

CHILDREN'S CHARITY MERSEYSIDE CIO - 1183756

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 1ST APRIL 2024 TO 31ST MARCH 2025

Objectives and Activities

The objects of Children's Charity Merseyside are to improve the conditions of the life of children and young people in Merseyside and surrounding areas who are in need as a result of ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantages. This will be achieved by assisting in the provision of specialist sensory or recreational equipment and the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve the conditions of their life.

We will endeavour to arrange fund raising activities including a Christmas Lunch and a Golf Day. We will also arrange a Christmas party at the Hilton Hotel with children from schools in the Merseyside area.

Achievements and Performance

We have been extremely active this year in providing funding to schools particularly playground equipment. We have also been involved with local teams in order to fund their football kits. A local Jujitsu group was provided with much needed equipment in order to keep their club running successfully and we regularly liaise with a local Asylum Seekers group in order to provide items for their children.

Our annual Carvers Lunch at the Hilton Hotel in December was again well attended and a profitable event. The annual Golf Day at Hillside Golf Club was similarly a great success with 33 teams competing for the Ian Callaghan Trophy. Both events have been booked for 2026.

The Christmas Party was again held at the Hilton Hotel with 100 children attending from schools in the Liverpool area. We also arranged events to be held in the schools on the outskirts of the region namely St Helens, who could not travel to the party in Liverpool.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	ENFOWMENT FUNDS	TOTALS
<u>Receipts</u>					
Ticket sales for events	37815.00				37815.00
Donations	12515.57				12515.57
Auctions and Raffles	16024.55				16024.55
Interest on Accounts	2052.83				2052.83
Total	0				68407.95
<u>Payments</u>					
Stationery/printing	1936.12				1936.12
Bank Charges/ web site	63.60				63.60
Cost of events	34397.67				34397.67
Appeals/Donations	20701.38				20701.38
Total	0				57098.77
<u>Excess of Receipts over Payments</u>	11309.18				11309.18
<u>Bank account 1.4.24</u>	98819.16				98819.16
<u>Bank account 31.3.25</u>	110128.34				110128.34
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES					
Cash Funds	Nil				
Bank Current Account	110128.34				110128.34
Liabilities	Nil				Nil

APPEALS

ST MARIES KIRKBY – BOOKS	60.55
MMTC – THEATRE TICKETS	190.00
ALTRU DRAMA – EDUCATIONAL – 4 SCHOOLS	2400.00
ALL SAINTS BOOTLE – CLOTHES	1015.20
BROAD OAK ST HELENS – 30 PE KITS	390.00
TRIKE – MURPHY	1669.00
OUR WARM WELCOME – ASYLUM SEEKERS	500.00
SHOES FOR FAMILY IN ST HELENS	100.00
MMTC – THEATRE TICKETS	190.00
GARSTON HARRIERS – FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT	344.83
TRIKE – JOSHUA	1628.00
MSB WOOLTON – GENERATOR TO PREPARE HOT DRINKS ON MATCH DAY	1138.80
MT STYX – XMAS PERFORMANCES X 3 SCHOOLS	855.00
SEFTON CHILDRENS TRUST – XMAS PARTY	2000.00
ALTRU – PERFORMANCES X 2 SCHOOLS	1320.00
ST MARY & ST PAULS – PLAYGROUND EQUIP	406.76
HILTON XMAS PARTY – 100 CHILDREN	1180.00
SPOTLIGHT – THEATRE TICKETS	95.00
HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL – PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	824.40
PRESCOT RANGERS JFC – FOOTBALL KITS UNDER 7'S & UNDER 10'S	880.00
HUYTON JUJITSU – MATS AND EQUIPMENT	1528.84
WATERLOO PRIMARY - SCHOOL EQUIPMENT	1850.00
ST MARYS & ST PAULS PRESCOT – HI VIZ JACKETS	135.00
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Financial Review

Total receipts of unrestricted funds during the accounting period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 were £68407.95. Donations amounting to £12515.57 were received, mostly sourced by Trustees and received from several of our existing sponsors. Several donations were received as a direct result of our Website which is regularly updated with news and details of our latest projects.

The net result for this period was an excess of receipts over payments of £11,309.18 as evidenced with the bank statements showing balances of £110,128.34. An Independent Examiners Report was conducted by Mrs Katrina Kenny who has examined the accounts and procedures and has no concerns regarding the accounts and accounting records. Statement of account exhibited and balance confirmed. See accounts and balances listed below.

Reserves Policy

The charity does not operate a Reserves Policy

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustee Board consists of 5 Trustees who meet on a monthly basis. Full minutes are taken at meetings.

Administrative Information

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The registered address and correspondence address for the Charity are: 41 Watling Way, Whiston, Prescot, Merseyside L35 7NF.

The 5 trustees who have served during this period : Jim Donaldson – Chair, Eileen Smith – Treasurer, Margaret Roberts – Secretary, Katie Dalton and Madeleine Tully

Trustees Report approved and circulated 7th October 2025 – Signed on behalf of the Trustees by Eileen Smith

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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Children's Charity Merseyside – Charity Number 1183756

I report on the accounts for the year commencing 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 which are set out below.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts (under Section 43 of the Act)

To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity

Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act and

To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiners Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement.

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Independent Examiners Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- The accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

Katrina Kenny

32 Watling Way

Whiston Prescott

Merseyside L35 7NG

7th October 2025