

# Trust in Children

Registered Charity no: 236625

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## **Annual Report for the year ended 5 April 2010**

### **Voted into office at the AGM:**

Mr Iain Forbes (Chair)  
Mr Richard Tomes (Treasurer)  
Miss Chloe Darlington (Secretary)  
Miss Leonora Borg  
Miss Helen Borg  
Miss Kim Walker (stepped down in November 2009)  
Miss Sian Dockray (stepped down in December 2009)

### **Voted into office outside the AGM:**

Mr Nat Sullivan (voted into office January 2010)

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

Members of the Executive Committee are elected on an annual basis. They retire from office together at the end of the Annual General Meeting after the date of coming into office and may be re-elected. The Executive Committee may appoint not more than three co-opted members who are required to retire in a similar manner. The constitution of the charity was confirmed in a document adopted on 30th March 1998.

All decisions are currently made by the Executive Committee and tasks are carried out by trustees themselves. No staff were employed in 2009–2010.

## **Objectives and Activities**

The Charity's objects are to help needy children. It raises money from individuals and from corporate bodies to devote to this end.

Primary objectives for 2009–2010 were to:

1. Make effective grants consistent with our aims
2. Maintain and gain new support for the charity
3. Develop trustee board
4. Develop administrative procedures
5. Develop branding for the charity

### **1. Make effective grants consistent with our aims:**

In 2009–10 TiC was able to support one new project, as well as providing continuing support to five existing projects, all consistent with our main objective - enabling deprived children to access education and other forms of development.

For a fifth year, TiC supported **Project Piura**, a project to help Peruvian street children into education by paying for school uniforms, stationary and enrolment fees.

This year TiC was able to support a fourth family, taking the total number of children supported to 20. Five of the children have now graduated school and have been able to find work in Peru's capital, Lima. In addition, one previous beneficiary, currently at university, is now offering peer mentoring to younger children still at school. TIC voluntary co-ordinator Edgar Riega continued to visit the children in their homes and at school to monitor progress.

TiC awarded a grant to another Peruvian project – **Building a Future for Peruvian Children** – to pay for educational supplies for large number of children in North Peru who would otherwise not be able to attend school.

TiC continued to support **Ripple Africa**, with funds to pay for school desks for a school in Kapanda, Malawi. These desks are now being used by over 100 children.

In January 2010 TiC gave a further grant to **Caring for the Congolese Children** to continue to enable forty orphaned children in the Democratic Republic of Congo to attend school. The amount awarded was bigger than in previous years to take account of increased prices of school materials.

TiC continued to fund workshops, lessons, concerts and events for children and adolescents run by **Firefly International** in Bosnia. The events continued to bring young people of different ethnicities and backgrounds in Brcko together to share their skills and experiences.

Following an initial grant award in 2008, TiC continued to support **The John Lyall Trust**, which offers literacy and numeracy classes for street children in the Philippines, especially around the rural village of Wawa. This was a tough year for the project, with a typhoon having a large impact on many of the children, but it was still able to open a learning centre which is widening the scope of the support it is able to give the local community.

## **2. Maintain and gain new support for TiC:**

- In October 2009 Trust in Children organised an art exhibition called "When I Grow Up". This displayed artwork illustrating the dreams and ambitions of TiC-supported children, with the aim of raising awareness of the charity's aims and raising funds for future grants. It was held at the V&A Museum of Childhood, attended by more than 150 guests and raised more than £2,000 on the night. It also inspired one attendee to make a large, one off legacy donation of £40,000 a few months later. As a result TiC will be financially stable for the next few years.
- Six-monthly newsletters were sent out to members and donors who wished to be kept updated on the charity's developments.
- The Pick Up a Piece scheme - which encourages members to suggest where they would like their money spent - was further promoted, both at "When I Grow Up" and in correspondence with members.

## **3. Develop trustee board:**

- Trustee Nat Sullivan was recruited to provide additional expertise and support to the trustee board. Trustees Kim Walker and Sian Dockray stepped down.

## **4. Develop charity's administrative procedures:**

- Final versions of the Child Protection and Grant-making Policies were signed off.
- Trustees initiated periodic evaluations of grant awards to ensure they were having the intended impact.
- Documents were moved to a new web-hosting site which offered more effective functionality.
- Trustee roles were reviewed every few months to ensure responsibilities were clear and role-holders were able to devote the necessary level of attention to tasks.

#### **5. Develop branding for the charity:**

- The “When I Grow Up” event, mentioned above, proved to be an excellent opportunity to promote the TiC brand and increase awareness of the Pick Up a Piece scheme. It received some media attention, and word of mouth resulted in new members and donations.
- Trustees continued to maintain and develop the website ([www.trustinchildren.org](http://www.trustinchildren.org)) to further reflect TiC’s core aims and work.

#### **Finances**

Audited accounts have been submitted to the Charity Commission for this financial year.

Our income was £47,623 (£40,000 from a one-off legacy donation, £4,663 from Members' subscriptions and donations, and £2,960 from donations at the “When I Grow Up” fundraising event). Our expenditure was £5,767, with grants to beneficiary projects of £4,184. The Charity’s assets at the end of the year were £50,996.

The Charity’s bankers are:  
 NatWest Bank plc  
 City of London Office  
 PO Box 12258  
 1 Princes Street  
 London EC2R 8PA

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 5 April 2010 available on request.

On behalf of the Executive Committee

Iain Forbes (Chair)  
 TRUST IN CHILDREN

**Charity Registration No. 236625**

**TRUST IN CHILDREN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR TO 5 APRIL 2010**

Piper Thompson  
Chartered Accountants  
Mulberry House  
53 Church Street  
Weybridge  
Surrey KT13 8DJ

**TRUST IN CHILDREN**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 236625**

**TRUSTEE'S REPORT**

**YEAR TO 5 APRIL 2010**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements for the year to 5 April 2010.

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

36 West Square  
London SE11 4SP

**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY**

The principal activity is to raise funds and allocate grants to help deprived children to access education.

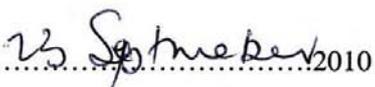
**TRUSTEES**

The trustees during the period under review were:-

I Forbes (Chairman)  
Ms C Darlington (Secretary)  
Ms H Borg  
Ms L Borg  
Ms K Walker  
Ms S Dockray  
R Tomes (Treasurer)

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

  
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TRUSTEE – Mr I Forbes

  
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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE**

**TRUSTEES OF TRUST IN CHILDREN**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 236625**

We report on the Accounts of the Trust for the year ended 5 April 2010, which are set out on pages 3 and 4.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, 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 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

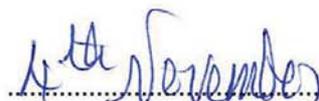
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

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 41 of the Act; and
  - . to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act
- have 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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**PIPER THOMPSON**  
Chartered Accountants  
Mulberry House  
53 Church Street  
Weybridge  
Surrey KT13 8DJ

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**TRUST IN CHILDREN**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 236625**

**Balance Sheet as at 5 April 2010**

	<u>2010</u>		<u>2009</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Current Assets</u>				
Bank Account - Current	3,105		1,397	
Bank Account - Deposit	47,891		7,882	
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		<u>£50,996</u>		<u>£9,279</u>
<u>General Fund</u>				
Balance B/FWD		9,279		11,590
Excess of income over expenditure		41,717		(2,311)
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Balance C/FWD		<u>£50,996</u>		<u>£9,279</u>

**TRUST IN CHILDREN**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 236625**  
**Statement of Income & Expenditure for the**  
**Year to 5 April 2010**

	<u>2010</u>		<u>2009</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>INCOME</u>				
Exhibitions	2,960		-	
Donations & Subscriptions	4,663		4,553	
Legacy	<u>40,000</u>		<u>-</u>	
		47,623		4,553
Interest Received		<u>9</u>		<u>125</u>
		47,632		4,678
LESS: Direct Costs	1,583		-	
Charitable Expenditure	<u>4,184</u>		<u>6,665</u>	
		<u>5,767</u>		<u>6,665</u>
		41,865		(1,987)
LESS: Management & Administration Expenses				
Bank Charges	68		21	
General	<u>80</u>		<u>303</u>	
		<u>148</u>		<u>324</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure		<u>£41,717</u>		<u>£(2,311)</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf.

23/9/.....2010

  
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 Mr R Tomes  
 Treasurer