

# Springs Family Centre

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 July 2025

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**SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE**  
**LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	9 Tower Street Northampton Northamptonshire NN1 2SN
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Constitution dated 27 February 2019 as amended on 30 March 2023 and 14 December 2023
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1184510
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	T. Adelegan (resigned 27 March 2025) L. Dewa D. Fernandes (resigned 1 April 2025) R. Goldring L. Smart O. Ubahakwe P. Worth
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Sarah Crispin ACA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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## **SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2025.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES:**

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. Springs Family Centre is situated in an area of ten per cent most deprivation in England. It is a rich diverse community. The charity's principal objects as set out in its governing document are:

1. To further or benefit the residents of Spring Boroughs, Castle Ward and Northampton, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents. In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: To establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.
2. The relief of unemployment for the benefit of the public in such ways as may be thought fit, including assistance to find employment.
3. To act as a resource for young people up to the age of 25 living in Spring Boroughs, Castle Ward and Northampton by providing advice and assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of: (a) advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals; (b) advancing education; (c) relieving unemployment; (d) providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who have need by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons.
4. The above objects will be carried out within a Christian ethos.

### **Public benefit:**

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission in relation to public benefit and believe that all the activities of the charity comply.

### **Staffing:**

The small team of staff and volunteers strive to provide the very best for the service users and community. All of this is provided free at the point of use so it can be accessed by all in need.

### **General:**

Having developed a street level centre in an area of ten per cent most deprivation in England during the year the activities have continued and expanded. Demand continues for our Food Bank

and Jobsclub services. With young people we have expanded our range of sports to include short tennis and pickleball. Our music recording studio is in great demand and has taken on a specialist role diverting youth from gang and knife crime and keeping them out of the criminal justice system.

Springs was instrumental in organising and hosting the Lords and Commons Family and Child Protection Group Summit on Knife Crime. The event brought together a variety of organisations with the aim of:

- Understanding where we are with knife crime across the country
- Demonstrating what Christian Groups are doing to combat youth violence and knife crime
- Demonstrating to communities and churches how they could become involved
- Learn from each other
- Pray together

Following on from the day a podcast has been produced capturing key messages from the event and distributed widely. Also, a call for action has been drawn up which is being shared with parliamentarians.

### **Looking back over the year:**

A very successful year for Springs Family CIO has taken place and all of the trustee targets have been achieved. Income over the financial year is up 39%, attendances in the youth work over the first 6 months of 2025 is up 37% on the previous year and attendances in the daytime adult programmes over the first 6 months of 2025 is up 22% on the previous year.

The trustees hoped to:

- For trustees, staff, volunteers and service users to work together to construct the next year Development Plan to be approved at the Spring 2025 AGM to be implemented in the Autumn of 2025 – a draft plan has been presented it is hoped it will be amended and approved and then implemented in Autumn 2025.
- To achieve long term funding for the Development Manager Role – this has been achieved.
- To achieve long term funding for the diversion from youth violence and knife crime group and keeping youth out of the criminal justice system – an additional 15 months of funding has been awarded, and further funding is being sought.
- To ensure trustees take on their full responsibilities to aid Succession Planning – job descriptions for all trustee roles have been approved.
- With additional support and training Succession Planning will be complete by the end of July 2025 with the Deputy Development Manager taking full control - the Trustees decided that, although training for the Deputy Development Manager was proceeding, it was necessary to appoint someone more experienced to take on role of Development Manager to ensure a smooth transition of leadership in view of the retirement of the longstanding incumbent. The appointment has been made by the Trustees, and the new Development Manager will commence work in September 2025.

## **Looking forward August 2025 – July 2026:**

The trustees hope:

- For the new Development Manager to build on the work of the charity providing clarity on the vision and direction especially with regard to the three-year plan.
- For the team of staff and volunteers to be well established, motivated, and with a clear understanding of the vision and direction of the charity.
- Develop closer links with New Life Church such that the church has a clear understanding of the work of Springs Family Centre and enlisting volunteers from the church to help with the work.
- Establish a long-term lease with New Life Church and secure funding for the redevelopment of the building over the next five years.
- Maintain and build the work of the charity such that it continues to achieve its charitable aims.

## **Financial position:**

During the year income increased by £44,386 to £155,698, and expenditure increased by £20,073, to £126,743. As a result, the cash held by the charity increased by £28,955 (2024: £4,641), to £86,059, of which £3,452 is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

## **Reserves policy:**

The trustees have agreed a reserves policy of one month's free reserves rising to three months free reserves as soon as possible excluding salaries which are all related to grants.

## **Governing document:**

The charity is controlled by its governing document and constitutes as a charitable incorporated organisation.

## **Recruitment and appointment of trustees:**

Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of 3 years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

## **Responsibilities of trustees:**

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

**Approval:**

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

*Rob Goldring*

[Rob Goldring \(Mar 30, 2026 13:36:57 GMT+1\)](#)

Robert Goldring (Trustee & Treasurer)

Date: Mar 30, 2026

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF

### SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Springs Family Centre ('the charity') for the year ended 31 July 2025 on pages 7 to 11 following.

#### **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 2011 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 2011 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. 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 accounts to be reached.

*Sarah Crispin*

Sarah Crispin (Mar 31, 2026 14:39:28 GMT+1)

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Date: Mar 31, 2026

**SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	2025	2024
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
<b><i>Income receipts</i></b>						
Donations		474	43	345	863	4,662
Grants		-	-	154,742	154,742	106,431
Recharges and other income		93	-	-	93	219
<b><i>Total receipts</i></b>		<u>567</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>155,087</u>	<u>155,698</u>	<u>111,312</u>
<b><i>Payments</i></b>						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	<u>567</u>	<u>10,169</u>	<u>116,006</u>	<u>126,743</u>	<u>106,670</u>
<b><i>Total payments</i></b>		<u>567</u>	<u>10,169</u>	<u>116,006</u>	<u>126,743</u>	<u>106,670</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before		0	(10,126)	39,081	28,955	4,641
Transfers between funds	4	-	1,988	(1,988)	-	-
<b><i>Net movement in funds</i></b>		<u>-</u>	<u>(8,138)</u>	<u>37,093</u>	<u>28,955</u>	<u>4,641</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		-	11,590	45,514	57,103	52,462
<b><i>Cash funds at this year end</i></b>	A	<u>-</u>	<u>3,452</u>	<u>82,607</u>	<u>86,059</u>	<u>57,104</u>

The notes on pages 9-11 form part of these accounts.



**SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted funds	2025	2024
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>A Cash funds</b>					
Cash at bank with immediate access	-	3,452	82,607	86,059	57,104
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,452</u>	<u>82,607</u>	<u>86,059</u>	<u>57,104</u>
<b>B Other monetary assets</b>					
Grant commitments due	-	-	-	-	5,647
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,647</u>
<b>C Liabilities</b>					
Pension creditors	-	-	188	186	188
Fee for Independent Examination	1,464	-	-	1,464	1,440
<b>Total</b>	<u>1,464</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>1,650</u>	<u>1,628</u>

**D Assets retained for charity's own use**

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	Cost £	Cost £	Cost £	Cost £
Computers & IT	-	617	9,201	9,818
Equipment	-	862	10,120	10,982
Fixtures & Fittings	-	-	970	970
Music & PA	-	-	8,338	8,338
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,479</u>	<u>28,629</u>	<u>30,108</u>

**E Guarantees and secured debts**

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Rob Goldring

Rob Goldring (Mar 30, 2026 13:36:57 GMT+1)

ROBERT GOLDRING (TRUSTEE & TREASURER)

Date: Mar 30, 2026

The notes on pages 9-11 form part of these accounts.

**SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

**1 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.

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly</b>					
Employment costs	539	9,861	79,037	89,437	73,399
Direct cost of activities	-	-	9,406	9,406	10,101
Insurance	-	-	1,114	1,114	1,091
Telephone	-	153	927	1,080	934
Postage and stationery	-	-	1,424	1,424	868
Sundries	-	-	370	370	100
Independent examination	-	-	1,440	1,440	1,440
Professional fees & services	29	113	12,143	12,285	7,954
Equipment	-	42	10,145	10,187	10,783
	<u>567</u>	<u>10,169</u>	<u>116,006</u>	<u>126,743</u>	<u>106,670</u>

**3 Non-monetary resources**

The charity receives and distributes donations of food to members of the local community in need.

The charity uses premises and utilities provided without charge to it by New Life Church (charity registration number 1092247). P. Worth, who served as a trustee of the charity during the year, is also a trustee of New Life Church.

**SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

**4 Movement of funds**

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	-	567	(567)	-	-
Designated funds					
Tudor	11,590	43	(10,169)	1,988	3,452
	<u>11,590</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>(10,169)</u>	<u>1,988</u>	<u>3,452</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
WNC Studio	-	10,300	(10,300)	-	-
Hub	3,122	1,590	(2,798)	-	1,914
Star	606	-	-	(606)	-
Grants for All	926	18,118	(7,951)	-	11,093
Matched Grant	1,039	-	-	-	1,039
WNC Prosperity	(1,255)	13,213	(11,958)	-	-
Wellbeing	487	-	-	(487)	-
Community Foundation	-	4,343	(1,690)	-	2,653
Youth Music	433	-	-	(433)	-
King Charles III	-	2,000	(169)	-	1,831
National Grid	357	-	-	(357)	-
Morrisons Foundation	-	6,407	(6,407)	-	-
Cash4Kids	-	1,600	(883)	-	717
Henry Smith	-	25,400	(11,164)	-	14,236
Youth Hub	10,315	3,930	(5,145)	-	9,100
Tudor Wellbeing	670	1,023	(1,182)	-	511
Goodwill Solutions (Goal Getter)	60	-	-	-	60
Next Steps	105	-	-	(105)	-
Community Foundation Corporate Fundraisers	-	2,288	(2,288)	-	-
Postcode Lottery	-	25,000	(3,895)	-	21,105
Lottery	11,599	16,292	(16,985)	-	10,907
Sport England	2,177	162	(2,339)	-	-
OPFCC	6,283	-	(6,043)	-	239
WNC	(4,372)	5,921	(1,549)	-	-
Knife Crime Summit	-	3,133	(2,879)	-	254
Children in Need	8,968	14,368	(16,388)	-	6,948
Foyle	3,810	-	(3,810)	-	-
Cash4Clubs (Sported)	185	-	(185)	-	-
	<u>45,514</u>	<u>155,087</u>	<u>(116,006)</u>	<u>(1,988)</u>	<u>82,607</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>57,104</u>	<u>155,698</u>	<u>(126,743)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,059</u>

The transfers between funds in the year were to refund expenditure and prior year deficits previously covered from unrestricted funds.

The Tudor Restricted Fund was set up for the purpose of funding staff salaries to continue to promote growth within the charity. Subsequent funding received during 2022-2023 from the Tudor Fund was unrestricted but the trustees have chosen to designate this towards the same purpose and also support the General Fund of the charity from time-to-time.

The Postcode Lottery Fund was set-up to support youth work around the diversion from knife crime and gangs, and to support the Food Bank.

The WNC Studio Fund set up to provide funding to expand the work diverting youth from gangs and knife crime.

The Hub Fund was set-up for the purpose of funding the afternoon hub and jobs club. It is an amalgamation of previous grant funding.

The Star Fund enables the adult jobs club to run each week.

The Grants for All Fund was set up to fund staff and refreshments to provide additional support during youth work sessions.

The Matched Grant Fund, from time to time, allows monies donated by individuals to be matched by other funders.

The WNC Prosperity Fund was set-up to provide and outreach jobs club in the town centre and teach basic computer skills.

The Wellbeing Fund was set-up by Tudor Grant holders to assist in the wellbeing of staff and volunteers during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Community Foundation Fund was set up to provide an Action Plan Assistant to work with service users receiving help from the Food Bank.

The Youth Music Fund enables young people to learn skills of music production and some to receive instrument tuition.

**SPRINGS FAMILY CENTRE**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

**4 Movement of funds (continued)**

The King Charles III Fund was set up so that individual work could be completed with at risk young people.

The National Grid Fund was set-up to cover support for service users over the winter period.

The Cash4Kids Fund was set up to provide fruit as snacks during holiday Sport Sessions and ingredients for youth cooking classes.

The Henry Smith Fund as set up to provide funding over 3 years to ensure smooth succession planning for the Deputy Development Manager to take over full control of the charity as development Manager supported by admin support and weekly supervision.

The Youth Hub Fund was set-up for the purpose of funding the charities youth work and youth outreach program. It is an amalgamation of the previously quoted Wooden Spoon and High Sheriff funds.

The Tudor Wellbeing Fund was set-up to support the wellbeing of staff, trustees and volunteers.

The Goodwill Solutions (Goal Getter) Fund was set-up to fund work with vulnerable young people aged 14-25 years to maintain in education or to help gain employment.

The Next Steps fund was set-up to support those 18 years old and over who are a long way from employment find work or enter further education.

The Community Foundation Corporate Fundraisers Fund was set up to purchase food and refreshments for our Food Bank.

The Lottery Fund was set-up to to expand our volunteer base and appoint a volunteer co-ordinator.

The Sport England Fund was set-up to expand the range of our sporting activities particularly to engage additional participants.

The OPFCC Fund was set-up to support our work to divert youth from knife crime and youth violence through use of our music recording studio.

The WNC Fund was set-up to provide support to run the jobs club.

The Knife Crime Summit Fund was set up to host the Lords and Commons Family and Child Protection Group summit on knife crime. Local and national organisations and stakeholders came together to share concerns and good practice. It generated questions and recommended action points for the UK Government.

The Children in Need Fund was set-up to support our youth work and appoint a youth work project manager.

The Foyle Fund was set-up to provide for core costs.

The Cash4Clubs (Sported) Fund was set-up to deliver sports activities to underrepresented people in our community.

The Food Bank Fund was set-up for donations to be spent on food.