

**ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON  
TRUST FUND**

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Charity No.: 1032363

## ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND

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## **ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND**

### **Legal and Administration Information**

#### **Status**

The organisation is a Charitable Trust Fund established by the Rotary Club of Sturminster Newton on 11<sup>th</sup> January 1944 and registered with the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales on 31<sup>st</sup> January 1994.

#### **Trustees**

Alan Teasdale  
Christopher Hardiman  
Christopher Taylor  
Greg Dawson  
Nici Vining

#### **Independent Examiner**

Mr J Cowley, ACA

#### **Banks**

Lloyds Bank, Blandford Forum

## **ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND**

### **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year end 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

#### **Activities**

The Trust was established to enable the Rotary Club of Sturminster Newton to elicit funds from the public for charitable purposes and to comply with and take advantage of current legislation.

#### **Results**

The net incoming resources for the year amounted to (£23,012), resulting in a decrease in the general reserves to £124,908. In addition to the traditional range of fund raising activities the Trust was also involved in:

##### **Sturminster Newton Cheese Festival**

The Trust is the lead organisation running this annual Festival, which promotes local produce by educating those attending in a range of areas of interest.

#### **Strategy**

The Trust seeks to raise funds to support local, national and international needs on a pro-active and reactive basis.

#### **Reserves Policy**

Funds are held to meet the existing plans and commitments of the Trust and also to be in a position to respond to unexpected demands as they arise over the forthcoming year.

#### **Investment Policy**

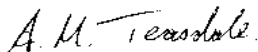
Funds are invested in interest bearing accounts to provide the optimum balance between accessibility and return, without any compromise regarding security.

#### **Risk Review**

The Trustees have conducted their own review of the major risks to which the Charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they still meet the needs of the Charity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accountancy and Reporting by Charities.

Approved by the Trustees on 10th April 2026  
and signed on their behalf by:



A M Teasdale

**ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND**  
**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of the Rotary Club of**  
**Sturminster Newton Trust Fund**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The Trustees consider that the audit requirements of Section 144 of the Charities Act do not apply and that an independent examination is required.

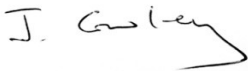
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts under Section 145 of the Act, and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



John Cowley, ACA  
Bramleys, Bath Road, Sturminster Newton, Dorset, DT10 1EB

Date: 10th April 2026

**ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure**  
**Account) for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

	Total Funds <b>2025</b> £	Total Funds <b>2024</b> £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>		
Club Trust Fund (page 7)	19,114	13,713
Cheese Festival (page 8)	128,707	114,064
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>147,821</b>	<b>127,777</b>
<b>Resources Expended</b>		
Club Trust Fund (page 6)	26,984	6,978
Cheese Festival (page 8)	143,849	108,480
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>170,833</b>	<b>115,458</b>
Net (outgoing) / incoming Resources	(23,012)	12,319
Asset revaluations	0	0
Total Funds for 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024	147,920	135,601
<b>Total Funds for 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	<b>124,908</b>	<b>147,920</b>
<b>Balance sheet Summary</b>		
<b>Fixed assets</b>	6,742	5,379
<b>Stock</b>	0	0
<b>Debtors</b>	0	0
<b>Bank balances</b>	<b>137,276</b>	<b>143,351</b>
	<b>144,018</b>	<b>148,730</b>
<b>Less: creditors</b>	<b>(19,110)</b>	<b>(810)</b>
	<b>124,908</b>	<b>147,920</b>

## ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### 1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and follow the recommendation in Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2000.

### 2. Taxation

The Trust is exempt from Corporation Tax in its charitable activities.

### 3. Tangible fixed assets

#### a. Cheese Festival

<u>Equipment</u>	£
Balance 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	4,379
Additions	3,277
Depreciation	(1,914)
Balance 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	<u>5,742</u>

#### b. Trust Account

<u>Equipment</u>	
Balance 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	1,000
Additions	0
Depreciation	0
Balance 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	<u>1,000</u>

# **ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND**

**Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£
<b>EXPENDITURE TRUST FUND</b>		
<b>Charitable Donations Trust Fund</b>		
Shelterbox	1,500	2000
Shoebox	590	511
Santa Stride	3	134
Sturminster Newton Expedition Group	2,000	0
RBL wreath	50	50
SOS Africa	762	600
D&S Air Ambulance	500	500
Sturbiz	0	30
LendWithCare	300	355
Transfer to Nepal Trust Fund Account	1,000	0
Just Giving - The Brave & Determined	110	0
Prostate Cancer UK	0	200
SSAFA - The Armed Forces Charity	0	150
School Books Project	0	568
Shillingstone School Mud Kitchens	0	300
Wessex CIO Young Carers Costs	0	200
Ukraine Fund	1,114	0
Blackmore Vale Pantry Big Give	1,075	0
The Big Lunch	42	335
Home Start Donation for Big Lunch	100	0
S N Brownies Donation for Big Lunch	100	0
SN First Responders DVDs for Big Lunch	350	0
Kids Out (with Gillingham & Shaftesbury)	936	93
District Youth Levy	72	75
African Adventures	200	200
Water Survival Boxes	500	0
Rotary Foundation - Polio Plus account	370	0
Yewstock School Minibus Donation	15,000	0
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>26,674</b>	<b>6,301</b>
<b>Misc. Charges Trust Fund</b>		
Examination of Accounts	150	0
Web Site Registration	50	50
Equipment costs (for speakers)	0	159
Plant fair costs	0	30
Venue hire for meetings	110	438
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>677</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>26,984</b>	<b>6,978</b>



**ROTARY CLUB OF STURMINSTER NEWTON TRUST FUND****Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS TRUST FUND</b>		
Shelter Box	301	558
Cheese Festival	8,000	8,000
Cheese Festival beer	3,975	2,213
Dorset Doodlers	0	0
Santa Stride	1,334	134
Shoeboxes	492	387
Dorset Village Defibrillator Society	250	0
Prostate bike ride	0	88
Ukraine	28	0
Polio Day	122	0
MuchLoved Donations (Eric Vining Memorial)	637	0
Exchange Projects	3,975	2,213
Blackmore Vale Lions	0	120
Transfers	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,114</b>	<b>13,713</b>

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**Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS Cheese Festival</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Exhibitors	36,220	40,720
Gate receipts	79,243	64,331
Programme & Advertising	0	0
Wine Bar	3,755	2,499
Cider Tent	7,238	4,926
Sponsorship and Donations	550	200
Refund of Pledges	0	0
Bank Interest	1,701	1,388
	<b>128,707</b>	<b>114,064</b>
<b>Expenditure Cheese Festival</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Marquee hire	21,930	19,977
Electrical	10,970	15,429
Gate & ticket costs	2,513	3,474
Hire of venue	812	763
On-site entertainment	4,000	3,985
PA	2,467	2,379
First Aid	2,500	2,500
Storage	1,384	1,624
Equipment hire	14,600	13,292
On-site costs	2,842	3,191
Traffic management	15,816	15,530
Refreshments	369	449
Advertising costs	3,178	1,181
Insurance	762	762
Printing, Postage and stationery	482	694
Website costs	595	490
Accountancy	360	300
Administration	384	1,557
Licences	42	42
Wi-Fi	3,600	3,600
Charitable donations (Page 10)	9,667	10,100
Donations to volunteers (Page 10)	7,020	5,702
Grant awards	17,642	0
Grant pledges	18,000	0
Depreciation	1,914	1,459
	<b>143,849</b>	<b>108,480</b>

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**Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Cheese Festival charitable donations</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
SN Rotary Club	8,000	8,000
The Exchange	167	0
Pitt Rivers Charitable Trust	1,500	1,500
Sturminster United Charities	0	400
Graham Airey Memorial Fund	0	200
<b>Total donations</b>	<b>9,667</b>	<b>10,100</b>

<b>Cheese Festival Grant Awards</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Sturminster Newton First Responders	605	0
Home Start North Dorset	1,000	0
Mosaic Supporting	1,000	0
The Blackmore Vale Pantry	1,000	0
The Big Give Vale Pantry	537	0
North Dorset Beekeepers Association	500	
The Exchange	1,000	0
SN High School Expedition Group	900	0
Hazelbury Bryan Primary School	600	0
Age Concern North Dorset	1,000	0
SN Literary Festival	300	0
Sturminster Newton Guides	1,500	0
Stur Newton Tots 'n' Toast	200	0
Sturminster Newton Churchyard Volunteers	100	0
Project Linus	100	
Future Roots NW Dorset Villages	1,000	0
Read Easy Blackmore Vale North	300	0
Yewstock School Adventure Week	1,000	0
Sturminster & Hinton Cricket Club	500	0
Three Counties Wood Turners	500	0
Portman Hall, Shillingstone	1,000	0
Stourton Caundle Village Hall	1,000	0
Hazelbury Bryan Village Hall	1,000	0
Brave & Determined Charity	300	0
William Barnes School	700	0
<b>Total donations</b>	<b>17,642</b>	<b>0</b>

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	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£
<b>Cheese Festival Grant Award Pledges</b>		
Sturminster Newton Youth Hub	2,000	0
Sturminster Newton Heritage Trust	1,000	0
Yewstock School Minibus	15,000	0
<b>Total donations</b>	<b>18,000</b>	<b>0</b>

**Cheese Festival donations to volunteers**

Blackmore Vale Lions	260	552
Blandford & Blandford Stour Rotary Club	210	432
Dorset Marshals	600	600
Hedgehog Rescue	200	192
Shaftesbury Rotary Club	0	108
Sherborne Castles Rotary Club	420	408
Sturminster Newton Boxing Club	200	100
Sturminster Newton First Responders	900	900
S N High School Expedition Group	1,350	960
Sturminster Newton Scout Group	300	500
Sturminster Rovers Football Club	500	600
Sturminster & Hinton Cricket Club	320	350
Sturminster Newton Football Club - Youth Section	250	0
Sturminster Newton High School 6th Form	1,000	0
Sturminster Newton Girl Guides	140	0
The Ark, Child Okeford	200	0
Sturminster Newton Stepping Stones	120	0
Dorchester Keep Military Museum	50	0
	<b>7,020</b>	<b>5,702</b>