

**MUSGROVE LEUKAEMIC GROUP SOMERSET**  
**Raising funds for the benefit of Patients in Somerset**

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1036580**

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**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

Charity name: Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset  
Registered Charity number: 1036580  
Charity's principal address: 16 Durleigh Road  
BRIDGWATER  
Somerset  
TA6 7HR

Trustees: Mrs Patricia Reed (Chairperson)  
Miss Jane Allin (Secretary)  
Mrs Maureen Hudson  
Mrs Margaret Smith  
Mr Bernard Reed (Treasurer)  
Mrs Pat Cornish  
Mr David Edwards

Professional Advisors  
Bankers: National Westminster Bank plc  
26/27 Fore Street  
TAUNTON  
Somerset

Independent Examiner: Monahans  
Chartered Accountants  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Whitefriars  
Lewins Mead  
BRISTOL  
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**STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset is a registered charity and has been constituted as an unincorporated association governed by a formal constitution. A copy of the constitution may be obtained on application to the Secretary.

Trustees are elected at each Annual General Meeting but retiring Trustees are eligible for re-election. The Officers may hold office until retirement or by removal at an Annual General Meeting.

Co-opted Trustees may be appointed by the Committee at any time and generally have special knowledge or experience with leukaemia or related conditions. They may serve for such period as decided by the Committee or by their retirement.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

***The Charity's Objectives and activities for the Public Benefit***

The objects of the Group are to relieve persons suffering from Leukaemia and associated conditions by assisting and funding the treatments and welfare of such persons at Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton Somerset or any other area authorised by the medical staff.

The Group carries out these objects by:

Sponsoring the medical staff that are considered key by the Somerset NHS Foundation Trust to maintaining Musgrove Park Hospital as a centre for the treatment of Leukaemia and other related diseases.

The grants made to nursing staff for training are in an aspect which when completed will enhance the experience of Leukaemia patients whilst receiving treatment for Leukaemia and other related diseases.

The purchase of equipment and furniture is made following recommendations from the medical staff with a view to improving the quality of the treatment and the emotional and physical well-being of both suffers and relatives.

***Charity Organisation and History***

The Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset was launched in 1978 and is run completely by unpaid volunteers who absorb all their own personal expenses. There are no paid Officers and overheads are kept to an absolute minimum thereby ensuring that most of the funds raised goes to the Haematology Unit at Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton. The hospital has become a major centre in the South West for the diagnosis and treatment of leukaemia and related blood disorders.

In general the aims of the Group are as follows:

- i) To maintain Musgrove Park Hospital as a major centre for the diagnosis and treatment of leukaemia and related blood disorders by the most up-to-date techniques.
- ii) To keep the public informed on progress being made on the diagnosis and treatment of these diseases.

The Group meets regularly in Bridgwater and Taunton.

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Policy is discussed at both Group and Committee meetings, but the Committee has the duty to manage the Group and the power to ultimately make executive decisions.

The Group has area representatives covering Somerset at Bridgwater, Burnham on Sea, Chard and Ilminster, Minehead, Taunton, and Wellington. The area representatives act as local contacts organising events and visiting various businesses, people or other organisations as required. In turn they report back to Group meetings on a regular basis.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

### ***Chairperson's Report***

I reported last year that an ambulatory room had been established in Ward 9 and the Group were funding various pieces of equipment. The facility has proved very successful and additional CADD pumps, a bladder and cardiac monitors have been purchased.

The NHS Trust are refurbishing Ward 9, so temporarily the unit has been moved to Parkside. Whilst the alterations are being carried out the conversion of the bathroom to a shower room that the MLGS agreed to fund should be completed.

Financial pressure can be a burden for some patients and the Group has established a Hardship fund to which patients can apply for assistance through the nursing team.

The Musgrove Leukaemic Group continue to sponsor a pool car to enable the hematology nurses to provide chemotherapy to patients in Bridgwater and Wellington hospitals. In the prior year, two years' worth of expense was paid in advance.

The appointment of Kelly Savva as a reflexologist on Ward 9 has been well received by the patients. The sponsorship of that post and the partial salary support of the nurse practitioner are ongoing projects that the Group support.

Funds are held to support these projects and any other project that falls within our constitution to enable the Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust to meet the needs of the patients.

I would like to thank the officers and committee members for their continued commitment.

**Tricia Reed**  
**Chairperson**

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***Consultant's Report***

Welcome to all and I am pleased to report that the MLGS continues to strengthen. While the NHS is always under pressure often asked to deliver more than is realistically capable of, it is reassuring to know that the people of Somerset and former patients continue to support our endeavours to help deliver the best possible service for our haemato-oncology patients. The patient feedback surveys report excellent high standards which the department is very proud of.

Since last year the department has seen stable staffing levels and been able to keep up with the demands of the ever increasing service. I am very grateful to the all the staff- doctors, nurses and allied health professionals- for their on-going commitments. This has been aided in significant part to the generosity of the MLGS.

The revolution in haematology and cancer drugs shows no sign of abating with ongoing less toxic treatments continuing to be developed and made available on the NHS. Terminal diagnoses have now in many cases become chronic long-lived conditions or highly curable. Patients who were too 'unfit' for the toxic treatments now have options to improve longevity and quality of life.

The MLGS continues to be financially very secure and able to offer many improvements to assist in patient care:

- Further refurbishment of the Day Unit with new reclining chairs has continued.
- The ambulatory care unit is now fully operational - a long time in gestation requiring significant convincing of the trust management- providing patients a chance to reduce inpatient stays. We are proud to have helped refurbish the unit and provide equipment for this.
- The most successful innovation is the development of the hardship fund – available to all our patients who would receive grants to be eligible for funds to use for travel for appointments for treatment or travel to their transplant centre. This considerably reduced the stress for patient who struggle financially and due to illness are not able to go back to work.
- Your generosity has enabled a reflexologist to attend Ward 9 weekly and provide complimentary therapy to patients
- The conversion of the old bathroom on Ward 9 has provided a wet room and toilet
- As part of our exciting new project regarding prehabilitation of patients with acute leukaemia we have been able to purchase grip measure to allow fitness assessment.

I once again am overwhelmed by the generosity of the local population with all the donations as well as the time and effort of fund raising. The department remains indebted to have the support of the MLGS and we will continue to treat our patients with the best care and dignity available.

**Deepak Mannari**  
**Consultant Haematology 16 May 2025.**

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

***Treasurers Report***

The total raised for the year ended 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 amounted to £54,609.

The total expenditure for the year ended 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 is £95,196.

The total raised since formation as at the 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2025 is £4,131,806.

The year ending February 2025 has seen a level of fundraising that reflects the Groups limited ability to generate funds. Unfortunately, this will become the norm going forward, therefore the continued support of our regular contributors, donors, and friends plus the dedicated work of the Trustees and Members is essential to enable the Group to continue to support projects at Musgrove Park Hospital.

The Trustees, members and volunteers absorb all their own expenses, so overheads are minimal and are currently under 1% of funds raised.

The Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset is in a sound financial position because of the retained funds held.

Detailed accounts are attached for inspection.

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**Reserves Policy**

Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset (MLGS) retains reserves, and this document explains our policy.

In defining this policy the Trustees have considered:

- 1) Income forecasts for future years taking into account the reliability of each source of income and the potential for securing new income from alternative sources.
- 2) Expenditure forecasts for future years.
- 3) The need to hold reserves should a medical breakthrough necessitate the urgent purchase of new equipment.
- 4) The need to hold reserves to meet our immediate commitments should income levels drastically fall.

The Group attempts to maintain reserves of approximately £200,000, which is represented by cash on short-term deposit and in the Group bank accounts. The present level of retained funds results from several legacies received in the financial year ending 2022, it is not the trustees intention to hold these funds as reserves.

The Group believes it is prudent to keep this level of surplus to:

- 1) Ensure the Group can maintain its commitment to fund research salaries and consumables for year periods and to be able to so even if income levels should substantially fall for a period sufficient to allow alternative arrangements to be made.
- 2) To provide equipment on urgent request if the need should arise.
- 3) To act as a buffer against any unforeseen eventuality.

Our levels of reserves are constantly monitored and reviewed both at Group meetings and Committee meetings.

The present level of Reserves is considered appropriate to enable the Group to meet our commitments for the financial year ending 2026. The legacies received in 2022 has resulted in the Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset being in a strong financial position.

**Bernard Reed**  
**Hon. Treasurer.**

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**Trustees' annual report**

The Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset (MLGS) was formed in April 1978 by parents whose children were undergoing treatment for leukaemia. Due to the limited facilities at Musgrove Park Hospital they had to visit hospitals in Southampton and Bristol for treatment, placing severe strain on the families.

The present Trustees are a group of people continuing to fundraise to improve the facilities for leukaemia and lymphoma patients and their families in Somerset.

The funds raised by the MLGS are utilised to purchase equipment for the wards to improve the experience of patients whilst undergoing treatment.

The MLGS has now raised over £4 Million, 95% of which has/is being made available to Musgrove Park Hospitals' Haematology/Oncology and Children's Unit because all the Trustees and members services are voluntary.

The Trustees will work with the medical team to provide facilities to improve the patient experience whilst they are receiving treatment.

The funds are raised by various means but principally from donations including legacies, collections, and other fundraising events.

Our aim is to continue to raise funds to improve the hospital experience for leukaemia and lymphoma patients.

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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

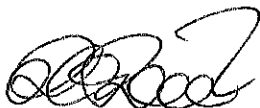
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operational existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**DECLARATION**

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



**Tricia Reed**  
**Chair**

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset**

I report on the accounts of Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset for the year ended 28 February 2025 which are set out on pages 9 to 13.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145 (5) (b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state 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 Commission. An examination includes a 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**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 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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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Date: 24/7/2025

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE</b>					
<b>Incoming Resources</b>					
Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources:					
Donations		12,043	-	12,043	10,671
Fund Raising		6,355	-	6,355	8,242
Collections		1,142	-	1,142	1,558
Covenants & Gift Aid (including tax recovered)		1,920	-	1,920	2,405
Investment Income:					
Bank Interest		33,149	-	33,149	24,938
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>54,609</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,609</b>	<b>47,814</b>
<b>Resources Expended</b>					
	Note				
Direct Charitable Expenditure	2	93,425	-	93,425	24,743
Fund Raising and Publicity	3	681	-	681	209
Management and Administration	4	1,090	-	1,090	986
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		<b>95,196</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95,196</b>	<b>25,938</b>
<b>NET (OUT)/INFLOW OF RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR AND MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>(40,587)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(40,587)</b>	<b>21,876</b>
Balance brought forward at 1 March 2024		911,269	-	911,269	889,393
<b>BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025</b>		<b>870,682</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>870,682</b>	<b>911,269</b>

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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

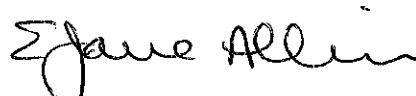
	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	5	623	722
Short term deposits		800,000	750,000
Cash at bank and in hand		114,174	160,967
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		914,797	911,689
<b>CREDITORS:</b> Amounts falling due within one year	6	44,115	420
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<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>		870,682	911,269
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Funded by:			
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>			
General Fund	7	870,682	911,269
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These accounts approved by the Trustees on.

9/7/25



**Bernard Reed**  
**Treasurer**  
**For and on behalf of the Trustees**



**Jane Allin**  
**Secretary**

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**a) Accounting basis and standards**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Charities SORP (FRS102) (Accounting and Reporting by Charities) and comply with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 issued under the Charities Act 2011.

**b) Voluntary Income**

Voluntary income is received from a number of sources, including donations, collections and other fund raising events. Such income is included in full in the income and expenditure account when received.

**c) Restricted and Unrestricted Funds**

Where appropriate, the accounts distinguish between restricted and unrestricted funds. The former are received from donors and are subject to restrictions on the purpose for which they may be used. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions which the charity may use at its discretion to achieve its objectives.

In the opinion of the Officers the Charity does not operate any restricted funds.

**d) Short Term Deposits**

Short term deposits represent monies placed on deposit with National Westminster Bank Treasury Reserve Centre.

**e) Bank Interest**

Bank Interest is credited to the income and expenditure account when received.

**f) Covenants**

Covenants are credited to the income and expenditure account when received. Provision is made for recoverable income tax arising from the covenants.

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**g) Taxation**

Musgrove Leukaemic Group Somerset is a registered charity and the results of its normal activities are not liable to corporation tax.

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2025</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>2 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>				
(Amounts payable in furtherance of the Charities objects):				
Clinical unit grants	90,245	-	<b>90,245</b>	19,259
Complimentary medicine grants	3,180	-	<b>3,180</b>	-
Chemotherapy pool car grant	-	-	-	5,484
	<hr/> 93,425	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>93,425</b>	<hr/> 24,743
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The above grants were made in support of Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton.

**3 FUND RAISING AND PUBLICITY**

Fund raising costs	480	-	<b>480</b>	-
Publications	201	-	<b>201</b>	209
	<hr/> 681	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>681</b>	<hr/> 209
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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
<b>4 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF CHARITY</b>				
Public liability insurance	580	-	580	566
Independent examiners fees	480	-	480	420
Letterhead paper	30	-	30	-
	<hr/> 1,090	<hr/> -	<hr/> 1,090	<hr/> 986
<b>5 DEBTORS</b>				
Income tax recoverable			623	722
			<hr/>	<hr/>
<b>6 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</b>				
Accountancy accrual			450	420
Clinical unit grants accrual			43,665	-
			<hr/> 44,115	<hr/> 420
			<hr/>	<hr/>
		<b>Balance</b>	<b>Net movement</b>	<b>Balance</b>
		<b>1.3.24</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>28.2.25</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>7 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
General Fund		911,269	(40,587)	870,682
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