

SOS! SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

England & Wales · Charity number 1153884

Details

Other names	SOS!SEN
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08634406
Registered	2013-09-20
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS WITHIN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND UPON THAMES AND THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND, BUT NOT EXCLUDING OTHER AREAS IN ENGLAND AND WALES WHERE THE NEED ARISES, BY THE PROVISION OF INFORMATION, PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE AND SUCH OTHER SERVICES AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL DEEM NECESSARY WITH A VIEW TO MEETING THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN AND IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE. ("THE OBJECTS").

Activities: The relief of parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs in England and Wales where the need arises, by the provision of information, practical assistance and advice, and such other services as the Trustees shall deem necessary, with a view to meeting the educational needs of their children and improving their conditions of life.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£416,401	£344,355	-	-
2023-09-30	£328,450	£245,545	-	-
2022-09-30	£245,734	£178,817	-	-
2021-09-30	£182,374	£158,168	-	-
2020-09-30	£234,878	£191,022	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Claire Collison		2023-05-03
Gregory Alexander Cust		2024-05-17
JENNIFER HAINES		2023-05-03
June May Lee Goh		2020-07-03
Patrick Tonks		2023-09-25
Samantha Kestle		2024-07-12
Simon Bull		2021-10-22

Accounts

Charity registration number 1153884

Company registration number 08634406 (England and Wales)

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ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	G Cust	(Appointed 17 May 2024)
	J Goh	
	S Bull	
	C Collison	
	J Haines	(Appointed 12 July 2024)
	S Kestle	
	P Tonks	
	M Wheal	
Secretary	J Goh	
Charity number	1153884	
Company number	08634406	
Registered office	92 Central Road Worcester Park Surrey KT4 8HU	
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 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)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

SOS!SEN was first launched to support families in Richmond who were facing a school closure and needed support and guidance. From there, our founders identified that many parents with children who had special educational needs were not aware of their rights and how to navigate the complex system safely. Our charity supports families across England to ensure that all children have a fair and equitable education, giving them the best opportunity for the future. Parents who have received our support and navigate the tribunal system see a 98% success rate.

Our charity's objective is:

The relief of parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs (SEN) in England and Wales where the need arises, by the provision of information, practical assistance and advice, and such other services as the Trustees shall deem necessary, with a view to meeting the educational needs of their children and improving their conditions of life.

We refer to the families supported through the work at SOS!SEN, when the work supports parents, carers, grandparents, professionals, SENCOs and many others. Throughout this report we will refer to the families, but this encompasses all the above.

Our Services

SOS!SEN is a not-for-profit charity that supports families with children or young people who are navigating the complex SEN system and need support to ensure they achieve an equitable education. Our charity supports families through a variety of ways to ensure the widest reach possible. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Helpline
- Walk-In Advice Centres
- Webinars
- Workshops
- 1:1 sessions with experienced volunteers offering support, advice and guidance
- 1:1 sessions with a legal officer
- Education, Health, Care Plan (EHCP) analysis
- Grounds of Appeal writing services (GOA)
- Writing Pre-Action Protocol letters (PAP)

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Our services are accessible with many available free of charge, they are delivered through a wide range of methods to reach as many families as possible. We have a policy in place to support families who are unable to financially access our services. This includes telephone helplines, walk-in Advice Centres, virtual advice sessions and detailed legally-based guidance. We also run webinars and workshops, designed to empower parents and carers with the knowledge needed to navigate the SEN system more independently. By offering these services at no or minimal cost, SOS!SEN ensures that everyone can access guidance on achieving equitable education for children.

In addition to practical support, our work benefits the public by improving educational outcomes for children with SEN. Through one-on-one advice, document writing services, and Pre-Action Protocol (PAP) letters, we help families resolve disputes with local authorities and secure the services their children are entitled to.

Our charity shop, which functions as a community hub, not only generates sustainable income to support our services but also serves as a resource for local families. This reinforces SOS!SEN's commitment to improving the quality of life for families, extending our impact beyond the SEN sector and into broader community support.

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Through our expanding reach, including new Advice Centres in Birmingham, Coventry, and upcoming locations such as Bristol and Canterbury, we are able to support families in a wider geographical area. Our focus in Kent and Birmingham follows both local authorities citing SEND support as a key issue in their financial challenges. The public benefit derived from our work is extensive, as we continue to advocate for systemic improvements and greater accountability in the SEN framework, ensuring that every child, regardless of background or ability, can access a fair and inclusive education.

Achievements and performance

An overview of the year:

The year in numbers:

- More than tripled the number of families helped by the charity to 3,353
- Launched new free walk-in Advice Centres in Birmingham and Coventry
- Helped 786 families via our free helpline
- Improved the knowledge and understanding of 1,393 families via our range of free webinars
- Provided 208 one to one appointments with a Senior Advisor or our Legal Officer

2024 has been an exciting year for SOS!SEN. Through the support of Goldman Sachs, the 29th May 1961 foundation and CB & HH Taylor 1984 Trust, we were able to launch our Birmingham Advice Centre in June. This required the team to reach out to local communities and recruit volunteers who could be trained to offer support to the families in need in Birmingham. We support a local charity by hiring their space for our free walk-in Advice Centre. After 3 sessions we have already supported 20 families.

We have also been supported by the Alan Higgs Foundation to launch a virtual Advice Centre to support the families in Coventry. This is a new initiative for the charity, and will allow us to support families without the need for venue hire or new volunteer recruitment. The virtual Advice Centre opened in September and had 4 appointments.

Having established a successful model for launching Advice Centres, we now have plans to launch an Advice Centre in Bristol, Peckham and Canterbury within the next few months.

Throughout 2024 we more than tripled the number of families we have supported growing to 3,353 compared to 1,003 families in the previous year.

According to the latest gov.uk statistics, as of January 2024 there were 575,963 EHCPs in place, which was an increase of 58,914 plans from the previous January. During 2023 there were 84,428 new plans started, which was an increase of 17,722 from the previous year. This is an indication of the increased need for support needed by families who are navigating the complex special educational needs system.

We are enormously proud of the team of volunteers and staff that we have in place to support this growing need. SOS!SEN was able to use a wide range of services to empower our families, this was seen as follows:

Free Advice Centre appointments – 285

Free helpline support – 786

Webinars – 1,393

Facebook Live sessions – 295

1:1 sessions with a Senior Adviser or Legal Officer – 208

Workshop – 101

Document writing services – 260

Other support – 25

Our Legal Officer and Operations Manager have worked closely to design a schedule of Webinars that are aimed at empowering our families to understand the complex SEN system and navigate it. The concept of the webinars is that we can offer a session that anyone in England can attend live or purchase later to learn about a specific topic. These bitesize learning sessions have proven to be hugely successful and have received a great deal of positive feedback from families. Through offering these webinars, families will not need to engage in legal support and will be empowered to navigate the system independently, this will reduce the cost to families who are in this process.

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Our PAP Letters Project continues to be a huge success. Our Legal Officer has formed valuable partnerships with organisations:

- Beams
- Young Roots
- RUILS
- Autism Apprentice
- Assett
- Incredible Kids
- Bristol Autism Support

We have created a system that allows new volunteers to be trained on how to construct a letter, which will support families in requesting support for their families and encouraging local authorities to act according to the law. This project has been ongoing through the support from Barings and has reached its final year. It has had a huge impact on families. Over 90% of cases were resolved following receipt of the PAP letter, although some required further correspondence, e.g. to tie LAs down to details and timetables for what they agreed to do to rectify their failures or follow up on subsequent delays.

In 2024 SOS!SEN started working with a new helpline technical provider, called Dialpad, which then allowed the charity to expand availability for clients. It also allows our volunteers to have additional resources on hand to improve their support; this is done through online shadowing sessions, call recording functions and using AI technology to capture the call's content to allow the helpline adviser to focus solely on the support rather than note taking. This new model has also allowed our teams to review calls, with call recording and therefore improve the training made available. Our new system will also allow us to record more valuable data which will shape future decisions about opening times and volunteer availability.

We are also incredibly proud of our charity shop in Worcester Park (Surrey). This space is not just a 'shop', it's a community hub. For example, the team in the shop have created a foodbank for families in need, and they offer regular work for the Duke of Edinburgh students to give them valuable work experience. The manager has a fantastic team of volunteers who bring a wonderful atmosphere to the high street, and it continues to be a safe space for residents to access.

Grants:

Barings - £150,000 over 3 years

The Barings grant is to support our PAP Letters Project, which supports families who need to take judicial review proceedings, when contesting an unlawful decision by a Local Authority (LA). This means that when a Local Authority make a decision which is not considered lawful, our letters highlight the key areas of law that have not been met and make recommendations to the LA to review their decisions. The letters have the aim of avoiding families needing to go through the lengthy tribunal process which is not only a huge cost to the taxpayer, but also leave a child with little to no provision of support in education.

The number of PAP letters we and associate charities have sent has risen noticeably since last year with a continued high proportion of successful outcomes for children and young people with SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities). However, our ambition to bring about great change at higher levels, by challenging a public authorities' approach in holding them accountable, is still some way off being realised. This is because the issue of changing the law is a big picture one and our work is not having a big enough impact on. That being said, with a new government in place and other advocates lobbying for accountability, our work will help to bolster the work.

We are seeing some interesting results in relation to the arguably unlawful aspects of the amendment to transport guidance, because so far when we have challenged it the relevant LA has found a reason to change their decision which suggests they really have no appetite for having to defend it in court. However, we are still only looking at less than 10 cases.

Goldman Sachs - £180,000 over 3 years

Goldman Sachs has made a substantial grant payment to support SOS!SEN with our regional expansion program. We have just concluded the second of the 3 years assigned to this program. In this time, we have recruited a Volunteer Coordinator and have an Operations Manager in post to support regional growth and expansion. Through the support of Goldman Sachs, SOS!SEN have launched Advice Centres in Birmingham, Coventry, Thornton Heath and Waterloo with 3 more Advice Centres due to open before February 2025 in Bristol, Peckham and Canterbury. These areas have been selected to cover a great geographical reach and to support areas where numbers of enquiries have increased.

Our Advice Centres are a free walk-in centre which is run on a regular basis and is usually based in the local community. The centre is supported by trained volunteers who review written reports and give next step advice and guidance to families/carers. There is no limit to how many times someone can access a centre and we see many returning families who are seeking our support. We are also looking to launch workshops and training sessions from our advice centres as well as coffee mornings to help promote a sense of local community.

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Our Advice Centres cost £3,000 per year on average; this is the cost of venue hire, staffing costs for administration, training and volunteer support, marketing and volunteer expenses. The fact that we have been able to support more than 2000 families in 2024 is a clear indication that the grant from Goldman Sachs has made a huge difference to so many families.

29th May 1961:

£5,000 awarded to support the launch of Birmingham's Advice Centre.

CB & HH Taylor 1984 Trust:

Also awarded us an additional £1,000 to support the Birmingham Advice Centre.

The Higgs Charity:

£5,000 awarded to support the launch of Coventry's virtual Advice Centre. The approach for this Centre is that advanced slots will be made available and families from Coventry will be able to book a 30-minute session with an adviser. There will be no cost attached to the session. The sessions will run each month and will be advertised in all local groups. This is a pilot approach for our Advice Centres to establish whether we could extend our geographical reach at a lower cost to the charity. If after a year, we have seen that the Centre's sessions have reached 60% bookings, we would launch Centres in three other locations in England. We would select areas of deprivation which are furthest away from our current support Centres.

The Lawson Trust:

£5,000 awarded to support the launch of the Canterbury Advice Centre which is scheduled for a launch in February 2025.

The Van Nest Foundation:

£7,725 awarded to support the launch of the Bristol Advice Centre which is scheduled to launch in November 2024.

Shanley Foundation:

Awarded £1,000 to support the PAP project.

Financial review

Our income:

The charity's total income increased by £107,128 (35%) during the year from £309,273 to £416,401. Our income was able to increase due to the continuation of our grants from Goldman Sachs and Barings in addition to several other funders who have supported SOS!SEN in launching new Advice Centres in the country. In addition to this, SOS!SEN were able to recruit additional volunteers and expand our document writing services, which saw a significant increase in sustainable income. SOS!SEN also focused on our fundraising initiatives, such as hosting several community events at our charity shop, our CEO ran a half marathon to raise funds, several of our past families also reached out to make donations and grants directly or through corporate sponsorship programs and were delighted to receive £30,780 in various donations and grants throughout the year. Our charity shop continues to support SOS!SEN and generates a surplus which allows us to offer many services for free.

Our expenditure:

Total expenditure increased by £117,987 (52%). The expenditure throughout the year increased from £226,368 in the last accounts to £344,355. The increase in expenditure was due to the charity's expansion, increased staffing levels and various repairs to the charity shop.

Our surplus:

This resulted in the charity delivering a surplus of £72,046; this surplus is a slight decrease on the previous financial year (£82,905). Despite the slight decrease in surplus, we have seen an increase in staffing and geographical reach to areas such as Birmingham and Bristol.

SOS!SEN has a financial strategy in place for 2025 to enhance our revenue through fundraising, paid-for-services and our charity shop.

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Reserves policy

SOS!SEN maintains its reserves under two categories: (a) unrestricted (general) reserves, which are available for general use in pursuance of the charity's objectives, and (b) restricted reserves, which are for specifically earmarked purposes such as Advice Centres or the PAP Letters Project.

The unrestricted funds of the Charity as of 30th September 2024 totaled £240,283.

The Trustees have determined that the Charity should hold at least six months of running expenses in reserve. This figure represents the amount required to run the charity for six months excluding winding up costs and any special projects. Based on this calculation, the required value of reserves for the year ending 30th September 2025 is £203,382. The reserves held as on 30th September 2024 represent 7.6 months of budgeted expenditure increasing to 8 months at the end of the coming financial year.

The Board of Trustees reviews the Charity's reserves policy regularly and at least annually. The Finance Committee has agreed that the budget allows for 2 additional months of reserves by the end of the year but intends to consider the creation of a financial support plan for families that need our support and cannot afford it. We will also be reviewing the financial impact of the year and will ensure the following year's reserves are maintained at 6 months only by re-investing in the charity's output to families.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is is governed by a board of trustees, supported by its founders, who are tasked to ensure that the charity continues on the path of achieving its mission. The Board has oversight of the CEO's strategic remit to lead other members of the team including:

Legal Officer
Operations Manager
Fundraising Manager
Volunteer Coordinator
Administrator
Charity Shop Manager
Deputy Charity Shop Manager

The Volunteer Coordinator oversees the recruitment, training and roles of volunteers involved in advisory output, and the Charity Shop Manager similarly oversees the same for charity shop volunteers.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

G Cust	(Appointed 17 May 2024)
J Goh	
P Bridgeland	(Resigned 15 December 2024)
S Bull	
C Collison	
J Haines	
S Kestle	(Appointed 12 July 2024)
S Moreau	(Resigned 19 November 2024)
P Tonks	
M Wheal	
A Foster	(Appointed 12 March 2024 and resigned 17 September 2024)
L O'Connor	(Resigned 7 November 2023)

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

New potential trustees are identified by advertising the position through our contacts by email, social media and the website.

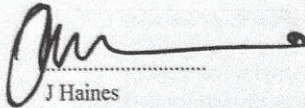
All applications are considered by a senior trustee before an invitation for interview is issued. We use a two stage interviewing procedure. The first stage interview is scored using an agreed set of competencies relevant to the role and always supported by (at least) 2 Trustees. Second stage interview usually supported by our HR lead Trustee and either Chair/Vice Chair.

References are obtained for any proposed trustee and the final nomination is required to attend a board meeting before the appointment is approved by the full board.

Other matters

Founder members:
Marion Strudwick
Martin Dean

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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J Haines
Trustee

Date: 12.2.25.....

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF SOS! SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of SOS! Special Educational Needs (the charity) for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity 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 the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



Darren Harding ACA FCCA DChA

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Dated: 21 February 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes						
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	30,780	154,725	185,505	39,870	84,000	123,870
Charitable activities	4	84,448	-	84,448	38,055	-	38,055
Other trading activities	5	143,864	-	143,864	146,317	-	146,317
Investments	6	2,584	-	2,584	973	58	1,031
Total income		<u>261,676</u>	<u>154,725</u>	<u>416,401</u>	<u>225,215</u>	<u>84,058</u>	<u>309,273</u>
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	7	116,327	-	116,327	98,093	575	98,668
Charitable activities	8	88,484	139,544	228,028	74,430	53,270	127,700
Total expenditure		<u>204,811</u>	<u>139,544</u>	<u>344,355</u>	<u>172,523</u>	<u>53,845</u>	<u>226,368</u>
Net income		56,865	15,181	72,046	52,692	30,213	82,905
Transfers between funds		(10,637)	10,637	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	10	46,228	25,818	72,046	52,692	30,213	82,905
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 October 2023		194,055	74,670	268,725	141,363	44,457	185,820
Fund balances at 30 September 2024		<u>240,283</u>	<u>100,488</u>	<u>340,771</u>	<u>194,055</u>	<u>74,670</u>	<u>268,725</u>

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 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	14		138		267
Current assets					
Debtors	15	15,764		18,683	
Cash at bank and in hand		334,443		252,222	
		<u>350,207</u>		<u>270,905</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>(9,574)</u>		<u>(2,447)</u>	
Net current assets			340,633		268,458
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>340,771</u>		<u>268,725</u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	18		100,488		74,670
Unrestricted funds	19		240,283		194,055
			<u>340,771</u>		<u>268,725</u>

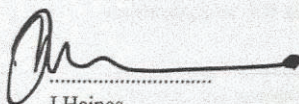
The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 12.02.2025



J Haines
Trustee

Company registration number 08634406 (England and Wales)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

SOS! Special Educational Needs is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 92 Central Road, Worcester Park, Surrey, KT4 8HU.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Grants are recognised in the year in which the charity becomes entitled to them.

Income from trading activities includes income from goods donated to the shop to be sold on and is recognised when the goods are sold.

Income from charitable activities relates to services provided to families and is recognised when the charity is entitled to the income.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Plant and equipment	4 years straight line
Fixtures and fittings	4 years straight line
Computers	4 years straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and gifts	25,780	-	25,780	27,870	-	27,870
Grants	5,000	154,725	159,725	12,000	84,000	96,000
	<u>30,780</u>	<u>154,725</u>	<u>185,505</u>	<u>39,870</u>	<u>84,000</u>	<u>123,870</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Special educational needs services		
Sales of goods and services	84,448	36,889
Other income	-	1,166
	<u>84,448</u>	<u>38,055</u>

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Shop income	<u>143,864</u>	<u>146,317</u>

6 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Interest receivable	<u>2,584</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,584</u>	<u>973</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>1,031</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

7 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Fundraising and publicity						
Advertising	-	-	-	570	575	1,145
Staff costs	8,313	-	8,313	-	-	-
	<u>8,313</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,313</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>575</u>	<u>1,145</u>
Trading costs						
Operating charity shops	66,069	-	66,069	59,986	-	59,986
Staff costs	41,945	-	41,945	37,537	-	37,537
	<u>108,014</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>108,014</u>	<u>97,523</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,523</u>
Total costs	<u>116,327</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>116,327</u>	<u>98,093</u>	<u>575</u>	<u>98,668</u>

8 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Special educational needs services 2024 £	Special educational needs services 2023 £
Direct costs		
Staff costs	180,218	92,045
Depreciation and impairment	129	128
Room hire	3,741	1,257
Other staff costs	5,535	6,197
Travelling	2,033	215
Events	1,510	-
	<u>193,166</u>	<u>99,842</u>
Share of support and governance costs (see note 9)		
Support	29,200	24,852
Governance	5,662	3,006
	<u>228,028</u>	<u>127,700</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	88,484	74,430
Restricted funds	139,544	53,270
	<u>228,028</u>	<u>127,700</u>

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9 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Subscriptions	397	402
Printing, postage & stationery	1,281	942
Sundry expenses	966	128
Insurance	1,778	1,317
IT software & consumables	8,398	19,393
Rent	12,155	-
Repairs & maintenance	509	-
Telephone & internet	3,716	2,670
Governance costs	5,662	3,006
	<u>34,862</u>	<u>27,858</u>
Analysed between:		
Special educational needs services	<u>34,862</u>	<u>27,858</u>

	2024 £	2023 £
Governance costs comprise:		
Independent Examination fees	3,971	2,300
Legal and professional	1,040	302
Bank charges	651	404
	<u>5,662</u>	<u>3,006</u>

10 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	3,971	2,300
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	<u>129</u>	<u>128</u>

11 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

12 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

2024 Number	2023 Number
<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

12 Employees (Continued)

Employment costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	212,077	123,572
Social security costs	15,004	4,694
Other pension costs	3,395	1,316
	<u>230,476</u>	<u>129,582</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>100,562</u>	<u>95,328</u>

13 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

14 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computers £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 October 2023	6,057	140	374	6,571
Disposals	(6,057)	-	-	(6,057)
	<u>-</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>514</u>
At 30 September 2024	-	140	374	514
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 October 2023	6,057	60	187	6,304
Depreciation charged in the year	-	35	94	129
Eliminated in respect of disposals	(6,057)	-	-	(6,057)
	<u>-</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>376</u>
At 30 September 2024	-	95	281	376
Carrying amount				
At 30 September 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>138</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>187</u>	<u>267</u>

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15 Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	1,680	2,310
Other debtors	9,113	16,373
Prepayments	4,971	-
	<u>15,764</u>	<u>18,683</u>
	<u><u>15,764</u></u>	<u><u>18,683</u></u>
16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	4,556	-
Trade creditors	480	-
Other creditors	675	374
Accruals	3,863	2,073
	<u>9,574</u>	<u>2,447</u>
	<u><u>9,574</u></u>	<u><u>2,447</u></u>
17 Retirement benefit schemes	2024	2023
	£	£
Defined contribution schemes		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	<u>3,395</u>	<u>1,316</u>
	<u><u>3,395</u></u>	<u><u>1,316</u></u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

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18 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 October 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 30 September 2024 £
Goldman Sachs Fund	19,544	75,000	(54,946)	-	39,598
Baring Foundation Fund	55,126	54,000	(75,600)	10,637	44,163
29 May 1961 Trust Fund	-	5,000	(3,141)	-	1,859
Alan Edward Higgs Charity Fund	-	5,000	(2,594)	-	2,406
The Lawson Trust Fund	-	5,000	(1,598)	-	3,402
CB & HH Taylor Fund	-	1,000	(459)	-	541
Shanley Foundation Fund	-	2,000	(580)	-	1,420
The Van Neste Foundation Fund	-	7,725	(626)	-	7,099
	<u>74,670</u>	<u>154,725</u>	<u>(139,544)</u>	<u>10,637</u>	<u>100,488</u>

Previous year:	At 1 October 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 30 September 2023 £
Goldman Sachs Fund	-	30,058	(10,514)	-	19,544
Baring Foundation Fund	44,457	54,000	(43,331)	-	55,126
	<u>44,457</u>	<u>84,058</u>	<u>53,845</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,670</u>

Details of the restricted funds can be found on pages 3 and 4 of the Trustees' report.

19 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 October 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 30 September 2024 £
General funds	<u>194,055</u>	<u>261,676</u>	<u>(204,811)</u>	<u>(10,637)</u>	<u>240,283</u>
Previous year:	At 1 October 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 30 September 2023 £
General funds	<u>141,363</u>	<u>225,215</u>	<u>(172,523)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>194,055</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

20 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 30 September 2024:			
Tangible assets	138	-	138
Current assets/(liabilities)	240,145	100,488	340,633
	<u>240,283</u>	<u>100,488</u>	<u>340,771</u>
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
At 30 September 2023:			
Tangible assets	267	-	267
Current assets/(liabilities)	193,788	74,670	268,458
	<u>194,055</u>	<u>74,670</u>	<u>268,725</u>

21 Operating lease commitments

Lessee

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Within one year	28,467	28,467
Between two and five years	75,084	91,700
In over five years	-	11,850
	<u>103,551</u>	<u>132,017</u>

22 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

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**SOS! SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Directors' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Company Information
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

Directors

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Ms June Goh
Mr Matthew Wheal
Mr Simon Bull
Ms Claire Collison
Ms Jennifer Haines
Ms Sophia Moreau
Mr Patrick Tonks

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SOS! Special Educational Needs
Company No. 08634406
Directors' Report For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors 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 company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

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

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

About SOS!SEN

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Registered Charity 1153884
Address: 92 Central Road, KT4 8HU

Trustees:

Name	Role	Date appointed
Matthew Philip Wheal	Chair	11/2/21
June May Lee Goh	Trustee & Secretary	3/7/20
Penelope Bridgeland	Trustee	21/7/20
Simon Bull	Trustee	22/10/21
Sophia Moreau	Trustee	17/1/23
Jennifer Haines	Trustee	3/5/23
Claire Collinson	Trustee	5/5/23
Patrick Tonks	Trustee	25/9/23

Founder members:
Marion Strudwick
Martin Dean
Bob Parslow

SOS!SEN services

Our charity's objective is:

The relief of parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs in England, where the need arises, by the provision of information, practical assistance and advice, and such other services as the Trustees shall deem necessary, with a view to meeting the educational needs of their children and improving their conditions of life.

SOS! Special Educational Needs is a not-for-profit charity that supports families with children and young people who are navigating the complex special educational needs (SEN) system and need support to ensure they achieve an equitable education. Our charity supports families through a variety of mediums to ensure the widest reach possible. This includes but is not limited to:

- Daily Helpline sessions
- Monthly Walk-In Advice Centres
- Live and recorded Webinars
- Workshops on specific topics
- Individual support sessions with experienced volunteers
- Individual advice sessions with our Legal Officer
- EHCP analysis service
- Grounds of Appeal writing services
- Judicial Review Pre-Action Protocol letters

Our income

Total income increased by £78,685% (32%) during the year from £245,734 to £324,419, mainly due to two grants, from Barings and Goldman Sachs, provided to allow us to extend and develop the services we offer. Our main source of income during the financial year were our charity shop, grant funding, income from service delivery and donations.

Our expenditure

Total expenditure increased by £64,488 (36%) during the year from £178,817 to £243,305. This increase was less than the increase in income over the previous year and was largely driven by the salaries associated with our growth.

Our surplus

This resulted in the charity delivering a surplus of £82,905, an increase of £17,734 (27%) over the previous year's surplus of £65,171.

Our structure

SOS!SEN is governed by a board of trustees, supported by its founders and is composed of individuals who are dedicated to our mission and objectives. They bring diverse skills and expertise ensuring that we are effectively governed and our operations serve the vital needs of children with special needs and their families.

The Board has a governance structure composed of committees lead by appointed trustees to inquire, supervise, dispatch business or performing functions or duties which can be undertaken or carried out by its members on its behalf. Each committee has defined Terms of Reference outlining its objectives, responsibilities, membership composition, meeting frequency, decision-making processes, and reporting mechanisms.

Our Legal Officer, Eleanor Wright, works closely with Board members to support our services and ensure that we maintain standards and compliance with the legal SEND framework within our operations and advisory services.

The charity is recruiting a Chief Executive Officer to provide further operational leadership, ensuring that the organisation's day-to-day activities align with our mission and goals. The CEO will report directly to the Board and together with the Legal Officer, they will lead other members of the team including Volunteer and Expansion Manager, Administration Manager and Charity Shop Manager.

Aims and objectives throughout 2023

The main aim for SOS!SEN over 2023 was to create a strong infrastructure to allow the charity to propel to the next level of growth and development. Whilst the charity offers a national service, our presence in regional areas such as Manchester, Bristol and Birmingham could not be sustained due to operational limits impacted by COVID19 lockdowns. A successful grant application has allowed us to achieve this aspiration to ensure that we can better support families directly in their locality with volunteers who have good local knowledge of practices in local authorities, schools, Health, Social care teams, etc.

The regional expansion programme was secured with a grant from Goldman Sachs. This allowed us to recruit a Regional Expansion and Volunteer Manager who would be focused on maintaining support for our current volunteers, establishing best practice in our services, developing a training programme for new volunteers and creating a targeted recruitment campaign. Following this, the Manager would then seek to establish partnerships with potential supporters in other regions and seek to identify key geographical areas in need of the vital services that SOS!SEN offers to families.

Our service to enforce the rights of children in education related matters is provided through our judicial review pre-action protocol service led by our Legal Officer. We were able to secure a grant to initiate a Judicial Review Project, to enable front line organisations in the education sector including SOS!SEN, to help parents, carers and young people to challenge unlawful education-related decisions made by or on behalf public bodies, predominantly local authorities by using a combination of training, detailed precedents and supervision by expert lawyers.

Our retail operation will continue to contribute significant funds to support the charity and act as a community hub to increase awareness of the charity and to help local families.

Achievements and Public Benefit

During 2023, SOS!SEN supported 1003 families throughout all our services, ensuring that they had the best advice, support and guidance to navigate the complex SEN system. Several Advice Centres were impacted by COVID19 lockdowns but SOS!SEN has re-launched our Waterloo and Thornton Heath Advice Centres and we now have 7 established Advice Centres with positive reputations and reported efficacy. Sessions are always well attended and families feel enabled to achieve better outcomes for their children and young people. In 2024 SOS!SEN will record additional data about the features of support we provide to families so that we can better serve them in our service offers.

Our services are provided by volunteers who kindly give time and effort to support families through our charity. Many are predominantly parents or carers of children with special needs and disability and we have seen an increase in interest in volunteering as SOS!SEN's reputation in the SEND community grows from strength to strength. We endeavor to keep charges for our services affordable to families who require our support. Income from these services goes back into the charity so that our finances remain stable and our administrative and support costs are sustainable.

Throughout 2023, SOS!SEN's chargeable services included;

Individual advice sessions – 85

EHCP analysis – 36

Working Document support – 12

Judicial review Pre-Action Protocol support – 27

Grounds of Appeals support – 14

Face to face Workshops – 2

Webinars – 496

Additional support – 9

This number does not include the number of families supported through our daily the helpline or Advice Centres.

Our charity shop also launched a small local food bank to support the local community. This was promoted through local schools and businesses to help those in need, which in turn increased awareness of our charity.

Our Helpline runs daily throughout term time and is supported by our team of trained volunteers and is the first port of call for so many of our families, offering the initial advice and guidance that families desperately need. We have seen a notable increase in the helpline activity and intend to focus on boosting its operating hours for 2024. We improved administrative processes on recording and collecting data to enable our services to be more accessible to users and better focus our support to families.

Financial Overview

SOS!SEN remains in a positive financial position. Throughout 2023 SOS!SEN had a total income of £327,301 and total expenditure of £243,305 creating an operating surplus of £83,996 which is a £17,235 increase on the previous year.

The Board of trustees has a Reserves Policy to ensure financial stability and continuity of SOS!SEN's operations. Our reserves is set at six months of operating funds.

We are increasing our focus on raising funds through grant applications to trusts and foundations, and we are grateful to be awarded 2 multiyear grants this financial year.

Grants

Barings Foundation - £150,000 over 3 years

The Barings grant was secured to initiate a Judicial Review Pre-Action Protocol Project, which supports children who require legal enforcements of educational entitlement. With limited publicity we have reached a point where we have a waiting list of requests for these letters, and recent developments in the SEN world show that there is no sign of demand diminishing, particularly as parents and carers become more aware of judicial review as a powerful remedy with is also an aim of the project. This grant has allowed us to launch a much-needed project and work with some incredible organisations with similar aspirations to improve educational outcomes for children and young people with special educational need and disabilities.

Goldman Sachs - £180,000 over 3 years

Goldman Sachs awarded a substantial grant to support SOS!SEN's regional expansion programme. This will allow the charity to expand its reach to support families and their children and young people via our Advice Centres across the country. It is a 3-year programme to firmly establish these local centres, and ensure their sustainability in the long term. The initial phase required the recruitment of a manager in the role of Regional Expansion and Volunteer Manager to secure volunteer retention and recruitment. In the second phase, SOS!SEN will researching and identify demand in areas requiring our services with the aim of opening at least 3 new Advice Centres. These will also become community hubs to support cohesive working relationships with local partners and local families. In 2023 we successfully recruited 20 new volunteers into our team and provided training to a high standard.

SOS!SEN does not have any outstanding debt and has a financial strategy in place for 2024 to enhance our revenue through fundraising, paid-services and our charity shop.

Reserves Policy

SOS!SEN maintains its reserves under two categories: (a) unrestricted (general) reserves, which are available for general use in pursuance of the charity's objectives, and (b) restricted reserves, which are for specifically earmarked purposes.

The unrestricted funds of the Charity as at 30 September 2023 totalled £194,055. The Trustees have determined that the Charity should hold at least six months of running expenses in reserve. This figure represents the amount required to run the charity for six months excluding winding up costs and any special projects. Based on this calculation, the required value of reserves for the year ending 30 September 2024 is £210,240. The reserves held as on 30 September 2023 represent 9.6 months of budgeted expenditure reducing to 6.6 months at the end of the coming financial year. The Trustees review the Charity's reserves policy regularly and no less than annually.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Ms Penelope Bridgeland

Ms June Goh

Mr Matthew Wheal

Mr Simon Bull

Ms Claire Collison Appointed 05/05/2023

Ms Jennifer Haines Appointed 05/05/2023

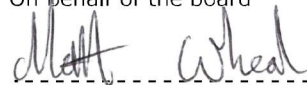
Ms Sophia Moreau Appointed 17/01/2023

Mr Patrick Tonks Appointed 25/09/2023

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board



Mr Matthew Wheal
Chair

29/05/2024

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Accountant's Report
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

Chartered Accountant's report to the directors on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs for the year ended 30 September 2023

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs for the year ended 30 September 2023 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given to us.

As a practising member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <http://www.icaew.com/en/membership/regulations-standards-and-guidance>.

This report is made solely to the directors of SOS! Special Educational Needs, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated . Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the directors of SOS! Special Educational Needs, as a body, in this report in accordance with ICAEW Technical Release 07/16 AAF. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than SOS! Special Educational Needs and its directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that SOS! Special Educational Needs has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of SOS! Special Educational Needs . You consider that SOS! Special Educational Needs is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs . For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

Signed



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02/01/2024
D S Burge & Co Ltd
Chartered Accountants
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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
TURNOVER		213,633	245,734
Cost of sales		(118)	(156)
GROSS SURPLUS		213,515	245,578
Administrative expenses		(243,305)	(178,817)
Other operating income		113,786	-
OPERATING SURPLUS		83,996	66,761
Other interest receivable and similar income		1,031	25
Interest payable and similar charges		(2,122)	(1,615)
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		82,905	65,171

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Balance Sheet
As At 30 September 2023**

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	3		267		355
			267		355
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	4	18,683		19,038	
Cash at bank and in hand		252,222		170,316	
		270,905		189,354	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	5	(2,447)		(3,889)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)			268,458		185,465
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			268,725		185,820
NET ASSETS			268,725		185,820
FUNDS					
Restricted funds			74,670		
Unrestricted funds			194,055		
MEMBERS' FUNDS			268,725		185,820

For the year ending 30 September 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 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 Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 15 April 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mr Matthew Wheal
Chair
29/05/2024

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 section 1A Small Entities "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added taxes. Turnover includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Turnover from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods has transferred to the buyer. This is usually at the point that the customer has signed for the delivery of the goods.

Rendering of services

Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of a contract is measured by comparing the costs incurred for work performed to date to the total estimated contract costs. Turnover is only recognised to the extent of recoverable expenses when the outcome of a contract cannot be estimated reliably.

1.3. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Plant & Machinery	4 years
Fixtures & Fittings	4 years
Computer Equipment	4 years

2. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows: 7 (2022: 5)

3. Tangible Assets

	Plant & Machinery £	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer Equipment £	Total £
Cost				
As at 1 October 2022	6,057	100	374	6,531
Additions	-	40	-	40
As at 30 September 2023	6,057	140	374	6,571
Depreciation				
As at 1 October 2022	6,057	25	94	6,176
Provided during the period	-	35	93	128
As at 30 September 2023	6,057	60	187	6,304
Net Book Value				
As at 30 September 2023	-	80	187	267
As at 1 October 2022	-	75	280	355

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023

4. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	2,310	2,470
Other debtors	14,000	14,000
VAT	2,373	1,920
Net wages	-	648
	<u>18,683</u>	<u>19,038</u>

5. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other taxes and social security	374	1,816
Other creditors	2,073	2,073
	<u>2,447</u>	<u>3,889</u>

6. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

7. General Information

SOS! Special Educational Needs is a private company, limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 08634406 . The registered office is 92 Central Road, Worcester Park, Surrey, KT4 8HU.

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 30 September 2023**

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER				
Sales		189,341		245,734
Sales type A		24,292		-
		<u>213,633</u>		<u>245,734</u>
COST OF SALES				
Purchases	118		156	
		<u>(118)</u>		<u>(156)</u>
GROSS SURPLUS		213,515		245,578
Administrative Expenses				
Wages and salaries	125,999		117,612	
Employers NI	4,694		5,828	
Employers pensions - defined contributions scheme	1,316		1,174	
Staff training	221		-	
Travel and subsistence expenses	215		-	
Rent	35,889		25,841	
Rates	1,359		1,075	
Light and heat	5,424		2,399	
Repairs and maintenance	8,381		3,098	
Cleaning	5,531		2,800	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	19,393		1,291	
Insurance	3,222		1,354	
Printing, postage and stationery	1,517		2,526	
Advertising and marketing costs	6,906		-	
Telecommunications and data costs	2,670		3,057	
Accountancy fees	2,300		2,060	
Subscriptions	402		371	
Professional subscriptions	17,166		4,750	
Depreciation	129		119	
Entertaining	239		1,080	
Sundry expenses	332		2,382	
		<u>(243,305)</u>		<u>(178,817)</u>
Other Operating Income				
Other income - contributing to other operating income	113,786		-	
		<u>113,786</u>		<u>-</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS		83,996		66,761
Other interest receivable and similar income				
Interest on short term deposits	1,031		25	
		<u>1,031</u>		<u>25</u>
Interest payable and similar expenses				
Bank charges	2,122		1,615	
		<u>(2,122)</u>		<u>(1,615)</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u><u>82,905</u></u>		<u><u>65,171</u></u>

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**SOS! SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Directors' Report and Unaudited Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Company Information
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

Directors Ms Penelope Bridgeland
Ms June Goh
Mr Matthew Wheal
Mr Simon Bull

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Company No. 08634406
Directors' Report For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors 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 company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the directors are required to:

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

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

Ms Penelope Bridgeland		
Ms Abby Cotton	RESIGNED	08/11/2021
Ms June Goh		
Mr Matthew Wheal		
Mr Simon Bull	APPOINTED	03/11/2021

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board

Ms June Goh

Director

01/02/2023

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Accountant's Report
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

Chartered Accountant's report to the directors on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs For The Year Ended 30 September 2022

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, I have prepared for your approval the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs For The Year Ended 30 September 2022 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given to us.

As a practising member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <http://www.icaew.com/en/membership/regulations-standards-and-guidance>.

This report is made solely to the directors of SOS! Special Educational Needs, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated . Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the directors of SOS! Special Educational Needs, as a body, in this report in accordance with ICAEW Technical Release 07/16 AAF. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than SOS! Special Educational Needs and its directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that SOS! Special Educational Needs has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of SOS! Special Educational Needs. You consider that SOS! Special Educational Needs is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

Signed

D S Burge & Co

01/02/2023

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
TURNOVER		245,734	184,795
Cost of sales		(156)	(2,421)
GROSS SURPLUS		245,578	182,374
Administrative expenses		(178,817)	(158,168)
Other operating income		-	7,203
OPERATING SURPLUS		66,761	31,409
Other interest receivable and similar income		25	10
Interest payable and similar charges		(1,615)	(10,292)
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR			

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Balance Sheet
As at 30 September 2022**

		2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	3	355	-
		355	-
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	19,038	20,207
Cash at bank and in hand		170,316	103,066
		189,354	123,273
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	5	(3,889)	(2,624)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		185,465	120,649
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		185,820	120,649
NET ASSETS		185,820	120,649
Income and Expenditure Account		185,820	120,649
MEMBERS' FUNDS		185,820	120,649

For the year ending 30 September 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 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 Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

On behalf of the board

Ms June Goh

Director

01/02/2023

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

SOS! Special Educational Needs

Notes to the Financial Statements

For The Year Ended 30 September 2022

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added taxes. Turnover includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Turnover from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods has transferred to the buyer. This is usually at the point that the customer has signed for the delivery of the goods.

Rendering of services

Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of a contract is measured by comparing the costs incurred for work performed to date to the total estimated contract costs. Turnover is only recognised to the extent of recoverable expenses when the outcome of a contract cannot be estimated reliably.

1.3. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Plant & Machinery	4 years
Fixtures & Fittings	4 years
Computer Equipment	4 years

2. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows: 5 (2021: 5)

3. Tangible Assets

	Plant & Machinery	Fixtures & Fittings	Computer Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
As at 1 October 2021	6,057	-	-	6,057
Additions	-	100	374	474
As at 30 September 2022	6,057	100	374	6,531
Depreciation				
As at 1 October 2021	6,057	-	-	6,057
Provided during the period	-	25	94	119
As at 30 September 2022	6,057	25	94	6,176
Net Book Value				
As at 30 September 2022	-	75	280	355
As at 1 October 2021	-	-	-	-

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022

4. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	2,470	170
Other debtors	14,000	14,373
VAT	1,920	5,664
Net wages	648	-
	<u>19,038</u>	<u>20,207</u>

5. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other taxes and social security	1,816	551
Other creditors	2,073	2,073
	<u>3,889</u>	<u>2,624</u>

6. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

7. General Information

SOS! Special Educational Needs is a private company, limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 08634406. The registered office is 6 Ladderstile Ride, Kingston Upon Thames, Surrey, KT2 7LP.

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER				
Sales		245,734		184,795
COST OF SALES				
Purchases	156		2,421	
		(156)		(2,421)
GROSS SURPLUS		245,578		182,374
Administrative Expenses				
Wages and salaries	117,612		110,196	
Employers NI	5,828		5,668	
Employers pensions - defined contributions scheme	1,174		1,025	
Staff training	-		125	
Rent	25,841		20,965	
Rates	1,075		840	
Light and heat	2,399		1,303	
Repairs and maintenance	3,098		3,700	
Cleaning	2,800		2,993	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	1,291		596	
Insurance	1,354		2,188	
Printing, postage and stationery	2,526		1,941	
Advertising and marketing costs	-		50	
Telecommunications and data costs	3,057		2,916	
Accountancy fees	2,060		1,473	
Legal fees	-		179	
Consultancy fees	-		70	
Subscriptions	371		398	
Professional subscriptions	4,750		-	
Depreciation	119		-	
Entertaining	1,080		225	
Sundry expenses	2,382		1,317	
		(178,817)		(158,168)
Other Operating Income				
Other coronavirus grant income	-		7,203	
		-		7,203
OPERATING SURPLUS		66,761		31,409
Other interest receivable and similar income				
Other interest receivable	25		10	
		25		10

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account (continued)
For The Year Ended 30 September 2022**

Interest payable and similar expenses

Bank charges	1,615	292
Operating leases	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>
	<u>(1,615)</u>	<u>(10,292)</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	<u><u>65,171</u></u>	<u><u>21,127</u></u>

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**SOS! SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
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Directors

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Mr Matthew Wheal

APPOINTED 11/02/2021

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On behalf of the board

Ms June Goh

Director

01/12/2021

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Accountant's Report
For The Year Ended 30 September 2021**

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We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the accounts of SOS! Special Educational Needs. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

D S Burge & Co

01/12/2021

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 30 September 2021**

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
TURNOVER		184,795	234,869
Cost of sales		(2,421)	(195)
GROSS SURPLUS		182,374	234,674
Administrative expenses		(158,168)	(152,001)
Other operating income		7,203	-
OPERATING SURPLUS		31,409	82,673
Other interest receivable and similar income		10	9
Interest payable and similar charges		(10,292)	(38,826)
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>21,127</u>	<u>43,856</u>

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Balance Sheet
As at 30 September 2021**

		2021	2020
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	4	20,207	33,919
Cash at bank and in hand		103,066	70,134
		123,273	104,053
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	5	(2,624)	(4,531)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		120,649	99,522
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		120,649	99,522
NET ASSETS		120,649	99,522
Income and Expenditure Account		120,649	99,522
MEMBERS' FUNDS		120,649	99,522

For the year ending 30 September 2021 the company 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 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 Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

On behalf of the board

Ms June Goh

Director

01/12/2021

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

SOS! Special Educational Needs Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 September 2021

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities - The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added taxes. Turnover includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services. Turnover is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Turnover from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods has transferred to the buyer. This is usually at the point that the customer has signed for the delivery of the goods.

Rendering of services

Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of a contract is measured by comparing the costs incurred for work performed to date to the total estimated contract costs. Turnover is only recognised to the extent of recoverable expenses when the outcome of a contract cannot be estimated reliably.

1.3. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Plant & Machinery	4 years
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2. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows: 5 (2020:)

3. Tangible Assets

	Plant & Machinery
	£
Cost	
As at 1 October 2020	6,057
As at 30 September 2021	6,057
Depreciation	
As at 1 October 2020	6,057
As at 30 September 2021	6,057
Net Book Value	
As at 30 September 2021	-
As at 1 October 2020	-

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For The Year Ended 30 September 2021

4. Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	170	-
Other debtors	14,373	33,919
VAT	5,664	-
	<u>20,207</u>	<u>33,919</u>

5. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other taxes and social security	551	1,212
Other creditors	2,073	3,319
	<u>2,624</u>	<u>4,531</u>

6. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

7. General Information

SOS! Special Educational Needs is a private company, limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 08634406. The registered office is 6 Ladderstile Ride, Kingston Upon Thames, Surrey, KT2 7LP.

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 30 September 2021**

	2021	2020
	£	£
TURNOVER		
Sales	184,795	234,869
COST OF SALES		
Purchases	2,421	195
	(2,421)	(195)
GROSS SURPLUS	182,374	234,674
Administrative Expenses		
Wages and salaries	110,196	112,698
Employers NI	5,668	5,054
Employers pensions - defined contributions scheme	1,025	880
Staff training	125	-
Travel and subsistence expenses	-	926
Rent	20,965	5,910
Rates	840	-
Light and heat	1,303	4,390
Repairs and maintenance	3,700	103
Cleaning	2,993	-
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	596	-
Insurance	2,188	2,387
Printing, postage and stationery	1,941	1,477
Advertising and marketing costs	50	41
Telecommunications and data costs	2,916	4,524
Accountancy fees	1,473	3,030
Legal fees	179	4,222
Consultancy fees	70	-
Subscriptions	398	-
Depreciation	-	251
Entertaining	225	-
Sundry expenses	1,317	6,108
	(158,168)	(152,001)
Other Operating Income		
Other coronavirus grant income	7,203	-
	7,203	-
OPERATING SURPLUS	31,409	82,673
Other interest receivable and similar income		
Other interest receivable	10	9
	10	9

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**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account (continued)
For The Year Ended 30 September 2021**

Interest payable and similar expenses

Bank charges	292	118
Operating leases	<u>10,000</u>	<u>38,708</u>
	<u>(10,292)</u>	<u>(38,826)</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	<u><u>21,127</u></u>	<u><u>43,856</u></u>

Accounts

Registered Company number
08634406

Registered Charity number
1153884

SOS! Special Educational Needs
(Limited by guarantee without share capital)
Report and Financial Statements

30 September 2020

SOS! Special Educational Needs Company Information

Trustees

June Goh (appointed 03 July 2020)

Abby Cotton (appointed 06 July 2020)

Penelope Bridgeland (appointed 21 July 2020)

Matthew Wheal (appointed 11 February 2021)

Secretary

Andrea Blackman (resigned 07 March 2021)

Acting Secretary: June Goh (appointed 26 March 2021)

Accountants

Haxton

Central House

124 High Street

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Middlesex

TW12 1NS

Registered office

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Surrey

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Registered number

08634406

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Registered number: 08634406
Directors' Report

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2015).

Objective and activities

Objectives and aims

SOS!SEN main objective is the relief of carers of children with special educational need within the London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames and the South of England, but not excluding other areas in England and Wales where the need arises, by the provision of information, practical assistance and advice and such other services as the trustees deem necessary with a view to meeting the educational needs of their children and improving their conditions of life.

The principal activities undertaken by the company during the year are the provision of:

1. National helpline to those who seek advice and guidance about their child's special educational needs.
2. Regional and local drop-in advice centres for monthly surgeries where parents and carers can meet volunteer experts to discuss SEN issues.
3. Workshops on specific issues faced by families with children with SEND. These workshops are aimed at empowering parents and carers to navigate the complexities of SEND procedures and processes and to support them to manage the legalities of tribunal appeals against decisions made by local authorities on behalf of their children and young people. By necessity, since March 2020, workshops have moved online and topics are presented through a series of more regular webinars that can be accessed at any time.
4. A programme of regional and local initiatives that include participation in SEND shows, contributing views to government and judicial bodies, providing support and information about SEND law and practices to parent and carer groups to empower their engagement with authorities and schools, etc.
5. A personalised advice and support service that directly assist parents letters, draft documents for tribunal appeals, and provide health checks on their children's Education, Health and Care Plans that sets out their needs and provision that has to be delivered by schools and colleges.

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Directors' Report

Trustees

The following persons served as directors during the year:

June Goh (appointed 03 July 2020)
Sarah Ghotra (appointed 12 July 2020) (resigned 06 March 2021)
Abby Cotton (appointed 06 July 2020)
Matthew Wheal (appointed 11 February 2021)
Penelope Bridgeland (appointed 21 July 2020)
Michael Blackman (appointed 12 July 2020) (resigned 07 March 2021)
Andrea Blackman (appointed 21 July 2020) (resigned 07 March 2021)
Michael Leslie Marsh (resigned 13 August 2020)
Valmai Joan Reynolds (resigned 13 August 2020)
Jane Parslow (resigned 17 July 2020)
Stuart Spinney (resigned 13 August 2020)
Cindy Lee Tiu Troop (resigned 09 August 2020)
Kevin Breach (resigned 19 August 2020)
Adam Patrick Otterway-Friel (resigned 28 June 2020)
Alexander Anthony Line (resigned 28 June 2020)
Ann Margaret Bauer (resigned 28 January 2020)
Dr Dipak Kothari (appointed 31 January 2021) (resigned 06 March 2021)

The appointment of directors and trustees is in accordance with the Article of Association of SOS!SEN.

Volunteers

SOS!SEN's operational functions have been carried out during the year by volunteers who play a major part in providing the support SOS!SEN offers. Paid employees are the full-time Coordinator, two Administrators and those who run the Charity Shops. Income from that venture directly supports the charity's funding.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

PRINCIPAL FUNDING SOURCE

SOS!SEN's funds during the year are derived solely from the following:

1. Fund-raising events
2. Donations
3. Income from its All4Kids Children's Charity Shops in Hampton Hill (since closed on 29 February 2020) and Worcester Park

Funds so raised are used to support and assist parents and carers of children with special educational needs to pursue appropriate educational provision for their child.

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Directors' Report

Investment Policy

The level of surplus funds is such that investments are not appropriated at this date.

Reserves Policy

It is the charity's policy to ensure that monies are available for any penalty should the charity seek to terminate the contract of an employee or choose to terminate the lease of any of the properties it occupies.

Financial Review

The Hampton Hill charity shop suffered a downturn in business in the year ended 30th September 2019 and failed to recover in the following 4 months. The shop was closed on 29th February 2020. Several events were planned for the spring and early summer to raise funds to replace the income lost from the shop.

With the onset of the Covid 19 pandemic and the imposition of government restrictions, the Worcester Park Charity shop was temporarily closed on 23rd March 2020, drop-in centres and workshops were cancelled and all fund raising events postponed. Loss of funding has been significant.

Alternative methods of delivering some SEN Services using telephone/skype have been substituted for the face to face sessions. To compensate for the loss of sessions held at Advices Centres, increased capacity on the telephone helpline has been tested but to date not required.

Plans for Future Periods

With the support of government grants and its loyal volunteers the Charity will continue to offer practical assistance on line and advice and guidance on its national helpline. On-line platforms have been set up to encourage donations through the crisis. There are challenging times ahead and the directors and trustees will continue to assess the plans regularly. Fundraising events will continue once normal business is resumed.

Video conferencing has been used in-house and will be further developed as an income stream.

Public Benefit

In shaping our objectives for the year and planning our activities, the directors and trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The directors and trustees do not receive fees or expenses and any costs are tightly controlled.

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Directors' Report

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Induction and training of new trustees

New members are provided with the appropriate guidance from the Charity Commission and other relevant bodies and a statement of accounts. All board members are encouraged to attend appropriate external events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

Strategic development

The charity has discussed strategy and, for practical reasons, a group of sub-committees has been established. These have some delegated powers and will report directly to the board of Trustees. There will be at least one Trustee on each sub-committee.

This report was approved by the board on 30 April 2021 and signed on its behalf.

June Goh
Directors and Trustees

SOS! Special Educational Needs Accountants' Report

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of SOS! Special Educational Needs ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (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 the Company 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.

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 the Company 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.

Haxton
Chartered Accountants

Central House
124 High Street
Hampton Hill
Middlesex
TW12 1NS

30 April 2021

**SOS! Special Educational Needs
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 30 September 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds 2019 £
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies		97,614	40,791
Charitable activities:			
Workshops		19,721	26,637
Income from other trading activities:			
Other trading activities	2	99,525	155,128
Investment income	9	9	14,003
Other income		18,009	-
Total		234,878	236,559
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Charitable activities		(191,022)	(243,439)
Total expenditure		(191,022)	(243,439)
Net income/(expenditure)		43,856	(6,880)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities		-	-
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		55,666	62,546
Total funds carried forward		99,522	55,666
Continuing operations			
All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.			

SOS! Special Educational Needs**Registered number:** 08634406**Statement of Financial Position****as at 30 September 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	-	251
Current assets			
Debtors	5	30,724	26,974
Cash at bank and in hand		73,328	41,096
		<u>104,052</u>	<u>68,070</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(4,530)	(12,655)
Net current assets		<u>99,522</u>	<u>55,415</u>
Net assets		<u>99,522</u>	<u>55,666</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds	11	99,522	55,666
Total Funds		<u>99,522</u>	<u>55,666</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2020 in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for

ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Section 386 and 387 of the Companies ACT 2006 and

preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime been delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies.

June Goh

Directors and Trustees

Approved by the board on 30 April 2021

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 September 2020

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemption

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flow

Income and endowments

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the funds and the amount can be measured reliably. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Incoming resources are received during the year and accounted for accordingly.
- Other incoming resources represents rental income received during the year and is accounted for accordingly.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery	25% straight line
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SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 September 2020

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire Purchase and leasing commitments

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

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Debtors

Other debtors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price), less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price).

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

2 Other trading activities	2020	2019
	£	£
Fundraising events	12191	4061
Shop income	83499	146193
Other income	21844	4874
	117,534	155,128

3 Staff costs	2020	2019
	Number	Number
Average number of persons employed by the company	6	7

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 September 2020

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery etc £
Cost	
At 1 October 2019	5,509
At 30 September 2020	<u>5,509</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 October 2019	5,258
Charge for the year	251
At 30 September 2020	<u>5,509</u>
Net book value	
At 30 September 2020	<u>-</u>
At 30 September 2019	<u>251</u>

5 Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Other debtors	<u>30,724</u>	<u>26,974</u>

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade creditors	416	2,544
Other taxes and social security costs	1,212	1,741
Other creditors	2,902	8,370
	<u>4,530</u>	<u>12,655</u>

7 Net income/(expenditure)

	2020 £	2019 £
Net income /(expenditure) is stated after charging /(crediting):		
Depreciation - owned assets	251	965
Other operating leases	38,903	67,268
	<u>39,154</u>	<u>68,233</u>

8 Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There are no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2020 nor for the year ended 30 September 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 September 2020 nor for the year ended 30 September 2019.

SOS! Special Educational Needs
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 September 2020

9 Investment Income	2020	2019
	£	£
Rents & interest received	9	14,003

10 Comparative for the statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted fund
	£
Income and endowments from	
Donations and legacies	40,791
Charitable activities	
Workshops	26,637
Other trading activities	155,128
Investment income	14,003
Total	236,559
Expenditure on	
Charitable activities	243,439
Total	243,439
Net income /(expenditure)	(6,880)
Reconciliation of funds	
Total funds brought forward	62,546
Total funds carried forward	55,666

11 Movement in funds

	01-Oct-19	Net movement	30-Sep-20
	£	in funds	£
		£	
Unrestricted funds			
General funds	55,666	43,856	99,522
Total funds	55,666	43,856	99,522
	Incoming	Resources	Movement
	resources	expended	in funds
	£	£	£
General fund	234,878	(191,022)	43,856
Total funds	234,878	(191,022)	43,856

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30 September 2020

12 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 September 2020.

13 Company limited by guarantee

SOS!SEN is a company limited by guarantee and accordingly does not have a share capital. Every member of the company undertakes to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charitable company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

14 Going concern

The charity's Hampton Hill All4Kids charity shop was closed on the 29th February 2020. The trustees' are considering other alternative sources of income. Consequently, the going concern basis has been adopted for the preparation of the report and financial statements.

15 Other information

SOS! Special Educational Needs is a charity limited by guarantee without share capital and incorporated in England. The registered office was changed on 31st January to:

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Kingston Upon Thames
Surrey
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