



Chairperson report AGM 2025
Talking Hands Deaf Children and Young People Service

2024-25 has been a magical year for us and all our families, reaching the Talking Hands milestone celebration. We honoured the long service of provision for Deaf families/ Deaf children and their families.

We were privileged to share the joy of the Deaf community, having people of all ages coming together sharing their culture and identities. It was an incredible opportunity for families to meet and learn that their children will ascend into adulthood with pride in their Deafness understanding that they have the same abilities as their hearing peers.

It was wonderful to see Deaf children meeting Deaf adults, watching them signing, having conversation; a rare opportunity, but with these moments will continue, promoting ambitions and positive wellbeing.

Through the year, we have seen multiple families gathering to explore fun and life skills activities. This is where children learn of their Deaf hood, share experiences with their peers and develop friendships. This is a core part of our service funded by Children in Need. We are very pleased to continue and run this service, funded once again.

During this difficult economic climate, as much as we are grateful for the continued support, it is important to recognise that it is vital to fundraise regardless of whether amounts are large, with the support of our members. We, Talking Hands wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for generous donations, fundraising and support from local businesses. This support allows us to remain in a position to provide a home for all members and children where they can come and socialise within their peers. This does not happen often for our members as the majority are in mainstream education. It is vital to continue to raise awareness of how important this charity is and that it can makes a lifetime difference for all families in different ways.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the trustees for their management and support, members for their contribution in our day-to-day services and the volunteers who are integral to keeping the charity active. With their dedication and commitment, taking time out of their busy lives, we can continue to keep our home open for everyone to gather, united. #wearefamilyTH

We look forward to another year of a service, providing a home for current and new families, with the ambition to support and stand alongside them throughout their lives, through difficult, joyous or exciting journeys, building strength and wisdom through a rainbow of emotions.

Cathie Robins- Talbot
Chairperson

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	1,570	-	-	1,570	990
Subs, tuck shop etc	1,254	-	-	1,254	1,803
Membership	73	-	-	73	
Activities	546	-	-	546	4,109
Refunds	863		-	863	
Fundraising	400		-	400	
CIN		10,000	-	10,000	10,000
		-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,706	10,000	-	14,706	16,902
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,706	10,000	-	14,706	16,902

A3 Payments

R&R, equip, craft, hire, Tuck shop supplies (Misc)	1,029	-	-	1,029	2,504
BSL	515		-	515	
Resources & printing	740			740	420
Subs & travelling				-	1645
Donations				-	
Insurance & Licence	770			770	98
CIN wages, transport, activities	-	9,051	-	9,051	10,000
	-		-	-	
	-		-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,054	9,051	-	12,105	14,667

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	3,054	9,051	-	12,105	14,667
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Net of receipts/(payments)	1,652	949	-	2,601	2,235
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,652	949	-	2,601	2,235

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

Details

Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £

Restricted
funds
to nearest £

Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B1 Cash funds

Operational cash at bank	66,207	949	-
	-		-
	-		-
	66,207	949	-
<i>Total cash funds</i>			
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Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £

Restricted
funds
to nearest £

Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details			-
	-		-
	-		-
	-		-
	-		-
	-		-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity’s own use

Play/sports equip, cameras, printer, laptop, ipads, craft equip, food/drink stock, paddleboards	general		-
		-	-
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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Helen Robins-Talbot	Helen Robins-Talbot	9th Jan 2025