True Colours SEN Charity

Registered Charity Number: 1211846 (Barnsley, South Yorkshire)
Annual Financial Statements for the Period: 25th January 2025 to 31st March 2026

Receipts (Income Source)	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total This Period (£)
Session Fees	£1,284.00	£0.00	**£1,284.00**
Fundraising Events	£1,727.00	£0.00	**£1,727.00**
Voluntary Donations	£15.00	£0.00	**£15.00**
Trip Fees Collected	£232.00	£0.00	**£232.00**
Charitable Trust Grants	£0.00	£6,406.83	**£6,406.83**
Refunds Received	£36.96	£0.00	**£36.96**
Total Receipts	**£3,294.96**	**£6,406.83**	**£9,701.79**

Payments (Expenses)	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total This Period (£)
Venue and Storage Hire Costs	£1,112.97	£1,586.91	**£2,699.88**
Charitable Running Costs	£3,356.12	£928.20	**£4,284.32**
Community Trips & External Bookings	£1,262.36	£937.14	**£2,199.50**
Other Operating Costs	£180.85	£0.00	**£180.85**
Total Payments	**£5,912.30**	**£3,452.25**	**£9,364.55**

Cash Balances Reconciliation	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total This Period (£)
Cash at Bank (25th Jan 2025)	£5,992.01	£0.00	**£5,992.01**
Net Surplus for the Period	(£2,617.34)	£2,954.58	**£337.24**
Cash at Bank (31st Mar 2026)	**£6,329.25**	**£0.00**	**£6,329.25**

Part 2: Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of 31st March 2026

- **Cash Funds:**
  - Main Unity Trust Bank Current Account: **£6,329.25** *(comprising 100% Unrestricted operational reserves, as all past grant projects are fully completed and discharged).*
- **Other Monetary Assets / Liabilities:**
  - Monetary Debtors (Money owed to charity): **£0.00**
  - Creditors (Invoices owed by charity to others): **£0.00**
- **Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use (Physical Equipment Inventory):**

• Item Description	Funding Source Used	Estimated Value (£)
Specialist Sensory Den Structure	BMBC Central Ward Grant	£400.00
Tesco Play Assets, Snow Machine & Train Hubs	Tesco Stronger Starts Grant	£500.00
Baker Ross, Home Bargains & Amazon Craft Stock	Asda / Hoyland / general cash	£467.37
Smyths, Amazon & Argos Sensory Toys & Games	Asda / Family Hubs / cash	£402.02
Amazon Tuff Tray Setup & Activity Stock	Barnsley Round Table Grant	£190.76
Roleplay Play Kitchen & Accessory Sets	BMBC Central Ward Grant	£168.60
Activity Play Equipment, Sand Tables & Parachutes	Family Hubs / Freshwater	£90.36
Amazon & Seniuk Sensory Light Equipment	Asda / Hoyland Funds	£75.91
Amazon Sensory Spinning Chair	Freshwater Foundation Grant	£59.99
Smyths Toys Kids Archery Sensory Set	Barnsley Round Table Grant	£24.99
Total Physical Assets Retained		**£2,527.46**

Part 3: Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of Preparation
The financial statements have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 regulations governing small UK Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs).

Note 2: Restricted Grants Analysis
This note tracks the movements of funding restricted to specific projects during the financial period ended 31st March 2026.

Grant Provider / Project Name	Receipts (£)	Total Spent This Period (£)	Balance Remaining Unspent (£)
Family Hubs Grant	£1,050.00	£1,050.00*	**£0.00**
BMBC Central Ward Grant	£650.00	£650.00*	**£0.00**
Freshwater Foundation	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	**£0.00**
Company of Cutlers Grant	£750.00	£750.00*	**£0.00**
Asda Foundation Grant	£600.00	£600.00*	**£0.00**
Tesco Stronger Starts Grant	£500.00	£500.00	**£0.00**
Happy Days Children's Charity	£1,056.83	£1,056.83	**£0.00**
Barnsley Round Table Grant	£500.00	£500.00*	**£0.00**
Hoyland Community Grant	£300.00	£300.00*	**£0.00**
Total Restricted Funds	**£6,406.83**	**£6,406.83**	**£0.00**

**Note: Minor project cost overspends (£7.14 on Family Hubs, £25.40 on BMBC Ward, £4.81 on Cutlers, £12.98 on Asda, £11.06 on Hoyland, and £34.79 on Barnsley Round Table) were completely subsidized out of pocket using the charity's unrestricted general fundraising cash.*

Note 3: Trustee Remuneration and Expenses
No remuneration, salaries, or financial benefits were paid to any trustee or connected person during this financial period. No trustee expenses were reimbursed during the period.

Part 4: Independent Examiner's Report

True Colours for the period 25th January 2025 to 31st March 2026. Supporting financial records, including bank statements, receipts, invoices and grant documentation, are retained by True Colours and are available if required.

Prepared by	Cashier
Role	Chair person
Date	06.09.26
Approved by the trustees	[signature]
Date approved	06.09.26.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of True Colours SEN Group for the financial period ended 31st March 2026 as set out above.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

- **Signed:** L. Parkin **Date:** 07/10/26
- **Name & Address:** LAUREN PARKIN
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Trustees' Annual Report (TAR) for True Colours SEN Group

For the Period: 25th January 2025 to 31st March 2026

1. Reference and Administration Details

- **Charity Name:** True Colours SEN Group
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- **Registered Charity Number:** 1211846 (England & Wales)
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- **Principal Address:** Barnsley, South Yorkshire
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- **Current Board of Trustees:**
    - C Fisher (Chair)
    - *R Whitakker*
    - *C Fisher*
    - *K Fisher*
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- **Bankers:** Natwest Bank Plc

2. Structure, Governance and Management

True Colours SEN Group is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) governed by its official constitution. The board of trustees manages the charity entirely on a voluntary basis. No trustee received any remuneration, salaries, or financial benefits during this financial period.

To ensure safety and financial transparency, the charity implements strict internal controls:

- Mandatory dual-trustee financial authorization for all bank transactions.
- Comprehensive operational risk assessments for all venues and external trips.
- A robust safeguarding framework to protect participating children and vulnerable adults.

- **3. Objectives and Activities**
- The charitable purposes of True Colours SEN Group are to provide dedicated support, inclusive recreational activities, and a safe community

space for children and young people with Special Educational Needs (SEN), neurodivergence, or disabilities, alongside their families.
- During this initial 14-month financial period, the charity carried out its core mission by organizing targeted, sensory-friendly sessions and community events. These activities reduce social isolation, enhance emotional well-being, and build reliable peer support networks for parent-carers. When planning and executing these activities, the trustees refer directly to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

4. Achievements and Performance

During our inaugural operational period, True Colours successfully expanded from a grass-roots initiative into a vital local support network. We successfully secured and fully deployed nine distinct grant funding streams to build our capacity and directly support families across the Barnsley borough:

- **Sensory and Capital Resources:** Grants from **BMBC Central Ward Alliance**, the **Asda Foundation**, **Tesco Stronger Starts**, and the **Hoyland Community Fund** allowed us to purchase a specialist sensory den structure, a roleplay kitchen set, a snow machine, tuff trays, sensory lights, and musical toys. This equipment has permanently enhanced the sensory value of our weekly sessions.
- **Core Delivery and Overheads:** Funding from the **Freshwater Foundation** and the **Company of Cutlers** directly covered our core physical storage hire costs at Store First, stabilizing our logistics and operating framework.
- **Inclusive Days Out:** A dedicated grant from **Happy Days Children's Charity**, alongside the **Family Hubs Grant**, funded fully accessible day trips and external bookings. This included private coach travel and inclusive admission to Lower Coates Farm and the Yorkshire Wildlife Park.
- **Community Sessions:** The **Barnsley Round Table** grant successfully funded local room hire, arts and crafts supplies, and specialized session snacks.

Through these combined projects, the group established a reliable framework for community integration and provided a lifeline to dozens of local children who struggle to access mainstream recreational settings.

5. Financial Review

The charity's total gross income for the financial period was **£9,701.79**. This income was generated through voluntary donations, independent charitable trust grants, community gifts, local fundraising events, and minor session fees. Total expenditure was **£9,364.55**, directed entirely toward direct service delivery, sensory equipment purchases, venue hire, storage, and volunteer insurance.

The charity closed the period with a healthy cash balance of **£6,329.25**. All nine grant projects have been fully spent and successfully discharged within their terms. Consequently, this closing balance represents **100% unrestricted cash reserves**.

Reserves Policy:
The charity maintains a conservative reserves policy. The trustees aim to hold a minimum of 6 to 9 months of core operational overheads (such as venue insurance, storage hire, and baseline room costs) within our unrestricted cash balance. This ensures long-term stability and guarantees operational continuity for our vulnerable families before the group commits to expanded project delivery.

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6. Declaration
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

C Fisher
Position: Trustee / Chair
Date: August 25, 2026