
PROMOTING PARENT CHILD RELATIONSHIPS

START 4 LIFE

MELLOW PARENTING

When funding became available via the **Start for Life** programme, Toyhouse was delighted to be able to continue our annual facilitation of the in-depth, for the 14x weekly, whole day session, Mellow course for parents, together with their pre school aged child; but with a specific focus on babies & toddlers aged 6-24months. Toyhouse has 3 staff qualified to facilitate Mellow and the 2024 course, run by Tugela & Pip, began recruiting at the turn of the year, running from March-July, beginning with 9 families. The end of course evaluation yielded both very positive comments & statistics, but also the 7 participants who finished all recorded significant positive improvement in their parenting strategies leading to increased confidence & satisfaction in their parenting role! The next Mellow Parents course launches in November 2024 & we already have nearly a full cohort!

Course Facilitators: Pip, Tugela & Julie
Children's Group: Afia & Natasha
Parent Volunteer: Sume

MELLOW BUMPS & BUMPS +

Toyhouse has been funded to continue offering Mellow Bumps this year, with one 6-week course delivered successfully, another started in September. This highly regarded course is evidence-based, which focuses on antenatal bonding with baby, emotional aspects of becoming a mother, and new-born development. The course is especially useful for vulnerable pregnant women, working closely with referring professionals such as Perinatal Mental Health services, Gateway Midwives & Children's Social Care throughout the course. We also welcome self-referrals. This year, extending support to participants by offering Mellow Bumps Plus, a sensory stay & play session for MB families after babies have arrived. Facilitated by the same staff who delivered the course, this small, welcoming session filled with familiar faces has become a lifeline for more vulnerable families. Some of our Mellow Bumps Plus families have faced homelessness, relationship breakdown or ongoing health conditions, but continue to attend as regularly as possible. We look forward to welcoming a new cohort of Mellow Bumps Plus families . **Facilitators: Tugela & Natasha**

Advice from a parent on the Mellow Parenting course:

"You should definitely go on this (Mellow Parenting) course; it will be a rollercoaster journey of enlightenment, laughter, tears, joy and fun. You will meet other parents that may, or may not, be going through the same as you; - but you will definitely <u>learn</u>, whether it's about <u>You</u>, your <u>child</u>, or your <u>family</u>."

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 02912688
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1036738

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Company Limited by Guarantee

Unaudited Financial Statements

31 March 2024

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Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

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Financial Statements

Year ended 31 March 2024

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Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)

Year ended 31 March 2024

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets
Charity registration number	1036738
Company registration number	02912688
Principal office and registered office	The Toyhouse Centre 92 St Pauls Way Bow London E3 4AL

The trustees

Tugela Barnes	(Resigned 17 October 2023)
Sue Cox	
Toby Evans	
Valerie Whitehead	
Joy Hastings	
Halon Iqbal	
Zenith Rahman	
Kalsoom Khan	
Sian Harris	
H Khatun	(Resigned 17 October 2023)
Fatimah Jobber	(Appointed 17 October 2023)
Renne Lawrence	(Appointed 17 October 2023)
Wenkana LU	(Appointed 17 October 2023)

Independent examiner	Jones & Graham Accountants Ltd 45 Vale Street DENBIGH Denbighshire LL16 3AH

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee formed on 25 March 1994. At that time it took over the activities, assets and liabilities of the previous unincorporated association of the same name, which had been set up in March 1979.

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are to provide and assist in the provision of facilities for children, and adults with special educational needs, primarily in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for their recreation, especially through the provision of therapeutic and educational toys with the object of improving their conditions of life.The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are to support individual member groups in Tower Hamlets and there has been no change in these during the year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Strategic report

The following sections for achievements and performance and financial review form the strategic report of the charity.

Achievements and performance

Details of the activities, achievements and performance of the charity are set out in the separate Annual Report.

Financial review

The financial transactions of the charity during the year and the financial position at the end of the year are set out in the attached accounts and are reviewed in the separate Annual Report. The trustees consider the financial position to be satisfactory.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. They intend to keep this matter under regular review.

The trustees' annual report and the strategic report were approved on 17th Sept 24 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Valerie Whitehead
Trustee

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Independent Examiner
Jones & Graham Accountants Ltd
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Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

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Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	5	11,144	–	11,144	9,564
Charitable activities	6	5,404	141,213	146,617	128,040
Investment income	7	5,265	–	5,265	2,407
Other income	8	225	–	225	–
Total income		22,038	141,213	163,251	140,011
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	9,10	21,420	167,905	189,325	176,268
Total expenditure		21,420	167,905	189,325	176,268
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		618	(26,692)	(26,074)	(36,257)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		142,423	75,898	218,321	254,578
Total funds carried forward		143,041	49,206	192,247	218,321

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 6 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Company Limited by Guarantee

Statement of Financial Position

31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	**16**	2,852	3,095
Current assets			
Debtors	**17**	28,637	19,707
Cash at bank and in hand		361,364	215,706
		390,001	235,413
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**18**	200,606	20,187
Net current assets		189,395	215,226
Total assets less current liabilities		192,247	218,321
Net assets		192,247	218,321
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		49,206	75,898
Unrestricted funds		143,041	142,423
Total charity funds	**22**	192,247	218,321

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 17th Sept 24, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Valerie Whitehead
Trustee

Sian Harris
Trustee

The notes on pages 6 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is The Toyhouse Centre, 92 St Pauls Way, Bow, London, E3 4AL.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

3. **Accounting policies** *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

3. **Accounting policies** *(continued)*

Tangible assets *(continued)*

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold property	-	Over length of lease (15 years)
Plant and machinery	-	25% reducing balance
Equipment	-	33% reducing balance

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

4. Limited by guarantee

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year, apart from the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs in connection with attendance at committee meetings.

5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations				
Donations and gifts	11,144	11,144	9,564	9,564

6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Performance-related grants	5,404	141,213	146,617
Sales within Charitable activity	–	–	–
	5,404	141,213	146,617

6. Charitable activities *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Performance-related grants	–	124,341	124,341
Sales within Charitable activity	3,699	–	3,699
	3,699	124,341	128,040

7. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	5,265	5,265	2,407	2,407

8. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Other income	225	225	–	–

9. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024 £**
Family Health and Wellbeing	2,573	62,436	65,009
Early Years and Family Activities	(2,896)	46,574	43,678
Support costs	21,743	58,895	80,638
	21,420	167,905	189,325

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Family Health and Wellbeing	4,477	31,174	35,650
Early Years and Family Activities	10,656	69,245	79,899
Support costs	36,792	23,924	60,719
	51,925	124,343	176,268

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	**Total funds 2024**	Total fund 2023
	£	£	£	£
Family Health and Wellbeing	65,009	43,459	108,468	53,887
Early Years and Family Activities	43,678	35,558	79,236	120,678
Governance costs	–	1,621	1,621	1,703
	108,687	80,638	189,325	176,268

11. Analysis of support costs

	Family Health and Wellbeing	Early Years and Family Activities	**Total 2024**	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	22,971	18,794	41,765	21,788
Governance costs	891	729	1,620	1,700
Depreciation	530	433	963	1,649
Premises and insurance	12,894	10,550	23,444	27,837
Administrative expenses	7,065	5,781	12,846	7,743
	44,351	36,287	80,638	60,717

12. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	963	1,649

13. Independent examination fees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	1,500	1,440

14. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	138,233	119,258
Social security costs	4,864	7,707
Employer contributions to pension plans	1,439	2,210
	144,536	129,175

14. Staff costs *(continued)*

The average head count of employees during the year was 7 (2023: 7).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

15. Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year, apart from the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs in connection with attendance at committee meetings.

16. Tangible fixed assets

	Long leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Equipment £	**Total £**
Cost				
At 1 Apr 2023	196,962	18,631	4,582	220,175
Additions	–	–	720	720
At 31 Mar 2024	196,962	18,631	5,302	220,895
Depreciation				
At 1 Apr 2023	196,961	16,628	3,491	217,080
Charge for the year	–	498	465	963
At 31 Mar 2024	196,961	17,126	3,956	218,043
Carrying amount				
At 31 Mar 2024	1	1,505	1,346	2,852
At 31 Mar 2023	1	2,003	1,091	3,095

17. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	25,000	15,450
Prepayments and accrued income	2,031	2,111
Other debtors	1,606	2,146
	28,637	19,707

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals and deferred income	200,606	20,187

19. Deferred income

	2024	2023
	£	£
At 1 April 2023	17,396	17,396
Amount deferred in year	180,685	519
At 31 March 2024	198,081	17,915

20. Pensions and other post retirement benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £1,439 (2023: £2,210).

21. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Recognised in creditors:		
Deferred government grants due within one year	198,081	17,915

22. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 Mar 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	83,789	22,038	(21,420)	–	84,407
Premises replacement fund	10,000	–	–	–	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	38,634	–	–	–	38,634
Office equipment replacement fund	10,000	–	–	–	10,000
	142,423	22,038	(21,420)	–	143,041

	At 1 Apr 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 Mar 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	92,694	15,670	(51,925)	27,350	83,789
Premises replacement fund	15,000	–	–	(5,000)	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	55,984	–	–	(17,350)	38,634
Office equipment replacement fund	15,000	–	–	(5,000)	10,000
	178,678	15,670	(51,925)	–	142,423

22. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 Mar 2024 £
Community Fund **	8	–	–	–	8
Childrens Centres	–	–	–	–	–
Running costs	66,390	–	(26,692)	–	39,698
Cooking	–	21,864	(21,864)	–	–
Parenting	–	41,908	(41,908)	–	–
Stay & Play	–	57,815	(57,815)	–	–
Toy Library Service	–	6,241	(6,241)	–	–
Volunteers Programme	–	13,385	(13,385)	–	–
Other restricted funds	9,500	–	–	–	9,500
	75,898	141,213	(167,905)	–	49,206

	At 1 Apr 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 Mar 2023 £
Community Fund **	10	–	(2)	–	8
Childrens Centres	–	45,058	(45,058)	–	–
Running costs	66,400	76,283	(76,293)	–	66,390
Cooking	–	–	–	–	–
Parenting	–	–	–	–	–
Stay & Play	–	–	–	–	–
Toy Library Service	–	–	–	–	–
Volunteers Programme	–	–	–	–	–
Other restricted funds	9,490	3,000	(2,990)	–	9,500
	75,900	124,341	(124,343)	–	75,898

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Company Limited by Guarantee

Management Information

Year ended 31 March 2024

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Company Limited by Guarantee

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations and gifts	11,144	9,564
Charitable activities		
Performance-related grants	146,617	124,341
Sales within Charitable activity	–	3,699
	146,617	128,040
Investment income		
Interest receivable	5,265	2,407
Other income		
Other income	225	–
Total income	163,251	140,011
Expenditure		
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Wages and salaries	138,233	119,258
Employer's NIC	4,864	7,707
Pension costs	1,439	2,210
Other establishment	23,444	27,838
Legal and professional fees	1,621	1,658
Other office costs	17,650	7,742
Depreciation	962	1,649
Direct charitable expenditure	1,112	8,206
	189,325	176,268
Total expenditure	189,325	176,268
Net expenditure	(26,074)	(36,257)

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Family Health and Wellbeing		
Activities undertaken directly		
Wages and salaries	55,464	25,727
Social security costs	3,661	4,399
Staff pension costs	832	1,237
Administrative expenses	4,058	–
Direct charitable expenditure	994	4,287
	65,009	35,650
Support costs		
Wages and salaries	22,971	6,732
Premises and insurance costs	12,894	8,602
Administrative expenses	7,065	2,392
Depreciation	529	511
	43,459	18,237
Early Years and Family Activities		
Activities undertaken directly		
Wages and salaries	41,004	71,744
Social security costs	1,203	3,308
Staff pension costs	607	973
Administrative expenses	746	–
Direct charitable expenditure	118	3,874
	43,678	79,899
Support costs		
Wages and salaries	18,794	15,055
Premises and insurance costs	10,550	19,236
Administrative expenses	5,781	5,350
Depreciation	433	1,138
	35,558	40,779
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	1,621	1,440
Legal and other professional fees	–	218
Governance costs	–	45
	1,621	1,703
Expenditure on charitable activities	189,325	176,268

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Company Limited by Guarantee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets

Year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Independent Examiner
Jones & Graham Accountants Ltd
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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1036738

Accounts

Toyhouse Impact Report 2023

Listening to the Community For over 44 years

Enabling service delivery

Message from the Chair

In 2023 Toyhouse has been focusing on delivering the refreshed TOYHOUSE STRATEGY 2022-2025 which we launched at last year's AGM. Our strategic goals were established in consultation with service users, staff, volunteers, management committee & 'Listening to the Local Community' as we have developed these services in line with our strategic goals. We are all aware that we are living through a cost-of-living crisis with more families being forced to use Food Banks and finding it increasingly difficult to manage on fixed incomes. In these circumstances it is vital that we are listening to our service users and responding to their needs. So, we continue to develop and deliver our services like the 'Meals and Deals Cook Course' that focus on cooking healthy food and sharing ideas to make the budget go further.

Families tell us not only how helpful courses like this are at this difficult time, but also having a friendly supportive place to go and meet other parents. Responding to the needs of local families is an important feature of Toyhouse services, therefore 'Listening to the Local Community' is the theme of this year's AGM and will continue to be a key focus for TOYHOUSE in 2024.

This year's Impact Report highlights how the hard working and dedicated team at TOYHOUSE continues to deliver a range of services that 'Make a Difference' for local families. All of which is made possible by the Trusts and Funders who support Toyhouse.

Sue Cox Chair

Management Committee Members:

Patron:	Cath Armstrong
Chair:	Sue Cox
Treasurer:	Val Whitehead
Vice Chair:	Sian Harris
Secretary:	Joy Hastings
	Kalsoom Khan
	Toby Evans
	Zenith Rahman
	Halon Iqbal
	Hasina Khatun

Senior Staff Members

Pip Pinhorn:	Manager
Julie Morgan:	Deputy Manager
Mohammad Selim:	Finance Officer

Co-ordinator: Supporting Young Families: Service & Strategy
Tugela Barnes

Play & Family Support Team

Afia Begum, Dilara Begum & Natasha Forbes

The Toyhouse Centre

Message from the Patron

The Toyhouse Centre was opened in January 2007. Prior to that, from its inception in 1979, it had operated from three different locations, none of which allowed for services to be offered directly to families. In addition the buildings were shared with other organisations, which resulted in limitations on **what** could be offered & **when** services could be delivered.

When planning and fundraising for the building it was always referred to as The Toyhouse Centre. When nearing completion and reflecting about the name our architect said 'Why change it - Toyhouse is at the centre of the community' He was right. That is what the Toyhouse team, supported by the Management Committee, strives to do on a daily basis.

The chance to be able to hold play sessions for children and their parents, training sessions for both staff and volunteers and, not least, answer the door to an interested or anxious parent enquiring about sessions or toys, was made possible by working in the centre of the community. Right from the early days Toy libraries were based on the concept of community ownership. Toyhouse has ensured that it is at the centre of the community and for the benefit of those who live there.

Cath Armstrong Patron

Some interesting Stats about Toyhouse & our services:

- 3850 total users across 28 Member Groups
- 396 users declare they have SEND: 43% are boys
- 2279 child users, 58% boys & 42% girls

Community Toy Libraries

Toy Libraries

Toyhouse was founded 44 years ago when the first community Toy Library was established in Shadwell, as a response to the wishes of local residents, who wanted safe & stimulating indoor space to meet with others. They said they wanted their children to have access to good quality toys & play resources – and then the families hit on the idea that, if their children could **borrow** the toys they could take them home & extend the play across the week, engaging other family and friends in the fun!

The idea of toys being owned by the Toy Library community, rather than by individuals, is a great way to "Reduce; Re-use & Recycle"! Ask any child in the Toy Library & they will tell you they want to choose a toy to take home! As the economic challenges intensify, this is now a great way to avoid unnecessary expenditure ***and*** to have fun and playful learning.

Following the successful reopening of 6 Toy Libraries in the North West locality of the Borough via an **Innovation grant from Save the Children Fund** during the post pandemic school year 2021 – 2022, it has been a challenge to maintain their level of operation through the last year as Toyhouse received no funding to support them and the 6 other Toy Libraries across Tower Hamlets. Added to this, our youngest children, together with the parents & carers, have been more hesitant than used to be the norm, to come out and join in communal activities. For many, there has been a noticeable reduction in social skills & quite a few have delay in language acquisition. Harnessing this information, Toyhouse applied to the **Mayor's Community Grants Programme** to support early learning & we understand funding has been agreed **Supporting Toy Libraries: Pip & Julie**

Partnership Working

Following conversations with local families, Toyhouse has been lucky enough to work in partnership with 2 other organisations, offering more varied opportunities for families at the Toyhouse Centre.

HALF MOON THEATRE: Creative workshops for families with pre-school children were a great success. They were able to explore, themed movement, story & songs. All were given the chance to attend a theatre performance.

ARTBURST: Families were able to try out lots of different art based activities, with even the youngest children able to take part. Again, each session was themed and used songs, movement and art to build a story. Everyone involved found this to be a very positive experience and we hope to be able to repeat it again very soon. **Julie**

Benefits for Early Learning

Stories, Songs & Rhymes

Held at the Toyhouse Centre, families with children, from babies to pre-schoolers, came along to join a fun hour of interactive storytelling, parachute games, songs, music, rhymes and more. Recent research has revealed the detrimental effects that the pandemic and restriction measures have had on young children's speech, language and communication. The session has been designed to meet needs raised by local parents. Encouraging skills, and provide simple ideas for parents to use at home. Parents have told us they have enjoyed learning new songs to sing at home, and discovered new books and stories from the session. Families of older pre-schoolers said that it was good practice for getting ready for school, and a great opportunity to practise listening, joining in and socialising.

Facilitator: Tugela

Stories, Songs & Rhymes was piloted in the summer term via Toyhouse reserves. We were delighted when **Wakefield & Tetley Trust** then awarded us a "Fast Track Grant" to run this weekly session for the upcoming year.

Invited 2 Stay and Play

This weekly session, for invited and referred families, provided an opportunity to play and make social connections in a smaller group, bringing parents from across communities together. Sessions enabled manageable, small-group socialising between parents and children when many remained nervous of larger social gatherings post-Covid. It provided valuable opportunities for babies and young children to interact, developing speech, language and play skills supported by parent and a variety of play resources. Parents received consistent, emotional and psychological support from the facilitators. Crucially, parents were able to support each other, sharing advice and experiences. This session has been particularly valuable for families who have faced additional challenges during the first years of parenthood, who have benefitted from the consistent and sensitive support of Toyhouse workers and trained Peer Support Volunteers.

Tugela & Mumtaz PSV

Listening to the youngest Children

Baby Sensory & Rhyme Time

This remains a popular group for parents and carers in the early stages of parenthood, with many returning weekly for many months. Facilitators provide a variety of toys and sensory experiences for parents and babies to enjoy together, which change each week to respond to and encourage babies' interests. Families tell us that they especially enjoy our songs and rhymes, which are often full of laughter and baby giggles! Our cosy community room provides a welcoming space – for both parents and babies – to begin to socialise and make connections during the vital First 1001 Days. Families say they value the chance to meet other new parents and share their experiences in our friendly, relaxed environment. Many have now formed firm friendships, and one parent set up a 'Toyhouse Babies' WhatsApp group for families to connect outside of the session. We are delighted to hear that, for many families, this is their favourite baby group in the borough!

Tugela & Mumtaz PSV

More than 50 families enjoyed learning how to massage their babies

"Thank you for all you've done, R absolutely loves it here and is always singing your praises" **– Dad at baby group about his partner**

Baby Massage

Touch is the first sense to develop and the last to leave us. Encouraging parents to use "nurturing touch" on their baby strengthens the bond between them; Baby Massage courses show parents the strokes for a full massage, discussion time builds peer support networks and friendships, with many finding this the first time they are able to meet other local parents and build social networks.

Toyhouse has 3 members of staff who hold the International Association of Infant Massage qualification. Funding permitting we aim to run Baby Massage classes 6 times per year.

Julie. Pip & Afia
(Baby Massage Instructors)

"I had a lovely time doing the Baby Massage sessions, having time to bond with my baby, meet lots of new friends and share ideas. I'm so glad I discovered Toyhouse and it's friendly atmosphere"
Mum on Baby Massage course

Sure STEPs Peer Suport

SURE STEPS & THE PEER SUPPORT VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME

Whist the majority of Toyhouse services are universally available for local families to access, we have long been aware there are some people who need a more individual response before they are able to engage. Not everyone finds parenting easy & we have heard many families **only** talk of their struggles ***after*** their difficulties have eased. In was to address these obstacles ***early*** that the SureSTEPs programme was initially developed, in response to articulated need.

The SureSTEPs programme provides Peer Support via trained volunteers (PSVs) to referred vulnerable families during the First 1001 Days of life, but recently there has only been small amounts of funding to support this service. An LBTH Small Grant under the "**Loneliness**" Theme plus a small grant from **Wakefield & Tetley Trust** has enabled us to offer a weekly session for invited families, often assisted to come along by the support & encouragement of their previously trained PSV. This has provided a safe environment for a small group of families to come together, build friendships, & feel supported. The team of active PSVs have previously been recruited from across the range of ethnicities resident in the Borough, completing the 8 session training course we deliver. One of the many strengths of the SureSTEPs programme is that we can usually match referred people with a trained PSV who speaks their Mother Tongue language, **and** has understanding of shared cultural issues.

Toyhouse has been involved in discussions with other local professionals about developing services to support "**The Start for Life**" initiative and we hope this will result in securing funding to deliver the SureSTART programme more fully to vulnerable local families.

Pip, Julie & Tugela

1001 Days

The **FIRST 1001 DAYS** of a child's life, **from conception to age two**, is a window of opportunity. It is a time of particularly rapid growth and brain development. Leading child health experts agree that the care given during the first 1001 days has more influence on a child's future than at any other time in their life.

Toyhouse is committed to delivering a range of services that support positive attachment, early learning and development. Toyhouse aims to support parents / caregivers to be the very best they can be and for their children to thrive.

For 44 years—Based in and

Reaching the community

- 2279 child users, 58% boys & 42% girls
- 1491 total adult users with 10% of these being male carers
- 1535 total users are of Asian origin - 40%
- 647 users are White British;17% total users
- There are 80 Facilitators (many are volunteers)

Mellow Parenting Training

In July, Tugela attended three days of Mellow Parenting training. The course, attended by a variety of professionals working with families with young children, provided a thorough, practical grounding in how to deliver a suite of Mellow Parenting's highly regarded evidence-based, trauma-informed courses (including Mellow Mums, Mellow Dads, Mellow Babies and Mellow Toddlers).

"Toyhouse is so friendly, it always feels like coming home" parent

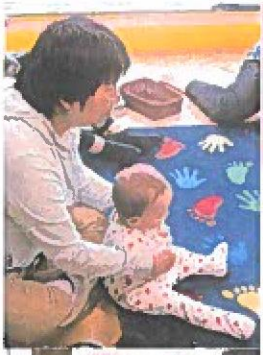
A local parent volunteer, Shakara, suggested started a **Sewing & Knitting Group.**

We support her to run this every week in the Toyhouse Centre. The group made us the most amazing Banner

'Thank you very, very much for the handouts. I have found myself referring back to them more than once and have found them to be extremely useful. Forever grateful for meeting you!'
Mellow Bumps participant, after the birth of her baby

'The **Invite Only Stay & Play sessions** have been lovely for us. They are well-organised and welcoming, we always feel welcome to come back each week. The smaller session works well for us and we really enjoy it. It's part of our routine every week, it's in Mummy's diary! The twins look forward to it, they know everyone really well and they can't wait to see them. They get so excited when they know we are going to Toyhouse! We need to get out of our small flat and go somewhere we know, somewhere with different toys, otherwise it's too much. I have no one to talk to. Coming here feels like seeing friends for me. The children are happy, I'm happy. Thank you so much!' Parent M

Listening to the Community



"The Monday 10am sessions have been a godsend for me. A sanctuary and safe space for new mums and their babies. I have loved the sessions and the camaraderie here, an engaging sensory space for the babies." - from a mum

The Toyhouse Centre is based in a busy area of the community, alongside shops, schools & a Health Centre
Resulting in many callers & conversations at the door and interest in our services.

"Thank you so much! We need to come & see you - I don't forget about you and all the amazing work you guys did for me and K
Former service user, supported via SureSTEPs

120 children benefited and over 45 healthy dishes were prepared & cooked by children the in **Creative Cook After School Club**

"It's nice to know I can knock on the door of the Toyhouse Centre & just have a chat. And they remember our names." Local parent.

"I first used Toyhouse with my son who is now at college. I still come with my 3yr old daughter" A Dad

"The Mellow Parenting course is perfect! It teaches positive parenting and includes the children in the learning"
Mellow Parenting course participant

I've been a volunteer at the Bow Toy Library for about six years. It's been a really nice stint opening the toy library for about an hour every Tuesday at the Bow Idea Store. The highlight for me is seeing the excitement and joy when little children go to pick toys to play with. The expressions on their little faces is priceless ! " *Reene, Bow TL*

Family Wellbeing-Physical

Active Physical Play

The opportunity to access a free indoor physical play session in the borough is very important for the youngest in our community. Active Physical Play offers under 5's and their parent/carers the chance to enjoy this session held in a very large hall at St Hilda's Community Centre in Bethnal Green. We have heard from local families, many living in restricted accommodation, without gardens, how this session offers **them** opportunities & their children a chance to 'let off steam'. They also learn new skills & enjoy the challenges the equipment offers throughout the year, whatever the weather.

Workers: Afia, Natasha & Dilara
Volunteers: Shazna & Sume

Funded via LBTH Children & Family Cetres

Early Years Active Play

Based in Mile End Play Pavilion This session offers all the benefits of Active Physical Play, but with the added bonus of the large children's playground the pavilion is set in. Always busy, drawing families from the diverse communities living in Tower Hamlets and offering a friendly, fun environment for parent/carers and their children to mix and make new friends. The informal feel to the session provides a relaxed opportunity for staff to chat with families, hearing their views, concerns and feedback; enabling them to signpost or refer to other services when needed.

Workers: Natasha & Dilara
Volunteers: Nazmin Ayesha & Nurjahan

Funded via LBTH Children & Family Centres

Connecting with the local community

Both Active Play sessions offer Toyhouse the opportunity to reach the wider community. Being based at opposite ends of the borough enables us to listen to more families, hearing their views and ideas on what they would like to see for their young children

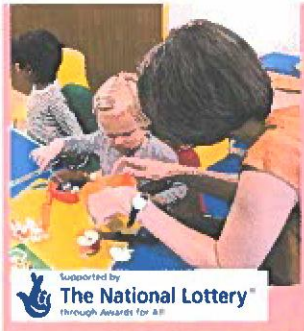
& Nutritional

Creative Cook Club & Summer Workshops

Funded by **BBC Children in Need**, Creative Cook Club offer children 3 to 10 years the opportunity to prepare, cook and eat, healthy, quick and easy recipes. Each week the children are able to explore healthy alternatives to high sugar/fat foods. The children always decide what will be prepared each week, including ways to adapt these to healthier ingredients, cooking methods. During the school holidays the project is adapted to workshops, enabling more children to access and making use of local open spaces for play and games. Cook Club has supported Toyhouse to hear the views and ideas of primary age children from the local community, helping us shape services to meet local needs and interests. This project is incredibly popular and we always have a waiting list for the courses and workshops.

BBC Children in Need

Project Facilitators: Afia & Julie



Meals & Deals

In these times of rising living costs, **Meals & Deals** offer families and their young children the chance to explore creative ways to make leftovers into tasty new meals, discover and share tips on how to save money on everyday food shopping and take part in preparing and cooking a simple, quick dish.

This short course funded by The National Lottery Awards for All, offers opportunities for discussion and has enabled Toyhouse to hear first hand the difficulties families are facing in these challenging times .

Course Leader: Natasha, Parent Volunteer: Leonilyn

New Funding

Just as we are finalising our Impact Report we received confirmation that Toyhouse has been awarded funding for 2 projects via **LBTH Mayor's Community Grants Programme**.
One is to empower diverse communities via courses to bring families together, sharing their cultures through food & experiences.
The second to offer learning experiences for young children via support to the network of Community Toy Libraries in the borough.

Mellow Parenting

MELLOW PARENTING & MELLOW BUMPS

As a result of listening to local families across the years, Toyhouse recognised the need to offer a more in depth, evidence based parenting course, supporting those who were finding parenting a significant challenge; whose own childhood experiences hadn't prepared them to nurture their own child. In 2012 two senior Toyhouse staff trained in the Mellow Parenting suite of programmes & have since delivered a full Mellow Parenting course annually.

Recently Toyhouse has been funded by Tower Hamlets Local Community Mitigation funding to deliver Mellow & our 10th annual course ran across 5x winter months. Funding has been tight, leaving Toyhouse to draw on reserves, in order to deliver the necessary ongoing support to each referred family, plus reporting & contributing to many Child in Need/Child Protection meetings.

Toyhouse anxiously awaits decisions on allocation of new Dept. of Education funding to support the **"Start for Life"** programme & is encouraged to know the benefits of Mellow are recognised.

This year, Toyhouse facilitated 2x Mellow Bumps 6 session courses. This is an evidence-based ante-natal course designed to decrease stress levels & encourage bonding between mums-to-be & their babies. Discussion revealed unprecedented levels of anxiety, that appear to be an ongoing ripple effect of stress & isolation caused by pandemic & lockdown. Participants said they appreciated the small, welcoming group as a safe & non-judgemental space to ask questions & share experiences, both positive & challenging. Participants enjoyed learning about the amazing skills new babies have at birth, & found information about baby development interesting & useful. Further support was offered after babies arrived, with mums + babies encouraged to join the Toyhouse Baby Sensory sessions & Baby Massage.

Mellow Parenting
PROMOTING PARENT CHILD RELATIONSHIPS

Course Facilitators: Pip, Julie & Tugela
Children's Group: Afia & Natasha
Parent Volunteer: Sume

Volunteering

Volunteering @ Toyhouse Project

Toyhouse is very fortunate to have an active group of volunteers who support many of our projects, enabling Toyhouse to offer services to more local families. All our volunteers are parents and live in the local community, providing more personal links and connections for the families we support.

A BIG THANK YOU TO:

Nazmin, Shazna, Shakara, Leonilyn, Sume, Ayesha & Nurjahan

Barclays Bank

Support from Barclays staff at Christmas helps Toyhouse make this a special fun time for more children.
Thank you all for your generosity

James Noe & Family

We continue to be very grateful to James & his family for the generous gifts, chosen by his children, & given to the children we work with.

Toyhouse current trained Peer Support Volunteers

Claire, Elisa, Halon, Iishita, Kate, Mumtaz, Zoe

East London Business Alliance

Over many years Toyhouse has been very fortunate to be allocated some toys each Christmas to distribute to local families via the **ELBA**Christmas Appeal this has always made an amazing difference to many families

Gateway Homes

A very big THANK YOU for helping Toyhouse reduce our carbon footprint by arranging and fitting new LED lighting throughout the Toyhouse Centre. And secondly to **Travis Perkins** who donated all the light fittings, enabling us to spend less on Electric and more on supporting families

Toyhouse makes a difference

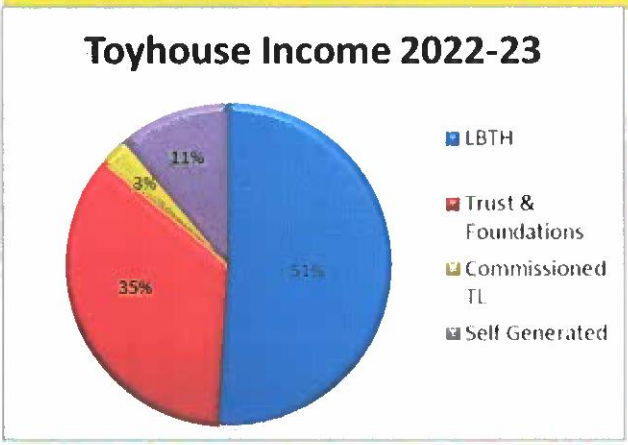
Our Thanks to those who have helped Toyhouse this year:

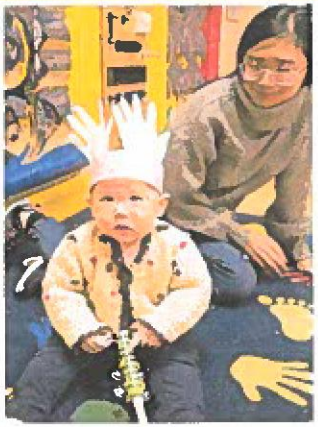
Individual Donors / Gift Aid pledges
ELBA
Gateway Housing
Travis Perkins
James Noe
Ken Morgan
Family & Friends of Staff & Management Committee members
Voluntary Sector Children's Forum
Wakefield & Tetley Trust
Cath & Bob Armstrong
Postcode Society Trust
Mile End Play Pavilion
Volunteers & Peer Supporters
East End Community Foundation
TH Children & Family Centre Hubs
LB Tower Hamlets
BBC Children in Need
Virginia Primary School
National Lottery Awards for All
Save the Children
St Hilda's Community Centre
St Paul's Way Medical Centre
Donators of used toys
CAF/Give As You Earn/Just Giving
Blue Lizard
Canary Wharf

A complete set of Annual Accounts is available from Toyhouse

Message from the Treasurer: Val Whitehead

The harsh financial headwinds have continued for all charities, but we have managed to maintain our income whilst reducing our deficit and continuing to offer a full timetable of services for children and their carers. Thanks to all the hard work from our employees and volunteers which enable this to happen and to all our funders and donors who continue their generous support.





Partnerships & Funders

Save the Children

Save the Children
Supporting Toyhouse with events & toy donations

the switch

BARCLAYS

Funding from Postcode Society & Canary Wharf support our Sure STEPs Programme

BBC Children in Need

POSTCODE SOCIETY TRUST

BBC Children in Need funded us to run after-school sessions for children on healthy

East End COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

ELBA

Virginia School Commissioning Toyhouse to run their Toy Library

TOWER HAMLETS

Local Community Fund. Mitigations Funding

ELBA: Supporting Christmas events

Supported by The National Lottery® through Awards for All

Awards 4 All: Funding to pilot our new Meals & Deals course

LBTH commissioned Toyhouse to run Physical Play sessions, Mellow Parenting & a small grant to tackle loneliness

CANARY WHARF GROUP PLC

gateway housing association

A small "**Fast Track**" **Grant from Wakefield & Tetley** enabled us to set up a weekly Story, Songs & Rhymes session, facilitated by PSVs

Travis Perkins Timber & Builders Merchant

TOYHOUSE MISSION STATEMENT

Toyhouse makes a difference.....
by supporting the wellbeing of families locally and throughout the community. With over 40 years' experience of working with families through the medium of play, Toyhouse fosters attachment between parents and children, enabling them to interact together and share experiences. Toyhouse empowers individuals, families, volunteers and employees to develop the skills and resilience to achieve their aspirations.

.....early support for a better future

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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Achievements and performance

Details of the activities, achievements and performance of the charity are set out in the separate Annual Report.

Financial review

The financial transactions of the charity during the year and the financial position at the end of the year are set out in the attached accounts and are reviewed in the separate Annual Report. The trustees consider the financial position to be satisfactory.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. They intend to keep this matter under regular review.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee formed on 25 March 1994. At that time it took over the activities, assets and liabilities of the previous unincorporated association of the same name, which had been set up in March 1979.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Somya Anupam	(Resigned 18 October 2022)
Tugela Barnes	
Sue Cox	
Toby Evans	
Sian Harris	
Joy Hastings	
Halon Iqbal	
Zenith Rahman	
Sandra Kendal	(Resigned 18 October 2022)
Kalsoom Khan	
Sabha Khan	(Resigned 18 October 2022)
Muna Omar	(Resigned 18 October 2022)
Valerie Whitehead	

H Khatun (Appointed 18 October 2022)

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The charity is controlled by a Management Committee (whose members are also the trustees) elected each year by the members and which meets regularly during the year. Between meetings most matters are dealt with by the project's manager and staff.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Valerie Whitehead
Trustee
Dated: 30th Sept 23

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees, who are also the directors of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.

Richard F Hopper

Chartered Accountant
4 Rhodfa Clawdd Offa
Denbigh
Denbighshire
LL16 4RJ

Dated: 11 October 2023

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	9,564	-	9,564	7,747	20,886	28,633
Charitable activities	4	3,699	124,341	128,040	-	112,539	112,539
Investments	5	2,407	-	2,407	1,015	-	1,015
Total income		15,670	124,341	140,011	8,762	133,425	142,187
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	6	51,925	124,343	176,268	66,753	133,428	200,181
Net expenditure for the year/ Net movement in funds		(36,255)	(2)	(36,257)	(57,991)	(3)	(57,994)
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		178,678	75,900	254,578	236,669	75,903	312,572
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		142,423	75,898	218,321	178,678	75,900	254,578

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		3,095		4,744
Current assets					
Debtors	12	19,707		2,701	
Cash at bank and in hand		215,706		266,841	
		235,413		269,542	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(20,187)		(19,708)	
Net current assets			215,226		249,834
Total assets less current liabilities			218,321		254,578
Income funds					
Restricted funds	14		75,898		75,900
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	15	58,634		85,984	
General unrestricted funds		83,789		92,694	
			142,423		178,678
			218,321		254,578

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 12th Sept 23

Valerie Whitehead
Trustee

Sue Cox
Trustee

Company Registration No. 02912688

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is The Toyhouse Centre, 92 St Pauls Way, Bow, London, E3 4AL.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Resources expended

Costs are recorded as expenditure at the time when a liability to make payment is incurred.

Support costs are allocated to activities in accordance with the respective amounts of direct costs, except where they can be directly related to a particular activity.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold property	over length of lease (15 years)
Plant and machinery	25% p.a. on net book value
Computers	33.33% p.a. on net book value

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2023	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	9,564	7,747	-	7,747
Government Coronavirus grant	-	-	20,886	20,886
	9,564	7,747	20,886	28,633

4 Charitable activities

	Grant income	Sale and hire of resources	Total 2023	Grant income
	2023	2023		2022
	£	£	£	£
Sales within charitable activities	-	3,699	3,699	-
Performance related grants	124,341	-	124,341	112,539
	124,341	3,699	128,040	112,539
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	-	3,699	3,699	-
Restricted funds	124,341	-	124,341	112,539
	124,341	3,699	128,040	112,539
For the year ended 31 March 2022				
Restricted funds	112,539	-		

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Interest receivable	2,407	1,015

6 Charitable activities

	Family Health and Wellbeing	Early Years and Family Activities	Total 2023	Total 2022
	2023	2023		
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	31,364	76,026	107,390	125,809
Direct project expenses	4,286	3,875	8,161	4,787
	35,650	79,901	115,551	130,596
Share of support costs (see note 7)	19,611	39,406	59,017	65,297
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	525	1,175	1,700	4,288
	55,786	120,482	176,268	200,181
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	17,218	34,707	51,925	66,753
Restricted funds	38,568	85,775	124,343	133,428
	55,786	120,482	176,268	200,181
For the year ended 31 March 2022				
Unrestricted funds	29,717	37,036		66,753
Restricted funds	52,409	81,019		133,428
	82,126	118,055		200,181

7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	23,776	-	23,776	30,523	-	30,523
Depreciation	1,649	-	1,649	2,310	-	2,310
Premises and insurance costs	25,849	-	25,849	22,588	-	22,588
Administrative expenses	7,743	-	7,743	9,876	-	9,876
Accountancy	-	1,440	1,440	-	1,356	1,356
Legal and professional	-	215	215	-	2,690	2,690
Management Committee and secretarial costs	-	45	45	-	242	242
	59,017	1,700	60,717	65,297	4,288	69,585
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	59,017	1,700	60,717	65,297	4,288	69,585

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £1,440 (2022- £1,356) for independent examination and accountancy fees.

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year, apart from the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs in connection with attendance at committee meetings.

9 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Direct charitable activities	6	6
Administration	1	2
	7	8

Employment costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	119,826	145,954
Social security costs	8,707	8,203
Other pension costs	2,633	2,175
	131,166	156,332

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

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxationof Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

11 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Computers £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2022	196,962	18,631	5,870	221,463
Disposals	-	-	(1,288)	(1,288)
At 31 March 2023	196,962	18,631	4,582	220,175
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2022	196,961	15,963	3,795	216,719
Depreciation charged in the year	-	665	984	1,649
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	-	(1,288)	(1,288)
At 31 March 2023	196,961	16,628	3,491	217,080
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2023	1	2,003	1,091	3,095
At 31 March 2022	1	2,668	2,075	4,744

12 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	15,450	-
Other debtors	2,146	1,362
Prepayments and accrued income	2,111	1,339
	19,707	2,701

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred income		17,915	17,396
Accrued expenses		2,272	2,312
		20,187	19,708

14 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Community Fund **	13	-	(3)	10	-	(2)	8
Childrens Centres	-	12,500	(12,500)	-	45,058	(45,058)	-
Running costs	66,407	-	(7)	66,400	76,283	(76,293)	66,390
Other restricted funds	9,483	120,925	(120,918)	9,490	3,000	(2,990)	9,500
	75,903	133,425	(133,428)	75,900	124,341	(124,343)	75,898

** The closing balance on Community Fund represents the net book value of equipment funded from this source and included in these accounts as fixed assets.

15 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2021	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2022	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Premises replacement fund	98,750	(83,750)	15,000	(5,000)	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	55,984	-	55,984	(17,350)	38,634
Office equipment replacement fund	12,404	2,596	15,000	(5,000)	10,000
	167,138	(81,154)	85,984	(27,350)	58,634

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	3,087	8	3,095	4,734	10	4,744
Current assets/(liabilities)	137,348	77,878	215,226	173,945	75,889	249,834
	140,435	77,886	218,321	178,679	75,899	254,578

17 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

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Financial review

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The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Somya Anupam	(Resigned 18 October 2022)
Tugela Barnes	
Sue Cox	
Toby Evans	
Sian Harris	
Joy Hastings	
Halon Iqbal	
Zenith Rahman	
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Valerie Whitehead	

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The charity is controlled by a Management Committee (whose members are also the trustees) elected each year by the members and which meets regularly during the year. Between meetings most matters are dealt with by the project's manager and staff.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Valerie Whitehead
Trustee
Dated: 30th Sept 23

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees, who are also the directors of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.

Richard F Hopper

Chartered Accountant
4 Rhodfa Clawdd Offa
Denbigh
Denbighshire
LL16 4RJ

Dated: 11 October 2023

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	9,564	-	9,564	7,747	20,886	28,633
Charitable activities	4	3,699	124,341	128,040	-	112,539	112,539
Investments	5	2,407	-	2,407	1,015	-	1,015
Total income		15,670	124,341	140,011	8,762	133,425	142,187
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	6	51,925	124,343	176,268	66,753	133,428	200,181
Net expenditure for the year/ Net movement in funds		(36,255)	(2)	(36,257)	(57,991)	(3)	(57,994)
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		178,678	75,900	254,578	236,669	75,903	312,572
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		142,423	75,898	218,321	178,678	75,900	254,578

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		3,095		4,744
Current assets					
Debtors	12	19,707		2,701	
Cash at bank and in hand		215,706		266,841	
		235,413		269,542	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(20,187)		(19,708)	
Net current assets			215,226		249,834
Total assets less current liabilities			218,321		254,578
Income funds					
Restricted funds	14		75,898		75,900
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	15	58,634		85,984	
General unrestricted funds		83,789		92,694	
			142,423		178,678
			218,321		254,578

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 12th Sept 23

Valerie Whitehead
Trustee

Sue Cox
Trustee

Company Registration No. 02912688

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is The Toyhouse Centre, 92 St Pauls Way, Bow, London, E3 4AL.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Resources expended

Costs are recorded as expenditure at the time when a liability to make payment is incurred.

Support costs are allocated to activities in accordance with the respective amounts of direct costs, except where they can be directly related to a particular activity.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold property	over length of lease (15 years)
Plant and machinery	25% p.a. on net book value
Computers	33.33% p.a. on net book value

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2023	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	9,564	7,747	-	7,747
Government Coronavirus grant	-	-	20,886	20,886
	9,564	7,747	20,886	28,633

4 Charitable activities

	Grant income	Sale and hire of resources	Total 2023	Grant income
	2023	2023		2022
	£	£	£	£
Sales within charitable activities	-	3,699	3,699	-
Performance related grants	124,341	-	124,341	112,539
	124,341	3,699	128,040	112,539
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	-	3,699	3,699	-
Restricted funds	124,341	-	124,341	112,539
	124,341	3,699	128,040	112,539
For the year ended 31 March 2022				
Restricted funds	112,539	-		

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Interest receivable	2,407	1,015

6 Charitable activities

	Family Health and Wellbeing	Early Years and Family Activities	Total 2023	Total 2022
	2023	2023		
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	31,364	76,026	107,390	125,809
Direct project expenses	4,286	3,875	8,161	4,787
	35,650	79,901	115,551	130,596
Share of support costs (see note 7)	19,611	39,406	59,017	65,297
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	525	1,175	1,700	4,288
	55,786	120,482	176,268	200,181
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	17,218	34,707	51,925	66,753
Restricted funds	38,568	85,775	124,343	133,428
	55,786	120,482	176,268	200,181
For the year ended 31 March 2022				
Unrestricted funds	29,717	37,036		66,753
Restricted funds	52,409	81,019		133,428
	82,126	118,055		200,181

7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	23,776	-	23,776	30,523	-	30,523
Depreciation	1,649	-	1,649	2,310	-	2,310
Premises and insurance costs	25,849	-	25,849	22,588	-	22,588
Administrative expenses	7,743	-	7,743	9,876	-	9,876
Accountancy	-	1,440	1,440	-	1,356	1,356
Legal and professional	-	215	215	-	2,690	2,690
Management Committee and secretarial costs	-	45	45	-	242	242
	59,017	1,700	60,717	65,297	4,288	69,585
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	59,017	1,700	60,717	65,297	4,288	69,585

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £1,440 (2022- £1,356) for independent examination and accountancy fees.

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year, apart from the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs in connection with attendance at committee meetings.

9 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Direct charitable activities	6	6
Administration	1	2
	7	8

Employment costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	119,826	145,954
Social security costs	8,707	8,203
Other pension costs	2,633	2,175
	131,166	156,332

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

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxationof Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

11 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Computers £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2022	196,962	18,631	5,870	221,463
Disposals	-	-	(1,288)	(1,288)
At 31 March 2023	196,962	18,631	4,582	220,175
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2022	196,961	15,963	3,795	216,719
Depreciation charged in the year	-	665	984	1,649
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	-	(1,288)	(1,288)
At 31 March 2023	196,961	16,628	3,491	217,080
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2023	1	2,003	1,091	3,095
At 31 March 2022	1	2,668	2,075	4,744

12 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	15,450	-
Other debtors	2,146	1,362
Prepayments and accrued income	2,111	1,339
	19,707	2,701

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred income		17,915	17,396
Accrued expenses		2,272	2,312
		20,187	19,708

14 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Community Fund **	13	-	(3)	10	-	(2)	8
Childrens Centres	-	12,500	(12,500)	-	45,058	(45,058)	-
Running costs	66,407	-	(7)	66,400	76,283	(76,293)	66,390
Other restricted funds	9,483	120,925	(120,918)	9,490	3,000	(2,990)	9,500
	75,903	133,425	(133,428)	75,900	124,341	(124,343)	75,898

** The closing balance on Community Fund represents the net book value of equipment funded from this source and included in these accounts as fixed assets.

15 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 April 2021	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2022	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Premises replacement fund	98,750	(83,750)	15,000	(5,000)	10,000
Staff redundancy fund	55,984	-	55,984	(17,350)	38,634
Office equipment replacement fund	12,404	2,596	15,000	(5,000)	10,000
	167,138	(81,154)	85,984	(27,350)	58,634

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	3,087	8	3,095	4,734	10	4,744
Current assets/(liabilities)	137,348	77,878	215,226	173,945	75,889	249,834
	140,435	77,886	218,321	178,679	75,899	254,578

17 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1036738

Accounts

Charity registration number 1036738

Company registration number 02912688 (England and Wales)

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Somya Anupam	
	Tugela Barnes	(Appointed 19 October 2021)
	Sue Cox	
	Toby Evans	
	Sian Harris	
	Joy Hastings	
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	Kalsoom Khan	
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	Muna Omar	
	Valerie Whitehead	
Secretary	John Parker	
Charity number	1036738	
Company number	02912688	
Principal address	The Toyhouse Centre 92 St Pauls Way Bow London E3 4AL	
Registered office	37 Rushey Green Catford London SE6 4AS	
Independent examiner	Richard F Hopper 4 Rhodfa Clawdd Offa Denbigh Denbighshire LL16 4RJ	
Bankers	Unity Trust Bank plc 9 Brindleyplace Birmingham B1 2HB	
Solicitors	Parker Arrenberg 37 Rushey Green Catford London SE6 4AS	

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are to provide and assist in the provision of facilities for children, and adults with special educational needs, primarily in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for their recreation, especially through the provision of therapeutic and educational toys with the object of improving their conditions of life.The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are to support individual member groups in Tower Hamlets and there has been no change in these during the year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

Details of the activities, achievements and performance of the charity are set out in the separate Annual Report.

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Sandra Kendal	
Kalsoom Khan	
Sabha Khan	(Appointed 19 October 2021)
Muna Omar	
Anne Phillip	(Resigned 19 October 2021)

Janet Waldron (Resigned 19 October 2021)
Valerie Whitehead

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The charity is controlled by a Management Committee (whose members are also the trustees) elected each year by the members and which meets regularly during the year. Between meetings most matters are dealt with by the project's manager and staff.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Valerie Whitehead
Trustee
Dated: 29th Sept 2022

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees, who are also the directors of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

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2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

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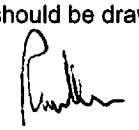
4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 4 October 2022

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	7,747	20,886	28,633	27,188	41,075	68,263
Charitable activities	4	-	112,539	112,539	806	146,343	147,149
Investments	5	1,015	-	1,015	1,486	-	1,486
Total income		8,762	133,425	142,187	29,480	187,418	216,898
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	6	66,753	133,428	200,181	29,459	191,127	220,586
Net expenditure for the year/ Net movement in funds		(57,991)	(3)	(57,994)	21	(3,709)	(3,688)
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		236,669	75,903	312,572	236,647	79,613	316,260
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		178,678	75,900	254,578	236,668	75,904	312,572

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		4,744		6,556
Current assets					
Debtors	11	2,701		20,150	
Cash at bank and in hand		266,841		306,312	
		269,542		326,462	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(19,708)		(20,446)	
Net current assets			249,834		306,016
Total assets less current liabilities			254,578		312,572
Income funds					
Restricted funds	13		75,900		75,904
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	14	85,984		167,138	
General unrestricted funds		92,694		69,530	
			178,678		236,668
			254,578		312,572

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 13 Sept 2022

Valerie Whitehead
Trustee

Sue Cox
Trustee

Company Registration No. 02912688

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 37 Rushey Green, Catford, London, SE6 4AS.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Resources expended

Costs are recorded as expenditure at the time when a liability to make payment is incurred.

Support costs are allocated to activities in accordance with the respective amounts of direct costs, except where they can be directly related to a particular activity.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold property	over length of lease (15 years)
Plant and machinery	25% p.a. on net book value
Computers	33.33% p.a. on net book value

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	**Restricted funds**	**Total**	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022	**2022**	**2022**	2021	2021	2021
	£	**£**	**£**	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	7,747	-	7,747	2,198	-	2,198
Government Coronavirus grant	-	20,886	20,886	24,990	41,075	66,065
	7,747	20,886	28,633	27,188	41,075	68,263

4 Charitable activities

	Grant income	Sale and hire of resources	Total 2022	Total 2021
	2022	2022		
	£	£	£	£
Sales within charitable activities	-	-	-	806
Performance related grants	112,539	-	112,539	146,343
	112,539	-	112,539	147,149
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	806
Restricted funds	112,539	-	112,539	146,343
For the year ended 31 March 2021				
Unrestricted funds	-	806		806
Restricted funds	146,343	-		146,343
	146,343	806		147,149

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Interest receivable	1,015	1,486

6 Charitable activities

	Family Health and Wellbeing	Early Years and Family Activities	Total 2022	Total 2021
	2022	2022		
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	50,547	75,262	125,809	127,206
Direct project expenses	3,050	1,737	4,787	8,800
	53,597	76,999	130,596	136,006
Share of support costs (see note 7)	26,771	38,526	65,297	83,032
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	1,758	2,530	4,288	1,548
	82,126	118,055	200,181	220,586
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	29,717	37,036	66,753	29,459
Restricted funds	52,409	81,019	133,428	191,127
	82,126	118,055	200,181	220,586
For the year ended 31 March 2021				
Unrestricted funds	5,552	23,907		29,459
Restricted funds	56,789	134,338		191,127
	62,341	158,245		220,586

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2022	Support costs	Governance costs	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	30,523	-	30,523	38,839	-	38,839
Depreciation	2,310	-	2,310	15,928	-	15,928
Premises and insurance costs	22,588	-	22,588	22,221	-	22,221
Administrative expenses	9,876	-	9,876	6,044	-	6,044
Accountancy	-	1,356	1,356	-	1,320	1,320
Legal and professional	-	2,690	2,690	-	-	-
Management Committee and secretarial costs	-	242	242	-	228	228
	65,297	4,288	69,585	83,032	1,548	84,580
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	65,297	4,288	69,585	83,032	1,548	84,580

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £1,356 (2021- £1,320) for independent examination and accountancy fees.

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year, apart from the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs in connection with attendance at committee meetings.

9 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Direct charitable activities	6	7
Administration	2	2
	8	9

Employment costs	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	145,954	155,099
Social security costs	8,203	8,711
Other pension costs	2,175	2,235
	156,332	166,045

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

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold property	Plant and machinery	Computers	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2021	196,962	18,315	7,550	222,827
Additions	-	498	-	498
Disposals	-	(182)	(1,680)	(1,862)
At 31 March 2022	196,962	18,631	5,870	221,463
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2021	196,673	15,307	4,291	216,271
Depreciation charged in the year	288	838	1,184	2,310
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(182)	(1,680)	(1,862)
At 31 March 2022	196,961	15,963	3,795	216,719
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2022	1	2,668	2,075	4,744
At 31 March 2021	289	3,008	3,259	6,556

11 Debtors

	2022	2021
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade debtors	-	16,829
Other debtors	1,362	1,663
Prepayments and accrued income	1,339	1,658
	2,701	20,150

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2022	2021
		£	£
Deferred income		17,396	18,869
Accrued expenses		2,312	1,577
		19,708	20,446

13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds			Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Community Fund **	17	-	(4)	13	-	(3)	10
Childrens Centres	-	250	(250)	-	12,500	(12,500)	-
Clinic sessions	-	14,000	(14,000)	-	-	-	-
Movers and Munchers	-	3,576	(3,576)	-	-	-	-
Running costs	66,483	-	(76)	66,407	-	(7)	66,400
Other restricted funds	13,113	169,592	(173,221)	9,483	120,925	(120,918)	9,490
	79,613	187,418	(191,127)	75,903	133,425	(133,428)	75,900

** The closing balance on Community Fund represents the net book value of equipment funded from this source and included in these accounts as fixed assets.

14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds					
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Newly designated	Utilised	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2021	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises replacement fund	98,750	-	-	-	98,750	(83,750)	15,000
Vehicle replacement fund	992	-	-	(992)	-	-	-
Staff redundancy fund	52,059	5,756	(1,831)	-	55,984	-	55,984
Office equipment replacement fund	16,173	-	(3,769)	-	12,404	2,596	15,000
Play equipment replacement fund	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
	168,974	5,756	(6,600)	(992)	167,138	(81,154)	85,984

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	4,734	10	4,744	6,543	13	6,556
Current assets/(liabilities)	173,945	75,889	249,834	230,125	75,891	306,016
	178,679	75,899	254,578	236,668	75,904	312,572

16 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1036738

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1036738

Company Registration No. 02912688 (England and Wales)

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Somya Anupam	
	Sue Cox	
	Toby Evans	
	Sian Harris	
	Joy Hastings	
	Sandra Kendal	
	Kalsoom Khan	
	Muna Omar	
	Anne Phillip	(Appointed 20 October 2020)
	Janet Waldron	
	Valerie Whitehead	
Secretary	John Parker	
Charity number	1036738	
Company number	02912688	
Principal address	The Toyhouse Centre 92 St Pauls Way Bow London E3 4AL	
Registered office	37 Rushey Green Catford London SE6 4AS	
Independent examiner	Richard F Hopper Chinthurst 30 St Stephens Hill Launceston Cornwall PL15 8HN	
Bankers	Unity Trust Bank plc 9 Brindleyplace Birmingham B1 2HB	
Solicitors	Parker Arrenberg 37 Rushey Green Catford London SE6 4AS	

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

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TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities
The charity's objects are to provide and assist in the provision of facilities for children, and adults with special educational needs, primarily in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets for their recreation, especially through the provision of therapeutic and educational toys with the object of improving their conditions of life.The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are to support individual member groups in Tower Hamlets and there has been no change in these during the year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance
Details of the activities, achievements and performance of the charity are set out in the separate Annual Report.

Financial review
The financial transactions of the charity during the year and the financial position at the end of the year are set out in the attached accounts and are reviewed in the separate Annual Report. The trustees consider the financial position to be satisfactory.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. They intend to keep this matter under regular review.

Structure, governance and management
The charity is a company limited by guarantee formed on 25 March 1994. At that time it took over the activities, assets and liabilities of the previous unincorporated association of the same name, which had been set up in March 1979.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Somya Anupam	
Sue Cox	
Toby Evans	
Sian Harris	
Joy Hastings	
Ana Jechiu	(Resigned 20 October 2020)
Sandra Kendal	
Kalsoom Khan	
Muna Omar	
Anne Phillip	(Appointed 20 October 2020)
Janet Waldron	

Valerie Whitehead

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The charity is controlled by a Management Committee (whose members are also the trustees) elected each year by the members and which meets regularly during the year. Between meetings most matters are dealt with by the project's manager and staff.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Valerie Whitehead
Trustee
Dated: 24th Sept 2021

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees, who are also the directors of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.

Richard F Hopper

Chartered Accountant
Chinthurst
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PL15 8HN

Dated: 27 September 2021

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	27,188	41,075	68,263	6,806	1,227	8,033
Charitable activities	4	806	146,343	147,149	1,700	176,245	177,945
Investments	5	1,486	-	1,486	2,773	-	2,773
Total income		29,480	187,418	216,898	11,279	177,472	188,751
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	6	29,459	191,127	220,586	52,277	180,483	232,760
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		21	(3,709)	(3,688)	(40,998)	(3,011)	(44,009)
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		236,647	79,613	316,260	277,645	82,625	360,270
Fund balances at 31 March 2021		236,668	75,904	312,572	236,647	79,614	316,261

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

TOY HOUSE LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OF TOWER HAMLETS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		6,556		18,194
Current assets					
Debtors	11	20,150		22,153	
Cash at bank and in hand		306,312		279,926	
		326,462		302,079	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(20,446)		(4,012)	
Net current assets			306,016		298,067
Total assets less current liabilities			312,572		316,261
Income funds					
Restricted funds	13		75,904		79,614
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	14	167,138		168,974	
General unrestricted funds		69,530		67,673	
			236,668		236,647
			312,572		316,261

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 14th Sept 2021

Valerie Whitehead
Trustee

Sue Cox
Trustee

Company Registration No. 02912688

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Toy House Libraries Association of Tower Hamlets is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 37 Rushey Green, Catford, London, SE6 4AS.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Resources expended

Costs are recorded as expenditure at the time when a liability to make payment is incurred.

Support costs are allocated to activities in accordance with the respective amounts of direct costs, except where they can be directly related to a particular activity.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold property	over length of lease (15 years)
Plant and machinery	25% p.a. on net book value
Computers	33.33% p.a. on net book value

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2021	**2021**	**2021**	2020	2020	2020
	£	**£**	**£**	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	2,198	-	2,198	6,806	-	6,806
Government Coronavirus grant	24,990	41,075	66,065	-	1,227	1,227
	27,188	41,075	68,263	6,806	1,227	8,033

4 Charitable activities

	Grant income	Sale and hire of resources	Total 2021	Total 2020
	2021	2021		
	£	£	£	£
Sales within charitable activities	-	806	806	1,700
Performance related grants	146,343	-	146,343	176,245
	146,343	806	147,149	177,945
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	-	806	806	1,700
Restricted funds	146,343	-	146,343	176,245
	146,343	806	147,149	177,945
For the year ended 31 March 2020				
Unrestricted funds	-	1,700		1,700
Restricted funds	176,245	-		176,245
	176,245	1,700		177,945

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Interest receivable	1,486	2,773

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6 Charitable activities

	Family Health and Wellbeing	Early Years and Family Activities	Total 2021	Total 2020
	2021	2021		
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	45,937	81,269	127,206	138,845
Direct project expenses	2,242	6,558	8,800	9,384
	48,179	87,827	136,006	148,229
Share of support costs (see note 7)	13,682	69,350	83,032	82,624
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	480	1,068	1,548	1,907
	62,341	158,245	220,586	232,760
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	5,552	23,907	29,459	52,277
Restricted funds	56,789	134,338	191,127	180,483
	62,341	158,245	220,586	232,760
For the year ended 31 March 2020				
Unrestricted funds	19,620	32,657		52,277
Restricted funds	51,235	129,248		180,483
	70,855	161,905		232,760

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7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2021	Support costs	Governance costs	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	38,839	-	38,839	37,562	-	37,562
Depreciation	15,928	-	15,928	14,912	-	14,912
Premises expenses	22,221	-	22,221	24,184	-	24,184
Administrative expenses	6,044	-	6,044	5,966	-	5,966
Accountancy	-	1,320	1,320	-	1,422	1,422
Management Committee and secretarial costs	-	228	228	-	485	485
	83,032	1,548	84,580	82,624	1,907	84,531
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	83,032	1,548	84,580	82,624	1,907	84,531

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £1,320 (2020- £1,422) for independent examination and accountancy fees.

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year, apart from the reimbursement of childcare and travel costs in connection with attendance at committee meetings.

9 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Direct charitable activities	7	8
Administration	2	2
	9	10

Employment costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	155,099	164,089
Social security costs	8,711	10,166
Other pension costs	2,235	2,152
	166,045	176,407

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

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Computers £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2020	196,962	18,276	5,505	220,743
Additions	-	307	3,983	4,290
Disposals	-	(269)	(1,938)	(2,207)
At 31 March 2021	196,962	18,314	7,550	222,826
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2020	183,542	14,649	4,358	202,549
Depreciation charged in the year	13,131	926	1,871	15,928
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(269)	(1,938)	(2,207)
At 31 March 2021	196,673	15,306	4,291	216,270
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2021	289	3,008	3,259	6,556
At 31 March 2020	13,420	3,627	1,147	18,194

11 Debtors

	2021	2020
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade debtors	16,829	16,057
Other debtors	1,663	2,888
Prepayments and accrued income	1,658	3,208
	20,150	22,153

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Deferred income		18,869	1,990
Accrued expenses		1,577	2,022
		20,446	4,012

13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2019	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Community Fund **	23	-	(6)	17	-	(4)	13
New Building	4,600	-	(4,600)	-	-	-	-
Childrens Centres	-	3,750	(3,750)	-	250	(250)	-
Clinic sessions	-	14,000	(14,000)	-	14,000	(14,000)	-
Movers and Munchers	-	7,495	(7,495)	-	3,576	(3,576)	-
Running costs	66,483	-	-	66,483	-	(76)	66,407
Other restricted funds	11,519	152,227	(150,633)	13,113	169,592	(173,221)	9,484
	82,625	177,472	(180,484)	79,613	187,418	(191,127)	75,904

** The closing balance on Community Fund represents the net book value of equipment funded from this source and included in these accounts as fixed assets.

14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 April 2019	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2020	Newly designated	Utilised	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises replacement fund	98,750	-	98,750	-	-	-	98,750
Vehicle replacement fund	7,992	(7,000)	992	-	-	(992)	-
Staff redundancy fund	57,059	(5,000)	52,059	5,756	(1,831)	-	55,984
Office equipment replacement fund	36,173	(20,000)	16,173	-	(3,769)	-	12,404
Play equipment replacement fund	7,000	(6,000)	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-
	206,974	(38,000)	168,974	5,756	(6,600)	(992)	167,138

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total 2021	Unrestricted funds 2020	Restricted funds 2020	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2021 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	6,543	13	6,556	18,177	17	18,194
Current assets/ (liabilities)	230,125	75,891	306,016	218,471	79,596	298,067
	236,668	75,904	312,572	236,648	79,613	316,261

16 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).