

Charity Commission for NI Number: 105854
Company Number: NI626485

Home-Start Lakeland
(A company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital)

Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025

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TRUSTEES AND OTHER INFORMATION

Trustees	Maeve Murphy (Chairperson) Jenny Thompson (Vice chairperson) Christina Carty (Treasurer) Gerry Hegarty Mabel Greaves Anne Harte Maureen Hassard Ruth Coalter Bryan Green (appointed October 2024) Rhonda Kelly (appointed January 2025)
Charity Commission for NI Number	105854
Company Number	NI626485
Registered Office and Business Address	Belmore Mews Enniskillen Co Fermanagh BT74 6AH
Accountants	CooperIrvine Ltd Chartered Accountants 6 Townhall Street Enniskillen Co Fermanagh BT74 7BA
Bankers	Bank of Ireland Townhall Street Enniskillen Co Fermanagh BT74 7BD

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

for the year ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Home-Start Lakeland is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland (Charity number 105854) and is an independent charity, working under the umbrella of Home-Start UK. It is a charitable company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital (Company number NI626485). The registered office address is Belmore Mews, New Street, Enniskillen, Fermanagh BT74 6AH, which is also the principal place of activity of the charitable company.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and subsequent updates (including 2022) and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Directors/Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are set out on page 3. The directors of the company who served during the year are as follows;

Claire Steele (Secretary)

Maeve Murphy
Jenny Thompson
Christine Carty
Gerry Hegarty
Mabel Greaves

Anne Harte
Maureen Hassard
Ruth Coalter
Bryan Green (appointed October 2024)
Rhonda Kelly (appointed January 2025)

The charitable company is governed by the board. The board governs the activities of the charitable company in line with the objectives set out in the governing documents of the charity, namely the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the charity's constitution. None of the trustees has a beneficial interest in the charitable company. The senior manager and the other staff are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the charitable company throughout the year.

Charitable purpose

The constitution and purposes of the charity are detailed in the Memorandum and Articles as the governing documents. These are to safeguard, protect and preserve the good health, both mental and physical of children and parents of children; to prevent cruelty to or maltreatment of children; to relieve sickness, poverty and need amongst children and their parents and to promote the education of the public in better standards of childcare within the Fermanagh area. The main activity of the charity during the year has been to continue to raise funding for the purpose of achieving its objectives.

Public Benefit

The direct benefits which flow from our purposes include; improved health outcomes and improved uptake of health appointments, happier, safer children and happier safer homes. As a result fewer children suffer cruelty or maltreatment, parents and children feel less marginalised. Families make better use of local services and are less isolated and have wider horizons. Families are better able to cope with their needs. Families develop improved coping strategies and parents become more confident through increased education in childcare standards. All of these benefits are demonstrated by the completion of review visit forms which track an individual family's "journey of change". Also feedback questionnaires are completed by families and referrer at the close of support. The benefits of all our purposes are also demonstrated by regular evaluation of the services by Health and Social Care Trusts, funders and monitoring and evaluation of the service. The purposes do not give rise to any harm. The beneficiaries of our purposes are families who are experiencing difficulties or suffering stress and who have at least one child under 5 years of age and live in the Areas of Benefit. A private benefit to volunteers may arise from our mandatory training in values and attitudes, safeguarding children, confidentiality etc. Through the training volunteers gain skills and experience which are transferrable to other settings. These benefits are incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to our beneficiaries. A second private benefit to Trustees may arise from our programme of training in good governance, finance etc. Through the training Trustees gain skills and experience which are transferrable to other settings. These benefits are incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to our beneficiaries. These private benefits are relevant to all our purposes.

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Main achievements in the year

It has been another busy year in Home-Start Lakeland with a 10% increase in referrals to last year and 48 families receiving support this year. This puts an ever-increasing strain on our greatest resource – our volunteers, but thanks to the 27 committed individuals who provided home visiting support to families in Co Fermanagh, we continue our proven track record.

The cost-of-living increases continue to effect families. Rising costs of fuel, food and insurance put ever increasing strain on families and requests for second hand clothing, equipment and requests for fuel grants continued to increase and add to the work of the scheme this year. This year we were awarded Bryson Energy Electricity grants and were able to offer these grants of £200 to families struggling with energy prices. Families were also given Christmas food hampers from Enniskillen Foodbank and Christmas gifts for parents and children donated by the staff of Encirc. The staff of BT had historically provided Christmas gifts for families so we were very grateful to Encirc for filling this gap. Action for Children and Save the Children provided grocery vouchers for struggling families and we were able to refer families for Foodbank. Toddler Sense kindly provided free play sessions to 2 Home-Start families.

Our Amazing Multiples group were able to partake in some great activities at their monthly meet up thanks to funding from the Halifax Foundation. We had 22 families registered for the group that meets monthly September through to June.

Our new family group launched in February 2024, 'Families of the World' continues to grow and flourish. We are advertising the group publicly and registered families are inviting other families along. We have 39 families registered and 20 different countries represented. Thanks to Good Relations through Fermanagh and Omagh District Council and Openreach Community Fund through the Community Foundation, we were able to host a wealth of activities for families and parent only events including sensory play, messy play, physical play, pottery painting and a boat trip. Each month the group chose a celebration or holiday and we do activities, eat foods and the family from that country tell us how they celebrate.

Financial summary for the year

During the year ended 31 March 2025, Home-Start Lakeland produced a deficit of £321. Subsequently, the total assets less current liabilities as at 31 March 2025 amounts to £69,332.

Members' Funds and Reserves Policy

At the year end, Home-Start Lakeland had a members' fund of £69,332. It is the policy of Home Start Lakeland to retain a level to cover any unforeseen expenditure and allow the charity to continue in operation. In accordance with the reserves policy stated on the Memorandum and Articles of the Charity, there is a restricted fund of £40,000 only to be used in the event of winding down.

Special provision relating to small companies

The report has been prepared in accordance with the special provision relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

for the year ended 31 March 2025

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

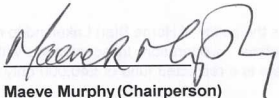
Both company Law and charity law require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under these laws the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under these laws the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the surplus or deficit of the charitable company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

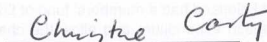
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the charitable company has appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards. They are also responsible for the safeguarding of assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees also had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

This report was approved by the trustees on 17th June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Maeve Murphy (Chairperson)



Christine Carty (Treasurer)

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT to the Board of Trustees on the unaudited financial statements of Home-Start Lakeland for the year ended 31 March 2025

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes from the charity's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given to us.

This report is made solely to the Board of Trustees of Home-Start Lakeland, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Home-Start Lakeland and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Board of Trustees of Home-Start Lakeland, as a body, in this report in accordance with the guidance of Chartered Accountants Ireland. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Home-Start Lakeland and its Board of Trustees, as a body, for our work or for this report.

We have carried out this engagement in accordance with guidance issued by Chartered Accountants Ireland and have complied with the ethical guidance laid down by Chartered Accountants Ireland relating to members undertaking the compilation of financial statements.

It is your duty to ensure that Home-Start Lakeland has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and surplus of Home-Start Lakeland. You consider that Home-Start Lakeland is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year. We provide an independent Examiners' Report as required under Charity law.



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Date: 2nd June 2025

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 as set out in the financial statements.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and subsequent updates (including 2022).

It is the responsibility of the independent examiner to:

- Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

An examination of your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving my cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Independent examiner's statement

Having completed the examination there are no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, no matters that have been found require drawing to your attention.

Name: Paul Stronge FCA

Company Name: CooperIrvine Ltd

Address: 6 Townhall Street, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, BT74 7BA

Date: 2nd June 2025

Signature:  _____

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	2025 £	2024 £
Income	2	8,050	70,353	78,403	59,922
Expenditure		(7,964)	(71,141)	(79,105)	(75,470)
Surplus/(deficit) on ordinary activities before interest		86	(788)	(702)	(15,548)
Interest receivable and similar income		-	381	381	402
Total Comprehensive Income		86	(407)	(321)	(15,146)
Members' funds brought forward		40,000	29,653	69,653	84,799
Capital contribution	11	-	-	-	-
Transfer between funds	8	-	-	-	-
Total funds carried forward		40,086	29,246	69,332	69,653

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the income for the year. The results for the year have been calculated on the historical cost basis. The charity's income and expenses all relate to continuing operations.

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BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	3	<u>1,719</u>	<u>2,022</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	4	1,800	270
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>91,949</u>	<u>72,847</u>
		<u>93,749</u>	<u>73,117</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	5	<u>(26,136)</u>	<u>(5,486)</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>67,613</u>	<u>67,631</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>69,332</u>	<u>69,653</u>
Members' Funds			
Statement of Financial Activities		<u>69,332</u>	<u>69,653</u>
Restricted funds of the charity	9	40,000	40,000
Unrestricted funds of the charity		<u>29,332</u>	<u>29,653</u>
		<u>69,332</u>	<u>69,653</u>

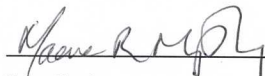
The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the provisions of Charities SORP (FRS 102).

For the financial year ended 31 March 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees confirm that the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of the financial year and of its surplus and deficit for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 17th June 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Maeve Murphy
(Chairperson)



Christine Carty
(Treasurer)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Home-Start is a charitable private company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. Belmore Mews, New Street, Enniskillen, Fermanagh BT74 6AH is the registered office, which is also the principal place of activity of the charitable company. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Trustees' Report. The financial statements have been presented in Pound Sterling (£) rounded to the nearest pound which is also the functional currency of the company.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Charities Act (NI) 2008 and subsequent updates (including 2022) and the Companies Act 2006. The charity is a public benefit entity.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of going concern under the historical cost convention except for certain properties and financial instruments that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets. The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

Cash flow statement

The company has availed of the exemption from the requirement to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows because it is classified as a small company.

Income

Income comprises grants and donations received alongside money raised through fundraising during the year. All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of property, plant and equipment, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Plant and machinery	-	20% Straight Line
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	15% Reducing Balance

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed annually for impairment in periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

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Debtors

Trade and other debtors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts except where the effect of discounting would be immaterial. In such cases the receivables are stated at cost less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Creditors

Trade and other creditors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost

Taxation

Home-Start Lakeland is a not-for-profit organisation. The company is not liable to corporation tax.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

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2.

INCOME	2025			2024
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
Donations received				
Regular donors	-	310	310	390
Individual donations	-	462	462	1,002
Soroptomist club	-	250	250	320
Karen Caswell	-	-	-	50
Amazon Smile	-	-	-	5
Just giving	-	196	196	20
Anonymous	-	5,825	5,825	5,000
Knit-Knatters	-	200	200	-
Enniskillen Presbyterian	-	545	545	-
Jam	-	20	20	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	7,808	7,808	6,787

Income from fundraising and programmes	2025			2024
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
Encirc	-	2,000	2,000	-
Open Garden Event	-	7,040	7,040	-
Enniskillen 10K	-	4,662	4,662	-
Dunnes	-	-	-	398
Tesco	-	238	238	306
B&M bag pack/collection	-	783	783	1,038
	-	-	-	-
	-	14,723	14,723	1,742

Grants received	2025			2024
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total	Total
WHST	-	42,322	42,322	38,935
Ecclesiastical Fund	-	-	-	1,000
Henry Smith	-	-	-	8,000
Four Acre Trust	-	-	-	2,021
Halifax	3,750	-	3,750	1,250
Fermanagh & Omagh DC	1,800	-	1,800	197
John Moore's	1,000	1,000	2,000	-
Garfield Weston	-	2,500	2,500	-
Black Santa	-	2,000	2,000	-
Tele Community Fund	1,500	-	1,500	-
	-	-	-	-
	8,050	47,822	55,872	51,403

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3. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	4,229	4,267	8,496
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	4,229	4,267	8,496
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	4,229	2,245	6,474
Charge for the year	-	303	303
At 31 March 2025	4,229	2,548	6,777
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	-	1,719	1,719
At 1 April 2024	-	2,022	2,022

4. DEBTORS

	2025 £	2024 £
Restricted grants		
Donations	1,800	270
Taxes and social security	-	-
Total	1800	270

5. CREDITORS

Amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	1,074	1,074
PAYE	1,872	-
Amounts received on account	22,500	3,750
Credit card	162	156
Pension costs	528	506
Total	26,136	5,486

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6. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The charity had no material capital commitments at the year ended 31 March 2025.

7. EVENTS AFTER END OF REPORTING PERIOD

There is a grant of material significance from Garfield Weston of £7,700 and Children In Need of £15,000 to be applied to next year.

8. MEMBERS' FUNDS

The conditions leading to the restriction of the income received have been fulfilled during the accounting period. The capital grant has been spent and the resultant asset is unrestricted. A fund transfer is therefore made from restricted to unrestricted within the members' funds in line with Charities SORP (FRS 102).

9. RESERVES POLICY

In accordance with the Reserves policy as stated in the Memorandum and Articles of the Charity, the restricted reserve account of £40,000 can only be used in the event of the Charity winding down.

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There have been no related party transactions during the accounting period.

11. CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION

The transfer of liabilities and assets from Home-Start Lakeland and Irvinestown to Home-Start Lakeland was agreed by the Trustees in 2014. This was approved by the Charity Commission Northern Ireland (CCNI) 1 April 2019. A transfer of liabilities and assets was made by way of a capital contribution amounting to £39,596 made up of restricted funds of £20,000 and unrestricted funds of £19,596.

12. STAFF AND PENSION COSTS

There are no high paid staff whose emoluments as defined for taxation purposes amounted to over £60,000. The average number of employees for the year ended 31 March 2025 was 2. The charity operates a 'net pay arrangement' pension scheme for employees under auto enrolment.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Restricted	Unrestricted	2025 £	2024 £
Income				
WHSC T	-	42,322	42,322	38,935
Grants	8,050	5,500	13,550	12,468
Fundraising	-	14,723	14,723	1,732
Donations	-	7,808	7,808	6,787
	<u>8,050</u>	<u>70,353</u>	<u>78,403</u>	<u>59,922</u>
Expenditure				
Salaries	-	49,752	49,752	47,691
Pension costs	-	6,218	6,218	5,961
Volunteer expenses	3,127	-	3,127	5,177
Staff expenses	830	408	1,238	1,985
Utilities	-	3,280	3,280	2,649
Rent	300	4,900	5,200	5,200
Professional fees	-	3,379	3,379	3,742
Office expenses	-	2,419	2,419	1,902
General expenses	-	-	-	69
Programmes	3,707	482	4,189	737
Depreciation	-	303	303	357
	<u>7,964</u>	<u>71,141</u>	<u>79,105</u>	<u>75,470</u>
Miscellaneous income				
Bank interest received	-	381	381	402
	<u>86</u>	<u>(407)</u>	<u>(321)</u>	<u>(15,146)</u>

