



Great Angels

FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDING 31 JANUARY 2025

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GREAT ANGELS FOUNDATION
Company information

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Charity number: 1172389

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GREAT ANGELS FOUNDATION TRUSTEES' REPORT

About Us

Great Angels Foundation supports children, young people, and families affected by sickle cell. We raise awareness. We share plain-English guidance. We encourage screening and early help. We signpost to clinical and social care. Where hardship bites, we provide practical aid such as food support. The aim is clear: better knowledge, safer choices, healthier lives.

The trustees present their report with the financial statements for the year ending **31 March 2025**. The accounts are prepared in line with the governing document, the Charities Act 2011, and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Trustees during the period

- **Ada Lynda Ijeozor** (Chair)
- **Chinyere Frances** (Trustee)
- **Hawa Kamara** (Trustee)

Our Objects (public benefit)

1. The relief and support of children and young people living with sickle cell disease, and their families and carers, through information, education, advice, and practical assistance.
2. The advancement of citizenship and community development by building skills and confidence in disadvantaged communities, including local work in South Manchester, so people can participate more fully in society.

What We Do

- Awareness and education on sickle cell, carrier status, and screening.
- Family and youth support with clear signposting and advocacy.
- Volunteer development with safe-practice training.
- Targeted hardship aid during periods of need.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. Activities are needs-led, open to all, and free or low-cost. Outcomes are tracked through attendance records, feedback, and referral follow-ups.

Governance and Risk

The charity is governed by a board that meets at least quarterly. Key risks include funding volatility, safeguarding, health and safety, and data protection. Controls include restricted-fund tracking, two-person payment authorisation, safeguarding training, venue risk assessments, and GDPR-compliant data handling.

Highlights in 2024/25

- Secured project funding from The National Lottery Community Fund, the National Lottery Heritage Fund, and Auto Trader.
- Received an unrestricted grant from People's Postcode Neighbourhood Trust to strengthen delivery in the community.
- Delivered outreach sessions on sickle cell and screening.
- Provided direct support to families, including referrals to NHS and local services.
- Logged volunteer hours and completed core training.
- Supplied emergency food support to households in crisis.

Plans for 2025/26

- Increase outreach sessions in local hubs and colleges.
- Produce simple resources on screening and pain-crisis management.
- Grow the volunteer base and deepen partnerships with health providers.
- Build free reserves equal to three months of core costs to protect service continuity.

Mission

We exist to help children, young people, and families affected by sickle cell live safer, healthier lives. We do this through clear information, early screening messages, practical support, and local partnerships. We also champion cultural education that builds pride, confidence, and community bonds.

Structure, Governance and Management

Great Angels Foundation is governed by a board of trustees. The board sets direction, approves budgets, and monitors impact. Day-to-day work is delivered by volunteers and project staff, with trustees providing oversight.

Trustees meet at least quarterly. Finance is reviewed at each meeting. Two people approve all payments. Restricted and unrestricted funds are tracked separately. Safeguarding and data protection are standing items on the agenda. Volunteers receive an induction, role briefs, and basic training before placement.

Public Benefit

Our services are open to those in need, without discrimination. Activities are free or low-cost. We focus on clear outcomes: better knowledge, earlier access to help, and stronger family resilience. We gather feedback after sessions, record attendance, track referrals to health and social care, and follow up on individual cases where appropriate. The trustees confirm they have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Risk Assessment

Funding: income can vary. We diversify grants, keep costs lean, and aim for three months of free reserves.

Safeguarding: we work with children and vulnerable adults. We follow safer recruitment, deliver training, and report concerns using a clear procedure.

Health and Safety: sessions are risk-assessed. First-aid cover and incident logs are in place.

Data Protection: personal data is minimised, stored securely, and only accessed by trained team members.

Reputation and Compliance: trustee conflicts are declared and recorded. We keep accurate records, file returns on time, and respond to complaints promptly.

Achievements and Performance (2024/25)

Sickle Cell Connect 2025 — funded by The National Lottery Community Fund

We ran a rolling programme of creative art sessions, small group learning, and community conversations. Families joined for practical workshops on pain-crisis basics, hydration, rest, and clinic preparation. We offered free food at sessions to remove barriers and keep attendance steady. Parents told us they felt more confident asking the right questions at appointments. Young people reported better understanding of triggers and school routines. Referral routes into local health teams and peer support are now clearer. Volunteers supported session set-up, meet-and-greet, and post-session check-ins.

Heritage Growth: Promoting Nigerian Igbo Culture — funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund

We celebrated Igbo culture through talks, music, language tasters, and storytelling. Elders shared lived experience. Young people documented recipes, objects, and family histories. This built pride, cross-generational understanding, and a sense of belonging. We captured photos, short interviews, and learning notes to reuse in schools and community venues. Participants asked for more regular culture clubs and a small exhibition corner at community events.

Hope and Health Community Project — funded by the Auto Trader Community Fund

This project linked gentle wellbeing activities with practical help. We hosted drop-ins where families received advice, light refreshments, and signposting to local support. We covered travel for those in greatest hardship. Volunteers followed up with calls to check that referrals landed. Several families reported reduced isolation and better routines around medication and sleep.

Regular programmes

Alongside the above, we continued our core work:

- Sickle cell awareness talks and screening messages.
- Family support and advocacy, including help preparing for clinic visits.
- Volunteer pathway with clear roles and basic training.
- Emergency food support for households in crisis.
- Partnerships with local groups to reach people who rarely attend mainstream services.

What changed for people

- Families felt heard, informed, and less alone.
- More people knew their carrier status and how to ask for screening.
- Young people gained practical self-management tips they could use the same day.
- Cultural sessions strengthened identity and community ties.
- Volunteers grew in confidence and skills, adding capacity across all activities.

How we measured it

- Registers at each session and simple before/after confidence checks.
- Short feedback forms in plain English.
- Referral tracking to health and advice services.
- Volunteer logs and debrief notes highlighting issues to fix next time.

Next steps

We will repeat the most useful session formats, extend outreach into more hubs and colleges, develop short guides on screening and pain-crisis basics, and grow the volunteer team to keep programmes reliable through the year.

Trustees' responsibility statement

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period.

GREAT ANGELS FOUNDATION
Trustees' Report
Year ended 31st January 2025

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- b. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- c. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d. state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- e. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed by order of the trustees:



Ijeozor Ada Lynda
Chair of Trustees

Date: 20 October, 2025

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Income and resources.

Total income for the year was **£40,661** from grants, donations and the balance brought forward. This provided sufficient resources to deliver core programmes and meet fixed costs.

Expenditure.

Project and operating costs totalled **£32,271**. The annual office licence was **£4,800**, bringing **total expenditure** to **£37,071**.

Grants received – analysis.

- **Restricted:** People's Postcode Neighbourhood Trust — **£3,500**.
- **Unrestricted:** Forever Manchester (Auto Trader Community Fund) — **£2,500**; The National Lottery Heritage Fund — **£16,371**; The National Lottery Community Fund — **£9,900**.
Unrestricted grants total **£28,771**; restricted grants total **£3,500**.

Application of funds.

Restricted income was spent on the specified project activities. Unrestricted grants and donations covered programme delivery and core costs, including the annual licence.

Year-end position.

With income of **£40,661** and total expenditure of **£37,071**, the **net movement** for the year is a surplus of **£3,590**. These funds will support planned activities and provide a small buffer for early-year costs.



Ijeozor Ada Lynda
Chair of Trustees

Approved by the board on 20 October 2025

GREAT ANGELS FOUNDATION

Accountants' Report

Accountants' report to the board of trustees on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of Great Angels Foundation for the period ended 31 January 2025.

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charity Act 2022, we have prepared for your approval the accounts of Great Angels Foundation for the period ended 31 January 2025 which comprise of the Statement of financial activities (incorporating income & expenditure account), the Balance Sheet and the related notes from the charity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

This report is made solely to the Trustees of Great Angels Foundation, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement dated 7th December 2025. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of Great Angels Foundation and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Trustees of Great Angels Foundation, as a body, in this report to the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Great Angels Foundation and its Trustees as a body for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Great Angels Foundation has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position of Great Angels Foundation. You consider that Great Angels Foundation is exempt from the statutory audit/independent examination requirement for the period.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit/independent examination or a review of the accounts of Great Angels Foundation. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory accounts.

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20th October 2025



Creating a brighter tomorrow

HOPE & HEALTH COMMUNITY PROJECT

**Free Monthly Workshops
FOR ADULTS IN NORTH MANCHESTER**

- Wellbeing Activities
- Information & Advice
- Social Support

**Stronger Together:
Creating, Connecting, Caring**

A weekly activities for all to connect, be informed, share experiences, and build friendships. With food support for families, we ease burdens and show that no one faces this journey alone.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS



HERITAGE GROWTH

PROMOTING THE NIGERIAN IGBO CULTURE

AUG 2025 - JULY 2026

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Notes to the financial statements
Year ended 31 January 2025

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

These accounts are prepared under the Charities SORP (FRS 102) and FRS 102 on the historical cost basis. The charity is a public benefit entity.

Going concern

The trustees have reviewed forecasts and cash. They judge the charity to be a going concern for at least twelve months from approval. No material uncertainty has been identified.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are for general purposes at the trustees' discretion. Restricted funds may be used only for the donor-specified project. Transfers are made where costs initially met from unrestricted funds relate to restricted activity.

Income recognition

Income is recognised when entitlement exists, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured reliably. Where grant conditions must be met before income is earned, recognition is deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

Donations and gifts

Donations from individuals, companies, and trusts are recognised on receipt or on written notification of entitlement.

Volunteer contributions

The value of volunteer time is not included in the accounts.

Expenditure recognition

Expenditure is recorded on an accruals basis. Costs are analysed between

charitable activities and governance. Direct costs are charged to the relevant heading.

Support cost allocation

Shared costs such as premises, IT, and management are apportioned to activities on a reasonable basis, for example staff or activity hours.

Governance costs

Governance costs cover statutory reporting, policy oversight, trustee meetings, and independent scrutiny where required.

Tangible fixed assets

Capital items are recorded at cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over their expected useful lives. Items below the capitalisation threshold are expensed as incurred. No fixed assets were held in the year.

Debtors

Debtors are stated at the amounts expected to be received, less any impairment.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised for amounts owed at the year end and measured at amortised cost.

Financial instruments

Only basic financial instruments are held: cash, receivables, and payables measured at historical cost.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from UK direct taxes on income and gains applied to charitable purposes. Irrecoverable VAT is included within the relevant expense category.

Reserves policy

The trustees aim to hold free reserves equivalent to approximately three months of core operating costs to protect service delivery between grant cycles.

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2. Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Grant	£3,500	£28,771	£32,271	240
Donations/Other income	£8,390	-	£8,390	760
Total	£11,890		£40,661	£1,000

3. Charitable activities

Charitable activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Grant				
Postcode Neighbourhood Trust	£3,500		£3,500	-
Forever Manchester (Auto Trader Community Fund)		£2,500	£2,500	-
The National Lottery Heritage Fund		£16,371	£16,371	-
The National Lottery Community Fund		£9,900	£9,900	-
Total	£3,500	£28,771	£32,271	-

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Charitable trading	-	-	-	-
Charity sales	-	-	-	-
Support services	-	-	-	-
Total income from charitable activities	£11,890	-	£40,661	£9,990

4. Expenditure on charitable activities

Expenditure on charitable activities	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff cost	-	-
Project costs	23,000	2,432
Depreciation	-	-
Professional fees	5,771	989
Governance costs	620	200
Support costs	3,780	1,509
	12,471	5,129
Restricted expenditure	28,771	4,336
Unrestricted expenditure	3,500	793
	32,271	5,129

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5. Net income/(expenditure) for the year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	-	-
This is stated after charging/(crediting): Depreciation	-	-

6. Fixed assets: tangible assets

Fixed assets: tangible assets	Land and Buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
On 1 February 2024	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-
On 31 January 2025				
Depreciation				
On 1 February 2024	-	-	-	-
Charge for the year	-	-	-	-
On 31 January 2025				
Notebook value				
On 31 January 2025	-	-	-	-
On 1 February 2024	-	-	-	-

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7. Cash at Bank and in hand

Cash at Bank and in hand	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank	3,590	8,027
Cash	-	-

8. Operating licence commitments

	Office Building
Yearly Licence	4,800

