

Birds of Paradise (TJ)

Report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 August 2025

Birds of Paradise (TJ)
Charity Reference Number: 1144208
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Reference and administrative details
for the year ended 31 August 2025

Charity Registration No: 1144208

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Trustee's Annual Report
for the year ended 31 August 2025

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025.

Principal Activity and Objectives

The principal activity of the charity during the year continued to be the advancement of education and support for children and adults with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), with a particular focus on Islamic education, inclusion, personal development and family support.

The objectives, as defined by the Charity Constitution, are:

1. To advance the education of children of all ages, particularly those with special educational needs, by providing facilities and services that meet their educational, developmental and social welfare needs.
2. To advance the education of the public in relation to special educational needs.
3. The promotion of social inclusion among children with special educational needs and their families by:
 - a) providing education and information to support and enable them to maximise their children's educational opportunities;
 - b) raising public awareness of the issues affecting children with special educational needs and their families;
 - c) providing workshops, forums and general support.
4. To promote such other exclusively charitable purposes as the trustees see fit, provided that they are regarded as charitable by the law of England and Wales.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by its Constitution adopted on 1 September 2007. The charity is managed by a board of trustees who are appointed or reappointed at the Annual General Meeting.

The trustees continue to meet regularly to review the charity's activities, finances, safeguarding responsibilities and strategic direction. The trustees are supported by staff, volunteers and supporters who contribute to the delivery of educational programmes, fundraising activities and community engagement.

Achievements and performance

During the year Birds of Paradise (TJ) experienced significant growth and development. The completion and occupation of the new centre provided improved accessibility and enhanced learning opportunities for children and adults with SEND. The charity continued to deliver specialist Islamic education, community events, awareness programmes, teacher training and international SEND initiatives.

Our total income for the financial year was £124,085 (2024: £110,875).

Educational Programmes

Students participated in a wide range of educational activities designed to develop Islamic understanding, life skills and personal confidence. Topics covered throughout the year included:

- Understanding Allah's creation through lessons on the five senses and the natural world
- Learning about kindness, compassion and community responsibility.
- Activities linked to recycling and environmental stewardship from an Islamic perspective.
- Practical learning through creative workshops and seasonal projects.
- Social and recreational activities including adapted sports and inclusive group activities.

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Students also participated in end-of-year celebrations, Ramadhan activities, Eid programmes and SEND-focused events that promoted confidence, inclusion and community engagement.

Development of the New Centre

A major achievement during the year was the continued development and utilisation of the charity's new premises.

Key developments included:

- Widening of entrances to improve accessibility
- Removal of furniture and clearance works supported by volunteers from EE and BT
- Welcoming students into the new building in September 2024
- Hosting a series of public open days and guided tours for supporters, families and local scholars.

The improved facilities have enabled the charity to expand its educational provision and provide a more accessible and inclusive environment for learners with SEND.

Community Engagement and Awareness

The charity continued to raise awareness of SEND and promote inclusion within the wider community.

Notable events included:

- World Kindness Day activities, where students created cards for children in Sierra Leone.
- The One Voice Celebration Event recognising achievements within the SEND community.
- SEND Celebration Event attended by families, supporters and community leaders.
- Open days introducing the wider community to the charity's work and facilities.

These activities strengthened community engagement and helped promote greater understanding of SEND within Muslim communities.

Teacher Training and Professional Development

Birds of Paradise continued to support the wider educational sector through specialist training.

During the year, SEND-focused Madrasah Teacher Training programmes were delivered in Oldham and Walsall by Maulana Zubair Mangera and Apa Rubena Mangera. These sessions equipped teachers and educational practitioners with practical strategies for supporting learners with additional needs within Islamic educational settings.

The charity remains committed to increasing the number of educators trained in SEND awareness and inclusive teaching practices.

The team have also taken part in research conducted by Dr Ibrahim Mogra from the University of Birmingham into SEND madrasah practices.

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Fundraising and Charitable Campaigns

The charity successfully delivered several fundraising initiatives throughout the year, including:

- Bag a Bargain fundraising event
- New Year 33p-a-Day fundraising challenge
- Fiver Friday campaign
- Soundwaves of Sadaqah appeal for improved learning resources and facilities.
- In Loving Memory campaign
- Fundraising appeals supporting international SEND projects

The generosity of donors and supporters enabled the charity to continue delivering services while investing in long-term development projects.

International Outreach

Birds of Paradise continued to extend its impact beyond the United Kingdom through SEND-focused international engagement.

Activities included:

- Fundraising support for SEND projects in Indonesia.
- Visits to Indonesian SEND Madrasahs and educational facilities to strengthen partnerships and share best practice.
- Ongoing exploration of opportunities to support SEND education in underserved communities internationally.

These initiatives support the charity's wider vision of improving access to education and inclusion for individuals with SEND around the world.

Future Plans

During the coming year the charity intends to:

- Further develop and maximise the use of the new centre
- Expand educational opportunities for children and adults with SEND
- Deliver additional teacher training and professional development programmes
- Strengthen family support services
- Increase community awareness and advocacy around SEND
- Develop international partnerships supporting SEND education
- Continue fundraising towards long-term sustainability and facility development

Risk management

The trustees actively review the major risks facing the charity and have implemented systems and procedures to mitigate these risks.

Areas reviewed include:

- Safeguarding and welfare
- Financial management and controls
- Health and safety
- Governance and compliance
- Operational sustainability
- Property and facility management

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The trustees believe that the charity's policies, procedures and reserves provide an appropriate framework for managing risk.

Financial Review

The charity continued to maintain a stable financial position during the year through the generosity of donors, student fees, fundraising campaigns and Gift Aid income.

The trustees remain committed to ensuring that resources are used effectively and efficiently in pursuit of the charity's objectives. Detailed financial results are presented within the accompanying financial statements.

Reserves Policy

The trustees seek to maintain sufficient unrestricted reserves to meet ongoing operational commitments, provide adequate working capital and allow flexibility in responding to emerging opportunities and challenges.

The trustees review reserve levels regularly to ensure the charity remains financially sustainable while continuing to invest in the development of its services and facilities.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and planning future activities.

Trustees' responsibilities

The Charities Act require 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in existence

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on 22 June 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Zubair Mangera
Trustee

Ismail Kathrada
Trustee

Birds of Paradise (TJ)

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Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion on the Accounts

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2025.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period 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 Report

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 material matters have 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; and
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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22 June 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 August 2025

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>		
		<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
		<u>2025</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u>					
Donations received		30,114	69,317	99,431	84,527
Gift Aid		4,445	-	4,445	4,178
Student Fees		19,915	-	19,915	21,492
Training		-	-	-	-
Room hire		-	-	-	270
Interest received		294	-	294	408
		54,768	69,317	124,085	110,875
<u>Resources expended</u>					
Charitable activities	2	25,248	3,912	29,160	28,643
Governance costs	3	780	-	780	780
		26,028	3,912	29,940	29,423
<u>Net income/(loss) for the year</u>					
		28,740	65,405	94,145	81,452
Transfer between funds	4	10,167	(10,167)	-	-
		38,907	55,238	94,145	81,452
<u>Movement in funds</u>					
<u>Reconciliation of funds</u>					
Total funds brought forward at 1 September 2024		18,770	455,389	474,159	392,707
Total funds carried forward at 31 August 2025		57,677	510,627	568,304	474,159

There are no gains or losses other than those recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities

All incoming resources and resources expended are derived from continuing activities

The notes attached form part of these accounts

Birds of Paradise (TJ)
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Balance Sheet
as at 31 August 2025

	Notes	<u>2025</u> <u>£</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>£</u>
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	605,557	571,825
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		58,457	19,551
		<u>58,457</u>	<u>19,551</u>
Current liabilities			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	88,787	102,787
		<u>88,787</u>	<u>102,787</u>
Net current assets		(30,330)	(83,236)
Long term liabilities			
Amounts falling due after more than one year		6,923	14,430
Net assets		<u>568,304</u>	<u>474,159</u>
Funded by			
Restricted Funds		510,627	455,389
Unrestricted Funds		57,677	18,770
Total Funds		<u>568,304</u>	<u>474,159</u>

Approved by the trustees on 22 June 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Zubair Mangera
Trustee

Ismail Kathrada
Trustee

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Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 August 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small charity.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005 and the Charities Act 2011.

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the coming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has been given notification of entitlement is received and the amount receivable can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Gift in kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.

Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

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Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:-

Plant and machinery	15% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	15% reducing balance
Land and Property	

Debtors

Debtors are measured at their recoverable amounts at the balance sheet date.

Creditors

Creditors and provision are measured and accounted for in accordance with usually accepted accruals principles.

Taxation

As a registered charity, the organisation is exempt from income and corporation tax to the extent that its income and gains are applied towards the charitable objects of the charity and for no other purpose. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the charity, and is therefore included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

2 Charitable activities	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>		
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Employee costs:				
Wages and subcontractor	3,583	-	3,583	4,842
	<u>3,583</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,583</u>	<u>4,842</u>
Premises costs:				
Water and business rates	3,358		3,358	7,744
Cleaning	171	-	171	624
	<u>3,529</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,529</u>	<u>8,368</u>
General administrative expenses:				
Telephone	1,736	-	1,736	158
Stationery and resources	2,498	-	2,498	1,594
Light and heat	1,746	-	1,746	2,534
Travel and subsistence	481	-	481	1,067
Repairs and maintenance	1,809	-	1,809	658
Insurance	481	-	481	871
Bank charges	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	5,145	-	5,145	5,219
Charitable donations	-	3,912	3,912	1,349
	<u>13,896</u>	<u>3,912</u>	<u>17,808</u>	<u>13,450</u>

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Legal and professional costs:

Professional fees	4,240	-	4,240	1,983
	<u>4,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,240</u>	<u>1,983</u>
Total	<u>25,248</u>	<u>3,912</u>	<u>29,160</u>	<u>28,643</u>

3 Governance	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> <u>£</u>
Accountants fees	780	-	780	780
	<u>780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>780</u>	<u>780</u>

4 Transfer between funds

£10,167 was transferred from restricted funds to unrestricted funds during the year (2024 : £42,337).

5 Tangible fixed assets

	<u>Land and</u> <u>Buildings</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Fixtures</u> <u>and</u> <u>Fittings</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Equipment</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>£</u>
Cost				
At 1 September 2024	541,154	35,890	-	577,044
Additions	35,245	442	3,190	38,877
At 31 August 2025	<u>576,399</u>	<u>36,332</u>	<u>3,190</u>	<u>615,921</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2024	-	5,219	-	5,219
Charge for the period	-	4,667	478	5,145
At 31 August 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>9,886</u>	<u>478</u>	<u>10,364</u>
Net book value				
At 31 August 2024	541,154	30,671	-	571,825
At 31 August 2025	<u>576,399</u>	<u>26,446</u>	<u>2,712</u>	<u>605,557</u>

6 Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> <u>£</u>
Accruals	780	780
Other creditors	7,507	7,507
Interest free loans	80,500	94,500
	<u>88,787</u>	<u>102,787</u>

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7 Creditors : Amounts falling due more than one year	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £
Other creditors	6,923	14,430
	<u>6,923</u>	<u>14,430</u>