Registered Charity Number: 1197196

SOUL CHILDREN UK

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Caladine
Chartered Certified Accountants

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Legal and administrative information

Trustees	Mr M Chesterton Mr R Kendall Jr. Mr J Bracegirdle Ms R Harris Mr A Bodkin
Charity number	1197196
Contact address	6 Ash Grove Heald Green Cheadle SK8 3JA
Accountant	Caladine Limited Chantry House 22 Upperton Road Eastbourne East Sussex BN21 1BF
Bankers	NatWest Bank 699 Wilmslow Road Didsbury Manchester M20 6NW

Trustees' Report

The trustees present their Annual Report and the Financial Statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Constitution

Soul Children UK was registered as a CIO with the Charity Commission on 17 December 2021. It is governed by its constitution.

Objectives and activities

To advance the Christian faith, as set out in the Statement of Faith, in particular but not exclusively, by helping young people to come to faith or deepen their faith in Jesus Christ, through performing appropriate music that they can relate to and by exploring the Bible.

The Trustees

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr M Chesterton
Mr R Kendall Jr.
Mr J Bracegirdle
Ms R Harris
Mr A Bodkin
Mr M Jones (Resigned 25 March 2025)

Trustees are appointed by the existing trustees and are provided with appropriate training to undertake their role.

Public benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Review of activities

This has been our third full year as a trust and, once again, we are grateful to God as we see many examples of his presence and power at work. There is much to celebrate!

Christmas was certainly a highlight as many of our choirs participated in large events, celebrating the Christmas story through song and mission.

- Soul Children Dundee participated in a wider community Christmas event, using music to celebrate and communicate the Christmas story.
- Soul Children Marple made Soul Children songs a key part of All Saints CE Primary School's major Christmas celebration for families, helping hundreds of parents and children engage with the Christmas message through music.

By the end of the year, we had added 6 new choirs to our family, a figure helped along by the continued development of our relationship with the Church of England through their Flourish Network initiative. This network establishes partnerships between Schools or Further Education Colleges and their local churches, seeking to engage a large number of children, young people, and their families. As part of their Flourish Music Provider Collective, we are helping, through music, to reach young people throughout England. Under this initiative, there are now 5 Soul Children Choirs, with many more on the journey to being established.

Writing and helping choirs to access new songs, including producing a package of resources to support choirs in learning and performing those songs, is an important part of the work of Soul Children UK. This year we were able to secure funding from a charitable trust to deliver this work over the next 12 months.

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Trustees' Report

Review of activities (continued)
As part of the resource package with each song, this funding will enable us to include some well-produced Soul Fuel resources which help leaders connect the lyrics of the songs to the bible, and with the children's everyday life, helping develop the spiritual nurturing of the children they work with. Since we welcomed Rachel Harris as a trustee in 2024, Soul Fuel has been something Rachel has championed, and I would like to thank her for all the passion and experience she has brought, not only in this area, but also in developing our connection with choir leaders.

Once again, this year, we have been 'cheered on' by our continuing partnership with Scripture Union. Among other input, they supported our Buckshaw choir at their Spring into Soul event which not only involved funding the event but also helping the choir leaders to plan outreach to schools in the area.

Of course, there have also been some challenges this year. Whilst we are grateful to our amazing funders who have continued to make the work of Soul Children UK possible, finding funding is always a challenge – especially for our core costs.

With limited funding, it is always difficult to adequately resource regular engagement with choir leaders and to help them in developing their choirs. I'm pleased to say that Chip and Rachel have been working together to find ways to better engage with our existing choirs and are hopeful that we can now deliver a better experience in this area going forward.

Once again this year, I am grateful to the fantastic bunch of trustees who give up time in their busy lives to bring their expertise into serving Soul Children UK.

As trustees, as we look forward to the year ahead, our hope is to see new choirs setting out on their Soul Children journey; existing choirs growing and developing their connection with children and their community. We are excited to be able to provide new songs and resources. But most of all, we are prayerful that more and more children will be introduced to a lifelong relationship with Jesus through music they can relate to.

Thank you for whatever part you have played in this year – and for whatever part you will play going forward.

Review of financial position
The total receipts amounted to £15,447 (2024: £17,517) and total payments amounted to £8,295 (2024: £11,738). This resulted in general cash funds at 31 December 2025 of £17,171 (2024: £10,019)

Risk management
The Trustees have considered the major risks that the charity may face and can confirm that systems have been established to mitigate them.

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Mr M Chesterton
Chair of Trustees

Date: 7-9-2026

Accountant's Report

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charities Act 2011, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Soul Children UK for the year ended 31 December 2025, which comprise the receipts and payments account, the statement of assets and liabilities and the related notes from the charity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at https://www.accaglobal.com/gb/en /member/standards/rules-and-standards/rulebook.html.

This report is made to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 23 May 2023 our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Soul Children UK and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in this report in accordance with the requirements of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at https://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/ fact/tfaudit-exempt-companies-jan-24.pdf. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Soul Children UK and the charity's Trustees as a body, for our work or for this report.

You consider that Soul Children UK is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year, and is not required to obtain an independent examiner's report. We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Soul Children UK . For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.

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Date: 10/09/2026

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Receipts and Payments Account

	2025 £	2024 £
Receipts		
Donations	14,047	9,372
Grants	-	5,000
Choir subscriptions	1,400	1,225
Merchandise sales	-	1,920
Total receipts	15,447	17,517
Payments		
Video editing and production	245	395
External contractors	5,374	9,144
Venue Hire	900	1,440
Insurance	522	553
Accountancy	1,254	-
Sundry	-	206
Total payments	8,295	11,738
Net movement in funds	7,152	5,779
General cash funds b/f at 1 January 2025	10,019	4,240
General cash funds c/f at 31 December 2025	17,171	10,019

The notes on page 7 form part of these Financial Statements.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Monetary Assets				
Current Account	17,171		10,019	
		17,171		10,019
LIABILITIES				
Creditors				
Accountancy Fees	636		1,254	
		636		1,254

Approved by the Trustees on 7-9-2026

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Mr M Chesterton
Chair of Trustees

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. **Accounting Policies**
   The financial statements have been prepared as a Receipts and Payments in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

2. **Funds**
   General funds represent monies received that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for the general purposes of the charity.

3. **Transactions with trustees and related parties**
   Trustee, Mr R Kendall Jr, received £4,474 (2024: £8,044) in the year for consultancy services.