

AIM HIGHER

England & Wales · Charity number 1169327

Details

Status Registered

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Registered 2016-09-23

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

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING SOCIAL INCLUSION AMONG CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS UP TO THE AGE OF 25 WITH AUTISTIC SPECTRUM DISORDERS (ASC) AND/OR MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY OR PARTS OF SOCIETY, AS A RESULT OF THEIR DISABILITIES BY:1. EMPOWERING FAMILIES FACING ASC AND/OR MENTAL HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BARRIERS;2. PROVIDING EDUCATION AND INFORMATIVE SUPPORT TO ENABLE MAXIMUM EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES;3. RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE ISSUES INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS UP TO THE AGE OF 25 WITH ASC AND /OR MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS IN RELATION TO THEIR EDUCATIONAL AND SOCIAL EXCLUSION;4. ADMINISTRATING WORKSHOPS, FORUMS, ADVOCACY AND GENERAL SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES AFFECTED BY ASC AND/OR MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS;5. ADMINISTRATING RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES AFFECTED BY ASC AND/OR MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS.

Activities: "Empowering neurodiverse children, young people and their families across Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire."We are dedicated to providing neurodiversity, mental health, and educational support for families of children and young people aged 0-25 years. With a special focus on autism, we strive to create an inclusive and supportive community where every individual can thrive.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- East Riding Of Yorkshire
- Kingston Upon Hull City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-01	£127,704	£122,103	-	-
2024-08-01	£96,589	£80,623	-	-
2023-08-01	£58,844	£44,646	-	-
2022-08-01	£39,432	£30,611	-	-
2021-08-01	£15,287	£8,529	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Clair Samson		2024-10-22
David Beilby		2018-12-05
Hayley Collinson		2024-11-14
Katrina Todd		2024-09-12
Scarlet Karina Leedham		2018-12-05

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Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2025
for
Aim Higher

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for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

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Report of the Trustees **for the Year Ended 31 July 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Empowering neurodiverse children, young people and their families across Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire. We support families of children and young people (0-25) with neurodiversity, mental health, and education needs. With a special focus on autism, we strive to create an inclusive and supportive community where every individual can thrive.

Significant activities

The Aim Higher Board of Trustees are satisfied that in 2024/2025:

Aim Highers' work reflected our objectives.

Our resources were professionally managed.

The sensory room we opened in 2019 in connection with Little Monkeys continued to be of use to our members. In December 2025 we were asked by a local charity that where disbanding if we could take over their events, which consisted of a soft play each month and an exclusive swimming pool session each Friday evening, we welcomed these events, and they are both going well. We also obtained funding and continued to run our weekly 0-5 group in term time at the same leisure centre, Haltemprice.

We have continued to work with local charities and groups such as East Riding Carer Parent Forum, Kids, Hull Parent Carer Forum, The Wellbeing Hub, Special Stars, Hull FC Foundation and started new connections with The Big Local on Greatfield, Blossoms and Hull KR Foundation and our local involvement with Hull College, Bishop Burton College and local schools.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

We now have 819 families registered with us. In the past financial year we had 88 drop-ins, 129 social activities, 66 school visits and awareness presentations, 2 day trips, and 6 fundraising events for families to take part in.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Grants

We are pleased to inform that we once again received a grant from the Lottery Community Fund, and grants from Hull City Council to run some healthy holidays sessions, The Brelms Trust to continue our work in local schools, Probe to run the weekly drop in sessions as part of the Big Local Greatfield initiative, a grant from the Barratt Group towards our weekly 0-5 group, a Morrisons Foundation grant towards our inclusive weekly swimming sessions and a grant from James Reckitt.

Reserves policy

Cash and deposit balances are maintained to be able to meet outgoing and grant obligations from time to time. As of 31 July 2025, the charity has adequate reserves to cover its commitments.

The charity has a reserves policy which is reviewed on an annual basis. The current reserves policy adopted by the trustees is to maintain reserves at a level which is between six months and nine months budgeted expenditure.

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Report of the Trustees **for the Year Ended 31 July 2025**

FUTURE PLANS

We have now held an inclusive festival in 2023 and 2024 and plan to hold it again in 2025. We have applied for funding to develop our work in schools throughout 2025/2026 and 2027. We are wanting to recruit more trustees and volunteers and have started on this project. We would like to work more closely with local government and build on our close relationship with Emma Hardy MP. Gill Jagger is the chair of the Hull and East Yorkshire SEND Employment Forum and Nicola Robinson is hoping to join this forum in late 2024 to increase knowledge of SEND Employment in Hull and East Yorkshire.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Aim Higher is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered with the Charity Commission from inception in September 2016 and governed by its constitution.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees Election of the Committee As per our constitution at every Annual General Meeting of our members one third of the charity trustees shall retire from office. We have had a change of trustees and chair during 2025, Mrs N Robinson, Mrs A Gray and Ms G Jagger stepped down as trustees and Mrs H Collinson, Mrs C Samson and Mrs K Todd were appointed as trustees. At the trustee meeting Mr T Simpson resigned and Mrs S Leedham was voted in as Chairperson. We have five trustees, two trustees will stand down, and can be re-elected if they are chosen and if they want to be re-elected. Any member may stand for election as a trustee. Members can elect between three and seven trustees to serve each term. The board of trustees hold a minimum of four meetings per year, either online or ideally face to face.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1169327

Principal address

18-19 Albion Street
Hull
East Yorkshire
HU1 3TG

Trustees

Ms G Jagger (resigned 1/8/2024)
Mr D Beilby
Ms S K Leedham
Ms N Robinson (resigned 14/11/2024)
Mr T Simpson (resigned 14/11/2024)
Miss A Gray (resigned 11/10/2024)
Mrs H Collinson (appointed 14/11/2024)
Mrs C Samson (appointed 22/10/2024)
Mrs K Todd (appointed 12/9/2024)

Independent Examiner

Sophie Holmes ACA FCCA
360 Accountants Limited
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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Bankers

Barclays Bank PLC
Business Direct
Leicester
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LE87 2BB

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Ms S K Leedham - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Aim Higher**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Aim Higher

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Aim Higher (the Trust) for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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.

Sophie Holmes ACA FCCA

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Date:

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31/7/25 Total funds £	31/7/24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		66,397	-	66,397	57,820
Charitable activities					
General		9,696	43,906	53,602	27,981
Other trading activities	2	7,705	-	7,705	10,788
Total		<u>83,798</u>	<u>43,906</u>	<u>127,704</u>	<u>96,589</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	73,795	7,651	81,446	67,910
Charitable activities					
General		29,064	11,593	40,657	12,713
Total		<u>102,859</u>	<u>19,244</u>	<u>122,103</u>	<u>80,623</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(19,061)	24,662	5,601	15,966
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		43,257	9,854	53,111	37,145
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>24,196</u>	<u>34,516</u>	<u>58,712</u>	<u>53,111</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 July 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31/7/25 Total funds £	31/7/24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	6	800	-	800	-
Tangible assets	7	2,563	-	2,563	2,004
		<u>3,363</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,363</u>	<u>2,004</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	1,077	-	1,077	1,692
Cash at bank and in hand		20,969	34,516	55,485	50,613
		<u>22,046</u>	<u>34,516</u>	<u>56,562</u>	<u>52,305</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,213)	-	(1,213)	(1,198)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>20,833</u>	<u>34,516</u>	<u>55,349</u>	<u>51,107</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>24,196</u>	<u>34,516</u>	<u>58,712</u>	<u>53,111</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>24,196</u>	<u>34,516</u>	<u>58,712</u>	<u>53,111</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				24,196	43,257
Restricted funds				34,516	9,854
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>58,712</u>	<u>53,111</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on
and were signed on its behalf by:

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Ms S K Leedham - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

Intangible assets

Computer software is being amortised evenly over its estimated useful life of five years.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Computer equipment - 20% on cost

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 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 purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31/7/25	31/7/24
	£	£
Sponsorships	<u>7,705</u>	<u>10,788</u>

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31/7/25	31/7/24
	£	£
Support costs	<u>24,692</u>	<u>10,404</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2025 nor for the year ended 31 July 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2025 nor for the year ended 31 July 2024.

5. STAFF COSTS

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

	31/7/25	31/7/24
Employed staff	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

6. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer software £
COST	
Additions	<u>960</u>
AMORTISATION	
Charge for year	<u>160</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 July 2025	<u>800</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>-</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 August 2024	1,229	1,924	3,153
Additions	-	1,081	1,081
	<u>1,229</u>	<u>3,005</u>	<u>4,234</u>
At 31 July 2025	1,229	3,005	4,234
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 2024	538	611	1,149
Charge for year	173	349	522
	<u>711</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>1,671</u>
At 31 July 2025	711	960	1,671
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 2025	<u>518</u>	<u>2,045</u>	<u>2,563</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>691</u>	<u>1,313</u>	<u>2,004</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/7/25 £	31/7/24 £
Trade debtors	350	1,100
Prepayments	727	592
	<u>1,077</u>	<u>1,692</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/7/25 £	31/7/24 £
Social security and other taxes	-	(2)
Other creditors	13	-
Accrued expenses	1,200	1,200
	<u>1,213</u>	<u>1,198</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/8/24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	43,257	(19,061)	24,196
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	9,854	16,500	26,354
Greatfield drop in	-	2,797	2,797
The Morrisons Foundation	-	5,365	5,365
	<u>9,854</u>	<u>24,662</u>	<u>34,516</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>53,111</u></u>	<u><u>5,601</u></u>	<u><u>58,712</u></u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	83,798	(102,859)	(19,061)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	19,800	(3,300)	16,500
The Brelms Trust	6,000	(6,000)	-
Healthy Holidays	1,916	(1,916)	-
Greatfield drop in	8,390	(5,593)	2,797
The Morrisons Foundation	7,800	(2,435)	5,365
	<u>43,906</u>	<u>(19,244)</u>	<u>24,662</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>127,704</u></u>	<u><u>(122,103)</u></u>	<u><u>5,601</u></u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/8/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,145	6,112	43,257
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	-	9,854	9,854
	<u>37,145</u>	<u>15,966</u>	<u>53,111</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>37,145</u></u>	<u><u>15,966</u></u>	<u><u>53,111</u></u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	76,881	(70,769)	6,112
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	19,708	(9,854)	9,854
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>96,589</u>	<u>(80,623)</u>	<u>15,966</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/8/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,145	(12,949)	24,196
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	-	26,354	26,354
Greatfield drop in	-	2,797	2,797
The Morrisons Foundation	-	5,365	5,365
	<u>-</u>	<u>34,516</u>	<u>34,516</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>37,145</u>	<u>21,567</u>	<u>58,712</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	160,679	(173,628)	(12,949)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	39,508	(13,154)	26,354
The Brelms Trust	6,000	(6,000)	-
Healthy Holidays	1,916	(1,916)	-
Greatfield drop in	8,390	(5,593)	2,797
The Morrisons Foundation	7,800	(2,435)	5,365
	<u>63,614</u>	<u>(29,098)</u>	<u>34,516</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>224,293</u>	<u>(202,726)</u>	<u>21,567</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Several of the trustee's have children/ dependants who utilise the services of the charity, this is at non-preferential rates.

Ms S Leedham, a trustee, provides occupational health services to beneficiaries of the charity at non-preferential rates.

Neil Hudgell Limited have sponsored the charity's annual ball where trustee, Mrs H Collinson, is an employee.

Several of the trustees family members have contributed to the charity during the year.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

	31/7/25 £	31/7/24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Dinner sales	4,623	5,101
Donations	29,960	22,040
Raffle	1,264	2,712
Charitable activities	30,550	27,967
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	66,397	57,820
Other trading activities		
Sponsorships	7,705	10,788
Charitable activities		
Grants	53,602	27,981
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Total incoming resources	127,704	96,589
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Fundraising costs	439	5,073
Event costs	55,915	52,433
Bad debts	400	-
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	56,754	57,506
Charitable activities		
Wages	37,665	11,667
Social security	3,196	773
Pensions	756	225
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	41,617	12,665
Support costs		
Management		
Rent	4,484	-
Insurance	1,068	422
Postage and stationery	146	438
Advertising	8,493	1,692
Sundries	1,902	2,932
Training	208	-
Travel and subsistence	157	1,500
Little monkeys	2,185	55
Carried forward	18,643	7,039

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2025

	31/7/25 £	31/7/24 £
Management		
Brought forward	18,643	7,039
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	160	-
	<hr/> 18,803	<hr/> 7,039
Finance		
Bank charges	581	650
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	522	494
	<hr/> 1,103	<hr/> 1,144
Human resources		
Software licences	1,874	400
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,952	1,869
	<hr/> 122,103	<hr/> 80,623
Total resources expended		
Net income	5,601	15,966
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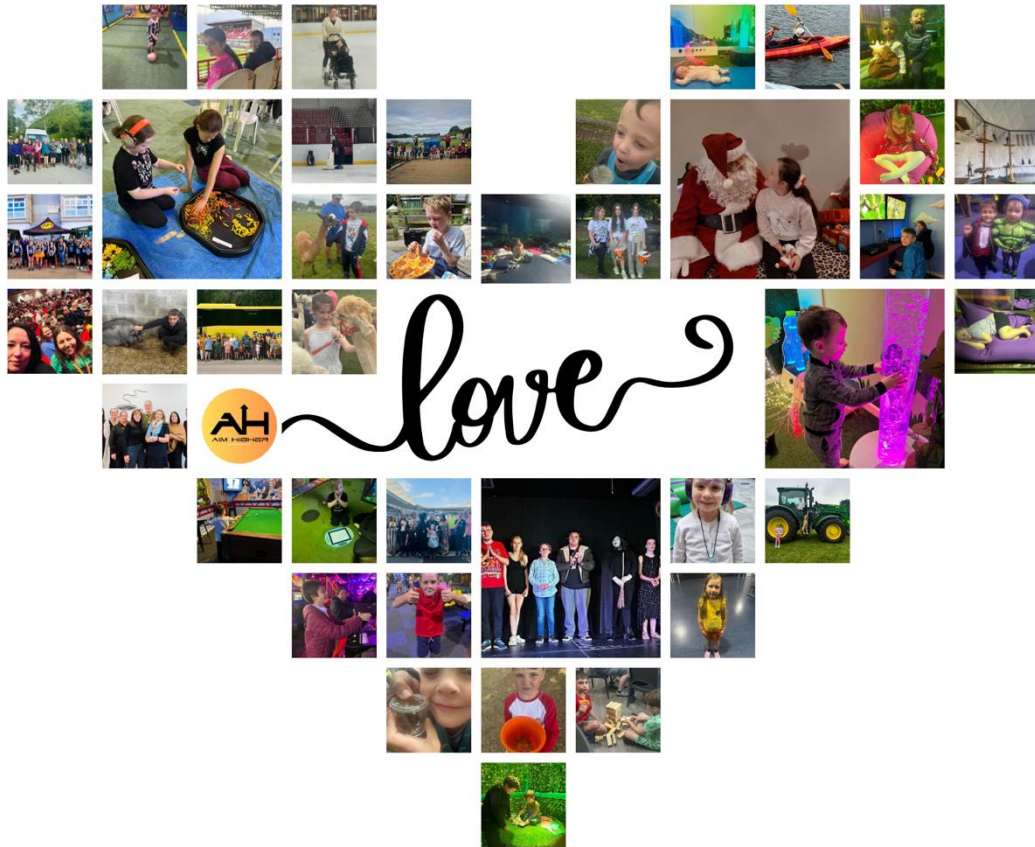
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Aim Highers' annual report and accounts 2023/24
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Nicola Robinson



Gill Jagger

History of Aim Higher

In 2016, Gill Jagger and Nicola Robinson came together to explore how support for families affected by autism, mental health issues, and other neurodivergent conditions could be made more accessible in Hull and East Yorkshire. This initiative stemmed from their firsthand experiences as parents of children diagnosed with autism at an early age. They understood the barriers and lack of support that families face and felt let down by existing services. Motivated by using their experiences, they decided to create a meaningful charity run by individuals with lived experience.

Caring for a neurodivergent child can often feel isolating. One of our primary goals is to promote social inclusion for individuals and their families while preventing social exclusion whenever possible. We aim to enhance the participation of children and young adults with autism or mental health conditions, along with their parents, caregivers, and families. This initiative focuses on addressing the social exclusion that these groups may experience due to their disabilities.

As a charity we want to provide educational and informative support that maximises learning opportunities. To raise public awareness of the challenges faced by families and individuals with autism and mental health issues, particularly regarding their educational and social exclusion.

Continued...

We appreciate the importance of administering workshops, forums, and advocacy programs, offering widespread support to empower parents and caregivers, helping them gain confidence in their roles.

We currently organise recreational activities and opportunities for children, young people, and their families coping with autism and mental health conditions.

Aim Higher assist in a variety of ways deemed appropriate by the charity trustees, including advocacy for educational needs and mental health support in crisis for individuals up to the age of 25. Additionally, we aim to support mental health and well-being for parents, caregivers, and individuals.

To guide parents and caregivers through the education, health, and social care planning processes.

To provide recreational and leisure activities focused on enhancing social skills and improving individuals' quality of life, whether they are verbal or non-verbal.

To develop activities tailored to meet individual needs that promote social inclusion whenever applicable.

Why We do it.

We love doing what we do as a group at Aim Higher for many reasons...

People often ask, “Why do we do this?” The answer is simple – we love what we do. We love making a difference and making memories and smiles with Aim Higher families.

We know what it feels like to feel alone, and we want to do all we can to stop families feeling like they are the only ones on this journey.

What Aim Higher offers

We have successfully held 228 activities which include:

Soft play
Rock up
Trampolining
Silent cinema
Inclusive Music Festival
Farm visit

Deep Aquarium Sleepover

Trips
Trampolining
Ping Pong club
Golf
Welton Waters Sports
Pantomime
Swimming
Ice skating

We currently run three support meetings a month one in Hull daytime, Beverley daytime and a Hull evening one too, this allows families from both Hull and East Yorkshire, and an evening meeting for those who cannot get to a meeting due to daytime commitments.

We are also based in the Hull Paragon interchange community hub for people to be able to drop in for a cuppa and biscuits which has been successful, this allows people to gain additional support.

We organised a trip to Alton Towers on a coach for 120 people, families were able to access the theme park knowing they were surrounded by people who were understanding and on hand if help needed this allowed the whole family to have a positive experience.

Without these opportunities that Aim Higher facilitate some families may never get to have these experiences.



Meet the trustees



Hayley collinson



Scarlet Leedham



Katrina Todd



Dave Beilby



Clair Samson

Meet the volunteers



Jayne Barker



Deborah Towse



Claire Shilito



Karen Draper

O-5 SEND playgroup

When you have a child who is on the neurodivergent pathway, it can be an anxious and lonely experience. You may find yourself avoiding activities like playgroups due to concerns about feeling judged, especially if your child is not meeting typical developmental milestones. This can leave your child at a disadvantage, as they may miss important opportunities to socially interact.

We established a weekly SEND playgroup to provide children with the opportunity to engage in learning through play and to create a safe, non-judgmental environment for parents to talk and support each other.

Each week we have on average 10 children who love to play, sing and be themselves Zoe Burke attends every week with her twins and said:

“My twin boys have attended the O-5 playgroup since it started. They absolutely love it and get excited shouting of Nicky and Gill as soon as we pull into the carpark, they can be 100% themselves here. Nicky and Gill have both taken the time to really get to know both boys and know when either of them are not themselves and need a bit of space or bit of extra love. They are always on hand for any help and advice needed, even just to listen or have a rant. Both boys are confident in going to Nicky and Gill for anything and this is massive especially with Archie as he tends to stick to me if he needs something. The group is like home for us, and we would be lost without it.”



SEND Youth Club 13-25

Once a child who is neurodivergent reaches teenage years this brings additional barriers and can become withdrawn, isolated, and may want to socialise even less so we felt the importance of organising a youth club to allow our young people to socialise in a safe non-judgemental environment especially an environment that is off high interest.

We hold the youth club at Ping Pong club which is a private area and hosts several new and old games consoles, table games and arcade machines. The building is like a Tardis with many small breaks out rooms which is perfect for young people that prefer to be alone or in a smaller group and this is why it is perfect for our young people.

Each month around 10 young people attend and sees this slowly growing.

Toni Watt's son attended the youth club before embarking on his university journey she said:

“Bobby has now got a place at Sheffield Hallam University studying acting and performance. He has had a few weeks their now and is settling in slowly, although he is coming home at weekends. I am sure that his activities like youth club with Aim Higher have helped him adapt.”



Safer Hub community space Drop In

Every Friday, we gather at the Safer Space community hub located at Paragon Interchange. This is a fully equipped space which is calm and comforting, providing support for anyone in distress or simply offering a welcoming environment for support or to simply enjoy a coffee. It has become a popular spot where people appreciate the opportunity to chat in a safe setting.

We have worked closely with TransPennine Express to utilise this space to its full potential.



Caroline who has three children who are all neurodivergent regularly visits and said:

“The Hub drop in is somewhere to share our worries from week to week or to share our positive stories from the week with people who are understanding and know what it means to have differences”.

Aim Higher and TransPennine Express work closely together to bring “Travel Training,” this is an opportunity for young people 14 + who are neurodivergent to be advised how to safely and confidently use trains to gain independent offering wider experiences.

The day sees a group of 8 young people attend the station where a member of staff will explain the process of buying a ticket and understanding the digital timetables. They will be shown how to correctly embark on the train and have a short journey to Selby train station. On return the ticket collectors come and chat to the young people where they can ask any questions and learn more about the job they do, and they will

be advised about if they feel unsafe or worried how they can report and ask for help to ensure they have a positive outcome.



Future plans

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We would like to work more closely with local government and build on our close relationship with Emma Hardy MP.

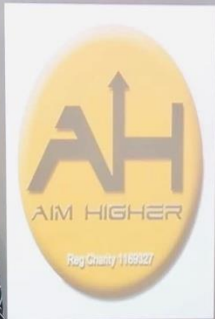
Gill Jagger is the chair of the Hull and East Yorkshire SEND Employment Forum and Nicola Robinson is hoping to join this forum in late 2024 to increase knowledge of SEND Employment in Hull and East Yorkshire.

We strive to continue to grow from strength to strength to continue to support families using our passion derived from lived experience and feels this helps families feel confident and reassured when reaching out to Aim Higher.

One of Aim Highers families, Kelly said:

“I do not think you can put it to words what Aim Higher do for our family and other families...They are amazing aim higher is the only charity that has been on our full SEN journey. They have given our family support and access to lots of fun things (Lacey's words) which we would not normally be able to do. We have made lots of memories. The best part for us is Kane, is 16 and can still access activities such as Little Monkeys, where he can be independent and make new friendships.”

Thank You JZ Flowers



Annual Ball

When the end of the year closes in, we like to offer an annual event that our parents/ carers and the local community can come together to celebrate the charity and all the achievements throughout the year. It is a time reflect and empower the next generation of events and activities.

We love to see parents/carers attend and allow themselves some time to laugh, dance whilst enjoying our hospitality for some this is the only social occasion, they will attend therefor we feel this is an important event to promote positive mental health and a chance to do something for themselves.

“Autism can be a difficult condition to explain to people who do not have first-hand experience of it. Our children do not necessarily have any visible disability, but what they all have in common is difficulty communicating and processing lots of sensory information - noise, lights, movement & people. That can mean that, sometimes, all the public sees are what looks like bad behaviour - that is not necessarily very appealing when we are looking for public support, and it can be very exhausting for family members.



Fundraising

We believe fundraising events can allow families and the wider community give back and use challenges to push down barriers and do things beyond their boundaries whilst raising money for their local charity.

Regular fundraising events completed...

150ft abseil

Hull 10k

Yorkshire Three Peaks

Family walks

Half Marathons

Sky dive



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Policies...

[Equal opportunities policy 2024](#)

[Health and Safety Policy 2024 copy](#)

[Aim Higher safeguarding children policy 2024](#)

[CONFIDENTIALITY AND DATA PROTECTION POLICY 2024](#)

[Complaints procedure 2024](#)

[Code of conduct 2024](#)

[Risk Management Policy .docx](#)

[Safeguarding Adults 2024](#)

[Aim Higher Anti-Bullying policy 2024 copy copy](#)

[Aim Higher Social Media policy 2024.docx](#)

[Volunteer Disiplinary policy and procedure 2024](#)

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2024
for
Aim Higher

360 Accountants Limited
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for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Promoting social inclusion among children and young adults with autism or mental health conditions and their parents/carers/families who are socially excluded from society, or parts of society, because of their neurodiversity by:

Providing educational and informative support that enables maximum educational opportunities.

Raising public awareness of the issues families and individuals with autism

and mental health face, in relation to their educational and social exclusion.

Administering workshops, forums, advocacy, general support and help for parents and carers to become empowered and more confident in their roles.

Arranging recreational activities and opportunities for children and young people and their families with neurodiversity.

To assist in such ways as the charity trustees think fit including advocacy for; education needs, mental health support in crisis for individuals up to the age of 25.

Also to support mental health and wellbeing for parents, carers and individuals.

To support parents and carers through the education, health and social care plan procedure.

The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social skills designed to enhance individuals' quality of life; verbal or non-verbal.

Providing activities to meet individual need to promote social inclusion; where applicable.

To act as a resource for parents, carers and young people up to the age of 25 by providing support as means of:

Encouraging advancement in life and helping young people with employment.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

The Aim Higher Board of Trustees are satisfied that in 2023/2024;

Our work reflected our objectives.

Our resources were professionally managed.

The sensory room we opened in 2019 in conjunction with Little Monkeys continued to be of a free benefit to our members and their families and we have now further fundraised to open an indoor sensory garden at the same location, which we use for our SEN 0-5 playgroup.

We have continued to work with local charities and groups like East Riding Carers Parents Forum, Special Stars, Dyslexia Sparks, the Wellbeing Hub, Hull FC Foundation and Hull KR Foundation and increased our involvement with local schools, colleges and Hull University.

We are pleased to advise we received a community fund grant from the Lottery for the first time and this has helped immensely. It has contributed to us broadening our reach, we now have a monthly support group in Beverley and an evening support group in Willerby as well as our established monthly Hull support group. We have also started a weekly SEN 0-5 playgroup which is an amazing way of supporting babies and preschool children in a way we have never been able to before. Another positive of obtaining the money from the Lottery and other grants is that we have been able to employ two part time staff from April 2024. This is a huge advancement in maintaining the longevity of Aim Higher and reaching more families in Hull and East Yorkshire.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Our events have increased from 70 events in 2022-2023 to 128 in 2023-2024. We have our main events that run every holiday like soft play and rock climbing and our support groups that run throughout the year. We also have many different activities covering a wide spectrum of events from our Sing for Autism during autism awareness and acceptance week to our trip to Alton Towers for two coaches full of our families.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our trustees, our representatives and everyone that has helped us move forward in our journey to spread awareness and acceptance of autism, we look forward to moving it forward in the remainder of 2024 and in 2025.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Grants

We received grants this year from The Lottery, Community Fund, Healthy Holidays (Hull City Council), Liz and Terry Bramall Foundation, Brehlms Trust and Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust. A £1000 charitable donation received from Cranswick Charitable Trust.

Reserves policy

Cash and deposit balances are maintained to be able to meet outgoing and grant obligations from time to time. The financial position of the charity on 31 July 2024, is considered to be satisfactory, with sufficient reserves to meet current commitments.

The Trust has a reserves policy which is reviewed on an annual basis. The current reserves policy adopted by the trustees is to maintain reserves at a level which is between six months and nine months budgeted expenditure.

Our current unrestricted reserves are now at six months' expenditure and as a small charity, this is a comfortable level. This is because in the current economic climate, the trustees are particularly mindful of the need to contain the risk that the Trust cannot meet the payments to which it is committed if the income of the charity declines.

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

FUTURE PLANS

We have now held an inclusive festival in 2023 and 2024 and plan to hold it again in 2025. We have applied for funding to develop our work in schools throughout 2025/2026 and 2027. We are wanting to recruit more trustees and volunteers and have started on this project. We would like to work more closely with local government and build on our close relationship with Emma Hardy MP. Gill Jagger is the chair of the Hull and East Yorkshire SEND Employment Forum and Nicola Robinson is hoping to join this forum in late 2024 to increase knowledge of SEND Employment in Hull and East Yorkshire.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Aim Higher is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered with the Charity Commission from inception in September 2016 and governed by its constitution.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees Election of the Committee As per our constitution at every Annual General Meeting of our members one third of the charity trustees shall retire from office. We have had a change of trustee and chair during 2024, Phil Bean stepped down as a trustee and Amy Gray joined as a trustee. At the trustee meeting Gill resigned and Tom Simpson was voted in as Chairperson. We have six trustees, two trustees will stand down, and can be re-elected if they are chosen and if they want to be re-elected. Any member may stand for election as a trustee. Members can elect between three and seven trustees to serve each term. The board of trustees hold a minimum of four meetings per year, either online or ideally face to face.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1169327

Principal address

18-19 Albion Street
Hull
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Trustees

Ms G Jagger
Mr D Beilby
Ms S K Leedham
Ms N Robinson
Mr T Simpson
Mr P Bean Trustee (resigned 12.6.24)
Miss A Gray (appointed 20.2.24)

Independent Examiner

Andrew Mark Steele FCA FCCA
360 Accountants Limited
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Barclays Bank PLC
Business Direct
Leicester
Leicestershire
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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

13 Jan 2025

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr T Simpson - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Aim Higher

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Aim Higher

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Aim Higher (the Trust) for the year ended 31 July 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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.



Andrew Mark Steele FCA FCCA

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Date: 13/1/25

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.7.24 Total funds £	31.7.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		57,820	-	57,820	47,690
Charitable activities					
General		8,273	19,708	27,981	-
Other trading activities	2	<u>10,788</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,788</u>	<u>11,154</u>
Total		<u>76,881</u>	<u>19,708</u>	<u>96,589</u>	<u>58,844</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	58,056	9,854	67,910	43,691
Charitable activities					
General		<u>12,713</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,713</u>	<u>955</u>
Total		<u>70,769</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>80,623</u>	<u>44,646</u>
NET INCOME		6,112	9,854	15,966	14,198
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>37,145</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,145</u>	<u>22,947</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>43,257</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>53,111</u>	<u>37,145</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 July 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.7.24 Total funds £	31.7.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	2,004	-	2,004	922
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	1,692	-	1,692	-
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>40,759</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>50,613</u>	<u>37,123</u>
		42,451	9,854	52,305	37,123
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(1,198)</u>	-	<u>(1,198)</u>	<u>(900)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>41,253</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>51,107</u>	<u>36,223</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>43,257</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>53,111</u>	<u>37,145</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>43,257</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>53,111</u>	<u>37,145</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				43,257	37,145
Restricted funds				<u>9,854</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>53,111</u>	<u>37,145</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 13 Jan 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mr T Simpson - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Computer equipment - 20% on cost

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 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 purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES	31.7.24	31.7.23
	£	£
Sponsorships	<u>10,788</u>	<u>11,154</u>

3. RAISING FUNDS		
Raising donations and legacies	31.7.24	31.7.23
	£	£
Support costs	<u>10,404</u>	<u>8,927</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2024 nor for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2024 nor for the year ended 31 July 2023.

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 August 2023	1,229	348	1,577
Additions	<u>-</u>	<u>1,576</u>	<u>1,576</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>1,229</u>	<u>1,924</u>	<u>3,153</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 2023	307	348	655
Charge for year	<u>231</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>494</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>538</u>	<u>611</u>	<u>1,149</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 2024	<u>691</u>	<u>1,313</u>	<u>2,004</u>
At 31 July 2023	<u>922</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>922</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		31.7.24	31.7.23
		£	£
Trade debtors		1,100	-
Prepayments		<u>592</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>1,692</u>	<u>-</u>
7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		31.7.24	31.7.23
		£	£
Social security and other taxes		(2)	-
Accrued expenses		<u>1,200</u>	<u>900</u>
		<u>1,198</u>	<u>900</u>
8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
		Net	
	At 1.8.23	movement	At
	£	in funds	31.7.24
		£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,145	6,112	43,257
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	-	9,854	9,854
	<u>-</u>	<u>9,854</u>	<u>9,854</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>37,145</u>	<u>15,966</u>	<u>53,111</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming	Resources	Movement
	resources	expended	in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	76,881	(70,769)	6,112
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	19,708	(9,854)	9,854
	<u>19,708</u>	<u>(9,854)</u>	<u>9,854</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>96,589</u>	<u>(80,623)</u>	<u>15,966</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

8. **MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.8.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	22,947	14,198	37,145
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,947</u>	<u>14,198</u>	<u>37,145</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,844	(44,646)	14,198
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>58,844</u>	<u>(44,646)</u>	<u>14,198</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.8.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	22,947	20,310	43,257
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	-	9,854	9,854
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,947</u>	<u>30,164</u>	<u>53,111</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	135,725	(115,415)	20,310
Restricted funds			
National Lottery Grant - Restricteted	19,708	(9,854)	9,854
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>155,433</u>	<u>(125,269)</u>	<u>30,164</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Several of the trustee's have children/ dependants who utilise the services of the charity, this is at non-preferential rates.

Ms S Leedham, a trustee, provides occupational health services to beneficiaries of the charity at non-preferential rates.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

	31.7.24	31.7.23
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Dinner sales	5,101	8,226
Donations	22,040	14,961
Raffle	2,712	3,873
Charitable activities	<u>27,967</u>	<u>20,630</u>
	57,820	47,690
Sponsorships	10,788	11,154
Grants	<u>27,981</u>	-
Total incoming resources	96,589	58,844
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Fundraising costs	5,073	34,764
Event costs	<u>52,433</u>	-
	57,506	34,764
Charitable activities		
Wages	11,667	-
Social security	773	-
Pensions	<u>225</u>	-
	12,665	-
Support costs		
Management		
Insurance	422	256
Postage and stationery	438	592
Advertising	1,692	3,537
Sundries	2,932	579
Training	-	150
Travel and subsistence	1,500	427
Little monkeys	<u>55</u>	<u>899</u>
	7,039	6,440
Finance		
Bank charges	650	580
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>494</u>	<u>376</u>
	1,144	956

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2024

	31.7.24	31.7.23
	£	£
Finance		
Human resources		
Software licences	400	978
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	<u>1,869</u>	<u>1,508</u>
Total resources expended	<u>80,623</u>	<u>44,646</u>
Net income	<u>15,966</u>	<u>14,198</u>

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Aim Higher

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Aim Higher

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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Andrew Mark Steele FCA FCCA

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Date: 13/1/25

AIM HIGHER

England & Wales - Charity number 1169327

Accounts

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Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2023
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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

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Arranging recreational activities and opportunities for children and young people and their families with ASC and mental health conditions.

Significant activities

The Aim Higher Board of Trustees are satisfied that in 2022/2023;

Our work reflected our objectives.

Our resources were professionally managed.

The sensory room we opened in 2019 in conjunction with Little Monkeys continued to be of a free benefit to our members and their families.

We have continued to work with local charities and groups like East Riding Carers Parents Forum, Listening Ear 4 U, Dyslexia Sparks, Tigers Trust, the Wellbeing Hub, Hull FC Foundation and Hull KR Foundation and continued our relationships with local schools, colleges, and Hull university.

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During our financial year ending July 2023, we have out 70 activities, (this is the same as last year even though the evening support group has been stopped due to lack of demand and the fact that NCS no longer hold community events) we have provided the following activities:

A new annual event, a fundraising walk across the Humber Bridge to celebrate Autism Awareness week in conjunction with the Humber Wellbeing Hub

Flamingo land trip

Rock Up - Rock climbing - various occasions

Little Monkeys special needs sessions - various occasions

Little Monkeys Christmas and Halloween parties

Online workshops with Luke Beardon and another discussing Pathological Demand Avoidance

Bowling Christmas party - for the youth club

Pantomime

The Deep Sleepover

Monthly youth club

6 x Monthly evening meetings

Monthly daytime meetings

We are part of the local SEND Employment Forum working with local councils and employers to improve outcomes for young people with special educational needs in employment

Family animal experiences at Goxhill Meadows

Abseil - fundraising event

10K and Half Marathon, Hull and York

Online raffles - fundraising events

Online awareness raising through our Facebook, twitter, LinkedIn and Instagram pages

Coffee mornings at Oakfield School

Coffee mornings and autism training in many schools and businesses

Taking part in the local Big Conversation with Emma Hardy MP

Aim Higher Has Talent

The Deep sleepover

Our annual ball

Funday at the Apollo

Welton waters water activities

Aim Higher

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

We were chosen as one of Co-ops Charities of the year once more.

We took part for the first time in the Hull City Council, Healthy Holidays programme.

We would like to thank all our trustees, our representatives and everyone that has helped us move forward in our journey to spread awareness and acceptance of autism, we look forward to moving it forward in 2024.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Grants

We received a grant from The Matthew Good Foundation, Healthy Holidays (Hull City Council) and Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust.

Reserves policy

It is our aim to retain three months core running costs in the unrestricted general fund to ensure we have enough reserves to enable us to continue to run an effective charity. We still have reserves well within our planned reserve policy.

FUTURE PLANS

We have always wanted to hold an inclusive music festival and spent a lot of 2023 organising this event which was held in the next financial year at Craven Street, Craven Park, Hull on the 28th of August 2023.

We intend to continue empowering parents and continuing to support parents and families through fundraising, training, support groups and social events. As always, we are available for one-to-one support too.

We are pleased to advise we have been busier than ever and reached more people. We have started working with Cranfield Trust to help us to work more as a business and move forward to reach even more families and businesses in 2023/2024.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Aim Higher is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered with the Charity Commission from inception in September 2016 and governed by its constitution.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Election of the Committee

As per our constitution at every Annual General Meeting of our members one third of the charity trustees shall retire from office. As we have six trustees, two trustees will stand down, and can be re-elected if they are chosen and if they want to be re-elected. Any member may stand for election as a trustee. Members can elect between three and seven trustees to serve each term.

The board of trustees hold a minimum of four meetings per year, either online or ideally face to face.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1169327

Principal address

18-19 Albion Street
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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

Principal address
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Trustees
Ms G Jagger
Mr D Beilby
Ms S K Leedham
Ms N Robinson
Mr T Simpson
Mr P Bean Trustee

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 13th November 2023 and signed on its behalf by:


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Ms G Jagger - Trustee

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Aim Higher**

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Date: 23/1/24

Aim Higher

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	31/7/23 Unrestricted fund £	31/7/22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		47,690	26,559
Other trading activities	2	11,154	12,873
Total		58,844	39,432
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	43,691	30,479
Charitable activities			
General		955	132
Total		44,646	30,611
NET INCOME		14,198	8,821
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		22,947	14,126
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		37,145	22,947


The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 July 2023

	Notes	31/7/23 Unrestricted fund £	31/7/22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	922	69
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		37,123	23,778
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(900)	(900)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>36,223</u>	<u>22,878</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>37,145</u>	<u>22,947</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>37,145</u>	<u>22,947</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>37,145</u>	<u>22,947</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>37,145</u>	<u>22,947</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 13th November 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


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Ms G Jagger - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

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Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Computer equipment - 20% on cost

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 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 purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31/7/23	31/7/22
	£	£
Sponsorships	<u>11,154</u>	<u>12,873</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31/7/23	31/7/22
	£	£
Support costs	8,927	4,626
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4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2023 nor for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2023 nor for the year ended 31 July 2022.

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 August 2022	-	348	348
Additions	1,229	-	1,229
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 July 2023	1,229	348	1,577
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 2022	-	279	279
Charge for year	307	69	376
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At 31 July 2023	307	348	655
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 2023	922	-	922
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 July 2022	-	69	69
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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/7/23	31/7/22
	£	£
Accrued expenses	900	900
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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/8/22	Net movement in funds	At 31/7/23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	22,947	14,198	37,145
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,947</u>	<u>14,198</u>	<u>37,145</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,844	(44,646)	14,198
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>58,844</u>	<u>(44,646)</u>	<u>14,198</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/8/21	Net movement in funds	At 31/7/22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	14,126	8,821	22,947
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>14,126</u>	<u>8,821</u>	<u>22,947</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	39,432	(30,611)	8,821
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>39,432</u>	<u>(30,611)</u>	<u>8,821</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/8/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	14,126	23,019	37,145
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>14,126</u>	<u>23,019</u>	<u>37,145</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	98,276	(75,257)	23,019
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>98,276</u>	<u>(75,257)</u>	<u>23,019</u>

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Several of the trustee's have children/ dependants who utilise the services of the charity, this is at non-preferential rates.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2023

	31/7/23	31/7/22
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Dinner sales	8,226	3,378
Donations	14,961	5,435
Raffle	3,873	2,585
Activity income	20,630	15,161
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	47,690	26,559
Other trading activities		
Sponsorships	11,154	12,873
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Total incoming resources	58,844	39,432
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Fundraising Events	34,764	25,853
Support costs		
Management		
Insurance	256	445
Postage and stationery	592	340
Advertising	3,537	1,735
Sundries	579	62
Training	150	-
Travel and subsistence	427	-
Little monkeys	899	-
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	6,440	2,582
Finance		
Bank charges	580	244
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	376	70
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	956	314
Human resources		
Software licences	978	502
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,508	1,360
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Net income	14,198	8,821
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Aim Higher

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During our financial year ending July 2022, we have carried out over 70 activities, we have provided the following activities:

Gullivers trip

NCS Events with Tigers Trust

We were chosen as one of Co-ops Charities of the year

Rock Up - Rock climbing - various occasions

Little Monkeys special needs sessions - various occasions

Little Monkeys Christmas party

Mental health workshop with Good Place Therapies

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Monthly daytime meetings

Can do campaign working with local councils and employers to improve outcomes for young people with special educational needs in employment

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80s party night

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for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

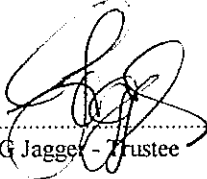
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5/1/23 and signed on its behalf by:



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Ms G Jagge - Trustee

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Andrew Mark Steele FCA FCCA
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Date: 6/1/23

Aim Higher

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

	Notes	31/7/22 Unrestricted fund £	31/7/21 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		26,559	8,500
Other trading activities	2	12,873	6,787
Total		39,432	15,287
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	30,479	7,889
Charitable activities			
General		132	640
Total		30,611	8,529
NET INCOME		8,821	6,758
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		14,126	7,368
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		22,947	14,126

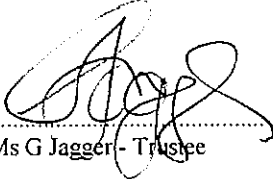
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Aim Higher

Balance Sheet
31 July 2022

	Notes	31/7/22 Unrestricted fund £	31/7/21 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	69	139
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		23,778	14,887
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(900)	(900)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>22,878</u>	<u>13,987</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		22,947	14,126
NET ASSETS		<u>22,947</u>	<u>14,126</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>22,947</u>	<u>14,126</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>22,947</u>	<u>14,126</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5/1/23 and were signed on its behalf by:


.....
Ms G Jagger - Trustee

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for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

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Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31/7/22	31/7/21
	£	£
Sponsorships	<u>12,873</u>	<u>6,787</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	39,432	(30,611)	8,821
	<u>39,432</u>	<u>(30,611)</u>	<u>8,821</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>39,432</u>	<u>(30,611)</u>	<u>8,821</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/8/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	7,368	6,758	14,126
	<u>7,368</u>	<u>6,758</u>	<u>14,126</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,368</u>	<u>6,758</u>	<u>14,126</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	15,287	(8,529)	6,758
	<u>15,287</u>	<u>(8,529)</u>	<u>6,758</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>15,287</u>	<u>(8,529)</u>	<u>6,758</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/8/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	7,368	15,579	22,947
	<u>7,368</u>	<u>15,579</u>	<u>22,947</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>7,368</u>	<u>15,579</u>	<u>22,947</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

7. **MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	54,719	(39,140)	15,579
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>54,719</u>	<u>(39,140)</u>	<u>15,579</u>

8. **RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

Several of the trustee's have children/ dependants who utilise the services of the charity, this is at non-preferential rates.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2022

	31/7/22	31/7/21
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Dinner sales	3,378	1,076
Donations	5,435	2,017
Raffle	2,585	1,254
Activity income	15,161	4,153
	<u>26,559</u>	<u>8,500</u>
Other trading activities		
Sponsorships	12,873	6,787
	<u>39,432</u>	<u>15,287</u>
Total incoming resources		
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Fundraising Events	25,853	5,530
Support costs		
Management		
Insurance	445	532
Postage and stationery	340	361
Advertising	1,735	542
Sundries	62	134
Travel and subsistence	-	6
	<u>2,582</u>	<u>1,575</u>
Finance		
Bank charges	244	80
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	70	70
	<u>314</u>	<u>150</u>
Information technology		
Repairs and renewals	-	128
Human resources		
Software licences	502	80
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,360	1,066
	<u>30,611</u>	<u>8,529</u>
Total resources expended		
Net income	<u>8,821</u>	<u>6,758</u>

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AIM HIGHER

England & Wales - Charity number 1169327

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2021
for
Aim Higher

360 Accountants Limited
18-19 Albion Street
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for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Here is a brief summary of what we achieved from August 2020 to the end of July 2021, we provided mainly online events, due to the ongoing covid 19 pandemics, a total of 45 events. Thankfully by the end of the financial year things were beginning to improve. We provided 27 online support groups via messenger on Facebook.

We held two fundraising activities the abseil on the 23rd of August 2020, as it was an outdoor event if we followed the covid guidelines at the time it was able to take place and we ended the financial year 31st July with 24 of us doing the Yorkshire Three Peaks and those who could not join us had the chance of doing a virtual three peaks challenge for the month of July. We held our AGM online in January 2021 and continued with our campaigning online with the #I Want Acceptance campaign in March to celebrate autism week and we took part in our local MP Emma Hardy's Big Conversation in October.

We continued with our training and raising awareness with online training for sensory processing (Scarlet Leedham), speech and language (Kathy Alterskye) and mental health and autism training (Good Place Therapies). As we were unable to hold our annual inclusive trip to the panto, we provided an online panto for our members. Things improved by June 2021, and we were able to restart our face-to-face support groups in a city centre green space, Queens Gardens, it was wonderful to be able to see some of our families again. In July we restarted our evening face to face support group at a new venue Active +, they support our inclusive environment ethics and provide a safe, calm place for our members. July was a busy month we also held a SEND family fun day, provided supported cooking lessons and provided a family animal experience at Goxhill Meadows.

To promote social inclusion for the benefit of individuals and their families, from becoming socially excluded. Where relevant.

Promoting social inclusion among children and young adults with autism or mental health conditions and their parents/carers/families who are socially excluded from society, or parts of society, because of their disabilities by:

Providing educational and informative support that enables maximum educational opportunities.

Raising public awareness of the issue's families and individuals with ASC and mental health face, in relation to their educational and social exclusion.

Administering workshops, forums, advocacy, general support and help for parents and carers to become empowered and more confident in their roles.

Arranging recreational activities and opportunities for children and young people and their families with ASC and mental health conditions.

To assist in such ways as the charity trustees think fit including advocacy for; education needs, mental health support in crisis for individuals up to the age of 25. Also, to support mental health and well-being for parents, carers, and individuals.

To support parents and carers through the education, health, and social care plan procedure.

The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social skills designed to enhance individual's quality of life; verbal or non-verbal.

Providing activities to meet individual need to promote social inclusion; were applicable.

To support young people, through activities, accessing an educational provision, mental health support and general well-being.

To act as a resource for parents, carers, and young people up to the age of 25 by providing support as a means of:

Advancing in life and helping young people with ASC or mental health conditions, by supporting families and individuals to enable them by signposting to the correct services, to help develop their skills, and reach their full potential.

Advancing education.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

Empowering parents.

At/In times of crisis it is important that families have the means to contact individuals having gone/going through, same/similar experiences.

Significant activities

Aim higher holds two monthly meetings one morning and one evening to cover a wide range of personal circumstances either its work or family commitments, these meetings provide a great outlet for people to talk and share stories with like-minded people who will be upstanding, empathic and supportive, during the pandemic it was online, normally every two weeks but we are so happy that we are back to seeing people in person, it is so much more beneficial.

We continue to use our facebook public page and our private support group for parents to be able to talk to on in a private and safe manner.

We have several ways we can and have supported parents:

Zoom and team calls

Telephone calls

One to One Coffee meetings

Emails/Messenger and meetings

Look through EHCP

Share information on services/events etc. from other charities.

Signpost

Parents, carers and family are welcomed to take part in fundraising events which quite often raises self-esteem and confidence either its scaling a building abseiling or running the 10k, this is a good feel-good factor that helps parents feel like they can give back to the charity.

Every event or activity provided will always include siblings and extended family.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

We have provided the following online training in the past year:

Mindfulness

Autism and Mental Health

Anxiety

Sensory Processing Workshops

Speech and Language

Raising Awareness

Aim Higher and team have spent many hours raising awareness online on facebook, LinkedIn, twitter, Ticktock and instagram, on the radio, on television and on the telephone talking to people about Autism/mental Health in Children and young people and have made many fantastic contacts again. We have continued with our lending library.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is our aim to retain three months core running costs in the unrestricted general fund to ensure we have enough reserves to enable us to continue to run an effective charity. We still have reserves well within our planned reserve policy.

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

FUTURE PLANS

Due to the pandemic, it was quieter than normal for our representatives, but we look forward to getting them more involved and taking on new representatives in 2021-2022 in order that they can help increase the volume of work that can be done in spreading awareness and acceptance and offering support in the wider community.

All the above items are empowering parents whether its learning, understanding and supporting others or socialising with people in the same situation can really have a positive outcome on the well-being of everyone involved.

All the Trustees would like to say a massive thank you to the Representatives and members for supporting Aim higher and taking time out to fundraise, share events, or raise awareness.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Aim Higher is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered with the Charity Commission from inception in September 2016 and governed by its constitution.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1169327

Principal address

19 Albion Street
Hull
East Yorkshire
HU1 3TG

Trustees

Ms G Jagger
Mr D Beilby
Ms S K Leedham
Ms N Robinson
Mr T Simpson

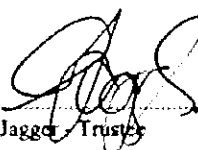
Independent Examiner

Andrew Mark Steele FCA FCCA
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Barclays Bank PLC
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Leicestershire
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 16/11/2021 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Ms G Jagger, Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Aim Higher**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Aim Higher

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Aim Higher (the Trust) for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

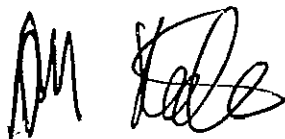
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Trust 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.



Andrew Mark Steele FCA FCCA
360 Accountants Limited
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Date: 25/11/21

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

	Notes	31.7.21 Unrestricted fund £	31.7.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		8,500	16,327
Other trading activities	2	6,787	680
Total		15,287	17,007
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	7,889	16,036
Charitable activities			
General		640	9,516
Total		8,529	25,552
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		6,758	(8,545)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		7,368	16,386
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		14,126	7,841

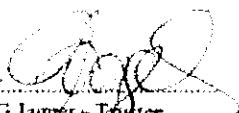
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Balance Sheet
31 July 2021

	Notes	31.7.21 Unrestricted fund £	31.7.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	139	208
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		14,887	8,533
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(900)	(900)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>13,987</u>	<u>7,633</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		14,126	7,841
NET ASSETS		<u>14,126</u>	<u>7,841</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>14,126</u>	<u>7,841</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>14,126</u>	<u>7,841</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 16/11/2021 and were signed on its behalf by:


Ms G Jagger - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Computer equipment - 20% on cost

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 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 purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.7.21	31.7.20
	£	£
Sponsorships	<u>6,787</u>	<u>680</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.7.21	31.7.20
	£	£
Support costs	2,359	(510)
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4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2021 nor for the year ended 31 July 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2021 nor for the year ended 31 July 2020.

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 August 2020 and 31 July 2021	348
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 August 2020	139
Charge for year	70
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At 31 July 2021	209
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 July 2021	139
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At 31 July 2020	209
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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.7.21	31.7.20
	£	£
Accrued expenses	900	900
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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.8.20	Net movement in funds	At 31.7.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	7,368	6,758	14,126
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	7,368	6,758	14,126
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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

7. **MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	15,287	(8,529)	6,758
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>15,287</u>	<u>(8,529)</u>	<u>6,758</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.8.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,386	(8,545)	7,841
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16,386</u>	<u>(8,545)</u>	<u>7,841</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	17,007	(25,552)	(8,545)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>17,007</u>	<u>(25,552)</u>	<u>(8,545)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.8.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	16,386	(1,787)	14,599
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16,386</u>	<u>(1,787)</u>	<u>14,599</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

7. **MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,294	(34,081)	(1,787)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>32,294</u>	<u>(34,081)</u>	<u>(1,787)</u>

8. **RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

Several of the trustee's have children/ dependants who utilise the services of the charity, this is at non-preferential rates.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 July 2021

	31.7.21	31.7.20
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Dinner sales	1,076	2,227
Donations	2,017	11,230
Raffle	1,254	821
Activity income	4,153	2,049
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	8,500	16,327
Other trading activities		
Sponsorships	6,787	680
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Total incoming resources	15,287	17,007
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Events	5,530	16,546
Support costs		
Management		
Rent	-	280
Insurance	532	566
Postage and stationery	361	117
Advertising	542	524
Sundries	134	888
Travel and subsistence	6	1,398
Little monkeys	-	2,774
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	1,575	6,547
Finance		
Bank charges	80	220
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	70	70
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	150	290
Information technology		
Repairs and renewals	128	416
Human resources		
Software licences	80	203
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,066	1,550
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Total resources expended	8,529	25,552
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Net income/(expenditure)	6,758	(8,545)
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