

Give Us A Break

Reports & Accounts

Financial Year Ending 31/12/2024

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: Give Us A Break

Charity Number: 1169333

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Trustees: Claire Dainty

Eleanor Rosanne Biggs

Kirsty Wassell

Linda Whiddon

Lindsay Kinght (Resigned 19/09/2024)

Lindsey Douglas (Appointed 19/09/2024)

Richard James Edward Shaylor (Appointed 19/09/2024)

Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

To support children with complex disabilities by organising accessible and inclusive activities. To provide respite for families and carers by offering engaging and safe environments for children. To promote public awareness of the challenges faced by children with disabilities and their families.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

During 2024 the charity were awarded The Kings Award for Voluntary Service. The charity continued to offer activities that met the needs of the members every school holiday and at weekends.

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial Review

The charity's total income for the year was £20,524, primarily generated through donations, grants, and fundraising activities. This represents an increase of 117% compared to the previous year, reflecting successful community engagement and grant applications.

Expenditure for the year totalled £9750, with most funds directed toward activities for children with complex disabilities.

At the end of the financial year, the charity held unrestricted reserves of £18,173, exceeding the minimum reserves target of £9,000. These reserves provide a strong financial foundation, ensuring the charity can continue its work even if income fluctuates.

The trustees remain mindful of financial risks, including potential changes in grant funding and rising operational costs. To mitigate these risks, the charity will continue to diversify its income streams and seek cost efficiencies where possible.

Looking ahead, the trustees plan to invest in specific initiatives such as enhancing activities, expanding outreach efforts, or upgrading technology to further the charity's mission.

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to hold a minimum of £9,000 as unrestricted cash reserves to ensure continued operations should income or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash reserves of £18,173, exceeding the minimum target.

Receipts & Payments Statement

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Receipts				
Donations & Legacies				
Donations	18,185	0	18,185	8,949
Gift Aid	0	0	0	0
Grants	2,340	0	2,340	652
Charitable Activities				
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Investments				
Bank Interest	0	0	0	0
Trading Activities				
Rental Income	0	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Other				
Loans Received	0	0	0	0
Other Income	0	0	0	0
Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0
Sale of Investments	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	20,524	0	20,524	9,601
Payments				
Charitable Activities				
Activities	6,748	0	6,748	8,171
Admin	2,593	0	2,593	1,430
Advertising	0	0	0	0
Bank Charges	168	0	168	0
Event Costs	0	0	0	0
Gifts Given	0	0	0	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0
Premises	120	0	120	0
Staff Costs	121	0	121	0
Governance Costs				
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Other				
Fixed Asset Purchases	0	0	0	0
Loans Repaid	0	0	0	0
Money Invested	0	0	0	0
Total payments	9,750	0	9,750	9,601
Net Receipts / Payments (before transfers)	10,774	0	10,774	0
Fund Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Fund Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Cash Funds	10,774	0	10,774	0
Total Cash Funds Brought Forward	7,532	0	7,532	7,532
Total Cash Funds Carried Forward	18,306	0	18,306	7,532
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	18,306	0	18,306	7,532

Asset & Liability Statement

Cash Assets

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
General (Unrestricted)	18,306	0	18,306	7,532

Other Monetary Assets

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Gift Aid		0	0	0	0
Stock		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0

Investment Assets

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Property		0	0	0	0
Investment Accounts		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0

Fixed Assets

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Land & Buildings		0	0	0	0
Music & PA Equipment		0	0	0	0
Computers & IT		0	0	0	0
Furniture		0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicles		0	0	0	0

Liabilities

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Loans Outstanding		0	0	0	0
Pension Payment Owed		0	0	0	0
HMRC Payments Owed		0	0	0	0
Independent Examination Fee Due		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0

Notes to the Accounts

Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

Transactions to Related Parties

There were no transactions related parties during the accounting period.

Movement of Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	7,532	20,524	9,750	0	18,306
Total	7,532	20,524	9,750	0	18,306
Unrestricted Total	7,532	20,524	9,750	0	18,306
Restricted Total	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	7,532	20,524	9,750	0	18,306