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London, N16 6PS



Highlights Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2022
Registered Charity Number: 1124382

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees of the charity present their annual report under the Charities Act 2011 and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and confirm that the latter comply with the requirements of the Act, the Trust Deed and the Charities SORP 2005.

Reference And Administrative Information

Trustees Mrs C Lias
Mr A Taub
Mrs G Schonfeld
Mrs B Moskovitz

Charity Number 1124382

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The Charity was founded on 18 December 2007 and is registered with the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance And Management Governing Document

The charity is governed by its Trust Deed which has not been amended.

Governing Body

The structure of the Charity consists of four trustees. The board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new Trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing trustee.

Trustees

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Trustees Induction And Training

Most trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the charity having received guidance from the existing trustees prior to appointment. New trustees are further encouraged to attend training sessions organised by the charity.

Organisational Management

The Trustees of the Charity, are legally responsible for the overall management and control of the Charity and meet regularly.

Risk Management

The trustees do not feel that the trust is subject to any major risks

Objects, Aims, Objectives And Activities

The charity is constituted by Trust Deed and its objects are to encourage and support disadvantaged children and young people, as a means to:

- a) Advancing in life
- b) Advancing education
- c) Providing recreational and leisure time activity

The policy of the Charitable Trust continues to be to support these activities.

It is intended to continue with the Trusts current activities.

The charity is organised so that the trustees meet regularly to manage its affairs. Administration of the charity is dealt with by the trustees

Aims And Intended Impact

Within these objects, the trustee's aim is to continue to provide funds for its activities and objects.

Objectives For The Year

The aim this year is to continue to give support to encourage and support disadvantaged children and young people.

Principal Activities During The Year

The charity collected funds during the year and was able to perform its activities.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

Review, Achievements And Performance For The Year Transactions And Financial Position

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a total income of £103,952 (2021 - £95,200) and direct expenditure of £79,063 (2021 - £82,353). Support costs were £20,120 (2021 - £13,887). Governance costs were £500 (2021 - £500) leaving a net profit for the year of £4,269 (2021 - 1,540).

The charity continues to collect funds for distribution and is continuing in operation.

Financial Review And Results For The Year

The Trustees consider that the performance of the charity this year has been satisfactory. There were no significant changes in the year. The nature of the expenditure were in line with the constitution and objects of the charity.

This is in line with the wishes of the Trustees who constantly review the effectiveness of the charity and approve the scope of their activities.

Reserves Policy

The trustees intend to utilize all funds collected, subject to retentions as appropriate.

Investment Policy And Objectives

Under the Trust Deed the charity has the power to make any investment which the trustees see fit but no investments are currently held.

Future Plans

The trustee's plans are to continue to collect donations to support the trust's objects.

Accounting And Reporting Responsibilities

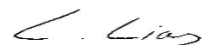
The trustees are required by Charity law to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the financial activities of the charity and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) follow applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice, disclosing and explaining any departures in the financial statements.
- (d) prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which 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 1993. 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.

Approval

The report was approved by the board of directors and trustees on 31 October 2023 and signed on its behalf.



Mrs Chana Lias
Trustee

This year at Highlights:

Highlights is a creative and forward-thinking organisation which aims to improve the lives of the children and young people registered with our services in a number of ways. We believe that by providing them opportunities to learn, interact, and spend time with each other will help them improve their self-confidence and help them reach their potential.

For the past 17 years we have been steadily working towards those aims, building up a robust volunteer team, and offering a range of different projects during out-of-school and holiday times, to be there for C&YP when they need it most.

Thankfully 2022 has seen the end of most covid-19 restrictions and we all thought that life will be going back to normal. However, the Cost-of-living crisis has escalated and our C&YP who are already at a disadvantage are finding it harder than ever in their daily lives.

C&YP benefit from a weekly youth club which a constant beneficial scheme which is the 'Highlight' of their week. In addition, we arranged several outings over the course of the school holidays, which was a real treat for most of the C&YP as their families have hit on hard times and cannot afford to go on outings. In the summer, we arranged for the C&YP to go away on a major summer holiday residential trip where disadvantaged C&YP got to leave their small, crowded homes and enjoy a summer in the beauty of the English countryside. This year, they needed it more than ever since many families were unable to get away in the summer; even for a couple of days. For many of our C&YP it was their only outing in the summer holidays.

It's been challenging for some of our C&YP who already face disadvantages, but we hope we've been able to do our bit this year, and that they'll come through with the resilience that only children have, to face a brighter tomorrow.

Gittel Schonfeld
Trustee

Charitable Objectives

The trustees confirm that when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in the planning of activities, they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's Public Benefit statement.

Our Mission

To ease disadvantage by helping C&YP achieve their potential, despite the challenges they face. To provide disadvantaged C&YP with tools, life skills and opportunities, empowering them to become confident, competent and resilient adults.

Charitable Objects

1 to act as a resource for disadvantaged young people up to the age of 19 years living in London boroughs of Hackney and Haringey by providing advice and assistance and organising weekly programs and other functions of physical, educational and social activities as a means of:

a) advancing in life - helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, self-actualised individuals.

b) advancing education.

c) providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who have need by reason of their youth, poverty or social and economic circumstances, with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons.

2 the promotion of any other exclusively charitable objects and purposes such as the trustees see fit provided that they are regarded as charitable by the law of England and Wales.

Our Strategic Focuses



Recreational Opportunities



Skills & Talents



Emotional Support



Our Leaders

Impact in Numbers



Recreational Opportunities



240
Beneficiaries



5
Programs



9.3
Rating



48%
percentage of
expenditure



Skills and Talents



190
Beneficiaries



2
Programs



9.7
Rating



20%
percentage of
expenditure



Emotional Support



175
Beneficiaries



2
Program



9.4
Rating



20%
percentage of
expenditure



Our Leaders



35
Beneficiaries



2
Programs



9.8
Rating




12%
percentage of
expenditure

Our Strategic Aims


Recreational Opportunities

To provide disadvantaged C&P with healthy and active recreational opportunities.

Structured play and healthy outlets are vitally important to children's development. Yet disadvantaged C&YP miss out on opportunities for outlet and recreation their peers take for granted. We provide youth groups, clubs, outings, and holiday camps to give these children the wholesome, fun activities and the healthy social interactions they crave, in a secure environment


 I loved trampolining in the winter holidays! My neighbour went once and she told me how much fun it was. Since then, I was desperate to go so I was so excited when Highlights told us they are taking us there!! I felt like I was flying in the air!"

Becky, age 10

 "What I enjoyed about the summer retreat was the aqua park. We had a blast playing in the water on the bouncy castles!"

Leah, age 13



 "Going away with other young people helped me make new friendships. I will always treasure the friends I made this year at the holiday project".

Mimi, age 15

4 Winter holiday trips

6 Half term trips

1 Summer holiday residential



Skills and Talents

To provide programs, clubs and performances for C&YP to discover and develop talents, skills and abilities.

C&YP experiencing disadvantage and deprivation are often not aware of their own latent talents and the strengths they have within. They cannot afford specialty skills classes or courses. With our popular talent and performance project C&YP discover and develop their talent and skills in a variety of fields like singing and drama. Our sports clubs and tournaments help C&YP develop motor skills and aptitudes for sports. Working together and reaching goals through these projects, gives C&YP all-important soft skills, like team work and social skills, too.

"I love attending the sports clubs and tournaments. I love the competitiveness, the excitement, the fun and everything else..."

Chani, age 14

"Dear Highlights,

My daughters loved attending the singing clubs. They would sing the songs for hours at home. Thank you so much!!"

Mrs Green

Variety of **TALENTS AND SKILLS:** dance, drama, singing, **ART** and design, **EXERCISE**, aerobics, running, netball, **SOCIAL SKILLS**



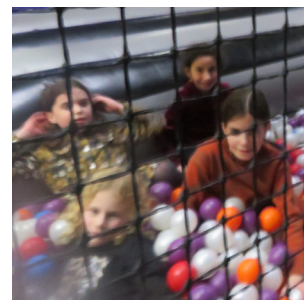
Emotional Support

To provide empathic and attuned support for C&YP struggling emotionally.

Disadvantaged C&YP are not mentally ill. But their challenges, if left to fester, can certainly cause mental health strain and even illness. Our trained and dedicated staff and volunteers are here to help alleviate the stress, anxiety and fear that many C&YP struggle with, throughout childhood. We give C&YP healthy outlets and a consistent safe place, volunteers who are trained to listen and guide, helping them to keep going with a lighter load. In situations where more emotional/mental health help is required, volunteers refer the case to staff, who liaise with local welfare groups and the health authorities to ensure C&YP's safety.


WEEKLY youth groups with CIRCLE time, discussion and sharing.

ONE-ON-ONE support, enabling very challenged children to be part too, by giving them a DEDICATED KEY WORKER.




"My group leader, Chani, has been amazing. She always made me feel so welcome and understood. I loved our weekly youth groups where I really wanted to join in all the activities. Since I've been attending them, I feel like I've gained so many new friends".

Libby, age 12


"I'm usually quiet and don't have much to say. Now I'm getting support from volunteers, I'm doing stuff with other people who understand what is happening for me. In this group I finally feel good about myself."

Rivky, age 13

Our Leaders

To empower and advance our leaders through giving them the skills, qualifications and experience, to further their careers/employment opportunities.

After 15 years of operation, we are lucky enough to see the fruits of our labour in our volunteers! These YP were beneficiaries of Highlights earlier programs, and now have come back with their unique vantage of empathy, to help others on this challenging path. We recognize that these talented and dedicated YP also come from disadvantage, and would like to give them the surest start to their employment. Through training and encouraging our volunteers, as well as facilitating practical workshops to boost their skills, we can help our leaders to become independent, capable people, who are as employable as they deserve to be.

Volunteers training retreat.

Volunteers yearlong programme of self-development



"Preparing for the weekly youth groups sessions helps me learn so many skills such as creativity, resourcefulness, time management and so much more. I think that these skills will really help me for the future as a member of my community and in the workforce".

Gitty, age 17



"I've always enjoyed taking part in the activities and projects which highlights provided for us. Now it's my opportunity to give back to highlights for all that they've helped me. Highlights is amazing, providing us with training, workshops and coaching to help us feel confident in our roles as group leaders".

Malky, age 18

Our Plans for the Future

In the coming year, we aim to continue all that we've been doing of terms of the weekend youth group work, outings and winter and summer holiday support and grow even further as an organisation with new members, and new activities. We also aim to continue supporting our C&YP through the cost-of-living crisis by providing activities and group sessions to ease their anxiety and worry which they may be living with at home. We would like to increase communication with parents through regular newsletters and opportunities for feedback, and increased communication with users through feedback forms, and group and individual meetings. This communication will inform the new activities we're planning.

Statement Of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	
		2022 £	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £
Income and Expenditure					
Grants and Donations	2	<u>34,430</u>	<u>69,522</u>	<u>103,952</u>	<u>95,200</u>
		34,430	69,522	103,952	95,200
Resources Expended					
Direct Charitable Expenditure	3	<u>2,615</u>	<u>68,448</u>	<u>71,063</u>	<u>82,353</u>
Support Costs		<u>28,120</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,120</u>	<u>13,887</u>
Governance Costs					
Accountancy		<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>31,235</u>	<u>68,448</u>	<u>99,683</u>	<u>96,740</u>
Net Income Reserves for Year		<u>3,195</u>	<u>1,074</u>	<u>4,269</u>	<u>(1,540)</u>
Net Movement in Funds		<u>3,195</u>	<u>1,074</u>	<u>4,269</u>	<u>(1,540)</u>
Balance Brought Forward		<u>2,095</u>	<u>(1,074)</u>	<u>1,021</u>	<u>2561</u>
Balance Carried Forward		<u>5,290</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,290</u>	<u>1,021</u>

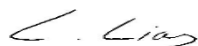
The notes form part of these accounts.

Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet 31 October 2023

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Current Assets			
Bank		5,790	1,521
Creditors	4	500	500
Nett Current Assets		5,290	1,021
 Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		 5,290	 1,021
 Represented by:			
Restricted Funds		-	(1,074)
Unrestricted Funds		5,290	2,095
		5,290	1,021

The Financial Statements were approved by the Trustees on 30 Oct 2023
And signed on its behalf by



Mrs. Chana Lias
Trustee

The notes form part of these accounts.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year 31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with applicable accounting standards and follow the recommendations in Statement of Recommended Practice; Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP) 2005.
- Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included gross in the Statement of Financial Activities. All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income. Tax due back on gift aid receipts is included.
- Unrestricted funds are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purposes.
- Management and administration costs of the charity relate to the central costs of management including the costs of meetings, independent examination of the financial statements and statutory compliance.

2. TAXATION

The trust is a registered charity and accordingly is exempt from taxation on its income and gains where they are applied for charitable purposes.

3. STAFF COSTS

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the year.
There were no staff costs, and the charity employed no volunteers.
Administration of the trust was by the trustees.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year 31 December 2022

1. Principal accounting policies

Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Charities Act (Accounts and reports) 2005, and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and follow the recommendations in Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Issued October 2005 and revised May 2008)

2. Grants and Donations Received

[Only Grants and Donations > £1000 delineated here]

	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations Received	39,430.00	750.00	40,180.00	42,326.00	1,930.00	44,256.00
Arnold Clarke		1,000.00	1,000.00			
Brother Jonathan Trust for Childrens Holid.	-	-	-		2,000.00	2,000.00
CAC	-	-	-		1,250.00	1,250.00
Hackney Youth Oppurtunity Fund		4,930.00	4,930.00		-	-
Henry Smith		2,500.00	2,500.00			
Hobson Charity		2,500.00	2,500.00			
Invesco Cares		3,000.00	3,000.00		-	-
Jewish Childrens's Holiday Fund		2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00
Jewish Childs Day		2,500.00	2,500.00		1,909.00	1,909.00
Johnnie Johnosn Trust	-	-	-		4,100.00	4,100.00
Michael Watson Ch Trust	-	-	-		2,000.00	2,000.00
National Lottery		9,800.00	9,800.00		9,100.00	9,100.00
Peoples Health Trust		1,845.00	1,845.00		16,605.00	16,605.00
POM Charitable Trust		8,000.00	8,000.00		8,000.00	8,000.00
Rocket Science		8,797.00	8,797.00			
The Rosa Fund		2,500.00	2,500.00			
The Sheldon Trust		1,000.00	1,000.00			
Souter CH		2,000.00	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00
Skipton Building		-	-		1,480.00	1,480.00
Tallow Chandlers		5,000.00	5,000.00			
Tottenham Grammar School		4,000.00	4,000.00			
The Wakeham Trust		1,900.00	1,900.00			
	39,430.00	64,522.00	103,952.00	42,326.00	51,394.00	95,200.00

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year 31 December 2022

3 Analysis of Total Resources Expended

Charitable Activities

Cost of Activities

in Furtherance

of the Char'y's Objects

	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
	Unrestrict	Restricted	Total	Unrestrict	Restricted	Total
	ed Funds	Funds		ed Funds	Funds	
Holiday Projects	6,000	40,106	46,106	13,163	48,465	61,628
Project Management	5,615	581	6,196	6,320	-	6,320
Show Performance	2,000	4,795	6,795	624	4,409	5,033
Volunteers Training and Programmes	1,000	4,130	5,130	3,067	-	3,067
Youth Club Projects	1,000	13,836	14,836	4,955	-	4,955
Youth Club Covid 19			-	1,350	-	1,350
Total Cost of Furtherance of Charitable Objects	15,615	63,448	79,063	29,479	52,874	82,353

Support Costs

Advertising	440			528	-	528
Cost of Generating Funds	3,599			-	-	-
Charity Donations	112			5	-	5
Consultancy	5,990			4,208	-	4,208
Office Costs	1,939			1,301	-	1,301
					-	-
Administration and Secretarial	8,040			7,845		7,845
Total Support Costs	20,120	-	-	13,887	-	13,887

Governance Costs

Accountancy Fees	500	-	500	500	-	500
	36,235	63,448	99,683	43,866	52,874	96,740

Furtherance of Charitable Objects

4 Creditors and Accruals

2022	2021
£	£
<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Highlights

We report on the financial statements of Highlights for the Year Ending 31 December 2022.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Reporting Accountants

The Trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) does not apply. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 249 of the Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners Report

Our 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 the trustees concerning any such matters.

These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion, no matter has come to our attention;

- 1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - a) To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the act, and
 - b) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2) To which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Reporting Examiner

Naphtolie Padwa
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Date: 31 October 23

THANK YOU

To the following funders who have enabled us to keep going with our work for disadvantaged children and young people in 2022:

- Arnold Clarke
- Hobson Charity
- Jewish Child's Day
- Hackney Youth Opportunity Fund
- Henry Smith
- Invesco Cares
- Jewish Children's Holiday Fund
- National Lottery
- Peoples Health Trust
- POM
- Rocket Science
- The Rosa Fund
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