



HOME-START BUTSER

(A company limited by guarantee)

Charity number 1140692
Company number 07508097

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Report of the Trustees for the year ending 31 March 2024

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 (FRS 102).

Chair's Report

This last year 2023/2024 was our 25th Anniversary year. Yes, Home-Start Butser is 25 years old and still providing local services to local families. Quite a feat when you consider that HSB relies to a large extent on local support and sponsorship.

And it was a wonderful year, we have broken our own record and supported 266 families, (which include 365 children), our highest ever number of local families in need. Seventy-six of those families had volunteers, trained by our excellent team, 170 took part in our Little Steps Groups, which we expanded last year to include Horndean, and 20 children in after School Clubs.

We were able to provide this level of support with the help of our trained and dedicated volunteers and 12 Trustees, all supported and supervised by our small team of totally dedicated part-time staff.

Our area in Hampshire stretches from Greatham in the north to Rowlands Castle in the South and from East Meon to the west and along the Hampshire/West Sussex border in the East. As well as Petersfield, Horndean, Clanfield, and Liss there are many small villages.

Below are a number of our initiatives which have contributed to our ongoing success including a few words of positive feedback.

- **Nourish to Flourish** – ongoing, monthly on Saturday mornings in Winton House.
- The **After School Clubs** continue successfully in Petersgate School in Clanfield and the Petersfield Infant School.
- **Ante-natal support group** for first time parents – a small group of very committed parents over 6 weeks. They plan to attend our Little Steps group having gained the confidence and forged relationships with other parents.

“Really enjoyed the group. It has helped me interact with other new parents and make friends with new mums in Petersfield.”

“It has been a weekly highlight and has got me inspired and feeling confident enough to go to other groups.”

- **Ready Steady Learn** – our school readiness group to start in partnership with Petersgate Infant School – 13 June for 5 weeks.
- **The Young Families Project** (long term counselling for HSB parents)
- **Little Steps on the Move** walking group – with a coffee offered at the Plump Duck for families involved.

Our fundraising was, thankfully, successful especially with The Big Give Christmas Challenge and its match funding capability. We also organised and held a Gala dinner to celebrate our 25 years including an auction of items donated by our supporters.

Local sponsors and donations are crucial to our ongoing success, and I would like to publicly thank LMS Security Consultants, Painsmith Solicitors, Aspire Pharma Limited, John Lewis and once again our local Mooeys. Also Churcher's College, Bedales, Ditcham Park School, Petersfield Round Table, Petersfield Community Choir and Petersfield Lions. Thank you all. The commitment of our sponsors ensures that the level of support we can provide to the local community continues and grow as the need increases.

Our thanks also go to the Parish, District and County Councillors who supported us, the PACT Food Bank with whom we partner and all those who donated to the Big Give Christmas Challenge.

The small group of salaried individuals led by Nicola Winter, Scheme Manager, have continued to provide training and support for volunteers as well as maintaining the contact between the volunteers and the families. This group is to be congratulated for its commitment and continuing support to the Trustees and fundraising events as well as meeting all compliance and safeguarding requirements.

The financial review below evidences our success this past year from both tried and tested sources and some new initiatives. This has been due largely to the Trustee Board reviewing its sources of income and developing a strategy to pursue different revenue streams to ensure continued growth.

Thanks go as always to my colleagues on the Trustee Board for their energy and creativity in finding new sources of funding grants and in their tireless fundraising activities.

From a developmental perspective, the following initiatives deserve special mention:

Long term strategy: The board of Trustees, in conjunction with the scheme manager have developed a revised plan for growth over the next 3-years. The plan proposed an increase to the number of families we can support and enables specific attention to be given to projects in our less well supported areas such as Liss and Rowlands Castle. We started this last year with the help of our newly appointed Community Development Coordinator. This coming year we are looking to widen our fundraising and sponsorship horizons with the appointment of a part time Fundraiser.

Hampshire Schemes: We have continued to work with all the schemes across Hampshire and Home-Start UK to ensure sharing of good practice, access to national fundraising opportunities and more local funding activities.

In governance terms the organisation of Home-Start Butser is in excellent shape. The Board of Trustees currently numbers 12, which is our full complement, and we are delighted to welcome our most recent newcomers Jo Wright and Marcus Newton.

Our thanks also go to the individuals, groups and organisations that have supported Home-Start Butser over the past year; your generous donations of time and money have enabled us to make a real difference to families in need in our local community.

Purposes and Activities

Home-Start Butser remains committed to using all its funds to organise and provide support to local families with at least one child under the age of five years. Friendship, moral and practical support is offered by trained volunteers who are allocated to the individual families in need. Families are referred to the scheme by partnership agencies and self-refer. Home-Start Butser also extends its support to families through Family Groups. All services are provided free to families.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have adopted a reserves policy so that in case of insufficient funding the charity will be able to wind up its activities and meet all its obligations in a timely manner. The policy stipulates that unrestricted funds not committed should be three months operating costs. Of the total reserves at the end of the financial year some £50,000 has been designated for this purpose.

Reference and administrative details

Charity Name	Home-Start Butser
Charity Registration Number	1140692
Company Registration Number	07508097
Registered Office	Winton House Centre 18 High Street Petersfield GU32 3JL
Website	www.homestart-butser.org.uk

Directors and trustees

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law. The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Board of Trustees

Fiona Smart	Joint Chair
Derek Judd	Joint Chair
Murray Whewell	Secretary and Treasurer
Terry Doubleday	
Elaine Pengelly	
Amanda Sandberg	
Abby Parker	
David Butler	
Linda Bazant	
Alistair (Forbes) Campbell	Appointed on 23 November 2023
Marcus Newton	Appointed on 18 March 2024
Jo Wright	Appointed on 18 March 2024
Fran Beckett	(resigned on 20 March 2024)

Staff

Nicola Winter	Scheme Manager
Kim Steele	Co-ordinator
Tory Cover	Administrator (job-sharing)
Lisa Walsh	Administrator ((job-sharing)
Sue Gillard	Family Group Leader
Kat Butler	Project Coordinator
Lucia Smith	Community Development Coordinator
All staff work part time	

Our advisors

Bankers	HSBC PLC 312 London Road, Waterlooville PO7 7DX
Independent Examiner	Wendy Callaway, Hippo Accountants, Turner House, 9-10 Mill Lane, Alton, Hampshire, GU34 2QG

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

Home-Start Butser is a company limited by guarantee, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 27 January 2011. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Anyone over the age of 18 can become a member of the Company and there are currently 95 members (89 in 2023), each of whom agrees to contribute £1 in the event of the charity winding up.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The Directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. As set out in the Articles of Association, trustees (up to a maximum of 12) are elected by the Members of the charitable company attending the Annual General Meeting. One third of the Trustees must retire at each AGM, those longest in office retiring first, and a retiring Trustee who is eligible may be reappointed. The Trustees may at any time co-opt any individual who is eligible as a Trustee to fill a vacancy in their number but a co-opted Trustee holds office only until the next AGM, where they may be reappointed.

The charity's work focuses on the welfare of young children and the development of parental skills. The trustees seek to ensure that the board combines the skills needed for this work, together with specialist skills from the public, voluntary and charitable sector and necessary business skills.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are invited to attend a training session to familiarise themselves with the charity and the context within which it operates. This is organised by Home-Start UK.

Organisation

The board of trustees are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. The Board meet at least four times a year together with invited staff and special advisors. A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rests with the scheme manager. The scheme manager is responsible for ensuring that the charity delivers the services specified and that key performance indicators are met, for individual supervision of the staff team and also for ensuring that the team continue to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice.

Related parties and co-operation with other organisations

Home-Start Butser is guided by the national and local policies of Home-Start UK, the national umbrella for the charity. Home-Start Butser, represented by the chairman, works with other schemes in Hampshire to improve the profile of Home-Start throughout the county.

Pay policy for senior staff

With such a small team, the directors consider all the charity's staff to be key to its success. The scheme manager is the key member of the team in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the charity on a day-to-day basis. All directors give of their time freely and no director received remuneration in the year.

The pay of the staff is reviewed annually and normally increased when possible, in accordance with appropriate benchmarks.

Risk Management

Home-Start Butser follows Home-Start UK policy. Our risk management strategy encompasses:

- Governance and strategic planning
- Learning and improving
- Managing resources and finance
- Managing staff
- Managing volunteers
- Managing information
- Welfare of children and supporting families
- Working in partnership.

We are audited by Home-Start UK on our compliance with our policies.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees (who are also the directors of Home-Start Butser for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

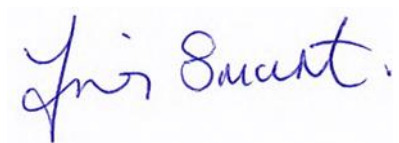
The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Statement as to disclosure to the independent examiner

In so far as the trustees are aware at the time of approving our trustees' annual report:

- there is no relevant information, being information needed by the independent examiner in connection with preparing his report, of which the independent examiner is unaware
- the trustees, having made enquiries of fellow directors and the independent examiner that they ought to have individually taken, have each taken all steps that they are obliged to take as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

By order of the Board of Trustees:



Fiona Smart (Joint Chair)
15 July 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Prior year funds
		£	£	£	£
Income	3				
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		75,511	21,469	96,980	94,153
Charitable activities			47,253	47,253	22,117
Other trading activities		30,756		30,756	17,704
Investments		2,575		2,575	1,255
Total		108,842	68,722	177,564	135,229
Expenditure	5				
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		33,356		33,356	19,713
Charitable activities		85,517	72,701	158,218	149,878
Total		118,873	72,701	191,574	169,591
Net income/(expenditure)		(10,031)	(3,979)	(14,010)	(34,362)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		104,122	44,234	148,356	182,718
Total funds carried forward		94,091	40,255	134,346	148,356

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Prior year funds
Current Assets					
Cash at Bank and in Hand	11	96,828	39,930	136,758	152,939
Debtors	10		325	325	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,737)		(2,737)	(4,583)
Total Net Assets		94,091	40,255	134,346	148,356
Funds	12				
Unrestricted Funds		94,091		94,091	104,122
Restricted Funds			40,255	40,255	44,234
Total Funds		94,091	40,255	134,346	148,356

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

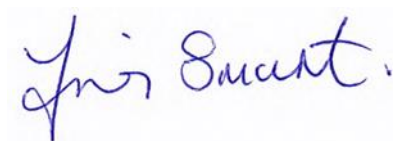
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts.

Signed:



Fiona Smart,
Joint Chair of Trustees on behalf of the trustees.

Approved by the trustees on 15 July 2024

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Notes on the accounts

Note 1. Basis of preparation

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
- the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- with the Charities Act 2011.

1.2 Going concern

The trustees are of the view that the charity is a going concern.

1.3 Change of accounting policy

The accounts present a true and fair view and no changes have been made to the accounting policies adopted.

1.4 Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

1.5 Material prior year errors

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Note 2. Accounting policies

2.1 Income

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the charity becomes entitled to the resources;• it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources;• the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP). In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.
Government grants	The charity has received government grants in the reporting period.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Donated services and facilities	Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.
Support costs	The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.
Income from membership subscriptions	Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies. Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.
Settlement of insurance claims	Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.
Investment gains and losses	This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

2.2 Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.
Governance and support costs	Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.
Grants	The charity does not give any grants either with or without conditions.
Redundancy cost	The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.
Deferred income	No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts
Provisions for liabilities	A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date
Basic financial instruments	The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS102 SORP.

2.3 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	The charity has no tangible fixed assets.
Intangible fixed assets	The charity has no intangible fixed assets.
Heritage assets	The charity has no heritage assets.
Investments	The charity has no fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar.
Stocks and work in progress	The charity has no stock.
Debtors	The charity has no debtors
Current asset investments	The charity has no investments which it holds for resale.

Note 3. Income

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Grand Total	Prior Year
Donations and Legacies	Donations and Gifts	33,502	21,469	54,971	43,096
	General grants provided by government/other charities	33,400		33,400	29,050
	Gift Aid	6,082		6,082	13,876
	Legacies	2,527		2,527	8,131
Total		75,511	21,469	96,980	94,153
Income from Charitable Activities	Grants for Family Support		5,000	5,000	1,500
	Grants for Family Groups		42,253	42,253	20,617
Total			47,253	47,253	22,117
Income from other trading activities	100 Club Lottery	5,330		5,330	5,420
	Fundraising	25,287		25,287	11,542
	Income from other trading activities	139		139	742
Total		30,756		30,756	17,704
Investments	Bank Interest Received	2,575		2,575	1,255
Total		108,842	68,722	177,564	135,229

Note 4. Analysis of receipts of government grants (All grants are discretionary)

	Total	Prior Year
Hampshire County Council (various)	1,900	2,500
East Hants District Council (various)	2,050	4,500
Parish Councils (various)	2,585	2,500
	6,535	9,500

Note 5. Expenditure

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Grand Total	Prior Year
Fundraising Costs	100 Club Lottery Costs	1,067		1,067	1,115
	Fundraising costs	13,408		13,408	27
	Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	8,199		8,199	4,232
Total		22,674		22,674	5,374
Cost of Charitable Activities	Family Support	19,483	66,817	86,300	81,617
	Family Groups	18,956	5,884	24,840	12,894
	Community Development	13,249		13,249	
Total		51,688	72,701	124,389	94,511
Admin & governance	Admin & governance	44,511		44,511	42,106
Grand Total		118,873	72,701	191,574	141,991

Note 6. Support Costs

Support Costs are allocated to Fundraising and Charitable Activities as follows:

	Family support	Family groups	Raising funds	Total
Office Staff Costs	11,836	4,227	5,072	21,135
Phone and broadband	2,054	734	880	3,668
Office Running Costs	559	200	240	999
Insurance	564	202	242	1,008
Home-Start fee	1,541	550	660	2,751
IT Costs	3,513	1,255	1,506	6,274
Other costs	635	227	272	1,134
Rent and Electricity	4,224	1,508	1,810	7,542
	24,926	8,903	10,682	44,511

Support Costs are allocated on a fixed percentage basis (normally Family Support 56%, Family Groups 20% and Fund Raising 24%) based on similar proportions for the direct costs and historical ratios.

Note 7. Fees for examination of the accounts

No fees were paid for the independent examination of the accounts.

Note 8. Paid Employees

8.1 Staff Costs

	Total	Prior Year
Salaries and wages	120,391	109,309
Employers NI contributions	3,153	2,801
Employers pension contributions	3,458	2,971
Grand Total	127,002	115,081

No employees had emoluments in excess of £60,000 (prior year: nil).

8.2 Average head count in the year

	Total	Prior Year
Average staff head count	7	7
Average equivalent full-time staff	4	4

8.3 Ex-gratia payments to employees and others (excluding trustees)

There were no ex-gratia payments.
(prior year: 4% of employee salaries)

Note 9. Defined contribution pension scheme

Amount of contributions recognised in the SoFA as an expense	3,458
The basis for allocating the liability and expense of defined contribution pension scheme between activities and between restricted and unrestricted funds.	allocated on a fixed percentage basis (Family Support 76% and Fund Raising 24%) based on similar proportions for the direct costs. Unrestricted funds.

Note 10.1 Debtors

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	<i>Prior Year</i>
Petersfield Counselling		325	325	0
Total		325	325	0

Note 10.2 Creditors (amounts falling due within one year)

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	<i>Prior Year</i>
Pensions Trust	746		746	610
Winton House Rent	1,618		1,618	2,551
Family Group - Room Hire	182		182	534
Parent Training - Room Hire				226
Other	191		191	662
Total	2,737		2,737	4,583

Note 11. Cash at bank and in hand

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	<i>Prior Year</i>
HSBC Current Account	2,793	14,930	17,723	16,465
HSBC 100 Club Account				5
Shawbrook Savings Account		25,000	25,000	55,000
Monmouth Building Society	93,657		93,657	81,333
Petty Cash	378		378	136
Total	96,828	39,930	136,758	152,939

Note 12. Charity Funds

12.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the current reporting period

	Restricted / Unrestricted	Balance brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Balance carried forward
General Fund	Unrestricted	104,122	108,843	(118,874)	94,091
Staff Costs/Salaries	Restricted		15,000	(15,000)	
Together with Families	Restricted	29,740		(29,740)	
The Power of Little Moments	Restricted		29,823		29,823
Mental Health Training	Restricted	3,904		(2,707)	1,197
Makaton Training	Restricted		500	(500)	
Paediatric First Aid	Restricted		1,800	(1,800)	
Safeguarding	Restricted		2,200	(55)	2,145
Resilience training	Restricted		750	(499)	251
Nourish to Flourish	Restricted		700		700
Nurturing Course	Restricted	7,047		(5,990)	1,057
Naval Families	Restricted		1,000	(274)	726
PASRIN Family Support	Restricted	539	200	(600)	139
Horndean FG	Restricted	753	5,000	(5,753)	
Prep Course - All grants	Restricted		2,250	(2,250)	
School Uniforms	Restricted	183			183
Young Families Project	Restricted		4,268	(4,268)	
Family Christmas party	Restricted		500	(500)	
Hardship Fund	Restricted	2,068		(2,068)	
Post Natal Group	Restricted		3,500		3,500
Summer party 25th celebrations	Restricted		250	(250)	
Lions Grant	Restricted		945	(411)	534
Sheet Resident	Restricted		35	(35)	
Grand Total		148,356	177,564	(191,574)	134,346

12.2 Designated funds

Planned Use	Purpose of Designation	Amount
Wind up reserve fund	In the event of having to wind up the charity, to be able to meet all its obligations in a timely manner. This is part of the General Fund (unrestricted).	50,000

Note 13. Transactions with trustees and related parties

13.1 Trustee remuneration and benefits

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.

13.2 Trustees' expenses

Type of expenses reimbursed	This Year	Prior Year
Travel (mainly for Trustees who are also Family Volunteers)	0	0
Total	0	0

No Trustee expenses were donated back to the charity (prior year: £0).

13.3 Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

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Report of the Independent Examiner

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 to indicate that:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records:
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

SIGNED



Date: 1 July 2024

Wendy Callaway FCCA ICPA

Hippo Accountants, Turner House, 9-10 Mill Lane, Alton, Hampshire, GU34 2QG