



THE BLUE TANGERINE CHARITY

Charity Registration Number 1190900

Trustees Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ending 31 March 2025



The Blue Tangerine Charity

SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS TO
ACCESS THE MAINSTREAM WORKPLACE

Reg. Charity No. 1190900

Reference and administrative details of the Charity, its Trustees and its Advisors

Charity Name: The Blue Tangerine Charity

Charity Registration Number: 1190900

Registered Office and Operational Address: C/A St Luke's School
Crouch Hall Lane
Redbourn
St Albans, AL3 7ET

Board of Trustees

Marc-Pierre Dietrich	Appointed 22 October 2020	Resigned 17 July 2023
Manda Sides	Appointed 17 December 2020	
Roma Bhowmick	Appointed 8 April 2021	
David Bisoni	Appointed 8 April 2021	
Chris Luff	Appointed 8 April 2021	
Clare Rudd	Appointed 8 April 2021	Resigned 17 July 2023
James Colvin	Appointed 30 April 2021	Resigned 28 February 2023
Mark Hoult-Allen (Chair)	Appointed 26 January 2022	
Elizabeth Ranger	Appointed 25 April 2024	
Fiona Anderson	Appointed 29 August 2024	
Nicholas Griffith	Appointed 28 October 2024	

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Trustees Report
for the year ending 31 March 2025

Objective and Activities

The objectives of the Charity are: -

To act as a resource for young people with Special Educational Needs who attend The Blue Tangerine Federation schools by organising programmes of education, training and other activities through The Blue Tangerine Charity as a means of:

- (a) Advancing the working life opportunities for young people with SEND by developing their skills, capabilities to enable them to participation in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
- (b) Advancing education;
- (c) Relieving unemployment.

To work closely with the local community to provide more meaningful work-related opportunities for children with Special Educational Needs in The Blue Tangerine Federation and other settings.

Achievements and Performance

The charity's key achievements over the year, and the positive impact these have had on its beneficiaries and on society more broadly, are summarised below:

The Blue Tangerine Horsebox Café

The Blue Tangerine Café, a mobile café run by pupils from The Blue Tangerine Federation, continued to expand its presence in 2024–2025, participating in community events and local business engagements. Growing demand reflects both the quality of service and the Café's recognition as a valued community resource.

The project supports young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) by providing structured education, training, and practical work-based learning. Participation in the Café helps pupils develop essential life skills, confidence, and independence, enabling them to engage more fully in society. Its visible presence also promotes inclusion by allowing pupils to showcase their abilities to the wider community.

Recognising the challenges SEND pupils face in accessing meaningful work experience, the Charity works closely with the Federation to provide bespoke, supportive, and aspirational opportunities. Hospitality has proven a sector in which many pupils thrive, gaining accredited qualifications and transferable employability skills such as food hygiene, communication, teamwork, customer service, time management, and problem-solving.

Through collaboration with local businesses, event organisers, and the public, the Café strengthens community links while delivering clear public benefit. It equips young people with skills and experiences that improve long-term employment prospects, foster independence, and create lasting positive outcomes for both the beneficiaries and society as a whole.

Children training in the horsebox café are also supported to gain workplace certification in food hygiene and barista skills. In addition, work undertaken in the horsebox can support attainment in external accreditations including literacy, numeracy, communication skills and personal development.

The Training Café and Farm Project

The Blue Tangerine Café and Farm began as a simple “wouldn’t it be nice” conversation, rooted in the Charity’s determination to provide young people with SEND with genuine, meaningful work experience that builds upon and enhances their classroom learning. Over time, this vision has evolved into a carefully planned and ambitious project that sits at the heart of the Blue Tangerine Charity’s mission.

The Charity’s vision is to develop a purpose-built Training Café and Farm on-site, extending the Federation’s successful curriculum to pupils still in school and to school leavers through post-16 training programmes and supported employment opportunities within the café and farm. This initiative draws on the Federation’s extensive expertise in Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC), embedding high-quality, on-site work experience within the curriculum. In doing so, it supports accredited learning pathways in horticulture, hospitality and animal care, while developing essential employability and life skills.

A central aim of the project is to foster engagement with the local and wider community, providing pupils with exposure to real workplace environments, customer interaction, and potential employers. By integrating education, training, and enterprise in a highly visible and inclusive setting, the Charity seeks to challenge and reduce the stigma often associated with SEND, while showcasing the capabilities, professionalism, and contributions of its young people.

Location, Community Integration and Economic Alignment

Locating the Training Café and Farm within the school premises is critical to ensuring full curriculum integration and accessibility for pupils. This approach also establishes a direct and meaningful connection between visitors and young people with SEND as active participants in both community life and work. Delivering a high-quality customer experience alongside SEND-led service provision is fundamental to demonstrating excellence and raising aspirations, ultimately supporting improved employment outcomes.

The project aligns closely with the objectives of the Redbourn Neighbourhood Plan by contributing to the development of the area as a hub for enterprise, start-up businesses, and community facilities, while also providing new recreational and social spaces. Continued advocacy and collaboration with local businesses, statutory bodies, and partner agencies remain essential to achieving these outcomes and ensuring that every pupil is supported to thrive beyond the classroom.

Social Inclusion, Sustainability and Environmental Responsibility

The Charity is committed to working with local business partners to source fresh, wholesome food, promoting transparency, integrity, and sustainability across the project. From its inception, the Training Café and Farm has been designed around the principles of inclusivity, equality, and environmental responsibility. The operation is anticipated to be carbon-neutral, demonstrating the potential of sustainable farming practices supported by modern technologies.

A significant challenge facing many young people with SEND is limited access to social inclusion and community participation, particularly as specialist services and opportunities continue to diminish. To address this, the Café and Farm will operate throughout the week, offering structured work experience during and after school hours. At weekends, the site will provide leisure opportunities for families and the wider community. During weekdays, designated spaces will be available for

professional meetings, visits from other schools, local groups, clubs, and families with young children.

By extending activity beyond the school day, creating accessible recreational amenities, and hosting community events, the Charity aims to foster meaningful relationships and friendships between young people with SEND and the neurotypical community, strengthening social cohesion and understanding.

Design, Heritage and Educational Experience

Situated within an agriculturally active area on the outskirts of Redbourn village, the Training Café has been designed to reflect the character of a traditional barn, honouring both the site's dairy farming heritage and local architectural identity. The café will offer a welcoming and inclusive environment, characterised by warmth, friendliness, and a commitment to high-quality drinks and food. Menus will be seasonal, simple, and locally focused, incorporating produce grown and harvested by pupils.

The horticultural element of the project will focus on cultivating salads and herbs—an approach that is manageable, cost-effective, and accessible for individuals with limited mobility. A small retail area will showcase locally sourced produce and goods, form an integral part of the school's enterprise curriculum and support pupils to develop an understanding of business operations, financial sustainability, and customer engagement.

The farm will offer rich educational experiences rooted in British farming traditions, including hands-on opportunities such as animal care and, where appropriate, activities such as hand-rearing lambs. The Charity is committed to enhancing biodiversity across the site through habitat creation, including the installation of bee bricks, swallow bricks, bat tubes, nesting boxes, reptile hibernacula, and the introduction of new plant species to strengthen existing hedgerows.

Animals, Therapy and Curriculum Enrichment

For many years, St Luke's School has successfully integrated animals into the curriculum, supporting accredited learning in animal care, farming practices, and animal-assisted therapy - approaches widely recognised for their positive impact on young people with autism. Engagement with animals is frequently cited by parents as a key reason for choosing a Blue Tangerine Federation school.

As St Luke's regularly welcomes visiting school groups, the development of a small, working British farm represents a natural progression, building on established expertise and the strong affinity many pupils have with animals. This expansion strengthens educational provision while deepening therapeutic, experiential, and vocational opportunities.

Planning Progress and Stakeholder Engagement

Following the pre-planning phase in summer 2022, work on the formal planning application commenced in January 2024 and continued throughout the 2024–2025 reporting period. The planning application was supported by comprehensive surveys and documentation, including architectural, environmental, transport, ecological, and community engagement reports.

The Charity worked proactively to engage key stakeholders throughout the planning process. Engagement activities included presentations to Redbourn Parish Council, consultation with Sport

England as a statutory consultee, a hosted event for representatives from St Albans City & District Council, Hertfordshire County Council, and local businesses, and a village-wide leaflet drop inviting residents to public consultation events.

Feedback from stakeholders and the local community was overwhelmingly positive, with strong support expressed for the project's educational, social, environmental, and economic benefits.

Some highlights from the feedback include:

- *I think the proposal is a fantastic idea, it diversifies the current facility to provide a great environment for people of all abilities to train and work alongside each other. Gain new skills and be part of the community, adding a great asset.*
- *Great learning opportunities for the children, animals as therapy, training for jobs, sustainable local farming as well as local employment opportunities, and somewhere for the local community to meet and eat. It's a brilliant initiative!*
- *I'm wholly supportive of the aims and would be proud to see Redbourn involved in meeting the needs of your service users. My wife and I have both been involved in outdoor education, and we are firm supporters. I'm pleased to see that sustainability and sensitivity to local history and ecology appear to be key design principles. I can imagine our family visiting the proposed cafe and community events on the farm.*
- *Giving experience, training and job opportunities to young school leavers, leading to real-world employment. Enhancing the natural habitat fits well with the Wild About Redbourn initiative and is an excellent idea, given the location of St. Lukes on the edge of the countryside. This will mitigate to some extent the proposed new housing developments at the nearby Recreation Centre.*
- *I think this is an absolutely brilliant idea and will be a wonderful addition to the village.*

The planning application was submitted in October 2024, and planning permission was granted in the 2025–2026 financial year.

Acknowledgements and Next Steps

The Trustees extend their sincere thanks to the professional consultants who supported the project, many of whom worked pro bono or at significantly reduced rates, demonstrating exceptional commitment to the Charity's mission.

- Acoustics Central (acoustic consultants)
- Barrell Tree Care (arboreal consultants)
- Cherryfield Ecology (ecology consultants)
- D-na Architects (architects)
- Forsters LLP (planning lawyers)
- Infrastruct (flood and drainage consultants)
- Markides (transportation consultants)
- Quod (playing field consultants)
- Taylor Walton LLP (solicitors)
- Tor & Co (planning consultants)

The Trustees are also extremely grateful to Warner Bros for their continued encouragement and support of the Training Café and Farm project.

With planning permission secured, the Charity now enters the next critical phase: fundraising to bring the Training Café and Farm from vision to reality.



SOUTH ELEVATION



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ST. LUKE'S SCHOOL FARM + TRAINING CAFE, REDBOURN

THE BLUE TANGERINE CHARITY

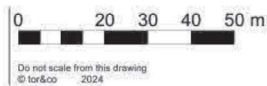
PROPOSED ELEVATIONS

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St Luke's SEND School
The Blue Tangerine Federation



Landscape Strategy

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Further information about the Training Café & Farm can be found at www.bluetangerinecharity.co.uk/blue-tangerine-farm

Landscape
strategic plan
and site plan.

Financial Review

As at 31 March 2025, total funds were £74,456. Of these, £64,288 related to restricted funds with £10,168 unrestricted. During the year, a surplus of £22,811 was incurred due to income and donations of £32,585 being higher than expenditure of £9,774. Income of £32,585 was generated through both trading activities with the Horsebox Café (of £10,860) as well as donations (£21,725).

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity was set up on 17th August 2020 and is registered with the Charity Commission, registration number 1190900.

The Board of Trustees meet every two months to fulfil their key role and function of overseeing and directing the affairs of the Charity, ensuring that it is well-run and delivering the charitable outcomes for which it is established. One of those meetings comprises of the 'Annual General Meeting' when trustees review their overall strategy for the charity, review of previous year and set priorities for the following year. The Trustees entrust day-to-day management of the Charity to the Chair of Trustees.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Hault-Allen', is shown on a light-colored background.

Mark Hault-Allen - Chair of Trustees

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds fund £	Restricted Funds fund £	Total 31.03.25 £	Total 31.03.24 £
Incoming Resources					
Incoming Resources	2				
Donations and Legacies		625	21,100	21,725	0
Incoming resources from charitable activities		0	0	0	0
Other trading activities		10,860	0	10,860	6,600
Interest received		0	0	0	0
Total incoming resources		11,485	21,100	32,585	6,600
Resources expended					
Resources expended	3				
Costs of generating funds		0	2,245	2,245	0
Charitable activities		920	0	920	2,889
Other		4,720	1,888	6,609	7,744
Total resources expended		5,641	4,133	9,774	10,633
Net movement in funds		5,844	16,967	22,811	-4,033
Funds brought forward		4,324	47,321	51,645	55,678
Funds carried forward	9	10,168	64,288	74,456	51,645

All results are from continuing operations.

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Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund	Restricted Funds fund	2025 Total funds
		£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	6	223		223
Assets under construction	6B		64,558	64,558
		223	64,558	64,781
Current assets				
Stocks				0
Cash at bank and in hand		11,102	9,730	20,831
Funds held by custodian				0
		11,102	9,730	20,831
Creditors due within one year	7	-1,157	-10,000	-11,157
Net current assets		9,945	-270	9,675
Creditors due after one year	8	0	0	0
Provisions for liabilities		0	0	0
Net assets		10,168	64,288	74,456
Funds				
Unrestricted Funds	9	10,168	0	10,168
Restricted funds	10	0	64,288	64,288
Total Funds		10,168	64,288	74,456

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 27 January 2025 and were signed on their behalf by:



Mark Houlton-Allen
Chair & Trustee

The Blue Tangerine Charity

**Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

General Information

The Blue Tangerine Federation is a charity registered in England and Wales. Its Company Registration Number is 1190900. The Registered Address is St. Lukes School, Crouch Hall Lane, Redbourn, St Albans, AL3 7ET

The presentation currency is £ Sterling.

1. Accounting Policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 (FRS 102)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis and under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of land and buildings and certain financial instruments measured at fair value in accordance with the accounting policies.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the company.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operation existence for the foreseeable future. therefore, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Plant and Machinery	33% Reducing Balance
Fixtures and Fittings	33% Reducing Balance
Computer Equipment	33% Reducing Balance
Motor Vehicles	33% Reducing Balance

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the company has a present obligation as a result of a past event which is more probable than not will result benefits that can be reasonably estimated.

2. Incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2024 £
Incoming resources from generated funds:						
General donations	625	21,100	21,725	0	0	0
Incoming resources from charitable activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other trading activities	10,860	0	10,860	6,600	0	6,600
Other income (Bank Interest)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total incoming resources from generated funds	£ 11,485	£ 21,100	£ 32,585	£ 6,600	£ -	£ 6,600

3. Analysis of total resources expended

<u>Expenditure area</u>	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2024 £
Expenditure on raising funds	0	2,245	2,245	0	0	0
Expenditure on charitable activities	0	0	0	0	0	0
Expenditure on trading activities	920	0	920	2,889	0	2,889
	920	2,245	3,165	2,889	0	2,889
Other expenditure	4,720	1,888	6,609	7,744	0	7,744
	4,720	1,888	6,609	7,744	0	7,744
Total resources expended	5,641	4,133	9,774	10,633	0	10,633

4. Staff costs and pension schemes

Average number of employees during the period was nil.

5. Trustees' remuneration, expenses and related party transactions

The Trustees received no remuneration or expenses during the year.

6. Fixed Assets

	Plant and Machinery £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Computer Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Total 2025 £
Cost or Valuation					
Cost b/fwd	493	577	588	0	1,658
Additions	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2025	493	577	588	0	1,658
Depreciation					
Acc Depreciation b/fwd	394	461	470	0	1,325
Charge for the period	33	38	39	0	110
On disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2025	427	499	509	0	1,435
Net Book Values					
Closing balance as at 31 March 2025	66	77	79	0	223
Opening balance as at 1 April 2024	99	116	118	0	332

6B. Assets Under Construction

The Blue Tangerine Charity has begun to spend funds to explore the viability of establishing the Community Farm. Funds spent towards this farm are being held on the Balance Sheet until which point either the farm is established, or the project is cancelled.

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
7. Current Creditors		
Trade Creditors	0	0
Accruals	1,157	4,979
Other Creditors	10,000	0
	1,157	4,979
8. Long Term Creditors		
Other Creditors	0	0
	0	0

9. Funds

	Funds as at 31-Mar-24 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £	Funds as at 31-Mar-25 £
Unrestricted funds	4,324	11,485	5,641	5,844	10,168
Restricted funds	47,321	21,100	4,133	16,967	64,288
Total funds	51,645	32,585	9,774	22,811	74,456

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable ojects at the discretion of the trustees.

10. Carry forward restricted funds

	£
Community Farm	64,288
Closing balance as at 31 March 2025	64,288

11. Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.