



REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 2024

REGISTERED CHARITY 1182654
A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION



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The objects of Shine Pinehurst are:

1. To advance education and training within socially and economically disadvantaged community of Pinehurst, Swindon and its environs.
2. Help young people within the area of benefit, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.
3. To advance, communicate, explain and demonstrate the Christian faith within the area of benefit in accordance with the basis of faith.
4. To relieve poverty and sickness and promote and protect good health of people living in the area of benefit.
5. To develop the capacity and skills of the residents of the area of benefit in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.
6. To promote social inclusion for the public benefit in the area of benefit by preventing people from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.
7. To promote such other charitable purposes for the benefit of the residents of the area of benefit in such a way as the trustees shall think fit.

Statement by the Charity Trustees of Shine Pinehurst

As trustees of Shine Pinehurst, we confirm that we have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales. We have carefully considered this guidance in all our decision-making processes and activities to ensure that our charity's purposes are carried out for the public benefit.

We are aware of the public benefit requirement and have taken it into account when making decisions relevant to our charity's operations. What follows we hope demonstrates the benefit that the Charity makes to our community.

Report of activities

Holiday Activity Funding (HAF) Our commitment to running activities throughout the school holidays remains a cornerstone of our community work. In the summer of 2024, we organised four weeks of diverse activities, running four days a week for four hours each day, thanks to the Government's Holiday Activity Funding (HAF). The young participants had a blast, especially with Asha's parachute den-making! A heartfelt thank you to Stephen at Central North Swindon Parish Council for the delicious cooked meals, and to Stephen Whattley, Nathan, and our incredible team for their culinary contributions.

Safer Streets Initiative With support from Swindon Borough Council's Safer Streets grant, we have been conducting detached youth work in Penhill and Pinehurst, operating from the Beach Hut. Our weekly sessions, including pizza gatherings and after-school activities, have fostered a positive community presence. Despite quieter streets at times, our dedicated team—Heather, Charlie, Lauryn, and Nathan—braved both sunny summer days and chilly winter evenings to make a difference.

To celebrate the conclusion of the funding, we catered a special event at Pattern Church with our Pizza project. The gathering included special guests from the Council, Police, and the broader community. Tanya and Nathan shared their experiences, leaving many attendees impressed and moved by their stories. Big shout out to Tanya, Nathan, DeeJay, and Kieran for their outstanding efforts!

Beach Hut The Beach Hut remains central to our activities, opening after school, on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and every Wednesday evening, instead of Youthie, during the summer. We are grateful to MMC Homebuilding for installing a new serving hatch, which the young people love using. Additionally, Jon Grant-Willson and Nathan enhanced the exterior with a recycled wood shell, giving it a fresh look.

Summer sessions featured a new fire pit, perfect for making s'mores, and Halloween festivities included pumpkin carving and goodie bag giveaways, adding to the fun.

Residential – SYFC 'Big Weekender' Joining other churches and youth groups at the Swindon Youth for Christ 'Big Weekender' was a big highlight for all the young people. The event, filled with games, challenges, talks, worship, sports, food, and music, was a fantastic experience despite the lack of sleep! Our group of over 30, including members from Pembroke Gardens and Rodbourne Baptist Church, enjoyed the weekend until a minibus breakdown on the way home. Thankfully, a youth worker's dad, who owns a hire company, came to our rescue.

"The best bits about last year were the HAF sessions in the summer, the trips we went on, and the outdoor Youthie activities, including water fights with the staff. I also enjoyed the return of the Germans and meeting the new staff!" Nabiha, 15.

Wonky Pizza The Wonky Pizza Crew continues to thrive, with new members joining and the original group (our O.G.'s – the originals) taking on leadership roles. Our 'give-away'

sessions at Alton Close, the Beach Hut, and Pinehurst West were a hit, involving over 40 children and their families in pizza-making at multiple sessions.

We also collaborated with the community safety partnership for a session in Eldene during a community clean-up day and catered the 'passing out' parade at Swindon Fire Station for the Police. During Christmas, we provided free pizzas at Moredon and Pinehurst Carol events and sold pizzas at a special event at St. Marks Park.

Sovereign Network Group (SNG) Our partnership with Sovereign Network Group (formerly Sovereign Housing) has been instrumental in launching the Pizza Project. We were invited to a celebration event at a Hotel in Basingstoke, where Simon interviewed Nathan about his experiences. Nathan's insights were well-received, making him a celebrity for the day!

"One of my highlights was where I did public speaking in Basingstoke for Sovereign Housing and how it helped the Wonky Pizza Project. When I first spoke I was really nervous but by the end of it I got the grasp of it and became quite good at it and was able to speak properly and answer questions so it really helped my public speaking. I thoroughly enjoyed this experience. At this point there were quite a few people who I managed to speak to and enjoyed speaking with them." Nathan, 18.

Weston Trips Thanks to the Mothers Union, we've been able to take local families to Weston each summer. This year, families enjoyed a warm day on the beach and pier. In memory of Carol Ford, a long-time fan of the beach trips who passed away, her family's donation allowed us to treat everyone to ice cream, a gesture she would have loved.

Cooking Project Our cooking project, in partnership with Wiltshire Police Early Intervention Team and CSNPC, offers young people at risk of criminal activity a fun, weekly opportunity to learn cooking skills. The meals have been described as "BANGING" by the participants, and several have joined the Wonky Pizza Crew.

Friday Football Friday Football continues to flourish, with over 150 young people participating weekly. This simple yet effective activity is self-organised by the young people, with our team ensuring safety and managing logistics. Rain or shine, the enthusiasm for football remains high, making it a perfect end to each week.

Messy Saturday Messy Saturday is one of our vibrant all-age expressions of Church, featuring a diverse array of activities, fun games, and delicious food. This year, our themes included 'He (Jesus) makes all things new', 'Hearing God?', 'What does it mean to be strong?', and an Easter celebration around 'Love wins!' In November, we introduced 'Sweaty Church', combining physical activity with learning about worshipping God through our bodies, alongside our usual fun and communal meal. Christmas was a joyous occasion as we celebrated Jesus's birth. A heartfelt thank you to our incredible Messy Saturday volunteers: Jenny, Crispian, Becky, Whitney, Andie, and Anne, whose dedication makes a significant impact!

Breakfast Gatherings Every fortnight on Sunday mornings, we gather at the Beach Hut to explore faith together over breakfast, regardless of the weather. We've enjoyed delving into various aspects of faith each week. Special thanks to the members of

Highworth Community Church for leading sung worship and to the new friends and faces who have joined us!

Youthie Pinehurst Youthie continues to thrive, with up to 70 young people attending weekly at Pinetrees Community Centre. We were delighted to have the team from U-turn, the young people's alcohol and drug use support agency, conduct training sessions for our team and host drop-in sessions on Wednesdays, which were very well received. We provided ongoing support to many young people facing family issues, mental health challenges, substance use concerns, and risks of exploitation, collaborating with other agencies to ensure comprehensive support. Additionally, we took some young people to a college open day, sparking excitement about their future career plans.

Nova Hreod Academy Our work at Nova Hreod Academy has been crucial during a challenging year marked by leadership changes and behavioural instability. We conducted assemblies on Easter and Remembrance, organised events for 'Hello Yellow' mental health day, Children in Need, Comic Relief, and Remembrance. A highlight was Our World Week, where we engaged Year 7 students in community clean-ups and introduced them to the new Moredon Sporting Hub. Supporting Year 11 students on their final day with inflatables for their end-of-school celebrations was a privilege!

Fun Day Celebrating running for over 20 years, the Fun Day remains a highlight, attracting over 2000 attendees for an afternoon of community celebration. Our youth team was actively involved, with the young people offering free face painting for over 100 children, running sports sessions, and working alongside Pinehurst Initiative Forum to assist with the event's logistics.

Christmas One of the highlights of the year is the Christmas Carol event on The Circle. This year we decided to give away lots of free pizza by the pizza crew, so it was very popular! It was great to welcome Bishop Neil, the new Bishop of Swindon who alongside the normal carols and readings, shared some thoughts about the meaning of Christmas. A special thanks goes to Nabiha, Lily and Whitney for hosting it!

"My highlights of 2024 were handing out hot chocolates to the young people after school, some of them said they were looking forward to it all day. Another highlight is the fun day, so many people turned up and it went amazing. The Christmas carols were also one of the highlights because so many local people turned up and gave positive feedback." Asha, 19, Apprentice.

First Aid Course We were thrilled to host the Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team for first aid training with our team and young people. One participant praised it as the best first aid training they had ever attended, featuring live actors, real-world scenarios, and even fake blood!

Swindon Academy In addition to our regular detached work during break and lunchtime, we organised special events to enhance students' engagement with Spiritual, Moral, Social, and Cultural education outside the classroom. The highlight was the whole school Cultural Day, led by students, featuring a 'cultural marketplace'

with diverse foods, sights, and music, followed by a parade celebrating various nations. Supporting this event was a true privilege!

Other notable activities included Remembrance Day, where students decorated the school and led a whole school assembly; girls' football sessions for International Women's Day; and fun events for Comic Relief and Children in Need. In July, all 240 Year 7 students participated in a community clear-up for ABC Week, followed by smaller group activities in the community forest and discussions at the Beach Hut about improving our communities and making flags for the Fun Day.

Team News We bid farewell to Emma Halls, who relocated to Bristol to work for LPW in January. In February, we welcomed back Rosie Grant-Willson as our Support and Development worker. Nathan, Rowan, Tyler, and Asha continued their outstanding work leading sessions at the Beach Hut and Youthie. We were fortunate to have Hannah and Hannes with us, and their early return to Germany due to family illness was deeply felt. Their enthusiasm and dedication were invaluable. We were also visited by Josie and Leonora, former German interns, who assisted with the summer program. Special thanks to Josie for editing all our summer videos!

One of the big highlights of the year was starting our new apprenticeship scheme and taking on our first Apprentice – Asha! Asha has grown up with shine and it's been great to see her flourish and have this extra opportunity to invest in her and she's doing a fantastic job! Our hope is that Asha will be the first of many as we seek to develop a local 'workforce' over the coming years to sustain and develop the work.

We are also grateful to all of those who are volunteers with shine, whether that be our Messy Saturday volunteers, the Fun Day helpers or our amazing trustees we are really grateful!

Safeguarding

Safeguarding of all those we have the privilege of working with is core to all we do. Throughout 2024 the trustees have overseen the work highlighted in this report to ensure high standards of practice inc. safely recruiting new staff and volunteers as well as DBS checks and a continuous programme of professional development and training.

Safeguarding features as a standing item on all trustee meetings and we carried out an annual Safeguarding audit using the Diocese's Safeguarding Dashboard and implementing the resulting action plans including an annual update of our Safeguarding Policy. Due to the nature of our work with those at risk and on the margins, we continued to ensure proper recording of concerns and referring significant issues to statutory agencies through Contact Point, Swindon.

Thanks

We are so grateful to the following organisations for their kind support:

Bristol Diocese

Central Swindon North Parish Council

Matt and Debbie at Giraffe HR

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Microsoft

Sovereign Network Group

St. Leonards, Stanton Fitzwarren

St. Johns, Haydon Wick

Swindon Academy

Swindon Borough Council (Safer Streets and HAF)

Swindon Community Church

Swindon Youth for Christ

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The executors of the Estate of George Lines

and to all those individuals who have given so generously to the work!

Reserves Policy Statement

To ensure the financial stability and sustainability of shine we maintain a Reserves Policy which is to be used to cover essential trading/activities/staffing whilst sourcing income to a maximum of 3 months budgeted trading activity and also provides for the costs of dissolution should the charity be unable to continue e.g. to pay notice periods, redundancies and the expenses of running shinepinehurst until closure of the organisation. This will be held at £10,000. The policy and reserves level are reviewed annually by the Board of Trustees to ensure the resilience of Shine, ensuring we can continue to fulfil our mission.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shine Pinehurst

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Shine Pinehurst (the charity) for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the 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 Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:

Name: Matt Perry

Address: Giraffe HR, 41 Belle Vue Road, London, E17 4DQ

Date:

Shine Pinehurst

Charity Registration 1182654

Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31 December 2024

	2024			2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Contracted	10,626	4,122	14,748	10,526
Donations (Incl legacies)	52,092	1,024	53,116	9,228
Fund Raising	192	1,457	1,648	5,547
Grants	0	10,000	10,000	47,866
Participants	0	0	0	65
Sales of Products	645	299	944	594
Services	0	0	0	0
Other	1,570	30	1,600	55
Total Receipts	65,125	16,932	82,057	73,880
Payments				
Admin	2,509	196	2,706	1,962
Delivery	11,234	6,058	17,292	16,401
Governance	2,520	148	2,668	1,124
Premises	3,901	122	4,023	0
Staff Costs	6,591	34,001	40,592	29,770
Total Payments	26,755	40,525	67,280	49,256
Net Income	38,370	-23,594	14,777	24,624
Balance B/F 1st January 2024			47,125	
Balance C/F 31st December 2024			61,902	

Statement of Assets and Liabilities for the year ending 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash Assets		
Bank Accounts	64,986	47,125
	64,986	47,125
Assets		
Debtors	0	0
	0	0
Liabilities		
Creditors	3,084	28,688
	3,084	28,688

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Notes to the Accounts

for the year ending 31 December 2024

1. Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants and Donations

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Donations (Stewardship, Parish Giving, Churches)	8,337		8,337
Legacies	41,233	-	41,233
National Lottery Community Fund	-	1,000	1,000
Swindon Borough Council	-	14,122	14,122
Acting as agent (fundraising)	-	1,151	1,151
Central Swindon Parish Council	2,000	-	2,000
Nova Hreod	4,581		4,581
Other Income	714	40	754
PIF	1,570	-	1,570
Sales	645	299	944
Swindon Academy	6,045	-	6,000
Wiltshire Police	-	320	320
	65,126	16,932	82,057

3. Funds Analysis

	Op Balance	Receipts	Payments	Closing Balance
Restricted Funds				
Pizza Project	12,535	619	13,154	-
School Hols	-	4,122	4,122	-
Safer Streets	12,058	10,040	22,098	-
National Lottery		1,000	-	1,000
Acting as Agent	34	1,151	1,151	34
Total Restricted Funds	24,627	16,932	40,525	1,034
Unrestricted Funds				
General	22,498	65,126	26,755	60,868
Total Unrestricted Funds	22,498	65,126	26,755	60,868
Total Funds	47,125	82,057	67,280	61,902