

Joy Baker Fund

Reports & Accounts
Financial Year Ending 31/10/2024

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: Joy Baker Fund
Charity Number: 1203315
Charity Address: 39 Leonard Street
BARNOLDSWICK
Lancashire
BB18 5NL

Trustees: Angela Kennedy

Ann Charles

Beverly Adams

Juliet English

Rahel Berman

Key Management Personnel: The Trustees.

We have no employed staff.

Name & Address of Primary Banker: Barclays Banks
1 Churchill Place
London
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Name & Address of Solicitor: N/A

Independent Examiner: FJ Accountants Ltd
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Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP FOR 'HOME EDUCATING' FAMILIES (INCLUDING THOSE WHO WISH TO HOME EDUCATE OR WHO HAVE HOME EDUCATED/BEEN HOME EDUCATED) BY FUNDING ACCESS TO LEGAL ADVICE, ASSISTANCE, AND REPRESENTATION INVOLVING A PARENT'S DUTY TO SECURE EDUCATION SUITABLE TO THEIR CHILD'S AGE, ABILITY, APTITUDE AND SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS, WHERE PERSONS COULD NOT OTHERWISE AFFORD THEM THROUGH LACK OF MEANS.

TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING HOME EDUCATION LAW, IN PARTICULAR THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK WHICH UNDERPINS EDUCATION OTHER THAN BY ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL, BY PROVIDING GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS, INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC, AND BY COMMISSIONING RESEARCH AND PUBLISHING THE USEFUL RESULTS OF SUCH RESEARCH.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Joy Baker Fund - First Annual Trustees' Report - 30th May 2023 - 31st October 2025.

After several years of hard work behind-the-scenes and a meeting with the Charity Commission, we were delighted that Joy Baker Fund received its registration as a Foundation CIO on 30th May 2023.

This first 'year' of operation (technically 16 months as our financial year end is set to 31st October) has seen the charity begin to set up all the policies, procedures and systems which will provide strong foundations for its future.

The first few months got off to a very frustrating start as Barclays Bank made a number of errors and delays, which meant we were without a bank account - and therefore unable to fundraise - for many months.

Once this was eventually established, the Trustees have worked to create good financial systems, including investing in the ExpensePlus system to ensure financial transparency. We have also begun the work of creating various policies and procedures recommended by the Charity Commission, and are grateful to Small Charity Support for their templates which have saved countless hours of head-scratching.

We are not yet in the position to give out grants as we still need to raise more money to have enough in the pot to distribute. This work will continue into next year.

The charity Trustees and volunteers have been hard at work to update the home education community about the existence of the charity and its aims. This is part of our Object to advance the education of the public regarding home education law.

A memorandum of understanding has been signed with Home Education Law Project (HELP), and alongside HELP volunteers we gave joint presentations at the following events and conferences in order to raise awareness, support - and hopefully, funds!

Learn Free online x2 (2023 and 2024) - home educating families and experts from across the UK. Potential Trust weekend, Bicester, October 2023 - alternative education experts and researchers from across the UK. HEFF (Home Educating Families Festival) x 2 - Staffordshire, (August 2023 and 2024) - home educating families from across the UK. GHEX - Global Home Education Exchange, Manchester - July 2024 - home educating and home schooling families from around the world, including UK, USA, UAE, and many European and South-East Asian countries.

We have also engaged with the home education community on social media, including giving updates about our charity and its progress in the Home Education Action Group on Facebook.

We also established an online donations portal via LoveGiving and 'soft-launched' it at the Home Educating Families' Festival (HEFF) in August 2024 and filled in multiple copies of forms from HMRC to register for Gift Aid.

We are grateful to all our volunteers and trustees and everyone who has supported us over the last year (and all who will do so in the years to come).

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is a Foundation CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). This means it is managed and run by its (volunteer) Trustees.

A copy of the full governing document may be supplied on request.

During the period being reported, there were five Trustees.

The charity employs no staff.

The charity has some non-trustee volunteers.

The Trustees meet monthly to discuss charity business and review finances.

As Joy Baker Fund is a new charity, we are still working to build some of our policies and procedures.

Financial Review

This was our first year of operation.

The charity received an income of £739 (all figures rounded).

This consisted of a significant number of 'apology' payments from Barclays Bank for failures that occurred in setting up our accounts, donations from Tutors and Exams and Home Education Law Project and some individual one-off donations.

We set up the 'LoveGiving' platform and qualified for a charity account with Stripe. We hope this will make donating to the charity a smoother experience for supporters in the future.

We registered for Gift Aid and received £13.75 as a result of the scheme.

The charity's total expenditure during the year was £105.

This mainly consisted of stationery and postage expenses for sending physically-signed forms to the bank and HMRC, platform fees for processing donations and the cost of our accounting software.

Our surplus at the end of the year was £633.

The charity does not yet have enough money to hand out grants as the Trustees have determined there should be a £5000 minimum in the grant pot, due to the expected costs of legal advice grants.

Initial funds are being used to establish necessary infrastructure costs, for example website hosting and accounting software. This should ensure a firm base for the organisation's future.

The Trustees have also decided to use ExpensePlus software to manage their charity accounting. This ensures there is full transparency and although it has more features than are needed for the relatively low turnover of the first year, it will give the charity a good base from which to grow.

Funds in Deficit

N/A

Investments Policy

N/A

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to hold a minimum of £1000 (which is approximately 12-24 months of expenditure) as unrestricted cash, so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £633.

Responsibilities of Trustees under charity law

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

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

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 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They 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.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Name

ANN CHARLES

BEVERLY J ADAMS

Signature

Ann, N. M. Charles

B. Adams

Date

12/8/2025

12/8/2025

Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Joy Baker Fund ('the charity') for the year ended 31/10/2024.

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 2011 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 2011 Act.

Independent Examiners Qualification

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a Practising Accountant regulated by HMRC supervision. As the Charity has gross annual income under £250,000, I have the necessary skills and experience to act as an Independent Examiner.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Independent Examiner's Details

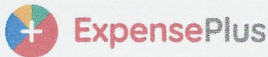
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Name

Signature

Date



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Independent Examiner's Report (Signed)

Financial Year

2023/2024 ▼

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FJ Accountants Ltd

26 Welbeck Road
Bolsover
S44 6NN

Signature

Name (to be entered once printed)

Fiona Jansen

Signature (to be signed once printed)

Date (to be entered once printed)

30/7/25

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies	739	0	739	0
Charitable Activities	0	0	0	0
Investments	0	0	0	0
Trading Activities	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total incoming resources	739	0	739	0
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities	105	0	105	0
Raising Funds	0	0	0	0
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total resources used	105	0	105	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before transfers)	633	0	633	0
Fund Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Fund Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before gains/losses)	633	0	633	0
Investment Gains (or Losses)	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before Asset Revaluation)	633	0	633	0
Asset Revaluation	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Funds	633	0	633	0
Total Funds Brought Forward	0	0	0	0
Total Funds Carried Forward	633	0	633	0
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	633	0	633	0

Statement of Financial Position

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets				
Cash	632	0	632	0
Accounts Receivable	1	0	1	0
Prepayments	0	0	0	0
Total Current Assets	633	0	633	0
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0
Investments	0	0	0	0
Total Non-Current Assets	0	0	0	0
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	0	0	0	0
Deferred Income	0	0	0	0
Total Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term Loan / Mortgage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Net Current Assets	633	0	633	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	633	0	633	0
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	633		633	0

Signature

These accounts have been approved by the trustees, and are signed on their behalf by:

Name ANN CHARLES

BEVERLY J ADAMS

Signature

Ann Charles

B. Adams

Date

12/8/2025

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12/8/2025

Notes - Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These accounts are prepared on an Accruals basis.

We have used the ExpensePlus software system to ensure compliance with SORP FRS 102.

Figures have been automatically rounded to the nearest £.

As this is the first year of our operation, the accounts go from our Charity registration date (30th May 2023) to 31st October 2024 (31st October will be our standard year end).

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (the '2008 Regulations') requires charities to prepare their accounts in accordance with 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005' but this accounting standard has since been withdrawn and has been replaced by the Charities SORP mentioned in the preceding paragraph. The charity has prepared these financial statements in accordance with the new Charities SORP; this departure from the 2008 Regulations is believed to be necessary for these financial statements to give a 'true and fair view'.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out in the accounting policies below.

Going Concern

The Trustees of Joy Baker Fund consider the charity to be a going concern at the time of approving the accounts. They foresee that the charity will continue to be a going concern in the year ahead and are unaware of any material risks which would prevent this.

Key Risks & Uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks, including operational, financial and reputational risks. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Fund Accounting

The charity does not have any restricted funds at present. It has a General (unrestricted) fund, which may be used for any purpose related to the charity, including administration.

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

- All voluntary income from members of the charity are recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated Gift Aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities.
- Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Income resources from charitable trading activities such as the letting of the building are accounted for when invoices are drawn up (as at the point of entitlement).
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.
- Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
- Volunteer time, the value of voluntary support for the work of the charity, is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees Annual Report.
- Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Governance costs include costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity. Governance

costs are shown within 'Analysis of Expenditure' note.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

None.

Pensions

N/A

Operating Leases

N/A

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities. The charity is registered to claim Gift Aid from HMRC. The charity is not VAT registered.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

In preparing financial statements certain judgements, estimates and assumptions have to be made that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The trustees consider the following to be significant:

- The annual depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is sensitive to changes in the estimates for useful economic life and residual value. These estimates are reassessed annually and, when necessary, adjusted to reflect current circumstances.
- The constructive obligation for grants payable is based on an assessment of the likely duration of the supported activity. This estimate is re-assessed annually and the obligation is adjusted to reflect current expectations.

Concessionary Loans

N/A

Notes - Analysis of Income & Expenditure

Analysis of Income

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Incoming Resources			
Donations & Legacies			
Donations	725	0	725
Gift Aid	14	0	14
Grants	0	0	0
Charitable Activities			
Event Income	0	0	0
Investments			
Bank Interest	0	0	0
Trading Activities			
Rental Income	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0
Other			
Other Income	0	0	0
Total incoming resources	739	0	739

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Incoming Resources			
Donations & Legacies			
Donations	0	0	0
Gift Aid	0	0	0
Grants	0	0	0
Charitable Activities			
Event Income	0	0	0
Investments			
Bank Interest	0	0	0
Trading Activities			
Rental Income	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0
Other			
Other Income	0	0	0
Total incoming resources	0	0	0

Additional Income Notes

Our largest source of income this year was from apology payments from Barclays Bank for the multiple errors and delays caused when setting up our accounts.

We were also grateful to receive donations from Home Education Law Project as well as from individual home educators and small businesses who support the home education community.

Analysis of Expenditure

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Resources Used			
Charitable Activities			
Activities	0	0	0
Admin	61	0	61
Advertising	44	0	44
Bank Charges	0	0	0
Depreciation	0	0	0
Event Costs	0	0	0
Gifts Given	0	0	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0
Premises	0	0	0
Staff Costs	0	0	0
Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	0	0	0
Total resources used	105	0	105

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Resources Used			
Charitable Activities			
Activities	0	0	0
Admin	0	0	0
Advertising	0	0	0
Bank Charges	0	0	0
Depreciation	0	0	0
Event Costs	0	0	0
Gifts Given	0	0	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0
Premises	0	0	0
Staff Costs	0	0	0
Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	0	0	0
Total resources used	0	0	0

Additional Expenditure Notes

As this was our first year of operation, there are no previous year's accounts to view.

'Advertising' costs = domain name and hosting.

Admin costs mainly relate to our accounting software package and some postage for forms needing physical signature.

Notes - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current Assets	633	0	633
Non-Current Assets	0	0	0
Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	633	0	633

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current Assets	0	0	0
Non-Current Assets	0	0	0
Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	0	0	0

Notes - Other

Volunteers

The charity benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money. Please refer to the trustees' report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation.

Independent Examination Fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for independent examination were: £0.

We are very grateful to our Independent Examiner for giving their time to us.

Staff Costs

N/A

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be its Trustees (all unpaid volunteers).

It does not employ any staff.

Trustee Remuneration

No trustees received remuneration from the CIO.

Trustee Expenses

During the year one trustee incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £17.85.

All expenses were incurred for the day-to-day running of the charity's activities.

Trustee Donations

During the year the total aggregated donations made to the charity by the trustees was £55.00.

There were no conditions attached to the donations.

Tangible Fixed Assets

	Total
Cost	
Prior to 1st June 2023	0
Additions in financial year	0
Total as at 31st October 2024	0
Depreciation	
Prior to 1st June 2023	0
Additions in financial year	0
Total as at 31st October 2024	0
Net Book Value	
As at 31st October 2024	0
As at 31st May 2023	0

Debtors

Accounts Receivable

Description	Amount
Gift Aid	1
Trade Debtors	0
Total	1

Prepayments

Description	Amount
Prepayments	0
Total	0

Creditors

Accounts Payable

Description	Amount
Accruals	0
Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Tax & Social Security	0
Trade Creditors	0
Total	0

Deferred Income

Description	Amount
Deferred Income	0
Total	0

Analysis of Charitable Funds

Current Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	0	739	105	0	633
TOTAL	0	739	105	0	633
Unrestricted Total	0	739	105	0	633
Restricted Total	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	739	105	0	633

Prior Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted Total	0	0	0	0	0
Restricted Total	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0

Fund Transfers

There were no Fund Transfers in this financial year.

Fund Descriptions

Fund Name	Description
General (Unrestricted)	Our main fund (Unrestricted) - can be used for anything allowable including admin.

Transactions to Related Parties

During the year the charity received donations totalling £75.00 from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).

During the year the charity paid out-of-pocket expenses totalling £21.30 to trustees and volunteers who are considered related parties.

Expenses paid included reimbursement for stationery and postage purchased whilst carrying out duties associated with being trustees/volunteers.

Reimbursements for expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity or incurred when undertaking employment duties not connected with serving as a trustee are not included in this disclosure.

Prior Period Adjustment

There were no prior year adjustments - this is our first set of charity accounts.

Pensions

N/A