



Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Charity registration number: 1200444

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Reference and Administration Information

Trustees	Mr Nicholas Abbott Mr Edward Lewis Mr Paul Blain Mr Richard Bardsley Ms Lynn Howe Ms Zoe Brooke Mr Richard Coffey Mr Danny Johnson Ms Charlotte Glover
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Registered Charity Number:	1200444 (previous charity 224855)
Independent Examiner:	Mark R Heaton FCCA FCIE DChA KM, Chartered Accountants 1 st Floor, Block C The Wharf Manchester Road Burnley BB11 1JG
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Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity as per its constitution dated 22nd September 2022 are:

The relief of those in need by reason of financial hardship by providing low cost holidays and educational breaks for children, young carers and their families that they otherwise could not afford.

The main purpose of the charity is to provide a seaside holiday for disadvantaged children from the City of Salford.

The main objectives of the charity are:

- Provide suitable residential accommodation for young people and their care teams.
- To provide a full meals package for all groups that are enjoyable and cost efficient.
- To raise funds to enable the Camp to continue to do this for future years.

The trustees have had to regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit in carrying out its activities.

Change of charity status

The charity was registered as a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 22nd September 2022. The activities of the charity were previously carried out by the previous unincorporated charity of the same name. In due course, once all assets have been transferred, the former charity will be dissolved.

Contribution made by volunteers

The trustees and management committee consists of volunteers, some of those who work strategically in fund raising, and publicising the camp, those who directly impact on the organisation, administration and management of the Camp, and together confirm the prioritisation on the funds raised in maintaining and developing the facilities and presentation of the site and buildings.

The year in review

During the 2024/2025 period, a total of 711 visitors stayed at the camp, including 653 from the City of Salford. This represents a slight reduction on the previous year, primarily due to a late cancellation from one school. Nevertheless, attendance remains strong and continues to reflect the ongoing success of our outreach work and relationships with Salford schools and community groups. Over 91% of visitors this year were from within the City of Salford, demonstrating our continued commitment to providing holidays and respite opportunities for children who live or attend school in the area.

We also welcomed 58 children from outside the city, primarily from a Girl Guide group based in Timperley. This continues our objective of using available weeks to provide opportunities for disadvantaged or youth groups from outside Salford when capacity allows, supporting the camp's long-term sustainability and inclusivity.

The camp remains a vibrant and essential part of the community. Our Community Centre continues to be used as both a Warm Hub and for regular coffee mornings, providing a welcoming and supportive environment for local residents. This engagement has proved vital in helping to maintain connectivity within the Prestatyn community, particularly among older residents who face challenges of isolation or financial hardship. The centre's activities ensure that our facilities are used year-round for the benefit of local people as well as the children who visit the camp.

Our thoughts and condolences go out to the family of Lynda Murphy, who sadly passed away in 2024. A collection in her memory raised £1,290, alongside generous donations of much-needed furniture and a television, which have been put to excellent use within the camp. We are deeply grateful for this kindness and continued support from the community.

We were once again supported by Holland Hydroponics, who held another successful Hydrofest Festival, raising £921 for the charity. We sincerely thank the organisers, volunteers, and attendees for their continued enthusiasm and belief in our work.

Investment in our facilities has continued this year as part of our commitment to maintaining a safe, stimulating, and sustainable environment for the children. We completed the replacement of the older wooden play equipment with bright, modern steel installations, representing an investment of £16,682. This marks a major milestone in our long-term improvement plan, ensuring our outdoor spaces are durable, inclusive, and built to last for many years to come.

Additionally, the camp benefitted from the purchase of a new John Deere lawnmower, acquired with the help of the F&T Terrix and Simon Fenton Partnership. This will greatly assist in maintaining the grounds and ensuring our facilities are kept to the highest standard.

We also received a generous £1,500 donation from the charity Norfox, whose contribution helps us continue our vital work providing children with memorable holidays and experiences that promote wellbeing, friendship, and confidence.

As we move forward into 2025/2026, the Trustees remain focused on fundraising and investment to further enhance our facilities and support services. Our goal remains to develop a modern, fully accessible site with the infrastructure needed to serve future generations of Salford children. We continue to strengthen the Board of Trustees, adding skills and experience that will help guide the charity through this next phase of growth and development.

The Trustees extend their sincere thanks to all supporters, donors, schools, and community partners who have contributed throughout the year. Your continued faith and generosity enable us to provide life-changing opportunities for the children of Salford and to remain a cherished part of both the Salford and Prestatyn communities.

Financial Review

Total receipts in the year amounted to £61,037 – a reduction on the previous year due to significant legacies/memorial gifts and one off donations being received.

Reserves policy

We aim to hold 3 month running costs in reserve. Surplus funds are held to develop the site further, and some progress was made in the financial year on this. Included within the reserves are funds being expensed in the following financial year.

Amount held in reserves

Cash unrestricted reserves amount to £223,413. Surplus funds are held for the future development of the site and the charity.

Risk

The trustees review the risks faced by the charity and put in place plans to mitigate these. Safeguarding policies are maintained with DBS checks carried out as required.

Governance

The charity is governed by its constitution. A management committee is in place that supports the staff and volunteers in the work of the camp, and from this group the trustees are appointed.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Nicholas Abbott (Trustee)
22nd January 2026

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Salford Children's Holiday Camp

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 are set out on pages 8 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirement of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 connection with examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect.

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act;
2. The accounts do not accord with those records;

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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark R Heaton FCCA FCIE DChA

Independent Examiner

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22nd January 2026

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Receipts and Payments Account

All funds are unrestricted	Year end 31.3.25	Year end 31.3.24
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations and fundraising	2,552	7,244
Fees and bookings	48,878	48,370
Investment income	6,735	4,449
Grants and other funding	-	14,856
Legacies and in memorium donations	1,290	105,763
Other income received	1,582	50,000
Total receipts	61,037	230,682
Payments		
Gas, water and electric	12,915	14,429
Insurance	1,706	1,929
Wages, employers NIC & pension	31,551	30,352
Telephone	936	1,363
Food	6,973	8,057
Repairs and maintenance (inc roof repairs)	10,063	9,962
Lawn mower	5,542	
General expenses	9,179	4,748
Accountancy fees	1,135	1,650
Play equipment	16,682	7,775
Total payments	96,682	80,265
Net of receipts/(payments)	-35,645	150,417
Cash funds last year end	259,058	108,641
Cash funds this year end	223,413	259,058

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st March 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Endowment fund
	£	£
Cash funds	223,413	
Freehold land & buildings	431,500	
Fixtures, fittings and equipment - estimate	25,000	
Investments		17,152
Creditors	1,742	-

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Nicholas Abbott (Trustee)
22nd January 2026

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

2. Fund Accounting

- a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity
- b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor.

3. Taxation

The charity is not liable to tax on its charitable activities.

The charity is not registered for VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.

4. Transactions with trustees

No remuneration nor expenses were paid to trustees, or any persons connected with them during the year or previous year.