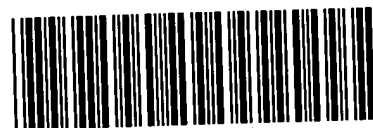


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Charity registration number: NIIC108165

**LADYBIRDS CHILDREN'S SERVICES
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**Ladybirds Children's Services
Reference and Administrative Details
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Trustees	Shona Kelly Karin Gilkinson Alison Blayney (appointed 09/10/2024) Ashley Clarke (appointed 09/10/2024) Nicole Weir
Charity Number	NIIC108165
Company Number	NI670029
Registered Office	357 Old Belfast Road Bangor BT19 1RB
Independent Examiner	Brian Stewart FCA Independent Examiners RBCA Limited Linenhall Exchange 26 Linenhall Street Belfast BT2 8BG

Ladybirds Children's Services
Company No. NI670029
Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Objectives and Activities

Aims and Objectives

The objectives of LADYBIRDS are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of women, children and family's resident in the Ards North Down region to improve the conditions of their lives.
In particular to:

1. Providing high quality daycare and childcare and parenting in a safe and nurturing environment and to encourage and develop their abilities and confidence by organising activities that will enhance their health and wellbeing and their social and intellectual development.
2. Providing facilities and recreational and educational activities for the care and development of children and young people during out-of-school hours and school holidays.
3. Increasing parental recognition of the needs of children and young people and the value of a structured childcare provision and encouraging them to become involved in the activities of the Charity.
4. Advance education, relieve poverty and promote good health by the provision of advice and support to parents/guardians and offer training programmes aimed at developing good parenting.
5. Contributing to the professional development of those working in daycare and childcare.

Public Benefits Statement & Declaration

The public benefit for Ladybird Children's Services are for the purposes of benefiting children, parents/guardians and families resident in the Ards North Down area are:-

- Enhance the development and education of children and young people - Enhance social and intellectual development of the children and young people taking part in the day and childcare activities
- Improve health, confidence and capabilities of parents/guardians who take up offered training and support
- Provide facilities and recreational and educational activity for children and young people during out of hours and school holidays - Encouraging parents and guardians to become involved in the activity of the charity
- Developing the skills and ability of the staff
- Provide advice and support to parents and guardians and offer training aimed at providing good parenting

No harm arises from these purposes. Incidental benefit may arise from transferable skills training offered to Board members to fulfil their duties.

LADYBIRDS has been providing onsite childcare, playgroup, mums and tots groups, parenting programmes and early intervention initiatives for 27 years, formerly operating as a community association, to ensure caring responsibilities are not a barrier to engagement on programmes for women. It has now registered as full time daycare with South Eastern Healthcare Trust, to widen participation and improve the programmes and services provided to the children. Care is provided for children who attend programmes of support and for supporting women who are returning to the workplace and who chose to support a social economy childcare setting.

Provision is split into relevant age categories and rooms - Babies aged 0-2 years, Wobblers aged 2-3, pre-pre-school aged 3-4 and pre-school aged 3-4. Plans are in place to expand to offer afterschool service and to look for a second venue to extend the places available to parents due to the current waiting list. Ladybirds Childcare unit works closely with Early Years organisation to ensure a quality accessible service in Kilcooley and Ards North Down, for the community sector.

LADYBIRDS provides a community resource for children, and advances early years and play development through the delivery of childcare programmes, parenting courses and initiatives, mentoring and guidance. It aims to ensure all children reach their developmental milestones and full potential through fostering a nurture based play programme, delivering evidence based programmes such as Media Initiative and Incredible Years which supports diversity and positive parenting training for the Early Years sector.

1. Provide a welcoming space to deliver positive play development to enable all children to meet their developmental milestones and meet their full potential.
2. To deliver positive parenting programmes for the relief of poverty and disadvantage.
3. Ensure children feel safe and secure and valued.

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**Ladybirds Children's Services
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Aims and Objectives - continued

4. Welcome all parents regardless of background, religion, race, marital status, political belief, sexual orientation, gender, or disability.
5. Promote equal opportunity and gender equality.
6. Providing safe and satisfying group play, in which parents are encouraged to take part in the development of the lives of their children.
7. Increase parental recognition of the needs of children & young people and the value of a structured childcare provision.
8. Encouraging parental recognition of the needs of children & young people and the value of structured childcare provision designed to meet their needs.
9. Promoting and supporting children & young people in developing Good Relations within their community and in other communities.
10. Promoting activities that will enhance the health & well-being of children & young people.
11. Doing all such other lawful things as are necessary for or conducive to the attainment of the above aims.

Special Needs Support

Ladybirds provides support for children with additional and special needs. It has facilities including a sensory garden with musical wall, acrylic mirror panels, wizzy dizzy to help with physical and sensory needs, water tray with different levels and mud kitchens to explore different textures and sensory train where we will grow our own food and experience colours and smells. Our sensory room including bubble tower, Infinity Tunnel, softie with fibre optic lights, activity wall panels, weighted blanket, selection of sensory mobile tactile toys, fibre optic rug, projector which displays scenes onto the wall, interactive keyboard and colour changing bench and a sensory mood cube. The centre will continue to develop the sensory programme to become a centre of excellence for children with additional needs.

Out of School Support / Holiday Clubs

Ladybirds provides out of school support in the form of Breakfast Clubs, Afterschool's Clubs and Holiday Clubs and Summer Schemes to support children and working parents. The schemes are focused on play development and encouraging children reaching their full potential, developing their confidence and self-esteem.

Summer Schemes are based in disadvantaged areas targeting hard to reach families who otherwise would not avail of summer scheme provision.

Achievements and Performance

Main Achievements

Staff Training

Staff continue to participate in Continuous Personal Development (CPD) throughout the year, aligned to their Personal Development Plan. Training included:

- Safeguarding
- Paediatric First Aid
- Manual Handling
- Level 2 Award in Food Safety & Catering
- CCLD Level 5 Childcare Leadership & Development
- CMI Level 3 Project Management - Food Allergy & Intolerance
- Adverse Childhood Experiences Level 1
- Level 2 Trauma Sensitive Approach
- SEN Level 2
- Level 5 Leadership and Management

Health & Wellbeing

Working in partnership with the Public Health Agency and the South Eastern Healthcare Trust, LADYBIRDS delivered a varied health and wellbeing and health promotion programme for both children and parents. This included nutritional advice, cooking on a budget, physical activity, therapeutic horticulture and arts and crafts for positive mental health.

Ladybirds also operates an onsite Foodbank which is assisting the issues of Food Poverty, which were heightened during COVID 19.

Parenting & Young Women

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Ladybirds Children's Services Trustees' Report (continued) For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

Main Achievements - continued

Ladybirds has developed a comprehensive parenting support programme which is delivered face to face and digitally. It provides an intensive support programme for young women aged 16-25 who are at risk of not reaching their full potential and parents who require additional support and friendship.

Ending Violence Against Women & Girls

Ladybirds works with the South Eastern Domestic Violence Partnership, a consortium of organisations supporting victims and survivors of domestic abuse and coercive control. The organisation responded to the consultation on the NI Executive policy development to ensure the voice of local families, women and girls were heard at a regional and policy making level.

Lobbying & Advocacy

The organisation lobbies local, regional and national Government, meeting with decision makers and policy lead, to promote the support of families and children in the Ards and North Down region, on key areas which are impacting local families including poverty, affordable childcare, early years support and children with additional needs.

Promoting Intergenerational Engagement

Ladybird Children's Services recognises the valuable contribution older people provide to the local community and utilise their skills through our intergenerational programmes. Ladybirds currently partners with Oakmount Residential Home, to develop understanding of intergenerational working, older peoples issues, respect and understanding. All generations are included in our family events, which have been paused due to the Covid situation.

Education & Training

Parental educational support is encouraged through our parenting programmes. This is provided both face to face and digitally via Zoom and Teams to maximise engagement and participation. We facilitate employability support, CV building and job search for those parents who are seeking to escape the poverty trap. We have a dedicated Parenting Room in the Ladybirds Centre.

European Mobility (Erasmus+)

LADYBIRDS has been engaged in a number of Erasmus+ as an associate partner. This has enabled us to develop international links, develop good practice and share innovation/knowledge exchange. This work will conclude in Summer 2023, due to Brexit. The centre will explore the Turing Scheme as an alternative and continue to work with the British Council for International engagement.

Financial Review

Financial Position

Restricted reserves are used for the purposes intended as per the conditions of funding for each fund. LADYBIRDS's restricted reserves balance related to the timing differential receipt of funding and expenditure. These reserves should balance at zero when programmes are completed. There is a designated fund for the building project, to future proof the organisation and remove the ongoing risk of premises being sold.

Unrestricted reserves are used for items in keeping with the organisations charitable aims and objectives including redundancy liability. At the end of the current year, the charity shows a surplus of £35,873 (2024: Deficit £15,414) with the accumulated funds of £45,413 (2024: £9,540) which includes expenditure which has been capitalised for a period in the future.

Additional Note

Plans for future periods

LADYBIRDS aims to

- a) Complete the purchase of the building to implement an enhanced Children & Family Centre service for Ards North Down and strengthen the rural services for women,
- b) Ladybirds is continuing to work with NI Housing Executive to develop an onsite provision in Kilcooley estate
- c) Progress the digitalisation project to improve access to LADYBIRDS programmes via online platforms.
- d) Develop social economy to help sustain the organisation, making it less reliant on grant income.
- e) Secure funding to upgrade the building

Funds held as custodian trustee

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**Ladybirds Children's Services
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Additional Note - continued

LADYBIRDS does not hold funds on behalf of others.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Ladybird Children's Services is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association and is a Company Limited by Guarantee with charitable status. LADYBIRDS is registered with HMRC for charitable purposes. On appointment to the Board of Directors, the Trustee receives induction training to ensure they are aware of the responsibility of their post. The roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors are contained in the Board induction Manual and detail the strategic level of their decision making powers. Operational matters are delegated to the Operations Manager who reports to the Board at meetings held at least 6 times per year. There are Board Sub-Groups including Staffing and Finance.

It is a family and childcare centre, registered with the South Eastern Trust, managed day to day by an Operations Manager and a team of qualified staff. It is open Monday to Friday, 07:30 am to 17:30pm.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Ladybirds Children's Services for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statement unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company 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 in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Shona Kelly

Shona Kelly

Trustee
Date

19 Dec 2025

NW

Nicole Weir

Trustee

Ladybirds Children's Services
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ladybirds Children's Services
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Brian Stewart

Brian Stewart FCA Independent Examiners

Date

RBCA Limited

Linenhall Exchange

26 Linenhall Street

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19 Dec 2025

Ladybirds Children's Services
Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	3	-	20,856	20,856	50,945
Other trading activities	4	156,151	-	156,151	101,517
		<u>156,151</u>	<u>20,856</u>	<u>177,007</u>	<u>152,462</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities:	6				
Expenditure on charitable activities		(120,278)	(20,856)	(141,134)	(167,877)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>35,873</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,873</u>	<u>(15,415)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>35,873</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,873</u>	<u>(15,415)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		3,063	6,477	9,540	24,954
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u><u>38,936</u></u>	<u><u>6,477</u></u>	<u><u>45,413</u></u>	<u><u>9,539</u></u>

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Ladybirds Children's Services
Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure
Account)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies	3	-	50,945	50,945
Other trading activities	4	101,517	-	101,517
		<u>101,517</u>	<u>50,945</u>	<u>152,462</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities:	6			
Expenditure on charitable activities		(112,748)	(55,129)	(167,877)
NET EXPENDITURE		<u>(11,232)</u>	<u>(4,183)</u>	<u>(15,415)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(11,232)</u>	<u>(4,183)</u>	<u>(15,415)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Total funds brought forward		14,294	10,660	24,954
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	14	<u>3,062</u>	<u>6,477</u>	<u>9,539</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

**Ladybirds Children's Services
Balance Sheet
As At 31 March 2025**

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	11	10,037	-	10,037	12,546
		10,037	-	10,037	12,546
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	12	-	-	-	2,400
Cash at bank and in hand		45,609	6,477	52,086	16,657
		45,609	6,477	52,086	19,057
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	13	(16,710)	-	(16,710)	(22,064)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		28,899	6,477	35,376	(3,007)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		38,936	6,477	45,413	9,539
NET ASSETS		38,936	6,477	45,413	9,539
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Funds				6,477	6,477
Unrestricted Funds				38,936	3,062
TOTAL FUNDS	14			45,413	9,539

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

On behalf of the board

Shona Kelly

Shona Kelly
Trustee
Date

NW

Nicole Weir
Trustee

19 Dec 2025

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Ladybirds Children's Services

Notes to the Financial Statements

For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. General Information

Ladybirds Children's Services is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in Northern Ireland, registered number NI670029 and registered charity number NIIC108165. The registered office is 357 Old Belfast Road, Bangor, BT19 1RB.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) "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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)", Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The presentation currency is £ Sterling.

The level of rounding is to the nearest £.

2.2. Going Concern Disclosure

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

2.3. Significant judgements and estimations

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

2.4. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

2.5. Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Ladybirds Children's Services
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
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2.6. Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

2.7. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Computer Equipment	20% reducing balance
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2.8. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

2.9. Financial Instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

2.10. Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax as all its income is charitable and applied for charitable purposes.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
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2.11.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	2025	2024
	Restricted	Total
	funds	funds
	£	£
Donations and gifts	20,856	50,945

The following grants are included within the total income from donations and legacies above:

	2025	2024
	Restricted	Total
	funds	funds
	£	£
Grant receivables	20,856	50,945

4. Income from Other Trading Activities

	2025	2024
	Unrestricted	Total funds
	funds	
	£	£
Income from other trading activities	156,151	101,517

5. Net Income/(Expenditure)

The net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned	2,509	3,136

6. Analysis of Expenditure

		2025
	Activities	
	undertaken	
	directly	Total
	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activities	94,354	141,134

Ladybirds Children's Services
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

			2024
	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 7)	Total
	£	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activities	115,008	52,869	167,877

7. Support Costs

	2025
	Expenditure on charitable activities
	£
Employee costs	14,859
Premises expenses	12,743
General administration	16,669
Depreciation	2,509
	<u>46,780</u>

	2024
	Expenditure on charitable activities
	£
Employee costs	1,483
Premises expenses	27,838
General administration	20,412
Depreciation	3,136
	<u>52,869</u>

8. Independent Examiner's Remuneration

	2025	2024
	£	£
Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,530</u>

9. Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>93,097</u>	<u>115,008</u>

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

10. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees during the year was: 12 (2024: 12)

Ladybirds Children's Services
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

11. Tangible Assets

**Computer
Equipment**
£

Cost

As at 1 April 2024

20,429

As at 31 March 2025

20,429

Depreciation

As at 1 April 2024

7,883

Provided during the period

2,509

As at 31 March 2025

10,392

Net Book Value

As at 31 March 2025

10,037

As at 1 April 2024

12,546

12. Debtors

2025
£

2024
£

Due within one year

Trade debtors

-

2,400

13. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

2025
£

2024
£

Amounts owed to group undertakings

13,139

13,138

Taxation and social security

1,572

5,515

Accruals and deferred income

1,999

3,411

16,710

22,064

14. Movement in Funds

**As at 1 April
2024**
£

Income
£

Expenditure
£

**As at 31
March 2025**
£

Unrestricted funds

General:

General unrestricted fund

3,063

156,151

(120,278)

38,936

Restricted funds

Restricted fund

6,477

20,856

(20,856)

6,477

Total funds

9,540

177,007

(141,134)

45,413

**As at 1 April
2023**
£

Income
£

Expenditure
£

**As at 31
March 2024**
£

Unrestricted funds

General:

General unrestricted fund

14,294

101,517

(112,749)

3,062

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Ladybirds Children's Services
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

Restricted funds

Restricted fund	10,660	50,945	(55,128)	6,477
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Total funds

24,954	152,462	(167,877)	9,539
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15. Transactions with Trustees

None of the trustees received any remuneration or any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity during the current or previous year.

16. Related Party Disclosures

There were no related party transactions during the year.

17. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.