

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	Day 01	Month 04	Year 2023		Day 31	Month 03

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Toy Hub		
Other names charity is known by	None		
Registered charity number (if any)	1198216		
Charity's principal address	9 Gaveston Drive		
	Berkhamsted		
	Herts		
	Postcode	HP4 1JF	

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 (if any)
1 Rebecca Young			
2 Lisa Hardy			
3 Rebecca Mitchell			
4 Charlotte Simmons		02/04/23 – 29/06/23	
5 Louise Barron		02/04/23 – 29/06/23	
6 Rachel Francis		Appointed 29/06/23	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
none	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by a resolution

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

For the public benefit, the relief of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage in the Berkhamsted and Tring area of the UK for the parents and guardians affected by financial hardship before Christmas, by providing free Christmas presents for their children.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Toy Hub provides relief to parents and guardians affected by hardship (for the reasons mentioned above) by providing free ready-to-wrap Christmas presents for their children.

Toy Hub relies on donations of new and like new toys/gifts (suitable for 0 – 18 year olds) from members of the public. We set up donation points where these can be dropped off. We then check, sort and clean every donation received thus ensuring they are of suitable quality. Once all donations have been checked and donation points close we then begin to pack these donations into bags for every child. We aim to provide, (dependant on donations received), a bag of gifts that meets each child's individual interests. The bags are double checked and are then ready to deliver to the parent/carer who we are providing support to. We aim to have all bags delivered around the first week of December.

The charity uses financial donations to purchase additional items where we are lacking in donations. Financial donations are also used to purchase wrapping paper, chocolates, sellotape and essential toiletries. When cleaned and checked, a bag of toys/gifts is made up for each child and these are distributed to families hit by financial hardship in time for Christmas.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Our volunteers assist in collecting donations from drop-off points. The cleaning, fixing, sorting and quality checking of all donations received. They also assist with the packing of bags. We also have a volunteer who helps us with some of our SM posting.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During Toy Hub's second year we received applications for support for 549 children living locally. This number was an increase of 75 applications in compared to the year before. We planned for a 10% increase from 2022. 549 applications was greater than the 10% increase we allowed for.

Thanks again to a huge amount of physical donations we received from the public and the financial donations that we also received, we managed to provide bags of gifts for all 549 children. Each bag included 1 x brand new gift, 2 x like new gifts, chocolate coins, a roll of wrapping paper and Sellotape, a book, puzzle or board game, stocking fillers, a soft toy and a toothbrush and toothpaste. The list slightly varied for children aged 11 and over, toys are not as appropriate for this age group.

Once we had finished providing support to our parents/carers, we were again fortunate enough to still have some donations of like-new toys/gifts left over. The leftover donations were generally baby/pre-school/reception age toys and books. We were really pleased that we could donate these to places that would really benefit.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Toy Hub does not hold reserves.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

R Young

Full name(s)

Rebecca Young

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

1st April 2024