

# Trust in Children

Registered Charity no: 236625

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## **Annual Report for the year ended 5 April 2011**

### **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 Alex Hanratty  
Mr Nat Sullivan

### **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 2010–2011.

### **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 2010–2011 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. Devise initial strategy for investing bequest

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

**Project Piura** is TiC's longest running project. It aims to help Peruvian street children into education by paying for school uniforms, stationary and enrolment fees. Trustee Leonora Borg visited Piura to speak to the children who had benefited from TiC grants and check that the project was still performing effectively. All of the families supported by TiC were still benefiting, with the funds facilitating their children's education, improving their life chances, and removing the need for them to go onto the streets. Further funding was awarded in April 2010 and February 2011.

In September 2010 TiC gave a further grant to **Caring for the Congolese Children** to continue to enable 42 orphaned children in the Democratic Republic of Congo to attend school.

£350 was also awarded in September 2010 to the **Friends of Khasdobir** to pay for mats for schoolchildren to attend open air schools in Bangladesh. These schools enable the children of illiterate parents to reach a level of attainment that enables them to attend regular schools.

TiC continued to support **Firefly International** in Bosnia and in January 2011 awarded a grant to facilitate the running of two summer camps which brought young people of different ethnicities and backgrounds together to learn about each others' cultures.

In January 2011 a further grant was also awarded to **The John Lyall Trust**, which offers literacy and numeracy classes for street children in the Philippines, especially around the rural village of Wawa. The grant funded a literacy programme.

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

- 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 in correspondence with members.
- Trustees continued to maintain and develop the website ([www.trustinchildren.org](http://www.trustinchildren.org)) to further reflect TiC's core aims and work.

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

- Trustee Alex Hanratty was elected, bringing with her experience of managing charitable organisations working in education.

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

- A proposal to develop partnership-style relationships with beneficiaries was researched.
- The process for recording grant awards was tightened up.
- The process of reviewing Trustee roles every few months to ensure responsibilities were clear and role-holders were able to devote the necessary level of attention to tasks was continued.

## **5. Devise strategy for investing bequest**

Following a donation of £40,000 at the previous year's fundraising event, a key aim was to ensure this money was appropriately invested to ensure Trustees had time in the next few years to develop an approach to use it to best serve the aims of the charity. Trustees agreed to use one quarter of the funding in the short term to develop longer term funding relationships with key partners and to find a suitable investment vehicle for the rest. £30,000 was invested in a high interest bond.

## **Finances**

The attached financial statement shows the current state of the finances and the income and expenditure for the year.

Our income was £2,477. Our expenditure was £7,703, with grants to beneficiary projects of £7,080. The Charity's assets at the end of the year were £45,769.

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 2011 available on request.

On behalf of the Executive Committee

Iain Forbes (Chair)  
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**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 5 April 2011**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Incoming Resources</b>		
Subscriptions and donations	£2,351.45	£4,662.23
Exhibition donations+income	£104.00	£2,960.23
Legacy	£0.00	£40,000.00
Bank interest	£21.31	£9.25
Total incoming resources:	£2,476.76	£47,631.71
<b>Resources Expended</b>		
General expenses	£38.62	£80.30
Bank charges	£48.75	£67.98
Venue rental + expenses (2010)	£536.41	£1,582.60
Projects	£7,080.00	£4,184.00
Net expenditure for year:	£7,703.78	£5,914.88
Fund balance 6 April 2010	£50,996.33	
Fund balance 5 April 2011	£45,769.31	
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank current account	£1,356.67	£3,105.00
Bank deposit account	£14,412.64	£47,891.33
Charity Fixed Rate Bond	£30,000.00	
Accumulated surplus	£45,769.31	