Charity registration number 1185378 (England and Wales)

CHILDREN'S CHRONIC ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 DECEMBER 2025

CHILDREN'S CHRONIC ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATION

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Charity number (England and Wales)	1185378
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 December 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

Objectives and activities

The objects of the CIO are: to promote, sustain and increase individual and collective knowledge and understanding of Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis, and the relief of those in need due to disability caused by Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis.

We aim to provide emotional and practical support for children with JIA, and their families by creating a supportive network, offering recreational and educational opportunities, and raising awareness of childhood arthritis in the community.

Support Network

We aim to build a strong community and provide a support network for children and families affected by JIA, connecting them through attendance at our Family Support Weekends, as well as local groups and regional events. Also via our Facebook Group and Social Media presence.

Practical and Emotional Support

We offer emotional and practical support, to help families navigate the daily challenges of living with JIA. We signpost families to other sources of support and advice. Advice can be given via messages, email or phone call with one of our Volunteers.

Educational and Recreational Opportunities

We give the opportunity for children with JIA to attend our Family Support Weekends and engage with recreational activities which may be new to them. This gives them the chance to meet other children with JIA and engage in activities with them. We give opportunities for children with JIA to learn more about their condition via workshops from Health Professionals over the weekends.
We also give children the opportunity to take part in online Art Therapy Workshops via Teapot Trust.

Raising Awareness

We want to raise public awareness about childhood arthritis and the impact it has on families.

Promoting a positive life with JIA

We want to help families cope with the demands of the condition and to celebrate the achievements of children with JIA, aiming to promote a positive outlook and life despite the condition.

Strategies for achieving aims and objectives

This is a review of the significant activities undertaken by the Charity during the last financial year.

Family Support Weekends

Two successful Weekends were run this year. Thanks must go to the Staff at both Centres who accommodate our needs. We have built up a good relationship with both Centres. Thanks to Mira for all her hard work and commitment in organising the Weekends. Thanks must go to the Volunteers who supported the weekends, we couldn't run the weekends without them.

Hooke Court, Dorset 27th – 29th June 2025. 30 Families attended. 8 CCAA Volunteers and 5 Health Professionals. Thanks to our Patron Nick Wilkinson for attending this Event as well as the other Health Professionals who gave talks too.

Quotes from families who attended:

"Great weekend, so informative and fun. Thank you so much"

"Truly grateful for such an informative, amazing weekend. We have found it all so beneficial"

"So grateful to be here this weekend. I got so much information needed to start our JIA journey. Thank you"

"Massive thanks for organising the weekend, it has been brilliant!"

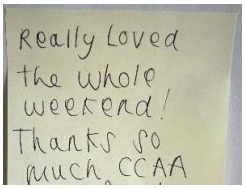
"What a fantastic opportunity to meet other families going through the same journey, it will have a big impact on how we move forward"

Hollowford Centre, Derbyshire 26th – 28th September 18, 2025

23 families attended. 13 CCAA Volunteers and 4 Health Professionals. Thanks to Health Professionals from Nottingham who supported this Event.

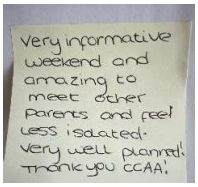
Some of the Feedback from this Event:











These weekends are a great opportunity for families, as well as the siblings, to meet other families in the same situation as themselves. The Charity has been running these weekends since 1991 and they still prove to be very popular for families to attend. There is no cost to families to attend.

Award Badge Scheme

The Scheme is now in its 4th year, and will celebrate 5 years in March 2026.

Parents/Health Professionals can nominate children to receive a variety of Award Badges via the Form on the website. They have proved very popular and we have had positive feedback from families. New Badges are in the process of being added to the Scheme. Approximately 2,000 Badges have been given out including the badges at the weekend.

Local Area Groups

The charity now has 45 Local Area Groups which are Facebook Groups run by our Area Family Reps. There have been Events held in some areas, which have connected families together. Thanks to the Area Reps who run these groups, we are very grateful for their support.

Website/Social Media

The website continues to be a wealth of information especially for newly diagnosed families. Content is continually updated eg: pics of our Family Support Weekends.
We have sent Newsletters to families and Health Professionals on our Mailchimp mailing list.
We use social media to celebrate achievements of JIA children eg: Monday Badge Story. Also to celebrate our Fundraisers, eg: Friday Fundraiser Posts. We also use social media to let families know about any Research opportunities they could access, as well as other news, advice and support which we feel is suitable.

British Rheumatology Conference

Four Volunteers attended the British Rheumatology Conference in Manchester in April. One Volunteer did a talk for Health Professionals about the Individual Healthcare Plan, specific to JIA, which CCAA has been involved in putting together. Another Volunteer presented results from her own Research for her Masters in OT, which some of our families were involved in.



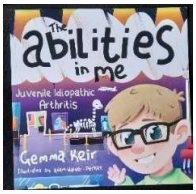




Connections were made with other relevant Charities as well as Health Professionals who support the Charity by telling patients about us.

Resources

Storybooks for children about JIA were purchased with donations and given out at our Family Support Weekends, as well as posted out to new families needing support.







We continued to purchase merchandise to spread awareness of the Charity. We now have pens, balloons, wristbands, pin badges, and a new soft toy penguin with our logo on. All are available to families via donations. We have purchased T shirts with our logo on to give to Volunteers at our weekend and Fundraisers, as well as Running Vests.

Teapot Trust Online Art Therapy Group

Two successful groups were run by Teapot Trust: My Medicine Group (age 8 -11yrs) which was 8 weeks and My Methotrexate Group (age 12 – 16yrs) which was 6 weeks. CCAA advertised the Groups and some of our families took part. A Report was sent by Teapot Trust.

Research Opportunities for families

We continue to give our families opportunities to be involved with Research connected to JIA. These opportunities are communicated via our Social Media – Facebook and Instagram posts. We also now have a Research Hub section on our website. We welcome the opportunity to influence future services and medications for children with JIA.

Examples of Research Opportunities we have promoted and been involved with:

Dani Ghio: Managing Treatment eXperience: Developing Psychoeducational resources for children with rheumatic conditions who are taking Methotrexate. Researcher Dani along with one of our Volunteers received an Award from Manchester University for 'Outstanding Contribution in Patient and Public Engagement' for work on this research under the project name 'Joint Care'.

Polly Livermore: IMPACT Study: Interventions to improve **M**ental health support in families with children **A**nd young people with **C**hronic rheuma**T**oligical conditions. Work being conducted from Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Collaborations with other organisations:

Mental Health Leaflet – Versus Arthritis funded printing of the leaflet, given out at weekends.
IHP for JIA patients - Medical Conditions at School Alliance, with VA and NRAS
Member of ARMA
Member of NCVO
Clinical Network Support Group for HP's – Bristol
Supporting Events at Hospitals – Evalina, Nottingham
Cluster Champion – Cluster Research Consortium: Collaborative Research to deliver benefits to patients with Childhood Arthritis and Uveitis.
Request to review GIRFT (**G**etting **I**t **R**ight **F**irst **T**ime) NHS National Report: 3 vols involved
CHEERS Network (**Ch**ild & Adolescent **E**ast of **E**ngland **R**heumatology **S**ervice)
Link with Patient Experience Lead for Sheffield Children's Hospital

Financial review

Fundraising

All our sources of income come from individuals/companies who decide to support us. We are very lucky to have many fundraisers who have supported us during the last financial year.

Notable donations during the past financial year are as follows:

Lounges Restaurants	£2,070
Worcestershire Freemasons	£655
Nuneaton Round Table	£360
Manchester Marathon Runners(3)	£3,622
Bequeath	£10,000
Tilehurst Methodist Church	£550

There have also been many other JIA parents and families who have organised their own fundraising events and donated via Just Giving and Go Fund Me. We are very grateful for the support these individuals have given to the charity to enable us to continue our work.

Reserves policy
We seek to hold enough reserves to cover 12 months' average expenditure.
Our reserves are currently higher than this.
During the year the charity had a surplus of £14,722 (2024 surplus of £20,788).
The trustees' plan is to grow the charity to deliver more impact and to professionalise our systems; and we aim to use a proportion of the current reserves to drive that growth and improvement, but aim to keep reserves at 12 months' expenditure, even as expenditure grows.

Reserves and concerns

The Trustees regularly review their reserves policy to ensure it is appropriate for the current financial climate. We are aware that we need to raise funds to carry out our activities.

Principal funding source

The principal funding source for the charity are donations from individuals and supporters of the charity.
Future developments

The charity wants to continue to run two weekends a year, funds permitting. We would like to be able to organise weekend and events around the country if we can find suitable places.

Structure, governance and management

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:
Mr C Wescott
Mrs M Marcetic
Mrs S C Wescott
Mrs G Dalton
Mr D Madge
Mr R Piper
Miss R Godden
Miss M Piper
Miss A Wescott

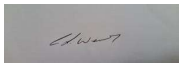
Recruitment and appointment of trustees
Trustees are recruited from supporters and interested parties with a view to increasing the skill set within the charity. All appointments are vetted and DBS checks are obtained before appointment.

Final Thanks

The Trustees would like to take this opportunity to thank the contribution from **all** our Volunteers who have supported the Charity during the past year. Those who have volunteered at the Family Support Weekends, our Local Area Rep Co-Ordinator, our 30+ local Area Reps, Volunteers who run the Award Badge Scheme – sending out Awards and certificates, the Volunteer who organises our DBS checks and all the families who have supported us to raise awareness that Kids get Arthritis. We would also like to thank the support of the many Health Professionals around the country who pass on our information to their patients, as well as those that have attended our Family Support Weekends. Also those Health Professionals who have been involved in writing pages for our website, a special thanks to the late Janet McDonagh (Paediatric Rheumatologist) who wrote our Transition Page. She was a great supporter of the Charity.

Thank you very much to all the Committee who have supported the work of CCAA Kids with Arthritis during the last year.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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Mr C Wescott

Trustee

03 Sep 2026

Date: .....

CHILDREN'S CHRONIC ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATION

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHILDREN'S CHRONIC ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATION

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Children's Chronic Arthritis Association (the charity) for the year ended 30 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 financial statements to be reached.

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Date: 03 Sep 2026

CHILDREN'S CHRONIC ARTHRITIS ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 as restated £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	**2**	59,720	46,334
Charitable activities	**3**	13	604
Investments	**4**	1,345	1,288
Total income		61,078	48,226
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	**5**	4,126	1,591
Charitable activities	**6**	42,230	25,847
Total expenditure		46,356	27,438
Net income and movement in funds		14,722	20,788
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 31 December 2024		71,268	50,480
Fund balances at 30 December 2025		85,990	71,268

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

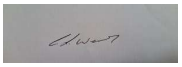
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 as restated £	2024 as restated £
Current assets					
Debtors	**10**	159		826	
Cash at bank and in hand		86,731		71,282	
		86,890		72,108	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**11**	(900)		(840)	
Net current assets			85,990		71,268
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	**12**		85,990		71,268
			85,990		71,268

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 03 Sep 2026



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Mr C Wescott

Trustee

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Children's Chronic Arthritis Association is a public benefit entity and registered charity in England and Wales and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The address of the principle office is 53 Sherbourne Avenue, Nuneaton, CV10 9JH.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Prior Year Adjustment

The prior year comparatives have been restated to correct the gift aid trade debtor and unrestricted income by £1,562. The effect of the adjustment is a reduction in unrestricted funds brought forward and trade debtors as at 30 December 2024.

1.3 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.4 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.5 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

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.

Legacies are recognised when the receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

Donated goods are 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 of 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.

1.6 Expenditure

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

Expenditure is classified by activity.
Expenditure on raising funds includes the cost 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.

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 ‘Basic Financial Instruments’ and Section 12 ‘Other Financial Instruments Issues’ of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024 as restated
	£	£
Donations and gifts	53,165	46,334
Grants	6,555	-
	59,720	46,334

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Charitable activities		
Sales of services by beneficiaries	13	604

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Bank interest receivable	1,345	1,288

5 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Fundraising and publicity		
Other fundraising costs	4,126	1,591

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Direct costs		
Residential Weekend	30,495	11,934
Share of support and governance costs		
Support	11,735	13,913
	42,230	25,847
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	42,230	25,847

7 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Postage printing and stationery	2,704	1,421
Admin services	-	4,500
Insurance	724	689
IT costs	3,111	2,646
Sundry	179	163
Membership & Conferences	1,011	955
Charges	915	918
Travel and subs	2,114	1,548
Governance costs	977	1,073
	11,735	13,913
Analysed between:		
Charitable activities	11,735	13,913

7 Support costs allocated to activities **(Continued)**

	2025	2024
Governance costs comprise:	**£**	**£**
Independent examiner's fee	900	840
Legal and professional	77	140
Executive expenses	-	93
	977	1,073

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

10 Debtors

	2025	2024 as restated
Amounts falling due within one year:	**£**	**£**
Trade debtors	159	826

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	**£**
Accruals and deferred income	900	840

12 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used.

	At 31 December 2024 as restated	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 30 December 2025
	£	£	£	£
General funds	71,268	61,078	(46,356)	85,990

Previous year:	At 31 December 2023	Incoming resources as restated	Resources expended	At 30 December 2024 as restated
	£	£	£	£
General funds	50,480	48,226	(27,438)	71,268

13 Related party transactions

There were related party transactions amounting to £1,123 for trustee expenses for mileage to meetings, during the year (2024 - £772).