

Bolton Toy Library

Annual Report

April 2023 – March 2024

Aims & Objectives

- Bolton Toy Library aims to relieve and educate all children by the provision of therapeutic, educational and stimulating toys and resources, and to assist the development from the earliest age of all children whatever their circumstance through all forms of play activity
- To actively promote the value of play creating the opportunities for children to explore and discover their world, learning how to live together, to develop physically, intellectually and emotionally.
- To provide good quality multicultural and educational play provision.
- To ensure all children and families will be treated as individuals in accordance with our Equal Opportunities Policy.
- To adhere to the Safeguarding Children Policy and inter-agency working to keep children safe.
- To create a safe and welcoming environment regardless of their circumstance, and to be culturally sensitive.
- To provide information to parents/carers on other children's services in order to provide additional support.
- To offer a framework of support to parents/carers and families if needed.
- To provide outreach services 'stay & play' across the borough in areas of deprivation to improve the outcomes for young children.
- To give the opportunity for community involvement and volunteering, by encouraging volunteers to become part of the team.
- To provide an opportunity for professional involvement as appropriate.
- To liaise with other child services to deliver a multi-faceted service where the safety of the children is of paramount importance, to ensure information is shared.

Chairs Report 2023– 2024

Presented at the AGM 20th December 2024

This report provides an overview of the services during the last year. In line with the aims and objectives we have continued to provide services for families across the borough of Bolton. This work has been possible through a range of funding, and without this help the Toy Library would not be able to continue to provide its valuable services to families:

We have supported the emotional health and wellbeing of 350 children and their parents through drop-in sessions, themed activities, one-to-one appointments, and emotional well-being kits for children aged 0-5 years. Many of the children and parents supported through this service are experiencing extremely difficult life circumstances/events and have complex needs. Our provision has enabled parents and children to engage in a neutral, calm, and enjoyable space, being supported by professional staff, providing a breathing space to evaluate their needs and engage together.

The Bolton Council Start Well Service has enabled us to support families with children 0-5 years to access stay and play drop-in sessions across 5 Start Well Center's. We have had an expansion to this work to support an additional 2 center's extending the opportunities for local families. This work improves social isolation through meeting others, whilst gaining professional support.

We have continued to provide our much-needed perinatal groups for mums (children 0-2 years) to gain peer-to-peer support, funded by GMVCO hosting weekly drop-in sessions, and accessing early years resources. This is often the first opportunity after giving birth to meet others in similar circumstances and share experiences. We have also had an expansion grant to specifically support perinatal mental health which has provided additional support to vulnerable mum's experiencing low mood or post-natal depression.

Our Parents & carers engagement project has enabled local parents and carers to express their views and be instrumental in changes in the local offer.

Equilibrium Foundation funds our Diversity Support Worker who assists on all projects to improve engagement and inclusivity.

Our support for children with SEND is core to our service and thanks to the Bolton Fund we have enabled children to access specialist play resources in the home, at our drop-in sessions and in their settings.

We support Family Time (Looked after children) who access our sensory room on a regular basis, enabling parents of very young babies to be together in therapeutic environment during their supervised sessions. We loan resources during contact visits, and this work provides the opportunity for enhanced parental/child engagement.

A great benefit has been the support of the Warm Spaces grant helping us provide hot drinks for families in our comfort area and Skelton Charity helping towards core costs.

We have worked closely with our partners Bolton Together whose skills and networking strengths have helped us to improve outcomes for children and families across the borough.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those organisations who have supported this year, their help has had an influence on so many children and their families. A special thank you to our team of Trustees, Staff and Volunteers who are integral to our success.

Signed:

Dated: 5th December 2024 AGM

Annette Dodd

Bolton Toy Library - Treasurer's Report

Accounts April 2023 - March 2024

presented 5th December 2024 @ AGM

The Charity has remained steadfast in delivering essential services within a local economy significantly impacted by reductions in family support programs. Through the strong governance provided by our Trustees, we have successfully secured funding to continue offering critical support to vulnerable children, young people, and their families. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated Trustees, staff, and our invaluable team of volunteers, whose commitment and efforts are instrumental to our mission.

The principal funding sources for the charity include grant income from Bolton Council's Start Well Service, Bolton NHS Foundation Trust, and Bolton Fund, distributed via Bolton Together. These funds enable us to deliver vital support for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and those struggling with Emotional Dysregulation, alongside securing smaller grants from trusts and foundations to meet operational costs. We deeply appreciate the generosity of all our funders and supporters.

A special acknowledgment goes to Bolton Together, with whom we collaborate on several impactful projects. Through funding from Bolton NHS Foundation Trust, our Emotional Health and Wellbeing Project provides support to 350 vulnerable children (ages 2-5), equipping them with essential skills to self-regulate emotions and build resilience. Additional funding from Bolton NHS Foundation Trust and Greater Manchester CCG has allowed us to offer daily 'drop-in' sessions, including Perinatal Drop-Ins, which provide new parents with peer-to-peer support, self-care kits, toys, and resources to promote early attachment.

Our successful bids to the Start Well Service have facilitated eight Stay, Play, and Learn sessions across Bolton, ensuring accessible, engaging, and educational opportunities for families. We are also grateful to Bolton Council for providing our bright and welcoming accommodation at the Harvey Start Well Centre.

We are pleased to have received a small grant to facilitate access to our sensory room for families attending the Harvey Start Well Centre for their 'family time.' This initiative provides families with the opportunity to spend meaningful, quality time together in a calm and relaxing environment, fostering cherished memories.

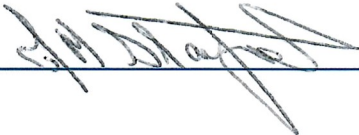
Additionally, we have supported the local community by offering resource loans to 10 primary schools across Bolton, aiding them in addressing the needs of their students. We are also delighted to have welcomed a Diversity Support Worker to our team. As a multilingual professional, they have been instrumental in supporting and guiding new families, helping them feel welcomed and valued by providing assistance in their first language.

Bal at beginning £118,319

Income for the year: £141,812

Expenditure in year: £132,059

Bal at end (Mar23) £128,072

Signed  _____ Dated 5th December 2024 @ AGM

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AN UNINCORPORATED REGISTERED
CHARITY NO: 1098191

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2024

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

TRUSTEES:

Mrs A Dodd
Mrs J Stanford
Mrs E Rigby
Mrs J Halton
Mrs J Southern
Mr J Bagnall

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:

1098191

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS:

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Chartered Accountants and
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70 Chorley New Road
BOLTON
BL1 4BY

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Bolton Toy Library is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 30th April 2001 and is a registered charity no. 1098191. The Trust is non-profit making and is governed by a Management Committee. Its Trustees are volunteers.

Recruitment and Training of Trustees

The trustees are appointed by the members of the organisation at the Annual General Meeting and the trustees have the power under the governing documents to co-opt individuals who support the objects of the organisation to fill vacancies on the Board of Management.

As part of their induction, new trustees are provided with information about the charity, the management structure, its history and working practices. In addition, they are also provided with extracts of the Trust Deed plus information from the Charity Commission regarding the duties and responsibilities of trustees.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Bolton Toy Library was established to promote the importance of play within the community. The charity's objects are the relief and education of all children by the provision of therapeutic, educational and stimulating toys and equipment available for loan. Bolton Toy Library aims to assist the development from the earliest age of all children regardless of their circumstances by offering all aspects of play.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

We have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future events. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set, both through the use of unrestricted and restricted funds. The use of restricted funds is detailed on page 6.4.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Our fundamental aim is to support vulnerable children and their families this remains our key driver. We have supported many hundreds of children and their families from all across the Borough, whilst exceeding all our Outputs and Targets. Our continued focus is to create opportunities to meet, build emotional resilience, support parents and children by delivering inclusive activities. Our skilled Team is able to tailor specialised resources that help children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) to reach their potential.

We are proud to be chosen as a Key Early Years provider for our 5th year delivering crucial services to vulnerable children. The IThrive Alliance represents 5 local partners who deliver a range of bespoke services for children and young people living in complex situations. The fact that we are trusted to deliver quality, holistic services, evidenced and reported in a clear, defined format has been consistent with our Statutory partners choosing us to deliver the new StartWell/Family Hub services after an in-depth bidding assessment. Our constant feedback from Public Health Nurses, Health Visitors, StartWell Leads and Practitioners, Social Care, Early Start Professionals reinforces our significant position in the early years sector and recognises our positive impact in improving Children's outcomes.

Below represents the services that the charity has provided during this past year:

- **Bolton Council ACIS** – Achievement cohesion and integration service - **£292** small grant for supporting home educated children (4-13 yrs) for 1 month.
- **Bolton Council - StartWell Service- Family Time looked after children** - This grant of £4000 represents our '**Targeted Early Help**' services to vulnerable looked after children referred into our service by Family Time. This project provides access to our sensory room, play area and play resources for use during contact visits with parents.
- **Bolton Council -StartWell Service – Grant for £2500** – this pilot project was to support children identified at their 18 month assessment as having delays in their development by accessing social play sessions, borrowing learning resources/toys to improve their home environment.
- **Bolton Council -StartWell service - Grant £400** – support to improve the 'home learning environment'
- **Bolton Council -StartWell Service - Grant £670** – this was to provide the initial weekend Family Hub Launches covering additional Staff costs during August 23
- **Bolton Council – StartWell Service – Total grant £32,500 distributed via Bolton Together** provides disadvantaged (0-5 years) Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Service Centres (Jan 23-Dec 23 Yr. 1 of 4 Yrs.) This represents Staffing Costs, Service Charge, Resources This is to improve social isolation, enable families to meet and access 'Stay, Play & Learn drop ins focusing on playing together and gaining support.
- **Bolton Digital Lightful -Bolton CVS** – This micro grant **£500** was to extend the reach of the charity by using social media/platforms.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (Continued)

- **Bolton Fund** – This grant of **£14,000** (Aug 23 -Jul 24) provides 150 Children with Special Educational Needs, Disabilities and Additional Needs access to Therapeutic play, access to the Sensory Room and the loan of specialised resources to help improve their development.
- **Bolton Together - distributed NHS Bolton Foundation Trust Funds to provide the Emotional Health Wellbeing Project (1stJul 23-30thJun 24)** -This grant of **£37,000** provides Staffing costs and Service Charge to deliver emotional wellbeing support to 350 children across Bolton who have suffered bereavement, parental separation, witnessed Domestic Violence and other complex situations.
- **Bolton Together distributed funds for Perinatal 0-2 years/Family Surge Funds via Bolton Together April 23-Mar 24** – This grant of **£17,800** represented Staffing Costs, Service Charge to host, Stock purchase and Free Self-Care Kits to distribute to New Mums/Dads. Families were encouraged to loan of Resources and Kits to their babies.
- **Bolton Together -distributed StartWell expansion grants for the following 3 projects:**
 - (1) **StartWell 2 Centres/Family Hubs £13,000 (1st Sep 23-31Aug 25-2 years)**
 - (2) **Bolton Together – Perinatal mental health £7200 (1st Sep 23-31Aug 25-2 years)** supporting new Mums to access Peer to Peer support, skilled staff signpost to other services
 - (3) **Bolton Together – Parents & carers engagement project (1st Sep 23-31 Aug 25 -2 years)** This grant of **£14,088** covers staffing costs, Service charge, refreshment costs to gather a Panel of 12 parents/carers to feedback information. Using qualitative data, questionnaires, verbal discussion to record feedback from parents/carers to co-design the Family Hub services that are delivered from StartWell Centres/Family Hubs
- **Equilibrium Foundation grant £9000** – this grant was to recruit our Diversity Support Worker to assist on all projects (awarded March 24 for April delivery)
- **Sale of vehicle £1900** – it was decided to reduce travel costs and sell 1 of the 2 vehicles
- **The Skelton Charity - £1062.50** this grant was raised to contribute to Core costs of the Charity.
- **Warm Spaces - £2440 funding distributed by Bolton Library** – this enabled the charity to provide hot drinks, soup, fruit, snacks to vulnerable families affected by the financial crisis

Our welcoming provision of daily 'family drop ins' along with our Perinatal Peer to Peer support has shown positive change by enabling vulnerable families to gain ongoing professional support. Our dedicated, caring Team of staff and volunteers offer a warm welcome, with their lived experience, enabling diverse communities to connect and improve their health and wellbeing.

By Modelling positive play values, encouraging exploration and learning in a safe environment; families are able to play, gain trust access quality resources for children who are struggling to self-regulate their emotions. Ongoing support is delivered in-line with the IThrive model aiming to build on parent's skills whilst improving their child's emotional resilience.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (Continued)

2023-2024 Support delivered:

- ❖ **6 dedicated Trustees** gave up their time voluntarily to govern the charity, engaging with its partners and the community to provide services for vulnerable children, young people and their families across Bolton.
- ❖ **6 dedicated Volunteers** used their life skills to help run services for disadvantaged children, young people, vulnerable adults and their families. We have supported 4 older volunteers +50yrs to connect with their community.
- ❖ **350 children (2-7 years)** have received ongoing support through our IThrive Emotional & Wellbeing project, which has helped children build their emotional resilience.
- ❖ **250 children accessed the 'Multi-Sensory Room' and borrowed specialised resources** in their home or setting to improve their outcomes.
- ❖ **150 children 0-5 years with special educational needs & disabilities (SEND)** accessed positive activities in Toy Library along with the loan of SEND resources in their home/setting
- ❖ **20 Refugee/Asylum Seeker Families** have accessed Toy Library support.
- ❖ **200 vulnerable children accessed 'TOY BANK'** this involved books, craft materials and baby toys.
- ❖ **160 'Drop ins' sessions** supported maternal health to engage with others and improve health & wellbeing (Health Visitor/self-referral).
- ❖ **10 Nurseries/schools (private, statutory and voluntary sector)** have accessed learning resources to enhance their continuous provision.
- ❖ **300 vulnerable families** have accessed resources to improve the home learning environment.
- ❖ **400 disadvantaged children 0-8 years received free toys, books and learning resources**
- ❖ **80 Looked after children** have accessed quality resources to improve their outcomes.

Networking and Partnership

The Charity continues to work in partnership with other agencies and is represented on Bolton Together (42 Voluntary organisations working together for children and young people). We work collaboratively as a consortium to achieve outcomes for children, young people, vulnerable adults and families. Other members are Bolton Lads & Girls Club, NCH, CVS, Children's Opportunity Group, Bolton HomestartHost and YMCA etc. We have a robust delivery model, direct Pathways of referrals delivering prompt responses and tailored support to improve outcomes.

We are represented within the StartWell Hubs with regular networking to ensure the needs of the vulnerable families are being met. Our Staff/Volunteers access ongoing Professional Development ensuring knowledge and compliance.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

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INVESTMENT POLICY

Considering the current challenging financial climate most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term and a prudent amount to maintain a healthy cash flow. In-line with our Risk & Mitigation Policy the Trustees meet regularly to assess the cash flow and the future needs of the charity.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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The surplus for the year was	9,753
To which is added on to the surplus brought forward	118,319

Leaving a surplus carried forward of	128,072
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RESERVES POLICY

The Board of Trustees review the Reserves of the charity in light of the main risks to the organisation. In the current economic climate funding was scarce and the Board had to make a difficult decision to instigate staff redundancies in accordance with Legislation. Their prudent governance resulted in securing funding to re-employ experienced staff on reduced hours; to continue to deliver a reduced service with a view to increasing capacity by recruiting additional volunteers.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each 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, of the charity for that period. In preparing financial statements the trustees are required to;

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

A resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to reappoint Mr J C Hargraves of DonnellyBentley, Chartered Accountants, as independent examiner to the Charity.

APPROVED BY THE TRUSTEES AND SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES BY:



Trustee

4th September 2024

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BOLTON TOY LIBRARY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

I report on the accounts of Bolton Toy Library for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on pages 4 to 6.7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act and that my qualification is as shown 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr J C Hargraves, BA FCA
 DonnellyBentley
 Chartered Accountants
 Hazlemere
 70 Chorley New Road
 Bolton, BL1 4BY

J C Hargraves

4th September 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	General Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Year End 31/03/2024 £	Total Year End 31/03/2023 £
Income and endowments					
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>					
Voluntary Income:	2				
BMBC		-	-	-	-
BMBC - Family Time		4000	-	4000	-
BMBC Start Well Service		3570	-	3570	1000
BMBC Warm Family Spaces		1000	1440	2440	1440
Bolton CVS		500	13500	14000	12000
Home Elected Education		292	-	292	3500
Bolton Together		50	103766	103816	79425
Equilibrium Foundation		-	9000	9000	-
Tesco Foundation		-	-	-	375
Action Together		-	-	-	850
Amazon Smile		16	-	16	-
Asda Foundation		-	-	-	2000
Bauer Media Group		-	-	-	1200
Bolton Every Mind Matters		-	-	-	500
Bolton Rotary Club		-	-	-	1000
BUPA		-	-	-	1300
Childrens Opportunity Group		-	-	-	160
All Saints Primary School		-	-	-	140
Greater Manchester Grants		-	-	-	5000
Morrisons Foundation		-	-	-	7500
Memberships		580	-	580	-
New Beginnings Nursery		-	-	-	10
The Skelton Charity		-	1063	1063	-
Loan of Toys		16	-	16	44
CAF Coop Foundation		-	-	-	30
Sale of Vehicle		1900	-	1900	-
Investment Income	6	1119	-	1119	218
Total income		<u>13043</u>	<u>128769</u>	<u>141812</u>	<u>117692</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	<u>18364</u>	<u>113695</u>	<u>132059</u>	<u>104785</u>
Total expenditure		<u>18364</u>	<u>113695</u>	<u>132059</u>	<u>104785</u>
Net income/(expenditure) for the year					
Transfer between funds	5	(5321)	15074	9753	12907
		12379	(12379)	-	-
Fund Balances B/Fwd at 1 April 2023		101141	17178	118319	105412
Fund Balances C/Fwd at 31 March 2024		<u>108199</u>	<u>19873</u>	<u>128072</u>	<u>118319</u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

ANALYSIS OF RESTRICTED FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

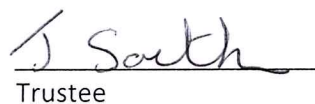
	Bolton Fund Early Years (SEND) 0-5 £	BUPA Foundation Fund £	Perinatal 0-2 Bolton Clinical Commissioning Team £	Emotional Health & Wellbeing - Bolton Together £	Arnold Clarke £	The Skelton Charity £	Warm Spaces £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion Parent & Carer Engagement Project £	Cost of Living Crisis Greater Manchester £	Equilibrium Foundation £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion in 2 Centres £	Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres £	Bolton Together Expansion Perinatal 0-2 Mental Health Project £	Total as per Page 4 £
Income														
Donations & legacies														
Voluntary Income														
BMBC - Warm Family Spaces	-	-	-	-	-	-	1440	-	-	-	-	-	-	1440
Bolton CVS	13500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13500
Bolton Together	-	-	17800	27750	-	-	-	10566	-	-	9750	32500	5400	103766
Equilibrium Foundation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9000	-	-	-	9000
The Skelton Charity	-	-	-	-	-	1063	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1063
Total Income	13500	-	17800	27750	-	1063	1440	10566	-	9000	9750	32500	5400	128769
Expenditure														
Expenditure on charitable activities	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	113695
Total Expenditure	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	113695
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	577	(263)	1700	(2250)	(102)	-	1029	3357	(5000)	9000	2742	3084	1200	15074
Transfers between Funds	-	-	(1700)	(5250)	(4)	-	-	(1250)	-	-	(1400)	(2775)	-	(12379)
Fund Balance B/Fwd at 1 April 2023	3833	526	-	7563	106	-	-	-	5000	-	-	150	-	17178
Fund Balance C/Fwd at 31 March 2024	4410	263	-	63	-	-	1029	2107	-	9000	1342	459	1200	19873

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY**AN UNINCORPORATED REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1098191****BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024**

	Note	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	8		263		526
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	9	27666		27666	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		100684		99987	
Debtors	10	1000		-	
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		129350		127653	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	11	1541		9860	
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NET CURRENT ASSETS			128709		117793
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NET ASSETS			128072		118319
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THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Income Funds			19873		17178
Unrestricted Income Funds			108199		101141
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	12 & 13		128072		118319
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The financial statements on pages 4 to 6.5 were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:


Trustee


Trustee

4th September 2024

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal policies adopted in the Financial Statements are set out below.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention and the going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) – (Charities SORP 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

Bolton Toy Library meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

FUNDS STRUCTURE

Unrestricted funds represent the accumulated funds of the charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use, and are available in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by the funders. Details of the balances on restricted funds at the year end are set out in note 12 to the accounts.

INCOMING RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Income includes grants in respect of revenue and capital items.

EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred.

- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of the charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Motor Vehicles – 25%
 Computer Equipment – 25%

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

TAXATION

No provision has been made for taxation as exemption from taxation is being granted by the Inland Revenue under the provisions of Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

VAT ACCOUNTING

The Charity is not liable to be registered for VAT. Irrecoverable VAT on expenditure is not analysed separately but attributed to the category of expenditure on which it is incurred.

CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

The Board of Management have elected to take advantage of the exemption under Update Bulletin 1 of the Charities SORP (2019) not to prepare a cash flow statement.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Grants	10008	128769	138777	117430
Membership and Loan of Toys	16	-	16	44
Voluntary Donations	-	-	-	-
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	10024	128769	138793	117474
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The Income is entirely attributable to the charity's principal aims and objectives namely to promote the importance of play within the community.

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FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

3. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	UNRESTRICTED					RESTRICTED											
	General Fund	Bolton Fund Early Years (SEND) 0-5	BUPA Foundation Fund	Perinatal 0-2 Bolton Clinical Commissioning Team	Emotional Health & Wellbeing - Bolton Together	Arnold Clarke	The Skelton Charity	Warm Spaces	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion Parent & Carer Engagement Project	Cost of Living Crisis Greater Manchester	Equilibrium Foundation	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion in 2 Centres	Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres	Bolton Together Expansion Perinatal 0-2 Mental Health Project	Total 31/03/24	Total 31/03/23	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Staff Costs	6967	12633	-	14400	30000	-	-	-	6789	-	-	6335	27500	4200	108824	88497	
Other Operating Charges	10497	290	263	1700	-	102	1063	411	420	5000	-	673	1916	-	22335	15406	
Governance Costs (note 4)	900	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	900	882	
	18364	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	132059	104785	

4. GOVERNANCE COSTS

UNRESTRICTED																	RESTRICTED																

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5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

This is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Directors and Trustees Remuneration	-	-
Accountants Remuneration	900	882
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6. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest Receivable	1119	-	1119	218
	=====	=====	=====	=====

7. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and Social Security Costs	108824	88497
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The average number of employees during the year excluding members of the Board of Management was:

	2024	2023
Direct Wages	5	3
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There are no high paid staff.

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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	TOTAL £
COST			
At 1 st April 2023	1052	28948	30000
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	(13966)	(13966)
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At 31 st March 2024	1052	14982	16034
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 st April 2023	526	28948	29474
Provided in the Year	263	-	263
Disposals	-	(13966)	(13966)
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At 31 st March 2024	789	14982	15771
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 st March 2024	263	-	263
	=====	=====	=====
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 st March 2023	526	-	526
	=====	=====	=====

9. STOCKS

	2024 £	2023 £
Stock of Toys and Play Equipment	27666	27666
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10. DEBTORS – AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments	1000	-
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	1000	-
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11. CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and Deferred Income	1037	9860
Other Creditors	504	-
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	1541	9860
	=====	=====

12. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS IN YEAR

- **Bolton Council ACIS** – Achievement cohesion and integration service - the grant of £292 this represents a small grant for supporting home educated children aged (4-13 yrs) for 1 month.
- **Bolton Council - StartWell Service- Family Time looked after children** - This grant of £4000 represents our 'Targeted Early Help' services to vulnerable looked after children referred into our service by Family Time. Families access our therapeutic multi-sensory room, the well-stocked play room to engage with their parents during contact visits.
- **Bolton Council -StartWell Service** – Grant for £2500 – this pilot project was to support children identified at their 18 month assessment as having delays in their development. The project provided home deliveries of toys/resources, weekly social play sessions, families borrow learning resources/toys to improve their home environment.
- **Bolton Council -StartWell service** - Grant £400 – this grant recognised the ongoing support provided to improve the 'home learning environment'
- **Bolton Council -StartWell Service** - Grant £670 – this grant provided the weekend Family Hub Launches at 5 Centres. This covered additional Staffing costs during August 23.
- **Bolton Council – StartWell Service** – Total grant £32,500 distributed via Bolton Together provides disadvantaged (0-5 years) Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres/Family Hubs (Jan 23-Dec 23 Year 1 of 4 Years) This represents Staffing Costs, Service Charge, Resources/consumeables. This is to improve social isolation, physical, and emotional development, enabling families to meet @ 'Stay, Play & Learn' drop-ins focusing on playing together and gaining support.
- **Bolton Digital Lightful -Bolton CVS** – This micro grant of £500 was to extend the reach of the charity by using social media/platforms.
- **Bolton Fund** – This grant of £14,000 (Aug 23 -Jul 24) provides 150 children (0-5 years) with Special Educational Needs, Disabilities and Additional Needs access to Therapeutic play, access the Sensory Room, access the loan of specialised resources to help improve their development.
- **Bolton Together - distributed NHS Bolton Foundation Trust Funds to provide the Emotional Health Wellbeing Project (1stJul 23-30thJun 24)** - This grant of £37,000 provides Staffing costs and Service Charge to deliver emotional wellbeing support to 350 children (2-7 years) across Bolton who have suffered bereavement, parental separation, witnessed Domestic Violence and other complex situations.

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12. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS IN YEAR (CONTINUED)

	RESTRICTED													UNRESTRICTED		
	Bolton Fund Early Years (SEND) 0-5 £	BUPA Foundation Fund £	Perinatal 0-2 Bolton Clinical Commissioning Team £	Emotional Health & Wellbeing - Bolton Together £	Arnold Clarke £	The Skelton Charity £	Warm Spaces £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion Parent & Carer Engagement Project £	Cost of Living Crisis Greater Manchester £	Equilibrium Foundation £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion in 2 Centres £	Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres £	Bolton Together Expansion Perinatal 0-2 Mental Health Project £	General £	Balance Sheet Total 31/03/24 £	Balance Sheet Total 31/03/23 £
INCOME	13500	-	17800	27750	-	1063	1440	10566	-	9000	9750	32500	5400	13043	141812	117692
EXPENSES	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	18364	132059	104785
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES	577	(263)	1700	(2250)	(102)	-	1029	3357	(5000)	9000	2742	3084	1200	(5321)	9753	12907
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS			(1700)	(5250)	(4)	-	-	(1250)	-	-	(1400)	(2775)	-	12379	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	577	(263)	-	(7500)	(106)	-	1029	2107	(5000)	9000	1342	309	1200	7058	9753	12907
FUND AT START	3833	526	-	7563	106	-	-	-	5000	-	-	150	-	101141	118319	105412
AVAILABLE FOR USE AT CLOSE	4410	263	-	63	-	-	1029	2107	-	9000	1342	459	1200	108199	128072	118319

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12. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS IN YEAR (CONTINUED)

- **Bolton Together distributed funds for Perinatal 0-2 years/Family Surge Funds via Bolton Together April 23-Mar 24** – This grant of £17,800 represented Staffing Costs, Service Charge to host peer to peer 'drop-ins' where new parents meet, gain support and access toys/resources for loan in the home. Stock purchase and Free Self-Care Kits to distribute to New Mums/Dads.
- **Bolton Together -distributed StartWell expansion grants for the following 3 projects:**
 - (1) **StartWell 2 Centres/Family Hubs £13,000 (1st Sep 23-31Aug 25-2 years)** This grant provides Outreach play sessions in 2 StartWell Centres/Family Hubs where families meet, socially play, gain support. The grant covers staffing costs/reources/consumeables/service charge towards Core costs.
 - (2) **Bolton Together – Perinatal mental health £7200 (1st Sep 23-31Aug 25-2 years)** supporting new Mums to access Peer to Peer support, skilled staff signpost to other services whilst supporting their mental wellbeing.
 - (3) **Bolton Together – Parents & Carers Engagement project (1st Sep 23-31 Aug 25 -2 years)** This grant of £14,088 covers staffing costs, service charge, refreshment costs to gather a Panel of 12 parents/carers to feedback information. Using qualitative data, questionnaires, verbal discussion to record feedback from parents/carers to co-design the delivery of Family Hub services for families 0-19 (+25 years with SEND).
- **Equilibrium Foundation grant £9000** – this grant was to recruit our new Diversity Support Worker to assist on all projects (awarded March 24 for April delivery) this represents staffing costs.
- **The Skelton Charity - £1062.50** this grant was raised to contribute to Core costs of the Charity.
- **Warm Spaces - £2440** Grant distributed by Bolton Library – direct grant- this enabled the provision of hot drinks, soup, fruit, snacks to vulnerable families affected by the financial crisis during Autumn/Winter. We are pleased to report that we have been able to respond to the ongoing need and have continued this support in Spring and Summer.

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Fund balances at 31st March 2024 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	263	263
Current Assets	109709	19641	129350
Current Liabilities	(1510)	(31)	(1541)
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	108199	19873	128072
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14. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

There have been no transactions with Trustees during the year.

15. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Charity is under the control of the Trustees.

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DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME		
Grants	138777	117430
Memberships and Loan of Toys	16	44
Voluntary Donations and Funding	-	-
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	138793	117474
	-----	-----
DIRECT COSTS		
Opening Stock	27666	27666
Purchases	1319	5627
Closing Stock	(27666)	(27666)
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	1319	5627
OTHER OPERATING CHARGES		
Rent	12600	-
Wages and Social Security	108824	88497
Insurance	1084	1244
Telephone	320	294
Printing and Stationery	470	722
Advertising	614	-
General Running Expenses	4155	3207
Motor and Travel Expenses	1510	4049
Accountancy	900	882
Depreciation	263	263
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	130740	99158
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	132059	104785
BANK INTEREST RECEIVABLE	(1119)	(218)
SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES	(1900)	-
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SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	9753	12907
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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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Mrs A Dodd
Mrs J Stanford
Mrs E Rigby
Mrs J Halton
Mrs J Southern
Mr J Bagnall

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:

1098191

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Bolton Toy Library is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 30th April 2001 and is a registered charity no. 1098191. The Trust is non-profit making and is governed by a Management Committee. Its Trustees are volunteers.

Recruitment and Training of Trustees

The trustees are appointed by the members of the organisation at the Annual General Meeting and the trustees have the power under the governing documents to co-opt individuals who support the objects of the organisation to fill vacancies on the Board of Management.

As part of their induction, new trustees are provided with information about the charity, the management structure, its history and working practices. In addition, they are also provided with extracts of the Trust Deed plus information from the Charity Commission regarding the duties and responsibilities of trustees.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Bolton Toy Library was established to promote the importance of play within the community. The charity's objects are the relief and education of all children by the provision of therapeutic, educational and stimulating toys and equipment available for loan. Bolton Toy Library aims to assist the development from the earliest age of all children regardless of their circumstances by offering all aspects of play.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

We have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future events. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set, both through the use of unrestricted and restricted funds. The use of restricted funds is detailed on page 6.4.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Our fundamental aim is to support vulnerable children and their families this remains our key driver. We have supported many hundreds of children and their families from all across the Borough, whilst exceeding all our Outputs and Targets. Our continued focus is to create opportunities to meet, build emotional resilience, support parents and children by delivering inclusive activities. Our skilled Team is able to tailor specialised resources that help children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) to reach their potential.

We are proud to be chosen as a Key Early Years provider for our 5th year delivering crucial services to vulnerable children. The IThrive Alliance represents 5 local partners who deliver a range of bespoke services for children and young people living in complex situations. The fact that we are trusted to deliver quality, holistic services, evidenced and reported in a clear, defined format has been consistent with our Statutory partners choosing us to deliver the new StartWell/Family Hub services after an in-depth bidding assessment. Our constant feedback from Public Health Nurses, Health Visitors, StartWell Leads and Practitioners, Social Care, Early Start Professionals reinforces our significant position in the early years sector and recognises our positive impact in improving Children's outcomes.

Below represents the services that the charity has provided during this past year:

- **Bolton Council ACIS** – Achievement cohesion and integration service - **£292** small grant for supporting home educated children (4-13 yrs) for 1 month.
- **Bolton Council - StartWell Service- Family Time looked after children** - This grant of £4000 represents our **'Targeted Early Help'** services to vulnerable looked after children referred into our service by Family Time. This project provides access to our sensory room, play area and play resources for use during contact visits with parents.
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- **Bolton Council – StartWell Service – Total grant £32,500 distributed via Bolton Together** provides disadvantaged (0-5 years) Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Service Centres (Jan 23-Dec 23 Yr. 1 of 4 Yrs.) This represents Staffing Costs, Service Charge, Resources This is to improve social isolation, enable families to meet and access 'Stay, Play & Learn drop ins focusing on playing together and gaining support.
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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (Continued)

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- **Bolton Together -distributed StartWell expansion grants for the following 3 projects:**
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- **Equilibrium Foundation grant £9000** – this grant was to recruit our Diversity Support Worker to assist on all projects (awarded March 24 for April delivery)
- **Sale of vehicle £1900** – it was decided to reduce travel costs and sell 1 of the 2 vehicles
- **The Skelton Charity - £1062.50** this grant was raised to contribute to Core costs of the Charity.
- **Warm Spaces - £2440 funding distributed by Bolton Library** – this enabled the charity to provide hot drinks, soup, fruit, snacks to vulnerable families affected by the financial crisis

Our welcoming provision of daily 'family drop ins' along with our Perinatal Peer to Peer support has shown positive change by enabling vulnerable families to gain ongoing professional support. Our dedicated, caring Team of staff and volunteers offer a warm welcome, with their lived experience, enabling diverse communities to connect and improve their health and wellbeing.

By Modelling positive play values, encouraging exploration and learning in a safe environment; families are able to play, gain trust access quality resources for children who are struggling to self-regulate their emotions. Ongoing support is delivered in-line with the IThrive model aiming to build on parent's skills whilst improving their child's emotional resilience.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (Continued)

2023-2024 Support delivered:

- ❖ **6 dedicated Trustees** gave up their time voluntarily to govern the charity, engaging with its partners and the community to provide services for vulnerable children, young people and their families across Bolton.
- ❖ **6 dedicated Volunteers** used their life skills to help run services for disadvantaged children, young people, vulnerable adults and their families. We have supported 4 older volunteers +50yrs to connect with their community.
- ❖ **350 children (2-7 years)** have received ongoing support through our IThrive Emotional & Wellbeing project, which has helped children build their emotional resilience.
- ❖ **250 children accessed the 'Multi-Sensory Room' and borrowed specialised resources** in their home or setting to improve their outcomes.
- ❖ **150 children 0-5 years with special educational needs & disabilities (SEND)** accessed positive activities in Toy Library along with the loan of SEND resources in their home/setting
- ❖ **20 Refugee/Asylum Seeker Families** have accessed Toy Library support.
- ❖ **200 vulnerable children accessed 'TOY BANK'** this involved books, craft materials and baby toys.
- ❖ **160 'Drop ins' sessions** supported maternal health to engage with others and improve health & wellbeing (Health Visitor/self-referral).
- ❖ **10 Nurseries/schools (private, statutory and voluntary sector)** have accessed learning resources to enhance their continuous provision.
- ❖ **300 vulnerable families** have accessed resources to improve the home learning environment.
- ❖ **400 disadvantaged children 0-8 years received free toys, books and learning resources**
- ❖ **80 Looked after children** have accessed quality resources to improve their outcomes.

Networking and Partnership

The Charity continues to work in partnership with other agencies and is represented on Bolton Together (42 Voluntary organisations working together for children and young people). We work collaboratively as a consortium to achieve outcomes for children, young people, vulnerable adults and families. Other members are Bolton Lads & Girls Club, NCH, CVS, Children's Opportunity Group, Bolton HomestartHost and YMCA etc. We have a robust delivery model, direct Pathways of referrals delivering prompt responses and tailored support to improve outcomes.

We are represented within the StartWell Hubs with regular networking to ensure the needs of the vulnerable families are being met. Our Staff/Volunteers access ongoing Professional Development ensuring knowledge and compliance.

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INVESTMENT POLICY

Considering the current challenging financial climate most of the charity's funds are to be spent in the short term and a prudent amount to maintain a healthy cash flow. In-line with our Risk & Mitigation Policy the Trustees meet regularly to assess the cash flow and the future needs of the charity.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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The surplus for the year was	9,753
To which is added on to the surplus brought forward	118,319

Leaving a surplus carried forward of	128,072
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RESERVES POLICY

The Board of Trustees review the Reserves of the charity in light of the main risks to the organisation. In the current economic climate funding was scarce and the Board had to make a difficult decision to instigate staff redundancies in accordance with Legislation. Their prudent governance resulted in securing funding to re-employ experienced staff on reduced hours; to continue to deliver a reduced service with a view to increasing capacity by recruiting additional volunteers.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each 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, of the charity for that period. In preparing financial statements the trustees are required to;

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

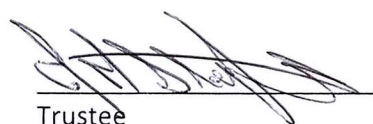
The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

A resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to reappoint Mr J C Hargraves of DonnellyBentley, Chartered Accountants, as independent examiner to the Charity.

APPROVED BY THE TRUSTEES AND SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES BY:



Trustee

4th September 2024

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY
AN UNINCORPORATED REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1098191

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BOLTON TOY LIBRARY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

I report on the accounts of Bolton Toy Library for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on pages 4 to 6.7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act and that my qualification is as shown 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr J C Hargraves, BA FCA
 DonnellyBentley
 Chartered Accountants
 Hazlemere
 70 Chorley New Road
 Bolton, BL1 4BY

J C Hargraves

4th September 2024

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY

An Unincorporated Registered Charity No : 1098191

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	General Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Year End 31/03/2024 £	Total Year End 31/03/2023 £
Income and endowments					
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>					
Voluntary Income:	2				
BMBC		-	-	-	-
BMBC - Family Time		4000	-	4000	-
BMBC Start Well Service		3570	-	3570	1000
BMBC Warm Family Spaces		1000	1440	2440	1440
Bolton CVS		500	13500	14000	12000
Home Elected Education		292	-	292	3500
Bolton Together		50	103766	103816	79425
Equilibrium Foundation		-	9000	9000	-
Tesco Foundation		-	-	-	375
Action Together		-	-	-	850
Amazon Smile		16	-	16	-
Asda Foundation		-	-	-	2000
Bauer Media Group		-	-	-	1200
Bolton Every Mind Matters		-	-	-	500
Bolton Rotary Club		-	-	-	1000
BUPA		-	-	-	1300
Childrens Opportunity Group		-	-	-	160
All Saints Primary School		-	-	-	140
Greater Manchester Grants		-	-	-	5000
Morrisons Foundation		-	-	-	7500
Memberships		580	-	580	-
New Beginnings Nursery		-	-	-	10
The Skelton Charity		-	1063	1063	-
Loan of Toys		16	-	16	44
CAF Coop Foundation		-	-	-	30
Sale of Vehicle		1900	-	1900	-
Investment Income	6	1119	-	1119	218
Total income		13043	128769	141812	117692
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	18364	113695	132059	104785
Total expenditure		18364	113695	132059	104785
Net income/(expenditure) for the year					
Transfer between funds	5	(5321)	15074	9753	12907
		12379	(12379)	-	-
Fund Balances B/Fwd at 1 April 2023		101141	17178	118319	105412
Fund Balances C/Fwd at 31 March 2024		<u>108199</u>	<u>19873</u>	<u>128072</u>	<u>118319</u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

ANALYSIS OF RESTRICTED FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

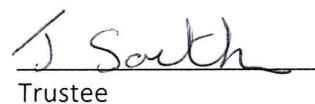
	Bolton Fund Early Years (SEND) 0-5 £	BUPA Foundation Fund £	Perinatal 0-2 Bolton Clinical Commissioning Team £	Emotional Health & Wellbeing - Bolton Together £	Arnold Clarke £	The Skelton Charity £	Warm Spaces £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion Parent & Carer Engagement Project £	Cost of Living Crisis Greater Manchester £	Equilibrium Foundation £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion in 2 Centres £	Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres £	Bolton Together Expansion Perinatal 0-2 Mental Health Project £	Total as per Page 4 £
Income														
Donations & legacies														
Voluntary Income														
BMBC - Warm Family Spaces	-	-	-	-	-	-	1440	-	-	-	-	-	-	1440
Bolton CVS	13500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13500
Bolton Together	-	-	17800	27750	-	-	-	10566	-	-	9750	32500	5400	103766
Equilibrium Foundation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9000	-	-	-	9000
The Skelton Charity	-	-	-	-	-	1063	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1063
Total Income	13500	-	17800	27750	-	1063	1440	10566	-	9000	9750	32500	5400	128769
Expenditure														
Expenditure on charitable activities	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	113695
Total Expenditure	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	113695
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	577	(263)	1700	(2250)	(102)	-	1029	3357	(5000)	9000	2742	3084	1200	15074
Transfers between Funds	-	-	(1700)	(5250)	(4)	-	-	(1250)	-	-	(1400)	(2775)	-	(12379)
Fund Balance B/Fwd at 1 April 2023	3833	526	-	7563	106	-	-	-	5000	-	-	150	-	17178
Fund Balance C/Fwd at 31 March 2024	4410	263	-	63	-	-	1029	2107	-	9000	1342	459	1200	19873

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY**AN UNINCORPORATED REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1098191****BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024**

	Note	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	8		263		526
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	9	27666		27666	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		100684		99987	
Debtors	10	1000		-	
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		129350		127653	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	11	1541		9860	
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NET CURRENT ASSETS			128709		117793
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NET ASSETS			128072		118319
			=====		=====
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Income Funds			19873		17178
Unrestricted Income Funds			108199		101141
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	12 & 13		128072		118319
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The financial statements on pages 4 to 6.5 were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:


Trustee


Trustee

4th September 2024

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY
AN UNINCORPORATED REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1098191

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal policies adopted in the Financial Statements are set out below.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention and the going concern basis.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) – (Charities SORP 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

Bolton Toy Library meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

FUNDS STRUCTURE

Unrestricted funds represent the accumulated funds of the charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use, and are available in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by the funders. Details of the balances on restricted funds at the year end are set out in note 12 to the accounts.

INCOMING RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Income includes grants in respect of revenue and capital items.

EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred.

- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of the charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Motor Vehicles – 25%
 Computer Equipment – 25%

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

STOCKS

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

TAXATION

No provision has been made for taxation as exemption from taxation is being granted by the Inland Revenue under the provisions of Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

VAT ACCOUNTING

The Charity is not liable to be registered for VAT. Irrecoverable VAT on expenditure is not analysed separately but attributed to the category of expenditure on which it is incurred.

CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

The Board of Management have elected to take advantage of the exemption under Update Bulletin 1 of the Charities SORP (2019) not to prepare a cash flow statement.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Grants	10008	128769	138777	117430
Membership and Loan of Toys	16	-	16	44
Voluntary Donations	-	-	-	-
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	10024	128769	138793	117474
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The Income is entirely attributable to the charity's principal aims and objectives namely to promote the importance of play within the community.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

3. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	UNRESTRICTED							RESTRICTED									
	General Fund	Bolton Fund Early Years (SEND) 0-5	BUPA Foundation Fund	Perinatal 0-2 Bolton Clinical Commissioning Team	Emotional Health & Wellbeing - Bolton Together	Arnold Clarke	The Skelton Charity	Warm Spaces	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion Parent & Carer Engagement Project	Cost of Living Crisis Greater Manchester	Equilibrium Foundation	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion in 2 Centres	Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres	Bolton Together Expansion Perinatal 0-2 Mental Health Project	Total 31/03/24	Total 31/03/23	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Staff Costs	6967	12633	-	14400	30000	-	-	-	6789	-	-	6335	27500	4200	108824	88497	
Other Operating Charges	10497	290	263	1700	-	102	1063	411	420	5000	-	673	1916	-	22335	15406	
Governance Costs (note 4)	900	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	900	882	
	18364	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	132059	104785	

4. GOVERNANCE COSTS

UNRESTRICTED																	RESTRICTED																

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

This is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Directors and Trustees Remuneration	-	-
Accountants Remuneration	900	882
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6. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest Receivable	1119	-	1119	218
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7. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and Social Security Costs	108824	88497
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The average number of employees during the year excluding members of the Board of Management was:

	2024	2023
Direct Wages	5	3
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There are no high paid staff.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	TOTAL £
COST			
At 1 st April 2023	1052	28948	30000
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	(13966)	(13966)
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At 31 st March 2024	1052	14982	16034
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 st April 2023	526	28948	29474
Provided in the Year	263	-	263
Disposals	-	(13966)	(13966)
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At 31 st March 2024	789	14982	15771
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 st March 2024	263	-	263
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 st March 2023	526	-	526
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9. STOCKS

	2024 £	2023 £
Stock of Toys and Play Equipment	27666	27666
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10. DEBTORS – AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments	1000	-
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	1000	-
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

11. CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and Deferred Income	1037	9860
Other Creditors	504	-
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	1541	9860
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12. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS IN YEAR

- **Bolton Council ACIS** – Achievement cohesion and integration service - the grant of £292 this represents a small grant for supporting home educated children aged (4-13 yrs) for 1 month.
- **Bolton Council - StartWell Service- Family Time looked after children** - This grant of £4000 represents our 'Targeted Early Help' services to vulnerable looked after children referred into our service by Family Time. Families access our therapeutic multi-sensory room, the well-stocked play room to engage with their parents during contact visits.
- **Bolton Council -StartWell Service** – Grant for £2500 – this pilot project was to support children identified at their 18 month assessment as having delays in their development. The project provided home deliveries of toys/resources, weekly social play sessions, families borrow learning resources/toys to improve their home environment.
- **Bolton Council -StartWell service** - Grant £400 – this grant recognised the ongoing support provided to improve the 'home learning environment'
- **Bolton Council -StartWell Service** - Grant £670 – this grant provided the weekend Family Hub Launches at 5 Centres. This covered additional Staffing costs during August 23.
- **Bolton Council – StartWell Service** – Total grant £32,500 distributed via Bolton Together provides disadvantaged (0-5 years) Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres/Family Hubs (Jan 23-Dec 23 Year 1 of 4 Years) This represents Staffing Costs, Service Charge, Resources/consumeables. This is to improve social isolation, physical, and emotional development, enabling families to meet @ 'Stay, Play & Learn' drop-ins focusing on playing together and gaining support.
- **Bolton Digital Lightful -Bolton CVS** – This micro grant of £500 was to extend the reach of the charity by using social media/platforms.
- **Bolton Fund** – This grant of £14,000 (Aug 23 -Jul 24) provides 150 children (0-5 years) with Special Educational Needs, Disabilities and Additional Needs access to Therapeutic play, access the Sensory Room, access the loan of specialised resources to help improve their development.
- **Bolton Together - distributed NHS Bolton Foundation Trust Funds to provide the Emotional Health Wellbeing Project (1stJul 23-30thJun 24)** - This grant of £37,000 provides Staffing costs and Service Charge to deliver emotional wellbeing support to 350 children (2-7 years) across Bolton who have suffered bereavement, parental separation, witnessed Domestic Violence and other complex situations.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

12. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS IN YEAR (CONTINUED)

	RESTRICTED													UNRESTRICTED		
	Bolton Fund Early Years (SEND) 0-5 £	BUPA Foundation Fund £	Perinatal 0-2 Bolton Clinical Commissioning Team £	Emotional Health & Wellbeing - Bolton Together £	Arnold Clarke £	The Skelton Charity £	Warm Spaces £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion Parent & Carer Engagement Project £	Cost of Living Crisis Greater Manchester £	Equilibrium Foundation £	Bolton Together Start Well Expansion in 2 Centres £	Outreach Services in 5 Start Well Centres £	Bolton Together Expansion Perinatal 0-2 Mental Health Project £	General £	Balance Sheet Total 31/03/24 £	Balance Sheet Total 31/03/23 £
INCOME	13500	-	17800	27750	-	1063	1440	10566	-	9000	9750	32500	5400	13043	141812	117692
EXPENSES	12923	263	16100	30000	102	1063	411	7209	5000	-	7008	29416	4200	18364	132059	104785
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES	577	(263)	1700	(2250)	(102)	-	1029	3357	(5000)	9000	2742	3084	1200	(5321)	9753	12907
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS			(1700)	(5250)	(4)	-	-	(1250)	-	-	(1400)	(2775)	-	12379	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	577	(263)	-	(7500)	(106)	-	1029	2107	(5000)	9000	1342	309	1200	7058	9753	12907
FUND AT START	3833	526	-	7563	106	-	-	-	5000	-	-	150	-	101141	118319	105412
AVAILABLE FOR USE AT CLOSE	4410	263	-	63	-	-	1029	2107	-	9000	1342	459	1200	108199	128072	118319

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12. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS IN YEAR (CONTINUED)

- **Bolton Together distributed funds for Perinatal 0-2 years/Family Surge Funds via Bolton Together April 23-Mar 24** – This grant of £17,800 represented Staffing Costs, Service Charge to host peer to peer 'drop-ins' where new parents meet, gain support and access toys/resources for loan in the home. Stock purchase and Free Self-Care Kits to distribute to New Mums/Dads.
- **Bolton Together -distributed StartWell expansion grants for the following 3 projects:**
 - (1) **StartWell 2 Centres/Family Hubs £13,000 (1st Sep 23-31Aug 25-2 years)** This grant provides Outreach play sessions in 2 StartWell Centres/Family Hubs where families meet, socially play, gain support. The grant covers staffing costs/reources/consumeables/service charge towards Core costs.
 - (2) **Bolton Together – Perinatal mental health £7200 (1st Sep 23-31Aug 25-2 years)** supporting new Mums to access Peer to Peer support, skilled staff signpost to other services whilst supporting their mental wellbeing.
 - (3) **Bolton Together – Parents & Carers Engagement project (1st Sep 23-31 Aug 25 -2 years)** This grant of £14,088 covers staffing costs, service charge, refreshment costs to gather a Panel of 12 parents/carers to feedback information. Using qualitative data, questionnaires, verbal discussion to record feedback from parents/carers to co-design the delivery of Family Hub services for families 0-19 (+25 years with SEND).
- **Equilibrium Foundation grant £9000** – this grant was to recruit our new Diversity Support Worker to assist on all projects (awarded March 24 for April delivery) this represents staffing costs.
- **The Skelton Charity - £1062.50** this grant was raised to contribute to Core costs of the Charity.
- **Warm Spaces - £2440** Grant distributed by Bolton Library – direct grant- this enabled the provision of hot drinks, soup, fruit, snacks to vulnerable families affected by the financial crisis during Autumn/Winter. We are pleased to report that we have been able to respond to the ongoing need and have continued this support in Spring and Summer.

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Fund balances at 31st March 2024 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	263	263
Current Assets	109709	19641	129350
Current Liabilities	(1510)	(31)	(1541)
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	108199	19873	128072
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14. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

There have been no transactions with Trustees during the year.

15. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Charity is under the control of the Trustees.

BOLTON TOY LIBRARY
AN UNINCORPORATED REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1098191

DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME		
Grants	138777	117430
Memberships and Loan of Toys	16	44
Voluntary Donations and Funding	-	-
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	138793	117474
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DIRECT COSTS		
Opening Stock	27666	27666
Purchases	1319	5627
Closing Stock	(27666)	(27666)
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	1319	5627
OTHER OPERATING CHARGES		
Rent	12600	-
Wages and Social Security	108824	88497
Insurance	1084	1244
Telephone	320	294
Printing and Stationery	470	722
Advertising	614	-
General Running Expenses	4155	3207
Motor and Travel Expenses	1510	4049
Accountancy	900	882
Depreciation	263	263
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	130740	99158
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	132059	104785
BANK INTEREST RECEIVABLE	(1119)	(218)
SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES	(1900)	-
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SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	9753	12907
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