

THE PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1117115

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2006-12-01

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

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN 1 YEAR AND 18 YEARS OLD WITH MENTAL AND/OR PHYSICAL DISABILITIES, OR WHO ARE TERMINALLY ILL, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR HEALTHY RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.

Activities: Enriching & enhancing the lives of young people & their families living with illness/disability/lack of opportunity. Fundraising including & not limited to: Street collections with volunteers & miniature Shetland ponies, attending events promoting the charities profile at venues across England & Wales. All activities enable access to animals, education & therapy in a safe and tailored environment.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE NATIONAL AND OVERSEAS
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£172,890	£126,917	-	-
2024-03-31	£127,980	£138,661	-	-
2023-03-31	£136,553	£85,827	-	-
2022-03-31	£113,122	£93,811	-	-
2021-03-31	£73,463	£80,035	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DOUG WRENN		2011-07-25
Daniel Paul Smith		2015-04-14
Mark Curry		2013-10-23

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Accounts

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
REGISTERED CHARITY 1117115
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
AND STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

NUVO ACCOUNTANCY Limited

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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Mr Daniel Smith

Trustees are appointed by members of the charity in executive committee.

Activities and Achievements (2024–25)

The year to 31 March 2025 has been one of resilience, recovery and renewed strength for Phoenix Children's Foundation. Building on lessons from previous challenges, the charity has focused on providing stability, safety and meaningful opportunities for disabled and vulnerable children and young people whose needs continue to grow in both complexity and urgency.

Demand for our SEND and alternative provision has remained high, with many young people attending who find mainstream environments overwhelming or inaccessible. Our forest school approach, animal-assisted experiences and enrichment sessions continue to offer a calm, nurturing space where young people can regulate, build confidence and experience success. For many families, our provision represents not just an activity, but a lifeline during periods of crisis, school breakdown or emotional distress. Safeguarding remains central to all our activities, with robust policies, procedures and oversight in place to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Our animals remain at the heart of our work. They are not only central to our identity but also play a vital role in how young people connect, communicate and begin to build trust. Interactions with animals often provide a bridge where traditional approaches have been unsuccessful, supporting emotional regulation, confidence and social development. All costs for our animals including purchase, welfare and ongoing care are fully supported through our "Sponsor a Pony" and animal sponsorship schemes, alongside income generated through our mobile animal experiences and community visits. This ensures that animal welfare is sustainably funded without drawing on restricted or community-support funding streams.

During the year, livestock costs increased as we replenished our reindeer herd following losses in the previous year. Reindeer are herd animals and do not thrive in very small numbers, so rebuilding the group was necessary for welfare reasons and to maintain established animal care standards. This was funded through animal-specific income streams and seasonal engagement work. The absence of reindeer during the previous Christmas period demonstrated how significant they are, with strong demand from care and community venues. Although many groups kindly accepted alternative visits with our miniature donkeys, it was evident that reindeer experiences were especially valued. Replenishing the herd allowed us to meet Christmas 2024 commitments successfully.

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Activities and Achievements continued

Our animals remain in high demand throughout the year. Nita continues to lead this area of work, taking lambs out during the spring, Shetland ponies and alpacas during the summer months, and reindeer and donkeys during the festive season, visiting care homes, schools, hospitals and community settings. We have also recently expanded our offering to include a mobile petting zoo experience, which has proved extremely popular. This strand of work plays an important dual role: supporting community engagement and wellbeing at a subsidised rate but whilst still covering all animal care, feed, housing and veterinary costs. This structure ensures the animals remain a sustainable, self-supported part of the charity's work.

Charitable income received during the year has instead been directed toward our core charitable objectives. This includes subsidising places for children and young people who would otherwise be unable to attend, supporting families facing financial hardship, improving equipment and facilities, and maintaining safe, accessible provision for those with complex medical, emotional and behavioural needs. Our charitable objectives also enables us to continue subsidised community engagement opportunities so that vulnerable groups can access experiences that promote emotional wellbeing, confidence and social development.

We continued to strengthen our facilities to ensure that our environment remains safe, welcoming and fit for purpose. Additions and improvements to equipment and storage, alongside the purchase of a defibrillator, have enhanced our ability to deliver year-round provision safely. These developments help us respond to children with increasingly complex needs. Operating an outdoor provision continues to present challenges linked to weather and ground conditions, and ongoing site improvements aim to reduce disruption and ensure year-round access wherever possible.

Our staff team remains one of our greatest strengths. Increased staffing ensured safe delivery and strong safeguarding practice, while staff undertook a wide range of training including Safeguarding, Safeguarding for Disabilities, Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, Challenging Behaviour, Team Teach, GDPR, COSHH, Health & Safety, Medication, Fire Safety Awareness Fire Warden Training and Performance Appraisals. This commitment to professional development reflects the level of responsibility involved in supporting young people who may present with trauma, high anxiety or complex additional needs.

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Activities and Achievements continued

Community support has once again been extraordinary. We are deeply grateful for grant support received during the year from organisations including Packington Parish Council, Tesco, Neighbourly and others whose funding has helped us maintain and develop our provision. We also hosted the highest number of corporate volunteering days in our history. Teams from Cadent, Amazon, Severn Trent and other organisations gave their time and energy to undertake demanding physical work across the site. Their practical support has made a visible and lasting difference to our environment and to the experience of the young people who use it.

Despite the pressures facing the voluntary sector, the charity ended the year in a stronger financial position. This improved stability allows us to plan with greater confidence while continuing to respond flexibly to families in urgent need.

Looking ahead, trustees remain committed to growing our provision responsibly, protecting animal welfare, strengthening our facilities and extending support to young people. All activities undertaken during the year directly supported the charity's objective of improving the physical, emotional and developmental wellbeing of disabled and seriously ill children. The year has highlighted both the scale of need within our communities and the unique, compassionate role The Phoenix Children's Foundation plays in meeting that need.

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Mr M Curry

Mr D Smith

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Phoenix Children's Foundation

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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29 January 2026

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Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2025

	<u>2025</u>		<u>2024</u>	
	<u>£</u>		<u>£</u>	
INCOME				
GENERAL FUND				
Income receipts:				
Income, donations and collections etc.				
Charities Aid and sundry donations	168,719		123,165	
Bank Interest Received	951		790	
Miscellaneous Livestock Sales	-	169,670	400	124,355
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
RESTRICTED FUNDS				
Toilet Replacement				
Grants/Donations		-		-
Forest Enrichment Area				
Grants/Donations		-		-
Fridge/Freezer				
Grants/Donations		500		-
Defibrillator				
Grants/Donations		1,595		-
Yurt Roof Replacement				
Grants/Donations		1,125		2,125
Sensory Room				
Grants/Donations		-		1,500
Flourish Project				
Grant from the National Lottery				
Donation to Flourish with Phoenix CIC		-		-
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
Total Incoming Resources		<u><u>172,890</u></u>		<u><u>127,980</u></u>

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Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2025

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	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
EXPENDITURE		
RESTRICTED FUNDS		
Forest School Expenditure	515	4,356
Defibrillator	1,595	-
Replace Yurt Roof	-	1,389
Alternative Education Program	-	870
Toilet replacement	7,346	-
GENERAL FUND		
Payments		
Charitable activity direct expenditure:		
Donations to Flourish With Phoenix CIC	-	-
Donations	-	-
Provision of Therapeutic Activities	600	49,937
Fund Raising costs	3,604	5,290
Livestock Expenses	38,637	12,662
Enrichment Expenses	5,267	7,551
Governance and administration costs:		
Wages	50,497	32,616
Light & Heat	2,843	825
Repairs & Renewals	5,317	8,275
Insurance	1,195	277
Subscriptions	150	70
Postage, printing & stationery	745	309
Telephone/Fax	1,817	822
Accountancy	2,100	-
Bookkeeping Costs	2,762	1,875
Sundry	27	2,387
Loss on Disposal of Polaris Ranger	-	650
Loss on Deceased Reindeer	1,900	8,500
Total payments	126,917	138,661
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	45,973	(10,681)
GENERAL FUND	52,209	(7,691)
RESTRICTED FUNDS	(6,236)	(2,990)
	45,973	(10,681)

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2025

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
Fixed Assets	3	198,472	173,552
Monetary Assets			
Bank Current Account			
- HSBC	7,875		11,135
Bank Reserve Account			
- HSBC	19,971		1,904
- HSBC Phoenix Sponsor A Pony	3,226		4,728
- HSBC Solar Panels			
- HSBC Savings	<u>45,679</u>		<u>45,485</u>
		76,751	63,252
Loan - Flourish With Phoenix CIC		14,660	(240)
		<u>289,883</u>	<u>236,564</u>
General Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2024	193,125		200,816
Fund transfer	7,346		-
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>52,209</u>		<u>(7,691)</u>
		252,680	193,125
Restricted Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2024	43,439		46,429
Fund Transfer	-		-
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>(6,236)</u>		<u>-2,990</u>
		37,203	43,439
Balance at 31 March 2025		<u>289,883</u>	<u>236,564</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in the preparation of these accounts.

a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2. Taxation

Phoenix Children's Foundation has charitable status and is not liable to taxation.

3. Fixed Assets

Governance and Administration

	Brought forward 01 Apr 24 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 25 £
Computer Equipment	8,363	369	-	8,732
Office Furniture and Equipment	12,752	-	-	12,752
Stable (50%)	1,225	-	-	1,225
Office Building	8,227	-	-	8,227
Log Store	318	2,370	-	2,688
	<u>30,885</u>	<u>2,739</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,624</u>

Charitable Activities

	Brought forward 01 Apr 24 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 25 £
Stable (50%)	1,224	-	-	1,224
Classroom	37,279	18,004	-	55,283
Toilet Block	34,478	-	-	34,478
Sensory Garden	14,113	277	-	14,390
Solar Panels	31,730	-	-	31,730
Sheds & Cabin	12,892	-	-	12,892
Biological Assets:				
Reindeer	3,700	5,800	(1,900)	7,600
Donkeys	7,000	-	-	7,000
Goats	250	-	-	250
Polaris Ranger	-	-	-	-
	<u>142,666</u>	<u>24,081</u>	<u>- 1,900</u>	<u>164,847</u>
Total	<u>173,552</u>	<u>26,820</u>	<u>(1,900)</u>	<u>198,472</u>

4. Restricted Fund Balances

	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
Facilities at Stable Yard	29,563	29,563
Forest Enrichment Area	879	1,394
Toilet Replacement	-	7,346
Defibrillator	-	-
Yurt Roof Replacement	4,261	3,136
Sensory Room	2,000	2,000
Fridge/Freezer	500	-
	<u>37,203</u>	<u>43,439</u>

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5. Sponsor A Pony

A small group of miniature ponies, donkeys, alpacas and reindeer is kept by the Charity. These are taken to venues, such as hospitals, schools, care homes and hospices. They are part of the fundraising operation in that they generate support from the public. They are also used at the Charity premises in provision of therapeutic activities, thus fulfilling the charitable objective.

The Trustees are aware of the importance of these animals in both roles, but are also conscious of the costs involved. Consequently, a Sponsor a Pony Scheme was started with the ultimate intention of this scheme fully funding their upkeep, as it continues to achieve.

Other income includes donations to the above scheme, these funds being utilised for the upkeep and welfare of the animals. Costs are allocated between Fund Raising Costs and Provision of Therapeutic Activities.

6. Flourish with Phoenix Community Interest Company

On 18 February 2019, Flourish with Phoenix Community Interest Company was incorporated with the intention of addressing the issues that young people have in improving their life chances and quality of life. It enables services to be provided on a fee basis with any excess income being paid to Phoenix Children's Foundation. During the year under review, the company has made significant donations to the charity.

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From April 2023, we saw our core group of volunteers grow as people found their work patterns changed at the end of COVID. The year started on a very positive note with the appointment of a new full time member of staff leading our SEND young people provision. Our Adult Mental Health group continued to grow and our relationship with several primary schools expanded, making the appointment of this new member of staff necessary.

Continued support came in the form of grants from Delamere, Tesco, Amazon, Maud Elkington, Douglas Arter, Neighbourly, Stagecoach and Cadent enhancing our forest school area and our special needs enrichment resources. Some of these organisations also offered support in the form of Day to Make a Difference volunteering days and their practical help has made a massive difference to enabling us to undertake heavy, physical work, such as tree planting, bark spreading, bulb planting and generally maintaining the forest school area.

We upgraded our CCTV and computers to ensure the office could run more efficiently and the CCTV provides an extra level of security for our young people and beneficiaries. We also purchased a new cabin/classroom which has enhanced our ability to host our own AIM Awards, as we have been supporting the ASDAN qualification for our young people attending from schools it was a natural progression to set up our own qualification offering and we chose to go with the AIM Award as it was very diverse and enables all levels of ability to undertake and achieve a qualification successfully. We also use this space to host our Music Therapy Sessions undertaken by an external and highly qualified/experienced Music Therapist.

We invested in the CPOMS platform which is a safeguarding tool to bolster our confidence in handling and coping with the very difficult level of risks our young people and staff face. We continued with our Team Teach training as some of our young people are extremely unpredictable and this has helped boost staff confidence immensely.

Nita finalised her Forest School Level 3 training successfully and has also since taken part in a qualification to become an Outdoor Mental Health Practitioner. Other staff have taken part in training in Safeguarding, SEND, First Aid, Fire, Medication, CPR, etc.

Chester successfully registered as a Therapy Dog and our Lambs, Ponies and Alpaca visits continue to be in demand and continue to be their usual success. In December we had an absolute disaster. George, our premium Reindeer, died. We put this down to his age and whilst we were extremely upset as he was 13 years old, we put it down to natural causes. In the following week, we lost three more Reindeer. This was absolutely devastating, not only did we have a calendar full of bookings, we also had

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Activities and Achievements continued

no idea as to what had caused this and the emotional distress this causes was beyond comprehension, but our loyal band of supports rallied and all of our visits except one were undertaken with the Miniature Donkeys, which obviously, income wise, was a disaster but it meant everybody had their Christmas visit they had booked and our clients, whilst being very sad about our reindeer, were all so happy that we had managed to do something to make Christmas for them. We had postmortems done on the last three reindeers which all came back with gastrointestinal symptoms but no clear, confirmed cause until three to four months later when a link was found by the vet with their food. The mill concerned had been found to have contaminated batches of food and listeria was present. We still are not sure what to do with this information as there are other reindeer owners that were affected by this, and we await further instruction from our vet and reindeer group.

To also add to our suffering we have had the wettest Winter on record, and we have suffered on numerous occasions, with absolutely dreadful flooding. We had to rescue the Alpacas from waist deep water and the ground has been horrendous - cutting off our access to the forest school area. The floods also made the access road impassable in places and therefore forcing some of our children to be unable to attend our provision. We have worked closely with the Rivers Trust, Severn Trent and the Environment Agency to try and resolve some of these issues and hope that this Winter, following on from the measures we have undertaken, will able us to continue uninterrupted by extremes of weather.

We have come through the most difficult Christmas period in the history of the Charity but due to the enormous amount of support that we have received from friends, service users and the local community we came out, whilst very sad, very proud of what we had managed to achieve.

We look forward to the next year, building on our progress, both with our academic provision, our forest school provision and with our growing SEND provision. We would like to make this more widely available to young people and particularly expand this to young people that are not funded and are in an emergency situation with their families absolutely at their wits end whilst waiting for support. We feel we have the confidence to offer this to some of our most needy families and whilst it is a slight repurposing of our initial aims, we feel this is desperately needed with so many children suffering from being out of education during COVID and the after affects it had, are now becoming more apparent and devastating to families. We have the facility, we have the provision, we have the staff and from the calls we are receiving this is becoming a crisis situation for young people who are not in education, and we can meet this need.

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Date: _____

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2024

	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
INCOME		
GENERAL FUND		
Income receipts:		
Income, donations and collections etc.		
Charities Aid and sundry donations	123,165	112,355
Bank Interest Received	790	209
Miscellaneous Livestock Sales	<u>400</u>	<u>-</u>
	124,355	112,564
RESTRICTED FUNDS		
Toilet Replacement		
Grants/Donations	-	9,890
Forest Enrichment Area		
Grants/Donations	-	9,799
Disabled and Special Needs Holiday Scheme		
Grants/Donations	-	-
Alternative Education Program		
Grants/Donations	-	1,400
Yurt Roof Replacement		
Grants/Donations	2,125	2,400
Sensory Room		
Grants/Donations	1,500	500
Flourish Project		
Grant from the National Lottery		
Donation to Flourish with Phoenix CIC	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Incoming Resources	<u><u>127,980</u></u>	<u><u>136,553</u></u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2024
continued

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
EXPENDITURE		
RESTRICTED FUNDS		
Forest School Expenditure	4,356	7,736
Toilet Replacement (Miscellaneous costs)	-	2,544
Replace Yurt Roof	1,389	
Alternative Education Program	870	530
GENERAL FUND		
Payments		
Charitable activity direct expenditure:		
Donations to Flourish With Phoenix CIC	-	6,700
Donations	-	1,000
Provision of Therapeutic Activities	49,937	28,526
Fund Raising costs	5,290	4,626
Livestock Expenses	12,662	10,728
Enrichment Expenses	7,551	1,481
Governance and administration costs:		
Wages	32,616	11,021
Light & Heat	825	873
Repairs & Renewals	8,275	2,226
Insurance	277	1,227
Subscriptions	70	133
Postage, printing & stationery	309	610
Telephone/Fax	822	673
Accountancy	-	1,800
Bookkeeping Costs	1,875	1,549
Sundry	2,387	1,844
Loss on Disposal of Polaris Ranger	650	-
Loss on Deceased Reindeer	8,500	
Total payments	138,661	85,827
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	(10,681)	50,726
GENERAL FUND	(7,691)	37,547
RESTRICTED FUNDS	(2,990)	13,179
	(10,681)	50,726

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
Fixed Assets	3	173,552	165,400
Monetary Assets			
Bank Current Account			
- HSBC	11,135	9,995	
Bank Reserve Account			
- HSBC	1,904	9,325	
- HSBC Phoenix Sponsor A Pony	4,728	4,080	
- HSBC Solar Panels	.	15,015	
- HSBC Savings	<u>45,485</u>	<u>45,160</u>	
		63,252	83,575
Loan - Flourish With Phoenix CIC		(240)	(1,730)
		<u>236,564</u>	<u>247,245</u>
General Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2023	200,816	162,144	
Fund transfer	-	1,125	
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>(7,691)</u>	<u>37,547</u>	
		193,125	200,816
Restricted Fund	4		
Balance at 1 April 2023	46,429	34,375	
Fund Transfer	-	(1,125)	
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>(2,990)</u>	<u>13,179</u>	
		43,439	46,429
Balance at 31 March 2023		<u>236,564</u>	<u>247,245</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting Policies

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a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2. Taxation

Phoenix Children's Foundation has charitable status and is not liable to taxation.

3. Fixed Assets

Governance and Administration

	Brought forward 01 Apr 23 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 24 £
Computer Equipment	8,363	-	-	8,363
Office Furniture and Equipment	7,137	5,615	-	12,752
Stable (50%)	1,225	-	-	1,225
Office Building	8,227	-	-	8,227
Log Store	318	-	-	318
	<u>25,270</u>	<u>5,615</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,885</u>

Charitable Activities

	Brought forward 01 Apr 23 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 24 £
Stable (50%)	1,224	-	-	1,224
Classroom	28,642	8,637	-	37,279
Toilet Block	34,478	-	-	34,478
Sensory Garden	14,113	-	-	14,113
Solar Panels	31,730	-	-	31,730
Sheds & Cabin	12,892	-	-	12,892
Biological Assets:				
Reindeer	6,200	6,000	(8,500)	3,700
Donkeys	4,000	3,000	-	7,000
Goats	-	250	-	250
Polaris Ranger	6,850	-	(6,850)	-
	<u>140,129</u>	<u>17,887</u>	<u>- 15,350</u>	<u>142,666</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>165,400</u>	<u>23,502</u>	<u>(15,350)</u>	<u>173,552</u>

	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
<u>4. Restricted Fund Balances</u>		
Facilities at Stable Yard	29,563	29,563
Forest Enrichment Area	1,394	5,750
Toilet Replacement	7,346	7,346
Advanced Education Program	-	870
Yurt Roof Replacement	3,136	2,400
Sensory Room	2,000	500
Flourish Project	-	-
	<u>43,439</u>	<u>46,429</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
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5. Sponsor A Pony

A small group of miniature ponies, donkeys, alpacas and reindeer is kept by the Charity. These are taken to venues, such as hospitals, schools, care homes and hospices. They are part of the fundraising operation in that they generate support from the public. They are also used at the Charity premises in provision of therapeutic activities, thus fulfilling the charitable objective.

The Trustees are aware of the importance of these animals in both roles, but are also conscious of the costs involved. Consequently, a Sponsor a Pony Scheme was started with the ultimate intention of this scheme fully funding their upkeep, as it continues to achieve.

Other income includes donations to the above scheme, these funds being utilised for the upkeep and welfare of the animals. Costs are allocated between Fund Raising Costs and Provision of Therapeutic Activities.

6. Flourish with Phoenix Community Interest Company

On 18 February 2019, Flourish with Phoenix Community Interest Company was incorporated with the intention of addressing the issues that young people have in improving their life chances and quality of life. It enables services to be provided on a fee basis with any excess income being paid to Phoenix Children's Foundation. During the year under review, the company has made significant donations to the charity.

THE PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1117115

Accounts

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

REGISTERED CHARITY 1117115

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
AND STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

JOHNSON, MURKETT AND HURST
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are pleased to present their report and the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Legal and Administrative

Phoenix Children's Foundation is a registered charity, number 1117115, that was established by Trust Deed dated 26th August 2006.

The objective of the Charity is to provide disabled and severely ill children throughout the UK with vital equipment and/or therapeutic activities. The aim is to help these special needs children with their physical and mental development in order to enhance the quality of their lives.

The trustees review the charity's aims, objectives and activities each year. This review looks at what has been achieved during the year, ensuring that the aims, objectives and activities remain focused on the charity's principal purpose. In carrying out these reviews and in all their duties, the trustees have paid full regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

The charity trustees during the year were:

Mr Douglas Wrenn
Mr Mark Curry
Mr Daniel Smith

Trustees are appointed by members of the charity in executive committee.

Activities and Achievements

We entered April 2022 with the tail end of COVID and were happy to see things starting to return to a bit of normality. We were able to take part in several of our lamb visits which certainly lifted the spirits of our team members and our beneficiaries.

Our Adult Mental Health Group grew with lots of success including one member, who came through COVID. We supported him and over time his confidence built and he has recently succeeded in getting a little part time job for the first time in his adult life. We were all so thrilled that his confidence with people and in general had enabled him to do this and we continue to support him as he moves forward in becoming a contributing member of society. One of our other members continues with his abstinence from drinking and we celebrate daily and count his days without alcohol. This group has turned into a true little family, they support each other, and we support them, celebrating their successes and lifting them up when times are difficult. As a charity we are very proud of this group, we never expected to undertake Adult Mental Health Members at the time but are certainly glad we did, it has kept us and them going over the last two difficult years.

Our success continued with many requests for Duke of Edinburgh, Bronze, Silver and Gold awards and Work Experience placements from various local schools and colleges. One of our young people who has been with us since he was 14, as he was a school refuser, had, in the previous two years, attended college, then came to us two days per week as part of a Preparation to Work Scheme. When this ended, his support worker asked if we could offer him a Supported Internship in conjunction with Staffordshire College. We agreed to him attending three days per week with the other two spent in college retaking Maths and English qualifications.

We hosted many onsite picnic days for SEND families, schools, care homes and rehabilitation centres. As many care homes and secure units were still slightly restricted with their movements and concerned about accessing public venues, we offered our site for exclusive use for their residents to enjoy a day with us meeting the animals and enjoying a picnic. For many of the service users it was a welcome break after being locked in/down for two years. Several of our care homes attended two/three times. The joy of being outside, meeting people and just being able to feel safe was incredible to see and was appreciated by us all.

Our SEND schools restarted their weekly visits to us and loved to use the site to cover their curriculum-based activities and achieve their ASDAN qualifications in Animal Care. We also had lots of requests for one-to-one support for individual SEND young people who were not accessing the classroom, partly due to the effects of COVID and were often left isolated from their classmates, and any social activities. We willingly took on this new role and supported these requests.

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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Activities and Achievements continued

We then felt we needed more resources, so recruited an additional member of the team. We also undertook many training courses including Team Teach, Safeguarding/Prevent, Data Protection, Working with Adults with Mental Health, SEND, Counselling, Makaton and Food Hygiene.

In June 2022, Anita undertook the first stage of her Forest School Level 3 training, this included a full week's course, paediatric first aid and outdoor catastrophic first aid training. Nita worked tirelessly hard on this qualification and through regular mentoring, and a huge amount of paperwork she successfully qualified, taking part in a further week's developmental training in March 2023. In addition to this training, we have enhanced our Forest School area with a secure cabin to store all our forest school equipment and this has been a huge asset to us in enabling successful forest school sessions. We were also fortunate enough to receive a grant to install a waterless toilet. This has been a great addition, as it enables all our service users five to six hours accessing the forest school site without having to leave the area for toilet breaks as we are at least half a mile from our main site. The new toilet has ensured our service users can access the facilities with dignity and confidence.

As COVID ended, our requests for Music Therapy increased and we decided to repurpose one of our existing sheds, that we received when another charity folded during the pandemic, as our Music Therapy room. We had already purchased music therapy equipment and with the support of our music therapist's own equipment now have a fully functional, usable space, which is set up continuously to support this offering.

We were blessed by many local companies who volunteered their hours to us and took part in our Days to Make a Difference Scheme. They undertook many varied tasks including the development of forest school, general maintenance, planting hedgerows/trees and continued bulb programme.

We have received financial support from North West Leicestershire District Council, Persimmon, Asda Foundation, Trunet, Screwfix, Amati GL, Ashby Friends, True Colours, Stagecoach; without this support we would have found it very difficult to continue.

The charity has repurposed itself during these extremely difficult times, we still have very limited staff and volunteer levels continue to be very low as we were previously supported by local, older people who still have concerns about COVID safety and a re-occurrence of the pandemic. We hope as confidence builds our volunteer numbers will, in turn, increase.

We are again still here with a successful offer to our service users and continue in the spirit of survival.

Grant Making Policy

The Charity makes grants to individuals and organisations that promote healthy recreation to special needs and terminally ill children. Donations will also be made to purchase essential equipment and therapy-based activities required by children up to the age of eighteen years.

We also continue to support visits to The Stables to make best use of the facilities.

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
continued

Reserves Policy

We have increased our reserve and are proud that it is once again at the recommended amount following it being exhausted following COVID. This has always been a vital part of ensuring the charity's ability to recover from crisis situations.

It remains an objective to accumulate reserves to provide a minimum of 12 months running costs.

Risks Policy

The trustees have assessed the major risks that could affect the Charity and are satisfied that procedures are in place to identify such risks at the earliest opportunity and to address them.

Trustees

As ever, our search for trustees continues and we are looking to appoint another two trustees.

Approved by the Trustees

Mr D Wrenn

Mr M Curry

Mr D Smith

Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Phoenix Children's Foundation

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr P J Nash FCA
Independent Examiner
Johnson, Murkett & Hurst
Chartered Accountants
Rawdon House
Rawdon Terrace
Ashby de la Zouch
Leicestershire
LE65 2GN

Date: _____

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2023

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
INCOME		
GENERAL FUND		
Income receipts:		
Income, donations and collections etc.		
Charities Aid and sundry donations	112,355	92,401
Bank Interest Received	209	3
HMRC JRS Grant	-	10,200
	112,564	102,604
RESTRICTED FUNDS		
Toilet Replacement		
Grants/Donations	9,890	-
Forest Enrichment Area		
Grants/Donations	9,799	9,393
Disabled and Special Needs Holiday Scheme		
Grants/Donations	-	1,125
Alternative Education Program		
Grants/Donations	1,400	-
Yurt Roof Replacement		
Grants/Donations	2,400	
Sensory Room		
Grants/Donations	500	
Flourish Project		
Grant from the National Lottery		50,000
Donation to Flourish with Phoenix CIC	-	(50,000)
	136,553	113,122
Total Incoming Resources	136,553	113,122

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2023
continued

EXPENDITURE

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Forest School Expenditure	7,736	5,706
Toilet Replacement (Miscellaneous costs)	2,544	
Alternative Education Program	530	

GENERAL FUND

Payments

Charitable activity direct expenditure:

Donations to Flourish With Phoenix CIC	6,700	
Donations	1,000	2,000
Provision of Therapeutic Activities	28,526	35,418

Fund Raising costs	4,626	8,749
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Pony Expenses	10,728	10,149
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Enrichment Expenses	1,481	688
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Governance and administration costs:

Wages	11,021	12,379
Light & Heat	873	1,282
Repairs & Renewals	2,226	8,380
Insurance	1,227	1,227
Subscriptions	133	130
Postage, printing & stationery	610	329
Telephone/Fax	673	1,174
Accountancy	1,800	3,810
Bookkeeping Costs	1,549	-
Sundry	1,844	2,390

Total payments	<u>85,827</u>	<u>93,811</u>
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Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>50,726</u>	<u>19,311</u>
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GENERAL FUND	37,547	14,499
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RESTRICTED FUNDS	13,179	4,812
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	<u>50,726</u>	<u>19,311</u>
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PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2023

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Fixed Assets	3	165,400	141,736
Monetary Assets			
Bank Current Account			
- HSBC	9,995	10,428	
Bank Reserve Account			
- HSBC	9,325	1,623	
- HSBC Phoenix Sponsor A Pony	4,080	5,181	
- HSBC Solar Panels	15,015	2,580	
- HSBC Savings	<u>45,160</u>	<u>35,001</u>	
		83,575	54,813
Loan - Flourish With Phoenix CIC		(1,730)	(30)
		<u>247,245</u>	<u>196,519</u>
General Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2022	162,144	147,645	
Fund transfer	1,125	-	
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>37,547</u>	<u>14,499</u>	
		200,816	162,144
Restricted Fund	4		
Balance at 1 April 2022		34,375	29,563
Fund Transfer	(1,125)	-	
Net Receipts for the year	<u>13,179</u>	<u>4,812</u>	
		46,429	34,375
Balance at 31 March 2023		<u>247,245</u>	<u>196,519</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. Accounting Policies

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2. Taxation

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Governance and Administration

	Brought forward 01 Apr 22 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 23 £
Computer Equipment	8,363	-	-	8,363
Office Furniture and Equipment	7,137	-	-	7,137
Stable (50%)	1,225	-	-	1,225
Office Building	8,227	-	-	8,227
Log Store	318	-	-	318
	<u>25,270</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,270</u>

Charitable Activities

	Brought forward 01 Apr 22 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 23 £
Stable (50%)	1,224	-	-	1,224
Classroom	28,642	-	-	28,642
Toilet Block	30,027	4,451	-	34,478
Sensory Garden	13,022	1,091	-	14,113
Solar Panels	31,730	-	-	31,730
Sheds & Cabin	5,620	7,272	-	12,892
Biological Assets:				
Reindeer	6,200	-	-	6,200
Donkey	-	4,000	-	4,000
Polaris Ranger	-	6,850	-	6,850
	<u>116,465</u>	<u>23,664</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>140,129</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>141,736</u>	<u>23,664</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>165,400</u>

4. Restricted Fund Balances

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Facilities at Stable Yard	29,563	29,563
Forest Enrichment Area	5,750	3,687
Disabled and Special Needs Holiday Scheme	-	1,125
Toilet Replacement	7,346	
Advanced Education Program	870	
Yurt Roof Replacement	2,400	
Sensory Room	500	
Flourish Project	-	-
	<u>46,429</u>	<u>34,375</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
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THE PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1117115

Accounts

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

REGISTERED CHARITY 1117115

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
AND STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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The charity trustees during the year were:

Mr Douglas Wrenn
Mr Mark Curry
Mr Daniel Smith

Trustees are appointed by members of the charity in executive committee.

Activities and Achievements

As we entered another very uncertain year, still in lockdown, having lost more than 90% of our Christmas bookings, we faced the challenge of continuing to function, whilst following government guidance and COVID rules. Obviously financial concerns were a high priority as we still could not function in our normal manner and our income was, of course, still massively reduced.

We were classed as a COVID safe site and we continued to provide enrichment for some of the most local vulnerable children. With the Short Breaks enrichment offering we continued to provide positive outcomes and an increase in our service with very limited staff and a duty to adhere to the COVID rules and regulations.

We have been eternally grateful for the continued support of Leicestershire County Council, Amazon, Tesco, Rotary, Arnold Clark Automotive, Severn Trent; without this support we would have found it very difficult to continue.

After discussions with The National Lottery, explaining exceptional circumstances we agreed to restart the lottery funding to help us to continue to run our forest enrichment project, as there was no way we could return to our previous method of performance. This has been an enormous help and has given us the ability to move forward.

We have continued with training for our two staff members, and this will support our future plans in relation to the outdoor activities.

All efforts continue to be made to control costs whilst keeping the charity open in readiness for recommencing once restrictions are lifted sufficiently. Again, we are proud that the charity has repurposed itself during these extremely difficult circumstances with very limited staff and currently very limited volunteers. We are again still here with a successful offer to our service users and continue in the spirit of survival.

Grant Making Policy

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PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
continued

Reserves Policy

We have increased our reserve with the National Lottery funding, to put it back to pre-covid level, as this will be essential for us moving forward and has always been a vital part of ensuring the charity's ability to recover from crisis situations.

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Risks Policy

The trustees have assessed the major risks that could affect the Charity and are satisfied that procedures are in place to identify such risks at the earliest opportunity and to address them.

Trustees

As ever our search for trustees continues and we are looking to appoint another two trustees.

Approved by the Trustees

Mr D Wrenn

Mr M Curry

Mr D Smith

Date

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Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: _____

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2022

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
	£		£
GENERAL FUND			
Income receipts:			
From voluntary sources			
Street Collections	-	-	
Other income			
Charities Aid and sundry donations	92,401	48,810	
Bank Interest Received	3	19	
HMRC JRS Grant	<u>10,200</u>	<u>24,634</u>	73,463
RESTRICTED FUNDS			
Facilities at Stable Yard			
Other income			
Donations	-	-	
Forest Enrichment Area			
Other income			
Grants/Donations	9,393	-	
Disabled and Special Needs Holiday Scheme			
Other income			
Grants/Donations	1,125	-	
Flourish Project			
Grant from the National Lottery	50,000	25,000	
Donation to Flourish with Phoenix CIC	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>	-
Total Incoming Resources	<u>113,122</u>		<u>73,463</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS			
Forest School Expenditure	5,706		-
GENERAL FUND			
Payments			
Charitable activity direct expenditure:			
Equipment Donated	-	515	
Donations	2,000	656	
Provision of Therapeutic Activities	35,418	36,126	
Fund Raising costs	8,749	12,194	
Pony Expenses	10,149	12,380	
Enrichment Expenses	688	-	
Governance and administration costs:			
Wages	12,379	8,647	
Light & Heat	1,282	388	
Repairs & Renewals	8,380	4,283	
Insurance	1,227	1,227	
Subscriptions	130	194	
Postage, printing & stationery	329	296	
Telephone/Fax	1,174	1,691	
Accountancy	3,810	-	
Sundry	2,390	1,439	
Total payments	<u>93,811</u>		<u>80,036</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	<u>19,311</u>		<u>(6,572)</u>
GENERAL FUND	14,499		(6,572)
RESTRICTED FUNDS	<u>4,812</u>		<u>-</u>
	<u>19,311</u>		<u>(6,572)</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 March 2022

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Fixed Assets	3	141,736	129,938
Monetary Assets			
Bank Current Account			
- HSBC	10,428	13,881	
Bank Reserve Account			
- HSBC	1,623	4,691	
- HSBC Phoenix Sponsor A Pony	5,181	6,166	
- HSBC Solar Panels	2,580	10,000	
- HSBC Savings	<u>35,001</u>	<u>9,855</u>	
		54,813	44,593
Loan - Flourish		(30)	2,677
		<u>196,519</u>	<u>177,208</u>
General Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2021	147,645	154,217	
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year	14,499	(6,572)	
Book loss on vehicle		-	
		<u>162,144</u>	147,645
Restricted Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2021	29,563	29,563	
Net Receipts for the year	<u>4,812</u>	-	
		<u>34,375</u>	<u>29,563</u>
Balance at 31 March 2022		<u>196,519</u>	<u>177,208</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in the preparation of these accounts.

a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2. Taxation

Phoenix Children's Foundation has charitable status and is not liable to taxation.

3. Fixed Assets

Governance and Administration

	Brought forward 01 Apr 21 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 22 £
Computer Equipment	8,363	-	-	8,363
Office Furniture and Equipment	7,137	-	-	7,137
Stable (50%)	1,225	-	-	1,225
Office Building	7,305	922	-	8,227
Log Store	318	-	-	318
	<u>24,348</u>	<u>922</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,270</u>

Charitable Activities

	Brought forward 01 Apr 21 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 22 £
Stable (50%)	1,224	-	-	1,224
Classroom	28,642	-	-	28,642
Toilet Block	25,852	4,175	-	30,027
Sensory Garden	13,022	-	-	13,022
Solar Panels	31,730	-	-	31,730
Sheds & Cabin	5,119	501	-	5,620
Biological Assets - Reindeer	-	6,200	-	6,200
	<u>105,589</u>	<u>10,876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>116,465</u>

<u>Total</u>	<u>129,938</u>	<u>11,798</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>141,736</u>
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	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>4. Restricted Fund Balances</u>		
Facilities at Stable Yard	29,563	29,563
Forest Enrichment Area	3,687	-
Disabled and Special Needs Holiday Scheme	1,125	-
Flourish Project	-	-
	<u>34,375</u>	<u>29,563</u>

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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5. Sponsor A Pony

A small group of ponies, alpacas and reindeer is kept by the Charity. These are taken to collecting venues by the collection teams as they are seen as a vital part of the fundraising operation in that they generate interest from the public. They are also used at the Charity premises in provision of therapeutic activities thus fulfilling the charitable objective.

The Trustees are aware of the importance of these livestock in both roles, but are also conscious of the costs involved. Consequently, a Sponsor a Pony Scheme was started with the ultimate intention of this scheme fully funding their upkeep.

Other income includes donations to the above scheme, these funds being utilised for the upkeep and welfare of the livestock. Costs are allocated between Fund Raising Costs and Provision of Therapeutic Activities.

6. Flourish with Phoenix Community Interest Company

On 18 February 2019, Flourish with Phoenix Community Interest Company was incorporated with the intention of addressing the issues that young people have in improving their life chances and quality of life. It enables services to be provided on a fee basis with any excess income being paid to Phoenix Children's Foundation. During the year under review, grants have been received by the charity and they have been donated to the company.

THE PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1117115

Accounts

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
REGISTERED CHARITY 1117115
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
AND STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are pleased to present their report and the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Legal and Administrative

Phoenix Children's Foundation is a registered charity, number 1117115, that was established by Trust Deed dated 26th August 2006.

The objective of the Charity is to provide disabled and severely ill children throughout the UK with vital equipment and/or therapeutic activities. The aim is to help these special needs children with their physical and mental development in order to enhance the quality of their lives.

The charity trustees during the year were:

Mr Douglas Wrenn
Mr Mark Curry
Mr Daniel Smith

Trustees are appointed by members of the charity in executive committee.

Activities and Achievements

On 23 March 2020, a national lockdown was initiated in response to the Coronavirus Pandemic. Our operations were immediately affected as our full diary of lamb bookings with the schools, care homes, hospitals etc. all had to be cancelled. We immediately started to consider the impact on the finances of the Charity and following both Government guidance and guidance from our professional advisors, we laid off two members of staff in order to reduce payroll costs. This situation was later alleviated by the introduction of the furlough scheme. However, ultimately, it was with much regret that we had to make those two members of staff redundant following the advice, once again, of our professional advisors. Those members of staff have been sorely missed and we wish to put on record our great appreciation for their assistance during their time with us.

Despite the reduction in our activities, it was still essential to take care of our animals and with appropriate advice, alternative arrangements were made to ensure that the animals could be kept in good health in readiness for the recommencement of our visits and collections. We were also assisted in administrative duties by a very loyal volunteer.

In early May, we were approached by a local organisation, Community Education and Enterprise Projects (CEEP), who had taken the decision not to reopen when the lockdown restrictions lifted owing to various difficulties. They had recently been donated a play park by their local Rotary Club which they wished to ensure was still put to good use. This equipment together with two sheds were offered to us, and we gratefully accepted. They have since been dismantled and re-erected on our premises with support from Rotary, The 41 Club and our own volunteers. The equipment brought good improvements to our facilities and will enable us to offer a wider range of services.

Later in the year, we were approached by another local charity, SNIPS, as they had also taken the decision to close owing to the Pandemic. They offered their remaining funds, which amounted to approximately £4,000, which we received with many thanks.

After much contact from interested parties, we realised that we could indeed open our facilities as a Covid safe site with the appropriate arrangements being made for hand sanitising stations, safety signage and other Covid compliant measures. The Local Authority Shorts Breaks Team contacted us to provide enrichment for some of their most vulnerable children and we were pleased to offer sessions to cater for this need. This scheme started with two teenage boys twice a month at a weekend which was quickly proven successful. The scheme continues to grow with positive outcomes being recognised almost immediately. Childrens' mental health has suffered massively due to Covid and we see our services as an important part of the support that they need to supplement their extra curriculum activities. Over the year, over 2200 hours of enrichment activities were provided to participants from various service users.

During the quieter times that we have encountered during the year, we have made wise use of the time to undertake free training online and have completed the following courses:- Mental Health Awareness, Safe Guarding, Challenging Behaviour, Counselling Skills, Working with Individuals with Learning Disabilities and Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences.

Various other donations have been received during the year, but we could not avoid the impact that the lack of street collections had on the finances. All efforts have been made to control costs as much as possible whilst keeping the Charity in readiness for recommencing once restrictions are lifted sufficiently. Overall, although there is a slight deficit for the year, we are proud that the Charity repurposed itself in extremely difficult circumstances with very limited staff and almost no volunteers. We are still here with a successful offer to our service users that we will be eager to fulfil as soon as circumstances allow.

Grant Making Policy

The Charity makes grants to individuals and organisations that promote healthy recreation to special needs and terminally ill children. Donations will also be made to purchase essential equipment and therapy-based activities required by children up to the age of eighteen years.

We also continue to support visits to The Stables to make best use of the facilities.

Reserves Policy

It remains an objective to accumulate reserves to provide a minimum of 12 months running costs. Currently this is impacted by the coronavirus pandemic and the reserves will be vital in enabling the Charity to recover when restrictions are lifted.

Risks Policy

The trustees have assessed the major risks that could affect the Charity and are satisfied that procedures are in place to identify such risks at the earliest opportunity and to address them.

Approved by the Trustees

Mr D Wrenn

Mr M Curry

Mr D Smith

Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Phoenix Children's Foundation

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr P J Nash FCA
Independent Examiner
Johnson, Murkett & Hurst
Chartered Accountants
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LE65 2GN

Date:

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
Receipts and Payments Account: Year to 31 March 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
GENERAL FUND		
Income receipts:		
From voluntary sources		
Street Collections	-	38,909
Other income		
Charities Aid and sundry donations	48,810	56,479
Bank Interest Received	19	54
HMRC JRS Grant	<u>24,633</u>	<u>-</u>
	73,463	95,442
RESTRICTED FUND (Facilities at Stable Yard)		
Income receipts:		
Other income		
Donations	<u>-</u>	<u>1,885</u>
		1,885
RESTRICTED FUND (Flourish Project)		
Income receipts:		
Grant from the National Lottery	25,000	25,000
LCC SHIRE Grant		5,000
Donation to Flourish with Phoenix CIC	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>(30,000)</u>
		-
Total Incoming Resources	<u>73,463</u>	<u>97,327</u>
Payments		
Charitable activity direct expenditure:		
Equipment Donated	515	356
Donations	656	7,023
Provision of Therapeutic Activities	36,126	28,889
Additional donation to Flourish with Phoenix CIC		1,000
Fund Raising costs	12,194	21,883
Pony Expenses	12,380	5,436
Governance and administration costs:		
Wages	8,647	10,722
Light & Heat	388	918
Repairs & Renewals	4,283	2,410
Insurance	1,227	1,227
Subscriptions	194	66
Postage, printing & stationery	296	939
Telephone/Fax	1,691	1,639
Accountancy		1,584
Sundry	1,439	1,785
Total payments	<u>80,035</u>	<u>85,877</u>
Net expenditure for the year	<u>(6,572)</u>	<u>11,450</u>
GENERAL FUND	(6,572)	9,565
RESTRICTED FUND (Facilities at Stable Yard)	-	1,885
RESTRICTED FUND (Flourish Project)	-	-
	<u>(6,572)</u>	<u>11,450</u>

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	<u>Note</u>	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
Fixed Assets	3	129,938	122,248
Monetary Assets			
Bank Current Account			
- HSBC	13,881	19,496	
Bank Reserve Account			
- HSBC	4,691	4,723	
- HSBC Phoenix Sponsor A Pony	6,166	5,041	
- HSBC Solar Panels	10,000	5,816	
- HSBC Savings	9,855	30,608	
		<u>44,593</u>	65,684
Loan - Flourish		2,677	(4,152)
		<u>177,208</u>	<u>183,780</u>
General Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2020	154,217	156,152	
Net Receipts/Payments for the year	(6,572)	9,565	
Book loss on vehicle		(11,500)	
		<u>147,645</u>	154,217
Restricted Fund			
Balance at 1 April 2020	29,563	27,678	
Net Receipts for the year	0	1,885	
		<u>29,563</u>	29,563
Balance at 31 March 2021		<u>177,208</u>	<u>183,780</u>

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Office Building	7,255	50	-	7,305
Log Store	318	-	-	318
	<u>23,703</u>	<u>645</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,348</u>

Charitable Activities

	Brought forward 01 Apr 20 £	Additions £	Disposals £	Carried forward 31 Mar 21 £
Stable (50%)	1,224	-	-	1,224
Classroom	26,887	1,755	-	28,642
Toilet Block	25,852	-	-	25,852
Sensory Garden	12,851	171	-	13,022
Solar Panels	31,730	-	-	31,730
Sheds & Cabin	-	5,119	-	5,119
	<u>98,544</u>	<u>7,044</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,589</u>

Total	<u>122,248</u>	<u>7,689</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>129,938</u>
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