



THE FRIENDS OF HIGH BEECHES

Trustees' Report and Annual Accounts for the Period Ended 31 July 2025

Charity Registration Number: 297518

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Charity Information

Trustees

Christina Ioakeimopoulou Webb	
Gemma Paula Bell	
Jane Louise Riley	(Appointed 21.10.2025)
Jonathan Walker	
Katherine Louise Taqvi	(Appointed 21.10.2025)
Sophie Elizabeth Carsons	
Stephanie Shrewbridge	

Principal Address:

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Name of charity: The Friends of High Beeches

Registration Number: 297518

Address: Aldwickbury Crescent, Harpenden, AL5 5SD

Trustees as of 31/07/2025

- Sophie Elizabeth Carsons
- Christina Ioakeimopoulou Webb
- Gemma Paula Bell
- Jonathan Walker
- Stephanie Shewbridge
- Chu Ching Karen Lin

The charity is managed by two Chairs, Sophie Carson and Christina Webb. James Mayo has succeeded Chu Ching Karen Lin as the Treasurer. Gemma Bell is Charity Secretary. Jonathan Walker is Head teacher of High Beeches primary school, and Stephanie Shewbridge is the deputy Head of High Beeches primary school. All the trustees are volunteers of the charity.

In the financial year ended 31/07/2025, we had various fund-raising activities to raise money for the charity, which included:

- Movie nights;
- Quiz night;
- Disco night;
- Second hand uniform sale;
- Christmas fair;
- Ice lolly sales;
- Golf day;
- Jubilee circus;
- Fundraising gala ball;
- Christmas wreath and gingerbread house workshops.

As a result of the funds raised and donations, we were able to make a range of donations to High Beeches Primary School, including £25,000 to support construction of new facilities, £6,830 for new Chromebooks, £1,990 for a new display screen in the school's Discovery Den and £2,980 on books. In addition, we continued to provide support towards various workshops, outdoor equipment and curriculum resources to support the school.

There are no debts to the charity, and we do not hold any funds as the custodian trustee.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Friends of High Beeches

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5th April 2025 which are set out on pages 3-6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of The Friends of High Beeches you are responsible for the preparation of accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act')

I report in respect of my examination of The Friends of High Beeches 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

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 respect of The Friends of High Beeches 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 in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement 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.



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Mr J Cottingham MAAT
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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year Ended 31 July 2025

	NOTES	2025		
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
TOTAL INCOME	2a	64,750	-	64,750
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable Activities	3a	56,599	-	56,599
Fundraising Expenses	3b	28,319	-	28,319
Governance and Professional Fees	3c	739	-	739
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		85,657	-	85,657
Net Incoming Resources before Transfers		(20,907)	-	(20,907)
Fund Transfers		-	-	-
Net Movement in Funds		(20,907)	-	(20,907)
Carried Forward at 30 April 2024		(20,907)	-	(20,907)

Continuing Operations

None of the Charities operations were acquired or discontinued during the above financial years.

Total Recognised Gains and Losses

The Charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the income and expenditure for the two above years.

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Balance Sheet
As at 31 July 2025

		2024		
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible Assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors		-	-	-
Cash and Bank in Hand		40,785	-	40,785
		40,785	-	40,785
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors falling due within One Year		-	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		40,785	-	40,785
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		40,785	-	40,785
REPRESENTED BY:				
Free Reserves	5	40,785	-	40,785
TOTAL FUNDS		40,785	-	40,785

This statement of account was approved by the Trustees



For and on behalf of the Trustees

13th Jan 2026.

Dated

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 July 2025

1) Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (Charities SORP FRS 102).

The Friends of High Beeches School meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for Land and Buildings which is carried at deemed cost under the transitional

b) Funds

Free reserves represent the funds of the Charity that are not subject to any regulations regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the Charity

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the Charity is responsible in law.

c) Incoming Resources

Voluntary Income and Capital Sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the Charity.

Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Funds raised by fetes, garden parties and other similar events are accounted for gross.

Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (cont.)
For the Year Ended 31 July 2025

	NOTES	2025					
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total			
		£	£	£			
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>							
Donations		8,606		8,606			
Events and Fundraising		55,774		55,774			
Interest Income		369		369			
VOLUNTARY INCOME	2a	64,750	-	64,750			
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>							
		£	£	£			
Building Work		34,875	-	34,875			
School Donations		21,724	-	21,724			
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	3a	56,599	-	56,599			
Events and Fundraising Costs		28,319	-	28,319			
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	3b	28,319	-	28,319			
Administration and Subscriptions		739	-	739			
GOVERNANCE AND PROFESSIONAL	3c	739	-	739			
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		85,657	-	85,657			
		B/F1 August 2024	Income	Expenditure	Balance	Transfers	C/F 31 July 2025
<u>CHARITY FUNDS - 2025</u>	4						
FREE RESERVES		61,692	64,750	85,657	(20,907)	-	40,786
RESTRICTED RESERVES		-	-	-	-	-	-