

Trustees' Annual Report for the Period Ended 31/07/2024

Charity Name: Brightest Stars

Charity Registration Number: 1201863

Address: 21 Cedar Road, Farnborough, GU14 7AU

1. Objectives and Activities

Charity's purposes as set out in its governing document:

To provide bereaved children and their parents/guardians a space to meet and access counselling services.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these purposes:

We have provided a combination of counselling, play therapy and face to face bereavement support for children and their families following the death of a loved one.

Public Benefit Statement:

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

2. Achievements and Performance

Brightest Stars have raised over £80,000 this period due to the generosity of donors and due to the hard work of fundraisers. This has enabled the Charity to provide a combination of counselling, play therapy and face to face bereavement support for children and their families following the death of a loved one.

3. Financial Review

Summary of the financial activity:

- Total income: £83,271
- Total expenditure: £39,266
- Net surplus/deficit: £44,005

Principal funding sources:

All income has been generated through a mixture of donations & fundraising.

Summary of the financial position:

- Net assets: £58,441
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4. Structure, Governance, and Management

Governing document:

The charity is governed by a formal constitution.

Trustee selection and appointment:

The charity shall be managed by a committee of trustees who are appointed at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the charity.

Organisational structure and decision-making:

Regular trustee meetings are held where charitable activities and fundraising are discussed and decisions are made on the basis of these discussions.

5. Reference and Administrative Details

- **Charity Name:** Brightest Stars
 - **Registered Charity Number:** 1201863
 - **Principal Office Address:** 21 Cedar Road, Farnborough, GU14 7AU
 - **Trustees serving during the year:**
 - Helen Rowell
 - Natasha Spicer
 - Lauren Collett
 - Martin Hall
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6. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this trustees' report and have authorised it for issue.

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Signature: M Hall

Name: Martin Hall

Date: 15/05/2025



Statement of Financial Activities for the period ending 31/07/24

	Period ending 31/07/2024 £	Period ending 06/02/2023 £
Incoming Resources		
Donations	51,622.90	7,438.85
Fundraising Events	31,648.17	11,343.65
Grants	-	-
Other income	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	83,271.07	18,782.50
Resources Expended		
Expenditure on raising funds	(11,682.61)	(720.00)
Expenditure on charitable activities	(26,383.16)	(3,505.43)
Other expense	(1,200.00)	(121.34)
Total Resources Expended	(39,265.77)	(4,346.77)
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) resources	44,005.30	14,435.73
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	14,435.73	-
Total Funds carried forward	58,441.03	14,435.73



Balance Sheet as at 31/07/24

	As at 31/07/2024 £	As at 06/02/2023 £
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	58,441.03	14,435.73
 Net Assets	 <u>58,441.03</u>	 <u>14,435.73</u>
 Total Funds	 <u>58,441.03</u>	 <u>14,435.73</u>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Brightest Stars

On accounts for the year ended

31st July 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1201863

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 DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) which 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

20/01/2025

Name:

Kristopher Gregory

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

(if any):

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Address:

New Cheshire Business Park, Wincham Lane, Wincham, Northwich,
CW9 6GG

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

No material matters of concern.



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