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Harborough District Children & Young People's Charity

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Lena Russell
	Neil Sewell
	Susan Maguire
	Chris Wood
	Rob Wakefield
	John Greenwood
	Terry Cane
	Andrew Munro
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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:	Lena Russell
	Neil Sewell
	Susan Maguire
	Chris Wood
	Rob Wakefield
	John Greenwood
	Terry Cane
	Andrew Munro (appointed 1 November 2024)

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is operated under the rules of its cio constitution adopted 09/05/2023.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Recruitment is by both advertisement and recommendation. Selection is conducted after completion of an application form and skills audit form, alongside informal discussion with the Charity Manager and/or Chair. Following this, guest attendance at a Board meeting is required, and after this, if the prospective trustee is willing to continue with their application, a decision to accept or decline the application will be made by the existing Board members in private. A consensus decision is preferred, but a majority vote could be used. Appointment is then subject to appropriate DBS at enhanced level for working with children, and completion of the Trustee Eligibility Declaration.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To act as a resource for young people aged 0 to 25 years living in Harborough District and environs by providing advice and assistance, and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:

- a) advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
- b) advancing education;
- c) providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in Harborough District who have need by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons

And;

The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Measuring Impact and Achieving Charitable Purposes

The organisation has systems in place to measure its impact. Each session is evaluated by staff, who record young people's feedback and observations of progress. These are collated each term to identify trends or developments toward project outcomes. This analysis, combined with structured youth voice input, informs future planning-helping shape activities to enhance progress or address weaker areas.

Advancing Young People's Skills and Development

In line with the purpose of providing advice and assistance, and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of: A) Advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skill, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals, the charity supports young people to develop practical and emotional skills. These include motor skills, leadership, cooking, reasoning, emotional regulation, and coping strategies. As confidence and self-esteem improve, young people are better equipped for adulthood and capable of building stronger relationships, including within their families. Families benefit too, feeling supported and less isolated when their children can access free, local provision.

Trained youth workers are key to this support, offering safeguarding and signposting where necessary-such as referrals to Social Care, Early Help, or mental health resources. This wraparound support strengthens both the individual and their wider family network.

Advancing Education

The charity provides informal education that builds life, health, and vocational skills. Young people learn through activities such as cooking, creative tasks, leadership opportunities, and discussions around emotional resilience and mental health. These experiences help them manage school stress, build confidence, and understand how to achieve personal goals.

The Travelling Forward Project plays a vital role in supporting Gypsy and Traveller families, especially those whose children are not in formal education. The charity helps signpost these families to the Local Authority's Multi-Agency Traveller Unit and directly supports their re-engagement with education. Additionally, the project's facilitator has trained with the Prince's Trust, enabling young people not in education, employment, or training to begin working toward recognised qualifications. These efforts collectively enhance learning, promote re-entry into formal education, and expand young people's future academic and career opportunities.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Providing Recreation and Addressing Social Disadvantage

A significant portion of the charity's activities focus on recreation and play-vital for physical health, creativity, teamwork, and resilience. These leisure opportunities also foster independence and self-expression, particularly important in adolescence.

The charity targets children and young people living in rural or isolated areas who have limited access to services due to transport and social disadvantage. Young carers and members of the Traveller community often bear additional responsibilities, such as care giving or early entry into work. HCYC's provision offers them vital respite and peer connection in a supportive environment-time to relax, play, and be themselves.

Promoting Equality and Diversity

The Travelling Forward Project actively promotes understanding between communities. In Harborough District, the Traveller community faces regular discrimination. The project combats this through inclusive activities: school visits featuring cultural celebrations, the Traveller's Tea community event led by Traveller families, and Traveller-created content in Speak Out Magazine. During Traveller History Month, the charity also shares stories and history on social media and in local exhibitions.

These efforts challenge harmful stereotypes, celebrate culture, and foster greater understanding between Traveller and non-Traveller communities-benefiting individuals and society alike.

Achievements and performance

Purpose and Activities of the Charity

'To act as a resource for young people aged 0 to 25 years' -

The charity supports young people through various youth clubs and targeted projects. These include the Chill Out Project, which operates in three rural villages; the Travelling Forward Project, with youth clubs on three Traveller sites; and the Speak Out Magazine Project, which enables young people to create a youth-led magazine and website. Additional services include a Young Carers Group and a Mentoring Project offering 1:1 support to those with additional needs.

'Living in Harborough District and Environs' -

Nearly all clubs operate within Harborough District, except one on a Traveller site near Market Harborough. Although this site has a Leicestershire postcode, local authorities consider it part of Northamptonshire.

'By providing advice and assistance, and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of':

A) 'Advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals' -

All youth clubs aim to improve mental and emotional resilience, life skills, social relationships, and cultural identity; through activities like group games, crafts, discussions, quizzes, sports, and challenges help develop leadership, motor skills, emotional regulation, self-esteem, and social competence.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Furthermore, the Speak Out Magazine Project offers a platform for youth voices through printed and digital articles. 1,500 magazines are distributed to local schools, youth groups, libraries, and health centres, while the website features articles and resources to support young people.

Across all projects, the charity also signposts and refers young people to relevant external services, such as Young Minds, Health for Teens, Social Care, or Early Help, and offers additional 1:1 support from our Mentoring Project where needed.

B) 'Advance education' -

A core aim is increasing young people's knowledge and skills for life, health, and vocation. Activities include cooking healthy meals, discussing exam stress, and promoting relaxation techniques. Discussions also address future goals, peer issues, and school-related stress, helping young people navigate and overcome challenges, and more.

The Travelling Forward Project includes specific sessions for Gypsy and Traveller youth not in education, employment or training, offering vocational skill development and Prince's Trust qualifications.

C) 'Providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interest of social welfare for people living in Harborough District who have need by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons.' -

All sessions are led by youth workers who ensure safe, supportive, and engaging environments. The charity focuses on rural or isolated areas, where young people often lack transport, services, and social opportunities. By offering free access to these services, the charity ensures low-income families or those who have families that do not value youth activities enough to fund them do not face barriers to participation.

Additionally, the Young Carers Group offers a vital space for respite and peer support, addressing the unique social and emotional challenges young carers face.

'And; The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds.' -

The Travelling Forward Project supports Gypsy and Traveller children, young people, and families through direct services and outreach. The project fosters positive relationships between Traveller and non-Traveller communities, helping to challenge prejudice and build understanding. The project includes delivering school-based sessions celebrating Gypsy and Traveller culture, engaging both Traveller and non-Traveller students in shared activities. Schools promote these events to parents and the broader community, extending the impact.

An annual Traveller's Tea further supports community integration. Young people help organise the event, and families contribute traditional dishes. Open to the public and professionals, this celebration strengthens cross-community relationships and highlights Traveller heritage.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Harborough District Children and Young People's Charity is delighted to complete its 13th year of service delivery. Trustees, Staff and Volunteers have worked hard to provide high quality youth provision for the children and young people of Harborough District and have increased the number of children and young people it has impacted since the previous year.

Throughout 2024-25, Chris Wood remained Chair of Trustees, with Rob Wakefield as Treasurer, Neil Sewell as Secretary, and Terry Cane, Lena Russell, Susan Maguire and John Greenwood as Ordinary Trustees. Furthermore, we welcome Andrew Munro who joined us as an Ordinary Trustee in November. The charity thanks them all for bringing their skills, experience and expertise to the charity and giving their time to ensure that the charity has continued to thrive.

This year sees Olivia O'Brien moving into her 5th year as Charity Manager, overseeing the Trustee developments, operations, governance, and financials, supported for another year by the very dependable Charity Administrator, Helen Burrows. We thank them for their commitment to the charity and ongoing hard work.

The five projects going into the year, namely the Travelling Forward Project, the Chill Out Project, the Speak Out Magazine Project, the Young Carers Project and the Mentoring Project have continued to run throughout the year. In 2024-25, the Charity supported approximately 486 individual children and young people over 384 sessions across these projects, with an estimated number of purposeful contacts that staff have made with children and young people being 3,240 occasions. In addition to this, it is estimated that there have been 4,650 readers of the Speak Out Magazine and 11,156 Speak Out Website views. In all areas, these statistics have increased from 2023-24, meaning that the opportunities that we have offered to children and young people and our chance of making a positive impact for them, their families and the community have increased.

As stated above, all sessions of each project are evaluated against the participant's improvements in mental and emotional resilience; skills and knowledge for life, health and vocation; relationships with peers and adults; and pride in self-identity, culture and community.

Here is a summary of the projects over the last year:

Speak Out Magazine Project

The Speak Out Project engaged a core group of 8 young people aged between 11-18 years in the creation and publication of a youth-led, youth views magazine each term, which is printed and distributed for local young people. The project has benefitted from the addition of a Remote Editor that compliments the group's creation of content for the Speak Out Website. The website affords space for more articles and art, information for young people on local events and a wellbeing section to connect young people with available services. Furthermore, the website has been able to showcase the 140 entries from the young people in the community that responded to the writing and art briefs that the core group designed and publicised. Supported and trained by Speak Out Coordinator, Caroline Villamartin, the Remote Editor learned how to create web pages and upload content directly to site. This enthusiasm and commitment led Caroline to nominate this individual for Harborough District Council's Young Person of the Year Award, where they won.

Leader, Dee Odedra has continued to work hard enabling the Speak Out Team to access new opportunities. She has been joined this year by Assistant, Heather Hughes who quickly became an integral part of the team. The highlight of the year was the Speak Out Team's trip to The Curve Theatre to watch and review the stage production of The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe, which all the young people enjoyed.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

We praise Caroline, Dee and Heather for the high quality of provision that they deliver and the young people for creating magazines that are such a good read!

Travelling Forward Project

The Travelling Forward Project supports children and young people from local Gypsy and Traveller Communities and their families.

This year saw the continuation of the Good Times Sessions (provision for 5-16 year olds using our mobile project vehicle, youth workers and sports coaches) at Greenacres (Market Harborough), Justin Park (just outside Market Harborough in West Northants) and Mere Farm (Ullersthorpe), the Women and Girls Group for 11+ ladies and young women outreach sessions on Mere Farm, and the Crazy Times sessions on Greenacres for secondary school aged young people where they have the additional opportunity to gain Prince's Trust qualifications.

The team have needed to be flexible in their approach to delivery of the project at the latter end of the year due to a couple of issues on Greenacres and Mere Farm, but thanks to the strong links between the project and the Primary Schools of Foxton and Claybrooke, services for the children and young people have continued.

Highlights of the year were the peer integration sessions at primary schools attended by the children of Good Times, namely half-termly sessions at Foxton Primary School and Claybrooke Primary School, inviting the Fire Service onto Mere Farm Good Times session to learn more about fire and road safety, accompanying the NHS Health Bus onto Greenacres and Justin Park, hosting the annual Traveller's Tea, and the bus was once again turned in a grotto and Santa gave presents to all the children on all three sites whilst their families had Christmas refreshments outside.

We thank Avril Da Silva (Travelling Forward Coordinator) and her team, Jenny Rochelle, Caroline Villamartin, Una Bentley, Annie Villamartin and Tony Foye for another year of commitment and enthusiasm towards the project.

Overall, through delivering over the three sites, the Travelling Forward Project was able to support approximately 337 different children, young people, and women and girls; with 1,522 direct, purposeful contacts.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

The Chill Out Project

The project continued to deliver a range of play and youth work activity sessions across the district, primarily through youth clubs with support from Parish Councils or community groups. It completed a further year delivering sessions in South Kilworth, Fleckney, Great Easton and Kibworth, providing opportunities for young people to positively develop by encouraging them to engage in games, discussions, crafts, quizzes, challenges and more. We thank South Kilworth Parish Council, Fleckney Parish Council, Great Easton Parish Council, Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council, Kibworth and Fleckney Rotary Club, and The Well in Kibworth for supporting us and the young people in their areas.

Further highlights from the project are the contributions that they are making to the Speak Out Magazine by entering briefs, writing content and providing pictures of their activities, creating small acts of kindness in their communities, and raising money for a fellow charity that supports their group.

We thank the continued support from Leaders Louise Tatum, Avril Da Silva and Ruth Cross, Assistants Chris Slaughter and Lisa Harrison, and welcome Assistant, Georgie Dove to the project. We also thank Roisin Moran for her second year of volunteering her time and supporting her local youth group in Great Easton. We appreciate you all.

Approximately 108 different young people attended Chill Out Clubs over 138 sessions, with an estimated 1,083 purposeful contacts having been made with children and young people.

The Young Carers Project

The Young Carers Project delivered their third year of group with the continued support of Voluntary Action South Leicestershire's volunteer drivers who provide transport to the young people who need it. Coordinated by Avril Da Silva, the group offers space for young people who have additional caring responsibilities to have fun and respite alongside peers with similar experiences in aid of helping to support their mental health and resilience.

Alongside the fortnightly groups, the young carers also enjoyed a trip to learn bushcraft skills, a trip to enjoy the rides at Wickstead Park, a trip bowling and enjoyed a Christmas meal with presents. The presents were provided by Leicester charity, Toys on the Table, so thank you to them for their positive impact too.

We thank Avril for her hard work in coordinating and running the group and the support that Assistants Lisa and Alison gave towards the group. We said goodbye to Lisa and Alison during the year, so welcomed Una Bentley and Annie Villamartin who stepped into the role. We also thank Volunteer, Eileen Robinson for joining the team, her time, and the compassion and support she offers the young carers.

Approximately 14 different young people attended the Young Carers Project over 24 sessions, with an estimated 204 purposeful contacts having been made with children and young people.

Mentoring Project

The Mentoring Project offers additional 1:1 support to children and young people in the District who need it. Kay Hillier, Mentoring Coordinator has continued to offer this support and develop the project. Kay has complete 1:1 work with 15 young people outside of the clubs over 84 sessions and 39 young people inside the clubs. She has also established and developed a new working relationship with Kibworth Mead Academy whereby she mentors young people within the school weekly.

We thank Kay for her flexible approach to navigating the complexities of reaching young people in need, and for delivering this highly regarded service.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

All these projects would not have been possible without the successful fundraising efforts of Lizzie Keenan, and we thank her for her persistence and creativity in this task. We thank our main funders of The Lottery Community Fund, Children in Need, Tudor Trust and UK Youth who invested in us and enabled us to offer all these opportunities to young people. We also thank our outside providers that support the work that we do, namely, Si Sports, Voluntary Action South Leicestershire, Community Accounting Plus and Charlotte Sandford of CLS Accountancy Services.

Financial review

The trustees are happy with the financial position of the charity.

We are extremely grateful to all our grant funders, local trusts and foundations, community organisations and to the Parish Councils engaging with us for service delivery. This investment and support for our charitable activities and services throughout the year have made a significant difference to the lives of vulnerable and isolated children and young people across Harborough District. We would also like to thank those on-line donors who made donations through our Local Giving webpage, supporters who have organised sponsored events or fundraising, and those supporting us through the Harborough Lotto.

Policy on reserves

The charity does not currently have an explicit policy on reserves, however, decisions by the Trustee Board are made with consideration of the need to develop a reserve budget in order to mitigate financial risks. The aim is to achieve a reserve budget of 6 months running costs.

Major risks and management of those risks

Staff & vehicle

The charity is currently building its reserves to insure it against any contingent liabilities including redundancy payments, risks including staff sickness pay and cover, and exceptional vehicle maintenance costs. The Trustees do not recognise any other specific risk currently, however they are mindful that the project vehicle will need replacing in the future and so has started a protected fund for this in the reserve budget.

Financial systems and processes ensure we monitor budgets carefully and our fundraising, strategic and annual plan ensures we have a proactive approach to meeting budgetary needs.

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

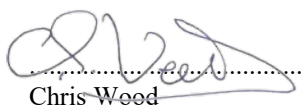
The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 17.10.25 and signed on its behalf by:



Chris Wood
Trustee

Harborough District Children & Young People's Charity

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Harborough District Children & Young People's Charity

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Harborough District Children & Young People's Charity

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Harborough District Children & Young People's Charity (the Charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 Charity'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.

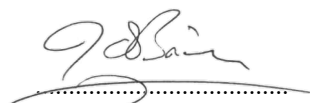
Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the 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; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.



John O'Brien MSc, FAIA, FCIE, employee of Community Accounting Plus
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

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Date: 17/10/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 31 March 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	32,667	-	32,667
Charitable activities	3	18,457	208,409	226,866
Total Income		51,124	208,409	259,533
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	(11,216)	(232,529)	(243,745)
Total Expenditure		(11,216)	(232,529)	(243,745)
Net income/(expenditure)		39,908	(24,120)	15,788
Gross transfers between funds		(42,685)	42,685	-
Net movement in funds		(2,777)	18,565	15,788
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		124,848	30,031	154,879
Total funds carried forward	16	122,071	48,596	170,667

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 16.

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 31 March 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	125,868	-	125,868
Charitable activities	3	10,836	201,389	212,225
Total Income		136,704	201,389	338,093
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	(6,539)	(176,675)	(183,214)
Total Expenditure		(6,539)	(176,675)	(183,214)
Net income		130,165	24,714	154,879
Gross transfers between funds		(1,267)	1,267	-
Net movement in funds		128,898	25,981	154,879
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds carried forward	16	128,898	25,981	154,879

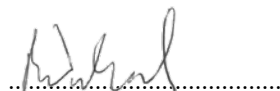
The notes on pages 14 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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(Registration number: 1202997)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Debtors	11	9,548	10,968
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>166,709</u>	<u>151,956</u>
		176,257	162,924
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(5,583)</u>	<u>(8,045)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		170,674	154,879
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	13	<u>(7)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets		<u>170,667</u>	<u>154,879</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	16	48,596	30,031
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>122,071</u>	<u>124,848</u>
Total funds	16	<u>170,667</u>	<u>154,879</u>

The financial statements on pages 12 to 23 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on ~~17.10.25~~ and signed on their behalf by:



Rob Wakefield
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Harborough District Children & Young People's Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

Under the exemption available to smaller charities the Board of Trustees has chosen not to include a Statement of Cash Flows within the financial statements.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregates similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Vehicle	SL over 9 years

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds and resources set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds Designated £	General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;				
Donations from community groups	26,267	-	26,267	-
Grants, including capital grants;				
Grants from other charities	-	6,400	6,400	125,868
	<u>26,267</u>	<u>6,400</u>	<u>32,667</u>	<u>125,868</u>

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds Designated £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Grants & donations	-	208,409	208,409	201,389
Fundraising	4,345	-	4,345	175
Fees	14,112	-	14,112	10,661
	<u>18,457</u>	<u>208,409</u>	<u>226,866</u>	<u>212,225</u>

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4 Grants and donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council	-	1,150	1,150
Synergy In Trade- Garden Party	1,131	-	1,131
Rotary Club of Kibworth & Fleckney	-	1,000	1,000
The National Lottery Community Foundation	-	88,014	88,014
BBC Children In Need	2,500	37,500	40,000
The National Lottery - Awards For All	-	20,000	20,000
UK Youth	27,500	-	27,500
The Tudor Trust	-	15,000	15,000
Northamptonshire Community Foundation - Rural Community Needs Fund	-	10,000	10,000
Market Harborough and The Bowdens Charity	-	7,500	7,500
Government of Ireland Emigrant Support Programme (ESP)	-	13,000	13,000
J Reginald Corah Foundation	1,000	-	1,000
Irish Youth Foundation (UK) Limited	-	1,000	1,000
Florence Turner Trust	1,000	-	1,000
The Mary Robertson Trust	2,000	-	2,000
Maud Elkington Charitable Trust	1,500	-	1,500
West Northamptonshire Council- Discretionary Community Funding Grant	-	4,900	4,900
Platform Housing Group Limited- Community Chest Fund	-	2,000	2,000
Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland Community Foundation - Making Local Life Better Fund	-	3,000	3,000
Carol Tilley	4,345	-	4,345
Harborough Lotto	175	-	175
Market Harborough Round Table	196	-	196
	<u>41,347</u>	<u>204,064</u>	<u>245,411</u>

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5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Legal & professional fees	781	13,648	14,429	10,699
Activities, Equipment & materials	-	19,021	19,021	14,805
General Office & administration expense	60	2,591	2,651	875
Bank Charges	7	109	116	113
Facilities & Desk hire	292	4,300	4,592	2,718
Insurance	30	423	453	320
Staff expenses	1,394	3,941	5,335	6,647
Vehicle costs	-	4,695	4,695	2,357
Vounteer expenses	-	-	-	33
Venue Hire	-	950	950	870
Communications	113	312	425	456
Recruitment	136	-	136	412
Wages, NIC & Pensions	6,921	179,817	186,738	138,916
Depreciation	-	-	-	1,000
YCG Staffing costs	-	2,722	2,722	1,789
Payroll service	1,482	-	1,482	1,204
	11,216	232,529	243,745	183,214

6 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	-	1,000

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7 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	166,315	128,999
Social security costs	10,851	2,752
Pension costs	9,572	7,165
	<u>186,738</u>	<u>138,916</u>

12 (2024 - 7) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £9,572 (2024 - £7,165).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £44,645 (2024 - £31,720).

8 Independent examiner's fees

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner Community Accounting Plus are analysed as follows:

	Year ended 31 March 2025 £	9 May 2023 to 31 March 2024 £
Independent examination	765	735
Other financial services	1,624	1,001
	<u>2,389</u>	<u>1,736</u>

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9 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Motor vehicles NBV opening transfer £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2024	9,000	9,000
At 31 March 2025	9,000	9,000
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2024	9,000	9,000
At 31 March 2025	9,000	9,000
Net book value		
At 31 March 2025	-	-
At 31 March 2024	-	-

11 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	8,461	10,067
Prepayments	1,087	901
	9,548	10,968

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other taxation and social security	1,941	2,802
Other creditors	3,642	5,243
	5,583	8,045

13 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2025 £
Accruals	7

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14 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

15 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

16 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General	105,731	20,512	(11,216)	7,044	122,071
<i>Designated</i>					
UK Youth-Thriving Minds	-	16,500	-	(16,500)	-
Clubs Fees	19,117	14,112	-	(33,229)	-
	19,117	30,612	-	(49,729)	-
Total unrestricted funds	124,848	51,124	(11,216)	(42,685)	122,071
Restricted funds					
Travelling Forward Tudor Trust	3,746	15,000	(161)	(18,585)	-
Travelling Forward Good Times	1,440	39,000	(34,933)	(2,266)	3,241
Travelling Forward Good Times Justin Park	3,359	14,900	(17,975)	(284)	-
Travelling Forward Mere Group Farm W & GG	3,170	13,000	(16,588)	3,014	2,596
Travelling Forward Crazy Times	-	20,000	(14,488)	3,263	8,775
Speak Out Project	1,904	37,889	(38,939)	-	854
Mentoring	-	38,093	(32,060)	1,629	7,662
Chill Out Project	3,089	14,182	(49,052)	35,232	3,451
Young Carers	9,273	16,345	(19,167)	-	6,451
Bus Reserve	4,050	-	(9,166)	20,682	15,566
Total restricted funds	30,031	208,409	(232,529)	42,685	48,596
Total funds	154,879	259,533	(243,745)	-	170,667

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	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
General	98,980	(6,539)	13,290	105,731
<i>Designated</i>				
UK Youth-Thriving Minds	10,628	-	(10,628)	-
Clubs Fees	27,096	-	(7,979)	19,117
	<u>37,724</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(18,607)</u>	<u>19,117</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>136,704</u>	<u>(6,539)</u>	<u>(5,317)</u>	<u>124,848</u>
Restricted				
Travelling Forward Tudor Trust	10,590	(89)	(6,755)	3,746
Travelling Forward Good Times	30,344	(32,424)	3,520	1,440
Travelling Forward Good Times Justin Park	17,898	(14,924)	385	3,359
Travelling Forward Mere Group Farm W & GG	12,000	(11,353)	2,523	3,170
Travelling Forward Crazy Times	13,826	(14,154)	328	-
Speak Out Project	29,421	(26,597)	(920)	1,904
Mentoring	31,346	(27,775)	(3,571)	-
Chill Out Project	31,400	(34,068)	5,757	3,089
Young Carers	24,564	(15,291)	-	9,273
Bus Reserve	-	-	4,050	4,050
	<u>201,389</u>	<u>(176,675)</u>	<u>5,317</u>	<u>30,031</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>201,389</u>	<u>(176,675)</u>	<u>5,317</u>	<u>30,031</u>
Total funds	<u><u>338,093</u></u>	<u><u>(183,214)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>154,879</u></u>

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The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

General fund - to fund general running costs.

Designated funds:

UK Youth - Thriving Minds - to fund activities to support young people's mental health.

Bus reserve - to fund future costs relating to the bus.

Clubs fees - to be used for additional activities not covered by the restricted funds.

Restricted funds:

Travelling Forward - to fund supportive and developmental activities for children and young people from local Gypsy and Traveller communities.

Travelling Forward (Good times) - to fund supportive and developmental activities for children and young people from local Gypsy and Traveller communities.

Travelling Forward Justin Park - to fund supportive and developmental activities for children and young people from local Gypsy and Traveller communities.

Travelling Forward Mere Farm - Women and girls group - to fund supportive and developmental activities for children and young people from local Gypsy and Traveller communities.

Travelling Forward Crazy times - to fund supportive and developmental activities for children and young people.

Young Carers - to fund additional support and activities to young people who have taken on the role of a carer in their family.

Speak Out - to fund a young people's group and costs to create the youth-led youth views magazine, "Speak Out".

Chill Out Project - to fund supportive and developmental activities for isolated and/or vulnerable children and young people using our mobile project vehicle and other community venues.

Staff Wellbeing - to support staff during and post Covid pandemic.

Mentoring - One to One additional support for young people accessing our groups.

The transfer between the General fund and Restricted funds are to cover the management and support costs.

17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted		31 March 2025
	General	Restricted	Total funds
	£	£	£
Current assets	127,661	48,596	176,257
Current liabilities	(5,583)	-	(5,583)
Creditors over 1 year	(7)	-	(7)
Total net assets	<u>122,071</u>	<u>48,596</u>	<u>170,667</u>

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at 31 March 2024
	General	Designated	funds	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets	105,731	23,167	34,026	162,924
Current liabilities	-	-	(8,045)	(8,045)
Total net assets	<u>105,731</u>	<u>23,167</u>	<u>25,981</u>	<u>154,879</u>