

TOYS ON THE TABLE

England & Wales · Charity number 1128978

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	06111610
Registered	2009-04-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS ARE TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS IN LEICESTER LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED, HARDSHIP, AND DISTRESS IN SUCH PROPORTIONS AND IN SUCH MANNER IN ALL RESPECTS AS THE TRUSTEES MAY IN THEIR ABSOLUTE DISCRETION THINK FIT.

Activities: Toys on the Table works in the Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland area to provide new toys and gifts at Christmas for those children, regardless of faith, who might otherwise not receive anything

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LEICESTER LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND
- Leicester City
- Leicestershire
- Rutland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-02-28	£19,101	£30,498	-	-
2024-02-29	£34,957	£20,314	-	-
2023-02-28	£32,613	£16,248	-	-
2022-02-28	£16,404	£22,472	-	-
2021-02-28	£30,831	£13,297	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MALCOLM CLARKE	Chair	
BILL BOWLEY		
MARGARET WATTS		

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Once again we survived another successful year, with final numbers reaching 3541 referrals. Interesting enough, I believe that we have, at last, settled back to the pre-pandemic figures of 2019, (lockdown was introduced in March 2020), when the figure was 3515 referrals.

Stock levels are still high, in the usual age groups. (3 – 4yrs & 5 – 7yrs). This is despite having donated a van-load of pre-2022 toys from the above groups to the British Army for their Afghan re-settlement programme for Afghan nationals who had assisted in the Asian campaign. We also donated approximately 80/100 toys (in the 2022/ 3–4 year age bracket), to the Leicestershire Red Cross for an event held in Jubilee Square to welcome the influx of migrants to our community. (Saturday 15th Jube).

Pre-season cataloguing is most certainly the way forward in terms of taking pressure off the “Cataloguers”, From early February 2023, a group of us gave one day per week, sorting out the stock but not before tidying Unit 17 which was, left in a mess, to put it mildly. Never-the-less, the result over 5/6 months working this way, a total of 1,700 bundles of toys sorted and catalogued, prior to the start of the season. This partially accommodated the voracious wrappers when they attacked the stock-pile.

Wrapping became another problem area, with an over-subscription of enthusiastic volunteers. Control of numbers attending and frequency of slots without deterring our regular volunteers should be better managed. (mainly my fault))

Sadly, this year, we were greeted to the same sight again which meant having to spend 4 days (4 weeks) focusing on the same issue as in 2023 However, during the early stages of which we were subjected to a site/building inspection by a Council lead initiative and Unit 17 was declared a fire risk.

The Council has requested all tenants to provide an FRA certificate (Fire Risk Assessment). After visit to Unit 17 a follow-up and total inspection of both 9 & 17, we have now been given certificates for both units at a cost of £480. The reports do not make good reading, as many of the points fall under LCC responsibility.

Alternative to chugging 150/200 miles around the county donating Playgroup toys to 20/30 individual groups, I have found a central organisation located in Leicester who front for 30/40 playgroups. They even collect and distribute.

The financial report will speak for itself. However, we seem to be accumulating funds faster than we can spend it. I believe that supporters may feel it easier to donate money rather than go out shopping.

Providing toys for children in the older age groups is a continual and growing headache, especially when many toys are computer or i-phone driven. Food for thought!

What can I say – yet again a huge “Thanks” to all involved in this amazing Charity and making the success it is

Mac Clarke
Chairman

TOYS ON THE TABLE EXPENSES & DONATIONS

2023

	GAS		ELEC		BANK		DONATIONS		JUST GIVING		MISC EXPENSES		
	6E+08 10th	6E+08 20th											
March	14.43	54.72	7.8	06/03/2023	£1,000.00	Waitrose Mkt Harb	15/11/2023	£160.06	09/03/2023	B & Q	272.69	Steps	
				16/03/2023	£10,000.00	John Townsend (Tom Ward)	20/11/2023	£500.58	30/03/2023	Ikea	130	Storage	
April	11.84	46.88	5.8	04/04/2023	£105.00	Wymeswold Primary School	27/11/2023	£6,516.78	30/04/2023	Ikea	199	Desk	
				06/04/2023	£130.00	Charitable Giving	04/12/2023	£186.54	10/07/2023	Skillbase	226.80	1st Aid course	
May	0	64.31	5	12/06/2023	£1,435.92	Loughbro Students Union	11/12/2024	£515.91	28/08/2023	Leic Aero	24.1	Netready	
				14/07/2023	£396.78	Uppingham community	18/12/2023	£768.78	17/09/2023	Skillbase	49.19	1st Aid Kit	
June	23.55	51.63	5	28/07/2023	£15.00	Anon	27/12/2023	£948.33	10/10/2023	Blaby Print	684	Pop-ups	
				10/10/2023	£20.00	Gyna Sarsby	08/01/2024	£703.71	28/10/2023	Currys	450.57	Vacuum	
July	24.13	44.64	5.4	01/11/2023	£1,500.00	Platform Housing	29/01/2024	£10.59	26/10/2023	Currys	70	Cartridges	
				01/11/2023	£1,000.00	Anon	26/02/2024	£71.22	31/10/2023	Enterprise	313.98	S/shirts	
August	24.94	46.60	5	03/11/2023	£500.00	Ullesthorpe Golf Club	05/02/2024	£1,961.80	09/11/2023	LUSU	90	Law event	
				08/11/2023	£298.15	E S Building Society							
September	24.94	92.14	5	30/11/2023	£200.00	St John's Lodge							
				05/12/2023	£50.00	Anon							
October	24.13	56.51	5.4	07/12/2023	£30.00	Anon							
				07/12/2023	£100.00	Anon							
November	70.84	153.94	5.4	07/12/2023	£35.00	Anon							
				12/12/2023	£3,000.00	OfficeA/c Centrica							
December	136.31	155.10	7	13/12/2023	£180.00	Anon							
				16/12/2023	£500.00	Eash Consultants							
January	*	62.44	5	18/12/2023	£162.00	Flaming Torch							
				19/12/2023	£400.00	M White							
February	36.74	43.18	5.4	15/01/2024	£505.00	Unipart							
				28/01/2024	£550.00	Leicester University							
				30/01/2024	£500.00	Grt Glen Crematoria							
		382.85	Adj										
TOTALS	437.5	1,254.94	67.2		£22,612.85			£12,344.30				£2,510.33	



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name TOYS ON THE TABLE

On accounts for the year ended

29/02/2024

Charity no (if any)

1128978

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: William Jones

Date: 07/06/2024

Name: WILLIAM JONES

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

COMPANY DIRECTOR JONES SAMUEL LTD.

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Accounts

Toys on the Table AGM 27th June 2023

Chairman's Report

Sadly, Mick had to leave us this year and it goes without saying that it left us with a big hole in our ranks. He was and still will be, sorely missed.

With the frustrations and restrictions of Covid behind most of us, we were able to settle back into our normal routine.

Although we were expecting a similar demand to the 2021 figures of some 4,800 referrals. In the event, this didn't materialise – 3,796 being the final figure. Why?

People getting back to work?

Social Services staff shortages/cut-backs?

Supermarket campaigns (resulting in a lot of 2nd hand toys being handed in and then finding their way all over- even to us!)?

Our pre-season weekly efforts eased the stress levels for the cataloguing department, as they were able to produce 1,700 bundles of toys well in advance of the start of the season. However, they were rapidly eaten up by accommodating an excess of volunteer wrappers. Although there was an abundance of volunteers, we will need to keep a better control of the wrapping days.

The downside of the early work meant that we had to go out on several shopping raids, but in view of the financial success this year, it really didn't matter. In fact, the current stock review, along with the greater excess of 3-4 year old toys, has highlighted severe shortages in the older groups from 8 years upwards, with the result that we may still have to do some further purchasing.

Following the success of the last two years, with the help of Anne and Linda, I delivered 15 bags of appropriate toys to several self-supporting, charity-status pre-school play groups. Unfortunately, I was not able to supply the number of groups which Mick and I dealt with two years ago,(30 groups). It is an ideal way of clearing un-wanted surplus small items. It would be worthwhile giving attention to this during our active season when we have more "hands" available.

As was anticipated, I have received an increase in out-of-season requests for help from Social Services dealing with migrant families. Our help was greatly appreciated, (around a dozen families to date).

From a financial point of view, we now find ourselves in an "interesting position" which will be discussed later in the meeting. Suffice to say that we have received incredible donations via the usual public and companies generosity, (£12,000) but also through our web-site "Just Giving" facility, **(£20,000 in total, including £9,000 from British Gas)**

As ever, a huge thanks to all our Trustees and Volunteers for their support, commitment and effort in filling-in for the roles which Mick undertook.

Mac Clarke

Chairman

Toys on the Table

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Toys on the Table Registered Charity No. 1128978 / Company No. 06111610

Statement of Accounts ~ March 1st 2022 to February 28th 2023

2022	£	2022	£
Opening Bank Balance	£41,142.29		
INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
£ 9,605.00 Just Giving (see notes)	20,395.45	Insurance	196.18
£10,300.00 Donations (see notes)	12,087.07	800 Utilities Gas	372.25
£ 130.00 Marriott (Vol. Luncheon)	130.00		Electricity 437.50
			Bank Charges 85.69
		2331 Stationery	857.99
			Marriott Volunteers Luncheon 721.00
		9070 Toys/Gifts	13,263.13
			Net Nerd 8.39
			Companies House 61.15
			Mobile phone + internet 244.8
Total Income	32,612.52	Total expenditure	<u>16248.08</u>
Excess income over expenditure	16,364.44		
		Closing bank balance	57506,73

Malcolm Clarke (Chairman of the Trustees)

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
TOYS ON THE TABLE

**On accounts for the year
ended**

FEBRUARY 2023 Charity no (if any) *1128970*

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Signed: *William Jones* Date: *19-10-2023*

Name: *WILLIAM JONES*

**Relevant professional
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(if any):**

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Toys on the Table, Trustee's Annual Report

Year Ending 28/02/2021

Charity number 1128978

'Toys on the Table' is a local charity, it is also a Limited Company; working in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland areas. It provides new toys at Christmas to disadvantaged children who otherwise would not receive anything. The majority of income is derived in the form of kind, toys donated by organisations, groups or individuals. They are then distributed to needy children in our area. Cash income when received is spent on toys and games and gifts; the running costs for maintaining the charity also come from those donations. All the people assisting in the Toys on the Table charity are volunteers.

The annual accounts for the year ended 28th February 2021 were unusual as we arranged a 'Just Giving' page on the internet, and were very pleasantly surprised with donations of £30,830.51; a comparison with previous years - 2020 - £6,227.78. 2019 - £ 9,745.40. 2017 - £8,204.80. 2016 - £3,749.50. This was caused by the Covid outbreak that caused the closure of many of our regular collection points for new donated toys!

It also limited the number of volunteers helping us to wrap and assist in the distribution of the toys.

Michael Potter, Treasurer/Trustee. 3/05/2021

Toys on the Table, Registered Charity Number 1128978, Company Number 06111610.

Statement of Accounts, March 1st 2020 to February 28th 2021

	£	£
Opening Balance at Bank	29,295.64	
INCOME		
For the 14th year from an anonymous donor	1,000.00	413.74
Sytner Group	2,520.00	9,069.63
Platform Housing	2,500.00	808.65
Leicester University Students, Action Toys	2,365.21	662.45
Loughborough Students	2,184.18	
Wayne Moss	1,500.00	
Market Harborough Round Table	540.00	2,331.05
Allwood Recycling	500.00	37.00
DPD Group	500.00	13.00
Society of L & R Golf Captains	500.00	
Just Giving +	6,420.20	
Plus many other individual donations	10,300.92	
Total Income	<u>30,830.51</u>	
EXPENDITURE		
Covid Safety Measures, masks, signs, etc..		413.74
New 'toys'		9,069.63
Gas and Electricity - British Gas		808.65
Matrix House Insurance		662.45
Matrix House - 'plastic bags', present labels, batteries, sellotape, WiFi and mobile phone contracts, ink cartridges, strip lights, etc..		2,331.05
Treasurers expenses		37.00
Confirmation statement		13.00
Total Expenditure		<u>13,296.57</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure		17,533.94
Total Income	<u>30,830.51</u>	<u>30,830.51</u>

Michael Potter (Director), 3/05/2021

Reggie Bosker F.C.A. Independent Examiner

Closing Balance at Bank

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