

Registered Charity Number: 1197196

**SOUL CHILDREN UK**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**



**Caladine**

Chartered Certified Accountants

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**Legal and administrative information**

<b>Trustees</b>	Mr M Chesterton Mr M Jones Mr R Kendall Jr. Mr J Bracegirdle Mr A Bodkin Ms R Harris	(Appointed 21 August 2024)
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<b>Charity number</b>	1197196
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<b>Contact address</b>	6 Ash Grove Heald Green Cheadle SK8 3JA
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<b>Accountant</b>	Caladine Limited Chantry House 22 Upperton Road Eastbourne East Sussex BN21 1BF
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<b>Bankers</b>	NatWest Bank 699 Wilmslow Road Didsbury Manchester M20 6NW
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**Trustees' Report**

The trustees present their Annual Report and the Financial Statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**Constitution**

Soul Children UK was registered as a CIO with the Charity Commission on 17 December 2021. It is governed by its constitution.

**Objectives and activities**

To advance the Christian faith, as set out in the Statement of Faith, in particular but not exclusively, by helping young people to come to faith or deepen their faith in Jesus Christ, through performing appropriate music that they can relate to and by exploring the Bible.

**The Trustees**

Those who served during the year are as shown on Page 1.

Trustees are appointed by the existing trustees and are provided with appropriate training to undertake their role.

**Public benefit**

The Trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

**Review of activities**

This is our third Annual report as a charity and, again this year there is much to celebrate, with new choirs being formed, and the lives of children and their families touched by the love of God. I'm also aware of the need as the number of children feeling isolated and alone, and experiencing mental health issues, continues to be high. And so, we long and pray for more families to be impacted and more lives transformed by the love of our heavenly father who 'sets the lonely in families'.

As we look back over the year, 8 choirs were up and running during the year and a number of them joined us in Manchester for our annual Soul Children UK Festival in the summer. It was, once again, a source of joy and encouragement as we witnessed, first hand, the enthusiasm of children, leaders, and parents as the children sang and danced together and performed for their families.

We have continued our partnership with Scripture Union and, once again, we are grateful for their wisdom and support behind the scenes in helping us to grow as a charity.

Also, this year, we have entered into a partnership with the new Flourish network, a Church of England initiative to establish worshipping communities in schools and colleges, forming partnerships between schools or FE colleges and their local churches. This has already resulted in 2 new choirs, with more in the pipeline.

One choir leader told Chip how they "Love the words [of the songs], how up beat they were and the dances were amazing and so easy to teach" They have been busy performing at School Carol Concerts, care homes, and much more. One mum of a year 1 child said her son was desperate to practice the songs at home and rehearse all the actions. The choir leader told us 'This shy, quiet boy was amazing at our Christmas Fair confidently performing to a crowd'.

It's been great to welcome Rachel Harris onto our board this year. Rachel has been involved in leading our Buckshaw choir since its inception and adds a wealth of 'hands on' experience to our amazing board of trustees.

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024****Trustees' Report****Review of activities (continued)**

As we look ahead to the year in front of us, I am reminded, as a naturally impatient person, that transformation often takes time and that this is a long game that we are taking part in. We have much to look forward to and I want to thank all those who have faithfully journeyed with us so far: choir leaders, churches, schools, funders, partners, and last but not least, our amazing board of trustees. Thank you so much for your support so far and for your commitment to journey with us into the future as we seek to reach young people through music they can relate to and introduce them to a lifelong relationship with Jesus.

**Review of financial position**

The total receipts amounted to £17,517 (2023: £11,391) and total payments amounted to £12,358 (2023: £13,861). This resulted in general cash funds at 31 December 2024 of £9,399

**Risk management**

The Trustees have considered the major risks that the charity may face and can confirm that systems have been established to mitigate them.



Mr M Chesterton  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 29-9-2025

**Accountant's Report**

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charities Act 2011, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Soul Children UK for the year ended 31 December 2024, which comprise the receipts and payments account, the statement of assets and liabilities and the related notes from the charity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <https://www.accaglobal.com/gb/en/member/standards/rules-and-standards/rulebook.html>.

This report is made to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 23 May 2023 our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Soul Children UK and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in this report in accordance with the requirements of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at [https://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA\\_Global/Technical/fact/tf-audit-exempt-companies-jan-24.pdf](https://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/tf-audit-exempt-companies-jan-24.pdf). To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Soul Children UK and the charity's Trustees as a body, for our work or for this report.

You consider that Soul Children UK is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year, and is not required to obtain an independent examiner's report. We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Soul Children UK. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.



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Date: 30/09/2025

**Receipts and Payments Account**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Donations	9,372	9,138
Grants	5,000	-
Choir subscriptions	1,225	1,600
Merchandise sales	1,920	653
Other	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>17,517</b>	<b>11,391</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Video editing and production	395	705
External contractors	9,144	7,057
Venue Hire	1,440	-
Merchandise purchase	-	1,381
Insurance	553	485
Accountancy	-	600
Grants to choirs	-	3,000
Sundry	206	633
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>11,738</b>	<b>13,861</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>5,779</b>	<b>(2,470)</b>
<b>General cash funds b/f at 1 January 2024</b>	<b>4,240</b>	<b>6,710</b>
<b>General cash funds c/f at 31 December 2024</b>	<b>10,019</b>	<b>4,240</b>

The notes on page 7 form part of these Financial Statements.

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Monetary Assets</u></b>				
Current Account	10,019		4,240	
		<u>10,019</u>		<u>4,240</u>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>				
<b><u>Creditors</u></b>				
Accountancy Fees				
Year ended 31st December 2023	618		618	
Year ended 31st December 2024	<u>636</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>1,254</u>		<u>618</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 30-9-2025

  
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 Mr M Chesterton  
 Chair of Trustees



**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1. Accounting Policies**

The financial statements have been prepared as a Receipts and Payments in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

**2. Funds**

General funds represent monies received that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for applications on the general purposes of the charity.

**3. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

Trustee, Mr R Kendall Jr, received £8,044 in the year for consultancy services.