

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT year ending dec 2024

I would like to start by thanking all the volunteers and the committee for making this another strong year for the charity both in terms of sales and grants. This has been achieved through hard work and a willingness on the part of the volunteers to step in and cover for sicknesses and holidays.

As always we could do with some additional volunteers but we have coped admirably.

One disappointment has been the collapse of receipts from rags as a consequence of the problems in the Middle East. Our weekly income from this source has dropped from about £50/week to £10. An annual loss of nearly £2000.

One of our continuing positives is the strength of our bond with the local community. They have supported us well with donations and there are always regular customers (of all ages) looking for bargains. We are known as the Toy shop by many of the younger children in the village.

We get many positive comments from the local people and they were particularly appreciative of our gesture to offer free books in school holidays. Indeed over easter we received donations of £38 from a number of parents who wanted to show their gratitude.

I like to finish by thanking the committee for all their hard work in keeping the shop and the charity running. Particularly Chris, as secretary, for all her work in dealing with the requests. Not an easy task given the various social workers and health professionals she has to deal with. I would also like to thank Mike for fixing the garages and dealing with the landlord and the bank. Both of which can be a bit tricky.

Finally I would like to thank Stewart for the new flooring in the sink/ toilet area.

Childhelp-Hassocks (registered charity # 1065008) accounts (£s) for y/e December 2024									v5
	2024				% change relative to last year	2023			
	cleared amounts	Opening	Closing	hence true picture		cleared amounts	Opening	Closing	hence true picture
Sales	62788			62788	-3	64946			64946
Barclays Interest received	0			0	279				0
Donations & membership	13			13	0	13			13
Total receipts	62801			62801	-3	64959			64959
Rent and service charge	9880			9880	4	9500			9500
Waste Disposal charges	2741			2741	11	2469			2469
rates	800			800	-2	817			817
telephone	431			431	31	330			330
electricity	1768			1768	-22	2272			2272
Other running costs	2193			2193	1	2164			2164
solicitor's advice re garage wall				0		840			840
garage door springs				0		450			450
		uncl'd chqs:	uncl'd chqs:			uncl'd chqs:	uncl'd chqs:		
Donations to children	46956	5651	3131	44436	-3	43190	2828	5651	46013
Total outgoings	64769			62249	-4	62032			64855
surplus for the year.	-1968			552					104
United Trust Bank holdings	31685			31685					
of which UTB interest paid to date	279			279					
Barclays cash in bank	9187			9187	-78				42562
apportioned thus:									
uncleared cheques	3131			3131	-45				5651
reserves & accrued debts	7758			7758	-21				9862
available to donate	18828			18828	-30				27049
(petty cash)				10					7

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Childhelp - Hassocks

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you 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 needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

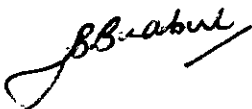
Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 statement 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 Acthave 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.



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