

**THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT SPALDING
(ALSO KNOWN AS "KARIS HOUSE")**

CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NO. 1135706

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 March 2025



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Summary of Trustees and Professional Advisers
for the year ended 31 March 2025

Trustees	Mrs J J Tedbury Mrs M Sandhu Mrs C Lovett
Registered Office	57 West Road Pointon Sleaford NG34 0NA
Independent Examiner	Miss H Bright BA (Hons), FCA, CTA Moore Thompson Chartered Accountants Bank House Broad Street Spalding Lincs. PE11 1TB

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Trustees' Annual Report

for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Lighthouse Project Spalding was established by Mrs J J Tedbury in July 2007 and governed by a trust deed dated 1 January 2009. It was registered with the Charity Commission on 28 April 2010. Its charity number is 1135706. The charity is also known under the names; "The Lighthouse Project" and "Karis House".

Objects

The objects of the charity are to advance in life and help young people through a) the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life; b) providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible adults.

These aims are achieved by the charity providing the facilities and opportunity for the beneficiaries to participate in work experience opportunities such as providing lunches and running mother and toddler groups from the site of the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church.

The beneficiaries are encouraged to learn the processes and the management of projects thus developing working and communication skills. They also further develop as people which helps to integrate them back into the community.

In April 2015, the charity opened a charity shop and café which is run by the beneficiaries to, once again, help their integration back into the wider society. During February 2016, a second hand furniture charity shop was also opened to help raise further funds.

Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as detailed on Page 1.

New trustees are recruited from a group who have shown a keen interest in the work of the charity and have abilities required on the governing body. Training is provided to keep trustees up to date with new legislation etc. on a regular basis.

Public benefit

The trustees have given due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit, with charity's objectives of enabling vulnerable people to integrate back into the community being beneficial to themselves and the community as a whole.

The trustees consider that the full details of the public benefit have been disclosed within the activities, achievements and performance sections below.

Activities, achievements and performance

The Lighthouse Project has grown since it started as one home for homeless young people. It has added five more activities, each of which is listed below. Every activity within the main project provides great public benefit to both the young people it supports, by providing more than just a home and to the wider community in several ways.

Firstly, the support and equipping of young people improves their self-esteem and helps them to understand why they have created negative coping strategies in the past, such as alcohol or drug abuse and gets them into stable volunteering.

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Activities, achievements and performance (continued)

Secondly, in helping the young people to acquire more daily living skills and offering work experience it enables them to reintegrate back into society, either through gaining employment or entering further education, thereby preventing them from being a drain on the benefit system. When the young people are reintegrated back into society they are no longer "hanging about on the street", forming gangs or committing crimes.

Finally, the furniture recycling store provides a free pick up service for the local community wishing to donate furniture and cheap second-hand furniture and other goods to those who cannot afford to pay a lot for their goods.

KARIS HOUSE - Karis House is a life changing home and programme that supports young women who have a serious desire to recover from issues that are controlling their lives such as self-harm, eating disorders, addictive behaviours, depression or the effects of abuse.

SHOP - The Lighthouse Project Shop provides a community hub in the market square. It sells donated items, handmade crafts upto 2025 the shop also included a cafe but this ceased in the year. It gives unemployed young people opportunity to experience a work environment and is a favourite local spot in the area.

RECYCLE STORE - The Lighthouse Project Furniture Recycling Store upcycles donated furniture and resells it. It gives unemployed young people opportunity to experience a work environment and creates a unique community hub.

SHINING STARS - Shining Stars is our lively parent and child group run by our qualified nursery nurse, supported by volunteers providing experience for local young people. It brings together a diverse selection of families from across our local area.

LIME HOUSE - Lime House gives teenage mums with bumps or babies, who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, a home for them and their little ones. We provide a home with a family feel, support and teaching to help vulnerable women learn how to run their own life and become part of the community.

HOME HOUSE - Home House provides supported accommodation for young people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. We provide a home rather than a house, along with helping residents learn critical life skills to help them integrate into society.

Volunteers

The Lighthouse Project has no funding and relies heavily on donations to function. Volunteers donate their valuable time in all areas of the charity and are an essential part of the project. Staffing is an expensive commodity but supporting young people and running several activities such as the shop, recycling store and toddler group requires many people to be involved. This is where the volunteers are so essential, as without them the project quite literally could not function.

Related parties

During the period, the charity received a donation of £61,314 (2024 - £68,492) from The Lighthouse Project Limited. The sole director and shareholder of this company is Mrs J J Tedbury, who is also a trustee of the charity.

Results

The results for the year and the charity's financial position at the end of the year are shown on pages 6 to 13.

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Reserves

The trustees believe that an annual income of £175,000 will be required in order to fund the charitable work they wish to do. This will mainly be funded by unrestricted donations, but specific grants will be applied for, if relevant, and thus shown as restricted funds. If sufficient excess cash is built up then the trustees will make a investment to help generate funds.

For and on behalf of the trustees.

Mrs J J Tedbury
Trustee

Date: 03/11/2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT SPALDING

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 13

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirement 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.
3. the accounts do 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.

H Bright FCA, BA (Hons), CTA
Moore Thompson
Chartered Accountants
Spalding

Date: 06/11/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	73,734	77,329
Charitable activities	3	116,270	119,464
Total income		<u>190,004</u>	<u>196,793</u>
Expenditure from:			
Charitable activities	4	203,000	193,349
Total expenditure		<u>203,000</u>	<u>193,349</u>
Net (expenditure) / income		(12,996)	3,444
Fund balances brought forward		<u>150,437</u>	<u>146,993</u>
Fund balances carried forward		<u><u>137,441</u></u>	<u><u>150,437</u></u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing activities.

All of the above income and expenditure is regarding unrestricted funds.

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form a part of these accounts.

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Statement of Assets

at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	11,687	12,063
Current assets			
Debtors	6	60,159	69,123
Cash at bank		67,368	72,486
Total current assets		<u>127,527</u>	<u>141,609</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors	7	1,773	3,235
Total current liabilities		<u>1,773</u>	<u>3,235</u>
Net current assets		<u>137,441</u>	<u>150,437</u>
Accumulated Funds			
Unrestricted funds		137,441	150,437
		<u>137,441</u>	<u>150,437</u>

We approve these financial statements and confirm that we have made available all relevant records and information for their preparation.

For and on behalf of the trustees:-

Mrs J J Tedbury
Trustee

Date: 03/11/2025

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form a part of these accounts.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation of financial statements.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis and are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

b) Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are state at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

c) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a systematic basis over its expected economic useful life as follows:

Fixtures and fittings	- 10% reducing balance
Log cabin	- 5% on cost
Computer equipment	- 25% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% reducing balance

d) Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

e) Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The useful economic life used to depreciate tangible fixed assets relates to the expected future performance of the assets acquired and management's estimate of the period over which economic benefit will be derived from the asset. The residual value of an asset is the estimated fair value of that asset at the end of its useful economic life and therefore is also dependent upon the estimation of that life span.

Cut-off is applied at the year end date. An estimation of income or expenditure applicable to the relevant period must be applied when the receipt or payment relates to a different period to the year end.

f) Taxation

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
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1. Accounting policies (continued)

g) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

h) Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Income from government and other grants are recognised at fair value when the charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. If entitlement is not met then these amounts are deferred.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Rentals receivable under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Gifts in kind donated for resale are included at fair value, being the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale. Where it is impracticable to estimate fair value of the items due to the volume of low value items they are not recognised in the financial statements until they are sold.

i) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

Charitable activities include the cost of the activities defined by the charity's aims for the benefit of the persons detailed in the charity's objectives.

Support costs include those costs which do not directly link to the charitable activities of the charity but are necessary running costs to enable the charity to generate funds and program delivery.

Governance costs include the costs that allow the charity to operate and to generate the information required for public accountability.

The charity rents the Karis House leasehold property free of charge from the related company The Lighthouse Project Limited. As such, no rental costs are shown in the accounts.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

j) Funds

Unrestricted funds:

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds:

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

k) Employee benefits

The wages cost represents wages for the hours worked for the charity by employees.

The pensions cost represents the employer payments in to a defined contribution pension scheme for employees of the charity.

2. Motor costs

The charity had full use of the following asset from the related company, The Lighthouse Project Limited, during the year, as well as its own vehicles.

- Caravan

In light of this, the charity has incurred the running costs of the above vehicle on behalf of The Lighthouse Project Limited.

3. Income

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations and legacies		
Government grants - Shining Stars	1,091	995
Donations	72,643	76,334
Total voluntary income	<u>73,734</u>	<u>77,329</u>
Charitable activities		
Rent receivable	14,413	34,271
Fundraising events	1,426	1,189
Shop sales	52,514	37,032
Furniture sales	47,917	46,972
Total charitable income	<u>116,270</u>	<u>119,464</u>

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4. Cost of charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Karis House		
Wages	72,648	66,913
Pensions	1,447	948
Welfare costs	-	886
Staff training and expenses	-	557
Leasehold property rates	9,396	7,709
Food purchases etc.	4,807	5,580
Property repairs and renewals	5,322	5,830
Travel costs	-	684
Motor costs	6,390	4,225
Depreciation	1,976	1,823
	<u>101,986</u>	<u>95,155</u>
Shop and related flats		
Properties rent	20,400	20,400
Properties rates	371	-
Property insurance	4,600	4,413
Flat light and heat	24,696	25,528
Shop light and heat	2,463	1,937
Shop insurance	1,401	2,076
Shop repairs and renewals	3,475	4,711
	<u>57,406</u>	<u>59,065</u>
Furniture shop		
Properties rent	9,600	9,600
Properties rates	223	
Shop light and heat	2,246	3,925
Shop insurance	-	311
Shop repairs and renewals	2,062	1,149
	<u>14,131</u>	<u>14,985</u>
Support costs		
Office costs	727	635
Computer costs	438	448
Telephone	2,213	2,360
Advertising	22,411	18,619
Bank charges	960	918
Fund raising expenses	1,498	-
	<u>28,247</u>	<u>22,980</u>
Governance costs		
Independent examination fee	1,230	1,164
Total cost of charitable activities	<u><u>203,000</u></u>	<u><u>193,349</u></u>

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5. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures and fittings £	Log Cabin £	Computer Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 April 2024	16,813	7,150	1,817	19,910	45,690
Additions	-	-	-	1,600	1,600
At 31 March 2025	<u>16,813</u>	<u>7,150</u>	<u>1,817</u>	<u>21,510</u>	<u>47,290</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2024	9,598	4,292	1,709	18,028	33,627
Charge for the year	722	357	27	870	1,976
At 31 March 2025	<u>10,320</u>	<u>4,649</u>	<u>1,736</u>	<u>18,898</u>	<u>35,603</u>
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Net book value					
At 31 March 2025	<u>6,493</u>	<u>2,501</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>2,612</u>	<u>11,687</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>7,215</u>	<u>2,858</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>1,882</u>	<u>12,063</u>

6. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts due from related parties:		
The Lighthouse Project Limited	44,947	55,771
PAYE and NIC	3,257	4,257
Prepayments and accrued Income	11,955	9,095
	<u>60,159</u>	<u>69,123</u>

7. Creditors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	337	646
Other creditors	236	649
Accruals	1,200	1,940
	<u>1,773</u>	<u>3,235</u>

8. Wages and salaries

The average number of employees in the year was 5 (2024 - 6). No employees received total employee benefits in excess of £60,000 in the current or prior year.

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9. Related party transactions

The Lighthouse Project Limited works closely with this charity and the company usually makes donations out of profits each year and made a donation of £61,314 in the current financial period. Mrs J J Tedbury, is the sole director of the company.

The company donates the cost of the charity's public liability insurance cover annually and thus the insurance cost regarding this is not shown in the accounts of the charity.

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or expenses, directly or indirectly out of the funds of the charity, was paid or payable for the year to any trustee.

11. Control relationship

The charity is controlled by the trustees jointly and no individual can or does exert control over the