

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

360 Accountants Limited
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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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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
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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
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Bankers

Barclays Bank PLC
Business Direct
Leicester
Leicestershire
LE87 2BB

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

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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		83,798	43,906	127,704	96,589
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		102,859	19,244	122,103	80,623
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		24,196	34,516	58,712	53,111

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

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
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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
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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
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At 31 July 2025	1,229	3,005	4,234
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 2024	538	611	1,149
Charge for year	173	349	522
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At 31 July 2025	711	960	1,671
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 2025	518	2,045	2,563
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At 31 July 2024	691	1,313	2,004
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8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/7/25 £	31/7/24 £
Trade debtors	350	1,100
Prepayments	727	592
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	1,077	1,692
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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
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	1,213	1,198
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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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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>53,111</u>	<u>5,601</u>	<u>58,712</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>127,704</u>	<u>(122,103)</u>	<u>5,601</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>37,145</u>	<u>15,966</u>	<u>53,111</u>

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>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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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 - Restrictced	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
	<hr/> 66,397	<hr/> 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	-
	<hr/> 56,754	<hr/> 57,506
Charitable activities		
Wages	37,665	11,667
Social security	3,196	773
Pensions	756	225
	<hr/> 41,617	<hr/> 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	-
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	18,803	7,039
 Finance		
Bank charges	581	650
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	522	494
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	1,103	1,144
 Human resources		
Software licences	1,874	400
 Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,952	1,869
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Total resources expended	122,103	80,623
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Net income	5,601	15,966
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