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St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle

Directors' and Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle

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Reference and Administrative Details

Company Registration Number	07717026
Charity Registration Number	1145626
Chairman	Emma Clare Sargeant
Treasurer	Paul Moore
Directors	James Partington Emma Clare Sargeant Deborah Jewison Joanne Coffey Samantha Sieber (appointed 1 May 2025)
Secretary	Emma Clare Sargeant
Registered Office	St Gabriel's Centre 83a Marston Road Weoley Castle Birmingham B29 5LS
Accountants	RKS Accounting Ltd 104 Blackford Road Solihull B90 4BX
Bankers	Lloyds 153 Weoley Castle Road Weoley Castle Birmingham B29 5QH

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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 July 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The company is governed by the provision of the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees are responsible for the administration and management of the centre. They are Directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees who served during the year are set out on the charity information page at the front of these accounts and they collectively known as the Board of Directors

Members of the charitable company guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 July 2025 was 3

Organisational structure

The company recruits trustees who have an interest in the welfare of the disadvantaged in Weoley Castle and have links with St Gabriel's Church. All trustees resign annually and are reappointed at the Annual General Meeting.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The company has provided charitable services to the community of the Weoley Castle area in Birmingham in accordance with its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Our objectives as a Charity are:

- To provide a centre for the benefit of the community within the parish of St Gabriel's Weoley Castle and its surrounding neighbourhoods and to maintain and manage the same; and
- To promote the benefit of inhabitants of the area of benefit from with distinction... by associating together the inhabitants and the local authority, voluntary and other organizations in a common effort to advance education; relieve poverty and disadvantage arising there from and sickness and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation with the objects of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants of the area of benefit.

Financial review

We continue to be very successful in making funding applications for relatively small and short-term grants, although the Trustees will now need to actively seek additional grant funding to secure the ongoing activities of the charity.

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Achievements and performance

Annual Report for St Gabriel's Centre

Embedding Our Vision and Purpose

Building on the significant work undertaken last year to clarify our 'Why', 'How', and 'What', this year has been about intentionally embedding that shared vision into the life and activities of St Gabriel's Centre. Our purpose now underpins not only our governance and policies, but also the programmes we run, the way our staff team works, and how we serve our community.

We have seen this most clearly through the activities offered week by week, which continue to reflect our commitment to walking alongside young people and families, offering welcome, belonging, and opportunity.

Celebrating 10 Years of Youth Work

This year marked a significant milestone as we celebrated 10 years of youth work at The Duck Pond. To mark the occasion, we hosted a free community celebration afternoon, offering food, crafts, activities, and entertainment led by the community choir. This event was a joyful reflection of the relationships built over a decade and a chance to celebrate the faithful and consistent youth work of Paul Tucker and Duane, whose dedication has had a lasting impact on countless young people and families.

Strengthening Partnerships and Operations

Over the past 12 months, we have worked closely with the PCC to transition responsibility for hall maintenance fully back to them. This has been a positive and constructive process, and we are pleased that the space is now fully back under PCC control, with St Gabriel's Centre hiring the hall for our activities. This clarity has strengthened our working relationship, allowing us to focus more fully on our charitable aims.

Financial Oversight and Governance

We were delighted to welcome Paul Moore as our Treasurer this year. Paul has worked closely with me to streamline and update our financial controls and processes. His support, expertise, and wise advice have been invaluable, and I am extremely grateful for all the time and care he has given to strengthening our financial governance.

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Safeguarding and Accountability

Safeguarding remains a core priority. We have maintained our partnership with Thirtyone:eight and have been working through their safeguarding self-assessment tool to review and strengthen our compliance. This remains an ongoing piece of work, ensuring that our practices are robust, reflective, and centred on the wellbeing of those we serve.

Paul Tucker and I have continued to meet monthly, providing consistent leadership, support, and oversight throughout the year.

A Year of Celebration and Growth

This has been a year marked not only by stability, but by celebration and growth. New initiatives have begun, including the launch of a LEGO Club, and conversations are underway about starting a younger youth group in 2026.

Alongside regular weekly activities, the team has delivered youth residential weekends, trips to Wembley, and family outings to the Think Tank. These experiences have been thoughtfully created and run by our outstanding staff team - Paul Tucker, Duane, Dan, and Nathan - and faithfully supported by our trustees.

Looking Ahead

In summary, this has been a year where vision has become practice. We have celebrated milestones, strengthened our foundations, and grown in confidence about what St Gabriel's Centre is called to be. I remain incredibly proud to be Chair of this small charity, whose staff, trustees, and volunteers together continue to make a meaningful and lasting difference in our community.

Paul Tucker's Review 2025 (Youth and community Development Lead)

Tuesday Youth Club

Tuesday Youth Club continues to meet at St Gabriel's Centre on Tuesday evenings from 7.00-8.30pm. We currently have around 15-20 regular young people aged 12-17, with a broadly even mix of boys and girls.

Several young people attending have ADHD or ASC diagnoses and/or are experiencing various forms of disadvantage. The club provides a safe space where they can be themselves. It remains a place to spend time together, build trust, and for us to journey alongside them over time.

In September, we took nine young people on a residential weekend to Ty Carreg, on the Welsh border. This was a valuable opportunity to spend extended time together, enjoying the countryside, starry night skies, and activities such as skimming stones on the River Wye. We consistently see that relationships with those who attend residentials deepen significantly.

During the year, we also organised a trip to Wembley (to see Blues lose!) and a hike in the Malvern Hills.

Our staff team attended four training evenings earlier in the year, focusing on safeguarding and the issue of toxic masculinity. We continue to develop our reflective practice as a team, and it remains a privilege how openly young people share their lives with us.

Duck Pond Sessions

We have continued to run regular outdoor and detached youth and family sessions at the Duck Pond throughout the year. Much of this work has built on previous years, including popular HAF activities during the Easter and summer holidays.

A key development this year has been our work with a group of older boys aged 16-20, whom we have known for several years through the Duck Pond sessions. Funding from Awards for All has enabled us to expand our work with this group. Activities have included a hike in the Malvern Hills, ten-pin bowling, and involvement in the Love Weoley Castle Advent Tree project. Several of the young people helped paint and assemble trees that were installed in 11 locations across the estate. They are keen to take part in a wider range of activities in the year ahead.

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Friday Club and Breakfast Club - St Gabriel's Centre

Friday Club and Breakfast Club continue to be popular and are an integral part of our work with families.

One particular highlight was seeing parents take the lead in planning and organising a Halloween Party. While not without a few hiccups, it was encouraging to see families take ownership and work together to create a successful event.

We are also pleased to now hold a Community Welcome Pass, enabling free visits to Birmingham Museums. We enjoyed a trip to Think Tank this year and plan to make greater use of this opportunity in the year ahead.

Lego Club

Earlier in the year, we launched an after-school Lego and board games club for families with younger children. This coincided with an unusually warm spring, which affected attendance. We therefore paused the club and relaunched it in November. A small number of families now attend regularly, and we will continue to assess whether it develops into a more established activity.

Love Weoley Castle

The Love Weoley Castle group continues to meet regularly and stays connected through a WhatsApp group. Since the summer, the group has gained new momentum following the appearance of Union Jack and St George's flags on lampposts across the estate by a group calling themselves Weoley Warriors - a pattern that was later mirrored nationally.

Together, we have reflected on what this means for our community and how we might respond positively. Our focus has been on celebrating Weoley Castle, particularly its growing diversity. In 2026, this will be expressed through community events that use food as a way of bringing people together. We have recently secured funding from Near Neighbours to support this work, alongside our youth groups.

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Community Events and Partnerships

We have continued to host and support a wide range of community events. Weoley Earth Day in May was another success, as was the Advent Carol Service on the Square. The Weoley Fun project concluded in May with a large-scale event at the Duck Pond, featuring live music and a full-size boxing ring.

We have also supported Weoley Castle Community Church with their half-term family activity days, and in June, we celebrated the 10th anniversary of our Duck Pond sessions with a community event where we gave away over 200 ice creams.

All of this demonstrates the strength of our collaboration and partnerships across the community. Hundreds of local people benefit from who we are, what we do, and how we do it.

Funding

During the calendar year, we were successful in securing the following grants:

- Warm Welcome (BCC) - £6,000
- Grantham Yorke Trust (youth work) - £5,000
- Awards for All (youth work, two-year grant) - £20,000
- Near Neighbours Small Grant (Christmas events) - £500
- DMF Ellis Trust (youth work activities) - £5,000
- Eveson Trust (Duck Pond sessions) - £6,000
- Dens of Equality (Earth Day) - £1,200
- HAF StreetGames (Easter and summer activities) - £8,250
- InUnity (summer holiday activities) - £2,000
- Birmingham Municipal Charity (community events) - £3,000
- Pamela Barlow Trust (youth work) - £1,000
- GJW Turner Trust (youth and family activities) - £1,000

Looking Ahead

We are exploring the launch of an additional centre-based youth club for 10-13-year-olds, likely on Thursday evenings.

The council's community cohesion team has shown interest in our work locally, particularly in light of Weoley Castle's recent profile. This may lead to future funding opportunities.

The Awards for All and Near Neighbours grants will enable us to continue developing our community work organically, especially with young people. As a charity that is well-connected both locally and across the city, we anticipate further opportunities to broaden our reach and invest in people in the years ahead.

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Trustees' Report

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The trustees (who are also the directors of St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for 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 governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 2 June 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

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Emma Clare Sargeant
Chairman and Trustee

St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle

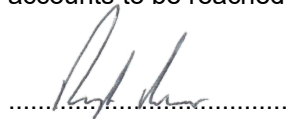
Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle ('the Company')

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



Chartered Management Accountant
104 Blackford Road
Solihull
B90 4BX

2 June 2026

St Gabriel's Centre Weoley Castle

(Registration number: 07717026)
Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Debtors		25,000	-
Bank Accounts		38,430	52,221
		<u>63,430</u>	<u>52,221</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted		44,642	46,399
Unrestricted		18,788	5,822
Total funds	10	<u>63,430</u>	<u>52,221</u>

For the financial year ending 31 July 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements on pages 10 to 17 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 2 June 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Emm Clare Sargeant

Emma Clare Sargeant
Chairman and Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 July 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Incoming Resources					
Donations and legacies	7	11,608	54,922	66,530	68,014
Charitable activities	2	-	-	-	40
Other trading activities	8	19,678	-	19,678	11,380
Other income	3	286	-	286	-
Total income		<u>31,572</u>	<u>54,922</u>	<u>86,494</u>	<u>79,434</u>
Resources expended					
Cost of generating funds		(2)	-	(2)	-
Charitable activities	9	(17,764)	(56,667)	(74,431)	(55,452)
Governance costs	5	(840)	-	(840)	(840)
Other expenditure	4	-	(12)	(12)	-
Total expenditure		<u>(18,606)</u>	<u>(56,679)</u>	<u>(75,285)</u>	<u>(56,292)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>12,966</u>	<u>(1,757)</u>	<u>11,209</u>	<u>23,142</u>
Net movement in funds		12,966	(1,757)	11,209	23,142
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>5,822</u>	<u>46,399</u>	<u>52,221</u>	<u>29,079</u>
Total funds carried forward	10	<u><u>18,788</u></u>	<u><u>44,642</u></u>	<u><u>63,430</u></u>	<u><u>52,221</u></u>

Details of Incoming resources and expenditure are given in the notes to the financial statements

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value and in accordance with Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in March 2005.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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 as set out in the notes to the financial statements.

2 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Income - After School Club 2024	40	40

3 Other income

Total
funds
£

4 Other expenditure

	Note	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Marketing and publicity		12	12
Total for 2025		12	12

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	840	840
Total for 2025	840	840
Total for 2024	840	840

6 Related party transactions

7 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Grants, including capital grants;			
All Grants	2,624	53,642	56,266
Donations	8,984	1,280	10,264
Total for 2025	11,608	54,922	66,530
Total for 2024	1,750	66,264	68,014

8 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Trading income;		
Hall hire	19,670	19,670
Other trading income	8	8
Total for 2025	19,678	19,678
Total for 2024	11,380	11,380

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9 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Youth Work	4,652	6,808
Youth Work	79	-
Community Work	13,645	10,246
Community Work	869	204
Salaries	35,113	27,120
Salaries	2,152	520
Staff Expenses & Training	1,410	1,241
Staff Expenses & Training	777	272
Sundries	1,724	-
Sundries	291	-
General Admin costs	123	-
General Admin costs	903	1,315
Heat and Light	3,966	1,818
Insurance	2,284	2,129
Repairs and maintenance	6,358	3,685
After School Club costs	(24)	-
Bank charges	109	94
	<u>74,431</u>	<u>55,452</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 August 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 July 2025 £
Unrestricted				
General				
General Funds A	5,822	31,463	(18,497)	18,788
Restricted				
Awards for All Grants	-	813	-	813
Grant Holiday Activity Fund (HAF)	-	3,050	-	3,050
Grant Merkur Slots	-	121	-	121
Grant Sir John Middlemore	-	2,000	-	2,000
Grant Warm Spaces	-	1,000	-	1,000
Grant Westhill Endowment	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grant Youth	-	6,000	-	6,000
Grant Eveson Trust	-	2,706	-	2,706
Grant LoopyLugs	-	6,511	-	6,511
Grant NNS Northfield	-	1,736	-	1,736
Grant Streetgames UK	-	900	-	900
Grant Warm Welcome	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grant Alfred Haines	-	704	-	704
Grant Break Mission	-	432	-	432
Grant Choir	-	5,890	-	5,890
Grant Dens of Equality	-	529	-	529
Grant DMF Ellis Trust	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grant GJW Turner	-	1,000	-	1,000
Grant InUnity	-	400	-	400
Grant Pauls Weoly Weoly Fun Work	-	1,150	-	1,150
Grant SLG Trust	-	2,500	-	2,500
Grant Weoly Earth Day Grant	-	1,200	-	1,200
Youth Work	-	-	(4,652)	(4,652)
Community Work	-	-	(13,645)	(13,645)
Salaries	-	-	(35,113)	(35,113)
Staff Expenses & Training	-	-	(1,410)	(1,410)
Sundries	-	-	(1,724)	(1,724)
General Admin costs	-	-	(123)	(123)
Charitable Donations Holiday Activity Fund (HAF)	-	-	320	320
Charitable Donations Pauls Weoly Weoly Fun Work	-	-	1,050	1,050

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	Balance at 1 August 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 July 2025 £
Charitable Donations Warm				
Welcome	-	-	(90)	(90)
Advertising	-	-	(12)	(12)
Funds - Balance B/fwd (U)	-	-	46,399	46,399
	<u>-</u>	<u>53,642</u>	<u>(9,000)</u>	<u>44,642</u>
Total funds	<u><u>5,822</u></u>	<u><u>85,105</u></u>	<u><u>(27,497)</u></u>	<u><u>63,430</u></u>

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	Balance at 1 August 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 July 2024 £
Unrestricted				
General				
General Funds A	3,529	13,076	(10,783)	5,822
Restricted				
Thrive Together Birmingham - Salary Contract	-	2,000	-	2,000
Grant Commonwealth Games Fund	-	1,500	-	1,500
Grant Grantham Yorke	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grant Westhill Endowment	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grant Beyond Birmingham	-	7,000	-	7,000
Grant E&D Cadbury Trust	-	3,150	-	3,150
Grant Eveson Trust	-	3,880	-	3,880
Grant GE Gee Trust	-	1,000	-	1,000
Grant Lord Austin Trust	-	1,000	-	1,000
Grant LoopyLugs	-	6,225	-	6,225
Grant Measures Trust	-	1,500	-	1,500
Grant NNS Northfield	-	5,409	-	5,409
Grant Pamela Barlow Trust	-	3,000	-	3,000
Grant Postcode Lottery	-	15,000	-	15,000
Grant Streetgames UK	-	3,600	-	3,600
Grant Warm Welcome	-	2,000	-	2,000
Youth Work	-	-	(6,808)	(6,808)
Community Work	-	-	(10,246)	(10,246)
Salaries	-	-	(27,120)	(27,120)
Staff Expenses & Training	-	-	(1,241)	(1,241)
Funds - Balance B/fwd (U)	-	-	25,550	25,550
	-	66,264	(19,865)	46,399
Total funds	<u>3,529</u>	<u>79,340</u>	<u>(30,648)</u>	<u>52,221</u>