

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended
31 October 2024
For**

**C.H.A.D.S
Combined Handicapped & Disabled Society**

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for the year ended 31 October 2024

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Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 October 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) as amended by Update Bulletin 1 (effective 1 January 2015) and the Charities Act 2011.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
700374

Principal address

Four Seasons
Bromley Lane
Handsacre
Rugeley
WS15 4EB

Committee trustees

J D Silverwood
L Edgerton
W A Adshead
V R Adshead
P Woolley

Property trustees

D K Briggs
J P Carr
J J Stanley

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objectives and aim of the charity is to make nature and the countryside available and accessible to the less able-bodied and handicapped.

Public benefit

The trustees are of the opinion that the activities undertaken in accordance with the objects of the charity meet the definition of public benefit.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee



**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
C.H.A.D.S
Combined Handicapped & Disabled Society**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 October 2024 set out on pages three to seven.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees 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 required.

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 the 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 you as 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 those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

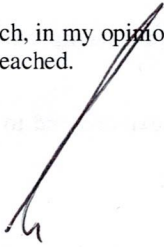
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

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.


Haines Watts Tamworth Limited
Sterling House
97 Lichfield Street
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Staffordshire
B79 7QF

22 March 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 October 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income		1,161	1,181
Activities for generating funds	2	21,338	29,548
Grants receivable and bank interest	3	26,841	10,599
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		49,340	41,328
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities			
General Charitable		19,715	13,598
Management and administration		26,001	29,398
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		45,716	42,996
NET / INCOMINGS		3,624	(1,668)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		620,669	433,581
Property revaluation		-	188,756
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>624,293</u>	<u>620,669</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
At 31 October 2024

		2024	2023
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS	Notes		
Tangible assets	6	491,182	574,187
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	7	33,100	34,800
Cash at bank and in hand and debtors		101,054	12,001
		<u>134,154</u>	<u>46,801</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other creditors		1,043	319
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>133,111</u>	<u>46,482</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>624,293</u></u>	<u><u>620,669</u></u>
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted funds		<u>624,293</u>	<u>620,669</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>624,293</u></u>	<u><u>620,669</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee



Trustee



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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 October 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

C.H.A.D.S Combined Handicapped & Disabled Society meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised as historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Tangible fixed assets

Freehold property is not depreciated as in the opinion of the trustees it is not diminishing in value. Assets other than freehold property are written off as expenditure in the accounting period of acquisition.

Stocks

The livestock is valued at the year-end by the trustees.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fund raising events	655	331
Hire fees and income	4,390	4,350
Sale of livestock and produce	17,993	23,167
Stock valuation change	(1,700)	1,700
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	<u>21,338</u>	<u>29,548</u>

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3. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Grants receivable included:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Grants	21,072	10,599
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2024 nor for the year ended 31 October 2023.

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2024 nor for the year ended 31 October 2023.

5. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and national insurance	20,703	20,446
Other pension costs	550	501
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	21,253	20,947

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicle £	Plant and Equipment £	Freehold Property £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 November 2023	5,000	4,800	572,000	581,800
Disposals	-	-	(82,458)	(82,458)
31 st October 2024	<u>5,000</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>489,542</u>	<u>499,342</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 November 2023	4,332	3,281	-	7,613
Charge	167	380	-	547
31 st October 2024	<u>4,499</u>	<u>3,662</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,160</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 st October 2024	501	1,139	489,542	491,182
	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>

Freehold property was valued on an open market basis in 2022 by Sedgwicks, Chartered Surveyors at £572,000. Freehold Property includes land at Croxall purchased in 2006 for £7,611 and land at Yoxall purchased for £16,418 in 2011.

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7. STOCKS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Livestock at valuation	<u>33,100</u>	<u>34,800</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.23	Net movement in funds	At 31.10.24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	620,669	3,624	624,293
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>620,669</u>	<u>3,624</u>	<u>624,293</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,040	47,416	3,624
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>51,040</u>	<u>47,416</u>	<u>3,624</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 October 2024

	2024	2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Donations and collections	1,011	1,001
Membership fees	<u>150</u>	<u>180</u>
	<u>1,161</u>	<u>1,181</u>
Activities for generating funds		
Fundraising events	655	331
Hire fees and income	4,390	4,350
Sale of livestock and produce	17,993	23,167
Stock valuation change	<u>(1,700)</u>	<u>1,700</u>
	<u>21,338</u>	<u>29,548</u>
Other income		
Grants	21,072	10,599
Bank interest	<u>5,769</u>	<u>188,756</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	49,340	230,084
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Livestock feed and expenses	16,662	10,457
Conservation costs	1,040	-
Machinery expenses	464	1,274
Heating and lighting	1,428	1,738
Rates and water	<u>121</u>	<u>129</u>
	<u>19,715</u>	<u>13,598</u>
Support costs		
Wages and national insurance	20,703	20,446
Pensions	550	501
Professional fees	-	2,910
Insurance	1,445	2,516
Telephone	204	203
Postage and stationery	127	46
Motor expenses	2,374	1,949
Sundries	51	99
Depreciation	<u>547</u>	<u>728</u>
	<u>26,001</u>	<u>29,398</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	45,716	42,996
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>3,624</u>	<u>187,088</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements



COMBINED HANDICAPPED AND
DISABLED SOCIETY

C.H.A.D.S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Saturday, March 25th, 2.00pm.

**Held at the Four Seasons Nature Centre.
Kings Bromley Lane, Handsacre.**

"Four Seasons" Nature Field Study & Visitor Centre
Bromley Lane, Handsacre, Rugeley WS15 4EB
Telephone: 01543 491077

Apologies:- Miss L Edgerton, Mr J Edgerton, Mrs P Brandrick, Mr G Ireland.

Those Present, Mr & Mrs W Adshead, Mr & Mrs D Silverwood, Mr & Mrs P Woolley, Mrs P Hall, Mr & Mrs S O'Neil, Mrs R Ireland, Mrs J Whetton, Mr M Punyer, M Rhoads, Mrs K Bradley, S Ryder, Mr R Pope, Mr D Briggs, J Morris.

1. Minutes, The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved and signed

2, Matters Arising. The Chairman reported that Mrs L Wilson, the newly appointed Liaison Officer was no longer employed by CHADS as she had resigned owing to a change in her personal circumstances.

Mr Woolley reported that a contractor had been and felled the trees in question and cleared them away at no cost to the Society.

3 Chairman's Report.

The Chairman thanked all who had helped over the year in any way. He thanked Mr Punyer for the donation of a computer, Mr O'Neil for the donation of a printer and for his patience in trying to teach Derek on how to use them. He also thanked Mr Edgerton for his invaluable support with the cattle and conservation projects, and Mr W Boyd and Mr S Butler of Haines Watts for doing the Accounts at no cost.

He then reported that sadly three of our members had recently passed away, Mrs M Punyer, Mrs D Moore and Mrs Julie Baskerville, also several of our members were not in the best of health, we wish them well.

The Voyage group, who used the Centre on a Wednesday had ceased to visit due to Government cutbacks and a shortage of staff.

Mrs Wilson had failed to secure any funding apart from that for another polytunnel, which Mr Woolley was erecting with the help of friends.

HS2 have granted a licence for the use of land in Trentside Meadows to compensate for the land taken by compulsory purchase, though this came with the proviso that they could take it back with 7 days notice.

Mr Silverwood said that he had received letters from a gravel company called Heidelberg Materials who own the gravel rights under Trentside Meadows and were coming to sink bore holes to test the depth of gravel.

He also said that as 2024 had been a very wet year, the quality of hay and haylage was poor.

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28/03/25



Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the accounts prepared by Haines Watts which showed a plus movement of funds of £3,624.

Some monies from HS2 in respect of compulsory purchase of land has been received with further amounts of compensation due.

A savings account has been opened with Virgin Money.

The meeting approved the accounts as presented and were duly signed.

Nomination of Committee Members.

Chairman----- Mr D Silverwood

Vice Chairperson----- Mrs J Woolley,

Treasurer ----- Mr D Silverwood,

Minutes Secretary----- Mrs A Silverwood.

Committee Members --Mr & Mrs W Adshead, Mrs P Hall, Mrs E O'Neil,
Mr M Punyer, Mrs M Rhoads, Mrs K Bradley, Miss L Edgerton.

A.O.B.

Mrs Hall said that a committee meeting with Mr J Edgerton, (farm manager) should be arranged to discuss the future of CHADS.

Mr Woolley suggested committee look at other like-minded organisations too. The whole site had a valuation of £750,000.

Photos were passed round of Mr Edgerton hedge-laying at Croxall for which a grant had been obtained.

A letter was read out from RSPB about taking over the sites, but they had given a negative response.

Mr Silverwood said there were plans to reduce cattle numbers by one third, and also suggested that other farming groups may be interested.

Mr Woolley asked if Stewardship payments would be affected by a reduction of cattle numbers.

Mrs O'Neil asked about use of the new polytunnel, to which Mr Woolley replied that the local scout group had been approached about using the facility for gardening projects aimed towards earning various badges.


After discussion, the Chairman was authorised to explore the possibilities for the Society going forward, including contacting Staffordshire Wildlife Trust to see what any future co-operation might involve.

Mrs O'Neil suggested that any new leaflets had a change of wording on them.

Mrs Silverwood replied that new wording had been discussed and approved by the Charity Commission, but there were many old leaflets left and replacing them is costly.

There was no other business, Mr Silverwood thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was closed.

No date was set for the next AGM.


28/03/25