

THE SIMON TRUST (AUTISM) CIO

England & Wales · Charity number 1163069

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-08-10

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS ('OBJECTS') OF THE CIO ARE:(1) TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF ADULTS WITH AUTISM AND SEVERE LEARNING DIFFICULTIES IN SURREY AND WEST SUSSEX PARTICULARLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:A) UNDERTAKING OR ASSISTING IN THE PLANNING, ESTABLISHMENT, CONSTRUCTION, PROVISION AND RUNNING OF APPROPRIATE LIVING ACCOMMODATION AND LONG-TERM ADULT LIFE CARE SERVICES FOR SUCH PERSONS.B) ASSISTING IN THE SUPPORT, CARE AND TREATMENT OF SUCH PERSONS BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF APPROPRIATE LIVING ACCOMMODATION, EQUIPMENT, FACILITIES, SERVICES, SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND PRACTICAL ADVICE.(2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN AREAS RELATING TO AUTISM.

Activities: (1) To assist in the planning, establishment, construction, provision and running of appropriate living accommodation and long-term adult life care services for vulnerable adults with autism and severe learning difficulties. (2) To advance the education of the general public in areas relating to autism.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Disability
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Surrey
- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£9,649	£12,747	-	-
2024-04-30	£20,275	£29,231	-	-
2023-04-30	£27,252	£59,788	-	-
2022-04-30	£25,185	£47,368	-	-
2021-04-30	£4,315	£21,129	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SALLY EDWINA LAWRENCE	Chair	2015-08-10
ANNETTE KATHARINE LANAGHAN		2015-08-10
ANTHONY JOHN LAWRENCE		2015-08-10
Amanda Louise Perrin		2021-07-02
GILLIAN MARY GILLARD		2015-08-10
PETER LAWRENCE		2015-08-10
Rev JAMES RICHARD WESLEY FORWARD		2024-06-10
SIMON DAVID SLATER MA OXON		2015-08-10

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CHAIR'S REPORT for the CHARITY COMMISSION

This year The Simon Trust has celebrated its 10th anniversary! It is amazing to think back to our first Trustees' meeting in September 2014, when we knew what we wanted to create but had not even found the land on which to do so. How far we have come since then! In September 2025 we had a 10th anniversary celebration, to which we invited trustees, patrons, parents and generous donors. Many of our supporters congratulated us on what we have achieved in these 10 years, but it is definitely team work and we could not have done it without the huge support we have received from so many – for which we are truly grateful.

In 2025, Linden Farm was without a permanent manager from January until June, and several key staff sadly left. However, we now have a permanent manager again, which is so important for stability, and we hope that she will be able to get staff numbers up again, especially drivers, as they have recently been in short supply.

The Simon Trust has continued to personalise and enhance Linden Farm for its residents, as we set out in our original mission. In 2025 we provided them with a table tennis table, which some of the residents are able to use. We have had a new shed for the side-by-side trike built beside the cycle track so that it could be stored there instead of in the other bike shed which was rather full. We have had extra matting installed under the trim trail, to make it safer, and have had the Sensory Room serviced and parts repaired – and gradually the staff are learning to use this facility for a wider variety of activities. And recently we were pleased to provide utensils and equipment for the fortnightly Bird Club at Linden Farm, which is run by two very creative and dedicated parents.

The Simon Trust was chosen as the Charity of the Year 2025-26 for Farnham Golf Club Ladies' and Men's Captains, and they have held several fund-raising events including "Four rounds of golf in a day", which took place on one of the hottest days of the year! And last week they presented us with a cheque for £32,000 for The Simon Trust, which is amazing. And in June 2025, the Waverley Singers gave a concert in aid of The Simon Trust, which raised £870.

The Old Barn is still boarded up because of a history of asbestos there in the past, and SCC has now offered to cap the ground so that this space can be opened up again. However, so that any possible remaining asbestos is not disturbed again, it has been agreed that the building we have been planning as a flexible space for Arts, Crafts, Music or a Gym, would be better located elsewhere at Linden Farm – and a suitable spot has been found at the top corner of the field, cycle track which we building is our fund-moment, and when that the residents and more as they

Local builders provided us with two



adjacent to the 400m provided in 2023. This raising focus at the built it will be something will benefit from more grow older.

Thakeham very kindly more Volunteer Days at

Linden Farm in 2025, which has been a huge help. Each time their team has worked really hard weeding the cycle track and flower beds and they have generally smartened up the site. The Simon Trust also paid for a gardener to come in on three days during the summer.

And finally, as always, I would like to say a huge thank you to all our trustees, for their loyalty, patience, time and thoughtful contributions to The Simon Trust whenever they are consulted. I am extremely grateful, and look forward with hope to another successful year ahead.

Sally Lawrence
Chair
The Simon Trust
9 February 2026

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Gill Gillard	elected 10 Aug 2015
Annette Lanaghan	elected 10 Aug 2015
Simon Slater	elected 10 Aug 2015
Anthony Lawrence	elected 10 Aug 2015
Amanda Perrin	elected 2 July 2021
James Forward	elected 10 June 2024

Simon Slater is also a trustee of The Matrix Trust (1081852)

Bankers

Lloyds Bank plc
Farnham Branch
PO Box 1000
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Structure, Governance and Management

Organisation and Governing Document

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered on 10 August 2015.

The Chair, reporting to the Board of Trustees, carries out day-to-day management.

The Board keeps the skill requirements for the trustee body under review.

New trustees may be sought through a dialogue with candidates in relevant sectors. The ultimate decision on selection is a matter for the Board of Trustees.

When new trustees are appointed, they are given an introduction to the work of the charity and provided with the information that they need to fulfil their roles.

Financial Controls (including Reserves and Investments) Policy

This policy covers all aspects of how the charity handles its receipts, payments and investments. It will be reviewed each year. The policy is made available to the trustees.

Trustees debate six-monthly reports on all transactions relating to and the status of, the financial position of the charity.

An independent examiner is appointed when relevant.

All data stored complies with the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

The annual report and accounts are filed in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission after approval by the trustees.

Budgets setting out future expenditure are prepared and approved by the trustees.

The bank and investment accounts are regularly reconciled. Unexpected transactions are reported to the trustees. The trustees regularly review the investment accounts to ensure an acceptable risk and suitable rates of return.

Significant payments (in excess of £50) require a proposal form and the approval of the trustees.

Donors are identified with further consideration as to tainted money. Gift Aid is claimed in a timely manner in accordance with HMRC requirements.

All assets are recorded and any valuation maintained as relevant.

Report of the Trustees (continued) for the period ended 30 April 2025
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Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The trustees are of the opinion that the reserves and known subsequent income are sufficient for at least short to medium term financial requirements.

Public benefit

The charity has due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the Simon Trust (Autism) CIO are:

- 1/ To relieve the needs of adults with autism and severe learning difficulties in Surrey and West Sussex particularly, but not exclusively, by:
 - a) undertaking or assisting in the planning, establishment, construction, provision and running of appropriate living accommodation and long-term adult life care services for such persons,
 - b) assisting in the support, care and treatment of such persons by providing equipment, facilities, services, support, education and practical advice.
- 2/ To advance the education of the general public in areas relating to autism.

Trustees Responsibility Statement. The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice: UKGAAP).

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,
- make judgements 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,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation,
- comply with the charity's governing document,
- comply with the Financial Standard for Smaller Entities (FRS 105),
- comply with the Charities Act 2022.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 2022, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2016 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.

On behalf of the Board:

Sally Lawrence
Chair

Date: 21 January 2026

Notes to the financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2025
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1/ Comparative figures.

Comparative figures relate to the previous period of twelve months.

2/ Accounting policies.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments Accounts scheme (CC16c)".

Income resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Reserves

At the end of the period, the charity had no future commitments and, therefore, the reserves are uncommitted.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds, should they become relevant, can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purpose. There were no restricted funds held at this period end.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Marketing Equipment	2 years
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3/ Voluntary Income

	2025	2024
Unrestricted donations	£6,278	£4,934
Restricted donations	nil	£12,010

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4/ Balance Sheet & Expenses Analysis

Opening Balance 1/05/2024

made up as:

Assets	Current account			£1,414
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£22,521	
		Redwood Bank	£79,942	£103,877
Liabilities				nil
				£103,877

Transactions during the year

Monies received by donation	£6,278	
<i>less</i> Expenses paid out	(£12,664)	
<i>less</i> Administration costs	(84)	
<i>add</i> Deposit interest earned	£3,371	(£3,099)

Closing Balance as at 30/04/2025

made up as:

Assets	Current account		£3,945	
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£23,534	
		Redwood Bank	£73,299	
Liabilities			nil	£100,778

5/ Investment income

Cambridge & Counties Bank (180 day) yielded £1,013 interest (2024: £928).
Redwood Bank yielded £2,358 interest (2024: £2,403)

6/ Costs of generating income	2025	2024
Fund raising expenses	£nil	£605
Depreciation	£nil	£nil

7/ Governance costs

General expenses	£84	£84
Audit	nil	nil
Professional fees	nil	nil

8/ Trustees Remuneration and benefits

There was no trustee remuneration or other benefit for the period (2024: nil).

Trustees Expenses

No trustee expenses were incurred in carrying out relevant duties during the year (2024: nil).

9/ Tangible Fixed Assets

There were no tangible fixed assets acquired or sold in the period.

10/ Debtors: Amounts falling due

There were no Debtor amounts due (2024: nil).

11/ Creditors: Amounts falling due

There were no Creditor amounts due (2024: nil).

12/ Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the period (2024: nil).

13/ Ultimate Controlling Party

Trustees have equal rights with no controlling party. Decisions are made on a majority basis.

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CHAIR'S REPORT for the period ending 30 April 2024

Linden Farm is currently “between Managers” as we wait for Choice Care to appoint a new Manager. We hope that this will be as seamless as possible, as all the severely autistic residents struggle with change.

That said, the last year has been a time of positive growth at Linden Farm. There is a good community spirit amongst Choice Care staff and young people, and the Activity Committee (run by parents) has been very busy, providing regular discos, a Bird Club and a Gardening Club. A Linden Farm Olympics Family Day was held in the summer, which was much enjoyed by all. Staff are now organising weekly Movie Nights (thanks to the large screen TV provided by The Simon Trust), weekly yoga evenings and weekly Music Nights. They also host a Communal Roast for staff and young people together, once a month. It has been lovely to see the young people beginning to be more involved at these events.

Our hopes were raised when we were offered a Royal Visit for April 2024. This would have been a chance to showcase what Surrey County Council (SCC) and The Simon Trust have achieved at Linden Farm, and an opportunity to raise the morale of the care staff. However, SCC cancelled the event at very short notice saying that the residents had not been consulted and that despite Choice Care's risk assessments, a Best Interest meeting should have taken place for each resident individually.

The Simon Trust has continued to receive donations from our loyal supporters and we have continued to provide facilities for Linden Farm as needed ... we were granted Planning Permission for the revised location of the Pergola, so this was installed beside the track in April 2024. And for seating under the Pergola we have provided two very sturdy L-shaped garden benches, as well as another one outside the Activity Centre. We paid for the two main rooms in the Activity Centre to be re-decorated, which has definitely given them a fresher look. We also bought two giant beanbags to go inside the Willow Wigwam, and a Table Tennis table for those who might be able to learn how to play. Our gifts to Linden Farm amounted to over £21,000 in the year of 2024.

In February 2024, I was invited to represent The Simon Trust at the Rotary Club of Farnham Weyside annual dinner for charities receiving donations from them. We were very grateful to be one of their chosen charities for their annual Pilgrim Marathon and Half Marathon in September 2023 and 2024.

In April 2024, Peter Lawrence (trustee) and I attended a meeting with the SCC Head of Adult Social Care, and the County Councillor responsible for Adult Social Care. We took with us a representative Surrey parent whose severely autistic adult son is still living out of county, and asked what SCC is doing about providing homes, in Surrey, for such people. They claimed that they are building several homes at the moment, but we explained that accommodation in the middle of a town, with no space and no onsite facilities, will not meet their needs. We are so grateful to have Linden Farm for our ten young people, but we are

very aware that such a site needs replicating over and over again within Surrey, for others with severe autism and complex needs.

Cranleigh School held their end of year concert in May 2024 with the theme of raising awareness of autism. Their school orchestra and choir performed a specially revised version of "Let Me Shine", a song which was originally written for Prior's Court School to perform at the Abbey Road Studios in London. Some of the Linden Farm residents attended the concert and stood on stage; this performance moved several of the school staff and audience to tears.

Cranleigh School concert was originally going to be a fund-raiser for a proposed Arts, Craft and Music Centre at Linden Farm, in place of the Old Barn. However, SCC has now boarded up the Old Barn and the area is currently out of bounds, due to asbestos still being present in the ground there. So, the future of that area is, for the moment, undecided.

Local builders Thakeham have very kindly provided Linden Farm with two Volunteer Days this year, which has been a huge help. Their team of helpers cleared rubbish, weeded flower beds, cut hedges, cleaned windows and generally tidied the site. They also helped at the allotment, which was very much appreciated too as they built raised flower beds to protect against flooding at the site.

We sent the side-by-side trike back up to Scotland to be repaired as it had been badly damaged, partly due to the fact that it is very difficult getting it in and out of the Linden Farm bike shed, which has a very high step up into it. We are looking into putting a ramp here, which will greatly help. Jorvik Trikes very kindly gave The Simon Trust another new adult trike for Linden Farm, which means the main bike shed is quite full, so we are now looking at providing a second bike shed near the track, for the bigger trikes.

In June 2024 we were delighted to welcome and elect a new trustee into The Simon Trust, namely James Forward, the new Rector at Alfold Church. He is already greatly contributing to life at Linden Farm by taking part in our Christmas, Easter and Harvest Family events.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to our trustees, our patrons and all our donors and supporters for their manifold contributions to The Simon Trust. I am truly grateful, and look forward to another positive year ahead.

Sally Lawrence
Chair
The Simon Trust
21 January 2025

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- comply with the Charities Act 2011.

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On behalf of the Board:

Sally Lawrence
Chair

Date: 21 January 2025

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	2024	2023
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Restricted donations	£12,010	£21,000

Notes to the financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2024

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4/ Balance Sheet & Expenses Analysis

Opening Balance 1/05/2023

made up as:

Assets	Current account			£23,702
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£21,593	
		Redwood Bank	£67,538	£89,131
Liabilities				nil
				£112,833

Transactions during the year

Monies received by donation	£16,944
less Expenses paid out	(£29,147)
less Administration costs	(84)
add Deposit interest earned	£3,331

Closing Balance as at 30/04/2024

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Assets	Current account		£1,414	
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£22,521	
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Liabilities			nil	£103,877

5/ Investment income

Cambridge & Counties Bank (180 day) yielded £928 interest (2023: £611).
Redwood Bank yielded £2,403 interest (2023: £1,228)

6/ Costs of generating income	2024	2023
Fund raising expenses	£605	£nil
Depreciation	£nil	£nil

7/ Governance costs

General expenses	£84	£80
Audit	nil	nil
Professional fees	nil	nil

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There was no trustee remuneration or other benefit for the period (2023: nil).

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No trustee expenses were incurred in carrying out relevant duties during the year (2023: nil).

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CHAIR'S REPORT for the period ending 30 April 2023

Linden Farm has been up and running for over four years now and I am pleased to say that there are now ten residents happily settled there. The Choice Care team is slowly growing and although they do use agency staff, there is a good core team which is important as consistency makes a huge difference to these severely autistic, vulnerable young people.

The 400-metre cycle track was finally built and we are seeing the benefits, on a daily basis, to the physical and mental health of the Linden Farm residents. The bikes and trikes are brought out and the young people cycle, walk or fly kites around the track. We installed a roundabout beside the track, primarily for one young lady who, because of her severe autism, finds it difficult to leave the site. We also bought two sturdy benches to put around the track, for those who want to sit and enjoy this outdoor space. And in June 2023 we held the official Opening of the Cycle Track at Linden Farm, attended by over 70 people including our patron Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey Michael More-Molyneux, the Mayor of Waverley, several officers from Surrey County Council, parents, trustees and many supporters including Sally Borrows of the Borrows Charitable Trust, who had donated very generously for the cycle track. And we were most honoured that Dame Stephanie Shirley CH came to give a speech, cut the ribbon and officially open the track. Refreshments were then enjoyed while a group of students from Prior's Court School played instruments and sang, and many of our guests had fun cycling around the new track.

The Simon Trust has continued to donate and provide other items as requested, to enhance the lives of the Linden Farm residents. We paid for repairs to the Sensory Room, and will do so again in due course. We have replaced the basketball ball and net, repaired staff bikes and outdoor furniture, and paid for gardeners to come and look after the communal flower beds. We bought an air conditioning unit for one young person who was suffering from a chronic skin condition, and this has helped him greatly. More recently we have bought a large screen TV to put on the wall (in a protective case, to guard against any unexpected behaviours) in the Activity Centre, so that the young people can be encouraged to watch a film with their peers, maybe on a Friday or Saturday evening.

In June 2022 The Simon Trust held an "Information Evening" in the nearby church hall, for locals to come and learn about autism and hear about the young people now living in their neighbourhood. This was hugely successful and helped build and re-affirm positive relationships between Linden Farm and the local community.

In July 2022 we installed a worktop and units to create a communal "Cookery Room" for the young people to use. We had personalised aprons made and bought bar stools, utensils and cookware and the carers have been helping the young people to make pizzas.

We were given permission by Surrey County Council to provide a 36-metre-long wooden trim trail and this has now been carved, created and installed alongside the cycle track. This provides another incentive for the young people to spend time outside, and benefits their physical and mental health.

We have also had a 3-metre-tall living willow wigwam planted in the track area, which will grow and create a fun place for the young people to go to, either by day or in the evening with fairy lights.

Surrey County Council has granted us permission to provide a pergola at Linden Farm, and we have now obtained planning permission for its installation. This will create a very useful outdoor space where the young people can do activities in hot weather, as there is virtually no shade there at the moment.

In June 2023 Peter Lawrence (trustee) and I spoke on behalf of Choice Care at The Autism Show in London, giving "A Parent's View on Supported Living". We described our son's early life, our journey in helping create Linden Farm, the shortage of provision for adults with severe autism and the need for many more "Linden Farms" around the country. Two weeks later I was interviewed by "The Guardian" for an article in their newspaper, and in August by BBC's Nikki Fox for one of their "Access All" podcasts. Our Linden Farm story then appeared on the main BBC online news, and since then we have been contacted by over 300 parents, all desperate to have a home like Linden Farm for their disabled son or daughter. As a result, we have started a campaign to help make this happen: it is wrong that after the relative "honeymoon" of education, disabled adults are either sent home to live with their ageing parents or sent to live in inappropriate care homes, often in the opposite end of the country from their families. We are working hard to raise awareness of this desperate need, and we hope that county councils will listen and respond.

Three supporters ran the Pilgrim Half Marathon in aid of The Simon Trust in September 2023 and this raised nearly £1,000. Donations keep coming in and we are so fortunate to be in the position to provide the "extra essentials" for the residents of Linden Farm. These are all things that they would not otherwise be able to have, so we are thrilled to be instrumental in helping them have a more meaningful life.

As ever, I am incredibly grateful to all our donors, supporters, and all the trustees and patrons of The Simon Trust, and of course to Choice Care who provide the 24/7 support to the young people at Linden Farm. I look forward to another positive year ahead.

Sally Lawrence
Chair
The Simon Trust
24 January 2024

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Report of the Trustees for the period ended 30 April 2023

Registered Charity Number: 1163069

Principal Address

Gairholm
Littleworth Road
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FARNHAM, Surrey. GU10 1JW

Trustees

Sally Lawrence (Chair)	elected 10 Aug 2015
Peter Lawrence	elected 10 Aug 2015
Gill Gillard	elected 10 Aug 2015
Annette Lanaghan	elected 10 Aug 2015
Simon Slater	elected 10 Aug 2015
Anthony Lawrence	elected 10 Aug 2015
Amanda Perrin	elected 2 July 2021

Simon Slater is also a trustee of The Matrix Trust (1081852)

Bankers

Lloyds Bank plc
Farnham Branch
PO Box 1000
Andover. BX1 1LT

Structure, Governance and Management

Organisation and Governance

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered on 10 August 2015.

The Chair, reporting to the Board of Trustees, carries out day-to-day management.

The Board keeps the skill requirements for the trustee body under review.

New trustees may be sought through a dialogue with candidates in relevant sectors. The ultimate decision on selection is a matter for the Board of Trustees.

When new trustees are appointed, they are given an introduction to the work of the charity and provided with the information that they need to fulfil their roles.

Financial Controls (including Reserves and Investments) Policy

This policy covers all aspects of how the charity handles its receipts, payments and investments. It will be reviewed each year. The policy is made available to the trustees.

Trustees debate six-monthly reports on all transactions relating to and the status of, the financial position of the charity.

An independent examiner is appointed when relevant.

All data stored complies with the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

The annual report and accounts are filed in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission after approval by the trustees.

Report of the Trustees (continued) for the period ended 30 April 2023

Budgets setting out future expenditure are prepared and approved by the trustees.

The bank and investment accounts are regularly reconciled. Unexpected transactions are reported to the trustees. The trustees regularly review the investment accounts to ensure an acceptable risk and suitable rates of return.

Significant payments (in excess of £50) require a proposal form and the approval of the trustees.

Donors are identified with further consideration as to tainted money. Gift Aid is claimed in a timely manner in accordance with HMRC requirements.

All assets are recorded and any valuation maintained as relevant.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The trustees are of the opinion that the reserves and known subsequent income are sufficient for at least short to medium term financial requirements.

Public benefit

The charity had due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the Simon Trust (Autism) CIO are:

1/ To relieve the needs of adults with autism and severe learning difficulties in Surrey and West Sussex particularly, but not exclusively, by:

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2/ To advance the education of the general public in areas relating to autism.

Trustees Responsibility Statement. The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice: UKGAAP).

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,
- make judgements 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,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation,
- comply with the charity's governing document,
- comply with the Financial Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE),
- comply with the Charities Act 2011.

Report of the Trustees (continued) for the period ended 30 April 2023

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 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.

On behalf of the Board:

Sally Lawrence
Chair

Date: 24 January 2024

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Notes to the financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2023

1/ Comparative figures.

Comparative figures relate to the previous period of twelve months.

2/ Accounting policies.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments Accounts scheme (CC16c)".

Income resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Reserves

At the end of the period, the charity had no future commitments and, therefore, the reserves are uncommitted.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds, should they become relevant, can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purpose.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Marketing Equipment	2 years
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3/ Voluntary Income

	2023	2022
Restricted funds	£21,000	£20,000
General donations	£4,413	£5,185

4/ Balance Sheet & Expenses Analysis

Opening Balance 1/05/2022

made up as:

Assets	Current account			£48,077
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£60,982	
		Redwood Bank	£36,310	£97,292
Liabilities				nil
				£145,369

Transactions during the year

Restricted funds	£21,000	
Unrestricted funds	£4,413	
Monies received by donation		£25,413
less Expenses paid out		(£59,708)
less Administration costs		(£80)
add Deposit interest earned		£1,839

Closing Balance as at 30/04/2023

£112,833

made up as:

Assets	Current account		£23,702	
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£21,593	
		Redwood Bank	£67,538	
Liabilities			nil	£112,833

5/ Investment income

Cambridge & Counties Bank (180 day) yielded £611 interest (2022: £824).

Redwood Bank yielded £1,228 interest (2022: £313)

6/ Costs of generating income	2023	2022
Fund raising expenses	nil	nil
Depreciation	nil	nil

7/ Governance costs

General expenses	£80	£842
Audit	nil	nil
Professional fees	nil	nil

8/ Trustees Remuneration and benefits

There was no trustee remuneration or other benefit for the period (2022: nil).

No trustee expenses were incurred in carrying out relevant duties during the year (2022: nil).

9/ Tangible Fixed Assets

There were no tangible fixed assets acquired or sold in the period.

10/ Debtors: Amounts falling due

There were no Debtor amounts due (2022: nil).

11/ Creditors: Amounts falling due

There were no Creditor amounts due (2022: nil).

12/ Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the period (2022: nil).

13/ Ultimate Controlling Party

Trustees have equal rights with no controlling party. Decisions are made on a majority basis.

The notes form part of these financial statements



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

On accounts for the y/e

30 April 2023

Charity no

1163069

Set out on pages

Pages 4 - 8

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Independent
examiner's
statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below *~~)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

14/02/2024

Name:

Mr P Robinson

Relevant
professional
qualification(s)
or body):

Fellowship of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA)

Address:

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GUILDFORD,

Surrey. GU4 7TA

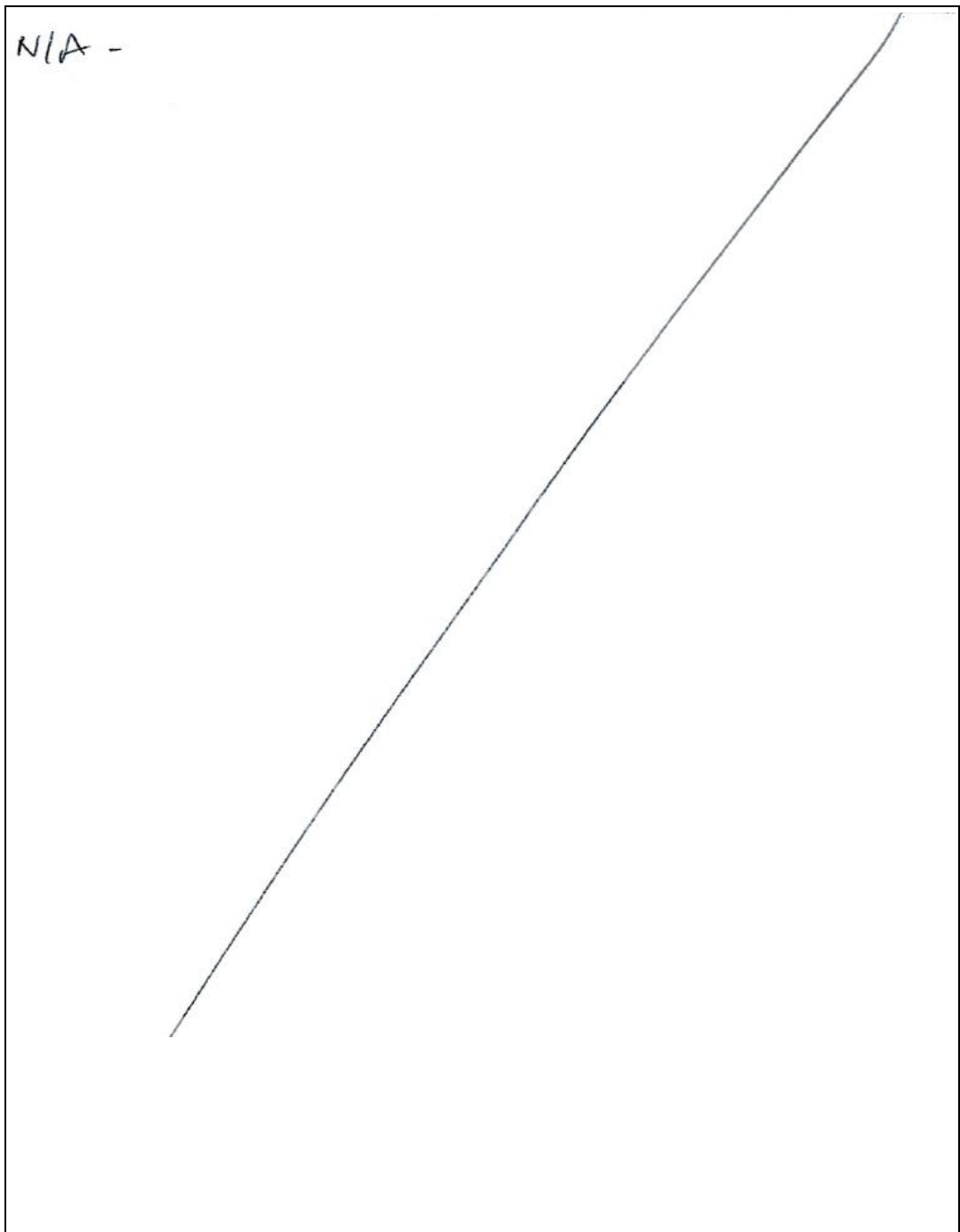
Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A -



THE SIMON TRUST (AUTISM) CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1163069

Accounts

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO
Registered Charity Number: 1163069

Report of the Trustees
for the period ended 30 April 2022

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The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

CHAIR'S REPORT for the CHARITY COMMISSION for the period ending 30 April 2022

What a relief! This year has been such a better year, thanks to the gradual lifting of COVID-19 restrictions. The young people at Linden Farm were allowed to start going out into the community again and a sense of normality was slowly beginning to reappear.

The Simon Trust continued to provide Linden Farm with facilities as and when they were needed: for example, black-out roller blinds for the activity room so that there could be film nights there in the evenings, and an oak/slate "Linden Farm" sign for the main entrance, so that visitors could find the right address. We also provided more arts and crafts materials, always useful for onsite activities.

The allotment was set up on nearby Springbok Estate and officially opened in July 2021. The Simon Trust was able to provide all the gardening equipment needed there, as well as a polytunnel, windbreak netting, plants, seeds, and a picnic bench and table. This is a fantastic new venture and is being used by almost all the young people on a weekly basis. It gives them an activity offsite which they can walk or cycle to, and it has been incredible to see the progress that each one of them has made, thanks to the expertise of the Allotment Manager Mark Sutcliffe and the Choice Care staff supporting the young people.

The Simon Trust had a very large Bike Shed installed at Linden Farm in September 2021. This not only provides storage space for the bicycles, trikes and the side-by-side bike, but also storage for outdoor furniture, gardening equipment and also a separate section for the care provider to store items.

We have continued to fulfil our original aim to "personalise and enhance Linden Farm for its residents" by providing a large stone ball as a feature for one of the flower beds, and funding an occasional gardener to lay turf around the new Bike Shed and weed some of the flower beds. We passionately

believe that staff morale will be lifted if their workplace is well cared for. We also paid for a repair and maintenance service of the wonderful Sensory Room.

The big news this year was that in April 2022, work began to install the much-awaited 400 metre cycle track on the empty field at Linden Farm! Prices had more than doubled in the two years we were waiting for permission to install the track, so we were incredibly grateful to the generosity and patience of our benefactor who donated more than half of the final cost. The track will look fantastic and having immediate access to a large, safe, enclosed area will benefit the young people's mental and physical wellbeing on a daily basis.

Our future plans include a wooden trim trail to have beside the track. We have applied to Surrey County Council for permission to install this and we await their reply.

I would like to give my heart-felt thanks to all our supporters for their valued loyalty and I look forward to another positive year ahead.

Sally Lawrence
Chair
The Simon Trust
21 January 2023

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Report of the Trustees for the period ended 30 April 2022

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Structure, Governance and Management

Organisation and Governing Document

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The Board keeps the skill requirements for the trustee body under review.

New trustees may be sought through a dialogue with candidates in relevant sectors. The ultimate decision on selection is a matter for the Board of Trustees.

When new trustees are appointed, they are given an introduction to the work of the charity and provided with the information that they need to fulfil their roles.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The trustees are of the opinion that the reserves and known subsequent income are sufficient for at least short to medium term financial requirements.

Public benefit

The charity had due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Report of the Trustees (continued) for the period ended 30 April 2022

Objectives and Activities

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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,
- make judgements 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,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation,
- comply with the charity's governing document,
- comply with the Financial Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE),
- comply with the Charities Act 2011.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 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.

On behalf of the Board:

Sally Lawrence
Chair

Date: 21 January 2023

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Notes to the financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2022

1/ Comparative figures.

Comparative figures relate to the previous period of twelve months.

2/ Accounting policies.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments Accounts scheme (CC16c)".

Income resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Reserves

At the end of the period, the charity had no future commitments and, therefore, the reserves are uncommitted.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds, should they become relevant, can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purpose. There were no restricted funds held at this period end.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Marketing Equipment	2 years
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3/ Voluntary Income	2022	2021
General donations	£25,185	£4,315

4/ Balance Sheet & Expenses Analysis

Opening Balance 1/05/2021

made up as:

Assets	Current account			£40,260
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£90,157	
		Redwood Bank	£35,998	£126,155
Liabilities				nil
				£166,415

Transactions during the year

Monies Received By Donation	£25,185
<i>less</i> Expenses paid out	(£46,526)
<i>less</i> Administration Costs	(842)
<i>add</i> Deposit Interest Earned	£1,137

Closing Balance as at 30/04/2022

made up as:

Assets	Current account		£48,077	
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£60,982	
		Redwood Bank	£36,310	
Liabilities			nil	£145,369

5/ Investment income

Cambridge & Counties Bank (180 day) yielded £824 interest (2021: £1,097).

Redwood Bank yielded £313 interest (2021: £989)

6/ Costs of generating income	2022	2021
Fund raising expenses	£nil	£nil
Depreciation	£nil	£nil

7/ Governance costs

General expenses	£842	£3,086
Audit	nil	nil
Professional fees	nil	nil

8/ Trustees Remuneration and benefits

There was no trustee remuneration or other benefit for the period (2021: nil).

Trustees Expenses

No trustee expenses were incurred in carrying out relevant duties during the year (2021: nil).

9/ Tangible Fixed Assets

There were no tangible fixed assets acquired or sold in the period.

10/ Debtors: Amounts falling due

There were no Debtor amounts due (2021: nil).

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There were no Creditor amounts due (2021: nil).

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There were no related party transactions in the period (2021: nil).

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Trustees have equal rights with no controlling party. Decisions are made on a majority basis.

The notes form part of these financial statements



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

On accounts for the y/e

30 April 2022

Charity no

1163069

Set out on pages

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent
examiner's
statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
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 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

10.02.2023

Name:

Mr P Robinson

Relevant
professional
qualification(s)
or body):

Fellowship of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA)

Address:

37 Meadowlands,

GUILDFORD,

Surrey. GU4 7TA

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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N/A

THE SIMON TRUST (AUTISM) CIO

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Accounts

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO
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Report of the Trustees
for the period ended 30 April 2021

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The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Chairman's Report

Linden Farm has now been open for nearly two years and there are eight young people living there. Three in one house, two in another and three in individual flats. A ninth person moved into one of the remaining flats as an emergency placement but will soon be moving elsewhere.

Needless to say, with the COVID-19 pandemic the last year has had many challenges. Lockdowns remained in force for many months and the young people living at Linden Farm were unable to go out into the community or see their families, their only contact with the outside world being via Skype. This was not easy for the Linden Farm residents, all of whom have severe autism as their primary diagnosis and for whom routine is hugely important.

However, the equipment and facilities provided by The Simon Trust have made a huge difference to life at Linden Farm, and we are extremely grateful that we had the resources to be able to provide things as they were needed. Over the summer of 2020 we provided picnic tables and parasols so the residents could spend time outside. We bought more Djembe drums so they could have music sessions, and more arts and craft equipment to give them another activity to do onsite. The Sensory Room has been a wonderful place to go to for sensory stimulation during downtime or for a moment of calm when needing to de-stress. And the bikes and side-by-side trike which we provided have meant that they could have some exercise, albeit largely onsite, but nevertheless hugely important for their health and wellbeing.

We are now setting up an allotment nearby to Linden Farm. The owners of the land are being very supportive of this project. It will give the young people somewhere to go each week to tend the crops and harvest the produce. We have just bought and installed a potting shed there, and will soon be providing all the other equipment needed.

We finally received planning permission for the cycle track in December 2020, but we were then told by Surrey County Council (SCC) that they needed to sort out some drainage issues on the field before we could install the track. They

have now completed this work and we have met with the new SCC Head of Estates and Property who is considering our proposed specification for the track. He is asking his legal team to prepare a document to say that after the contractor's warranty of 6 years, SCC will take over responsibility for the maintenance of the track. We have provisionally booked the contractor to install the track in Feb/March 2022. Let's keep our fingers crossed that we will at last be able to provide this much-needed facility at Linden Farm.

Once the track is installed, our next big project will be outdoor gym equipment, which we would like to install at various stages around the track. This will be massively beneficial to all the young people of Linden Farm, who need somewhere safe to exercise as part of their daily routine and to let off steam when they are having a particularly difficult moment.

I would like to thank all our supporters for their continued loyalty and I look forward to a hopefully more "normal" year ahead.

Sally Lawrence
Chair
The Simon Trust
8 February 2022

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Report of the Trustees for the period ended 30 April 2021

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Structure, Governance and Management

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Public benefit

The charity had due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Report of the Trustees (continued) for the period ended 30 April 2021

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the Simon Trust (Autism) CIO are:

1/ To relieve the needs of adults with autism and severe learning difficulties in Surrey and West Sussex particularly, but not exclusively, by:

- a) undertaking or assisting in the planning, establishment, construction, provision and running of appropriate living accommodation and long-term adult life care services for such persons,
- b) assisting in the support, care and treatment of such persons by providing or assisting in the provision of appropriate living accommodation, equipment, facilities, services, support, education and practical advice.

2/ To advance the education of the general public in areas relating to autism.

Trustees Responsibility Statement. The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice: UKGAAP).

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,
- make judgements 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,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation,
- comply with the charity's governing document,
- comply with the Financial Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE),
- comply with the Charities Act 2011.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 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.

On behalf of the Board:

Sally Lawrence

Chair

Date: 8 February 2022

The Simon Trust (Autism) CIO

Notes to the financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2021

1/ Comparative figures.

Comparative figures relate to the previous period of twelve months.

2/ Accounting policies.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments Accounts scheme (CC16c)".

Income resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Reserves

At the end of the period, the charity had no future commitments and, therefore, the reserves are uncommitted.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds, should they become relevant, can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purpose. There were no restricted funds held at this period end.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Marketing Equipment	2 years
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3/ Voluntary Income

	2021	2020
General donations	£4,315	£33,730

4/ Balance Sheet & Expenses Analysis

Opening Balance 1/05/2020

made up as:

Assets	Current account			£21,779
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£89,060	
		Redwood Bank	£85,000	£174,060
Liabilities	Sensory Room (final)			(£14,706)
				£181,133

Transactions during the year

Monies Received By Donation	£4,315
less Expenses paid out	(£33,387)
less Administration Costs	(£2,448)
add Deposit Interest Earned	£2,095

Closing Balance as at 30/04/2021 **£166,415**

made up as:

Assets	Current account		£40,260	
	Deposit accounts	Cambs & Counties	£90,157	
		Redwood Bank	£35,998	
Liabilities			nil	£166,415

5/ Investment income

Cambridge & Counties Bank (180 day) yielded £1,097 interest (2020: £1,521).

Redwood Bank yielded £998 interest (2020: £nil)

6/ Costs of generating income	2021	2020
Fund raising expenses	£nil	£nil
Depreciation	£nil	£nil

7/ Governance costs

General expenses	£260	£338
Audit	nil	nil
Professional fees	nil	nil

8/ Trustees Remuneration and benefits

There was no trustee remuneration or other benefit for the period (2020: nil).

Trustees Expenses

No trustee expenses were incurred in carrying out relevant duties during the year (2020: nil).

9/ Tangible Fixed Assets

There were no tangible fixed assets acquired or sold in the period.

10/ Debtors: Amounts falling due

There were no Debtor amounts due (2020: nil).

11/ Creditors: Amounts falling due

There were no Creditor amounts due (2020: nil).

12/ Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the period (2020: nil).

13/ Ultimate Controlling Party

Trustees have equal rights with no controlling party. Decisions are made on a majority basis.

The notes form part of these financial statements