

JOY (JOINING OLD AND YOUNG)
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

JOY was constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) on 8 April 2019. The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Articles of Association and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (the "SORP").

Objectives and activities

The charity's objectives are:

- To run intergenerational programmes in which older people and young children communicate and interact through recreation and educational activities for mutual and communal benefit;
- To encourage integration between diverse community groups by raising awareness of different cultures;
- Benefits for the Elderly: to reduce isolation, promote well-being and purpose;
- Benefits for the Children: to instil and promote respect, empathy and compassion for the elderly with a view to enhancing family and community values;
- To create self-sustaining, ongoing programmes for intergenerational groups to enhance relationships and friendships between the elderly and the children;
- To develop participants' social skills, confidence and self-esteem of the young and the older members of the community;
- To train individuals to facilitate JOY programmes and enhance their employability;
- To further such other purposes which may be charitable as the trustees see fit from time to time; the Trustees can identify new related charitable opportunities that are charitable according to the Law of England and Wales.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

Lifetime Stories Project.

The Lifetime Stories Project has managed to secure grants from The Young Harrow Foundation and Young Barnet Foundation (balance of grant from previous year)

- We took the project into a two-form entry school reaching 60 Year 6 pupils and 60 adults. This was very successful with wonderful feedback.

Lifetime Stories is a programme designed to connect younger people to the older generation through storytelling, active listening and intergenerational activities. Beginning with a true storytelling workshop and moving through active listening and reminiscing techniques, story-mapping, interview design; the project seeks to develop the employability and life skills of younger people. This is achieved through a deepening of young people's connection to their own family histories.

Each child will participate in two days (4hours) of storytelling workshops.

Every student then becomes a 'story explorer' setting out on a 'story-discovering' voyage through their chosen person's life through sharing photos, videos, meaningful objects and songs. This creates a closer connection to someone from an older generation, improving communication and listening skills.

The final intergenerational session brings together their Chosen Person and an object representing a story they discovered, back to the school or centre. Together they will create a piece of art with a written story attached.

Joy is continuing the JOY Programme on a joint site twice a month. The people who attend thoroughly enjoy the interaction between the generations and look forward to coming again. We receive very positive feedback and have been asked to continue this programme in the next school year.

Financial review

The total income for the year ended 31 August 2025 amounted to £4472 (2024: £5632).

Reserves

As of 31 August 2025, JOY's net reserves amounted to £7670 (2024: £7837). These funds are sufficient to cover any ongoing expenses.

Plans for future periods

JOY will continue to embark on community projects in order to maintain the connection between the old and young.

JOY will continue to expand on the 'Life Time Stories' in order to deliver to more schools and faith communities. We will apply for grants to enable us to offer this Project to the schools who cannot afford to pay for this.

In order to expand this project we will be developing a training programme for facilitators and teachers as an added value to the curriculum.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and governed by its constitution.

Trustees

The trustees are chosen on the basis of merit and their ability to make a contribution to the charity in terms of skills, knowledge and experience. None of the trustees have any beneficial interest in the company.

All trustees are provided with the charity's governing document, the relevant guidance from the Charity Commission on the role of the Trustees and the latest annual accounts and Trustees Annual Report.

Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring that the charity fulfils its objectives. The Board reviews the JOY's strategic direction and the best use of available resources to meet its objectives. The Board normally meets a minimum of twice a year or as required to ensure the strategic management of the charity.

Furthermore, JOY's Founder, Jennifer (Jenny) Kossew, is actively engaged in supporting the charity's day-to-day activities. For completeness, Jenny is not a Trustee and has no decision-making powers over JOY.

Related Parties

None of JOY's trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from employment with JOY or a related entity. In addition, no trustee expenses have been incurred by JOY in the year ended 31 August 2025.

Jenny often volunteers her services to JOY, for example, she does not receive remuneration for the day-to-day management of the charity.

Reference and Administrative Information

Name of Charity	Joining Old and Young (JOY)
Charity registration number	1182863
Principal address	25 Bushfield Crescent Edgware, Middlesex HA8 8XG

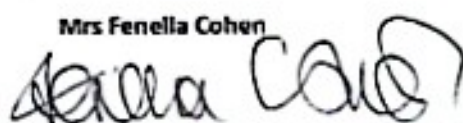
Trustees

The trustees serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Mrs F Cohen
Mrs G Kendal
Mr I Cowan
Mrs M Mirvis
Mrs N Bharier
Mrs S Hubert

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees

Mrs Fenella Cohen



Date 5-6-26

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total for Year Ended 31 Aug'25	Total for Year Ended 31 Aug'24
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	4472		4472	5632
Income from charitable activities		-	-		
Income from other trading activities		-	-		
		4472		4472	5632
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	4639		4639	(2808)
Raising funds		-	-		
Total resources expended		4639		4639	(2808)
Net income / (expenditure)		(167)		(167)	2824
Transfer					
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		7837		7837	5013
Total funds carried forward		7670	-	7670	7837

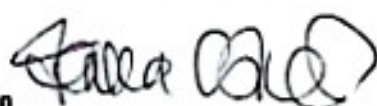
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2025

	Notes	31 Aug'25	31 Aug'24
ASSETS		£	£
Current assets			
Debtors	8	60	60
Cash at bank and in hand		7610	7777
		7670	7837
Current liabilities			
Creditors	9	(-0)	(-0)
NET ASSETS		7670	7837
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted funds		7670	7837
Restricted funds			
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		7670	7837

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

Mrs Fenella Cohen
Trustee



1. Accounting policies

1.1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019) – (Charities SORP (FRS102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

JOY meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historic cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant account policy note(s).

1.2. Going concern

The Trustees are of the view that the charity is a going concern for at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements. Therefore, the financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

1.3. Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Restricted funds are donations and grants which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of JOY's work or for specific artistic projects being undertaken by JOY. Any costs allocated to restricted funds are directly attributable to the particular work or projects that the funds have been provided for by the donor.

1.4. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when JOY is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

1.5. Donated goods, services and facilities

Donated goods, services and facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. Where possible, donated goods, services and facilities are valued based on what JOY would pay in the open market.

1.6. Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Expenditure on raising funds, comprising the costs of fundraising and their related support and governance; and
- Expenditure on charitable activities, comprising the costs associated with running JOY sessions and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their related support and governance costs.

2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Total for Year Ended 31 Aug'24
	£	£	£
Donations	2102	-	5639
Donated services	-	-	-
Grants	2370	-	-
	4472	-	5639

JOY greatly benefits from the involvement and support of its volunteers. In accordance with FRS102 and the Charities SORP (FRS102), the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

3. Income from other trading activities

During the accounting year ended 31 August 2025 JOY did not hold any fundraising activities.

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Analysis of support costs on charitable expenditure:

	Year Ended 31 Aug'25	Year Ended 31 Aug'24
	£	£
Office costs	517	458
Staff training		
Storage costs		
Independent Examiner's fees		
Freelance costs for professional services	3950	400
Admin and other miscellaneous costs	172	1950
Total	4639	2808

5. Analysis of expenditure on raising funds

JOY did not incur any costs on raising funds in the year ended 31 August 2025.

6. Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the accounting period.

7. Employees

There were no employees during the accounting period.

8. Debtors

	31 Aug'25	31 Aug'24
Amounts due within one year	£	£
	-	
Tax recoverable under gift aid	60	60
	60	60

9. Creditors

	31 Aug'25	31 Aug'24
Amounts due within one year	£	£
Accounts payable	0	0
	0	0