

Registered number: 5618486
Charity number: 1128932

HOME-START RUNNYMEDE AND WOKING

(a company limited by guarantee)

**Unaudited Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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Reference and administrative information for the year ended 31 March 2025

Company Name	Home-Start Runnymede and Woking
Company Number	5618486
Charity Number	1128932
Registered Office	1 st Floor, Foxwell House Chobham Road Ottershaw Chertsey KT16 0NL
Trustees	Michael Parker (Chair) Trevor Pound (Treasurer) Michael Griffiths Claire Hamilton-Taylor Christopher Maccallum Joanna McKenzie Gemma Niebieszczanski Sally Evans
Scheme Director	Sarah Beasley

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Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act 2006, are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities, and Financial Reporting Standard 102.

Constitution

Home-Start Runnymede and Woking is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

Directors and Trustees

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the trustees.

The trustees' liability is limited to £1, provided that they do not act negligently, or fraudulently, and do not allow the charity to continue when it is insolvent.

Trustees are recruited from the general public through the auspices of the Local Voluntary Service Bureau, from the bank of home visiting volunteers and from families who have received our service. A prospective trustee will receive an initial introduction to the work of the company, followed by an informal interview with two existing trustees. Following the receipt of two satisfactory references, the prospective trustee is proposed for election at a subsequent meeting of directors.

The Trustees serving during the year and since the year-end were as follows:-

Michael Parker	Chair
Trevor Pound	Treasurer
Claire Hamilton-Taylor	(resigned 21 July 2025)
Olivia Matthews	(resigned 7 February 2025)
Joanna McKenzie	
Michael Griffiths	
Gemma Niebieszczanski	
Christopher Maccallum	
Sally Evans	(appointed 6 September 2024)
Giles Maltby	(appointed 6 December 2023; resigned 19 July 2024)

The trustees meet every eight weeks with some preparatory work carried out by sub committees. Day to day management of the charity is delegated to the employees.

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Report of the trustees cont'd for the year ended 31 March 2025

Objectives of the charity

Home-Start Runnymede and Woking (Home-Start RAW) is a family support charity that provides a free service to families who live in the boroughs of Runnymede and Woking. Families who have at least one child under five, and who are experiencing difficult times in their lives and are seeking support to get through them, are referred to the charity. This can be through Health Visitors, Support Agencies, Statutory Services, Surrey's Early Help Hub or via self-referral. Trained volunteers or staff are carefully matched with the family and offer regular support, practical help, guidance and sign-posting to parents in their own homes and as they go about their activities. The support is tailored to the individual needs of the family in order to support and empower them in moving forwards towards agreed outcomes. Families may be struggling for a wide variety of reasons and Home-Start Runnymede and Woking aims to help, support and empower parents to tackle these challenges positively. Our aim is to ensure that every child has the best possible start in life that they can have.

The principal sources of funding are described in Note 2 of the Financial Statement. Expenditure is utilised to support the objectives of the charity.

The trustees have carefully considered the Charity Commission's guidance on reporting public benefit in planning what activities the charity undertakes.

Developments, activities and achievements

The team continues to provide knowledgeable and skilled advice and support to hundreds of local families who need it. As at the 31st March 2025, the staff team was comprised of a Director, overseeing the work of the staff, liaising with other organisations and representing the charity within 25 hours per week, two Family Support Co-ordinators (54 hours/week), one of whom is also the Perinatal Lead and the other is the Additional Needs Lead, who share the family caseload between them, and two Family Support Workers (36 hours/week), who can offer immediate and short-term support to families. Our Administrator works 15hrs/week and manages the office whilst supporting the work of the charity with bookkeeping and database management.

In many ways, this year was a year of consolidation as we adapted to our reduced capacity, necessitated by the loss of three local authority contracts in the previous financial year and the ongoing cost of living crisis. The impact of the reduction in staffing (due to funding cuts) and reduction in volunteer numbers (due to the cost of living crisis) cannot be overstated. The whole team has felt the strain of 12 months of trying to allocate resource support in a way that leaves as few families as possible without support. Despite this, the team has been very resilient and our referrers understanding of the challenging environment we are operating in. We continue to focus our support on prevention and early intervention, but have accepted some referrals for families on Child in Need plans when we felt our organisation was best placed to provide the support that the family needed.

There has been a noticeable increase in the complexity of need for the families referred to us, even at an 'Early intervention/Emerging Needs' level. A greater number of families are living in inappropriate and/or insecure housing, and high numbers are living in financial hardship and/or debt. Mental health issues continue to affect the majority of families referred to us (87%). More families are isolated, without a support network and unable to access community support and services without help. One consequence of this increase in complexity of need is

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Report of the trustees cont'd for the year ended 31 March 2025

that there has been a lower turnover of families for the Family Support Workers, as families require support for longer.

We have launched a new project ('Signposting and onward referrals') to ensure that the often significant amount of staff time taken up with this work is accurately recorded and can be reported to funders.

In order to ensure as many families could access our support despite the reduced staffing levels, we have continued to invest in our group support activity. We continue to run five weekly groups. These groups are:

- Baby Bubble Addlestone
- Baby Bubble Egham
- Baby Bubble Woking
- Play & Learn Plus
- Thursday Tots

Some families receive one-to-one support in the home as well as attending one of our groups, some families will receive a short period of home-visiting support and be supported to attend a group, and some families just attend a group. The benefits of our groups include: reducing isolation and loneliness, improving children's social and communication skills, improving emotional wellbeing of parents and providing a space where parents can speak to Home-Start staff and other local professionals about additional support and services that their family can access.

Feedback from families continues to be very good, and attendance at our groups has grown steadily through the year. Our culture remains very much aimed at prevention and early intervention where possible.

- A total of 213 families were supported during the year
- 98 families were supported 1:1 in their homes
- 146 families were supported in groups
- 25 families were supported by our signposting and onward referral project (a new project launched this year)
- 97% of families report that their parenting has improved as a result of Home-Start support
- 100% of families report being less isolated as a result of Home-Start support
- 95% of families report that parent well-being improved as a result of Home-Start support
- 100% of families report that children's well-being improved as a result of Home-Start support
- 100% of families report that they are better able to access local and specialist services as a result of Home-Start support

We are so grateful to our team of exceptional volunteers who give their time freely to support local families. Many of our volunteers have lived experience of the needs of the families referred to us, and others have professional experience supporting families. Whatever their experience, they offer so much and make an incredible impact.

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The biggest challenge of the year has been the shortage, and reduction, of volunteers. The majority of volunteers that have left have done so for financial reasons (taking on more paid work or providing childcare for grandchildren). There has been significant additional pressure placed on staff to support families directly, leading to high numbers of families supported under the 'Crisis' project. The challenge of volunteer recruitment and retention is one faced by other Home-Starts nationally, as well as many local voluntary organisations. Our target for the year ahead is to rebuild our team and support as many families as possible with one-to-one volunteer support.

The trustees are very appreciative of the flexibility demonstrated by the staff in delivering such a professional service in the face of so many demands upon their time.

Despite the challenges of the year, our partnership working has remained strong, which benefits the families accessing our services. Staff attend regular multi-agency meetings, focusing on safeguarding, early years, additional needs, cost of living and mental health. Partnership working has enabled us to better meet the needs of local families through joint initiatives, focus groups influencing public policy and raising awareness to local need.

Our partnership with West Byfleet Golf Club brought in significant funds and raised awareness of our work in the local community. We are grateful for all the time and efforts that the club captains and charity committee put into fundraising. The funds raised made a significant impact, particularly after our local authority cuts.

We have continued to work closely with other local organisations to ensure that the families in our area have the support they need – this includes referrals to food banks, group support, applications for specialist equipment and hardship grants.

As part of our consortium with other Home-Starts in Surrey, we were delighted to receive 5 year funding for the Dad Matters Surrey project. This funding will enable the project to move past the pilot stage and towards county-wide expansion. We have now recruited a new Project Lead who will take on the day-to-day operational role of the project. Our Scheme Director, along with the Scheme Director from Home-Start Elmbridge, have been actively involved in this next stage of the project and will move to providing advisory support. We have recruited a Steering Group Lead who is building a team to support the running of the project. As we look ahead into 2025/26 we are pleased that our support will include an offer dedicated to Dads and their needs.

Review of financial affairs

After the extreme financial challenges faced in the prior year, which necessitated a reduction in headcount, the year under report saw a return to some degree of financial stability. That said, income, at £168,438* was actually down year on year reflecting the increasingly challenging funding environment the charity faces as a result of the broader financial backdrop. Although expenditure of £177,530 was reduced by 17% from the prior year, it exceeded income and the charity recorded a loss for the year of £9,092. Reserves at the end of the year totalled £103,580.

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Report of the trustees cont'd for the year ended 31 March 2025

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The exploration of different funding avenues is becoming an ever increasing priority for the trustees. At the same time, the trustees continue to monitor carefully any financial commitments being taken on to ensure that outgoings remain aligned to projected income and activity is consistent with the charity's reserves.

Reserves Policy and the Trustees' responsibilities

There were ten members comprising the Board of Trustees for the period. The trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise that are subject to regular review. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which outline, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the detection and prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees have agreed that the scheme targets a level of reserves to cover anticipated running costs of 6 months, but, in any event, that sufficient reserves are maintained in realisable form to meet all its contractual obligations at any time including any termination costs.

Company and charity law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees have made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and have prepared them on a going concern basis.

The financial statements presented here are in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies. They comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reporting) Regulations.

This report was approved by the trustees on 12th September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Michael Parker
Chair

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Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Grants, donations and fund-raising	2	97,285	68,711	165,996	187,267
Investment Income		2,442	-	2,442	2,135
Total Incoming Resources		99,727	68,711	168,438	189,402
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of generating funds:					
Direct Charitable expenditure		87,884	89,546	177,430	213,220
Governance costs		100	-	100	100
Total Expenditure	3	87,984	89,546	177,530	213,320
Net income (deficit) for the year		11,743	(20,835)	(9,092)	(23,918)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Brought forward		75,629	37,043	112,672	136,590
Net income (deficit) for the year		11,743	(20,835)	(9,092)	(23,918)
Total Funds at 31 March 2025	7	87,372	16,208	103,580	112,672

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Balance Sheet As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
Assets		£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank and in Hand					
Current Accounts		25,765		26,245	
Savings Accounts		96,746		85,063	
Cash in hand		-		8	
			122,511		111,316
Prepayments and grants receivable	4		1,863		1,813
			<u>124,374</u>		<u>113,129</u>
 Amounts falling due within one year	 5	 (20,276)		 (276)	
			(20,276)		(276)
 Provisions	 6		(518)		(181)
 Net Current Assets			<u>103,580</u>		<u>112,672</u>
 Represented by					
Unrestricted Funds	7		87,372		75,629
Restricted Funds	7		16,208		37,043
			<u>103,580</u>		<u>112,672</u>

The trustees consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with Section 476 of the Act. The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Financial Statements were approved by the trustees on 12th September 2025 and signed on their behalf, by:

Trevor Pound
Treasurer

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies were used consistently:

Accounting Basis:

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Fund Accounting:

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Grants:

Grants received are credited to the Financial Activities when they are receivable, split between restricted and unrestricted funds.

Resources expended:

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis, inclusive of VAT and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. The value of volunteers' time has not been reflected in the accounts.

Fixed assets:

Where fixed assets have been acquired by grants received, the cost is netted against the grant. Any surplus grants are treated as restricted funds. Fixed assets totalling £599 (2024: £nil) were acquired during the year.

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2. Grants, Donations and fund-raising:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted		
Henry Smith Charitable Foundation	40,000	-
West Byfleet Golf Club	25,000	-
Surrey County Council	-	37,472
Dell Corporation	10,276	-
John Lewis / Waitrose	4,675	-
Woking Borough Council	250	10,000
29 th May 1961 Charitable Trust	-	3,000
Community Foundation for Surrey	-	15,000
Various private donations and Fund-raising events	17,084	11,091
Total	97,285	76,563
Restricted		
Barnados	7,500	-
The National Lottery	-	29,108
Community Foundation for Surrey	7,000	-
Cadent	4,375	-
Sothorn Gas Network	8,604	-
Souter Charitable Trust	-	3,000
Albert Hunt Trust	-	5,000
Byfleet United Charity	3,500	-
Surrey Community Action	2,000	3,000
Surrey County Council	-	28,346
HSUK	-	14,375
Heathrow Community	7,500	4,500
Runnymede Council	6,240	9,858
Ottershaw Community Partnership	500	-
St Faiths	3,125	3,125
Tesco Groundwork	375	1,125
Co-operative	-	1,636
University of Winchester	-	560
Catalyst	16,500	-
John Beane's Charity	1,492	1,402
Private donations		5,669
Total	68,711	110,704
Total	165,996	187,267

As per Note 1, under current accounting practice, fixed assets acquired by grants received are netted against the relevant grant. Gross donations from Surrey County Council £599 (2024: £28,346).

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3. Analysis of expenditure:

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
Charitable activities:	2025	2025	2025	2024
Direct:	£	£	£	£
Salaries, NI & Pensions (note 10)	57,220	77,880	135,100	168,611
Staff/Volunteer expenses	975	2,794	3,769	5,797
Recruitment expenses	-	-	-	518
Training	614	-	614	114
Group costs	-	1,438	1,438	-
Direct expenditure on families	-	2,361	2,361	2,459
Dad Matters expenses	-	4,051	4,051	7,287
Interest on pension deficit	-	5	5	15
Change in assumptions – pension deficit	-	3	3	-
Amendments to contributions schedule	-	514	514	-
Trustee expenses	84	-	84	-
Indirect:				
Office Rent	7,678	-	7,678	6,529
Telephone, IT, Office costs	9,123	500	9,623	7,400
Fee to Home-Start UK	3,349	-	3,349	2,974
Insurance	904	-	904	1,154
Stationery & postage	62	-	62	515
Advertising +PR	899	-	899	372
Fundraising costs	5,125	-	5,125	8,859
Other office costs	931	-	931	451
Bank charges	60	-	60	60
Payroll/Pension costs	860	-	860	105
Sub-total: charitable activities	87,884	89,546	177,430	213,220
Governance:				
Independent examination	-	-	-	-
Annual report, AGM, etc.	100	-	100	100
Sub-total: governance	100	-	100	100
Total Expenditure	87,984	89,546	177,530	213,320

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4. Prepayments and grants receivable:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayment for insurance	238	188
Rent	1,625	1,625
Total	1,863	1,813

5. Liabilities-: amounts failing due within one year:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deferred income	20,000	-
Provision for office costs	276	276
Provision for Pension Fund contributions	-	-
Total	20,276	276

6. Provisions:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Provision for pension deficit (note 8)	518	181
Total	518	181

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7. Movement in funds:

	At 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers between reserves	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General fund	75,629	99,727	(87,984)	-	87,372
Restricted					
Other	37,224	68,711	(89,209)	-	16,726
Provision for pension deficit	(181)	-	(337)	-	(518)
	37,043	68,711	(89,546)	-	16,208
Total	112,672	168,438	(177,530)	-	103,580

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8. Membership of Pension Fund:

(i) Introduction

The company participates in the scheme, a multi-employer scheme which provides benefits to some 521 non-associated participating employers. The scheme is a defined benefit scheme in the UK. It is not possible for the company to obtain sufficient information to enable it to account for the scheme as a defined benefit scheme. Therefore it accounts for the scheme as a defined contribution scheme

The scheme is subject to the funding legislation outlined in the Pensions Act 2004 which came into force on 30 December 2005. This, together with documents issued by the Pensions Regulator and Technical Actuarial Standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council, set out the framework for funding defined benefit occupational pension schemes in the UK.

The scheme is classified as a 'last-man standing arrangement'. Therefore the charity is potentially liable for other participating employers' obligations if those employers are unable to meet their share of the scheme deficit following withdrawal from the scheme. Participating employers are legally required to meet their share of the scheme deficit on an annuity purchase basis on withdrawal from the scheme.

A full actuarial valuation for the scheme was carried out at 30 September 2023. This valuation showed assets of £514.9m, liabilities of £531.0m and a deficit of £16.1m. To eliminate this funding shortfall, the Trustee has asked the participating employers to pay additional contributions to the scheme as follows:

Deficit contributions:

From 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2028	£2,100,000 per annum (payable monthly)
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Unless a concession has been agreed with the Trustee the term to 31 March 2028 applies.

Note that the scheme's previous valuation was carried out with an effective date of 30 September 2020. This valuation showed assets of £800.3m, liabilities of £831.9m and a deficit of £31.6m. To eliminate this funding shortfall, the Trustee asked the participating employers to pay additional contributions to the scheme as follows:

Deficit contributions:

From 1 April 2022 to 31 January 2025:	£3,312,000 per annum (payable monthly)
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The recovery plan contributions are allocated to each participating employer in line with their estimated share of the Series 1 and Series 2 scheme liabilities.

Where the scheme is in deficit and where the charity has agreed to a deficit funding arrangement the charity recognises a liability for this obligation. The amount recognised is the net present value of the deficit reduction contributions payable under the agreement that relates to the deficit. The present value is calculated using the discount rate detailed in these disclosures. The unwinding of the discount rate is recognised as a finance cost.

(ii) **Specific to the charity**

	31 March 2025 (£s)	31 March 2024 (£s)
(a) Present value of provision	£518	£181
(b) Reconciliation of the opening and closing provisions		

	31 March 2025 (£s)	31 March 2024 (£s)
Provision at start of period	181	388
Unwinding of the discount factor (interest expense)	5	15
Deficit contribution paid	(185)	(222)
Remeasurements - impact of any change in assumptions	3	-
Remeasurements – amendments to the contributions schedule	514	-
Provision at end of period	518	181

(c.) Income and expenditure impact

	31 March 2025 (£s)	31 March 2024 (£s)
Interest expense	5	15
Remeasurements – impact of any change in assumptions	3	-
Remeasurements – amendments to the contributions schedule	514	-

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(d) Assumptions

	31 March 2025	31 March 2024	31 March 2023 %
	% per annum	% per annum	per annum
Rate of discount	4.84	5.31	5.52

The discount rates shown above are the equivalent single discount rates which, when used to discount the future recovery plan contributions due, would give the same results as using a full AA corporate bond yield curve to discount the same recovery plan contributions.

(e) Deficit contribution schedule

The following schedule details the deficit contributions agreed between the charity and the scheme at each year end period:

Year ending	31 March 2025	31 March 2024	31 March 2023
	(£s)	(£s)	(£s)
Year 1	185	185	222
Year 2	185	-	185
Year 3	185	-	-

These contributions have been used to derive the charity's balance sheet liability.

(f) Contingent liability

The potential liability of the charity of the pension scheme deficit following withdrawal from the scheme is £4,591 (2024: £4,281).

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9. Trustees remuneration and related parties

None of the trustees received any remuneration during the year

Expenses in the year were £84 (2024: £nil).

10. Staff costs and emoluments:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gross salaries	124,074	164,797
Termination award	-	9,926
Employer's National Insurance	4,631	8,014
Employers' pensions contributions	6,395	8,209
Total	135,100	190,946

Included in the above figures are gross salaries and emoluments of £nil (2024: £22,516) in respect of the charity's share of the cost of staff contracted specifically for the duration of the Dad Matters project and which are included in those costs in the SOFA.

11. Employee numbers

At 31 March 2025, there were 6 part time employees (2024:5).

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Home-Start Runnymede and Woking for the year ended 31 March 2025

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 5 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees as directors and the examiner.

The trustees, who are also directors of the company for the purposes of the Companies Act, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that the company is exempt from an audit 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*
- *to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and*
- *to state whether particular matters have come to my attention*

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

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

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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and*
 - *to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities*

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.*



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Report of the trustees cont'd for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Company and charity law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees have made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and have prepared them on a going concern basis.

The financial statements presented here are in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies. They comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reporting) Regulations.

This report was approved by the trustees on 12th September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Michael Parker
Chair

HOME-START RUNNYMEDE AND WOKING

Balance Sheet As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
Assets		£	£	£	£
Cash at Bank and in Hand					
Current Accounts		25,765		26,245	
Savings Accounts		96,746		85,063	
Cash in hand		-		8	
			122,511		111,316
Prepayments and grants receivable	4		1,863		1,813
			<u>124,374</u>		<u>113,129</u>
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(20,276)		(276)	
			(20,276)		(276)
Provisions	6		(518)		(181)
Net Current Assets			<u>103,580</u>		<u>112,672</u>
Represented by					
Unrestricted Funds	7		87,372		75,629
Restricted Funds	7		16,208		37,043
			<u>103,580</u>		<u>112,672</u>

The trustees consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with Section 476 of the Act. The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Financial Statements were approved by the trustees on 12th September 2025 and signed on their behalf, by:



Trevor Pound
Treasurer