

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24 and APPEAL 2025



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Holidays

Thanks to the ongoing generosity of our many supporters and grant-making bodies, we provided holidays for over 300 children in 15 groups in the year October 2023 to September 2024 – fewer than last year, but through no lack of willingness or effort on the part of the Trustees. Schools are under pressure and cannot always staff holidays when invited, or availability at the Nightingale Centre does not fit well with curriculum demands or the testing regime. Despite the constraints, children from eleven schools enjoyed fun-filled days at Great Hucklow – from Chesterfield (2), Colne (2), Hull, Liverpool (2), Mansfield (2), Nottingham and Salford. One appreciative teacher wrote:

“This residential really allows our children to go and explore the wonderful countryside which is almost on our doorstep. Despite it not being that far away from Mansfield, very few have ever set foot in Derbyshire before. Even the coach journeys expose them to sights they have never seen.”

Youth and community groups have constraints too, providing holiday leaders while maintaining programmes back at base and avoiding dates that interfere with return-to-school activities such as shopping for uniforms. There were four such groups this year – two from Liverpool, one from Southend and a group of Scouts from Hull. A group leader from Liverpool wrote of the children:

All the people at Hucklow were really kind and they smiled at me and always asked if I was having a good time.

I walked eight and a half miles. I never walked that far before.



“Being in the countryside, they appreciated the difference to the city landscape, the beauty and the calmness. [They loved] the early morning run to watch the sunrise at the glider centre, kick-starting a fitness craze!”



As usual, the children came from diverse backgrounds and often challenging circumstances which, according to one community group leader, may include being young carers, having witnessed domestic violence or being from low income households. A head teacher described her group as “all vulnerable children. All [receive] free school meals and most are either under Social Care or have been under Social Care.” The common objective is to give children a break from their everyday lives, to discover themselves, have fun and just be children for a few precious days.

And what did the children say? They enjoyed activities organised by their group leaders, the chance to play together in a beautiful setting and connect with nature. They loved the food, the “very posh” bedrooms where they had a bed to themselves and teddies to take home, provided now by several Unitarian congregations via Hucklow Old Chapel. They appreciated the intangible aspects: “All the people at Hucklow were really kind and they smiled at me and always asked if I was having a good time.” Aside from wishing for more playground equipment at the Centre, the only negatives were bedtime and not being able to stay longer.

Leaders echo the children’s sentiments about the kindness of the staff at the Nightingale Centre, and the Trustees are deeply appreciative of the superb service they provide. As they are of Andrew’s Coaches, who continued to provide efficient transport services from start to finish of each holiday, enabling the children to make the most of the beautiful Peak District and its many attractions.

**I hope I can
go back to
Hucklow.
I liked
everything,
and it was a
good holiday.**

Our supporters

We are very grateful to all those individuals, congregations, societies and other charitable organisations whose generosity helped to cover the cost of the holidays – some by one-off activities, others by regular giving. We benefited from Christmas and Easter collections, Spring Fairs, raffles, concerts, open house coffee mornings and donations in lieu of gifts. Personal recommendations to external grant-making bodies, such as the Mercers' Charitable Foundation and The Commander Ethelston Charity Cup, resulted in new grants while Masonic Lodges continued to be steadfast supporters. The conclusion of a councillor's year as civic leader of Derbyshire Dales District Council brought further donations, making a total of £7,100 over two financial years.

The value of the holidays is well summed up in this letter of appreciation from the deputy head of one of the schools:

"On behalf of the children, staff and governors, I would like to say a huge heartfelt thank you for another wonderful holiday our children have experienced at The Nightingale Centre. For many of our children, it was the first experience of being away from home, and your charity takes care of every little detail to make the week as fun and jam-packed as possible. Without your generosity, many of our children would not ever experience a holiday. Everything from start to finish always runs smoothly and you make booking to travelling stress-free! The children talk about this holiday for weeks and months afterwards as they have made memories which certainly last them a lifetime."



The children loved visiting new places each day with a good balance of time spent exploring, playing or relaxing together.

We could not do this without our supporters, and we thank them all.

We are grateful too for donations in kind, and we express our appreciation once more to Jason Godfrey, of Godfrey Design, who gives his time and talent to produce our attractive Annual Report & Appeal.

Finances

We had a very successful year. We received over £86,000 in donations, and we are grateful to our Donations Treasurer, Ruth Taylor, who handles most of them. In addition, we received £50,000 following the closure and sale of Bank St Chapel in Bolton. Our total income for the year, including that from investments, tax reclaimed and online giving was £156,300. This more than covered the £110,000 total cost of the 15 holidays, leaving a surplus of £41,300. And the value of our investments increased by over £34,000. We also received gifts *in memoriam* totalling £2,335.

I liked how much it felt like home and how nice everyone was.

Being in the countryside, they appreciated the difference to the city landscape, the beauty and the calmness.



There were some increases in expenditure during the year. The Nightingale Centre increased the cost of accommodation by 10% (compared to 14% for other groups), though Andrew's Coaches held their prices once again. Administration costs (covering broker's charges, bank and online giving charges) were only around 3.5% of total expenditure.

A breakdown of income and expenditure for the year is to be found on page 8. Gifts *in memoriam* and donations from grant-making bodies and Masonic groups are listed on page 9. We are grateful to all our donors.

Once more, we thank Mike Georgiou, who kindly reviews our accounts each year.

Fundraising target for 2025

One deputy head, taking a group for the first time, wrote: "The ethos of the charity is phenomenal and inspiring. Our children have had a remarkable experience." Another said that the children "absolutely thrived".

We wish to continue providing remarkable experiences to enable as many children as possible to thrive. We hope others will join us in this endeavour as we seek to raise £82,500, to cover the cost of accommodation at the Nightingale Centre for the 18 groups we have invited.

We had a big room that we could play in, like chess and Frustration. We watched a film, and we played party games and we made things. Before we went to bed we always had hot chocolate and a biscuit.





Projected 2024-25 Holidays

Chesterfield, Spire Junior
 Chesterfield, Wm Rhodes Primary
 Colne, Park Primary
 Colne, Primet Primary
 Crewe, Edleston Primary
 Hull, Wellington-St Matthew's Scouts
 Liverpool, Edge Hill Youth Club
 Liverpool, Lawrence Primary
 Liverpool, St Sebastian's Primary

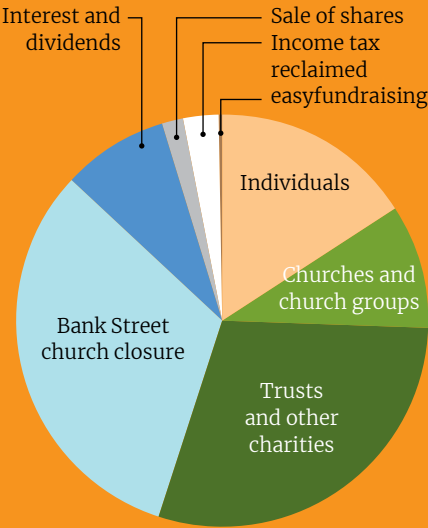
Liverpool, Unity Youth Club
 Liverpool, Wavertree Primary
 Mansfield, Asquith Primary
 Mansfield, Brookfield Primary
 Mansfield, Oak Tree Primary
 Nottingham, Rosehill
 Salford, Beech Street Primary
 Southend, Turning Tides
 Wednesbury, Priory Primary

Income & expenditure for the year ended 30 September 2024

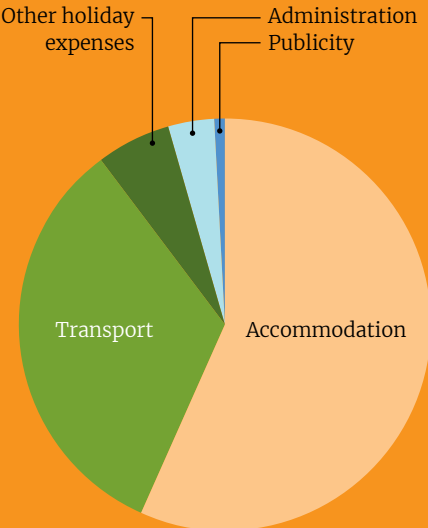
Income	£
Individuals	25,072.75
Churches and church groups	15,236.49
Trusts and other charities	45,940.90
Bank Street church closure	50,000.00
Interest and dividends	13,061.55
Sale of shares	2,600.10
Income tax reclaimed	4,179.60
easyfundraising	207.70
Total income	156,299.09
Expenditure	
Accommodation	65,442.00
Transport	38,250.00
Other holiday expenses	6,620.00
Administration	4,063.52
Publicity	881.00
Total expenditure	115,256.52

Thank you so much. The children had an amazing week. The generosity of SACH is truly amazing.

Income



Expenditure



In memoriam **£**

Oliver Ainsworth	595.00
Ernest Baker	50.00
Linda Brown	347.00
Sheila Godfrey	50.00
Bernice Lashbrook	460.70
Judy Mitchell	108.00
Joan Moore	25.00
John Parsons	75.00
Margaret Pyle	100.00
Malvern Tedds	500.00
Rev Prof Paul Trudinger	25.00

Total	2,335.70
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Trustees

We acknowledge the enormous amount of time and effort given by Trustee Sue Cooper, who has diligently submitted grant applications to numerous charitable trusts during the year. As she steps down from her fundraising role, but not as a Trustee, we would love someone to take her place. Could this be a job for you or for someone you know?

Colleen Burns retired as a Trustee soon after the year-end. We are very grateful for her contribution these past seven years, most notably for introducing and then producing *SACH News* in Spring and at Christmas each year.

Sarah Benfield

Chair of Trustees

Donations from Charitable and Masonic Groups

Daghy Raymond Charitable Trust
David Burton Civic Appeal
Dean & Leconby Trust
Elliott Lodge
Great Hucklow Community Spirit
Hemby Charity
Joseph & Ann Slater Memorial Fund
Mansfield Building Society
Mansfield Lodge No. 7094

Masonic Relief Chest Scheme
Notts Masonic Golfing Association
Old Elizabethans Lodge
The Commander Ethelston Cup
Football Tournament
The Elizabeth Heath Charity
The Grand Charity
The Leonard Chamberlain Trust
The Mercers' Company

Donate



Donation routes

a. Directly into our CAF bank account

Account name: Send a Child to Hucklow Fund

Sort code: 40-52-40

Account number: 00060131

b. Donate online using a credit or debit card

Charities Aid Foundation

PayPal

JustGiving

Give as you Live

c. Donate by cheque using the form on page 11

d. When shopping online, register with the following and search for 'Hucklow'

easyfundraising

Give as you Live

e. In memoriam

Memory Giving

Much Loved

Website: www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk

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provides and arranges holidays at the Nightingale Centre, Great Hucklow for disadvantaged children, having no regard to religious, political, racial or other connections. Registered as a charitable incorporated organisation – number 1189260

Please send this form to the Donations Treasurer:
Mrs Ruth Taylor
1 Beech Close
Hanwood
Shrewsbury, SY5 8RA
Email: donations_treasurer@sendachildtohucklow.org.uk

I enclose a cheque for £_____ as a personal donation to
The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund.

Please treat:

- (a) the enclosed donation
- (b) all donations which I make on or after 1 October 2020

as Gift Aid Donation(s) and reclaim the tax*

* I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

(Delete (a) and/or (b) if not applicable, if you do not pay tax or are not an individual or do not wish us to reclaim the tax.)

From

Full name (CAPITALS)

Address

Postcode

Email:

Signed

Date

☐ If you require a receipt, please tick this box.

**A charitable incorporated organisation,
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Our purpose

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Trustees

Mrs Sarah Benfield
Mrs Sue Cooper
Ms Emma France
Rev Peter Godfrey

Ms Christine Hayhurst
Rev Peter Hewis
Mr David Ogden
Ms Jo O'Sullivan

Mr Colin Partington
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The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO
Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2024

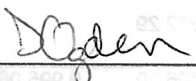
		2023-24		2022-23	
	Note	General £	Capital £	General £	Capital £
Incoming Resources:					
Donations	3	136,250.14		93,740.98	
Legacies	5				2,000.00
In memoriam	5		2,335.70		7,995.06
Interest and Dividends		13,061.55		12,538.92	
Income Tax Reclaimed		4,179.60		3,891.69	
Easyfundraising and similar	7	207.70		441.59	
Other income	8	2,600.10			
Total Incoming Resources		156,299.09	2,335.70	110,613.18	9,995.06
Application of Resources:					
Holiday Costs	6	110,312.00		123,007.00	
Administration Costs		4,063.52		2,369.53	
Publicity		881.00		851.00	
Other expenditure	9			1,651.64	
Total Outgoing Resources		(115,256.52)		(127,879.17)	
Net movement in Resources		41,042.57	2,335.70	(17,265.99)	9,995.06
Plus:					
Change in Market Value of Investments	4	34,265.98		18,972.29	
Total Movement in Funds		75,308.55	2,335.70	1,706.30	9,995.06
Statement of Movement in Funds					
Total Funds b/f		60,039.42	262,016.08	58,333.12	252,021.02
Movement during the year (see above)		75,308.55	2,335.70	1,706.30	9,995.06
Total Funds c/f		135,347.97	264,351.78	60,039.42	262,016.08

The notes on page 3 form part of these accounts

The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO
Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024

	Note	2023-24	2022-23
Assets			
Investments at Market Value	3	317,178.02	282,912.04
CAF Bank account		78,636.19	35,467.26
Broker's cash account		3,338.23	3,391.20
PayPal		547.31	285.00
Total Assets		399,699.75	322,055.50
 <i>Represented by:</i>			
Capital Account			
Capital Account brought forward		262,016.08	252,021.02
Legacies in year	4		2,000.00
Gifts in memoriam in year	4	2,335.70	7,995.06
Total Capital		264,351.78	262,016.08
General Funds brought forward		60,039.42	58,333.12
Increase (decrease) during the year		75,308.55	1,706.30
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Approved by DAVID OGDEN

Signed 

Date 2 November 2024

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1) Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared using generally accepted accounting principles in the United Kingdom. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis on the assumption that the Fund will continue to operate. Accruals accounting has been applied to all material items.

2) Description of Funds

Legacies and moneys received in memoriam are immediately treated as capital. Although the capital is not a restricted fund, the trustees do not intend to use this for the general purposes of the Charity. Interest received on and increases in value of investments purchased with these moneys are classed as general funds. Donations and similar funds received are treated as general funds.

3) Donations

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4) Investments

	2023-24	2022-23
	£	£
Market Value at start of year	282,912.04	263,939.75
Purchases during year*		
Disposals during year *	(2,600.10)	
Increase (decrease) in value during the year	36,866.08	18,972.29
Market Value at end of year	317,178.02	282,912.04
Net increase (decrease) in value	34,265.98	18,972.29

Investments were transferred from the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund on 1 October 2020 at their then market value of £238,055.63

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5) Legacies and in memoriam

	2023-24		2022-23	
	Legacies	in memoriam	Legacies	in memoriam
	£	£	£	£
Brought forward	5,000.00	17,138.07	3,000.00	9,143.01
Received during the year		2,335.70	2,000.00	7,995.06
Balance at end of year	5,000.00	19,473.77	5,000.00	17,138.07

We received a "living legacy" in 2022-23. A supporter made a gift of £2,000 in case there is insufficient money in his estate when he dies to cover the amount.

6) Holiday Costs

	2023-24	2022-23
	£	£
Holiday costs consist of:		
Accommodation	65,442.00	69,657.00
Transport	38,250.00	48,450.00
Other expenses	6,620.00	4,900.00
	110,312.00	123,007.00

I have reclassified insurance costs as "administration" as the insurance covers Trustees' liability

7) Easyfundraising and similar

	2023-24	2022-23
	£	£
Easyfundraising	4,179.60	247.28
Amazon Smile		44.31
Give As You Live*		150.00
	4,179.60	441.59

Amazon Smile is no longer available. I have included £329.04 received via Give As You Live in 2023-24 under "Donations"

8) Other income

Proceeds of sale of shares to pay broker's charges £2,600.10 (2022-23 Nil).

9) Other expenditure

"Wellies"

Board games

Christmas gifts for Nightingale Centre staff

2023-24

2022-23

£

£

1,284.79

139.20

227.65

1,651.64

The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund

Examiner's Report

I have examined the accounts of the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO on pages 1 to 4. They have been properly prepared in accordance with accruals accounting rules. The accounts give a fair representation of the activities of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024.

M Georgiou FCCA

M. Georgiou
7/5/2025

The accounts have been prepared using generally accepted accounting practices in the United Kingdom. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis on the assumption that the Fund will continue to operate. A full and complete set of accounts has been provided to the Fund. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2006. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2006. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2006.

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4) Investments
Market Value at start of year: £283,328.75
Purchases during year: £12,000.10
Disposals during year: £18,075.04
Increase (decrease) in value during the year: £17,225.81
Market Value at end of year: £285,554.66
Net increase (decrease) in value: £2,225.91

A number of investments were sold during the year and the proceeds transferred. As the purchases and disposals, we have netted them off. Broker's charges of £2,600.10 were taken from the capital account as we have shown that amount as a disposal.

5) Legacies and in memoriam
Balance at end of year: £8,000.00
Received during the year: £2,000.00
Brought forward: £6,000.00
Legacies in memoriam: £2,000.00
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6) Holiday Costs
Holiday costs consist of:
Accommodation: £68,442.00
Travel: £38,320.00
Other expenses: £6,600.00
Total: £113,362.00

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7) Easyfundraising and similar
Easyfundraising: £4,179.80
Amazon Smile: £44.31
Give As You Live: £150.00
Total: £4,374.11

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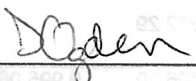
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	2023-24	2022-23
	£	£
Easyfundraising	4,179.60	247.28
Amazon Smile		44.31
Give As You Live*		150.00
	4,179.60	441.59

Amazon Smile is no longer available. I have included £329.04 received via Give As You Live in 2023-24 under "Donations"

8) Other income

Proceeds of sale of shares to pay broker's charges £2,600.10 (2022-23 Nil).

9) Other expenditure

"Wellies"

Board games

Christmas gifts for Nightingale Centre staff

2023-24

2022-23

£

£

1,284.79

139.20

227.65

1,651.64

The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund

Examiner's Report

I have examined the accounts of the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO on pages 1 to 4. They have been properly prepared in accordance with accruals accounting rules. The accounts give a fair representation of the activities of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024.

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7/5/2025

		2023-24	2022-23
The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO		£	£
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024			
The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO is the successor to the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund, registered charity 1150300, which was transferred to the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO on 1 October 2020.			
The accounts have been prepared using generally accepted accounting practices in the United Kingdom. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis on the assumption that the Fund will continue to operate. A detailed accounting policy note is included in the accounts.			
Legacies and money received in memory of individuals are included in the accounts. Although the charity is not a registered fund, the trustees do not intend to use the funds for the general purposes of the charity. Instead, the funds are held in trust for the individuals named in the wills. The funds are held in separate bank accounts and are not included in the charity's general funds.			
On and after 1 October 2020, the charity's income and expenditure are recorded in the accounts of the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO. The accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024 are the first accounts of the charity as a CIO.			
Donations and similar funds received are treated as general funds.			
Investments are held in the names of the charity and are included in the accounts. The charity has a policy of investing its funds in a diversified portfolio of assets. The accounts show the value of the investments at the start and end of the year, and the income received during the year.			
Purchases during the year are included in the accounts. The charity has a policy of purchasing goods and services from a range of suppliers. The accounts show the value of the purchases at the start and end of the year, and the income received during the year.			
Disposals during the year are included in the accounts. The charity has a policy of disposing of assets when they are no longer needed. The accounts show the value of the disposals at the start and end of the year, and the income received during the year.			
Increases (decreases) in value during the year are included in the accounts. The charity has a policy of valuing its assets at fair value. The accounts show the value of the assets at the start and end of the year, and the increase (decrease) in value during the year.			
Market value at end of year is included in the accounts. The charity has a policy of valuing its assets at fair value. The accounts show the market value of the assets at the end of the year.			
Net increase (decrease) in value is included in the accounts. The charity has a policy of valuing its assets at fair value. The accounts show the net increase (decrease) in value of the assets during the year.			
Investments were transferred from the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund to the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO on 1 October 2020. The accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024 are the first accounts of the charity as a CIO.			
A number of investments were sold during the year and the proceeds transferred. As the purchases and disposals, we have netted them off. Brokers' charges of £2,600.10 were taken from the capital account as we have shown that amount as a disposal.			
Legacies and in memoriam		2023-24	2022-23
Brought forward		£	£
Received during the year		17,138.07	17,138.07
Balance at end of year		17,138.07	17,138.07
We received a "living legacy" in 2023-24. A supporter made a gift of £2,000 in case there is insufficient money in his estate when he dies to cover the amount.			
Holiday Costs		2023-24	2022-23
Holiday costs consist of:		£	£
Accommodation		68,442.00	68,442.00
Travel		38,350.00	38,350.00
Other expenses		6,600.00	6,600.00
Total		113,392.00	113,392.00
I have reclassified insurance costs as "administration" as the insurance covers Trustees' liability.			
Easyfundraising and similar		2023-24	2022-23
Easyfundraising		£	£
Amazon Smile		4,179.80	247.28
Give As You Live		150.00	150.00
Total		4,329.80	397.28
Amazon Smile is no longer available. I have included £329.80 received via Give As You Live in 2023-24 under "Donation".			