# **Send a Child to Hucklow Fund**

Charity No. 271585 www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk

# Annual Report 2018 & Appeal 2019





Help us to provide all this and more!

# **In Memoriam Gifts and Legacies**

During 2017-18 gifts were received in memory of

#### Legacies

Thomas Whitehead
Anon via Provincial Grand Lodge of Nottingham

#### In memoriam

Steve Benfield
Jack Binks
Denise Breuil
Mary Burns
Alan Curren
JSD
Margaret Horn
Julia Rivers

These gifts total £47,786.50 and this amount has been added to the *in memoriam* Capital Account.

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Any such are added to the Capital Account. The income from this account is used entirely for the holidays.

The Trustees of the Fund are very grateful to generous donors, and to people who remember the Fund in their wills.

A legacy leaflet is available.

This year our Appeal raised £56,000

# Our 2018-2019 Target \*\*\*£60,000! \*\*\*



Send a Child to Hucklow is a Trust to arrange and administer holidays at the Nightingale Centre, Great Hucklow, for disadvantaged children,

having no regard to religion, race or creed.

# Changing not just the view but the outlook!

# **The Holidays!**

**In 2018**, thanks to your continued support, the Fund could provide holidays in the Derbyshire countryside for groups of children from Mansfield, Chesterfield, Accrington, Southend-on-Sea, Manchester, Birmingham and Liverpool.

### Comment from the children

I love that we had lots of adventures and we got time for playing

The cable cars were scary at first, but then it was actually fun...and it kinda chilled out my nerve at heights

I enjoyed... the whole week, ...the snowy days, ...feeding the animals, ...holding a rabbit,/ guinea-pig / turtle"



# **From leaders**

"Children thoroughly enjoyed the rural location, especially the venue. The Nightingale Centre was an amazing experience for our children, some who had never travelled beyond the boundaries of their local area / city centre. The facilities & hospitality available at the nightingale was exceptional, a treat for many of the children (and staff)."

"This year we took some more challenging children than previously... the memories they make, the experiences they have and the things they see make such an impact on their lives."

# **Projected Weeks for 2019**

| 25 February – 1 March    | 4-8 March            | 11-15 March              |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Liverpool, Lawrence Road | Chesterfield         | Liverpool, St Cuthbert's |
| 18-22 March              | 25-29 March          | 8-12 April               |
| Accrington Colne Park    | Accrington Peel Park | To be confirmed          |
| 23-26 April              | 28-31 May            | 1-5 July                 |
| Liverpool, Wavertree     | Liverpool, Unity YC  | Chorlton, Oswald Road    |
| 15-19 July               | 29 July – 2 August   | 13-16 August             |
| Mansfield                | Southend             | Liverpool, Edge Hill YC  |
| 27-30 August             |                      | 14-18 October            |
| Liverpool, JH Playgroup  |                      | Liverpool, Kensington    |

# **Donations made easy...**

| the choice is yours!  |  |
|---|--|
| Donate via our website: www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk  |  |
| Post your donation to the Donations Treasurer using the form on page 11. Don't forget to Gift Aid your donation if you are a UK Taxpayer. If you have raised funds by having an event or adventure, please do send us some details. Our donations treasurer would love to hear from you and send you a "Certificate of Thanks" for display.               |  |
| Raise funds with the click of a mouse at www.easyfundraising.org.uk. If you go to your favourite on-line stores via easyfundraising, after selecting Send a Child to Hucklow as your preferred charity, your shopping will generate funds for SACH at no extra cost to yourself (1% to 2.5%).  amazonsmile works in a similar way: www.smile.amazon.co.uk |  |

If you have a Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) account, you can donate directly online by quoting the keyword "Hucklow".

Help us find more **companies or Trusts** who may be willing to support SACH. If you are aware of any local organisations whom you could approach on our behalf, please contact the donations treasurer for assistance.

We still have a number of items for sale, with proceeds to SACH (See our website).

Donate by Direct Bank Transfer to our CAFBank Account sort code 40-52-40, account number 00060131.

The four big supermarkets run community funds which support charities benefitting local people. If you live in an area from which children attend SACH holidays, please think of nominating SACH at Tesco, Sainsbury's, Asda or the Co-op. Contact us if you need assistance.









A donation of £350 pays for a much-needed holiday for one child in a group.

Needs are diverse...single parent family: parent in prison:

young carer: low income family

# **Secretary's Report 2017-18**

The Holidays In the financial year 2017-18 we have again provided 13 weeks of holidays at the Nightingale Centre for some 300 children. They came from Mansfield, Chorlton in Manchester (a new group), Birmingham, Accrington (2 groups), Southend on Sea, Chesterfield (for a second time), and a number of groups from Liverpool. A 14th fairly late arranged additional week had regrettably to be cancelled at short notice on account of the norovirus at the previous week's conference; a precautionary step following Stella's much publicly applauded counter-steps! We shall endeavour to make sure the children are not disappointed next year.

**Responses** from the groups are typically mainly positive, remarking the value these holiday breaks provide for children who may not otherwise get out of their home city or town. A small proportion of people think of the Centre as a 5-star hotel, causing minor disappointments! Several comments remarked on the particular helpfulness of the coach drivers from Andrew's. The Centre staff too came in for generous praise.

**Fund-raising** Once again, thanks to some ingenious ideas, we have benefited from our generous individual donors. Groups too, including Centre visitors alerted to the work of SACH, contribute likewise. Our overall income each year is naturally unpredictable to a certain extent, but we have been fortunate this year in two very generous legacies. We can offer suggestions to Unitarian congregations who may care to hold a special informing, money-raising act of worship. We are, most gratefully, the beneficiaries of the winding-up of a local Great Hucklow parish community fund.

"Kit out a Kid" Thank you to the folk who contributed to this specifically, some £800. Negotiations are still proceeding for the most appropriate kit, for 2019 inauguration!

**Becoming a C I O** Our final draft for this - the fifth, I believe! - is about to be submitted as I write; our continuing thanks are due to ex-Chairman Peter Hewis for persevering with this, and to Roderick Ramage for further advice and suggestions. "Blessed are they who to the end endure...!".

We again had a presence with our stall at the annual **Unitarian General Assembly** meetings, last April in Northamptonshire. The latest SACH Newsletter was made available to delegates, and a steady stream of folk came to offer donations, or purchase the available CDs. I am personally grateful to

those Trustees who helped me to run the stall. Once more we had generous mention in The GAZette, with a picture of "SACH fun in the snow".

We are most fortunate in that Kate Hamill, who lives in Sheffield, has come on board as our **Fund-Raiser**, approaching Fund-giving bodies. Despite some time with its typical measure of frustration, though also success, she is prepared to give it a go for another year.

A farewell As the years pass, we perforce bid a farewell to old friends. One such is Jack Binks, who for decades has supported SACH both financially and in action. Former Probation Officer, he latterly took SACH groups on walks around the Great Hucklow village, arousing much interest. The picture of him in this Annual Report a few years back is, for me, a splendid testimonial. Unsurprisingly, we received a generous collective donation from his funeral. Our warmest good wishes and kind thoughts are with Kath.

**The Children** Perhaps it is no surprise that some appeared to baulk at the idea of "4 and a half-mile" walks. We wonder if it was really that long?! One group admitted that despite protestations, they enjoyed it really. We encourage such activity as part of the SACH ethos – of course!

**Personal Reflections** As some people are already aware, this last year has seen its fulsome share of health problems for me. I thank folk for their generous good wishes, kind thoughts and prayers. Such experience concentrates the mind and spirit! After a physically low time, in which I felt I needed to give up this role, in fairness to its exercise, I am relieved to say I am much improved in certain respects, and minded to press on... a bit longer, anyhow! Reading the comments from leaders and children is always inspiring. In an uncertain, politically-volatile, often confusing world for many, SACH represents a solidity of action fully embracing the Enlightenment values seemingly increasingly under threat.

Ernest Baker November 2018



# Treasurer's Report for the year ended 30th September 2018

Like last year, we arranged thirteen weeks' holidays, at a total cost of £86,600. A further week was planned, but it had to be put back to next year. Our expenditure exceeded our live income by £20,000. Using the Charity Commission's method, the figure was £21,000 as our investments did not perform as well as they have done in the past and their value fell by about £1,000.

Donations were a remarkable £56,000. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

We also received the second part of the legacy from Thomas Whitehead, taking the total to £105,000 and £350 from someone's will via the Provincial Grand Lodge of Nottinghamshire. We have used this money to replenish our reserves, from which we had been drawing heavily in recent years. As well as the legacy mentioned above, we received a number of donations from Freemasons' Lodges including: Ashfield Lodge Masons, Clumber Lodge, De Sutton Lodge no. 7067, Elliott Lodge no. 8569, the Masonic Relief Chest Scheme, Ravenswood Chapter of Freemasons and the Secret Monitor Conclave (Masons). Thanks to Derek and Pauline Smith for promoting these links. If you have a link to a Masonic Lodge, please ask them for a donation. We are grateful for all donations. I would, however, like to mention a number of people, organisations and events. These are: the East Cheshire Union, the Framlingham Unitarian Trust, AW Lymn Centenary Foundation, the Hedley Foundation, the Manchester District Unitarian and Free Christian Churches, Mansfield Sand Co., Merseyside District Missionary Association. Nuclink Ltd, the Dagny Raymond Charitable Trust, Thomas Greatorex & Sons Charity, Joseph & Ann Slater Memorial Fund, South Birmingham Friends Institute Trust, the Southern Unitarian Association, the Unitarian Music Society, the Yorkshire Unitarian Union and the Zochonis Charitable Trust. There were also generous donations from a number of Unitarian congregations and Women's League groups including: Ansdell Unitarian Church, Belper Unitarian Chapel, Cirencester Unitarian Fellowship, Dean Row Chapel, Dob Lane Chapel (as part of the distribution of proceeds now that the chapel has closed), Old Chapel Dukinfield, Gateacre Unitarian Chapel, Godalming Unitarians, Hinckley Great Meeting, Horwich Unitarian Free Church (also on the closure of the church), Brook St Church Knutsford Women's League, Mansfield Old Meeting House, Monton Unitarian Church, Norcliffe Chapel, Manchester College Oxford Chapel Society, Park Lane Chapel, Scarborough Unitarian Church, Underbank Chapel, Wirral Unitarians and York Unitarians.

Oak Tree Lane School in Mansfield, whose pupils participate in one of the holiday weeks, raised £214 and the villagers of Great Hucklow raised £650 for the Fund.

Congratulations to Simon Hall and David Kent on their marriage and thank you to their friends who made donations in lieu of wedding presents. Congratulations, too, to Neil Fisher and Noriku on their marriage and thanks to their family and friends.

There have been changes to the team this year. Thank you to Sue Catts for her work as Donations Treasurer and Appeals Treasurer. She has now handed over to Ruth Taylor, the new Donations Treasurer (see Ruth's address on the donations page), and Kate Hamill, the new Appeals Treasurer.

With Christmas approaching, don't forget to route your online shopping via Easyfundraising. When you shop online, many shops will give a small percentage of the cost to the Fund at no extra cost to you. If you shop on Amazon, use the www.smile.amazon.co.uk website instead of the usual one and nominate the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund as your charity. You can also make donations online via Virgin Money Giving, or by direct bank transfer.

As well as thanking Ruth and Kate, I would like to thank Mike Georgiou for reviewing the accounts once again.

Finally, I would like to propose that we raise our fundraising target to £60,000 for the next year.

David Ogden November 2018



"Texts are charged at your mobile phone operator's standard rate. The charity will receive 100% of your donation. You must be 16 or over and please ask the bill payer's permission. For full terms and conditions and more information, please visit www.justgiving.com/info/terms-of-service."

# Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th September 2018

| 2016-17    |                                 |                       |   | 2017-18    |
|------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|------------|
| £          | INCOME                          |                       |   | £          |
| 59,621.66  | Donations                       |                       |   | 59,676.76  |
| 676.16     | Online donations                |                       |   | 2,279.87   |
| 60,297.82  | S.III. G GOIGHOID               |                       |   | 55,956.63  |
| 8,496.77   | Interest and divider            | nds                   |   | 11,025.38  |
| 1,804.50   | Income tax reclaimed            |                       |   | 1,763.25   |
| 301.14     | Easyfundraising and text giving |                       |   | 263.17     |
|            | Other income                    | -                     |   | 18.25      |
| 70,900.23  | Total income                    |                       |   | 69,026.68  |
|            | EXPENDITURE                     |                       |   |            |
| 231.28     | Holidays:                       | Insurance             |   | 231.28     |
| 48,819.00  |                                 | Accommodation         |   | 48,565.00  |
| 33,120.00  |                                 | Transport             |   | 33,150.00  |
| 3,840.00   |                                 | Other expenses        |   | 4,680.00   |
| 86,010.28  |                                 |                       |   | 86,626.28  |
| 1,395.61   | Administration                  |                       |   | 1,606.66   |
| 735.35     | Publicity                       |                       |   | 751.75     |
|            | Other expenditure               |                       |   |            |
| 88,141.24  | Total expenditure               |                       |   | 88,984.69  |
| -17,241.01 | Surplus (deficit) for the year  |                       |   | -19,958.01 |
| 70,900.23  |                                 |                       |   | 69,026.68  |
|            | Legacies                        |                       | £ |            |
|            | Thomas Whitehead                | •                     |   | 45,676.70  |
|            | Via Provincial Gran             | d Lodge of Nottingham |   | 350.00     |
|            |                                 |                       |   | 46,026.80  |
|            | In memoriam                     |                       | £ |            |
|            | Steve Benfield                  |                       |   | 110.00     |
|            | Jack Binks                      |                       |   | 1,056.70   |
|            | Denise Breuil                   |                       |   | 50.00      |
|            | Mary Burns                      |                       |   | 50.00      |
|            | Alan Curren                     |                       |   | 300.00     |
|            | JSD                             |                       |   | 78.00      |
|            | Margaret Horn                   |                       |   | 25.00      |
|            | Julia Rivers                    |                       |   | 90.00      |
|            |                                 |                       |   | 1,759.70   |

### **Please send donations to the Donations Treasurer:**

The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund Ruth Taylor 10 Heald Grove, Heald Green Cheadle, Cheshire SK8 3RX

I enclose a personal donation of £.....

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"Send a Child" holidays – "Far-off magic" brought close!



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