

INSPIRE BUCKS

England & Wales · Charity number 1195365

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-08-02

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE UP TO THE AGE OF 25 WHO ARE SOCIALLY OR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED OR VULNERABLE, LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN, CARE LEAVERS, YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED POVERTY, LEARNING DIFFICULTIES OR MENTAL HEALTH THROUGH; PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES, AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS; PROVIDING ESSENTIAL RESOURCES, ADVICE AND SIGNPOSTING TO THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE LEAVING THE CARE SYSTEM; WORKING WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS AND PARTNERS TO ENHANCE PROVISION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE; PROVIDING PRACTICAL SUPPORT INCLUDING GIFTS AND ITEMS TO SUCH CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WOULD NOT NORMALLY RECEIVE THEM'.

Activities: We support vulnerable children, young people and families throughout Buckinghamshire

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-04	£18,798	£39,640	-	-
2024-04-04	£34,395	£22,400	-	-
2023-04-04	£29,660	£23,877	-	-
2022-04-04	£38,962	£19,514	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
PAUL IRWIN	Chair	2021-04-01
Anna Tkachenko		2024-01-01
Clive Wayland		2024-10-24

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Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statement From 5th April 2024 to 4th April 2025

Charity name: Inspire Bucks Charity

Registration number: 1195365

Charity address: 7 Oak Tree Cottages, Main Street, Grendon Underwood, HP18 0SH

The trustees are pleased to present their report for Inspire Bucks for the financial period 05.04.2024 to 04.04.2025. The Financial Statement has been written to comply with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act and in line with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice.

Introduction to Inspire Bucks

Inspire Bucks is a registered CIO charity that was established on August 2, 2021. Its primary mission is to assist vulnerable and disadvantaged children, young people, and their families in Buckinghamshire.

The founding trustees created the charity to offer families facing financial difficulties, as well as those who are otherwise at risk or disadvantaged, a memorable experience by providing gifts and support during Christmas and throughout the year.

Our goal is for every child and young person in Buckinghamshire to feel valued, happy, safe, and healthy, while acquiring the skills, knowledge, and attributes needed to be confident and independent as they transition into adulthood. Inspire Bucks was formed after several years of successfully running a county-wide Christmas gift initiative for underprivileged children through the previous County Council.

In 2020, it became clear that there was a need to extend support for vulnerable children and families beyond the Christmas campaign, leading to the creation of Inspire Bucks.

In 2021, the charity concentrated on supporting families within Buckinghamshire, and we continue to be a dedicated Buckinghamshire charity, committed to helping local families. Inspire Bucks has fostered strong relationships with local agencies, social workers, and early help teams, which enhance our efforts to support the community.

Deprivation and Child Poverty in Buckinghamshire

While Buckinghamshire generally experiences lower levels of deprivation compared to the national average (as indicated by the English Indices of Deprivation), notable inequalities exist within the county. Pockets of deprivation can be found throughout Buckinghamshire.

The areas with higher concentrations of deprivation include Aylesbury, High Wycombe, Burnham, Chesham, and Denham. Additionally, some rural regions also exhibit relatively high levels of deprivation, likely due to challenges related to housing affordability and geographic barriers that hinder access to essential services such as GPs, supermarkets, and schools.

According to government statistics, 9.9% of children aged 0-19 years (approximately 14,000) in Buckinghamshire live in low-income families, compared to 11.2% in the South East and 15.9% across England (Source: Department of Work and Pensions 2019/2020 data).

Key objectives and activities

The objectives of Inspire Bucks, as defined in our Constitution, are for the public benefit and are to be carried out in such parts of the United Kingdom as the Trustees shall determine.

The key objectives are:

To advance in life and relieve the needs of children and young people up to the age of 24 who are socially or economically disadvantaged or vulnerable, looked after children, care leavers, young people who have experienced poverty, learning difficulties or mental health through:

- providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities, and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals;
- providing essential resources, advice and signposting to those young people who are leaving the care system;
- working with other organisations and partners to enhance provision for children and young people;
- providing practical support including gifts and items to such children and young people who would not normally receive them.

Implementation of Inspire Bucks key objectives in 2024

Inspire Bucks focused its activities in 2024 on supporting our core charity purpose of providing practical support and gifts to children who would not normally receive them. We would like to sincerely thank our small group of volunteers, who are invaluable in helping us to deliver our work.

Christmas children's gift appeal

Inspire Bucks provided 4100 individual children living in Buckinghamshire with Christmas gifts as part of the Christmas 2024 gift appeal. During our latest campaign during Christmas 2024 Inspire Bucks charity supported over 3,950 vulnerable children.

We received several hundred donations of gifts from the public, who provided us with wonderful support. We also received several very kind donations of gifts:

- Stoke Park hotel and their sister company Hamleys donated games and toys.
- Marlow Masons donated several hundred gifts and toys.
- Grant from the Heart of Bucks

In addition, we operated a charity fundraising webpage and we used those donations to purchase additional specialist gifts such as sensory toys for children with special educational needs and disabilities. A selection of items for each child or young person was made up and the gifts were distributed via Buckinghamshire Council social workers and family support workers directly to vulnerable and disadvantaged families or those hit by financial hardship in time for Christmas Day.

Other Projects

- Throughout the year, we provided birthday and various gifts along with support to around 300 vulnerable children and families.
- We also sponsored a party for foster carers and a celebration event for kids in care, contributing £3,500 in support.

Objectives for 2025

- Evaluate service delivery during 2024.
- Identify future needs in Buckinghamshire.
- Establish additional sustainable donation sources to boost funding for the charity.
- Launch Inspire for Life to assist care leavers in overcoming the 'care cliff.'

Direction for 2026

- Implement projects as identified and approved by the trustees, complete with quantitative and qualitative data to demonstrate project success.
- Plan for the long-term sustainability of the charity.
- Enhance feedback mechanisms to better understand the impact of our work.

Profit and Loss

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5 April, 2024-4 April, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Income	
Donations	18,798.02
Total for Income	£18,798.02
Gross Profit	£18,798.02
Expenses	
Consultant fees	5,050.00
Inspire for Life Care Leavers Grants	6,431.36
Office expense	4.50
Rent and rates	10,675.22
Sponsored events for foster kids and care leavers	4,896.13
Storage and packaging	664.16
Subscriptions	172.80
Toy purchases	11,745.49
Total for Expenses	£39,639.66
Net Operating Income	-£20,841.64
Net Other Income	
Net Income	-£20,841.64

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In 2020, it became clear that there was a need to extend support for vulnerable children and families beyond the Christmas campaign, leading to the creation of Inspire Bucks.

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Key objectives and activities

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- providing essential resources, advice and signposting to those young people who are leaving the care system;
- working with other organisations and partners to enhance provision for children and young people;
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Implementation of Inspire Bucks key objectives in 2023

Inspire Bucks focused its activities in 2023 on supporting our core charity purpose of providing practical support and gifts to children who would not normally receive them. We would like to sincerely thank our small group of volunteers, who are invaluable in helping us to deliver our work.

Christmas children's gift appeal

Inspire Bucks provided 4000 individual children living in Buckinghamshire with Christmas gifts as part of the Christmas 2023 gift appeal. This is an increase of 2000 on the number of individual children supported at Christmas 2022. During our latest campaign during Christmas 2023 Inspire Bucks charity supported over 3,150 vulnerable children.

We received several hundred donations of gifts from the public, who provided us with wonderful support. We also received several very kind donations of gifts:

- Stoke Park hotel and their sister company Hamleys donated games and toys.
- Marlow Masons donated several hundred gifts and toys.
- We have received kind donations from Salvation army and Avondale Care Home totalling £1000

In addition, we operated a charity fundraising webpage and we used those donations to purchase additional specialist gifts such as sensory toys for children with special educational needs and disabilities. A selection of items for each child or young person was made up and the gifts were distributed via Buckinghamshire Council social workers and family support workers directly to vulnerable and disadvantaged families or those hit by financial hardship in time for Christmas Day.

Other Projects

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Objectives for 2024

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Direction for 2025

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- Plan for the long-term sustainability of the charity.
- Enhance feedback mechanisms to better understand the impact of our work.

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Profit and Loss

Basis: Cash

From 05 Apr 2023 To 04 Apr 2024

Account	Total
Operating Income	
Donations	34,394.61
Total for Operating Income	34,394.61
Cost of Goods Sold	
Total for Cost of Goods Sold	0.00
Gross Profit	34,394.61
Operating Expense	
Advertising And Marketing	250.00
Bank Fees and Charges	11.71
Charity Events	2,754.90
Consultant Expense	495.00
Insurance	196.00
IT and Internet Expenses	257.64
Other Expenses	865.00
Printing and Stationery	129.49
Rent Expense	1,552.39
Toy Purchases	15,836.55
Trustee Expenses	51.15
Total for Operating Expense	22,399.83
Operating Profit	11,994.78
Non Operating Income	
Total for Non Operating Income	0.00
Non Operating Expense	
Total for Non Operating Expense	0.00
Net Profit/Loss	11,994.78

Amount is displayed in your base currency **GBP

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Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statement From 01 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

Charity name: Inspire Bucks

Charity registration number: 1195365

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The trustees are pleased to present their report for Inspire Bucks for the financial period 01.04.2022 to 31.3.2023.

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Introduction to Inspire Bucks

Inspire Bucks is a registered CIO charity which was registered on 2nd August 2021. The charity's main purpose is to help and support vulnerable and disadvantaged children, young people and their families in Buckinghamshire.

The founding trustees set up the charity to provide families in financial hardship and those who are otherwise disadvantaged or vulnerable with a special experience via provision of gifts and other support at Christmas and throughout the year.

We want all children and young people in Buckinghamshire to feel cared about, be happy, safe and healthy, and to grow up with the skills, knowledge and attributes to be confident and independent, ready for adult life.

The charity was formed after several years of running a successful county-wide Christmas gift campaign for disadvantaged children via the former County Council.

In 2020 the need was identified within the county to extend support to vulnerable children and families beyond scope of the Christmas campaign which resulted in the formation of Inspire Bucks.

The charity's work in 2021 focused on supporting families in Buckinghamshire and we remain a Buckinghamshire charity helping to support Buckinghamshire families. The charity has developed close relationships with local agencies and their social worker and early help teams, which assist and enhance our work to support the local community.

Deprivation and child poverty in Buckinghamshire

Whilst Buckinghamshire overall has relatively low levels of deprivation compared with the rest of the country (as measured by the English Indices of Deprivation), there are significant inequalities in levels of deprivation within the county, with pockets of deprivation in all parts of Buckinghamshire.

Higher levels of deprivation are concentrated in Aylesbury, High Wycombe, Burnham, Chesham and Denham. Some more rural areas also have relatively high levels of deprivation which is likely to be influenced by barriers to housing such as affordability and geographical barriers in terms of distance to services such as GPs, supermarkets and schools.

Government figures show that 9.9% of children aged 0-19 years (around 14,000) are in absolute low-income families in Buckinghamshire (South East 11.2%; England 15.9%).

Source: Department of Work and Pensions 2019/2020 data.

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Implementation of Inspire Bucks key objectives in 2022

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Christmas children's gift appeal

Inspire Bucks provided 2000 individual children living in Buckinghamshire with Christmas gifts as part of the Christmas 2021 gift appeal. This is an increase of 700 on

the number of individual children supported at Christmas 2020. During latest campaign during Christmas 2022 Inspire Bucks charity supported over 3,150 vulnerable children.

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- Marlow Masons donated several hundred gifts and toys.
- We have received kind donations from Salvation army and APPAS Dance School totalling £1000

In addition, we operated a charity fundraising webpage and we used those donations to purchase additional specialist gifts such as sensory toys for children with special educational needs and disabilities.

A selection of items for each child or young person was made up and the gifts were distributed via Buckinghamshire Council social workers and family support workers directly to vulnerable and disadvantaged families or those hit by financial hardship in time for Christmas Day.

Other projects

- We provided birthday and other gifts and support throughout the year to approximately 300 vulnerable children and families
- We also sponsored Foster carers party and Kids in care celebration event with £3500 support

Objectives for 2023

- Review service delivery during 2022
- Identify future need in Buckinghamshire
- Establish additional sources of sustainable donations for the charity to increase funding

Direction for 2023

- Deliver projects as identified and agreed by the trustees, all with associated quantitative and qualitative data to evidence project success
- Planning for long-term sustainability of the charity
- Improve feedback mechanisms so that we can better understand the difference our work makes

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Profit and Loss

Basis: Accrual

From 05 Apr 2022 To 04 Apr 2023

Account	Total
Operating Income	
Sales	29,660.27
Total for Operating Income	29,660.27
Cost of Goods Sold	
Total for Cost of Goods Sold	0.00
Gross Profit	29,660.27
Operating Expense	
Bank Fees and Charges	32.80
Consultant Expense	7,997.48
Grants	51.50
IT and Internet Expenses	226.00
Meals and Entertainment	66.05
Office Supplies	61.92
Other Expenses	330.26
Toy Purchases	15,064.97
Trustee Expenses	45.72
Total for Operating Expense	23,876.70
Operating Profit	5,783.57
Non Operating Income	
Total for Non Operating Income	0.00
Non Operating Expense	
Total for Non Operating Expense	0.00
Net Profit/Loss	5,783.57

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Financial Review

Policy for holding a reserve

£5,783 is held in reserve to cover commitments for a period of six months.

Structure, governance and management

Governance and trustee appointments

The trustees meet regularly and at least once per quarter, with ad-hoc meetings convened as required. During the trustee quarterly meetings, the trustees review the charity's finances, as well as discussing progress and deliveries against its core charity purpose. All major new actions and future strategic decisions are defined and agreed by the trustees during these meetings.

All appointed trustees have been (and future appointments will be) given a copy of the charity's constitution. They are also informed about, and provided with weblinks to, the Charity Commission's website and guidance outlining the role and responsibilities of a trustee and public benefit.

Trustee re-appointment

Any new trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly- convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Operational management and organisation

Inspire Bucks has no permanent paid employees. A seasonal temporary coordinator was employed on a consultancy basis to support us to operate the Christmas gift appeal.

The trustees manage the day to day operational and financial management of the charity as well as managing partnerships and other activities, such as fundraising. All major financial decisions are agreed and reviewed between the trustees before being actioned.

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee
Paul Irwin	Chairman	n/a	n/a
Helen Fincher	Secretary	n/a	n/a
Ashley Waite	Treasurer	n/a	n/a

Clive Wayland	Trustee	n/a	n/a
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Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report. Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Full name/s: Paul Irwin

Position: Chairman

Date: 04/02/24

