



Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2024

Financial Review

Income & Expenditure

Little Bird Baby Bank's second year as a registered Charity April 2023 – March 2024 concluded with:

- £28,211 in Income
 - o £ 23,943 of which is Restricted Income that relates to 6 Grants which covered the payroll support for 1 employee, 3 grants to support rising overhead costs and 2 grants for essential Baby Equipment and other referral supplies.
- £8,604 in Spending

In the 2023/24 reporting period Little Bird Baby Bank received £28,211 in grants, donations and sales activities, an increase of +£14,269 from the previous year. This increase was mainly driven by a rise in grants, as well as an increase in donations received by individuals and families within our community and the Little Bird Baby Bank Charity shop which is open twice a week. Total expenditure during the year was £8,604 in the year (2022/23: £14,080) rent of a permanent premises in, running costs and expenses associated with fundraising activities at local Children's Centres and Playgroups, known as our "Pop ups".

Donations in kind (clothing, baby equipment and toys) are not reflected in the income or expenditure within our financial statements but represent a significant additional donation stream and route for fulfilling our referral needs.

Cash Funds at this year end are: £25,658

Restricted Funds at the year end are: £19,166

Future Plans

The Little Bird Baby Bank has a strong reputation within the local area and surrounding villages. We have an ambition to meet the increasing needs of our community. Our town centre location continues to support the awareness of the charity to families in need. We are exploring more income generating ideas, to allow us to provide enhanced support to referrals.

Statement of responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation. The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The Trustees' annual report has been approved by the Trustees on 30th September 2024 and signed on behalf by:

M. Conway

Millieha Conway - Trustee

Little Bird Baby Bank Stratford upon Avon
Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024
Receipts and payments account

Payment Type		Unrestrcited	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
Receipts	Donation	1,638.73		1,638.73
	Fundraising	2,297.33		2,297.33
	Grants		23,943.00	23,943.00
	Interest	162.05		162.05
	Sponsor / Donation	169.99		169.99
Total Receipts		4,268.10	23,943.00	28,211.10
Purchases	Bank Charges	- 124.00		- 124.00
	Expenses - Referral Items	- 1,116.74	- 1,419.82	- 2,536.56
	Expenses - Fundraising Events	- 236.96		- 236.96
	Fuel	- 86.79	- 290.04	- 376.83
	Office & Storage Costs	- 30.84	- 500.00	- 530.84
	Volunteer Travel	- 65.85		- 65.85
	Insurances	- 886.62		- 886.62
	Rent	- -	- 1,959.96	- 1,959.96
	Salaries	- -	- 833.94	- 833.94
	Van - Expenses	- 265.88		- 265.88
	Van - Tax	- 328.11		- 328.11
	Equipment - Storage	- 178.89	- 280.00	- 458.89
Total Purchases		- 3,320.68	- 5,283.76	- 8,604.44
Net (Payments)/Receipts - unrestricted funds		7,588.78	29,226.76	- 21,637.98
Cash and bank balances brought forward		5,544.78	506.82	6,051.60
Cash and bank balances carried forward		6,492.20	19,166.06	25,658.26

Little Bird Baby Bank Stratford upon Avon
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Statement of Funds

Monetary Assets		£
	Current Acc	-
	Saving Acc	-
		<u>-</u>
Other Assets		
	Van	6,240.00
		<u>6,240.00</u>
Funds		
	Unrestricted Funds	-
	Restricted Funds	
		National Lottery Grant -
		Other restricted fund - Baby Bar 6,240.00
		<u>6,240.00</u>



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

STRATFORD UPON AVON LITTLE BIRD BABY BANK

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1196887

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) 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 accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

29th January 2025

Name:

JUSTINE DAY

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

FMAAT

Address:

Frensham, Blakes Hill,

North Littleton, Evesham

Worcestershire WR11 8QN

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts and records have been reviewed. All OK and well kept.