

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

**HOME-START
SURREY**

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1154913

COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 8619881

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1154913
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	8619881
DATE OF INCORPORATION	22nd July 2013
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st April 2024
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st March 2025
TRUSTEES THAT SERVED DURING THE YEAR END 31 MARCH 2025	S Limond Chair V C Williams M Parker B Thomas K Clark M A Allen Resigned May 2025 A Tann K J McGuire

OBJECTS

The stated aims and objectives are the promotion of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Home-Start charities in Surrey, in particular but not exclusively by

- (a) helping with the effective attainment of recipient charities objects; and
- (b) supporting the administration and infrastructure of the charities, in particular by co-ordinating bids and grant applications.

REGISTERED ADDRESS	Vernon House 28 West Street Farnham Surrey GU9 7DR.
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Independent Examiners Limited The Grain Store Hills Barns Appledram Lane South Chichester PO20 7EG
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 31 MARCH 2025

Structure, governance and management

Home-Start Surrey is a registered charity, no 1154913, and a registered company limited by guarantee, no 08619881 (England and Wales). It is controlled by its governing document, Memorandum and Articles of Association. Its registered office is at

Vernon House
28 West Street
Farnham Surrey GU9 7DR.

The Trustees who are also the Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006 are:

S Limond (Chair)
V C Williams
M Parker
B Thomas
K Clark
M A Allen (resigned May 2025)
A Tann
K J Mcguire

Trustees are elected by the Members or co-opted by the Trustees.

Public benefit

The Charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Activities, Aims and Objectives

The stated aims and objectives are the promotion of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Home-Start charities in Surrey, in particular but not exclusively by

- (a) helping with the effective attainment of recipient charities objects; and
- (b) supporting the administration and infrastructure of the charities, in particular by co-ordinating funding bids and grant applications.

Achievements

Achievements in 2024-2025 were that the eight local Home-Starts continue to provide free, confidential and non-judgemental support by trained volunteers to families with young children, mostly by home-visiting and running parenting and other training groups. This year the Consortium Agreement between the eight local Home-Starts was updated and signed in February 2025. Home-Start Surrey negotiates for grant from various organisations and distributes to the local Home-Starts.

The launch of the Dad Matters programme across Surrey was commenced this year, with the focus on supporting Dads with young children.

Risk

The Directors actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Directors have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

Reserves

The Directors have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Directors aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The directors will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

Financial Review

Free reserves at 31 March 2025 were £1,195 as represented by unrestricted net current assets (2024: £4,570).

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Statement of Directors' Responsibilities:

The Directors are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and which are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. 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.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business;
- d) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Directors are also responsible for the of the Directors' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the Directors' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that on the face of the report there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31st March 2025 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of the Board

Signature: Stephanie Limond
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Print Name: Stephanie Limond
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Date of approval : 18/11/2025
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts for Home-Start Surrey for the year ended 31st March 2025 set out on pages 7 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's Trustees of Home-Start Surrey (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').

Independent examiner's statement


Since Home Start Surrey'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 Association of Charity Independent Examiners, 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Home - Start Surrey 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.

Date : 20 November 2025

Signed :  FCIE

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

(Incorporating Income & Expenditure Account)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £	TOTAL 31-Mar-24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations & Legacies	3a	26,009	47,000	73,009	307,248
Other Income	3b	60	-	60	15
TOTAL INCOME		26,069	47,000	73,069	307,263
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable Activities	4a	27,024	-	27,024	307,473
Governance Costs	4b	2,420	-	2,420	1,760
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		29,444	-	29,444	309,233
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(3,375)	47,000	43,625	(1,970)
Transfer Between Funds		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(3,375)	47,000	43,625	(1,970)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total Funds Brought Forward		4,570	-	4,570	6,540
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,195	47,000	48,195	4,570

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9-13 form part of these financial statements.

HOME-START SURREY
Company Registration Number : 8619881

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2	-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Cash at Bank & in Hand	5	1,855	47,000	48,855	5,280
Debtors & Prepayments	6	-	-	-	100
Total Current Assets		1,855	47,000	48,855	5,380
Creditors: amounts due within one year	7	660	-	660	810
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,195	47,000	48,195	4,570
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		1,195	47,000	48,195	4,570
Creditors: amounts due in over one year	8	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		1,195	47,000	48,195	4,570
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		1,195	-	1,195	4,570
Restricted Funds		-	47,000	47,000	-
Total Funds		1,195	47,000	48,195	4,570

Directors' Responsibilities

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

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

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

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of all the trustees/directors

Signature: Stephanie Limond.....

Print Name: Stephanie Limond.....

Date of approval : 18/11/2025.....

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation & Assessment of Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS102)).

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statements to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and in order to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

Home-Start Surrey meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the view that the level of reserves will support the charity going forward.

The charity has opted to prepare its accounts using natural categories.

Changes to accounting estimates

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

Material prior period errors

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

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Recognition of Income

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

- the charity becomes entitled to the income;
- it is more likely than not that the Directors will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

Tax reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Government Grants

The charity has received government grants in the reporting period.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Donated goods

Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.

Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are recognised as tangible fixed assets and included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Support costs represent the cost of central functions, for example governance costs, payroll administration, information technology. Governance costs are those support costs which relate to public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Deferred income

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

Taxation

Home-Start Surrey is not registered for Value Added Tax and therefore expenditure is shown inclusive of Value Added Tax.

Home-Start Surrey is recognised as a charity by H M Revenue & Customs and therefore benefits from certain exemptions on income and gains, to the extent that they are applied for charitable purposes.

Funds

Funds held consist of:

- Unrestricted General Funds which are used for general running of the charitable company
- Designated Funds which have been ring-fenced for a specific purpose by the Trustees
- Restricted funds, the purpose of which has been specified by the donor

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

2. FIXED ASSETS

The Charity held no fixed assets during this or the previous financial year.

3. INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £	TOTAL 31-Mar-24 £
a) Donations & Legacies				
Donations & Legacies	1,009	-	1,009	1,356
Surrey Community Foundation	47,000	-	47,000	-
Surrey County Council via SCT	-	-	-	200,892
Surrey County Council (Heartlands contract)	-	-	-	80,000
St Faith	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
	73,009	-	73,009	307,248
b) Other Income				
Bank Interest Received	60	-	60	15
	60	-	60	15

4. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 31-Mar-25 £	TOTAL 31-Mar-24 £
a) Charitable Activities				
Grants Payable to Schemes				
East Surrey	3,125	-	3,125	24,061
Elmbridge	3,125	-	3,125	30,617
Epsom, Ewell & Banstead	3,125	-	3,125	37,081
Guildford	3,125	-	3,125	46,367
Runnymede & Woking	3,125	-	3,125	66,693
Spelthorne	3,125	-	3,125	39,986
Surrey Heath	3,125	-	3,125	22,233
Waverley	3,125	-	3,125	39,022
Other Charitable Activities				
Donations and Gifts	100	-	100	-
Media and Website Costs	1,924	-	1,924	1,413
	27,024	-	27,024	307,473

The charitable company provides grants as received to each of the Home-Start organisations based in Surrey.

b) Governance Costs

Legal and Professional Fees	-	-	-	13
Independent Examiner's Fee	660	-	660	630
Training Courses and Course Refreshments	1,350	-	1,350	702
Other Costs	350	-	350	350
Bank Charges and Fees	60	-	60	65
	2,420	-	2,420	1,760

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

5. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Cash at Bank and in Hand	1,855	47,000	48,855	5,280
	1,855	47,000	48,855	5,280

6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Other Debtors	-	-	-	100
	-	-	-	100

7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-25 £	Total 31-Mar-24 £
Independent Examiner's Fee	660	-	660	630
Other Creditors	-	-	-	180
	660	-	660	810

8. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The Charity held no long term liabilities during this or the previous financial year.

9. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	THIS YEAR					Balance 31-Mar-25 £
	Balance 01-Apr-24 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fixed Asset Purchase £	Transfers £	
Dad Matters Programme	-	47,000	-	-	-	47,000
	-	47,000	-	-	-	47,000

	LAST YEAR					Balance 31-Mar-24 £
	Balance 01-Apr-23 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Fixed Asset Purchase £	Transfers £	
Dad Matters Programme	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

The Dad Matters Programme restricted fund is established to support dads-to-be and dads with babies and young children.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Home-Start Surrey held no restricted or designated funds during this or the previous financial year.

CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025 £
Net Current Assets	1,195	47,000	48,195
	1,195	47,000	48,195

PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £
Net Current Assets	4,570	-	4,570
	4,570	-	4,570

11. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT ON CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The Company is Limited by Guarantee (08619881) and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission (1154913) and does not have a Share capital and has no income subject to Corporation Tax.

	2025 £	2023 £
Profit / Deficit for the financial year	43,625	(1,970)
Other Recognised Gains	-	-
	43,625	(1,970)
Balance Brought Forward	4,570	6,540
Closing Funds at 31st March 2025/(2024)	48,195	4,570

12. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

No staff were employed during this or the previous financial year.

Therefore, no staff received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2024: None).

13. TRUSTEES/DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No payments were made to Trustees or any persons connected with them during the financial year. No other material transaction took place between the charity and a Trustee or any person connected with them.