

Danny Hashim Autism Awareness Charity Trustees' Annual Report

*Making Scotland a kinder and more accepting place for children and young people
with autism.*

This charity operates in Dundee. It is incorporated as a SCIO.

The charity has income below £250,000 and as such is eligible to prepare its accounts on a Receipts and Payments Basis. The governing document does not require the charity to prepare fully accrued accounts and neither does it require an audit.

Danny Hashim Autism Awareness Charity SCIO

Scottish Charity No – SC052778

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 28 May 2025

Trustees' Annual Report
For the year ended 28 May 2025

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 28 May 2025.

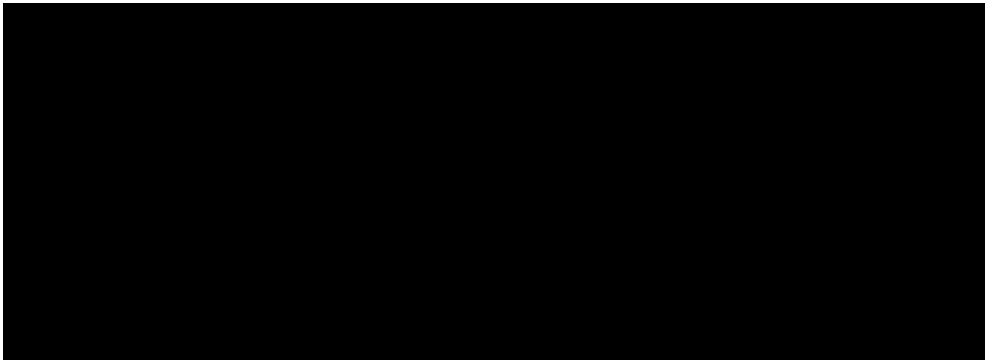
Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name

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Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). It was registered in its current legal form on 28 August 2023. It has a single tier structure and as such the trustees are the members of the charity.

Appointment of trustees

The management committee, which normally meets once every calendar year, are the charity's trustees. Trustees are elected at the annual general meeting which is held once each calendar year and must not exceed 15 months between meetings. There must be a minimum of three and maximum of six trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

To make Scotland a kinder and more accepting place for children and young people with autism.

Activities

The charity raises funds to provide resources to schools within Scotland and raise awareness of autism and mental health. It has so far raised money for 31 schools across Dundee and Angus that went towards sensory resources including friendship benches to help children signal to others that they are lonely and would like a friend to talk to. The donations to the schools helped children with sensory difficulties to aid them with all aspects of the school curriculum. Charity members also presented at a head teachers meeting in Dundee to approximately 20 head teachers. They also presented to a number of MPs at Scottish Parliament advocating for an increase in funding for children's mental health services - specifically CAMHS. They also fundraised and participated in the Scottish Half Marathon to raise money for the charity. Interviews with head teachers were also recording the impact that the charity's donations will make to its children. The charity achieved a general awareness increase in autism and mental health across schools in Dundee and Angus and was a positive influence on the children's quality of school learning.

Achievements and Performance

We have had great and resounding success in providing 31 schools with funding and resources to give a better quality of education to children with autism, as well as helping the teachers to carry out their duties more effectively. The head teachers of these schools were also happy to be interviewed and provide insights into how the charity is helping the school. There was an introduction of the charity to the Scottish Parliament which allowed the charity to gain national support and awareness from MPs. We are also very proud that we were able to fundraise £14,419 (£13,902 after

JustGiving fees) with an initial target of £1,000 which shows how much public support aligns with the goals of the charity. Before being registered as a charity, Tania Hashim (charity co-founder) and her work colleagues managed to raise £1,085, which was donated to CAMHS in memory of Danny Hashim. We believe that with continued support and further fundraising, the charity can continue to sustain itself and achieve its goals. There is a hope that the charity can design and build hubs for children and young people which would only be feasible with a continued and more consistent stream of income. We are optimistic as a charity that this is achievable in the mid to long term future.

Financial review

Our main source of funding is fundraising efforts through Just Giving. Since September 2023 we have not had a formal fundraising event but plans have been started for another Just Giving page to climb Ben Nevis or alternatively hitch-hike to the hospital where Danny Hashim (the charity's namesake) was born. Our intention is to use funds generated to purchase more equipment for schools. The headteachers of schools the charity has helped so far have strongly indicated the sensory equipment is of great value to the children and staff.

Reserves policy

This policy sets out the purpose of holding reserves, the target level of reserves, and the framework for managing and reviewing them. It ensures that the charity maintains adequate financial stability to continue its activities in the event of unexpected funding gaps or cost increases.

The charity aims to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level equivalent to 3 to 6 months' operating costs. This allows for continuity of services during times of income shortfall or delay.

Based on current annual running costs (e.g. approx. £3,402.59 for year ending 2024), the target level of reserves is estimated at £4,500.

This target will be reviewed annually.

Plans for future period

Over the next 12 months, the charity intends to build on the work undertaken to date in raising autism awareness and supporting neurodiverse children and young people. Key plans include developing partnerships with other charitable organisations to widen access to autism awareness training for school staff and parents, and help young people with mental health challenges progress towards and into the world of work. In addition to this, other plans include organising autism awareness events and continuing to present at school assemblies to promote tolerance and understanding

among peers as well as recruiting and training additional volunteers to support the delivery of the charity aims.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 28 May 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Year ended 28/05/2025	Period ended 28/05/2024	Charity Inception 28/08/2023
Receipts					
Donations	£80.00	-	£80.00	£2,349.67	£0.00
Fundraising	£1,749.50	-	£1,749.50	£12,152.49	£0.00
Bank interest	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	£1,829.50	-	£1,829.50	£14,502.16	£0.00
Payments					
Cost of charitable activities	£82.42	-	£82.42	£249.01	£0.00
Purchase of equipment	£221.22	-	£221.22	£3,153.58	£0.00
Total Payments	£303.64	-	£303.64	£3,402.59	£0.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£1,525.86	-	£1,525.86	£11,099.57	£0.00

Statement of Balances as at 28 May 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Year ended 28/05/2025	Period ended 28/05/2024	Charity Inception 28/08/2023
Opening cash at bank and in hand	£1,030.10	-	£1,030.10	£0.00	£0.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£10,521.19	-	£10,521.19	£980.10	£0.00
Closing cash at bank and in hand	£11,551.29	-	£11,551.29	£980.10	£0.00
Bank and Cash Balances					
Bank deposit account	£11,501.29	-	£11,501.29	£980.10	£0.00

Notes to the accounts - for the year ended 28 May 2025

1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

2 Nature and purpose of funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific purposes. There were no known restricted funds raised this year.

The donations from fundraising in the JustGiving account were held on the website and were not deposited in the charity account until 24th September 2024 (£12,959.49) and 1st May 2025 (£942.50).

3 Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023
Independent donations	£80.00	-	£80.00	£2,349.67	£0.00
			£80.00	£2,349.67	£0.00

4 Cost of Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023
Fuel	£20.47	-	£20.47	£249.01	£0.00
Parking	£15.20	-	£15.20	£0.00	£0.00
Food costs when carrying out charitable duties	£46.75	-	£46.75	£0.00	£0.00
			£82.42	£249.01	£0.00

5 Purchase of Equipment

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	Total 2024	Total 2023
Furniture (incl. friendship bench)	£0.00	-	£0.00	£825.00	£0.00
Sensory resources	£0.00	-	£0.00	£2,057.17	£0.00
Website + Equipment (incl. cost of mic set)	£196.22	-	£196.22	£216.41	£0.00
£5 monthly HSBC fee for maintaining the account	£25.00	-	£25.00	£55.00	£15.00
			£221.22	£3,153.58	£15.00