

# UPLIFT (DEVON)

England & Wales · Charity number 1202513

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2023-03-28

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN DEVON AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS BY THE PROVISION OF PARENT AND CHILD SESSIONS DESIGNED TO ENABLE PARENTS TO SUPPORT THEIR YOUNG CHILDREN, BECOMING ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN THEIR CHILDREN'S LEARNING

**Activities:** Uplift Devon seeks to improve the lives and life chances of any child under the age of five in the south-west by providing professional support and spaces for families to meet, learn and make connections. Parent and child sessions are designed to enable parents to support their young children, becoming active participants in their children's learning.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Defined Groups

## Geography

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- Cornwall
- Devon
- Somerset

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£53,243	£36,918	-	-
2024-03-31	£20,499	£16,658	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Dr Andrew John Timperley FRCS</b>	Chair	2023-06-19
Angela Elizabeth Dawe		2024-01-06
Catherine Elizabeth Beith		2023-06-19
Catherine Roughton		2024-01-06
Charles Edward Richard Dowell		2024-03-11
Julie Ann Lovett		2024-05-03

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# Accounts

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**UPLIFT (DEVON)**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**Objectives and Activities**

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To improve the lives and life chances of children under five in the Southwest by providing professional support and spaces for families to meet, learn, and build connections. Parent and child sessions are designed to enable parents to support their children, becoming active participants in early learning.

**How our activities deliver public benefit**

Uplift operates from its Hub in Tiverton, Devon, offering stay-and-play sessions, targeted workshops, baby banks, emergency clothing and nappy bundles, and family support.

The Hub has also hosted Children's Services Family Practitioners, enabling supported family contact locally.

Workshops with take-home learning packs are provided for parents of children between the ages of birth and 16 months as well as 16months to 4 years, equipping them with knowledge about child development, play, and communication. Trustees are satisfied these activities provide significant public benefit.

**Achievements and Performance**

**Report - 2024/2025**

**Growth and Partnerships:**

Uplift has continued to welcome increasing numbers of families, with demand rising by more than 25% over the year.

The Hub provided over 60–100 family visits per month, with many regular attendees being young parents, often single, facing challenges from the cost-of-living crisis.

We collaborated with Devon County Council, Rotary, local councillors, and community partners to enhance the building and extend services.

Feedback from parents highlights reduced isolation, improved parenting confidence, and practical benefits such as clothing bundles and food support

**Workshops and Special Programmes:**

Two sets of four, themed workshops were delivered, each with take-home packs for families; feedback confirmed high value and learning impact

Plans are in place for new First Aid workshops for parents, supported by a grant from the Devon Community Foundation

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Grants and Fundraising:

Successful grants were secured from Devon Community Foundation, Devon County Council's Growing Communities Fund, Awards for All, and Mid Devon locality funds.

Funds were donated by other partners including The Grocer's Charity and Friends of Blundell's Prep.

Local fundraising, including the Blundell's Dinner and auction, raised significant funds.

Additional trust and corporate applications have been submitted to sustain workshops and general costs.

**Financial Review**

Total receipts for the year to 31 March 2025 amounted to £53,243 (year ended 31 March 2024 £20,499).

Total payments for the year to 31 March 2025 amounted to £36,198 (year ended 31 March 2024 £16,658).

The charity holds £20,166 in their bank accounts (year ended 31 March 2024 £3,359).

The charity is financially stable, with adequate reserves to cover short-term contingencies. Rental income from the Hub's flat continues to provide a secure contribution to running costs.

Reserves Policy

At the start of the year, Uplift held reserves of just under £3,900; through grants, rental income, and fundraising, the account balance has increased to more than £20,000.

Trustees agreed a reserves policy equivalent to three months' running costs, and progress has been made towards this target.

Risk Management Policy

Trustees regularly assess operational and financial risks, particularly around reliance on grant funding, safeguarding, and staffing. Mitigation steps include diversifying income (e.g., "Friends of Uplift" scheme), investing in safeguarding training, and developing partnerships with statutory agencies.

**Overview and Future Plans**

Short-term (2025/26):

Open the Hub five days a week by increasing staff hours; introduce new targeted workshops (including First Aid for parents); continue the "Friends of Uplift" scheme and seasonal fundraising events.

Medium-term (2026/27):

Expand outreach to rural towns and villages, partnering with local organisations; increase staff to support volunteers.

Long-term (2027/28):

Establish a further Uplift presence in Mid/East Devon.

Uplift is committed to expanding provision so that more children under five can thrive despite the challenges of poverty, isolation, and the cost-of-living crisis.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charity's objects and regulations are set out in the charity's constitution. The charity registered as a charitable organisation on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

The trustees look to recruit new members with relevant skills and experience, who are the appointed by resolution of a properly convened meeting of the charity's Trustees.

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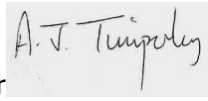
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Charles Dowell (Treasurer)  
Catherine Roughton  
Angela Dawe  
Catherine Beith  
Anthony Richards (to November 2024)  
Julie Lovett

Registered Address 4 Lowman Green, Tiverton, Devon, EX16 4LA

Bankers Lloyds Bank, Victoria Branch, 98 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 5JL

Accountants Merlin Accountancy Services Ltd, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 33 Longbrook Street, Exeter, EX4 6AW

Approved by Uplift (Devon) on ..... 10/11/2025 ..... and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee: Andrew Timperley, Chair  .....

*Charles Dowell*

Trustee: Charles Dowell (Treasurer) .....

**UPLIFT (DEVON)**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**Receipts and Payments Account**

	<b>2025</b>		<b>2024</b>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donations	15,742		4,017	
Fundraising	12,051		-	
Grants	16,750		11,000	
Rent Received	8,700		5,190	
Workshop/Activities	-		292	
<i>Total Receipts</i>	-	53,243	292	20,499
<b>Payments</b>				
Supplies and Materials	1,409		1,039	
Advertising	199		-	
Fundraising Costs	1,304		712	
Utilities	2,319		1,985	
Staff Costs	16,104		9,607	
Insurance	920		-	
Training and Workshops	-		410	
Repairs and Renewals	4,390		622	
Interest	-		1	
Printing, Postage and Stationery	196		-	
Accountancy Costs	732		406	
IT and Telephone	800		290	
Professional Fees	8,545		1,586	
<i>Total Payments</i>	8,545	36,918	1,586	16,658
<b>Excess of Receipts over Payments</b>		16,325		3,841
Bank Balance at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024		3,841		-
Bank Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025		20,166		3,841

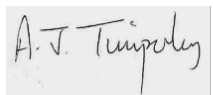
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**Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

	<b>2025 Total £</b>	<b>2024 Total £</b>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		
<i>Cash Funds</i>		
Bank - Current Account	20,166	3,359
Bank - Deposit Account	-	482
	20,166	3,841
<i>Current Assets</i>		
Gift Aid Debtor	1,004	1,004
<i>Current Liabilities</i>		
Accruals	528	600
PAYE/NI	-	26
Other Creditors – Pension	53	46
	21,751	4,173

Approved by Uplift (Devon) on ..... 10/11/2025 ..... and signed on its behalf by:



Trustee: Andrew Timperley, Chair .....

*Charles Dowell*

Trustee: Charles Dowell (Treasurer) .....

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
UPLIFT (DEVON)  
Year Ended 31 MARCH 2025**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 4 and 5.

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the Directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to these matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005) have not been met; or
2. to which in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

G M Corby BSc FCA  
Merlin Accountancy Services Ltd  
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33 Longbrook Street  
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Signed:  .....

Date: 26/11/2025 .....

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**Objectives and Activities**

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**How our activities deliver public benefit**

Uplift operates from its "Hub" in Tiverton, Devon where it provides support for children under the age of 5 and their parents. The support provided includes a baby weighing service, a clothing and equipment exchange as well as formal training sessions and informal play sessions. The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

**Achievements and Performance**

Report - 2023/2024

Uplift's founder and current Chair has made a building at Lowman Green, Tiverton, available to the charity at no cost.

The building has been adapted so that there is a flat upstairs from which the charity receives monthly rental income, while the downstairs area is the "Hub" for its operations. The Hub is currently open regularly for three days each week, with some additional days when training and other activities are offered. It is hoped to expand this as additional funding is developed. During the year an increasing number of families have used the facilities.

During its first year of operation Uplift has applied for and received a grant from the National Lottery as well as numerous smaller grants and donations.

The money received from the rental income has enabled it to cover its expenses, with a small credit balance at the end of the first financial year. If additional income can be generated, then it should be possible to expand its activities and make provision for a reserve fund.

**Financial Review**

Total receipts for the year to 31 March 2024 amounted to £20,499.

Total payments for the year to 31 March 2024 amounted to £16,658.

The charity holds £3,359 in their bank accounts.

Reserves Policy

Uplift having only been incorporated as a Registered Charity for just over 1 year has not yet had the opportunity to build up a reserve fund.

Having reviewed regular expenses we estimate that the cost of running the charity each month is in the region of £2,775. We have regular income of £600 each month from renting out the flat over the "Hub". The shortfall amounts to £2,175.

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Our other income is in the form of Grants, donations and the proceeds of fund-raising events.

That reserve that we intend to set aside should provide financial stability and the means for the development of our principal activity. We intend to build up and thereafter maintain our reserves at a level which is at least equivalent to £6,525 to cover 3 months shortfall. That figure will need to be reviewed in the event that we recruit additional staff.

That figure should be enough to cover any cash flow variations, and contingencies such as the cost of providing cover for a sick employee.

Risk Management Policy

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those relating to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate their exposure to major risks.

**Overview and Future Plans**

For all future activity funding is required for:

Salaries, utilities, training, equipment for the hub and for family workshops, and take-home resources, website update, publicity materials, printed hand-outs, booklets and posters, office furniture for family meetings and volunteer public transport costs. Part of our ongoing costs for staff are met from the rental income from a flat above the property we work from (The Hub). Other money is fund-raised to sustain and develop our provision. We are subject to the high costs of electricity, gas and water, as well as expenditure on food, drink and emergency packages we put together for families in distress.

If funding applications are successful:

In the short-term

Our largest expenditure is on our current two qualified staff who work with volunteers at the Hub; we are currently open 3 days a week. We urgently need to employ a further full-time member of staff (FTE) with Early Years training so that we can open each weekday and cover holidays.

In the medium term

The appointment of another professional with Early Years training will allow us to train more volunteers and run outreach sessions in rural villages where families in poverty struggle to access services. During this year, there will be further transport costs as well as expenditure on workshop equipment. We will partner with the local communities to accommodate these activities but there may be additional, modest, rental costs.

In the longer term

We aim to build on the success of our activities from the Hub in Tiverton to open additional Hubs in neighbouring towns to deliver our core mission to improve the lives and life-chances of children under the age of 5 in their families. We aim to open a second Uplift Hub in the third year of a successful grant. The Early Years professionals we employ will work flexibly to develop and expand provision at this Hub. To co-ordinate activities within the Hubs and in the outreach clinics we will need to expand the hours of a part-time Manager to two days and employ a further member of staff with Early Years training. There will be additional rental costs.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

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The trustees look to recruit new members with relevant skills and experience, who are the appointed by resolution of a properly convened meeting of the charity's Trustees.

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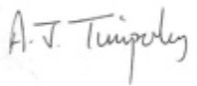
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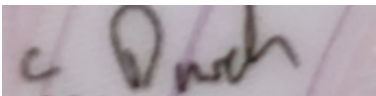
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Trustee: Charles Dowell (Treasurer)  .....

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**Receipts and Payments Account**

	<b>2024</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Donations	4,017	
Grants	11,000	
Rent Received	5,190	
Workshop/Activities	292	
<i>Total Receipts</i>	20,499	20,499
<b>Payments</b>		
Supplies and Materials	1,039	
Fundraising Costs	712	
Utilities	1,985	
Staff Costs	9,607	
Training and Workshops	410	
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Interest	1	
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Professional Fees	1,586	
<i>Total Payments</i>	16,658	16,658
<b>Excess of Receipts over Payments</b>		3,841
Bank Balance at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023		-
		-
Bank Balance at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024		3,841

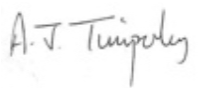
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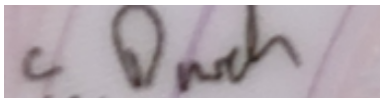
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Signed:

  
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Date:

03/12/2024