

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 12	Year 2024		Day 30	Month 11	Year 2025

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## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Team Charlie

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1199139

**Charity's principal address** 8a Linden Avenue

Prestbury, Cheltenham

Gloucestershire

**Postcode**

GL52 3DP

### 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	Claire Brown	Chair	From May 2022	Charity Governing Document
2	Toni Ilsley	Secretary	From May 2022	Charity Governing Document
3	Karen Williams	Treasurer	From May 2022	Charity Governing Document
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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

**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)

The charity is foundation CIO

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by a meeting of Trustees

**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.

## Section C Objectives and activities

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

The principal purpose of the charity is to relieve the needs of families and carers of children living in the UK who have been diagnosed with cancer, by offering much needed respite, to create a positive experience, increase physical and mental wellbeing and give the opportunity to make memories.

**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)**

Set up in memory of 13-year-old Charlie Ilsley who died from a brain tumour in 2020, the charity's purpose is to support children and their families experiencing the unimaginable ordeal of childhood cancer, through respite.

The pressure on families caring for a seriously ill child with complex needs is immense. The burden of caring for a child 24/7 and the knowledge that your child will die young can be too much to bear, so having access to regular short breaks is vital to relieve this stress, spend time as a family and do the things that other families do. Research shows that respite not only boosts wellbeing but reduces stress and leads to fewer doctor visits for parents of terminally ill children.

In order to achieve its objective as outlined above, the charity has to date provided direct grants to children and their families, including specialist exercise equipment to support physical rehabilitation and family days out to safari parks and attractions. These grants provided much-needed breaks from the relentless challenges of caring for a seriously ill child. Its beneficiaries have reported improved mental wellbeing, opportunities to feel like a "normal family" again, and relief from treatment-related anxiety.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

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**

In 2025, the charity amended its objectives to create more of an impact and help even more beneficiaries by offering its support to them across the whole of the UK and not just limited to the regions of Berkshire, Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire, as had been the case from when the charity was first established in May 2022. It also amended its objectives to help children with all types of cancer, not just brain, neck and spine tumours, to widen its impact for the benefit of more families affected.

The Trustees also agreed on a plan to purchase Charlie's Retreat, a holiday home at Hoburne Cotswold Holiday Park near Cirencester, to serve as a more tangible tribute to Charlie, and enable the charity to help up to 100 beneficiaries each year, excluding wider beneficiaries such as parents, carers and siblings – considerably more than previous. The benefits will make a significant difference by helping create respite, offering a safe space as well as making memories.

In order to raise sufficient funds to cover this, the charity focused even more fervently on its fundraising efforts and grant applications. As a result, it has been very successful, particularly for a charity of its size, securing the following funding in 2025: National Lottery Community Fund (£20,000); Tesco Stronger Starts Fund (£4,500); John Lewis (£1,000); Three UK (£2,000) and £5,000 (Charities Trust). The charity is also immensely grateful to individual donors and the many fundraisers who have raised thousands of pounds for it this past year.

In November, the charity placed a deposit for Charlie's Retreat, which it intends to complete the purchase of in December 2025, at the beginning of the next financial year. It very much looks forward to this new chapter of the charity's journey, and to welcoming the many, many families who will benefit from its support during their darkest times, when they need it most, in the years to come.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have established a Reserves policy, and are satisfied they have sufficient reserves, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the charity to function over the coming year.  
This activity includes the purchase of Charlie's Retreat and all of its associated running, maintenance, admin, marketing and operational costs.

### 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.

The charity continues to raise the funds needed in order to carry on its activities which serve its objectives. No wider public appeal was made for funds during the year.

The charity's principal sources of funds (including fundraising) have been addressed under Section D - Achievements and performance above.

The operational day to day running of the charity is carried out on an entirely voluntary basis by its Trustees, all of whom contribute substantially in a volunteer capacity to the achievement of the charity's objectives, with little or no impact on the charity's expenditure. This is to ensure as much of its income as possible goes directly to supporting its beneficiaries.

The financial results for the year are set out in the accompanying financial statements.

## 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)



Full name(s)

Claire Brown

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

11 January 2026

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/12/2024

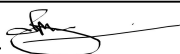
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	3,513	-	-	3,513	12,794
Fundraising	4,430	-	-	4,430	1,732
Grants	6,650	23,375	-	30,025	11,900
Sundry income	50	-	-	50	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>14,643</b>	<b>23,375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38,018</b>	<b>26,426</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>14,643</b>	<b>23,375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38,018</b>	<b>26,426</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	1,078
Beneficiary grants	-	-	-	-	550
Marketing	12	-	-	12	-
Office equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Events	490	-	-	490	-
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Meetings & Conferences	-	-	-	-	-
Premises maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Printing & stationery	-	-	-	-	153
Professional fees	250	-	-	250	-
Subscriptions	115	-	-	115	-
Rent & service charges	-	-	-	-	-
Staff training	-	-	-	-	-
Salaries and NIC	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry expenses	-	-	-	-	711
Travel costs	-	-	-	-	-
Utilities	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>2,492</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Deposit - Charlie's Retreat	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,867</b>	<b>2,492</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>13,776</b>	<b>21,375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,151</b>	<b>23,934</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>43,989</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>43,989</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>57,765</b>	<b>21,375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>79,140</b>	<b>23,934</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current	-	2,000	-
	Reserve	55,765	21,375	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>55,765</b>	<b>23,375</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Claire Brown	10.01.26



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## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Team Charlie

On accounts for the year  
ended

30 November  
2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1199139

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 / 11 / 2025.

The charity's trustees 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 all 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 in connection with the examination gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 10th Jan 2026

Name: Mr Paul Herbert

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

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