

LITTLE PEOPLE UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1161274

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-04-15

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1) THE PROMOTION AND PRESERVATION OF GOOD HEALTH AND THE RELIEF OF NEED AMONGST PEOPLE (AND THEIR FAMILIES) WITH ANY TYPE OF DWARFISM, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PROVISION OF EMOTIONAL, EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL SUPPORT.2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE SUBJECT OF DWARFISM, IN PARTICULAR NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY THE PROVISION OF AN EDUCATIONAL WEBSITE AND FORUM FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS.3) THE PROMOTION OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY:A) SEEKING TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF DISABILITY, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO DWARFISM; B) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS OF DWARFISM; AND C) CULTIVATING A SENTIMENT IN FAVOUR OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY WITH REGARD TO PEOPLE WITH DWARFISM.

Activities: HOLD TWO EVENTS EACH YEAR; WHERE WE PROVIDE AN INCLUSIVE/EQUAL SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT, OPEN TO EVERYONE AFFECTED BY DWARFISM.DESIGNED LEAFLETS, POSTERS, A WEBSITE AND VIDEOS, SHARING INFORMATION REGARDING DWARFISM AND THE PEOPLE WITHIN LITTLE PEOPLE UK.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£132,817	£103,369	-	-
2024-05-31	£90,248	£65,292	-	-
2023-05-31	£51,476	£80,354	-	-
2022-05-31	£41,250	£47,512	-	-
2021-05-31	£29,612	£32,554	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Adam Gordon Smith	Chair	2025-03-18
Annabelle Levi Davis		2025-03-18
CHARLIE MCGREAL		2025-03-18
Charlie Kingsley-Jones		2025-03-18
Charlotte Thorneycroft		2025-03-18
Danielle Marie Webb		2025-03-18
Gabriela Boyle		2025-03-18
Harrison Warwick Davis		2025-03-18
Laura Kate Smith		2025-03-18
Michelle Webb		2025-03-18
Simeon John Dyer		2025-03-18
Stuart Walker		2025-03-18

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 May 2025

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CHARITY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

for the year ended 31 May 2025

Trustees	Andrew Smith (Chair) Danielle Webb Stuart Walker Laura Smith Charlie McGreal Jayne Ansell – Resigned 04/07/2024 Michelle Webb Annabelle Davis Harrison Davis Simeon Dyer Charlie Kingsley-Jones Charlotte Thorneycroft Gabriela Boyle
Charity Registered Number	1161274
Registered Office	PO Box 1292 Peterborough PE2 2NT
Administrator	Rebecca Nuttall
Accountants	Duncan and Toplis Limited Enterprise Way Pinchbeck Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 3YR

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2025

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Little People UK (the Charity) for the year ended 31 May 2025. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. Constitution

Little People UK is governed by our constitution, adopted on 1 June 2018. This was written following the guidance of and to comply with the charity commission.

The principal object of Little People UK is to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

b. Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of Little People UK is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed, forming a committee.

It is such that there are currently 12 trustees, all of who are nominated to join the committee prior to the annual general meeting and then subsequently voted on to the committee by Little People UK members during the annual general meeting. Each trustee effectively resigns from the committee at the annual general meeting, requiring nomination and election for a subsequent term.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The charity provides new Council of Management members with an induction pack and mentoring from the Chair.

d. Organisational structure and decision making

Currently, there are 12 Trustees, including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. All decisions are put to the vote at committee meetings or via poll using email.

e. Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2025

Key objectives and priorities -

- Building a sustainable and diverse funding base.
- We aim to be an essential resource for little people, their families, friends and allied professionals.
- We offer friendship, support and advice to all little people in the UK.
- We aim to help members develop confidence, improve self-esteem and build resilience through a blend of social, educational and wellbeing activities.

Activities for achieving objectives

As per the Little People UK (LPUK) constitution, there were a few changes to the committee trustee board through 2024 at the AGM. However, these trustees are settling into their roles and developing opportunities, making new partnerships, organising annual events and attending externally organised events.

Trustee Zoom meetings

LPUK trustee meetings have continued to take place online, as it provided a convenient way for the board of trustees to meet regularly to introduce and progress a number of important projects. This method of working is proving to be exceptionally efficient in terms of time and finances and will continue for the foreseeable.

Training

Trustees continue to complete online training through High Speed Training, focusing on Data Protection, Safeguarding and Mental Wellbeing, developing skills in all these areas to ensure we can offer appropriate support, whilst also being able to signpost other professional bodies if necessary. We will be enquiring in the near future for training regarding diversity and inclusion.

Online workshops and discussion groups

Through the subscription of our Zoom account LPUK continue to provide online sessions with LPUK Book Club meeting monthly and we have regular 'Cuppa and Chat meet ups' for members throughout the year. We also include a number of themed quizzes particularly in the winter months, together with a range of LPUK Youth Group sessions. The social media groups have continued and progressed throughout the year with interaction and allowing us flexibility in providing emotional, educational and social support to our membership. Our daily social media posts have continued and further increase engagement to the wider community online.

Regional Meetings

Committee members are taking the lead in arranging Regional meet ups, to encourage wider participation throughout the membership such as an upcoming trip to London. However, Regional meet ups organised by members are becoming more and more frequent, with members organising their own events in their local area, these include a trip to a local wildlife Park and another to the local shopping/Cinema/bowling complex. LPUK are continuing to facilitate the promotion of these to allow reach to the wider membership, we are, and will continue, to encourage engagement and participation.

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Networking and collaborations

Our relationship with Peterborough Physical Disabilities Partnership Board has continued throughout the past 12 months and we hope for this to continue for the foreseeable. Further to this, in the last 12 months we have held online seminars with the RNIB, Victim Support Wales and PD Net, along with in person events including Driving Mobility Conference, Go Mobile: Wales - track event, Reggae and Riddim and Feel The Force Day, all of which we were raising awareness of dwarfism and LPUK in relation to their respective areas. We also helped create a training video for GWR regarding access to trains for people with dwarfism, we wrote an article for Kidscape highlighting areas of bullying with regards to children with dwarfism, and we also created two online campaigns one of which was for The Child Growth Foundation to help promote LPUK and the work we do and the second was for Big Cat Books to highlight the importance of dwarfism representation in literature. During Dwarfism Awareness Month in October we held a seminar at the University of South Wales, to an audience of professionals within the region who could help us share a message with a wider audience whilst also making changes to their place of work and their additional networks, to improve both the physical and emotional space for people with dwarfism.

Fundraising

A large portion of our funding comes from members, and in the last 12 months we have continued to promote the need for fundraising, encouraging members to undertake a variety of activities and opportunities. We facilitate these where we can and also share the successes of our membership when undertaking such activities. In the last 12 months we have been successful in obtaining two grants the first from National lotto community fund which was used towards the cost of our convention and the second is a three-year funding grant from children in need to go towards the cost of our Charity Admin.

Plans for the future

In the next 12 months we will be holding another online session with Victim Support Wales to highlight hate crime towards the dwarfism community, we will be holding an online session with SOS!SEN to highlight the importance of support within education, in connection to this we will also be attending a few schools to hold presentations to the students and staff. We will be attending the Parallel Lifestyle festival where a few members will be taking part in their fundraising activities, whilst volunteers will be speaking with other attendees to raise awareness. We will be attending the Go Mobile: Wales - track event again, to help members with learning to drive and adaptations, to coincide with this we will also support Driving Mobility to improve the some information within their learning modules. The Mayor of Newport has also chosen LPUK as one of their charities for the next 12 months and we will be attending a number of their meetings and events, to raise both funds and awareness. Promotional material is currently being updated to better portray the message of LPUK and be more relevant to the membership we represent today and we are currently in the process of updating our website with a new company who can offer this at a more affordable cost for LPUK. We aim for this to be achieved by the end of this year and will include continued news and information relevant to dwarfism, an updated membership system, improved online shop and be more user friendly. As with every year we are also continuing our annual events to ensure we can provide information and social opportunities for members

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Trustees' responsibilities statement

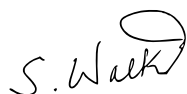
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012, and the charity's constitution.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on^{21 Nov 2025}..... and signed on their behalf by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2025

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Little People UK

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 May 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records ; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:

Dated:

Alistair Main FCA
Duncan and Toplis Limited
Enterprise Way
Pinchbeck
Spalding
Lincolnshire
PE11 3YR

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 May 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	60,741	3,021	63,762	57,235
Charitable activities	3	55,628	-	55,628	26,879
Other trading activities	4	421	-	421	1,195
Investment income	5	1,294	-	1,294	1,066
Other income	6	11,712	-	11,712	-
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		129,796	3,021	132,817	86,375
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		1,247	-	1,247	1,357
Charitable activities	7	96,369	-	96,369	59,928
Other		<u>5,753</u>	-	<u>5,753</u>	<u>5,744</u>
Total		103,369	-	103,369	67,029
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NET (EXPENDITURE)		26,427	3,021	29,448	19,346
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		56,798	33,795	90,593	71,247
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>83,225</u>	<u>36,816</u>	<u>120,041</u>	<u>90,593</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

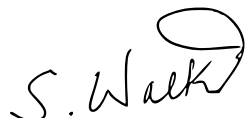
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BALANCE SHEET

at 31 May 2025

	Note	£	2025 £	£	2024 £
Current assets					
Stock		1,635		2,652	
Cash at bank		<u>120,275</u>		<u>90,303</u>	
			121,910		92,955
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
	11	<u>(1,869)</u>		<u>(2,362)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>120,041</u>		<u>90,593</u>
Net assets			<u>120,041</u>		<u>90,593</u>
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds	12		83,225		56,798
Restricted funds			<u>36,816</u>		<u>33,795</u>
Total funds			<u>120,041</u>		<u>90,593</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on ^{21 Nov 2025} and signed on their behalf, by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 May 2025

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Little People UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose principle office is in England. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the Charity's operations and principal activities are to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) issued on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

1.2 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.3 INCOME RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised at the date of the submission of the claim.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES(continued)

1.4 EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

1.5 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS RECEIVABLE / PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Debtors are recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

Creditors are recognised when the Charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event and the settlement is expected to result in an outflow of economic benefits.

1.6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.7 GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

1.8 STOCK

Valuation and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell and after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method and includes all purchase, transport, and handling costs in bringing valuation to their present location and condition.

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1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES(continued)

1.9 JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have been made in the process of applying the above accounting policies that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognized in the financial statements:

Basis of valuation of financial instruments.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Fundraiser	23,822	-	23,822	19,320
Donations	<u>36,919</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>39,940</u>	<u>37,915</u>
	<u>60,741</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>63,762</u>	<u>57,235</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Convention fees	49,232	20,446
LPUK birthday party	3,360	4,725
Membership fees	3,036	1,190
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	-	<u>518</u>
	<u>55,628</u>	<u>26,879</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Sales of merchandise	<u>421</u>	<u>1,195</u>
	<u>421</u>	<u>1,195</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,294</u>	<u>1,066</u>
	<u>1,294</u>	<u>1,066</u>

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6. OTHER INCOME

	2025 £	2024 £
Grants	11,712	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>11,712</u>	<u>-</u>

7. EXPENDITURE

	Direct costs £	Support costs (See note 8) £	Totals £
Raising funds	1,247	-	1,247
Charitable activities	96,369	-	96,369
Other	1,595	4,158	5,753
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>99,211</u>	<u>4,158</u>	<u>103,369</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Meeting expenses	-	-	-
Postage and stationery	41	-	41
Telephone	197	-	197
Insurance	-	445	445
Sundry	1,605	-	1,605
Accountancy and professional fees	<u>-</u>	<u>1,870</u>	<u>1,870</u>
	<u>1,843</u>	<u>2,315</u>	<u>4,158</u>

9. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages	23,814	21,514
Social Security	-	-
Pension	<u>527</u>	<u>419</u>
	<u>24,341</u>	<u>21,933</u>

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The average monthly number of employees during the year as follows:

2025 No	2024 No
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

10. TRUSTEES' AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration in the year (2024 - £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefits received by key management personnel is £23,807 (2024 - £22,859). The Charity consider its key management personnel comprise the Trustees as named on page 1 and the Charity's administrator.

During the year, twelve Trustees received reimbursement expenses of £362 (2024 – eight trustees received reimbursement expenses of £1,131).

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	1,220	1,150
Other creditors	102	92
Payee & NIC Creditor	547	1,120
Net wages	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>1,869</u>	<u>2,362</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried forward £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
General fund	<u>56,798</u>	<u>129,796</u>	<u>(103,369)</u>	<u>83,225</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS				
Sammy Davis fund	<u>33,795</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,816</u>

Sammy Davis Fund

This Fund will be known as Sammys Helping Hands and will be used exclusively for the younger members to provide professional alteration of School Clothing and sports kit. Also funding for School Trips and events.

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13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 £	2024 £
Net current assets	<u>83,225</u>	<u>36,816</u>	<u>120,041</u>	<u>90,593</u>
Total	<u>83,225</u>	<u>36,816</u>	<u>120,041</u>	<u>90,593</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31 May 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
<i>Donations and legacies</i>				
Fundraiser	23,822	-	23,822	19,320
Auction sales	-	-	-	-
Donations	<u>36,919</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>39,940</u>	<u>37,915</u>
	60,741	3,021	63,762	57,235
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Convention fees	49,232	-	49,232	20,446
LPUK birthday party	3,360	-	3,360	4,725
Membership fees	3,036	-	3,036	1,190
Events	-	-	-	-
Loan scheme	-	-	-	518
	<u>55,628</u>	-	<u>55,628</u>	<u>26,879</u>
<i>Other trading activities</i>				
Sales of merchandise	421	-	421	1,195
<i>Investment income:</i>				
Interest received	1,294	-	1,294	1,066
<i>Other incoming resources</i>				
	<u>11,712</u>	-	<u>11,712</u>	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>129,796</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>132,817</u>	<u>86,375</u>
PAYMENTS				
<i>Raising funds</i>				
Merchandise	230	-	230	380
Stock movement	<u>1,017</u>	-	<u>1,017</u>	<u>977</u>
	<u>1,247</u>	-	<u>1,247</u>	<u>1,357</u>
<i>Charitable activities:</i>				
Convention expenses	64,731	-	64,731	32,644
Event costs	-	-	-	-
Advertising and marketing	-	-	-	-
Hotel expenses	-	-	-	-
Mileage	312	-	312	453
Wages	23,814	-	23,814	21,514
Social Security	-	-	-	-
Birthday Party	5,864	-	5,864	4,082
Loan scheme	-	-	-	-
Pension (Nest)	527	-	527	419
Fundraising Costs	1,121	-	1,121	-
816	-	-	-	-
Web Hosting	-	-	-	-
	<u>96,369</u>	-	<u>96,369</u>	<u>59,928</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
<i>Other costs</i>				
Postage printing and stationery	119	-	118	295
Meeting expenses	-	-	-	319
Insurance	445	-	445	433
Data protection	-	-	-	-
Telephone	197	-	197	187
Justgiving	-	-	-	-
Sundry	1,605	-	1,605	1,385
Accountancy and professional fees	1,870	-	1,870	1,625
Web Cost	1,440	-	1,440	1,440
Training	78	-	78	-
Checks	<u>-</u>	-	-	<u>61</u>
	5,753	-	5,753	5,744
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>103,369</u>	-	<u>103,369</u>	<u>67,029</u>
EXCESS PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	<u>26,427</u>	<u>3,021</u>	<u>29,448</u>	<u>19,346</u>

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 May 2024

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CHARITY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
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Trustees

Andrew Smith (Chair)
Danielle Webb (Vice Chair)
Stuart Walker (Treasurer)
Laura Smith
Charlie McGreal
Jayne Ansell
Michelle Webb
Jessica Ward
Charlotte Thorneycroft
Gabriela Boyle

**Charity Registered
Number** 1161274

Registered Office PO Box 1292
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Administrator Rebecca Nuttall

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Little People UK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2024

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Little People UK (the Charity) for the year ended 31 May 2024. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. Constitution

Little People UK is governed by our constitution, adopted on 1 June 2018. This was written following the guidance of and to comply with the charity commission.

The principal object of Little People UK is to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

b. Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of Little People UK is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed, forming a committee.

It is such that there are currently 10 trustees, all of who are nominated to join the committee prior to the annual general meeting and then subsequently voted on to the committee by Little People UK members during the annual general meeting. Each trustee effectively resigns from the committee at the annual general meeting, requiring nomination and election for a subsequent term.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The charity provides new Council of Management members with an induction pack and mentoring from the Chair.

d. Organisational structure and decision making

Currently, there are 10 Trustees, including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. All decisions are put to the vote at committee meetings or via poll using email.

e. Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2024

Key objectives and priorities -

- Building a sustainable and diverse funding base.
- We aim to be an essential resource for little people, their families, friends and allied professionals.
- We offer friendship, support and advice to all little people in the UK.
- We aim to help members develop confidence, improve self-esteem and build resilience through a blend of social, educational and wellbeing activities.

Activities for achieving objectives

Little People UK have maintained with a consistent board since 2023 with trustees settling in to their roles and developing opportunities, making new partnerships and continuing tasks such as organising annual events.

Online workshops and discussion groups

We have continued our subscription of Zoom to allow us to continue to provide connection with our members outside of in-person activities. We held a few Youth Group sessions, along with continuation of LPUK Book Club. The social media groups introduced last year such as LPUK Gardening Club and LPUK Mum's Group have continued to great success. Allowing us flexibility in providing emotional, educational and social support to our membership. Our daily social media posts have continued and further increase engagement to the wider community online.

Regional Meetings

We held a regional meeting at Longleat Safari Park during April which welcomed a number of new families and allowed members from local areas to meet in a fun, relaxed environment, we have regional meet-ups arranged for the coming 12 months, and we hope to develop these even further by encouraging engagement and participation by members.

Trustee Zoom meetings

LPUK Trustee meetings have continued to take place online, as it provided a convenient way for the board of trustees to meet regularly to introduce and progress a number of important projects. This method of working is proving to be exceptionally efficient in terms of time and finances and will continue for the foreseeable.

Membership database

Our updated membership database has continued to attract new members and the information obtained is useful to determine demographics within LPUK and how we can provide support for all.

Information booklets

Developing our information books is an ongoing process and with the help of our members will be a comprehensive guide to a number of different aspects to support our members.

Training

Trustees have complete online training through High Speed Training, focusing on Data Protection, Safeguarding and Mental Wellbeing, developing skills in all these areas to ensure we can offer appropriate support, whilst also being able to signpost other professional bodies if necessary.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2024

Networking and collaborations

We have continued our relationship with Peterborough Physical Disability Partnership Board being involved in conversations regarding Hate Crime and making the physical surroundings more suitable for people with a wide range of disabilities including dwarfism. We have continued our connection with Cambridgeshire and MET Police to discuss how they can support our members in terms of Hate Crime, inviting representatives to attend our event, in connection to this we have had meetings with the UK's Disabilities Minister in Westminster to raise the profile of the issues people with dwarfism face to the government. We attended the Senedd in Wales during Dwarfism Awareness Month to hold a presentation raising awareness around dwarfism and LPUK, making connections during the session which we have developed further such as arranging to hold a seminar focused on Hate Crime and dwarfism for Victim Support Wales, informing people around dwarfism for Driving Mobility and advising Urban Circle on their disability access for their upcoming festival. We have also formed a partnership with RNIB to collaborate on a workshop around dwarfism and sight loss. Naidex was reintroduced to our network this year, where we attended the two day event and made connections with a number of organisations which we hope to work with in the future to offer more guidance and support to our members.

Fundraising

Our funding still comes solely from members, in the last 12 months we have worked hard to promote the need for fundraising and encourage members to take on opportunities, providing ideas and support, whilst also sharing those undertaking activities. We have also made a concerted effort to make more funding applications to a variety of organisations which can support a number of our projects in different ways.

Sam Davis

Sadly in March of 2024 one of our co-founders, Samantha Davis, passed away, this had a huge impact on our activities for a few months, as we gave our members and committee time to grieve and come to terms with the devastation. After this, Sam's family setup a fund 'Sammy's Helping Hands' in her honour, to allow members, supporters, friends and family to donate, this fund has been designated for the purpose of supporting our younger members, by way of providing funding for clothing alterations, school equipment, attending events and educational trips. The spending of this fund will be overseen by the family, alongside representatives from the trustee board.

Plans for the future

In the next 12 months we will be holding the aforementioned Hate Crime seminar, RNIB workshop, PD Net and Driving Mobility conference presentations, with the hope of adding to these. Developing a sustainable and diverse funding base still remains a key priority, with an annual business plan and budget forecast. Updating of our website remains a key objective for the next 12 months to raise our profile and bring in funding opportunities. We will continue developing plans for regional meetings to allow greater support more locally for our members, whilst also continuing our annual events. Further to this we will improve awareness of dwarfism within the wider community, along with our plans to work collaboratively with other dwarfism and disability charities, to support each other through projects and development into the future.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2024

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The trustees (who are also the directors of Little People UK for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

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

This report was approved by the Trustees on30 September 2024.... and signed on their behalf by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

Little People UK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2024

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Little People UK

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 May 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records ; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:



Dated: 30 September 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 May 2024

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	23,440	33,795	57,235	23,358
Charitable activities	3	26,879	-	26,879	26,210
Other trading activities	4	1,195	-	1,195	603
Investment income	5	1,066	-	1,066	486
Other income	6	-	-	-	819
		<u>52,580</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>86,375</u>	<u>51,476</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		1,357	-	1,357	125
Charitable activities	7	59,928	-	59,928	74,682
Other		<u>5,744</u>	-	<u>5,744</u>	<u>5,547</u>
Total		67,029	-	67,029	80,354
		<u>(14,449)</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>19,346</u>	<u>(28,878)</u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)					
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		71,247	-	71,247	100,125
		<u>56,798</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>90,593</u>	<u>71,247</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD					

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

LITTLE PEOPLE UK

BALANCE SHEET

at 31 May 2024

	Note	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
Current assets					
Stock		2,652		3,629	
Cash at bank		<u>90,303</u>		<u>69,283</u>	
			92,955		72,912
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
	11	<u>(2,362)</u>		<u>(1,655)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>90,593</u>		<u>71,247</u>
Net assets			<u>90,593</u>		<u>71,247</u>
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds	12		56,798		71,247
Restricted funds			<u>33,795</u>		-
Total funds			<u>90,593</u>		<u>71,247</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 30 September 2024 and signed on their behalf, by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 May 2024

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Little People UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose principle office is in England. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the Charity's operations and principal activities are to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) issued on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

1.2 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.3 INCOME RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised at the date of the submission of the claim.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES(continued)

1.4 EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

1.5 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS RECEIVABLE / PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Debtors are recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

Creditors are recognised when the Charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event and the settlement is expected to result in an outflow of economic benefits.

1.6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.7 GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

1.8 STOCK

Valuation and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell and after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method and includes all purchase, transport, and handling costs in bringing valuation to their present location and condition.

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1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES(continued)

1.9 JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have been made in the process of applying the above accounting policies that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognized in the financial statements:

Basis of valuation of financial instruments.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Fundraiser	19,320	-	19,320	18,142
Donations	<u>4,120</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>37,915</u>	<u>5,216</u>
	<u>23,440</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>57,235</u>	<u>23,358</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Convention fees	20,446	22,195
LPUK birthday party	4,725	2,885
Membership fees	1,190	490
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>518</u>	<u>640</u>
	<u>26,879</u>	<u>26,210</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Sales of merchandise	<u>1,195</u>	<u>603</u>
	<u>1,195</u>	<u>603</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,066</u>	<u>486</u>
	<u>1,066</u>	<u>486</u>

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6. OTHER INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Sundry income	-	819
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u> </u>	<u>819</u>

7. EXPENDITURE

	Direct costs	Support costs (See note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£
Raising funds	1,357	-	1,357
Charitable activities	59,928	-	59,928
Other	1,596	4,148	5,744
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>62,881</u>	<u>4,148</u>	<u>67,029</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Meeting expenses	319	-	319
Postage and stationery	199	-	199
Telephone	187	-	187
Insurance	-	433	433
Sundry	1,385	-	1,385
Accountancy and professional fees	-	1,625	1,625
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>2,090</u>	<u>2,058</u>	<u>4,148</u>

9. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages	21,514	18,354
Social Security	-	3,243
Pension	419	462
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>21,933</u>	<u>22,059</u>

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The average monthly number of employees during the year as follows:

2024 No	2023 No
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

10. TRUSTEES' AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration in the year (2023 - £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefits received by key management personnel is £22,859 (2023 - £22,059). The Charity consider its key management personnel comprise the Trustees as named on page 1 and the Charity's administrator.

During the year, eight Trustees received reimbursement expenses of £1,131 (2023 – eight trustees received reimbursement expenses of £1,074).

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals and deferred income	1,150	1,080
Other creditors	92	165
Payee & NIC Creditor	1,120	420
Net wages	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>2,362</u>	<u>1,665</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Carried forward £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
General fund	<u>71,247</u>	<u>57,519</u>	<u>(71,968)</u>	<u>56,798</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS				
Sammy Davis fund	<u>-</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,795</u>

Sammy Davis Fund

The restricted funds are in relation to the passing of the founder Sammy Davis.

This Fund will be known as Sammys Helping Hands and will be used exclusively for the younger Members to provide professional alteration of School Clothing and sports kit. Also funding for School Trips and events.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 £	2023 £
Net current assets	<u>56,798</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>90,593</u>	<u>71,247</u>
Total	<u>56,798</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>90,593</u>	<u>71,247</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31 May 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
<i>Donations and legacies</i>				
Fundraiser	19,320	-	19,320	18,142
Auction sales	-	-	-	-
Donations	<u>4,120</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>37,915</u>	<u>5,216</u>
	23,440	33,795	57,235	23,358
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Convention fees	20,446	-	20,446	22,195
LPUK birthday party	4,725	-	4,725	2,855
Membership fees	1,190	-	1,190	490
Events	-	-	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>518</u>	-	<u>518</u>	<u>640</u>
	<u>26,879</u>	-	<u>26,879</u>	<u>26,210</u>
<i>Other trading activities</i>				
Sales of merchandise	1,195	-	1,195	603
<i>Investment income:</i>				
Interest received	1,066	-	1,066	486
<i>Other incoming resources</i>				
	-	-	-	<u>819</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>52,580</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>86,375</u>	<u>51,476</u>
PAYMENTS				
<i>Raising funds</i>				
Merchandise	380	-	380	1,747
Stock movement	<u>977</u>	-	<u>977</u>	<u>(1,622)</u>
	<u>1,357</u>	-	<u>1,357</u>	<u>125</u>
<i>Charitable activities:</i>				
Convention expenses	32,644	-	32,644	46,844
Event costs	-	-	-	-
Advertising and marketing	-	-	-	-
Hotel expenses	-	-	-	-
Mileage	453	-	453	277
Wages	21,514	-	21,514	18,354
Social Security	-	-	-	3,243
Birthday Party	4,082	-	4,082	5,236
Loan scheme	-	-	-	-
Pension (Nest)	419	-	419	462
Fundraising Costs	816	-	816	-
266	-	-	-	-
Web Hosting	-	-	-	-
	<u>59,928</u>	-	<u>59,928</u>	<u>74,682</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
<i>Other costs</i>				
Postage printing and stationery	295	-	295	147
Meeting expenses	319	-	319	882
Insurance	433	-	433	593
Data protection	-	-	-	-
Telephone	187	-	187	138
Justgiving	-	-	-	-
Sundry	1,385	-	1,385	1,148
Accountancy and professional fees	1,625	-	1,625	1,080
Web Cost	1,440	-	1,440	1,444
Training	-	-	-	-
Checks	<u>61</u>	-	<u>61</u>	<u>119</u>
	5,744	-	5,744	5,547
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>67,029</u>	-	<u>67,029</u>	<u>80,354</u>
EXCESS PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	<u>(14,449)</u>	<u>33,795</u>	<u>19,346</u>	<u>(28,878)</u>

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CHARITY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

for the year ended 31 May 2023

Trustees	Andrew Smith (Chair) Stuart Walker Kay Kelly Jayne Hill Charlie McGreal Danielle Webb Laura Smith Andrew Moyes
Charity Registered Number	1161274
Registered Office	PO Box 1292 Peterborough PE2 2NT
Administrator	Rebecca Nuttall
Accountants	Duncan and Toplis Limited Enterprise Way Pinchbeck Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 3YR

Little People UK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2023

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Change of status

On 1st of June 2018 the charity converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The charity was previously an unincorporated charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. Constitution

Little People UK is governed by our constitution, adopted on 1 June 2018. This was written following the guidance of and to comply with the charity commission.

The principal object of Little People UK is to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

b. Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of Little People UK is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed, forming a committee.

It is such that there are currently 8 trustees, all of who are nominated to join the committee prior to the annual general meeting and then subsequently voted on to the committee by Little People UK members during the annual general meeting. Each trustee effectively resigns from the committee at the annual general meeting, requiring nomination and election for a subsequent term.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The charity provides new Council of Management members with an induction pack and mentoring from the Chair.

d. Organisational structure and decision making

Currently, there are 8 Trustees, including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. All decisions are put to the vote at committee meetings or via poll using email.

e. Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

Little People UK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2023

Key objectives and priorities -

- Building a sustainable and diverse funding base.
- We aim to be an essential resource for little people, their families, friends and allied professionals.
- We offer friendship, support and advice to all little people in the UK.
- We aim to help members develop confidence, improve self-esteem and build resilience through a blend of social, educational and wellbeing activities.

Activities for achieving objectives

Little People UK have seen some major changes in the trustees board over the last 12 months, however the current trustees have been quick to adapt to the new roles and positions. Taking the opportunity to develop some new online sessions, organise our two annual events and make plans for the next 12 months and beyond.

Online workshops and discussion groups

The subscription of a Zoom account has continued to provide the flexibility to connect our membership across the UK with each other in a virtual capacity. Throughout the year we have delivered weekly and monthly sessions via Zoom in order to provide emotional, educational and social support. For example: LPUK Book Club, LPUK Youth Group and LPUK Mum's Group, we have also introduced a number of social media groups such as: LPUK Gardening Club and LPUK Mum's Group, whilst developing a regular schedule of daily posts to increase engagement to the wider community online.

Regional Meetings

We held a Regional Meeting in Southend-on-Sea as a taster for how to develop such activities in the future, we had a number of new family's attend were appraised at how accessible regional meetings are.

Trustee Zoom meetings

LPUK Trustee meetings have continued to take place online, as it provided a convenient way for the board of trustees to meet regularly to introduce and progress a number of important projects. This method of working is proving to be exceptionally efficient in terms of time and finances and will continue for the foreseeable.

Membership database

After recognising that our membership database was outdated and provided little demographic information, we have developed and introduced a new membership database to gather improved information, more versatile for our needs to help secure funding and allow us to identify the areas of focus to support our members.

Information booklets

We have revisited the development of our hospital information guidebooks, with inclusion of the membership, to ensure the information we provide is accurate and up to date with the community of today. We have some work to do on these, however we have good foundations to continue the progress in the coming years.

Training

Trustees have attended training events through High Speed Training, online training sessions focusing on Data Protection, Safeguarding and Mental Wellbeing, developing skills in all these areas to ensure we can offer appropriate support, whilst also being able to signpost other professional bodies if necessary. Trustees also continued to attend sessions by NICE, to learn about the procedure by which new drugs developed would be regulated for people with dwarfism, which is currently a pertinent issue within the community.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2023

Networking and collaborations

Working online has helped us develop and form a number of connections with organisations both across the UK and worldwide, for example: we have continued our work with Peterborough Physical Disability Partnership Boards being involved in conversation regarding Hate Crime and making the physical surroundings more suitable for people with a wide range of disabilities including dwarfism. We have connected with members of MET Police to discuss how they can support our members in terms of Hate Crime, raising awareness of dwarfism and improving society opinions of people with dwarfism. We have also continued our connections with Changing Faces to support each other in the process of raising awareness of people with physical differences and promoted their workshops, which will be of benefit to our members. We have offered guidance to the tv show Hollyoaks, to support one of our members in their workplace to ensure it was a safe a comfortable environment, whilst also advising on the scripts to ensure the representation of people with dwarfism was accurate, from this we have developed a Media Guidance booklet which can be used should we get any other media enquiries of this nature.

Business Plan development

We have developed our business plan to a more structured and formal document to represent the growing organisation, focussing our plans for future and ensure this is reviewed at our monthly trustee meetings.

Fundraising

Our funding comes totally from members, since COVID there has been a huge impact on our fundraising activities. However, in the last 12 months we have worked hard to promote the need for fundraising and encourage members to take on opportunities, providing ideas and support, whilst also sharing those undertaking activities.

Plans for the future

Developing a sustainable and diverse funding base remains a key priority, with an annual business plan, budget forecast and plans for a new membership database, the board feel the future is positive. We have planned an online schedule for the LPUK Youth Group and will continue discussions to develop other groups as and when they are suitable. We also plan on developing our Regional Meetings to offer something for more members around the UK. Improving awareness of dwarfism also continues to be a priority and the Hospital Guidance project is an amazing opportunity for LPUK to raise awareness, along with our plans to work collaboratively with other dwarfism charities, along with other organisations who can support and guide us through projects and development into the future.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2023

Trustees' responsibilities statement

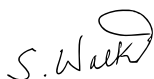
The trustees (who are also the directors of Little People UK for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

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

This report was approved by the Trustees on17/2/24..... and signed on their behalf by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

Little People UK

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2023

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Little People UK

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 May 2023 which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records ; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:

Dated: 19 February 2024



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LITTLE PEOPLE UK
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 May 2023

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2023 Total funds	20212 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	23,358	-	23,358	15,017
Charitable activities	3	26,210	-	26,210	25,146
Other trading activities	4	603	-	603	984
Investment income	5	486	-	486	7
Other income	6	819	-	819	96
		<u>51,476</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,476</u>	<u>41,250</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		125	-	125	414
Charitable activities	7	74,682	-	74,682	40,236
Other		<u>5,547</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,547</u>	<u>6,220</u>
Total		<u>80,354</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>80,354</u>	<u>46,870</u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)					
		<u>(28,878)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(28,878)</u>	<u>(5,620)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>100,125</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100,125</u>	<u>105,745</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>71,247</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>71,247</u></u>	<u><u>100,125</u></u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

at 31 May 2023

	Note	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Current assets					
Stock		3,629		2,007	
Cash at bank		<u>69,283</u>		<u>99,481</u>	
			72,912		101,488
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	<u>(1,665)</u>		<u>(1,463)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>71,247</u>		<u>100,125</u>
Net assets			<u>71,247</u>		<u>100,125</u>
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds	12		<u>71,247</u>		<u>100,125</u>
Total funds			<u>71,247</u>		<u>100,125</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf, by:

Stuart Walker, Treasurer

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 May 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Little People UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose principle office is in England. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the Charity's operations and principal activities are to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) issued on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

As of 1 June 2018, the charity has converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with all assets of the existing charity transferred to this new entity.

1.2 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.3 INCOME RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised at the date of the submission of the claim.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 May 2023

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.4 EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

1.5 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS RECEIVABLE / PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Debtors are recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

Creditors are recognised when the Charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event and the settlement is expected to result in an outflow of economic benefits.

1.6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Charity holds basic financial instruments.

Section 11.35 of FRS102 SORP 2015 for basic financial instruments requires an entity to disclose the carrying amounts of its financial assets and financial liabilities at the reporting date.

Cash at bank - is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

Liabilities - accruals will be classified as financial instruments and are measured at amortised cost.

1.7 GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

1.8 STOCK

Valuation and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell and after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method and includes all purchase, transport, and handling costs in bringing valuation to their present location and condition.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 May 2023

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.9 JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have been made in the process of applying the above accounting policies that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognized in the financial statements:

Basis of valuation of financial instruments.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraiser	18,142	11,249
Donations	5,216	3,768
	<u>23,358</u>	<u>15,017</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Convention fees	22,195	950
LPUK birthday party	2,885	21,771
Membership fees	490	20
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	640	2,405
	<u>26,210</u>	<u>25,146</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Sales of merchandise	603	984
	<u>603</u>	<u>984</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	486	7
	<u>486</u>	<u>7</u>

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For the year ended 31 May 2023

6. OTHER INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Sundry income	819	96
	<u>819</u>	<u>96</u>

7. EXPENDITURE

	Direct costs	Support costs (See note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£
Raising funds	125	-	125
Charitable activities	74,682	-	74,682
Other	1,559	3,988	5,547
	<u>76,366</u>	<u>3,988</u>	<u>80,354</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Meeting expenses	882	-	882
Postage and stationery	147	-	147
Telephone	138	-	138
Insurance	-	593	593
Data protection	-	-	-
Sundry	1,148	-	1,148
Accountancy and professional fees	-	1,080	1,080
Justgiving	-	-	-
	<u>7,315</u>	<u>1,673</u>	<u>3,988</u>

9. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages	18,354	18,084
Social Security	3,243	1,664
Pension	462	425
	<u>22,059</u>	<u>20,173</u>

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The average monthly number of employees during the year as follows:

2023	2022
No	No
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

10. TRUSTEES' AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration in the year (2022 - £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefits received by key management personnel is £22,059 (2022 - £20,173). The Charity consider its key management personnel comprise the Trustees as named on page 1 and the Charity's administrator.

During the year, eight Trustees received reimbursement expenses of £1,074 (2022 - one trustee received reimbursement expenses of £704).

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1080	990
Other creditors	165	83
Payee & NIC Creditor	420	390
Net wages	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>1,665</u>	<u>1,463</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
General fund	<u>100,125</u>	<u>51,476</u>	<u>(80,354)</u>	<u>71,247</u>

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13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023 £	2022 £
Net current assets	<u>71,247</u>	-	<u>71,247</u>	<u>71,247</u>
Total	<u>71,247</u>	-	<u>71,247</u>	<u>71,247</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31 May 2023

All unrestricted	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM		
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Fundraiser	18,142	11,249
Auction sales	-	-
Donations	<u>5,216</u>	<u>3,768</u>
	23,358	15,017
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Convention fees	22,195	950
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Events	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>640</u>	<u>2,405</u>
	<u>26,210</u>	<u>25,146</u>
<i>Other trading activities</i>		
Sales of merchandise	603	984
<i>Investment income:</i>		
Interest received	486	7
<i>Other incoming resources</i>		
	<u>819</u>	<u>96</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>51,476</u>	<u>41,250</u>
PAYMENTS		
<i>Raising funds</i>		
Merchandise	1,747	501
Stock movement	<u>(1,622)</u>	<u>(87)</u>
	<u>125</u>	<u>414</u>
<i>Charitable activities:</i>		
Convention expenses	46,844	16,033
Event costs	-	-
Advertising and marketing	-	-
Hotel expenses	-	533
Mileage	277	160
Wages	18,354	18,084
Social Security	3,243	1,664
Birthday Party	5,236	2,740
Loan scheme	-	179
Pension (Nest)	462	425
Fundraising Costs	266	
418		
Web Hosting	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>74,682</u>	<u>40,236</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES continued...

For the year ended 31 May 2023

<i>Other costs</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Postage printing and stationery	147	366
Meeting expenses	882	-
Insurance	593	560
Data protection	-	-
Telephone	138	102
Justgiving	-	-
Sundry	1,148	940
Accountancy and professional fees	1,080	1,758
Web Costs	1440	1,440
Training	-	778
Checks	<u>119</u>	<u>276</u>
	5,547	6,220
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>80,354</u>	<u>46,870</u>
EXCESS PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	<u>(28,878)</u>	<u>(5,620)</u>

LITTLE PEOPLE UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1161274

Accounts

Little People UK

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 May 2022

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CHARITY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

for the year ended 31 May 2022

Trustees

Samantha Davis (Chair)(Resigned 17/1/22)
Simeon Dyer (co-opted Acting Chair 20/2/22)
Emma Belcher (Vice Chair)
Stuart Walker (Treasurer)
Annabelle Davis (resigned 12/1/22)
Belinda Thompson
Charlie McGreal
Denise Walker (resigned 9/9/21)
Laura Smith (elected 31/8/21)
Jessica Hornsey (elected 31/8/21)
Andrew Moyes (elected 31/8/21)
Darren Todd (resigned 28/8/21)
Sarah Griffiths (resigned 28/8/21)
Colleen Ewart (resigned 10/1/22)

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Little People UK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Little People UK (the Charity) for the year ended 31 May 2022. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Change of status

On 1st of June 2018 the charity converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The charity was previously an unincorporated charity.

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The charity provides new Council of Management members with an induction pack and mentoring from the Chair.

d. Organisational structure and decision making

Currently, there are 8 Trustees, including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. All decisions are put to the vote at committee meetings or via poll using email.

e. Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

Little People UK

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...

for the year ended 31 May 2022

Annual Convention

In August 2021 we held our first event since the COVID pandemic, the emphasis was on meeting again, with elements of social and fun activities following lockdown including Science, Photobooth, children's activity room, disco, this was heavily subsidised by LPUK to ensure it was affordable for lots of members to attend. This was attended by 201 people, including 24 new members. At this event we also held our certificate giving where we acknowledged our long list of fundraisers and donors since our last Annual Convention.

Committee

At this event we held our first AGM in just under 2 years, whereby a new committee was nominated. Joining at this AGM were Laura Smith, Jess Hornsey and Andy Moyes, there was a change in vice-chair positions with Emma-Jayne Belcher and Simeon Dyer taking up a joint position. Sam Davis and Stuart Walker remained as Chair and Treasurer respectively.

During January of 2022 Sam Davis stepped down from chairperson position, Simeon Dyer was voted by the committee to take on this position in a temporary role until the next AGM (to be held Aug 2022). We would like to take this opportunity to thank Sam Davis for all the work she has put into this position creating and developing LPUK.

Due to family commitments other resignations were received from Colleen Ewart, Denise Walker and Annabelle Davis, we would also like to thank them for their support throughout the years.

Committee Development

All committee members have undertaken online Adult and Children Safeguarding Training, this will be renewed every 3 years and all new committee members will be required to take this training. This is a requirement from the Charity Commission.

A new Finance Policy was written to combine previous policies include, including; financial control, claiming expenses, fundraising and other minor policies. This provides a more consistent approach and makes reviewing easier.

LPUK has recently joined the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) and we have taken advantage of their training sessions, along with those from Foundation for Social Improvement (FSI). NCVO offer a wide range of support and advice to small charities such as ours, and have significant online resources which we have utilised.

Fundraising

In October 2021 we had two places in the London Marathon, which were transfers from the Ride London (which had been cancelled due to the pandemic) and these were taken up by average height parent members of LPUK Gareth Jenkins and Natalie Dicks who did a fantastic job completing the run, raising funds and awareness in the process. We also have one space for the 2022 London Marathon.

Meetings

We held our first in-person committee meeting in June 2021 where we discussed the event and focussed on priorities of the committee. All other meetings have continued to be conducted via Zoom.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2022

Online activities

The LPUK Book Club has been ongoing and continues to meet monthly on Zoom. We held a Christmas Party for our members on Zoom where we had a quiz, crafts, scavenger hunt and allowed the opportunity for attendees to meet virtually before the festive period.

Equipment Loan Scheme

The LPUK Equipment Loan Scheme has had negligible take up in the past 12 months and the committee have taken the decision to close this down as it is no longer viable. Remaining assets were advertised to members and the majority have been sold, at face value.

Medical developments

Many people will have seen the program with Ellie Simmonds when she was looking at the drug treatments for people with achondroplasia and we have received enquiries about it. We are keeping in contact with National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) to ensure we are keeping up to date with developments and we have been in contact with Ellie Simmonds in April/May to raise awareness and possibly work together with other organisations within the dwarfism community regarding this.

We have also started work to develop hospital booklets to raise awareness and improve the experience when people go to hospital, for both children and adults with dwarfism. Questionnaires have already been sent out for adult member and parents and we are now in the process of arranging meetings for focus groups, to develop the project further.

Outreach

The Museum project with Blackpool Council has been delayed due to the council having structural issues at the chosen site. We are picking this back up within the next few weeks. We are keen to see people with dwarfism portrayed in a positive manner, whilst telling our history.

We recently attended the Motability Big Event at the Birmingham NEC, to raise awareness of LPUK, whilst also seeking out information for our members regarding adaptations to vehicles and mobility scooters. Many connections were made, some of whom may attend our future events and promote LPUK to their clients.

In April we were contact by MP Andrew Percy, who wanted us to join in a discussion regarding improving the perception of people with dwarfism in society. We have been invited to cross party meeting to look into this further. This is a project we are excited about and we look forward to seeing how it develops.

We continued to attend the Peterborough Physical Disabilities Partnership Board and as a result of this have been invited to Hate Crime events to raise awareness, again with the aim of improving perceptions in society and reducing hate crime towards people with dwarfism.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

a. Reserves policy

A reserves policy is in place that sees the charity hold sufficient reserves to cover 2 years employment costs, convention subsidies and loan scheme costs. This equates to approximately £73,000.

b. Principal funding

The charity's principal funding source is the receipt of unrestricted donations.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

We intend to move forward with all of the projects listed above and make more grant applications to support our work. We will encourage our members to continue to fundraise and raise awareness across their communities about the work of LPUK. We are looking forward to new committee members joining us following the AGM in August and we anticipate a productive year for LPUK.

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Trustees' responsibilities statement

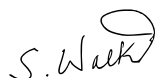
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 22 December 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2022

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Little People UK

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 May 2022 which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records [; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:

Dated: 22 December 2022



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 May 2022

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	2022 Total funds	2021 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	15,017	-	15,017	25,827
Charitable activities	3	25,146	-	25,146	955
Other trading activities	4	984	-	984	130
Investment income	5	7	-	7	31
Other income	6	<u>96</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>2,700</u>
		41,250	-	41,250	29,643
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		501	-	501	233
Charitable activities	7	40,237	-	40,881	25,958
Other		<u>6,133</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,130</u>	<u>5,393</u>
Total		46,871	-	47,512	31,584
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)		(5,621)	-	(6,262)	(1,941)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		105,745	-	105,745	107,686
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>100,124</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>99,483</u>	<u>105,745</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

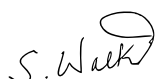
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BALANCE SHEET

at 31 May 2022

	Note	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Current assets					
Stock		2,007		1,920	
Cash at bank		<u>99,580</u>		<u>105,444</u>	
			101,487		107,364
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
	11	<u>(1,463)</u>		<u>(1,619)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>100,124</u>		<u>105,745</u>
Net assets			<u>100,124</u>		<u>105,745</u>
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds	12		<u>100,124</u>		<u>105,745</u>
Total funds			<u>100,124</u>		<u>105,745</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 22 December 2022 and signed on their behalf, by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 May 2022

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Little People UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose principle office is in England. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the Charity's operations and principal activities are to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) issued on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

As of 1 June 2018, the charity has converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with all assets of the existing charity transferred to this new entity.

1.2 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.3 INCOME RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised at the date of the submission of the claim.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 May 2022

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.4 EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

1.5 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS RECEIVABLE / PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Debtors are recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

Creditors are recognised when the Charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event and the settlement is expected to result in an outflow of economic benefits.

1.6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Charity holds basic financial instruments.

Section 11.35 of FRS102 SORP 2015 for basic financial instruments requires an entity to disclose the carrying amounts of its financial assets and financial liabilities at the reporting date.

Cash at bank - is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

Liabilities - accruals will be classified as financial instruments and are measured at amortised cost.

1.7 GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

1.8 STOCK

Valuation and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell and after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method and includes all purchase, transport, and handling costs in bringing valuation to their present location and condition.

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For the year ended 31 May 2022

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES(continued)

1.9 JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have been made in the process of applying the above accounting policies that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognized in the financial statements:

Basis of valuation of financial instruments.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fundraiser	11,249	22,841
Donations	3,768	2,986
	<u>15,017</u>	<u>25,827</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Convention fees	950	170
LPUK birthday party	21,771	-
Membership fees	20	35
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>2,405</u>	<u>750</u>
	<u>25,146</u>	<u>955</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Sales of merchandise	<u>984</u>	<u>130</u>
	<u>984</u>	<u>130</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>7</u>	<u>31</u>
	<u>7</u>	<u>31</u>

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6. OTHER INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Sundry income	96	2,700
	<u>96</u>	<u>2,700</u>

7. EXPENDITURE

	Direct costs	Support costs (See note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£
Raising funds	501	-	501
Charitable activities	40,238	-	40,238
Other	<u>2,407</u>	<u>3,726</u>	<u>6,133</u>
	<u>43,145</u>	<u>3,726</u>	<u>46,871</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Meeting expenses	-	-	-
Postage and stationery	366	-	366
Telephone	102	-	102
Insurance	-	560	560
Data protection	-	-	-
Sundry	940	-	940
Accountancy and professional fees	-	1,758	1,758
Justgiving	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,408</u>	<u>2,318</u>	<u>3,726</u>

9. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages	18,084	19,260
Social Security	1,664	1,420
Pension	<u>425</u>	<u>388</u>
	<u>20,173</u>	<u>21,068</u>

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The average monthly number of employees during the year as follows:

2022	2021
No	No
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

10. TRUSTEES' AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration in the year (2021 - £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefits received by key management personnel is £20,173 (2021 - £21,068). The Charity consider its key management personnel comprise the Trustees as named on page 1 and the Charity's administrator.

During the year, three Trustee received reimbursement expenses of £704 (2021 - one trustee received reimbursement expenses of £410).

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	990	900
Other creditors	83	75
Payee & NIC Creditor	390	644
Net wages	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>1,463</u>	<u>1,619</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
General fund	<u>105,745</u>	<u>41,250</u>	<u>(46,871)</u>	<u>100,124</u>

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13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2022 £	2021 £
Net current assets	<u>100,124</u>	-	<u>100,124</u>	<u>105,745</u>
Total	<u>100,124</u>	-	<u>100,124</u>	<u>105,745</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31 May 2022

All unrestricted	2022	2021
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM		
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Fundraiser	11,249	22,841
Auction sales	-	-
Donations	<u>3,768</u>	<u>2,986</u>
	15,017	25,827
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Convention fees	950	170
LPUK birthday party	21,771	-
Membership fees	20	35
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>2,405</u>	<u>750</u>
	<u>25,146</u>	<u>955</u>
<i>Other trading activities</i>		
Sales of merchandise	984	130
<i>Investment income:</i>		
Interest received	7	31
<i>Other incoming resources</i>		
	<u>96</u>	<u>2,700</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>41,250</u>	<u>29,643</u>
PAYMENTS		
<i>Raising funds</i>		
Merchandise	501	233
Stock	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>501</u>	<u>233</u>
<i>Charitable activities:</i>		
Convention expenses	16,033	-
Event costs	-	1,500
Advertising and marketing	-	-
Hotel expenses	534	7
Mileage	160	247
Wages	18,084	19,260
Social Security	1,664	1,420
Birthday Party	2,740	-
Loan scheme	179	928
Pension (Nest)	425	388
Fundraising Costs	418	-
Web Hosting	<u>-</u>	<u>2,208</u>
	<u>40,237</u>	<u>25,958</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES continued...

For the year ended 31 May 2022

<i>Other costs</i>	£	£
Postage printing and stationery	366	236
Meeting expenses	0	0
Insurance	560	675
Data protection	0	35
Telephone	102	97
Justgiving	0	475
Sundry	940	2,463
Accountancy and professional fees	1,758	0
Web Costs	1440	1,412
Training	778	0
Checks	276	0
Stock movement	<u>(87)</u>	<u>-</u>
	6,133	5,393
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>46,871</u>	<u>31,584</u>
EXCESS PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	<u>(5,622)</u>	<u>(1,941)</u>

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

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CHARITY REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

for the year ended 31 May 2021

Trustees

Samantha Davis, Chair
Raymond Griffiths, Vice Chair - resigned 03/03/21
Stuart Walker, Treasurer
Emma-Jayne Belcher (co-opted Co-vice Chair 12/04/21)
Denise Walker
Simeon Dyer (co-opted Co-vice Chair 12/04/21)
Colleen Ewart
Darren Todd
Annabelle Davis
Charlie McGreal
Sarah Griffiths
Belinda Thompson

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2021

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Little People UK (the Charity) for the year ended 31 May 2021. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Change of status

On 1st of June 2018 the charity converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The charity was previously an unincorporated charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. Constitution

Little People UK is governed by our constitution, adopted on 1 June 2018. This was written following the guidance of and to comply with the charity commission.

The principal object of Little People UK is to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

b. Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of Little People UK is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed, forming a committee.

It is such that there are currently 12 trustees, all of who are nominated to join the committee prior to the annual general meeting and then subsequently voted on to the committee by Little People UK members during the annual general meeting. Each trustee effectively resigns from the committee at the annual general meeting, requiring nomination and election for a subsequent term.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The charity provides new Council of Management members with an induction pack and mentoring from the Chair.

d. Organisational structure and decision making

Currently, there are 12 Trustees, including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. All decisions are put to the vote at committee meetings or via poll using email.

e. Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2021

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

a. Policies and objectives

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the charity commission relating to public benefit and in particular to its supplementary public benefit guidance on:

1. Building a sustainable and diverse funding base.
2. We aim to be an essential resource for little people, their families, friends and allied professionals.
3. We offer friendship, support and advice to all little people in the UK.
4. We aim to help members develop confidence, improve self-esteem and build resilience through a blend of social, educational and wellbeing activities.

b. Activities for achieving objectives

Little People UK have not only continued to deliver on their key objectives throughout the COVID 19 pandemic but have also developed networking opportunities which were started in previous years and we have expanded these where possible, given the current pandemic. The past year has been unexpected for all and Little People UK were quick to adapt and move lots of our activities online, where possible. We also took this opportunity to reinforce structure as an organisation, developing a robust process for the supervision, support and personal development of our charity administrator.

Members Zoom workshops and discussion groups

The subscription of a Zoom account has provided the flexibility to connect our membership across the UK with each other in a virtual capacity whilst face to face meetings have not been possible. Through the year we have delivered weekly and monthly events via Zoom in order to provide emotional, educational and social support. For example: quizzes, film club, book club, Glad Rags and Chat, wellbeing events with Tai Chi, cooking demos and art classes, Christmas party with games, mental health drop ins for tea and chatting and travel tips/advice.

Trustee Zoom meetings

It has also provided a convenient way for the board of trustees to meet regularly and progress a number of important projects and governance updates. This method of working has proved to be exceptionally efficient in terms of time and finances.

Membership database

We have recognised that our membership database is outdated and provides little demographic information, the pandemic has enabled us to research and procure a new database to address this shortfall, this database will better meet our needs, by improving the information we collate and being more versatile for our needs, we also aim to improve our membership using this new system as it will be more streamlined.

Outreach

The COVID 19 pandemic resulted in social isolation of some of our members vulnerable to health issues, to help with this we provided 'Hello' boxes (filled with mindfulness activities, hot chocolate, sweets etc) to ensure they were connected to the community. Throughout the pandemic we continued to deal with enquiries and added information and resources to our website which not only offered guidance from the government on remaining

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2021

Outreach (continued)

safe, but also focused on maintaining good mental and physical health. Throughout the pandemic we have also attracted new people due to the ease of using Zoom and enabling us to develop different activities focussing on different interest areas.

Training

Trustees have attended training events through the Foundation for Social Improvement to gain knowledge/skills for fundraising/grant application writing including focussing on the information funders require. We identified a portion of budget for additional training/professional level/use investment etc. i.e. induction for trustees etc. Trustees attended a Mental Health workshop ran by a Clinical Psychologist which developed our skills in supporting people in appropriate way in particular focussing on after the covid pandemic. Trustees also attended a training session by NICE, to learn about the procedure by which new drugs developed would be regulated for people with dwarfism, which is currently a pertinent issue within the community.

Networking and collaborations

Working online has helped us develop and form a number of connections with organisations both across the UK and worldwide, for example: we have started to develop a range of hosiery suitable for people with dwarfism in collaboration with 'Snag Tights UK', we have been in conversation with Blackpool Council to help curate a major exhibition looking back on the role of people with dwarfism in the entertainment industry. We have co-produced a training module for the Royal College of Midwives about the support medical/emotional essential for mothers giving birth to a baby with 'dwarfism'. We have continued our work with Peterborough Physical Disability Partnership Boards being involved in conversation regarding Hate Crime and making the physical surroundings more suitable for people with a wide range of disabilities including dwarfism. We have made initial connections with Over The Wall and Changing Faces to determine how we can work together to support members of the community who have physical differences. And we have developed links with Dwarf Sports Association UK (DSAUK) and Little People of America to work jointly on issues of joint interest for example new drugs trials for people with dwarfism.

Equipment Loan Scheme

We have re-evaluated the LPUK Equipment Loan Scheme; selling or disposing of some of the items which were unsuitable and outdated, allowing us to offer more items to members in need.

Business Plan development

We have developed our business plan to a more structured and formal document to represent the growing organisation, focussing our plans for future and ensure this is reviewed at our monthly trustee meetings. In connection to this we have developed a portfolio of evidence and testimonials from members about our impact for example: Polls from our online sessions/consultations allowing us to evaluate the feedback from Zoom and make changes to current sessions or add sessions where we feel a demographic may have been missing out. We have also approached our recipients of the LPUK Equipment Loan Scheme to ask for feedback about how their piece of equipment has been beneficial and the impact it has had on their lives.

Committee development

A formal guidebook has been developed to provide adequate information to newly elected trustees regarding their roles and responsibilities of being a trustee, along with consideration regarding attracting new trustees, identifying the needs of the charity and people to suite these needs, 'drop-in' sessions have been planned so the current trustees can inform potential trustees on what the role entails. Policies have been reviewed to ensure we cover all safeguarding aspects and we have planned to improve our risk assessment to make it more robust for the future.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2021

Fundraising

Our funding comes predominantly from members, with COVID having a huge impact on what activities can be undertaken, however we have adapted to move these online with a virtual hot air balloon race, online Christmas, Easter and springtime raffles, a Star Wars Collectors Facebook group held virtual auctions, live streams with donating possibilities and some members held Harry Potter marathons all to raise funds.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

a. Reserves policy

During the year the trustees agreed on a reserves policy that sees the charity hold sufficient reserves to cover 2 years employment costs, convention subsidies and loan scheme costs. This equates to approximately £73,000.

b. Principal funding

The charity's principal funding source is the receipt of unrestricted donations.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

We offer thanks to Echo Base, an online Star Wars trading group and we look to develop links with such organisations who can fundraise for us in a similar way in the future. Developing a sustainable and diverse funding base remains a key priority, with an annual business plan, budget forecast and plans for a new membership database, the board feel the future is positive. We are planning a few social and fundraising events including a masked charity ball, a relaxed in-person members event and we have secured three places in the 2021 London Marathon. With the backup of virtual events, we are confident that we can respond flexibly if any further restrictions are imposed due to COVID 19. Improving awareness of dwarfism also continues to be a priority and the project with Blackpool Council will provide an amazing opportunity for LPUK to raise awareness, along with our plans to work collaboratively with other dwarfism charities and researchers at Nottingham University, which will also provide new opportunities to build evidence for potential grants/funding.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT continued...
for the year ended 31 May 2021

Trustees' responsibilities statement

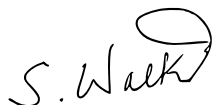
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS102);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 30 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

for the year ended 31 May 2021

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Little People UK

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 May 2021 which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records [; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:

Dated: 30 November 2021



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31 May 2021

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	25,827	-	25,827	54,725
Charitable activities	3	955	-	955	28,200
Other trading activities	4	130	-	130	503
Investment income	5	31	-	31	317
Other income	6	<u>2,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,700</u>	<u>149</u>
		29,643	-	29,643	83,884
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		233	-	233	708
Charitable activities	7	25,958	-	25,958	68,710
Other		<u>5,393</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,393</u>	<u>4,861</u>
Total		31,584	-	31,584	74,279
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)		(1,941)	-	(1,941)	9,605
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		107,686	-	107,686	98,081
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>105,745</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,745</u>	<u>107,686</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

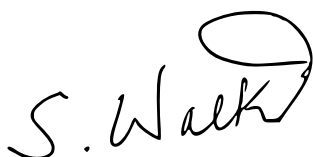
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BALANCE SHEET

at 31 May 2021

	Note	£	2021 £	£	2020 £
Current assets					
Stock		1,920		1,920	
Cash at bank		<u>105,444</u>		<u>108,355</u>	
			107,364		110,275
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	<u>(1,619)</u>		<u>(2,589)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>105,745</u>		<u>107,686</u>
Net assets			<u>105,745</u>		<u>107,686</u>
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds	12		<u>105,745</u>		<u>107,686</u>
Total funds			<u>105,745</u>		<u>107,686</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 30 November 2021 and signed on their behalf, by:



Stuart Walker, Treasurer

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 May 2021

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Little People UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose principle office is in England. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the Charity's operations and principal activities are to provide friendship and support to people with dwarfism, their families and friends, and help build a positive future for those individuals.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) issued on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

As of 1 June 2018, the charity has converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with all assets of the existing charity transferred to this new entity.

1.2 FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.3 INCOME RECOGNITION

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the Charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the Charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid is recognised at the date of the submission of the claim.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 May 2021

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.4 EXPENDITURE RECOGNITION

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

1.5 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS RECEIVABLE / PAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Debtors are recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

Creditors are recognised when the Charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event and the settlement is expected to result in an outflow of economic benefits.

1.6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Charity holds basic financial instruments.

Section 11.35 of FRS102 SORP 2015 for basic financial instruments requires an entity to disclose the carrying amounts of its financial assets and financial liabilities at the reporting date.

Cash at bank - is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

Liabilities - accruals will be classified as financial instruments and are measured at amortised cost.

1.7 GOING CONCERN

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

1.8 STOCK

Valuation and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell and after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method and includes all purchase, transport, and handling costs in bringing valuation to their present location and condition.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 May 2021

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES(continued)

1.9 JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The following judgements (apart from those involving estimates) have been made in the process of applying the above accounting policies that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognized in the financial statements:

Basis of valuation of financial instruments.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fundraiser	22,841	42,419
Donations	2,986	12,306
	<u>25,827</u>	<u>54,725</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Convention fees	170	23,998
LPUK birthday party	-	2,755
Membership fees	35	612
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>750</u>	<u>835</u>
	<u>955</u>	<u>28,200</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Sales of merchandise	<u>130</u>	<u>503</u>
	<u>130</u>	<u>503</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>31</u>	<u>317</u>
	<u>31</u>	<u>317</u>

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6. OTHER INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Sundry income	2,700	149
	<u>2,700</u>	<u>149</u>

7. EXPENDITURE

	Direct costs	Support costs (See note 8)	Totals
	£	£	£
Raising funds	233	-	233
Charitable activities	25,958		25,958
Other		5,393	5,393
	<u>26,191</u>	<u>5,393</u>	<u>31,584</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Meeting expenses	-	-	-
Postage and stationery	236	-	236
Telephone	97	-	97
Insurance	-	675	675
Data protection	-	35	35
Sundry	2,463	-	2,463
Accountancy and professional fees	-	1,412	1,412
Justgiving	475	-	475
	<u>3,271</u>	<u>2,122</u>	<u>5,393</u>

9. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages	19,260	18,129
Social Security	1,420	1,400
Pension	388	379
	<u>21,068</u>	<u>19,908</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued...

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The average monthly number of employees during the year as follows:

2021	2020
No	No
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

10. TRUSTEES' AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration in the year (2020 - £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefits received by key management personnel is £19,260 (2020 - £18,129). The Charity consider its key management personnel comprise the Trustees as named on page 1 and the Charity's administrator.

During the year, one Trustee received reimbursement expenses of £410 (2020 - ten trustees received reimbursement expenses of £4,741).

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	900	900
Other creditors	75	77
Payee & NIC Creditor	644	-
Net wages	<u>-</u>	<u>1,612</u>
Total	<u>1,619</u>	<u>2,589</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS				
General fund	<u>107,686</u>	<u>29,643</u>	<u>(31,584)</u>	<u>105,745</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 May 2021

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2021 £	2020 £
Net current assets	<u>105,745</u>	-	<u>105,745</u>	<u>107,686</u>
Total	<u>105,745</u>	-	<u>105,745</u>	<u>107,686</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

For the year ended 31 May 2021

All unrestricted	2021	2020
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM		
<i>Donations and legacies</i>		
Fundraiser	22,841	42,419
Auction sales	-	-
Donations	<u>2,986</u>	<u>12,306</u>
	25,827	54,726
<i>Charitable activities</i>		
Convention fees	170	23,988
LPUK birthday party	-	2,755
Membership fees	35	612
Events	-	-
Loan scheme	<u>750</u>	<u>835</u>
	<u>955</u>	<u>28,190</u>
<i>Other trading activities</i>		
Sales of merchandise	2,700	503
<i>Investment income:</i>		
Interest received	31	317
<i>Other incoming resources</i>		
	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>29,643</u>	<u>83,884</u>
PAYMENTS		
<i>Raising funds</i>		
Merchandise	233	707
Stock	-	<u>110</u>
	<u>233</u>	<u>817</u>
<i>Charitable activities:</i>		
Convention expenses	-	36,630
Event costs	1,500	3,752
Advertising and marketing	-	1,075
Hotel expenses	7	659
Mileage	247	1,535
Wages	19,260	18,129
Social Security	1,420	1,400
Birthday Party	-	3,496
Loan scheme	928	1,656
Pension (Nest)	388	379
Web Costs	<u>2,208</u>	-
	<u>25,958</u>	<u>68,710</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION continued...

For the year ended 31 May 2021

<i>Other costs</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Postage printing and stationery	236	297
Meeting expenses	0	0
Insurance	675	654
Data protection	35	0
Telephone	97	96
Justgiving	475	216
Sundry	2,463	2,082
Accountancy and professional fees	1,412	1,407
Card fees	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	5,393	4,752
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>31,584</u>	<u>73,462</u>
EXCESS PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS	<u>(1,941)</u>	<u>9,605</u>