

DERBYSHIRE TOY LIBRARIES (DTL)

England & Wales · Charity number 1081255

Details

Other names	CRICH MILLENNIUM TOY LIBRARY, C.M.T.L., CMTL, CRICH TOY LIBRARY
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2000-06-26
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Website	www.derbyshiretoylibraries.org

Activities

Objects: For the public benefit and education of all local children and the general public, by the provision of educational and stimulating toys and resources.

Activities: Provides stay & play (including intergenerational) sessions and pop up play facilities at local community events. Other activities include resourcing families in need and running a Click & Collect Toy Loan Service providing a range of quality toys and sensory resources to local families, carers and those working with children in a variety of other settings.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Derbyshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£20,924	£28,050	-	-
2024-08-31	£26,346	£28,512	-	-
2023-08-31	£35,399	£24,780	-	-
2022-08-31	£25,113	£29,476	-	-
2021-08-31	£24,959	£25,351	-	-
2020-08-31	£21,245	£13,236	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rehana Reid	Chair	2018-06-27
Amy Louise Jones		2026-06-16
Holly Itzerott		2025-06-24
Jacquii Brown		2026-06-16
Martin Broadhurst		2025-06-24
Nicola Jane Smith		2026-06-16

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Trustees' Annual Report 23/24

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- reduce the number of toys in landfill, encouraging multiple re-use
- act as a hub within the local community
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Overview

DTL runs 4 Stay and Play sessions each term time week.

The Toy Store is open for browsing and collection/return of toys/equipment for three sessions each week for most of the year.

Monthly toy sales/auctions raise vital funds for the replenishment of our toy stock.

The Manager (& Founder) and Toy/ S&P Coordinator are supported by several volunteers. Our Volunteers are key to the successful running of the toy library.

Our Trustee board is small and works behind the scenes to support our staff and volunteers in meeting the charity's objectives.

Finances

This year sees a deficit of £2,166 - £935 is Confident Communicators spend from the previous year's grant. The take up for this Derbyshire County Council (DCC) initiative has been poor with Early Years Settings not engaging as much as the Council had hoped. Our manager continues to liaise with existing contacts to provide resources that support speech and language.

Notable changes to our finances are a drop in membership and an increase in room hire charges & insurance.

Moving Forward

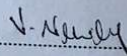
We are working to raise our profile, both in the community and online. This includes a review of our website to make it more user friendly and accessible. We're also investigating whether we need to alter some of our sessions to be accessible to more families. Grant applications continue to be submitted for specific projects.

DERBYSHIRE TOY LIBRARIES
Receipts & Payments Account
Year ended 31st August 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts:				
Session fees	4,529		4,856	
Membership fees	1,736		3,874	
Party hire	4,441		4,512	
Toy hire	<u>6,503</u>		<u>14,366</u>	
		17,209		27,608
Fundraising	994		855	
Grants received	3,556		100	
Sales of toys	3,284		3,644	
Other receipts	533		2,892	
Donations	<u>770</u>		<u>300</u>	
		<u>9,137</u>		<u>7,791</u>
		26,346		35,399
Payments:				
Staff costs	11,836		13,467	
Staff expenses	1,405		997	
Room hire	10,387		7,117	
Refreshments	196		44	
Insurance	788		537	
IT/Website	565		553	
Marketing	1,399		1,064	
Fundraising costs	181		23	
Other payments	426		178	
Toys purchased	1,279		275	
Training costs	-		135	
Zettle/Paypal fees	-		340	
Accounts fee	<u>50</u>		<u>50</u>	
		<u>28,512</u>		<u>24,780</u>
Surplus / Deficit of receipts over payments		2,166		10,619
Balance brought forward		<u>15,888</u>		<u>5,269</u>
		£ 13,722		£ 15,888
Represented by:				
Cash in hand		30		30
Bank account balance		<u>13,692</u>		<u>15,858</u>
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Auditor's Report

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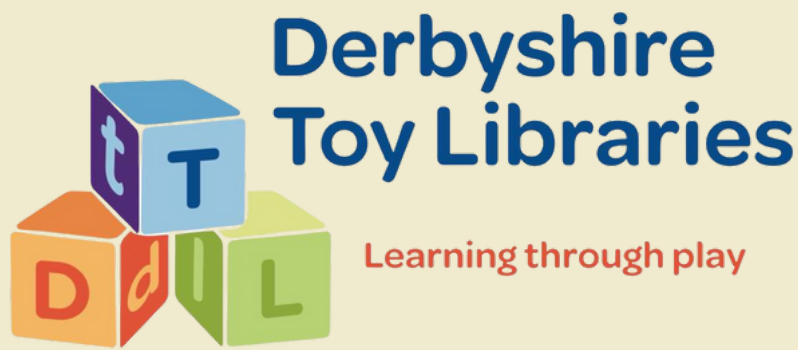

 Mrs. V. Newey
 Amber Accountancy Services

14th May 2025

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Derbyshire Toy Libraries Annual Report

2022-2023

Financial Period

01/09/22 - 31/8/23



Prepared by:
The Trustee Committee

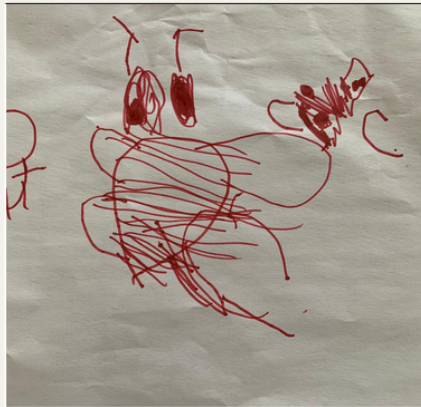
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Derbyshire Toy Libraries

Learning through play



Brandon (7)



Orla (4)



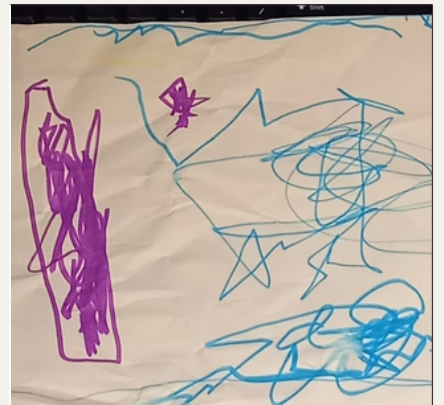
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Fern (5)



Alexander (4)



Sophie (5)

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About Us



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We are run by a dedicated team of local people who oversee Toy Library operations.

Chairs Statement

Rehana Reid

At the end of last year we committed to a year of growth, development and improved toy library services for our local communities and we are proud to have honoured that commitment.

We were delighted to welcome two new Trustees Anna Field and Cassie Ensor. Anna is our new Treasurer. Cassie brings an array of experience in business and recruitment having worked at the university of Derby for 16 years. Having built her career on employer engagement working on complex European funded projects, she is currently working on developing the University's new Derby Talent Programme. Cassie was a previous member of DTL, attending the stay and play sessions with her two children since 2015. We were also fortunate to welcome business and governance consultant Elizabeth Brierton who has undertaken a huge amount of work to support DTL in improving our governance systems and structures, policy development and fundraising.

We embarked on two new ventures this year. We opened a new weekly Stay and Play session at Grassmoor Community Centre in Chesterfield and a Multiples session in Belper, all supported by a fantastic new team of volunteers.

Our founder and manager Ann-Marie has been able to dedicate more time to spreading the word of Derbyshire Toy Libraries to raise our profile, encourage more children and families to benefit, to support our fundraising efforts and to celebrate our achievements.

As well as celebrate our joys we also draw attention to our difficulties. We continue to see the rising cost of living alongside cuts to local services having a detrimental impact on local families and escalating the need for quality, affordable play provision. At the same time we face an increasingly challenging funding environment, with greater competition for scarce resources.

We are incredibly grateful to all our staff and volunteers, including students, parents, grandparents, foster carers, and more. Your commitment, hard work, and team spirit help maintain and improve the incredible range of play-based resources that support the education, skills, and wellbeing of local children and families across Derbyshire.

Treasurers Statement

Anna Field

These accounts have been drawn up on the accruals basis, consistent with previous years.

Overall, the outcome for the year is a surplus of £9,143. The Confident Communicators fund of £9,000 makes up most of the surplus with unrestricted funds being £143.

At the end of the year, Derbyshire Toy Libraries had funds amounting to £15,857.

The Charity's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient funds to enable it to maintain the Charity's equipment to a good standard and to meet all other reasonably foreseeable eventualities.

22/23 – A steady year of modest growth with a roughly breakeven position after the £9,000 Confident Communicators funding. This £9,000 is noted in the accounts as restricted funds. Although the Funding was received in March 2023 and Derbyshire County Council(DCC) launched the Scheme in June 2023, DCC acknowledge that the Scheme has been slow to get started. Autumn 2023 has seen more movement on the Scheme.

23/24 – Looking Forward - The Trustees are aware of the need to consolidate the achievements of the past year to ensure financial and operational sustainability for the future. Grant applications continue to be submitted to support targeted projects – for example running costs for our Grassmoor sessions.

Our People

Staff

Founder & Manager: Ann-Marie McMillan founded the Toy Library 24 years ago. Ann-Marie continues to manage the Toy Library with the same drive and enthusiasm that founded the Toy Library. Ann-Marie also actively seeks out opportunities to not only expand our service but to provide Derbyshire's young children and their families with quality toys, resources and opportunities to Stay and Play together.

Coordinator: Lyndsey Willis runs some of our popular Stay and Play sessions, our Click and Collect Service and our monthly Toy Auctions. Lyndsey's encyclopedic knowledge of our resources, their uses and where they are in our Toy Store is second to none. Lyndsey carries out her work for DTL with enthusiasm and encouragement for all who use the service.

Business & Governance Consultant: Elizabeth Brierton joined DTL in 2022 to undertake governance work, project support and website development. Elizabeth brings a wealth of experience in Project Management, Continuous Improvement and Process Change.. Elizabeth is supportive and encouraging with a keen eye for detail.

Volunteers

We are supported by a group of volunteers who give their time to help out at our Stay and Play sessions and our Community Events. We have been supported in 22/23 by Ben, Jordanne, Lisa, Georgina and Clare. In addition, our new venture in Grassmoor has been supported by Pam, Denise, Jackie and Alex. Our new sessions for Multiples are run by Lizzie.

Key Activities

Toy Hire “Click and Collect”:

Members pay £10 for an annual membership, discounted to £8 if sign up for recurring payments (min 2 years). This gives members access to an online catalogue of over 1,000 toys and resources they can hire with prices starting at 50p per week. Toys and Resources include age based Purposeful Play Packs, individual developmental items, larger outdoor play equipment, soft play sets and Party Packs. A new addition to our stock this year has been reusable tableware which can be hired for celebrations. Enquiries and bookings are made online and the service is run by Lyndsey from our toy store at Strutt Centre, Belper.

Monthly Virtual Toy Auctions:

We hold Monthly Virtual Toy Auctions selling items that have either been retired from our play sessions or toys that have been donated to us. The Toy Auctions are a critical income stream for us as monies raised are used to pay rent on our hired toy store at The Strutt Centre. The resale of these toys gives them a new lease of life with a new generation of children saving the items from landfill. The toys are sold at very reasonable prices making them affordable to all.

Confident Communicators Voucher programme

Derbyshire County Council purchased vouchers to enable Early Years providers who have attended their Confident Communicators programme to access to the resources, play sessions and expertise of Derbyshire Toy Libraries.

The aims of Confident Communicators is to provide staff development focused on communication and language to our Early Years settings and schools.

To encourage networking and different providers connecting within their communities especially reaching out to Childminders, Derbyshire County Council want to employ a ‘recommend a friend’ system. Initially the vouchers will be given to the 30 providers enrolled for Confident Communicators and ask them to recommend the local providers they are working with to receive their voucher.

Key Activities

“Stay and Play”:

Our Stay and Play Coordinators, with the assistance of our volunteer team run a timetable of weekly, 90 minute stay and play sessions in 4 different locations. A rotated selection of clean, safe and high quality toys are available for the children to play with alongside other play based activities and song time. Parents and carers engage in play with the support of our Play Co ordinators and volunteers. Each week parents/carers are offered refreshments. Sessions are charged at £4 and concessions are offered for those unable to pay. On average 132 children attend a Stay & Play session each month.

Multiples Stay and Play:

On the second Saturday of the month, Lizzie leads a session for Multiples at the Strutt Centre. This developed following the closure of Matlock Multiples based in Darley Dale. Twins and more are welcomed with their parents and or carers who can have a hot drink and talk to others with twins or more.



Our Governance

The charity is governed by a board of six unpaid trustees who hold legal responsibility for the charity and adhere to our governing document and supporting policies.

Key responsibilities of the trustee board include setting the strategic direction of the charity, building its financial health, ensuring it fulfills its aims and objectives and overseeing its operation.

As a minimum the board meets termly to review, plan and manage the work of the charity. Ad hoc meetings are arranged outside of these times as and when needed.

Trustees and officers are elected and appointed upon a convening of a general meeting. We are always looking for new Trustees to strengthen our Team. If you would like to be involved please speak to Ann-Marie McMillan. Ann-Marie can be contacted via manager.derbyshiretoylibraries@gmail.com. If you would like to speak to Ann-Marie face to face, you can usually find her at our Belper Community Hall Stay and Play sessions.

Our Trustees are all volunteers and receive no benefit for their work with Derbyshire Toy Libraries.

Our Trustees

During this period, the Trustees were:

Rehana Reid - Chair 27/06/2018

Anna Field - Treasurer 12/09/2022

Liz Parker - Trustee 13/03/2014

Beth Coley-Cross - Trustee 01/09/2019

Cassie Ensor - Trustee 12/09/2022

Lauren Tansley – Trustee 01/06/2023

We're a varied bunch who bring different skills and knowledge to the table. Our differing experiences and backgrounds are key to ensuring that the Toy Library delivers services that are accessible to as many people as possible.

Notable Events *from this year*

1

Derby Drive Intern from Aug 22 - Feb 23

Abdalla Shalaby worked with us to help raise profile of DTL on social media and in local schools and communities.

The reels produced are available on our Youtube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHT3wklAUbz2VID8QgsV5Ow/videos>

2

Pop-up play session Sept 22

Held a pop-up play session at Hulland School.

3

Lots for Tots Awards Oct 22

Ann-Marie was Highly Commended in the Most Loved Volunteer Category of the whilst Derbyshire Toy Libraries was a Finalist. October 2022

4

Wellness Hubbub Nov 22

Attended this community group session at The Glebe in Crich

5

Various Activities Feb 23

- The first Multiples session took place
- Ann-Marie was interviewed by Sally Pepper at BBC Radio Derby
- Attended Volunteering Fair at Derby University - to promote volunteering roles to students, staff and members of the public.

6

Various Activities Apr 23

- The first Grassmoor Stay & Play session took place.
- Attended Kilburn Community Day

7

Various Activities May 23

- Featured on local ITV News
- Participated in Children's Book Festival
- Coxbench Hall hosted an Intergenerational Young at Heart Stay & Play session.

8

Hosted British Red Cross First Aid Session June 2023

Organised and hosted free First Aid Session run by the British Red Cross

9

Attended the following events Jul 23

- Belper Food Festival
- Stall at the Flea Market, Derwent Mill
- Transition Belper Eco Market

10

Various Activities Aug 23

- Participated in Belper Open Gardens event.
- Hosted another First Aid session.

DERBYSHIRE TOY LIBRARIES
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2023

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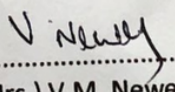
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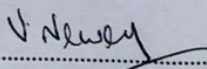
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Toy hire	<u>14,366</u>		<u>5,505</u>	
		27,608		16,571
Fundraising	855		1,800	
Grants received	100		500	
Sales of toys	3,644		4,104	
Other receipts	2,892		-	
Donations	<u>300</u>		<u>2,138</u>	
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Staff costs	13,467		12,488	
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Room hire	7,117		9,548	
Refreshments	44		83	
Insurance	537		648	
Transport	-		370	
IT/Website	553		530	
Marketing	1,064		760	
Fundraising costs	23		776	
Other payments	178		992	
Toys purchased	275		1,773	
Training costs	135		-	
Zettle/Paypal fees	340		-	
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Balance brought forward		<u>5,269</u>		<u>9,632</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		£ 15,888		£ 5,269
Represented by:				
Cash in hand		30		30
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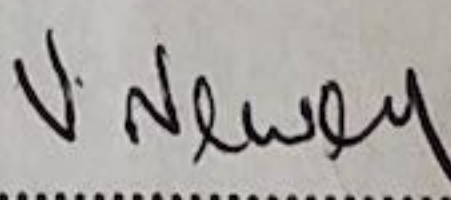
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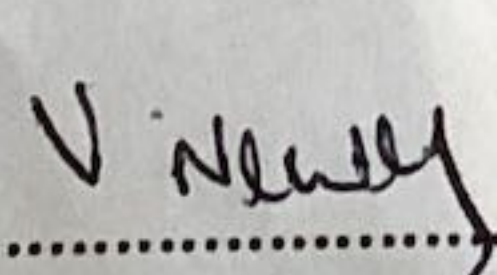
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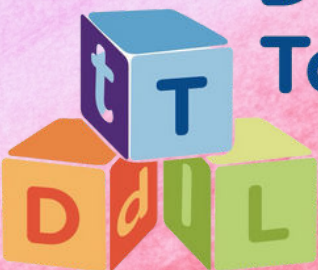
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Picture by Phoebe (Age 7)



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Picture by Akhil (Age 6)



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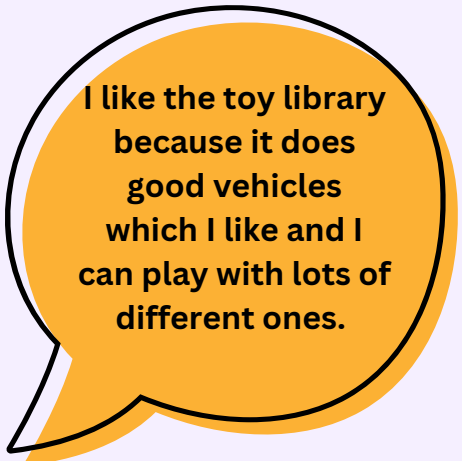
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- provide a place for parents and carers to meet
- offer support for parenting and parental involvement in play
- relieve financial hardship of families through the provision of affordable and subsidised play activities and resources
- reduce the number of toys in landfill, encouraging multiple re-use
- act as a hub within the local community
- provide opportunities for volunteering and learning new skills

We are run by a dedicated team of local people who work primarily on a voluntary basis.



**I like the toy library
because it does
good vehicles
which I like and I
can play with lots of
different ones.**

Noah (Age 3)

Chairs Statement

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This year has been another incredible and challenging year. We have faced a period of planning our post Covid evolution. At the forefront of our planning is to keep our communities safe and well supported through all that we do, whilst continuing to centre our principle commitment to advance children's education and development through the extension of play.

We now move into an exciting phase as we focus on our organisational development, this will support our growth, stability, resilience and ultimately an improved Toy Library service for our communities.

I extended deep gratitude to our founder Ann-Marie McMillan who continues to be an inspirational leader and always shows tenacity in driving our work forward.

We are grateful to all of the DTL team who have much to be proud of in what we have achieved to support so many children and families throughout Derbyshire. We celebrate our achievements and performance.

Rehana Reid



Treasurers Report

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These accounts have been drawn up on the accruals basis, consistent with previous years. Overall, the outcome for the year was a deficit of £4,363. At the end of the year, Derbyshire Toy Libraries had funds amounting to £5,269.

The Charity's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient funds to enable it to maintain the Charity's equipment to a good standard and to meet all other reasonably foreseeable eventualities.

21/22 continued to bring challenges, and some benefits, as a result of Covid.

- Our Stay and Play sessions were restricted by Covid protocols and to some degree member confidence in returning to sessions. Income increased from nothing last year to over £4,000 this year but there is still some way to go as pre-covid this income stream regularly generated in excess of £6,000 each year.
- The number of festivals/events, such as Belper goes Green, were reduced and as such our Marketing and Fundraising opportunities reduced.
- Our Toy Hire income exceeded pre covid levels, a reflection of the increase in our membership base.
- Income from Party Hire and Toy Sales far exceeded pre covid levels.
- To enable more accurate financial reporting, toy hire and party hire began to be recorded under separate cost centres in the accounts.
- Staff costs have increased as we have tried to keep up with the changes that have been necessary over the last 2 1/2 years. One notable change has been to increase the number of Click and Collect sessions each week so that we can service our membership.

22/23 Looking Forward

- Work continues to build upon the increased utilisation of the Toy Library services by the communities of Derbyshire. The Trustees are conscious of the need to consolidate the achievements of the past year whilst eliminating the deficit. Thereby securing the future of Derbyshire Toy Libraries for years to come.
- The Trustees regularly look for funding opportunities. Several grant applications have been submitted for support in achieving our objectives. To date, we have been successful in securing a Grant of £2450 for the relaunch of our Crich Stay and Play sessions and await the outcome on other applications.

Anna Field



Our People

Staff

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Founder / Manager



Ann-Marie McMillan founded the toy library 23 years ago. She now oversees the management activities, relationships and supports the running of stay and play sessions. We would not be where we are today with her generosity, passion and dedication.

Coordinator

Lyndsey Willis runs our popular stay and play and click and collect sessions. Lyndsey carries out her work for DTL with enthusiasm and encouragement for all who use the service.



Business & Governance Consultant



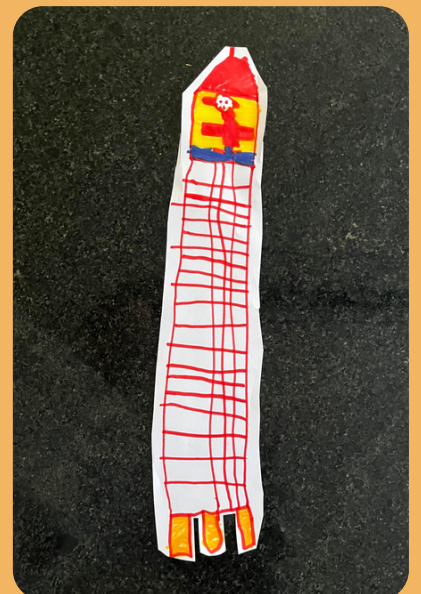
Elizabeth Brierton joined DTL in 2022 to undertake governance work, project support and website development. Elizabeth is also secretary to the trustees. Elizabeth brings a wealth of experience in Project Management, Continuous Improvement and Process Change.. Elizabeth is supportive and encouraging with a keen eye for detail.

Volunteers

We are supported by a group of volunteers who give their time to help out at our community events and stay & play sessions. This includes trustees and paid staff.

Our grateful thanks goes to Georgina, Clare, Liz and Linda

Picture by
Henry (Age 3)



Key Activities

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Click & Collect

Members pay £10 for an annual membership to the Toy Library, giving them access to an online catalogue of over 1,000 toys and resources including age based play packs which they can hire with prices starting at 50p per week. Enquiries and bookings are made online and the service is run by our Click & Collect Coordinator from our rented toy store in Belper.



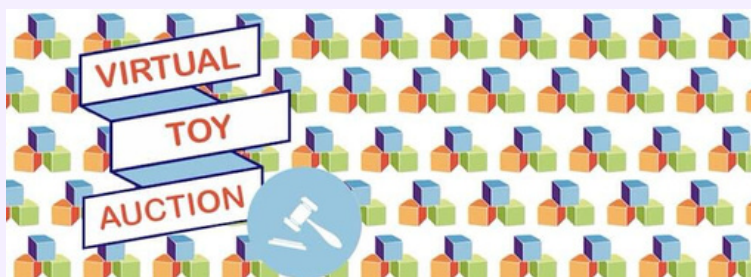
The toy library is fantastic! A brilliant way to avoid buying toys that will only be needed for a short time, great for the environment and our finances”.

Samantha

Stay & Play

Our Stay and Play Coordinators, with the assistance of our volunteer team run a timetable of weekly, 90 minute stay and play sessions in 3 different locations. A rotated selection of clean, safe and high quality toys is put out for the children to play with alongside other play based activities such as arts and crafts and song time. Parents and carers engage in play based activities together. Each week parents/carers are offered refreshments. Sessions are charged at £4 and concessions are offered for those unable to pay. On average 132 children attend a Stay & Play session each month.

Monthly Virtual Toy Auctions



These developed from Facebook Monthly Sale Events which enabled us to clear surplus stock we had sorted through lockdown from review and repurpose.

We changed our Derbyshire Toy Libraries Selling and Fundraising Facebook Group to a dedicated sale outlet for DTL - On suggestion from Trustee Cassie we changed this to a Virtual Auction to give participants opportunities to bid and we need to raise greater funds to pay for Strutts Toy Hire Store and replenish gaps in resources and or purchase in demand items eg Soft Play and Monitorie Pikler Frames .

The work involved is approximately the same for greater gain. We are looking at other ways to improve and make available not just on Facebook in the future for greater accessibility.

We are 1st in Google Searches for Donations of toys.

We also cascade donations to other local charities as required.

Got a Maisie Mouse jigsaw, which my son loved, for 20p - absolute bargain!

Karen

Our Governance

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The charity is governed by a board of nine unpaid trustees who hold legal responsibility for the charity and adhere to our governing document and supporting policies. Key responsibilities of the trustee board include setting the strategic direction of the charity, building its financial health, ensuring it fulfills its aims and objectives and overseeing its operation. As a minimum the board meets quarterly to review, plan and manage the work of the charity. Ad hoc meetings are arranged outside of these times as and where needed.

Trustees and officers are elected and appointed upon a convening of a general meeting. We recruit for trustees using social media, face to face meetings, Toy Library Members /attendees of stay & play, contacts from strategic partners].

We look for people with a range of skills and experience that can support our work as well as a real commitment to advancing our aims and objectives.



Picture by Daphne (19 months) and Mum Debbie

Trustee Committee

All trustees act in a voluntary capacity and no trustee receives any benefit in relation to their work as a member of the board.

CHAIR



Rehana Reid
27/06/2018

TREASURER



Anna Field
12/09/2022

TRUSTEE



Lavinia Knowles
13/03/2014

TRUSTEE



Liz Parker
13/03/2014

TRUSTEE



Beth Coley-Cross
01/09/2019

TRUSTEE



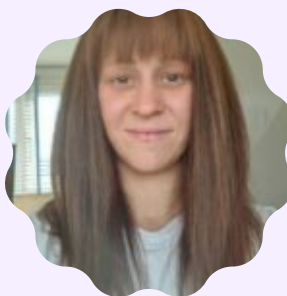
Cassie Ensor
12/09/2022

TRUSTEE



Karolyn St Martin
08/02/2021

TRUSTEE



Yvette Holdsworth
08/02/2021

It's
awesome!

Alexander (Age 3)

Key Achievements



We moved our toy store into The Strutts Centre

The new base is instrumental to the ongoing success of Click and Collect, it has fulfilled all the ticks on our dream list:-

- Accessibility; central location in Belper with good transport links and is easily reachable on foot. The toy store is located on the ground floor, making it wheelchair/pushchair friendly.
- Strutts is a multi-user building who we can support with our services.
- It's safe and secure - (alarmed).
- There are washing facilities for toys and resources.
- Good Wifi allowing administration to be carried out on site.
- Safe space to invite members in to view toys and resources and to provide advice on suitability.
- People hire more resources when they can see them in person.

Attendance at Events



- Ripley Town Council's Big Day Out
- Belper Goes Green Eco Festival 2022 at Belper Cricket Club
- Pride in Belper
- Sudbury Hall Early Years Play Event

Feedback from our members

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I couldn't ask for more from DTL, it's become part of the weekly routine with my 3-year old and 9-month old to go to look around and hire a new and exciting toy for the week.



Picture by Poppy (Age 5)

New parents I tell about the toy library can't believe that it's not shouted about more, because it's a lifeline as a parent - it gives my children so much, including life lessons about looking after someone else's property, hiring and buying, even just the simplicity of actually choosing a toy each week

**Produced by:
The Trustee Committee
Derbyshire Toy Libraries**

March 2023



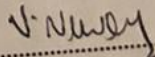
Picture by Arsh (Age 8)



DERBYSHIRE TOY LIBRARIES
Receipts & Payments Account
Year ended 31st August 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts:				
Session fees	4,292		-	
Membership fees	2,887		2,559	
Party hire	3,887		102	
Toy hire	<u>5,505</u>		<u>11,590</u>	
		16,571		14,251
Fundraising	1,800		1,160	
Grants received	500		1,050	
Sales of toys	4,104		3,198	
Other receipts	-		64	
Donations	<u>2,138</u>		<u>5,236</u>	
		<u>8,542</u>		<u>10,708</u>
		25,113		24,959
Payments:				
Staff costs	12,488		9,794	
Staff expenses	1,408		16	
Room hire	9,548		-	
Storage	-		341	
Refreshments	83		5	
Insurance	648		66	
Transport	370		-	
IT/Website	530		195	
Stationery	-		4	
Marketing	760		-	
Fundraising costs	776		149	
Subscriptions	-		38	
Other payments	992		432	
Toys purchased	1,773		8,384	
General expenses	-		371	
Lottery Grant costs	-		5,556	
Accounts fee	<u>100</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>29,476</u>		<u>25,351</u>
Surplus / Deficit of receipts over payments		4,363		392
Balance brought forward		<u>8,836</u>		<u>9,228</u>
		<u>£ 4,473</u>		<u>£ 8,836</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				
Represented by:		30		30
Cash in hand		<u>4,443</u>		<u>8,806</u>
Bank account balance		<u>£ 4,473</u>		<u>£ 8,836</u>

Auditor's Report
I confirm that this Receipts and Payments account truly reflects the financial position in accordance with the receipts and vouchers of Derbyshire Toy Libraries.


Mrs. V. Newey
Amber Accountancy Services

10th March 2023

DERBYSHIRE TOY LIBRARIES
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

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

It is my responsibility to:

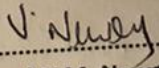
- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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

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

Signed by:


(Mrs.) V.M. Newey

Date: 10th March 2023

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