



Bairnecessities

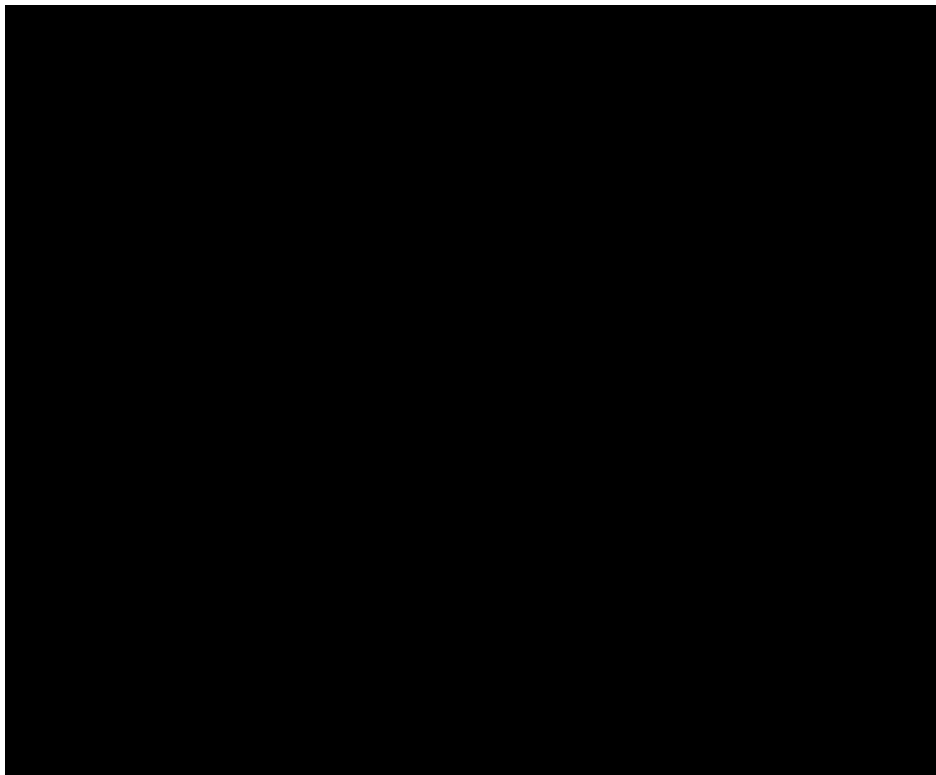
Trustees' Annual Report

February 2024 – January 2025



Bairnecessities

Scottish Charity Number: SC050423



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Charity Trustees



We operate under a two-tier SCIO constitution.

Objectives and activities

Bairnecessities Baby Bank was established in 2016 by its founder [REDACTED] an NHS Grampian nursery nurse and working mum who had seen first-hand how families were struggling to provide some of the very basics for their babies and young children. With this in mind, [REDACTED] set up Bairnecessities with its primary goal being to support those families with young children living in poverty in our communities. Initially Bairnecessities was a one-man band using a small household garage and over the past 7 years has out-grown 3 storage venues.

Through the re-distribution of pre-loved baby and children's items to families across Aberdeenshire, Bairnecessities can ensure that all these families get the items that they need, when they need them. Working with local referral partners (health visitors, social workers, family nurses and other statutory and voluntary agencies) who apply for support on behalf of the families, Bairnecessities is able to reach a greater number of families.

Our Mission is to:

Support families in need by providing them items and services free of charge, resulting in an improved living environment, a reduced financial burden for families that are already struggling and increased opportunities to strengthen the ethos of recycle-reuse.



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Our Values are:

1. Low carbon footprint. We will source from and provide to those in our local community.
2. Collaborative. We will work closely with agencies (e.g. health visitors, social services, and other professionals), charities and organisations.
3. Sustainability. Any additional money raised will be reinvested into Bairnecessities to help us achieve our aims.
4. Open and accountable. We will be fair, efficient, and transparent in the way we conduct business.
5. 3 Rs. We aim to reduce waste in all that we do, both in our work with families and our business practices. We facilitate and encourage the reusing of baby items and what we cannot reuse we look to recycle in sustainable, environmentally friendly ways.

Achievements and performance

The year from February 2024 to January 2025 was a busy and exciting one for Bairnecessities. During that year, after a lot of hard work by the Trustees and other Committee members, we finally secured the Community Asset Transfer of a building in Maud from Aberdeenshire Council which will be our new headquarters, something that has been a goal for a long time. The building needs a lot of renovation work, but plans are underway to get this done.

We were also able to take on our first employee, a Development Worker, who has been instrumental in raising a large amount for grant income for us and to help us push forward with all aspects of our work.

In addition, there were fundraising events during the year and a volunteer day in July and from this we enrolled some new volunteers.

During the year we had 131 referrals from partners, which translated into 694 individual items being made up into packs for families in our catchment area. This included 20 prams, 188 clothing bundles and 35 stairgates. We also partnered with NERVS, also known as "Blood Bikes", a local charitable service which does motorcycle deliveries for the NHS and which now delivers packs for us to NHS based referrers.



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Financial review

Bairnecessities is reliant on donations and grants for its income. We have good relationships with local organisations, groups and supermarkets, as well as individuals and we were able to raise over £31,400 in donations and grants in the year to end of January 2025, including £20,000 from the National Lottery for salary costs for our Development Worker. Added to this were receipts from fundraising activities so our total revenue for the year was £33,883.23.

Running costs for the charity for the year (rent, insurance, admin costs etc) were just under £5,550. Just over £2,000 was spent on baby equipment items which cannot be taken as donations for health & safety reasons and £960 was spent on fundraising and other activities. We had employee costs of £2,660. In addition, we spent £860 on solicitors costs to acquire our HQ building. Total costs for the year were £12,093.27. This left a surplus of £21,789.96 for the year.

For Bairnecessities to be operational for one year it costs approximately £6,000 in running costs and £18,000 in wages costs. We have estimated that we would need to hold 9 months' reserves, which is equivalent to £18,000. We currently hold more than this in reserve, as now that we have possession of our new building funds will be required to renovate this building.

Future plans

The next year will again be busy as we try to raise funds for the renovation project to move closer to being able to use our new building. As well as the referrals and fundraising, this will be the main focus for the year. We have already begun to strip the building out and are hoping that the renovations can start before the end of the 2025-26 financial year.

Additional information

We couldn't continue to offer our services without the amazing support we receive from the general public, local businesses and the work of our dedicated volunteer team.

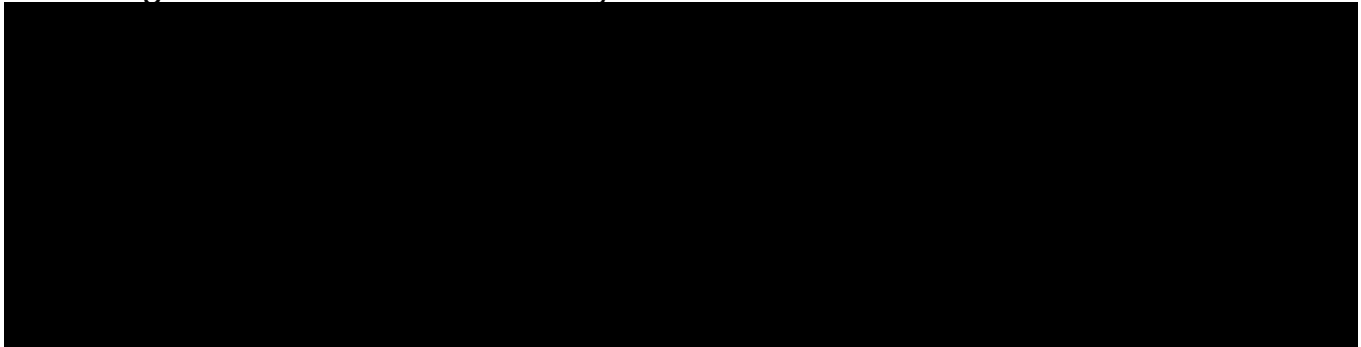


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Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees:



Designation

Date



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Receipts and payments accounts							
For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	27	01	2024		26	01	2025

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total funds current period	Total funds last period
	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	11,934	20,000			31,934	12,003
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	669
Receipts from fundraising activities	1,173				1,173	2,539
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings Bank Interest	660				660	367
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities Local Giving & 100 Club	116				116	139
Other:					-	
A1 Sub total	13,883	20,000	-	-	33,883	15,717
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,883	20,000	-	-	33,883	15,717
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities	438				438	606
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	8,235	2,563			10,798	7,173
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts :					-	
Legal costs	857				857	
Other					-	
Salary, HMRC and pension payments					-	
A3 Sub total	9,530	2,563	-	-	12,093	7,779
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,530	2,563	-	-	12,093	7,779
Net receipts / (payments)	4,353	17,437	-	-	21,790	7,938
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	4,353	17,437	-	-	21,790	7,938

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	43,056				43,056	35,128
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	4,353	17,437			21,790	7,938
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	47,409	17,437	-	-	64,846	43,066
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))						

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available) to nearest £	Current value (if available) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B3 Other assets	Community Asset Transfer for building from Aberdeenshire Council	Unrestricted	1	365,000	N/A
		Total	1	365,000	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate) to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature*

Print Name

Date of
approval

Section C Notes to the Accounts

C1 Nature and purpose of funds (may be stated on analysis of funds worksheets)

Our charity provides pre-loved baby equipment and clothes from birth to 18 months. We also need to buy new mattresses and stair gates to ensure they are safe. We also purchase other baby equipment and toiletries. We have recently been successful in gaining a Community Asset transfer from Aberdeenshire Council and we now own a building which cost us £1. The building would probably cost us in the region of £350,000 to buy. At the moment we are in the process of getting plans to refurbish the building. In the meantime we still need to rent for storage space at the cost of £400 per month. We need to pay for building and liability insurance and fees for the local giving fund, We also need to pay yearly for our email addresses. Although we are not in the building we need to pay for water and heating.

C2 Grants

Type of activity or project supported	Individual / institution	Number of grants made	£
Total			-

C3a Trustee remuneration

If no remuneration was paid during the period to any charity trustee or person connected to a trustee cross this box (otherwise complete section 3b)	X
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Authority under which paid

£

C3b Trustee remuneration - details

C4a Trustee expenses

If no expenses were paid to any charity trustee during the period then cross this box (otherwise complete section 4b)	
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Number of trustees

£

C4b Trustee expenses - details

C5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons

Nature of relationship	Nature of transaction	Transaction amount (£)	Balance outstanding at period end (£)

C6 Other information

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Additional analysis (1)**Analysis of receipts and payments****1 Donations**

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Deer and and District Farmers	2,000				2,000	
St Kanes Curch	93				93	135
Cloff Rickford	700				700	
Howdens	250				250	
Inner Wheel Club	50				50	
New Deer Choir	250				250	
Save the Children	1,200				1,200	
National Lottery		20,000			20,000	
Asda	600				600	
Local Giving	1,286				1,286	3,429
100 Club	492				492	531
The Wood Foundation	2,500				2,500	
Other	2,513				2,513	7,908
Total	11,934	20,000	-	-	31,934	12,003

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2 Grants

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Asda Foundation Grant			-	400
Tesco Grant			-	269
			-	
			-	
Total	-	-	-	669

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3 Gross receipts from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Rag Bag	116				116	139
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
					-	
Total	116	-	-	-	116	139

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4 Payments relating directly to charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total current period to nearest £	Total last period to nearest £
Aberdeenshire Council	20				20	
Go-Daddy	403				403	154
Legal costs for Community Asset Transfer					-	
Matresses	893				893	445
Rent	4,800				4,800	3,520
Miscellaneous	343				343	
Insurance	99				99	99
Stair Gates	876				876	857
Baby Equipment	303				303	133
Event Costs					-	
Accounts Software	222				222	
Mobile Phone	25				25	
Salary		2,356			2,356	
Pension Costs		175			175	
HMRC		32			32	
Local Giving Annual Cost	180				180	180
Payroll Costs	71				71	
Other					-	1,785
Total	8,235	2,563	-	-	10,798	7,173

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Additional analysis (2)**5 Breakdown of unrestricted funds**

	Unrestricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Unrestricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total unrestricted funds	Total unrestricted funds last period
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Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	4,353	-	-	-	4,353	7,938

Nature and purpose of funds

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Additional analysis (3)**6 Breakdown of restricted funds**

	Restricted fund 1 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 2 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 3 - enter name of fund below	Restricted fund 4 - enter name of fund below	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
Receipts						
Donations	20,000				20,000	N/A
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
Sub total	20,000	-	-	-	20,000	-
Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	20,000	-	-	-	20,000	-
Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments					-	
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities					-	
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination					-	
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Salary	2,356				2,356	N/A
HMRC	32				32	N/A
Pension Payments, Employee and Employer	175				175	N/A
Sub total	2,563	-	-	-	2,563	-
Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,563	-	-	-	2,563	-
Net receipts / (payments)	17,437	-	-	-	17,437	-
Transfers to / (from) funds						
					-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	17,437	-	-	-	17,437	-
Nature and purpose of funds						

APPENDIX 3



		Independent examiner's report on the accounts						v2
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	Barnecessities Baby Bank						
	Registered charity number	SC050423						
	On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date				Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	27	01	2024	to	26	01	2025	
Set out on pages							(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)	
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	<p>The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.</p>							
Basis of independent examiner's statement	<p>My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.</p>							
Independent examiner's statement	<p>In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations <p>have not been met, or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. 							
	Signed:					Date:	11/08/2025	
Name:								
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants							
Address:								

*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.