

Little People UK

UNAUDITED

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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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

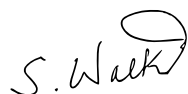
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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
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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	-
		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		5,753	-	5,753	5,744
Total		103,369	-	103,369	67,029
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
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.

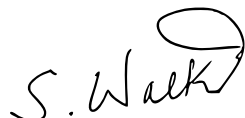
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BALANCE SHEET

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 ONEYEAR

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	-	518
	<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><u>11,712</u></u>	<u><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><u>99,211</u></u>	<u><u>4,158</u></u>	<u><u>103,369</u></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><u>1,843</u></u>	<u><u>2,315</u></u>	<u><u>4,158</u></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><u>24,341</u></u>	<u><u>21,933</u></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>