

# WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY

England & Wales · Charity number 1048659

## Details

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Other names	WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH NHS TRUST CHARITIES, THREE WISHES
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1995-08-15
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** SEE INDIVIDUAL CONSTITUENTS

**Activities:** The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Service Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the general public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.

## Classification

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- **How:** Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups

## Geography

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- Wigan

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£289,423	£324,941	-	-
2024-03-31	£389,095	£361,309	-	-
2023-03-31	£95,038	£199,561	-	-
2022-03-31	£212,252	£323,281	-	-
2021-03-31	£547,683	£195,663	£1,419,060	0

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
WRIGHTINGTON WIGAN & LEIGH NHS FOUNDATION TRUST		

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## Linked charities

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- WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH CHARITY FUND (1048659-1)
- BILLINGE HOSPITAL GENERAL PATIENTS CHARITY (1048659-10)
- BILLINGE HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT CHARITY (1048659-11)
- BILLINGE HOSPITAL WARDS / UNITS CHARITY (1048659-12)
- BILLINGE HOSPITAL GENERAL STAFF COMFORTS AND EDUCATION CHARITY (1048659-13)
- LEIGH INFIRMARY EQUIPMENT CHARITY (1048659-14)
- LEIGH INFIRMARY RESEARCH CHARITY (1048659-15)
- LEIGH INFIRMARY WARDS / UNITS CHARITY (1048659-16)
- LEIGH INFIRMARY GENERAL STAFF COMFORTS AND EDUCATION CHARITY (1048659-17)
- LEIGH INFIRMARY GENERAL PATIENTS CHARITY (1048659-18)
- COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES EQUIPMENT CHARITY (1048659-19)
- WHELLEY HOSPITAL GENERAL STAFF COMFORTS AND EDUCATION CHARITY (1048659-2)
- COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES GENERAL STAFF COMFORTS AND EDUCATION CHARITY (1048659-20)
- COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES GENERAL PATIENTS CHARITY (1048659-21)
- THE WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH HEALTH SERVICES NHS TRUST (EXPENDABLE FUNDS) COMMON INVESTMENT FUND (1048659-22)
- RADIO DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING CHARITY (1048659-23)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL HIP RESEARCH (1048659-24)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL KNEE RESEARCH (1048659-25)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL BONE CEMENT RESEARCH (1048659-26)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL PATIENT AMENITIES (1048659-27)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL NURSING RESEARCH INTEREST GROUP (1048659-28)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL SPINAL RESEARCH (1048659-29)
- WHELLEY HOSPITAL WARDS / UNITS CHARITY (1048659-3)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL HAND AND UPPER LIMB RESEARCH (1048659-30)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL STAFF AMENITIES (1048659-31)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL KINEMATIC RESEARCH (1048659-32)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL RHEUMATOLOGY EDUCATION FUND (1048659-33)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH (1048659-34)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL HYDROTHERAPY POOL FUND (1048659-35)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL MOBILITY CENTRE (1048659-36)
- WRIGHTINGTON HOSPITAL FOOT AND ANKLE RESEARCH CHARITY (1048659-37)
- WHELLEY HOSPITAL GENERAL PATIENTS CHARITY (1048659-4)

- ROYAL ALBERT EDWARD INFIRMARY EQUIPMENT CHARITY (1048659-5)
- ROYAL ALBERT EDWARD INFIRMARY RESEARCH CHARITY (1048659-6)
- ROYAL ALBERT EDWARD INFIRMARY GENERAL PATIENTS CHARITY (1048659-7)
- ROYAL ALBERT EDWARD INFIRMARY WARDS / UNITS CHARITY (1048659-8)
- ROYAL ALBERT EDWARD INFIRMARY GENERAL STAFF COMFORTS AND EDUCATION CHARITY (1048659-9)

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# Accounts

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# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts

For the year to 31st March 2025

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

Registered Charity No. 1048659



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## Chair’s welcome

I am delighted to present the 2024/25 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

This year we have once again had the great pleasure of working with colleagues throughout the Foundation Trust who so generously gave up their time to take part in fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on pages 4 to 11.

On behalf of the Charitable Trust Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors, and staff.

Francine Thorpe, Interim Chair



# Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters is heartwarming and inspiring. All donations received make a real difference to our patients.

We are immensely grateful to the many generous and committed members of our community who have helped to raise funds for our Charity. On behalf of our service users, carers, and staff we send our appreciation to everyone who has helped to make 2024-25 a successful year.

## Fundraiser Stories

Whilst the Charity does not employ a dedicated fundraising manager, fundraising is encouraged throughout the Foundation Trust and we have been fortunate to have received support from both the public and employees of the hospital in raising funds for the Charity this year.

The following highlights some of the fundraising events that took place this year.

### Manchester 10k

After Kate delivered her daughter at 32 weeks she wants to give back to the neonatal to help other parents going through similar situations

Kate ran the 10k after only giving birth 16 weeks before and raised over £1,000 for the unit. This has allowed the unit to purchase 5 nanny blankets, which monitors the baby's breathing when out of an incubator which is vital equipment for the unit.



## Community Assessment Unit

Our CAU team raised £569 by doing an Easter raffle to raise money for equipment for their upcoming patient engagement sessions. This enabled the unit to purchase equipment to engage their patients and get them moving.



## Tesco Wigan

Tesco Wigan raised £422.50 for our In Pink campaign for breast screening where funds raised will go towards improving patient experience within breast screening at Thomas Linacre Centre.



## Outpatients Teams

Our Outpatients teams are some of our biggest supporters and regularly hold raffles and have events. This year there have been numerous raffles including at Easter and they also held a "Time for a Cuppa" Event raising £581.00 for specialist services. All the staff on Outpatients at Leigh donated items for a Christmas raffle. There were three hampers to be won, and one was kindly donated by the fruit and veg stall that visits WWL sites. A total of £315.05 was raised and all money donated to Specialist Services. Big thankyou to all staff involved throughout 24/25 and of course everyone that bought tickets and got involved.



## WWL Euro Football competition

In lead up to The UEFA European Football Championship of 2024 starting, the Steps4Wellness team hosted their own WWL Euros 2024 5-a-side football tournament. The tournament took place on Wednesday 5th June at St Peters High School, Orrell, Wigan. With all proceeds going to the Trust's Three Wishes charity, they raised £175 towards our healthcare heroes fund, which is a fantastic achievement.



## Sofology – “George Odair Annual Hike”

In memory of their Sofologist, George Adair, who passed away. George, better known as Porgy by his mum, left behind his Mum, Dad and brother. George’s kind, caring nature, dry sense of humour, terrible taste in music, and even his obsession with Everton, will be deeply missed by Pete, the wider parts team and many other special friends that George made in his 6 years with the business. In his memory the team decided to do a hike to raise funds and raised around £5000 with an initial target of £500. They have decided to make this an annual event in memory of their colleague and friend which will benefit Orrell Ward.



## Cancer care Christmas party fundraiser

On the 12th December they had a Christmas evening support group for the Metastatic Breast Patients and their families at the Wigan Cricket club, and it was a great success which raised over £300.

It was run by Kate Tomkinson Specialist Secondary Breast Nurse, Nicola Dawber Secondary Breast support worker, Kathryn Holroyd Macmillan information Deputy Manager, Phillip Maxwell Acute oncology nurse & Hannah Reid Trainee Breast & Bowel ANP. They had a raffle that had some amazing prizes donated from local shops such as Omniplex Cinema, Wigan Warriors, Café Nero, Boots, Uncle joes mint balls etc. All the money was donated to the WWL Charitable funds for the cancer care services. They had entertainment from the Pemberton Brass band and the Friday Feeling singers who came free of Charge for the event. There was a little Christmas Market that was attended by Missysbeautybakes, Prevent breast cancer, Jaks candles & Crafts, Bows by Chrstine, Crafty Claire & Dominiques Wax melts.

Patients feedback “What a great night it was last night, Thanks to the staff for everything they do for us you really are the best” “I had a great time, up dancing.... Trust me I never dance” “First time, had a fabulous night, Me & my daughter loved it” “Had a wonderful night. Thanks to the team for organising it, looking forward to seeing everyone at the next support group”.



## Haigh Aspull and Blackrod Christmas Tractor Run

Haigh Aspull and Blackrod Christmas Tractor Run raised over £5,500 for our babies and childrens fund.

The event had a convoy of Tractors all displaying lights and christmas displays, had a pizza van, raffle and even Santa made an appearance! As well as this a local school "Aspull church Primary School" joined in and also raised money for the cause.



## Christmas Jumper

Summat to Ate chose us as their charity and their staff donated all their tips from a Christmas jumper day which they matched to make a donation of over £200 for our babies and childrens fund.



## Raffles and collection tins

Various departments across the trust have done Raffles and Tombolas over the year to raise money. Along with our collection tins this has raised in excess of £8,000. We would like to say WELL DONE to these departments and thank you for your continued support.

## Fundraising Heroes

Several successful Just Giving pages have been created over the year to raise funds for our Charity and we are extremely grateful to all of those who have chosen Three Wishes as their Charity of choice.

We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our local community; the people of Wigan are constantly fundraising for Three Wishes, and we are extremely grateful for all support and help. Whilst we thank every one of you, we would like to say a special thank you to those who donated to the following Just Giving pages which have generated over £1,000 in donations:

- Haigh, Aspull and Blackrod Tractor run, £5,372.31 was raised for Babies and Childrens
- Otis Voice, £4,074.59 was raised for Babies and Childrens
- Sofology's Fundraiser in memory of George Odair. £6,125.71 for our Surgery Fund
- 4 rounds of golf in 24 hours, £2,334.97 was raised for our Cancer Care fund.

## Campaigns

### Otis Voice

During the year the Charity's Otis' Voice campaign was launched and raised over £4,000. The aim of this campaign is the make WWL more accessible to all in particular our paediatric A&E department. Jessie who is one of our "lived patient experience" volunteers has launched the campaign with her son Otis as the focus with the aim being that any child accessing the hospital will all receive the same experience and that their patient experience should be tailored to their needs.

The goal is to create a space in paediatric A&E where any child who needs it can access a quiet space which meets all their needs.

## The difference we make to our patients.

During the year, the Charity spent £287k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting hospital.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below.

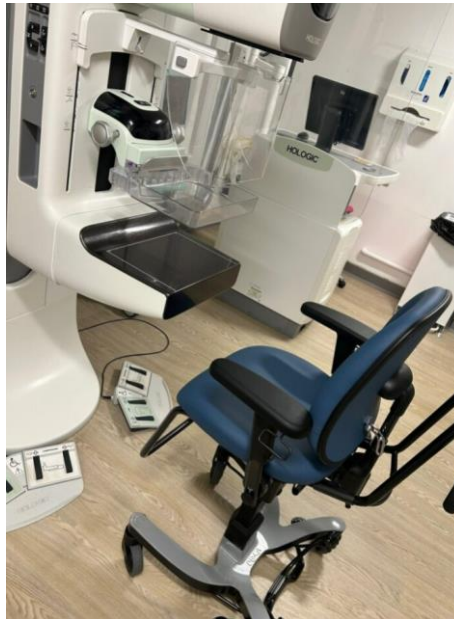
### ECG Machines, Philips Efficia Monitors and Bladder Scanner

The charity has purchased 7 ECG machines, 3 Efficia Monitors and 1 bladder scanner in 24/25 which are being used at both Royal Albert Edward infirmary and Wrightington. In being able to purchase these machines this has allowed ECGs to be performed quicker and has led to a reduction in the time a patient is complaining of chest pain whilst awaiting treatment. The additional bladder scanner has again sped up diagnosis and enable patients to be discharged more timely. The monitors are being used in the Cardiac Cath Lab and are of a greater quality for monitoring patients whilst in the lab.



## Mammography Chairs

The purchase of the chairs allows any patient with any physical restrictions to be imaged in an electric manoeuvrable chair. This allows the patient to feel more comfortable and allows the radiographer to be able to perform a mammogram to a high diagnostic quality to aid in the detection of Breast Cancer or Breast abnormalities. The purchase of the Mammography Chairs has created a positive imaging experience for patients with physical restrictions to be imaged to a high diagnostic standard to assist in the detection of Breast Cancer. This will in turn encourage reattendance of Breast Screening appointments for patients with physical restrictions.



## Jolly Trolley

The jolly trolley was purchased for our community assessment unit. The aim being to get patients up and moving whilst enjoying themselves. It is an interactive resource which includes karaoke!



Throughout the year we have also purchased a doppler tilt table for cardiology, stress balls, essential oils and aromatherapy inhalers for chemotherapy patients, portable massage chairs for cancer patients, a CPR chest compression device which aids CPR in emergency situations, upgraded relatives and staff rooms, clinicart trolleys, bariatric wheelchairs, chemo pumps, gym equipment for physios, hand print kits and lots more. We value every donation made to allow us to purchase everything that we do.

## Future Plans

At the time of preparing the Annual Report and Accounts for 2024/25 the Charity is working on delivering its 5-year strategy to support the long-term growth and resilience of the Charity.

After working with a local fundraising professional and some key themes emerging we have implemented some plans for going into 25/26. We will have a charity manager who will be responsible for updating policies and encouraging fundraising, as well as working with the wider organisation to encourage Three Wishes to become the charity of choice and to encourage the wider Wigan Borough to become engaged with the charity.

Raising funds is challenging; the cost of living is placing extra burdens on households and there are a number of charitable organisations competing for extra resources in our area. We aim to address this by undertaking a stepped approach to addressing these challenges from quick wins in the short term, to consolidating donations from significant and longer-term sources, with targeted and sustainable growth being the final aim.

We are excited about where this journey will take us and look forward to supporting the hospital we serve in achieving their vision of providing the best possible healthcare for the local population of the Wigan Borough and surrounding areas through the funds that we generate. Looking into 25/26 we are excited to start a partnership with Baby G who will raise money for Neonatal and is going to be purchasing 2 larger items for us in 25/26. We will also be launching a campaign for our Pearl Suite on maternity which is a project to update our bereavement room for families, and we will also be “opening” our new Bioskills lab which has been funded through Wrightington Wish this year.

# Objectives of the Charity

## Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”.*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

## Structure, governance, and management

### Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee’s legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit and independently determine the Charity’s strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The Charity adopted the working name ‘Three Wishes’ in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

### Charitable Trust Committee

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, (“the Charity”) in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees’ Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Committee as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Committee act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

## Independence

To retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Committee membership comprises of:

- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors, one of whom shall be Chair.
- Chief Finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning

The members of the Charitable Trust Committee who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above.

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Committee and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

## Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2024/25 and contained within the Corporate Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

## Public interest benefit

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

## Management and delegation

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

## Reference and administrative details

### Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is.

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

### Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by Finance located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

### Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

### Board of Directors

Mark Jones	Chair
Mary Fleming	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Juliet Tait	Chief People Officer
Sarah Brennan (from 9 Sep 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Claire Wannell (to 30 Jun 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Tabitha Gardner	Chief Finance Officer
Richard Mundon	Deputy CEO
Kevin Parker-Evans	Chief Nurse
Paul Howard (to 31 Dec 24)	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller	Director of Communications
Nigel Kee (from 8 Jul 24 to 27 Sep 24)	Interim Chief Operating Officer
Clare Austin	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Mark Wilkinson (from 1 Nov 24)	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite (to 31 Oct 24)	Non-Executive Director
Simon Holden (from 1 Jul 24)	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Lobley (to 31 Dec 24)	Non-Executive Director
Francine Thorpe	Non-Executive Director
Julie Gill	Non-Executive Director
Mary Moore	Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 except where indicated. Mark Jones retired on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025, and Francine Thorpe is the Interim Chair.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also can seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

## Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2024/25

### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Committee.

Income and expenditure are monitored at Charitable Trust Committee as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss the audit of the charity accounts and risk related matters.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 was unrestricted £1,176k (£1,211k, 2023/24) and restricted £19k (£19k, 2023/24).

To meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £16k for 2024/25 (£24k, 2023/24).

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

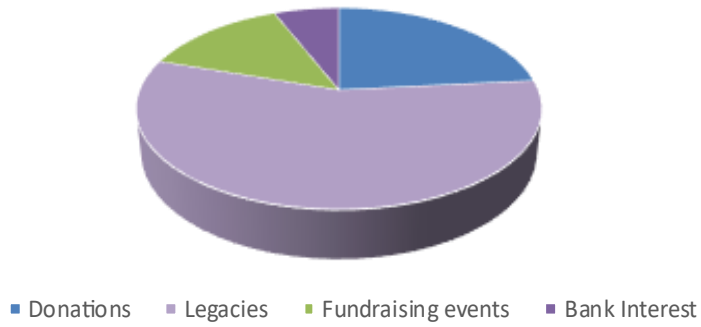
## Annual review of income and expenditure

### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

Total income for 2024/25 as per the graph below, was £290k (£389k, 2023/24) of which legacy income totalled £164k (£79k, 2023/24)

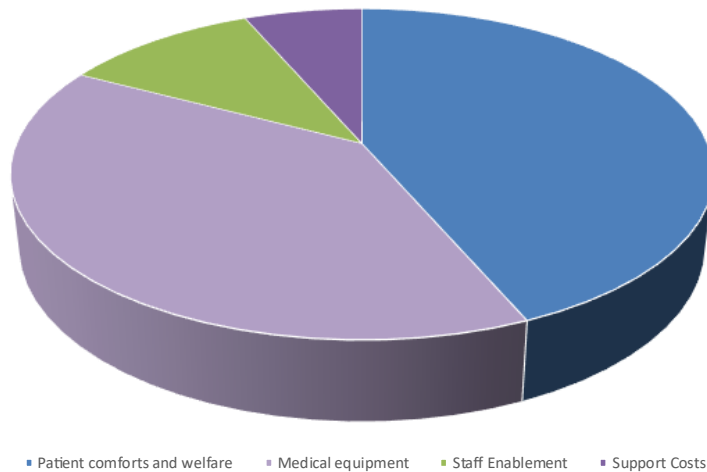
### Income received as at 31 March 2025



### Resources Expended

Total expenditure for the year was £324k (£362k, 2023/24) broken down as per the graph below:

### Expenditure as at 31 March 2025



## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
  - Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 23 to 33 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### **By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee**

Simon Holden,  
Non-Executive Director



Date: 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report as the charity's trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2011 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



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13<sup>th</sup> January 2026

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	232	0	232	348
Income from charitable activities	4	40	0	40	23
Income from investments	5	18	0	18	18
<b>Total</b>		<b>290</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>389</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	6	(1)	0	(1)	(1)
Charitable activities	9	(324)	0	(324)	(361)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(325)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>(362)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(35)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(35)</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(35)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(35)</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		1,211	19	1,230	1,203
Net movements in funds for the year		(35)	0	(35)	27
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,176</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,230</b>

# Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	11	6	0	6	27	0	27
Cash	12	1,212	20	1,232	1,192	24	1,216
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,218</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,238</b>	<b>1,219</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,243</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditor Accruals	13	(43)	0	(43)	(13)	0	(13)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,175</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,175</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	17	0	19	19	0	19	19
Unrestricted income funds	17	1,176	0	1,176	1,211	0	1,211
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,176</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,230</b>

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

Simon Holden  
Non-Executive Director



Date: 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	15	(2)	0	(2)	9
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Interest received		18	0	18	18
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		16	0	16	27
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,192	24	1,216	1,216
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<b>1,208</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>1,243</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

The Charity holds two types of funds. Unrestricted and restricted.

Unrestricted funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes by keeping the benefit within the donors chosen division with spending decisions being delegated to those divisions.

Designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 18.

## 1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

## 1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

## 1.6 Incoming resources from legacies

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted.
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

## 1.7 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

## 1.8 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

## **1.9 Charitable activities**

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 9.

## **1.10 Tangible fixed assets**

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost.

## **1.11 Financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## **1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

## **2 Related party**

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Committee or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance.

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Donations	68	0	68	269	0	269
Legacies	164	0	164	79	0	79
<b>Total</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>348</b>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Fundraising events	40	0	40	23	0	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Bank Interest	18	0	18	18	0	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

### 6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Just Giving costs	1	0	1	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## 7 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals and did not receive any grant income during the year.

## 8 Analysis of staff costs

The Charity does not directly employ any members of staff.

## 9 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	£'000
Patient comforts and welfare	141	0	0	0	10	0	151	0	151
Medical equipment	12	0	115	0	9	0	136	0	136
Staff enablement	35	0	0	0	2	0	37	0	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>324</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

Prior year comparatives are detailed below:

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	£'000
Patient comforts and welfare	167	0	0	0	11	0	178	0	178
Medical equipment	21	0	141	0	12	0	174	0	174
Staff enablement	8	0	0	0	1	0	9	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

## 9.1 Support and Governance Costs

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Financial Administration and governance	22	0	22	16	0	16
Independent Examination	2	0	2	2	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

## 10 Independent Examiners Remuneration

The estimated Independent Examiners' remuneration of £1,800 and which is inclusive of VAT (£1,800 2023/24) relates solely to the independent examination of these accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

## 11 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Accrued income	6	0	6	27	0	27
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>

## 12 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Cash in bank	1,212	20	1,232	1,192	24	1,216
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,216</b>

All cash balances are held in a NatWest current account.

### 13 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Creditor Accruals	(43)	0	(43)	(13)	0	(13)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(43)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(43)</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(13)</b>

### 14 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Net income income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	(35)	0	(35)	27
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Interest receivable	(18)	0	(18)	(18)
(Increase) in debtors	21	0	21	0
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	30	0	30	0
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>9</b>

### 15 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

### 16 Commitments

The Charity has no commitments undisclosed in the Balance Sheet.

## 17 Analysis of Material Funds

The Charity has 13 funds. Individual funds with material balances, are detailed below:

	01-Apr-24 balance b/f	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	31-Mar-25 balance c/f
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>				
Leigh Legacy	19	0	0	19
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
Babies and Children	38	41	(28)	51
Cancer Care	220	87	(73)	234
Heart and Lung	345	61	(83)	323
Minds and Memory	95	3	(1)	97
Patients Wish	77	12	(18)	71
Wrightington Wish	343	15	(67)	291
Other Unrestricted Funds	93	71	(55)	109
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>1,176</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>1,195</b>

The objectives of material funds held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 are detailed below:

- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and the Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports babies and children services across all sites including Rainbow Ward and the Neonatal Unit.
- Minds and Memories looks after our Elderly patients including dementia and stroke services.



# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts

For the year to 31st March 2025

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

Registered Charity No. 1048659



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## Chair’s welcome

I am delighted to present the 2024/25 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

This year we have once again had the great pleasure of working with colleagues throughout the Foundation Trust who so generously gave up their time to take part in fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on pages 4 to 11.

On behalf of the Charitable Trust Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors, and staff.

Francine Thorpe, Interim Chair



# Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters is heartwarming and inspiring. All donations received make a real difference to our patients.

We are immensely grateful to the many generous and committed members of our community who have helped to raise funds for our Charity. On behalf of our service users, carers, and staff we send our appreciation to everyone who has helped to make 2024-25 a successful year.

## Fundraiser Stories

Whilst the Charity does not employ a dedicated fundraising manager, fundraising is encouraged throughout the Foundation Trust and we have been fortunate to have received support from both the public and employees of the hospital in raising funds for the Charity this year.

The following highlights some of the fundraising events that took place this year.

### Manchester 10k

After Kate delivered her daughter at 32 weeks she wants to give back to the neonatal to help other parents going through similar situations

Kate ran the 10k after only giving birth 16 weeks before and raised over £1,000 for the unit. This has allowed the unit to purchase 5 nanny blankets, which monitors the baby's breathing when out of an incubator which is vital equipment for the unit.



## Community Assessment Unit

Our CAU team raised £569 by doing an Easter raffle to raise money for equipment for their upcoming patient engagement sessions. This enabled the unit to purchase equipment to engage their patients and get them moving.



## Tesco Wigan

Tesco Wigan raised £422.50 for our In Pink campaign for breast screening where funds raised will go towards improving patient experience within breast screening at Thomas Linacre Centre.



## Outpatients Teams

Our Outpatients teams are some of our biggest supporters and regularly hold raffles and have events. This year there have been numerous raffles including at Easter and they also held a "Time for a Cuppa" Event raising £581.00 for specialist services. All the staff on Outpatients at Leigh donated items for a Christmas raffle. There were three hampers to be won, and one was kindly donated by the fruit and veg stall that visits WWL sites. A total of £315.05 was raised and all money donated to Specialist Services. Big thankyou to all staff involved throughout 24/25 and of course everyone that bought tickets and got involved.



## WWL Euro Football competition

In lead up to The UEFA European Football Championship of 2024 starting, the Steps4Wellness team hosted their own WWL Euros 2024 5-a-side football tournament. The tournament took place on Wednesday 5th June at St Peters High School, Orrell, Wigan. With all proceeds going to the Trust's Three Wishes charity, they raised £175 towards our healthcare heroes fund, which is a fantastic achievement.



## Sofology – “George Odair Annual Hike”

In memory of their Sofologist, George Adair, who passed away. George, better known as Porgy by his mum, left behind his Mum, Dad and brother. George’s kind, caring nature, dry sense of humour, terrible taste in music, and even his obsession with Everton, will be deeply missed by Pete, the wider parts team and many other special friends that George made in his 6 years with the business. In his memory the team decided to do a hike to raise funds and raised around £5000 with an initial target of £500. They have decided to make this an annual event in memory of their colleague and friend which will benefit Orrell Ward.



## Cancer care Christmas party fundraiser

On the 12th December they had a Christmas evening support group for the Metastatic Breast Patients and their families at the Wigan Cricket club, and it was a great success which raised over £300.

It was run by Kate Tomkinson Specialist Secondary Breast Nurse, Nicola Dawber Secondary Breast support worker, Kathryn Holroyd Macmillan information Deputy Manager, Phillip Maxwell Acute oncology nurse & Hannah Reid Trainee Breast & Bowel ANP. They had a raffle that had some amazing prizes donated from local shops such as Omniplex Cinema, Wigan Warriors, Café Nero, Boots, Uncle joes mint balls etc. All the money was donated to the WWL Charitable funds for the cancer care services. They had entertainment from the Pemberton Brass band and the Friday Feeling singers who came free of Charge for the event. There was a little Christmas Market that was attended by Missysbeautybakes, Prevent breast cancer, Jaks candles & Crafts, Bows by Chrstine, Crafty Claire & Dominiques Wax melts.

Patients feedback “What a great night it was last night, Thanks to the staff for everything they do for us you really are the best” “I had a great time, up dancing.... Trust me I never dance” “First time, had a fabulous night, Me & my daughter loved it” “Had a wonderful night. Thanks to the team for organising it, looking forward to seeing everyone at the next support group”.



## Haigh Aspull and Blackrod Christmas Tractor Run

Haigh Aspull and Blackrod Christmas Tractor Run raised over £5,500 for our babies and childrens fund.

The event had a convoy of Tractors all displaying lights and christmas displays, had a pizza van, raffle and even Santa made an appearance! As well as this a local school "Aspull church Primary School" joined in and also raised money for the cause.



## Christmas Jumper

Summat to Ate chose us as their charity and their staff donated all their tips from a Christmas jumper day which they matched to make a donation of over £200 for our babies and childrens fund.



## Raffles and collection tins

Various departments across the trust have done Raffles and Tombolas over the year to raise money. Along with our collection tins this has raised in excess of £8,000. We would like to say WELL DONE to these departments and thank you for your continued support.

## Fundraising Heroes

Several successful Just Giving pages have been created over the year to raise funds for our Charity and we are extremely grateful to all of those who have chosen Three Wishes as their Charity of choice.

We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our local community; the people of Wigan are constantly fundraising for Three Wishes, and we are extremely grateful for all support and help. Whilst we thank every one of you, we would like to say a special thank you to those who donated to the following Just Giving pages which have generated over £1,000 in donations:

- Haigh, Aspull and Blackrod Tractor run, £5,372.31 was raised for Babies and Childrens
- Otis Voice, £4,074.59 was raised for Babies and Childrens
- Sofology's Fundraiser in memory of George Odair. £6,125.71 for our Surgery Fund
- 4 rounds of golf in 24 hours, £2,334.97 was raised for our Cancer Care fund.

## Campaigns

### Otis Voice

During the year the Charity's Otis' Voice campaign was launched and raised over £4,000. The aim of this campaign is the make WWL more accessible to all in particular our paediatric A&E department. Jessie who is one of our "lived patient experience" volunteers has launched the campaign with her son Otis as the focus with the aim being that any child accessing the hospital will all receive the same experience and that their patient experience should be tailored to their needs.

The goal is to create a space in paediatric A&E where any child who needs it can access a quiet space which meets all their needs.

## The difference we make to our patients.

During the year, the Charity spent £287k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting hospital.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below.

### ECG Machines, Philips Efficia Monitors and Bladder Scanner

The charity has purchased 7 ECG machines, 3 Efficia Monitors and 1 bladder scanner in 24/25 which are being used at both Royal Albert Edward infirmary and Wrightington. In being able to purchase these machines this has allowed ECGs to be performed quicker and has led to a reduction in the time a patient is complaining of chest pain whilst awaiting treatment. The additional bladder scanner has again sped up diagnosis and enable patients to be discharged more timely. The monitors are being used in the Cardiac Cath Lab and are of a greater quality for monitoring patients whilst in the lab.



## Mammography Chairs

The purchase of the chairs allows any patient with any physical restrictions to be imaged in an electric manoeuvrable chair. This allows the patient to feel more comfortable and allows the radiographer to be able to perform a mammogram to a high diagnostic quality to aid in the detection of Breast Cancer or Breast abnormalities. The purchase of the Mammography Chairs has created a positive imaging experience for patients with physical restrictions to be imaged to a high diagnostic standard to assist in the detection of Breast Cancer. This will in turn encourage reattendance of Breast Screening appointments for patients with physical restrictions.



## Jolly Trolley

The jolly trolley was purchased for our community assessment unit. The aim being to get patients up and moving whilst enjoying themselves. It is an interactive resource which includes karaoke!



Throughout the year we have also purchased a doppler tilt table for cardiology, stress balls, essential oils and aromatherapy inhalers for chemotherapy patients, portable massage chairs for cancer patients, a CPR chest compression device which aids CPR in emergency situations, upgraded relatives and staff rooms, clinicart trolleys, bariatric wheelchairs, chemo pumps, gym equipment for physios, hand print kits and lots more. We value every donation made to allow us to purchase everything that we do.

## Future Plans

At the time of preparing the Annual Report and Accounts for 2024/25 the Charity is working on delivering its 5-year strategy to support the long-term growth and resilience of the Charity.

After working with a local fundraising professional and some key themes emerging we have implemented some plans for going into 25/26. We will have a charity manager who will be responsible for updating policies and encouraging fundraising, as well as working with the wider organisation to encourage Three Wishes to become the charity of choice and to encourage the wider Wigan Borough to become engaged with the charity.

Raising funds is challenging; the cost of living is placing extra burdens on households and there are a number of charitable organisations competing for extra resources in our area. We aim to address this by undertaking a stepped approach to addressing these challenges from quick wins in the short term, to consolidating donations from significant and longer-term sources, with targeted and sustainable growth being the final aim.

We are excited about where this journey will take us and look forward to supporting the hospital we serve in achieving their vision of providing the best possible healthcare for the local population of the Wigan Borough and surrounding areas through the funds that we generate. Looking into 25/26 we are excited to start a partnership with Baby G who will raise money for Neonatal and is going to be purchasing 2 larger items for us in 25/26. We will also be launching a campaign for our Pearl Suite on maternity which is a project to update our bereavement room for families, and we will also be “opening” our new Bioskills lab which has been funded through Wrightington Wish this year.

# Objectives of the Charity

## Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”.*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

## Structure, governance, and management

### Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee’s legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit and independently determine the Charity’s strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The Charity adopted the working name ‘Three Wishes’ in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

### Charitable Trust Committee

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, (“the Charity”) in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees’ Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Committee as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Committee act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

## Independence

To retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Committee membership comprises of:

- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors, one of whom shall be Chair.
- Chief Finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning

The members of the Charitable Trust Committee who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above.

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Committee and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

## Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2024/25 and contained within the Corporate Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

## Public interest benefit

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

## Management and delegation

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

## Reference and administrative details

### Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is.

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

### Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by Finance located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

### Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

### Board of Directors

Mark Jones	Chair
Mary Fleming	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Juliet Tait	Chief People Officer
Sarah Brennan (from 9 Sep 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Claire Wannell (to 30 Jun 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Tabitha Gardner	Chief Finance Officer
Richard Mundon	Deputy CEO
Kevin Parker-Evans	Chief Nurse
Paul Howard (to 31 Dec 24)	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller	Director of Communications
Nigel Kee (from 8 Jul 24 to 27 Sep 24)	Interim Chief Operating Officer
Clare Austin	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Mark Wilkinson (from 1 Nov 24)	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite (to 31 Oct 24)	Non-Executive Director
Simon Holden (from 1 Jul 24)	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Lobley (to 31 Dec 24)	Non-Executive Director
Francine Thorpe	Non-Executive Director
Julie Gill	Non-Executive Director
Mary Moore	Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 except where indicated. Mark Jones retired on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025, and Francine Thorpe is the Interim Chair.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also can seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

## Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2024/25

### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Committee.

Income and expenditure are monitored at Charitable Trust Committee as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss the audit of the charity accounts and risk related matters.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 was unrestricted £1,176k (£1,211k, 2023/24) and restricted £19k (£19k, 2023/24).

To meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £16k for 2024/25 (£24k, 2023/24).

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

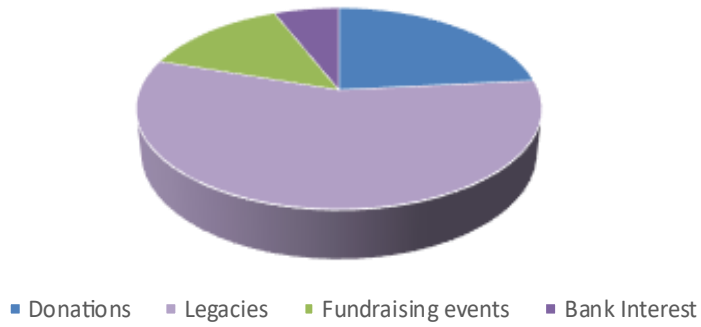
## Annual review of income and expenditure

### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

Total income for 2024/25 as per the graph below, was £290k (£389k, 2023/24) of which legacy income totalled £164k (£79k, 2023/24)

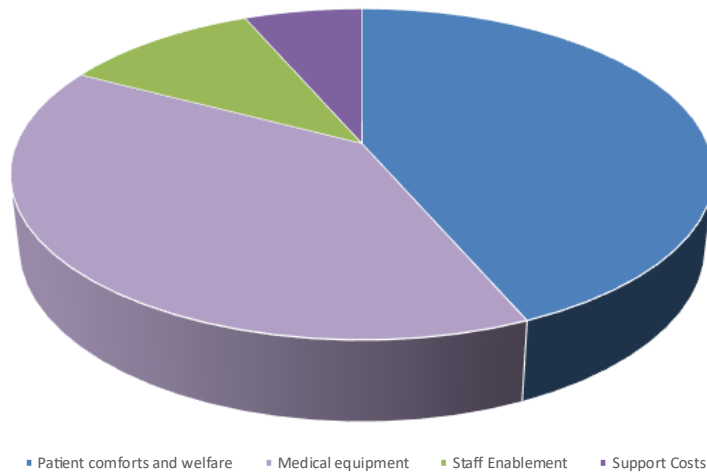
### Income received as at 31 March 2025



### Resources Expended

Total expenditure for the year was £324k (£362k, 2023/24) broken down as per the graph below:

### Expenditure as at 31 March 2025



## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
  - Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 23 to 33 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### **By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee**

Simon Holden,  
Non-Executive Director



Date: 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report as the charity's trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2011 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Jonathan Urmston BA ACA  
Voisey & Co LLP, Chartered Accountants  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington, Cheshire WA1 1JW

13<sup>th</sup> January 2026

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	232	0	232	348
Income from charitable activities	4	40	0	40	23
Income from investments	5	18	0	18	18
<b>Total</b>		<b>290</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>389</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	6	(1)	0	(1)	(1)
Charitable activities	9	(324)	0	(324)	(361)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(325)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>(362)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(35)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(35)</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(35)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(35)</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		1,211	19	1,230	1,203
Net movements in funds for the year		(35)	0	(35)	27
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,176</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,230</b>

# Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	11	6	0	6	27	0	27
Cash	12	1,212	20	1,232	1,192	24	1,216
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,218</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,238</b>	<b>1,219</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,243</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditor Accruals	13	(43)	0	(43)	(13)	0	(13)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,175</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,175</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	17	0	19	19	0	19	19
Unrestricted income funds	17	1,176	0	1,176	1,211	0	1,211
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,176</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,230</b>

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

Simon Holden  
Non-Executive Director



Date: 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2025

	Unrestricted Note	Restricted	Total funds	Total funds
	31-Mar-25	31-Mar-25	31-Mar-25	31-Mar-24
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>				
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	15	(2)	0	(2)
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>				
Interest received		18	0	18
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		16	0	16
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,192	24	1,216
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<b>1,208</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,232</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

The Charity holds two types of funds. Unrestricted and restricted.

Unrestricted funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes by keeping the benefit within the donors chosen division with spending decisions being delegated to those divisions.

Designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 18.

## 1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

## 1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

## 1.6 Incoming resources from legacies

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted.
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

## 1.7 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

## 1.8 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

## 1.9 Charitable activities

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 9.

## 1.10 Tangible fixed assets

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost.

## 1.11 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## 1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

## 2 Related party

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Committee or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance.

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Donations	68	0	68	269	0	269
Legacies	164	0	164	79	0	79
<b>Total</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>348</b>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Fundraising events	40	0	40	23	0	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Bank Interest	18	0	18	18	0	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

### 6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Just Giving costs	1	0	1	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## 7 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals and did not receive any grant income during the year.

## 8 Analysis of staff costs

The Charity does not directly employ any members of staff.

## 9 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	£'000
Patient comforts and welfare	141	0	0	0	10	0	151	0	151
Medical equipment	12	0	115	0	9	0	136	0	136
Staff enablement	35	0	0	0	2	0	37	0	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>324</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

Prior year comparatives are detailed below:

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	£'000
Patient comforts and welfare	167	0	0	0	11	0	178	0	178
Medical equipment	21	0	141	0	12	0	174	0	174
Staff enablement	8	0	0	0	1	0	9	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>

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## 9.1 Support and Governance Costs

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Financial Administration and governance	22	0	22	16	0	16
Independent Examination	2	0	2	2	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

## 10 Independent Examiners Remuneration

The estimated Independent Examiners' remuneration of £1,800 and which is inclusive of VAT (£1,800 2023/24) relates solely to the independent examination of these accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

## 11 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Accrued income	6	0	6	27	0	27
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>

## 12 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Cash in bank	1,212	20	1,232	1,192	24	1,216
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,216</b>

All cash balances are held in a NatWest current account.

### 13 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Creditor Accruals	(43)	0	(43)	(13)	0	(13)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(43)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(43)</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(13)</b>

### 14 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-25 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000
Net income income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	(35)	0	(35)	27
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Interest receivable	(18)	0	(18)	(18)
(Increase) in debtors	21	0	21	0
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	30	0	30	0
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>9</b>

### 15 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

### 16 Commitments

The Charity has no commitments undisclosed in the Balance Sheet.

## 17 Analysis of Material Funds

The Charity has 13 funds. Individual funds with material balances, are detailed below:

	01-Apr-24 balance b/f	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	31-Mar-25 balance c/f
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>				
Leigh Legacy	19	0	0	19
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
Babies and Children	38	41	(28)	51
Cancer Care	220	87	(73)	234
Heart and Lung	345	61	(83)	323
Minds and Memory	95	3	(1)	97
Patients Wish	77	12	(18)	71
Wrightington Wish	343	15	(67)	291
Other Unrestricted Funds	93	71	(55)	109
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>1,176</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>1,195</b>

The objectives of material funds held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 are detailed below:

- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and the Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports babies and children services across all sites including Rainbow Ward and the Neonatal Unit.
- Minds and Memories looks after our Elderly patients including dementia and stroke services.

Your ref

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7<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Sirs

**THREE WISHES WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH  
HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY**

In accordance with our normal practice we are writing to draw your attention to various matters, which arose during the course of our independent examination of the Charity's accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

***Qualitative aspects of the entity's accounting practices and financial reporting***

We have no comments to make concerning the qualitative aspects of the entity's accounting practices and financial reporting.

***Letter of Representation***

A letter of representation is attached for approval and signature.

***Unadjusted misstatements***

There are no unadjusted misstatements which have arisen during the course of our independent examination, other than those considered to be clearly trivial.

***Expected modifications to the independent examiner's report***

There are no expected modifications to the independent examiner's report.

We would like to take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to your staff for their assistance during the course of our independent examination.

Please note that this report has been prepared for the sole use of Three Wishes Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity. It must not be disclosed to third parties, quoted or referred to, without prior written consent. No responsibility is assumed by us to any other person.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Philip Urmston.

Yours faithfully

*Voisey & Co*

**WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1048659

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# Accounts

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# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts

For the year to 31st March 2024

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

Registered Charity No. 1048659



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## Chairman's welcome

I am delighted to present the 2023/24 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

This year we have once again, had the great pleasure of working with colleagues throughout the Foundation Trust who so generously gave up their time to take part in

fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on pages 4 to 9.

On behalf of the Charitable Trust Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors, and staff.

Mark Jones, Chairman



## Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters, is heartwarming and inspiring. All donations received make a real difference to our patients.

We are immensely grateful to the many generous and committed members of our community who have helped to raise funds for our Charity. On behalf of our service users, carers, and staff we send our appreciation to everyone who has helped to make 2023-24 a successful year.

## Fundraiser Stories

Whilst the Charity does not employ a dedicated fundraising manager, fundraising is encouraged throughout the Foundation Trust and we have been fortunate to have received support from both the public and employees of the hospital in raising funds for the Charity this year.

The following highlights some of the fundraising events that took place this year.

### Wear it Red

Our cardiology team “wore it red” for valentines day with the aim of raising awareness of heart and circulatory conditions and raising donations for our heart and lung fund.



## Rainbow Ward

In June Rainbow Ward team walked over 20 miles from Southport Pier to Wigan Pier to raise money for Babies and Children's Fund. This event raised over £10,000



## Volunteer Keith

One of WWLs wonderful volunteers Keith entertained staff and patients at Wroughton hospital whilst raising money for Three Wishes



## Cancer Care

Following their amazing fundraising efforts, a local family have made a substantial donation to Three Wishes Cancer Care Fund in memory of a beloved family member. Elle Smith, from Lowton, Wigan, alongside her family and friends, donated £5,600 in memory of her mother-in-law, Jackie Kinsella who, at 61-years-old, was diagnosed with breast cancer. “Before Jackie passed, she told us she wanted the money that we raised to go to WWL’s Three Wishes Cancer Care Fund as she believed that this would help the comfort and treatments of patients, like herself,” said Elle. At Jackie’s funeral, the family asked for donations in lieu of flowers, as the family knew this meant more to her, and from this, raised a staggering £4,100. This amount was then bolstered by Elle’s completion of the Warrington Half Marathon, where an additional £1,500 was added to the pot.



### Paediatric A&E/Rainbow Ward

Local couple Dominique and Sarah (Harry's Heroes) fundraised over ££2,700 by completing a 100-mile hike over 4 days followed by a 20 mile dragon boat paddle!



### Uncle Joe's

Uncle joes Mint ball unveiled a special "NHS Blue" mint call to be sold in WWL shops and outlets with the profits being donated to Three Wishes.



### Family legacy Provides Six Figure Donation

WWL's Three Wishes Charity received a substantial, six-figure donation to its Heart and Lung Fund, thanks to the family legacy of one of the Trust's patients. Mrs Freda Grimshaw, of Pennington, Leigh, presented our Medical Director, Professor Sanjay Arya with the sizable sum of £100,000 to be used for improving cardiac services at the Trust.

Prof. Arya said: "On behalf of WWL, our Cardiology department and our Three Wishes Charity, I would like to say a huge thank you to Freda for this incredibly generous donation."

The Three Wishes Charity funds projects, equipment and services to improve the environment and experiences of patients across our hospital sites - from conception through to end of life.



Mrs Grimshaw said: "Prof. Arya and the cardiology team have been looking after me for years, so this is the least I can do. My mum, dad and sister all had heart problems and really, this money is from them.

Speaking of her family, the 88-year-old said it was her family, particularly her coal-miner father who inspired her to make the donation adding: "My dad had the lung disease, pneumoconiosis, from years of dust exposure from mining. He was the best dad ever, he was wonderful - as was my mother who was the power behind the throne."

## Charity Bowling Competition

WWL Colleagues, Greenmount Projects and Wigan Warriors players took part in a Charity Bowling Competition on Thursday 7th September at Bellingham Bowling Club in Wigan



A total of £397 was raised which will fund projects, equipment and services to improve the environment and experience of patients across the Trust's hospitals throughout every stage of life.

## Raffles and collection tins

Various departments across the trust have done Raffles and Tombolas over the year to raise in excess of £2,500. We would like to say WELL DONE to these departments and thank you for your continued support.

## Wigan 10k

Daniel Meekin did the Wigan 10k raising over £1,500 for Patient Wish



## Fundraising Heroes

Several successful Just Giving pages have been created over the year to raise funds for our Charity and we are extremely grateful to all of those who have chosen Three Wishes as their Charity of choice.

We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our local community; the people of Wigan are constantly fundraising for Three Wishes, and we are extremely grateful for all support and help. Whilst we thank every one of you, we would like to say a special thank you to those who donated to the following Just Giving pages which have been set up in recognition of the sad loss of former colleagues of Wrightington Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust:

- In memory of Andrew Foster, former Chief Exec, £3,050 was raised for Patient Wish
- In memory of Dr Desai, former consultant radiologist, £3,325 was raised for Specialist Services

And special thanks to James Baker, Deputy Chief People Officer of Wrightington Wigan & Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust who completed the London Marathon in aid of the Patient Wish Fund, raising an amazing £2,092.

## Campaigns

### In Pink

During the year the Charity's In Pink campaign achieved its goal of raising £44,000 in aid of purchasing equipment to support the breast screening service screen more women faster. The campaign which also aimed to highlight the importance of breast screening appointments and to encourage all women to attend an appointment if they are invited, was closed at the end of 2023 following successful purchase of a new ultrasound suite.

This will enable the Trust's Breast Consultants to diagnose patients more effectively and efficiently and will make a positive impact on reducing the waiting list for patients waiting for an ultrasound examination. It will also mean the Trust can take part in new and innovative research trials and futureproof the service to be able to bring in new technology, such as artificial intelligence.

Dr Amruta Talwalkar, Director of South Lancashire Breast Screening Service and Consultant Radiologist at WWL commented: "The South Lancashire Breast Screening Service and the breast team are very grateful and would like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has so generously contributed to the 'In Pink' campaign.

"This extra ultrasound machine will make a significant positive impact for women awaiting a potential cancer diagnosis and for our consultants and practitioners in terms of efficiency.



*We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have supported us during the year.*

## The difference we make to our patients.

During the year, the Charity spent £162k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting hospital.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below.

### **In Pink Coil Breast bundle**

This will enable the Trust's Breast Consultants to diagnose patients more effectively and efficiently and will make a positive impact on reducing the waiting list for patients waiting for an ultrasound examination. It will also mean the Trust can take part in new and innovative research trials and futureproof the service to be able to bring in new technology, such as artificial intelligence.



### **RITA system from My Dementia Improvement Network**

The Charity has been extremely pleased to support the purchase of a RITA system. RITA stands for Reminiscence/Rehabilitation & Interactive Therapy Activities and is an all-in-one touch screen system offering digital reminiscence therapy. A relatively new tool in the fields of nursing and healthcare, RITA utilises user-friendly interactive screens and tablets to blend entertainment with therapy. Patients experiencing memory loss or impairment in recalling and sharing events from their past are able to reconnect and engage with aspects of their life and times by listening to music, watching news reports of significant historical events, hearing famous speeches, playing games, taking part in karaoke and watching films.



### Physio Biodex Machine

The Orthopaedic Consultant team at Wrightington hospital refer a large number of their patients to physiotherapy. Many of these patients require: long-term rehabilitation following surgery; prehabilitation in order to undergo surgery; or rehabilitation after an injury. The purchase of a Physio Biodex machines has supported the orthopaedic team by allowing patient milestone progressions to be shared collaboratively between physiotherapist and orthopaedic consultant teams. This supports the provision of the highest quality of care for patients by increasing joint range of motion, muscle strength and hypertrophy.



Throughout the year we have also purchased waiting room chairs, bladder scanners, gym equipment, patient folders, therapy beds, and undertaken several upgrades to patient areas.

## Future Plans

At the time of preparing the Annual Report and Accounts for 2023/24 the Charity has commissioned a piece of work to develop a 5-year strategy to support the long-term growth and resilience of the Charity.

Working with a local fundraising professional and engaging with our key stakeholders this piece of work will look at the potential options available for immediate and long-term fundraising capabilities within the constraints of the resource we have available.

Raising funds is challenging; the cost of living is placing extra burdens on households and there are a number of charitable organisations competing for extra resources in our area.

We aim to address this by undertaking a stepped approach to addressing these challenges from quick wins in the short term, to consolidating donations from significant and longer-term sources, with targeted and sustainable growth being the final aim.

We are excited about where this journey will take us and look forward to supporting the hospital we serve in achieving their vision of providing the best possible healthcare for the local population of the Wigan Borough and surrounding areas through the funds that we generate.

# Objectives of the Charity

## Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”.*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

## Structure, governance, and management

### Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee’s legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit, and independently determine the Charity’s strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The Charity adopted the working name ‘Three Wishes’ in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

### Charitable Trust Committee

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, (“the Charity”) in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees’ Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Committee as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Committee act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

## Independence

To retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Committee membership comprises of:

- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors, one of whom shall be Chair.
- Chief Finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning

The members of the Charitable Trust Committee who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above.

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Committee and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

## Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2023/24 and contained within the Corporate Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

## Public interest benefit

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

## Management and delegation

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

## Reference and administrative details

### Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is.

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

### Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by Finance located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

### Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

### Board of Directors

Mark Jones	Chairman
Silas Nicholls (to 7 Jan 24)	Chief Executive
Mary Fleming (from 8 Jan 24)	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Juliet Tait (from 14 Aug 23)	Chief People Officer
Tracy Boustead (to 31 Jul 23)	Chief People Officer
Mary Fleming (to 7 Jan 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Claire Wannell (from 8 Jan 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Tabitha Gardner	Chief Finance Officer
Richard Mundon	Director of Strategy & Planning
Rabina Tindale (to 31 Dec 23)	Chief Nurse
Kevin Parker-Evans (from 8 Jan 24)	Chief Nurse
Paul Howard	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller	Director of Communications
Clare Austin	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Steven Elliot (to 30 Apr 23)	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Loble	Non-Executive Director
Francine Thorpe	Non-Executive Director
Julie Gill (from 18 Apr 23)	Non-Executive Director

Terence Hanlin (from 1 Jul 23 to 30 Nov 23) Non-Executive Director  
Mary Moore (from 1 Dec 23) Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 except where indicated.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also can seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

### Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2023/24

#### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

#### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Committee.

Income and expenditure are monitored at Charitable Trust Committee as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss the audit of the charity accounts and risk related matters.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 was unrestricted £1,211k (£1,000k, 2022/23) and restricted £19k (£203k, 2022/23).

To meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £24k for 2023/24 (£18k, 2022/23).

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

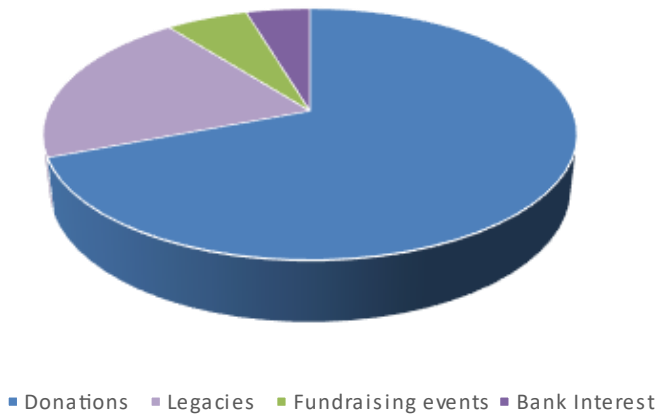
## Annual review of income and expenditure

### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

Total income for 2023/24 as per the graph below, was £389k (£95k, 2022/23) of which legacy income totalled £79k (£8k, 2022/23)

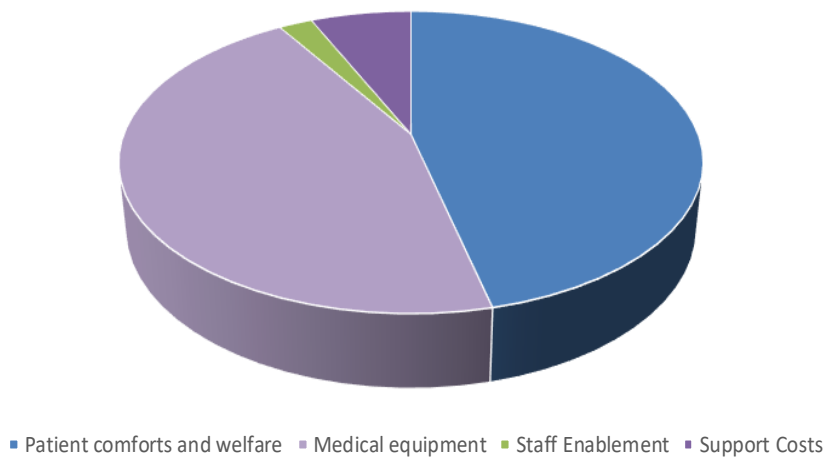
Income received as at 31 March 2024



### Resources Expended

Total expenditure for the year was £362k (£200k, 2022/23) broken down as per the graph below:

Expenditure as at 31 March 2024



### Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial


activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
  - Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 23 to 33 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

**By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee**

M Jones  
Chairman\*  ..... Date: 27 November 2024

Trust Board Director ..... Date: 27 November 2024

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

## Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wroughtington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity's trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2011 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Jonathan Urmston BA ACA  
Voisey & Co LLP, Chartered Accountants  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington, Cheshire WA1 1JW

..... 2<sup>nd</sup> December ..... 2024

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	348	0	348	73
Income from charitable activities	4	23	0	23	17
Income from investments	5	18	0	18	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>389</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	6	(1)	0	(1)	(1)
Charitable activities	9	(355)	(6)	(361)	(199)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(356)</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(362)</b>	<b>(200)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>(105)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>(105)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		1,000	203	1,203	1,308
Net movements in funds for the year		211	(184)	27	(105)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,211</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,203</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	11	27	0	27	0	0	0
Cash	12	1,192	24	1,216	1,001	203	1,204
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,219</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,243</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditor Accruals	13	(13)	0	(13)	(1)	0	(1)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	17	0	19	19	0	203	203
Unrestricted income funds	17	1,211	0	1,211	1,000	0	1,000
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,211</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

M Jones  
Chairman\*

Date: 27 November 2024

Trust Board Director

Date: 27 November 2024

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	15	(6)	0	(6)	(137)
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(6)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(137)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Interest received		18	0	18	5
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		12	0	12	(132)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,001	203	1,204	1,336
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<b>1,013</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,216</b>	<b>1,204</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

The Charity holds two types of funds. Unrestricted and restricted.

Unrestricted funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes by keeping the benefit within the donors chosen division with spending decisions being delegated to those divisions.

Designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 18.

## 1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

## 1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

## 1.6 Incoming resources from legacies

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted.
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

## 1.7 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

## 1.8 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

## 1.9 Charitable activities

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 9.

## 1.10 Tangible fixed assets

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost.

## 1.11 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## 1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

## 2 Related party

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Committee or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance.

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Donations	269	0	269	65	0	65
Legacies	79	0	79	8	0	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>73</b>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Fundraising events	23	0	23	17	0	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Bank Interest	18	0	18	5	0	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

### 6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000
Just Giving costs	1	0	1	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

### 7 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals and did not receive any grant income during the year.

## 8 Analysis of staff costs

The Charity does not directly employ any members of staff.

## 9 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	167	0	0	0	11	0	178	0	178
Medical equipment	21	0	141	0	12	0	174	0	174
Staff enablement	8	0	0	0	1	0	9	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

Prior year comparatives are detailed below:

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	11	0	17	0	9	0	37	0	37
Medical equipment	78	0	75	0	9	0	162	0	162
Staff enablement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>

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\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

## 9.1 Support and Governance Costs

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Financial Administration and governance	22	0	22	16	0	16
Independent Examination	2	0	2	2	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

## 10 Independent Examiners Remuneration

The estimated Independent Examiners' remuneration of £1,800 and which is inclusive of VAT (£1,800 2022/23) relates solely to the independent examination of these accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

## 11 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Accrued income	27	0	27	0	0	0
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## 12 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Cash in bank	1,192	24	1,216	1,001	203	1,204
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,216</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>

All cash balances are held in a NatWest current account.

### 13 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Creditor Accruals	(13)	0	(13)	(1)	0	(1)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1)</b>

### 14 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	27	0	27	(105)
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Interest receivable	(18)	0	(18)	(5)
(Increase) in debtors	(27)	0	(27)	4
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	12	0	12	(31)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(137)</b>

### 15 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

### 16 Commitments

The Charity has no commitments undisclosed in the Balance Sheet.

## 17 Analysis of Material Funds

The Charity has 13 funds. Individual funds with material balances, are detailed below:

	01-Apr-23 balance b/f	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfer from Restricted to Unrestricted	31-Mar-24 balance c/f
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>					
Cancer Care Appeal	178	0	0	(178)	0
Leigh Legacy	25	0	(6)	0	19
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(178)</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
Wrightington Wish	358	36	(51)	0	343
Heart and Lung	166	189	(11)	0	344
Patients Wish	180	27	(131)	0	76
Cancer Care	93	20	(69)	178	222
Babies and Childrens	59	15	(36)	0	38
Other unrestricted funds	144	102	(58)	0	188
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>(356)</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>1,211</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>(362)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,230</b>

The objectives of material funds held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 are detailed below:

- Cancer Care Appeal for the provision of facilities for the cancer care centre
- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary. The Cancer care appeal was moved from restricted to unrestricted in year as agreed by the Charitable Trust Committee in year. This was due to the donation being made to enhance cancer patients experience in hospital and this is what the cancer care fund was set up to achieve.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports the Rainbow Ward and Neonatal Unit.



# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts

For the year to 31st March 2024

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

Registered Charity No. 1048659



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## Chairman’s welcome

I am delighted to present the 2023/24 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

This year we have once again, had the great pleasure of working with colleagues throughout the Foundation Trust who so generously gave up their time to take part in

fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on pages 4 to 9.

On behalf of the Charitable Trust Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors, and staff.

Mark Jones, Chairman



## Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters, is heartwarming and inspiring. All donations received make a real difference to our patients.

We are immensely grateful to the many generous and committed members of our community who have helped to raise funds for our Charity. On behalf of our service users, carers, and staff we send our appreciation to everyone who has helped to make 2023-24 a successful year.

## Fundraiser Stories

Whilst the Charity does not employ a dedicated fundraising manager, fundraising is encouraged throughout the Foundation Trust and we have been fortunate to have received support from both the public and employees of the hospital in raising funds for the Charity this year.

The following highlights some of the fundraising events that took place this year.

### Wear it Red

Our cardiology team “wore it red” for valentines day with the aim of raising awareness of heart and circulatory conditions and raising donations for our heart and lung fund.



## Rainbow Ward

In June Rainbow Ward team walked over 20 miles from Southport Pier to Wigan Pier to raise money for Babies and Children's Fund. This event raised over £10,000



## Volunteer Keith

One of WWLs wonderful volunteers Keith entertained staff and patients at Wroughton hospital whilst raising money for Three Wishes



## Cancer Care

Following their amazing fundraising efforts, a local family have made a substantial donation to Three Wishes Cancer Care Fund in memory of a beloved family member. Elle Smith, from Lowton, Wigan, alongside her family and friends, donated £5,600 in memory of her mother-in-law, Jackie Kinsella who, at 61-years-old, was diagnosed with breast cancer. "Before Jackie passed, she told us she wanted the money that we raised to go to WWL's Three Wishes Cancer Care Fund as she believed that this would help the comfort and treatments of patients, like herself," said Elle. At Jackie's funeral, the family asked for donations in lieu of flowers, as the family knew this meant more to her, and from this, raised a staggering £4,100. This amount was then bolstered by Elle's completion of the Warrington Half Marathon, where an additional £1,500 was added to the pot.



### Paediatric A&E/Rainbow Ward

Local couple Dominique and Sarah (Harry's Heroes) fundraised over ££2,700 by completing a 100-mile hike over 4 days followed by a 20 mile dragon boat paddle!



### Uncle Joe's

Uncle joes Mint ball unveiled a special "NHS Blue" mint call to be sold in WWL shops and outlets with the profits being donated to Three Wishes.



### Family legacy Provides Six Figure Donation

WWL's Three Wishes Charity received a substantial, six-figure donation to its Heart and Lung Fund, thanks to the family legacy of one of the Trust's patients. Mrs Freda Grimshaw, of Pennington, Leigh, presented our Medical Director, Professor Sanjay Arya with the sizable sum of £100,000 to be used for improving cardiac services at the Trust.

Prof. Arya said: "On behalf of WWL, our Cardiology department and our Three Wishes Charity, I would like to say a huge thank you to Freda for this incredibly generous donation."

The Three Wishes Charity funds projects, equipment and services to improve the environment and experiences of patients across our hospital sites - from conception through to end of life.



Mrs Grimshaw said: "Prof. Arya and the cardiology team have been looking after me for years, so this is the least I can do. My mum, dad and sister all had heart problems and really, this money is from them.

Speaking of her family, the 88-year-old said it was her family, particularly her coal-miner father who inspired her to make the donation adding: "My dad had the lung disease, pneumoconiosis, from years of dust exposure from mining. He was the best dad ever, he was wonderful - as was my mother who was the power behind the throne."

## Charity Bowling Competition

WWL Colleagues, Greenmount Projects and Wigan Warriors players took part in a Charity Bowling Competition on Thursday 7th September at Bellingham Bowling Club in Wigan



A total of £397 was raised which will fund projects, equipment and services to improve the environment and experience of patients across the Trust's hospitals throughout every stage of life.

## Raffles and collection tins

Various departments across the trust have done Raffles and Tombolas over the year to raise in excess of £2,500. We would like to say WELL DONE to these departments and thank you for your continued support.

## Wigan 10k

Daniel Meekin did the Wigan 10k raising over £1,500 for Patient Wish



## Fundraising Heroes

Several successful Just Giving pages have been created over the year to raise funds for our Charity and we are extremely grateful to all of those who have chosen Three Wishes as their Charity of choice.

We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our local community; the people of Wigan are constantly fundraising for Three Wishes, and we are extremely grateful for all support and help. Whilst we thank every one of you, we would like to say a special thank you to those who donated to the following Just Giving pages which have been set up in recognition of the sad loss of former colleagues of Wrightington Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust:

- In memory of Andrew Foster, former Chief Exec, £3,050 was raised for Patient Wish
- In memory of Dr Desai, former consultant radiologist, £3,325 was raised for Specialist Services

And special thanks to James Baker, Deputy Chief People Officer of Wrightington Wigan & Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust who completed the London Marathon in aid of the Patient Wish Fund, raising an amazing £2,092.

## Campaigns

### In Pink

During the year the Charity's In Pink campaign achieved its goal of raising £44,000 in aid of purchasing equipment to support the breast screening service screen more women faster. The campaign which also aimed to highlight the importance of breast screening appointments and to encourage all women to attend an appointment if they are invited, was closed at the end of 2023 following successful purchase of a new ultrasound suite.

This will enable the Trust's Breast Consultants to diagnose patients more effectively and efficiently and will make a positive impact on reducing the waiting list for patients waiting for an ultrasound examination. It will also mean the Trust can take part in new and innovative research trials and futureproof the service to be able to bring in new technology, such as artificial intelligence.

Dr Amruta Talwalkar, Director of South Lancashire Breast Screening Service and Consultant Radiologist at WWL commented: "The South Lancashire Breast Screening Service and the breast team are very grateful and would like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has so generously contributed to the 'In Pink' campaign.

"This extra ultrasound machine will make a significant positive impact for women awaiting a potential cancer diagnosis and for our consultants and practitioners in terms of efficiency.



*We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have supported us during the year.*

## The difference we make to our patients.

During the year, the Charity spent £162k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting hospital.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below.

### **In Pink Coil Breast bundle**

This will enable the Trust's Breast Consultants to diagnose patients more effectively and efficiently and will make a positive impact on reducing the waiting list for patients waiting for an ultrasound examination. It will also mean the Trust can take part in new and innovative research trials and futureproof the service to be able to bring in new technology, such as artificial intelligence.



### **RITA system from My Dementia Improvement Network**

The Charity has been extremely pleased to support the purchase of a RITA system. RITA stands for Reminiscence/Rehabilitation & Interactive Therapy Activities and is an all-in-one touch screen system offering digital reminiscence therapy. A relatively new tool in the fields of nursing and healthcare, RITA utilises user-friendly interactive screens and tablets to blend entertainment with therapy. Patients experiencing memory loss or impairment in recalling and sharing events from their past are able to reconnect and engage with aspects of their life and times by listening to music, watching news reports of significant historical events, hearing famous speeches, playing games, taking part in karaoke and watching films.



### Physio Biodex Machine

The Orthopaedic Consultant team at Wrightington hospital refer a large number of their patients to physiotherapy. Many of these patients require: long-term rehabilitation following surgery; prehabilitation in order to undergo surgery; or rehabilitation after an injury. The purchase of a Physio Biodex machines has supported the orthopaedic team by allowing patient milestone progressions to be shared collaboratively between physiotherapist and orthopaedic consultant teams. This supports the provision of the highest quality of care for patients by increasing joint range of motion, muscle strength and hypertrophy.



Throughout the year we have also purchased waiting room chairs, bladder scanners, gym equipment, patient folders, therapy beds, and undertaken several upgrades to patient areas.

## Future Plans

At the time of preparing the Annual Report and Accounts for 2023/24 the Charity has commissioned a piece of work to develop a 5-year strategy to support the long-term growth and resilience of the Charity.

Working with a local fundraising professional and engaging with our key stakeholders this piece of work will look at the potential options available for immediate and long-term fundraising capabilities within the constraints of the resource we have available.

Raising funds is challenging; the cost of living is placing extra burdens on households and there are a number of charitable organisations competing for extra resources in our area.

We aim to address this by undertaking a stepped approach to addressing these challenges from quick wins in the short term, to consolidating donations from significant and longer-term sources, with targeted and sustainable growth being the final aim.

We are excited about where this journey will take us and look forward to supporting the hospital we serve in achieving their vision of providing the best possible healthcare for the local population of the Wigan Borough and surrounding areas through the funds that we generate.

# Objectives of the Charity

## Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”.*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

## Structure, governance, and management

### Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee’s legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit, and independently determine the Charity’s strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The Charity adopted the working name ‘Three Wishes’ in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

### Charitable Trust Committee

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, (“the Charity”) in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees’ Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Committee as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Committee act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

## Independence

To retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Committee membership comprises of:

- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors, one of whom shall be Chair.
- Chief Finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning

The members of the Charitable Trust Committee who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above.

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Committee and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

## Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2023/24 and contained within the Corporate Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

## Public interest benefit

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

## Management and delegation

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

## Reference and administrative details

### Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is.

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

### Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by Finance located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

### Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

### Board of Directors

Mark Jones	Chairman
Silas Nicholls (to 7 Jan 24)	Chief Executive
Mary Fleming (from 8 Jan 24)	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Juliet Tait (from 14 Aug 23)	Chief People Officer
Tracy Boustead (to 31 Jul 23)	Chief People Officer
Mary Fleming (to 7 Jan 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Claire Wannell (from 8 Jan 24)	Chief Operating Officer
Tabitha Gardner	Chief Finance Officer
Richard Mundon	Director of Strategy & Planning
Rabina Tindale (to 31 Dec 23)	Chief Nurse
Kevin Parker-Evans (from 8 Jan 24)	Chief Nurse
Paul Howard	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller	Director of Communications
Clare Austin	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Steven Elliot (to 30 Apr 23)	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Loble	Non-Executive Director
Francine Thorpe	Non-Executive Director
Julie Gill (from 18 Apr 23)	Non-Executive Director

Terence Hanlin (from 1 Jul 23 to 30 Nov 23) Non-Executive Director  
Mary Moore (from 1 Dec 23) Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 except where indicated.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also can seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

### Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2023/24

#### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

#### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Committee.

Income and expenditure are monitored at Charitable Trust Committee as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss the audit of the charity accounts and risk related matters.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 was unrestricted £1,211k (£1,000k, 2022/23) and restricted £19k (£203k, 2022/23).

To meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £24k for 2023/24 (£18k, 2022/23).

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

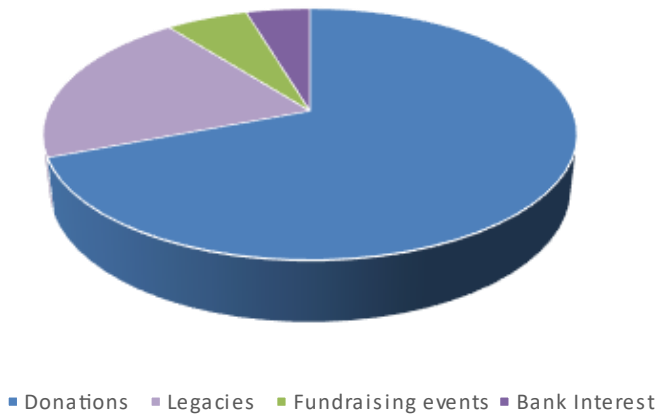
## Annual review of income and expenditure

### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

Total income for 2023/24 as per the graph below, was £389k (£95k, 2022/23) of which legacy income totalled £79k (£8k, 2022/23)

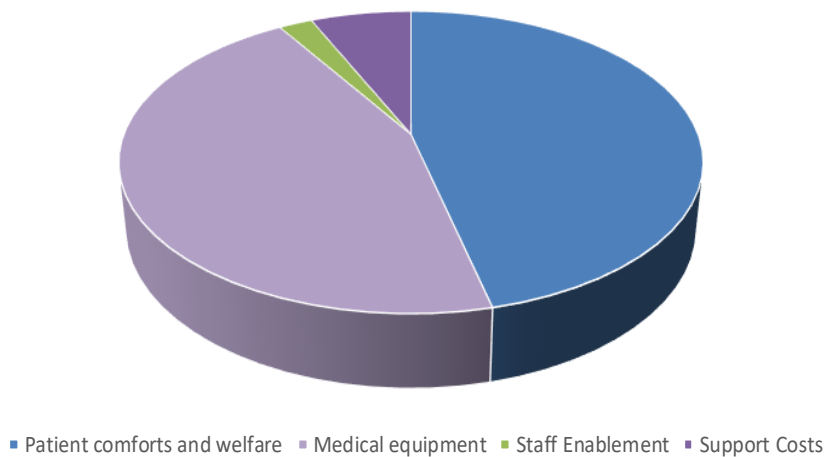
Income received as at 31 March 2024



### Resources Expended

Total expenditure for the year was £362k (£200k, 2022/23) broken down as per the graph below:

Expenditure as at 31 March 2024



### Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial


activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
  - Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 23 to 33 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

**By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee**

M Jones  
Chairman\*  ..... Date: 27 November 2024

Trust Board Director ..... Date: 27 November 2024

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

## Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wroughtington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity's trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2011 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Jonathan Urmston BA ACA  
Voisey & Co LLP, Chartered Accountants  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington, Cheshire WA1 1JW

..... 2<sup>nd</sup> December ..... 2024

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	348	0	348	73
Income from charitable activities	4	23	0	23	17
Income from investments	5	18	0	18	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>389</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Raising funds	6	(1)	0	(1)	(1)
Charitable activities	9	(355)	(6)	(361)	(199)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(356)</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(362)</b>	<b>(200)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>(105)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>(105)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		1,000	203	1,203	1,308
Net movements in funds for the year		211	(184)	27	(105)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,211</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,203</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	11	27	0	27	0	0	0
Cash	12	1,192	24	1,216	1,001	203	1,204
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,219</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,243</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditor Accruals	13	(13)	0	(13)	(1)	0	(1)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,206</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	17	0	19	19	0	203	203
Unrestricted income funds	17	1,211	0	1,211	1,000	0	1,000
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,211</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

M Jones  
Chairman\*

Date: 27 November 2024

Trust Board Director

Date: 27 November 2024

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	15	(6)	0	(6)	(137)
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(6)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(137)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Interest received		18	0	18	5
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		12	0	12	(132)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,001	203	1,204	1,336
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<b>1,013</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,216</b>	<b>1,204</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

The Charity holds two types of funds. Unrestricted and restricted.

Unrestricted funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes by keeping the benefit within the donors chosen division with spending decisions being delegated to those divisions.

Designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 18.

## 1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

## 1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

## 1.6 Incoming resources from legacies

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted.
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

## 1.7 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

## 1.8 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

## 1.9 Charitable activities

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 9.

## 1.10 Tangible fixed assets

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost.

## 1.11 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## 1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

## 2 Related party

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Committee or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance.

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Donations	269	0	269	65	0	65
Legacies	79	0	79	8	0	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>73</b>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Fundraising events	23	0	23	17	0	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Bank Interest	18	0	18	5	0	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

### 6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000
Just Giving costs	1	0	1	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

### 7 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals and did not receive any grant income during the year.

## 8 Analysis of staff costs

The Charity does not directly employ any members of staff.

## 9 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	167	0	0	0	11	0	178	0	178
Medical equipment	21	0	141	0	12	0	174	0	174
Staff enablement	8	0	0	0	1	0	9	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

Prior year comparatives are detailed below:

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	11	0	17	0	9	0	37	0	37
Medical equipment	78	0	75	0	9	0	162	0	162
Staff enablement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>

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\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

## 9.1 Support and Governance Costs

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Financial Administration and governance	22	0	22	16	0	16
Independent Examination	2	0	2	2	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

## 10 Independent Examiners Remuneration

The estimated Independent Examiners' remuneration of £1,800 and which is inclusive of VAT (£1,800 2022/23) relates solely to the independent examination of these accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

## 11 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Accrued income	27	0	27	0	0	0
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## 12 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Cash in bank	1,192	24	1,216	1,001	203	1,204
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,216</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>

All cash balances are held in a NatWest current account.

### 13 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Creditor Accruals	(13)	0	(13)	(1)	0	(1)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1)</b>

### 14 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-24 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	27	0	27	(105)
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Interest receivable	(18)	0	(18)	(5)
(Increase) in debtors	(27)	0	(27)	4
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	12	0	12	(31)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(137)</b>

### 15 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

### 16 Commitments

The Charity has no commitments undisclosed in the Balance Sheet.

## 17 Analysis of Material Funds

The Charity has 13 funds. Individual funds with material balances, are detailed below:

	01-Apr-23 balance b/f	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfer from Restricted to Unrestricted	31-Mar-24 balance c/f
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>					
Cancer Care Appeal	178	0	0	(178)	0
Leigh Legacy	25	0	(6)	0	19
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(178)</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
Wrightington Wish	358	36	(51)	0	343
Heart and Lung	166	189	(11)	0	344
Patients Wish	180	27	(131)	0	76
Cancer Care	93	20	(69)	178	222
Babies and Childrens	59	15	(36)	0	38
Other unrestricted funds	144	102	(58)	0	188
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>(356)</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>1,211</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>(362)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,230</b>

The objectives of material funds held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 are detailed below:

- Cancer Care Appeal for the provision of facilities for the cancer care centre
- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary. The Cancer care appeal was moved from restricted to unrestricted in year as agreed by the Charitable Trust Committee in year. This was due to the donation being made to enhance cancer patients experience in hospital and this is what the cancer care fund was set up to achieve.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports the Rainbow Ward and Neonatal Unit.

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5<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Sirs

**THREE WISHES WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH  
HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY**

In accordance with our normal practice we are writing to draw your attention to various matters, which arose during the course of our independent examination of the Charity's accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

***Qualitative aspects of the entity's accounting practices and financial reporting***

We have no comments to make concerning the qualitative aspects of the entity's accounting practices and financial reporting.

***Letter of Representation***

A Letter of Representation is attached for approval and signature.

***Unadjusted misstatements***

There are no unadjusted misstatements which have arisen during the course of our independent examination, other than those considered to be clearly trivial.

***Expected modifications to the independent examiner's report***

There are no expected modifications to the independent examiner's report.

We would like to take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to your staff for their assistance during the course of our independent examination.

Please note that this report has been prepared for the sole use of Three Wishes Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity. It must not be disclosed to third parties, quoted or referred to, without prior written consent. No responsibility is assumed by us to any other person.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Philip Urmston.

Yours faithfully

*Voisey & Co LLP*

**WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1048659

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# Accounts

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# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts

For the year to 31st March 2023

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

Registered Charity No. 1048659



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## Chairman's welcome

I am delighted to present the 2022/23 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

We have had the pleasure of working with colleagues throughout the Foundation Trust who so generously gave up their time to take part in fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on pages 4 to 7.

And finally, on behalf of the Charitable Trust Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors, and staff.

Mark Jones, Chairman



## Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters, is heartwarming and inspiring. All donations received make a real difference to our patients.

We are immensely grateful to the many generous and committed members of our community who have helped to raise funds for our Charity. On behalf of our service users, carers, and staff we send our appreciation to everyone who has helped to make 2022-23 a successful year.

## Fundraiser Stories

Whilst the Charity does not employ a dedicated fundraising manager, fundraising is encouraged throughout the Foundation Trust and we have been fortunate to have received support from both the public and employees of the hospital in raising funds for the Charity this year.

The following highlights some of the fundraising events that took place this year.

### Charity Cycle

Consultant in Medicine, Dr Saleh Ali, and Consultant Pharmacist Frailty, Dula Alićehajić-Bečić undertook a charity cycle from Royal Albert Edward Infirmary (RAEI), Clock Tower Entrance to Southport, and then returning to RAEI.

The bike ride which took place on Saturday 2nd July at 7am raised more than £600 for the Three Wishes Minds and Memory charitable fund which supports our elderly, stroke, and dementia patients. This fund purchases items such as new equipment dementia dolls, twiddle muffs and dementia friendly signs.

Dr Ali and Dula were greeted on their return to the hospital by colleagues from the department in which their fundraising efforts will be utilised.

A huge well done to Dr Ali and Dula - this is a great achievement!



## Wrightington Family Fun Day

On 9th October, WWL held a Wrightington Family Fun Day to raise funds for Three Wishes Wrightington Wish Fund.



Local companies, face painters, and a host of activities, including remote racing cars, lazer beam, food vendors, tombolas and raffles came along to make this a memorable day. There were visits from emergency services, a variety of classic cars and our very own Three Wishes', Albert the Bear.

Nearly £1,200 was raised on the day and the incredible donations are still coming in. We would like to thank everyone who was involved in organising the event, and those who attended and donated.

## Glitz and Glam for the Neonatal Unit

Young mum, Sacha, gave birth to her, son, Rico, back in May 2017. Weighing 3lbs, Rico was born at 30 weeks, which led to him being transferred to our Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

Following Rico's stay in the Neonatal Unit Sacha arranged a charity ball at Wigan's DW Stadium, with nearly 150 people attending and raising a massive £4,000.

A DJ, magician, and local singer, Tom Byron, attended to keep the guests entertained, as well as raffles, a tombola and an auction.



### The Molyneux Family's donation

Gill and Paul Molyneux, a family from Shevington made a donation to WWL's Rainbow Ward of gifts and toys and goodies for patients.



The family raised funds over the festive period, by producing a magnificent Christmas lights display at their home, bringing joy to the community who donated generously.

Now in its eighth year, Gill and Paul hold the annual fundraiser as a thank you for the care their sons, have received during stays on the children's ward.

### Cancer Care Services fundraiser at Ashton Golf Club

Our Senior HR Business Partner and colleague Lorraine Woods organised a fundraising event at Ashton golf club where she helped to raise £15,500 as a thank you to the team who provided her with excellent care on the cancer care unit.

### Raffles and collection tins

League of Friends at Leigh Outpatient Department and Antenatal Department at Thomas Linacre Centre have raised £1,062 from raffles and £1,000 from collection tins. Well done to these departments and thank you for your continued support.

### Fundraising Heroes

Several successful Just Giving pages have been created over the year to raise funds for our Charity and we are extremely grateful to all of those who have chosen Three Wishes as their Charity of choice.

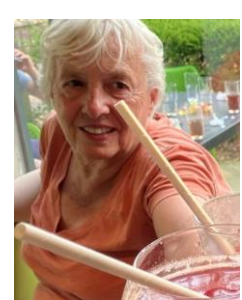
We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our local community; the people of Wigan are constantly fundraising for Three Wishes, and we are extremely grateful for all support and help. Whilst we thank every one of you, we would like to say a special thank you to the following for their support this year:

James Hunter, Triathlon for Babies & Childrens Fund, raised £114.

Tara Allen, 20k Walk at Heybridge Basin for the Heart & Lung Fund, raised £733.

Elaine Pierce, Boogy for Boobies for the Women's Wish Fund, raised £994.

Elizabeth Mary Hopkins, 70th Birthday Party for Cancer Care, raised £581.



# Campaigns

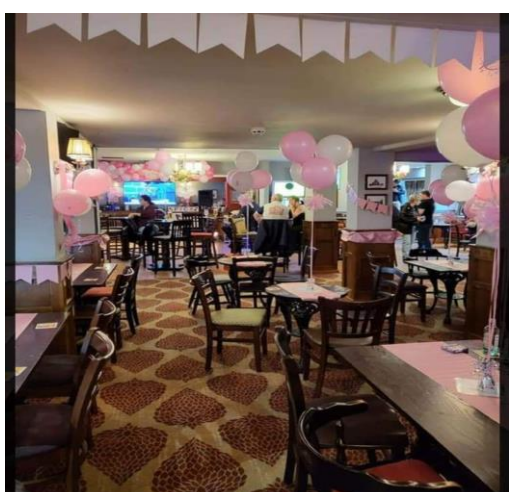
The Charity has one active fundraising campaign which will continue during 2022/2023.

## In Pink

In Pink is a campaign that has been set up to raise funds for equipment ultimately to support the breast screening service in screening more women faster. The campaign also aims to highlight the importance of breast screening appointments and to encourage all women to attend an appointment if they are invited.

Since the launch of this campaign in October 2019, £43k has been raised.

This has been raised by a range of activities including: The physio team hosting a friendly football match, numerous bake sales, Thumkas & Twirls Dandiya Dance Event and a special concert held by Greater Manchester Police organised by Barry Frost JP, Elaine and Dave Pierce.



***We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have supported us during the year.***

# The difference we make to our patients.

During the year, the Charity spent £181k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting hospital.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below:

## Stryker Beds

The Heart and Lung fund purchased 4 electrical beds for transferring patients to and from the Cardiac Catheter Lab.

This increases Patient comfort and safety and due to the motorized drive supports staff by reducing the strenuous task of pushing and pulling.



## Wildflower Tokens, End of Life Cameras & Inkless Wipes



Wildflower tokens purchased through charitable funds, are used as part of our End-of-Life care. This is just one of keepsake offered to bereaved relatives.

Wildflower seed cards are also offered which if planted will grow and multiply year on year as a lasting memory.

The purchase of an end-of-life camera enables bereavement photographs to be offered to families to capture the last moments they spend together with their loved ones.



## Lifting Chair for the Trauma and Orthopaedics service

The lifting chair is a piece of equipment that can be used by the staff at Wrightington Hospital to lift patients easily, ensuring patient comfort and safety whilst reducing the physical impact of lifting patients on staff.

The chair has been used on several occasions, on one occasion a patient had fallen in the main entrance and could not get up due to severe pain, using the lifting chair the staff safely lifted the patient from the floor without any discomfort for either the patient or the member of staff.

One team member said “From the bottom of my heart, and I know I speak for the staff on the wards and throughout Wrightington, thank you for purchasing this lifting chair for us. It has been an absolute asset to patients and staff alike”.



## Future Plans

Three Wishes will continue to work alongside and support Wrightington Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust during 2023/24 to improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience.

Included within our plans for the coming year are the purchase of 5 RITA System's (Reminiscence, Interactive, Therapy Activities) which helps to engage and stimulate our patients who suffer with dementia.

We also plan to purchase a therapy bed and specialised chemotherapy chair as well as 5 new saddle chairs and overbed tables for the cancer care unit.

Also, in our plans are the purchase of 4 Vital Sign Machines and an interactive floor & table for our children's unit.

# Objectives of the Charity

## Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”.*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

## Structure, governance, and management

### Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee’s legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit, and independently determine the Charity’s strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The Charity adopted the working name ‘Three Wishes’ in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

### Charitable Trust Committee

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, (“the Charity”) in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees’ Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Committee as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Committee act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

## Independence

To retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Committee membership comprises of:

- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors, one of whom shall be Chair.
- Chief Finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning

The members of the Charitable Trust Committee who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above.

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Committee and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

## Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2022/23 and contained within the Corporate Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

## Public interest benefit

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

## Management and delegation

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

## Reference and administrative details

### Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is.

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

### Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by Finance located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

### Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

### Board of Directors

Silas Nicholls	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Alison Balson (to 31 Dec 2022)	Chief People Officer
Tracy Boustead (from 1 Jan 2023)	Chief People Officer
Mary Fleming	Chief Operating Officer
Ian Boyle (to 30 Nov 2022)	Chief Finance Officer
Tabitha Gardner (from 2 March 2022)	Chief Finance Officer
Kelly Knowles (1 Nov 2022 to 28 Feb 2022)	Acting Chief Finance Officer
Richard Mundon	Director of Strategy & Planning
Rabina Tindale	Chief Nurse
Paul Howard	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller	Director of Communications
Mark Jones	Chairman
Clare Austin	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Steven Elliot	Non-Executive Director
Mick Guymer (from 13 Dec 2022)	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Lobley	Non-Executive Director
Francine Thorpe	Non-Executive Director
Alison Tumilty (to 25 Nov 2022)	Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 except where indicated.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also can seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

### Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2022/23

#### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

#### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
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Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Committee.

Income and expenditure are monitored at Charitable Trust Committee as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss the audit of the charity accounts and risk related matters.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 was unrestricted £1,000k (£1,105k, 2021/22) and restricted £203k (£203k, 2021/22).

To meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £18k for 2022/23 (£18k, 2021/22).

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

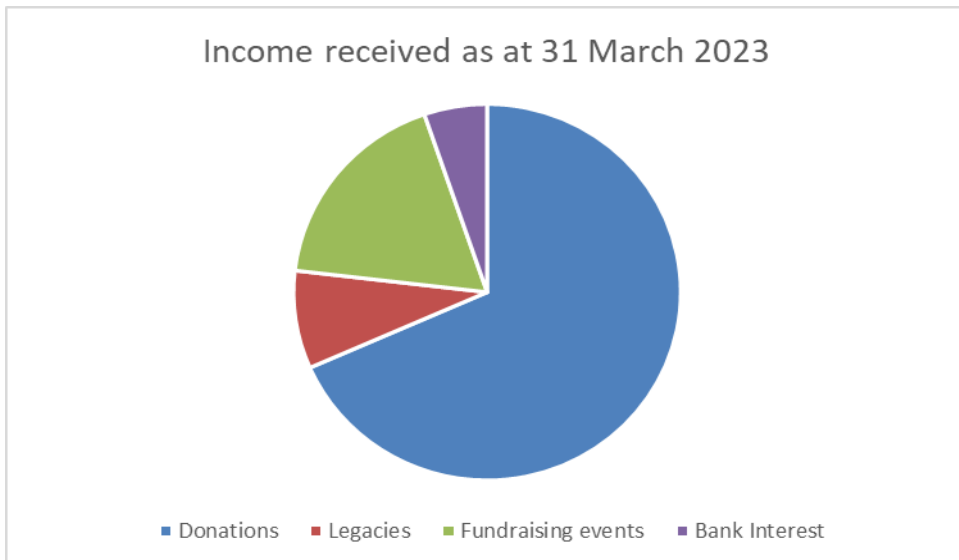
## Annual review of income and expenditure

### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

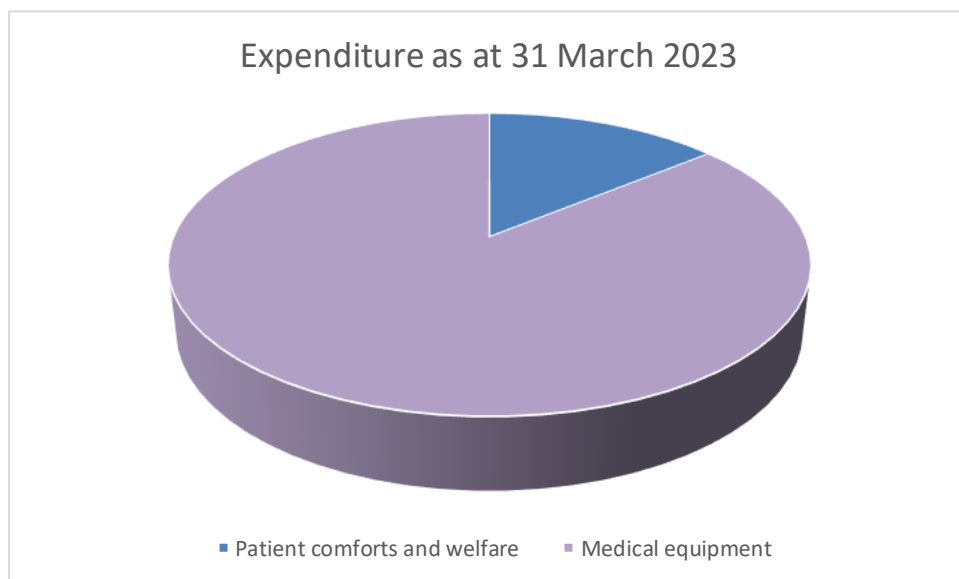
Total income for 2022/23 was £95k (£212k, 2021/22).

The Charity received legacy income totalling £8k (£105k, 2021/22) broken down as per the graph below.



### Resources Expended

The statement of financial activities shows the total expenditure for the year was £200k (£323k, 2021/22) broken down as per the graph below:



## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
  - Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 18 to 28 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

**By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee**

M Jones

Chairman\*



Date: 22 November 2023

Trust Board Director .....

Date: 22 November 2023

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

## Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity Registered number: 1048659)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2011 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Philip Urmston BSc FCA  
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28<sup>th</sup> November 2023

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000
<b>Income</b>							
Donations and legacies	3	73	0	73	175	0	175
Income from charitable activities	4	17	0	17	37	0	37
Income from investments	5	5	0	5	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>95</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>212</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>							
Raising funds	6	(1)	0	(1)	0	0	0
Charitable activities	9	(199)	0	(199)	(143)	(180)	(323)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(200)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(143)</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>(323)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(105)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(105)</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>(111)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(105)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(105)</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>(111)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>							
Total funds brought forward		1,105	203	1,308	1,036	383	1,419
Net movements in funds for the year		(105)	0	(105)	69	(180)	(111)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	10	0	0	0	4	0	4
Cash	12	1,001	203	1,204	1,133	203	1,336
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,137</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,340</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditor Accruals	13	(1)	0	(1)	(32)	0	(32)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	17	0	203	203	0	203	203
Unrestricted income funds	17	1,000	0	1,000	1,105	0	1,105
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,000</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

M Jones



Chairman\*

Date: 22 November 2023

Trust Board Director

Date: 22 November 2023

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2023

	Unrestricted Note 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	14	(137)	0	(137)	81
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(137)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(137)</b>	<b>81</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Interest received		5	0	5	0
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(132)	0	(132)	81
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,133	203	1,336	1,255
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,336</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

Unrestricted income funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. These unrestricted designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes to keep the benefit within their chosen division, and to allow for delegation of spending decisions to those divisions.

Similar designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The material funds held by the Charity are disclosed in Note 18.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

Unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the trustee has set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the trustee's discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 18.

#### **1.4 Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

#### **1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind**

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

#### **1.6 Incoming resources from legacies**

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted.
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

#### **1.7 Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

## 1.8 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

## 1.9 Charitable activities

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 9.

## 1.10 Tangible fixed assets

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost.

## 1.11 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## 1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

## 2 Related party

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Committee or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance.

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Donations	65	0	<b>65</b>	70	0	<b>70</b>
Legacies	8	0	<b>8</b>	105	0	<b>105</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>175</b>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Fundraising events	17	0	<b>17</b>	37	0	<b>37</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Bank Interest	5	0	<b>5</b>	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### 6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Just Giving costs	1	0	<b>1</b>	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## 7 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals and did not receive any grant income during the year.

## 8 Analysis of staff costs

The Charity does not directly employ any members of staff.

## 9 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	11	0	17	0	9	0	37	0	37
Medical equipment	78	0	75	0	9	0	162	0	162
Staff enablement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

Prior year comparatives are detailed below:

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		**Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	* Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	38	0	20	0	0	0	58	0	58
Medical equipment	17	0	52	0	16	0	85	0	85
Staff enablement	0	180	0	0	0	0	0	180	180
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>323</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*Governance and support costs are apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances at the end of the reporting period.

## 9.1 Support and Governance Costs

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Financial Administration and governance	16	0	<b>16</b>	14	0	<b>14</b>
Independent Examination	2	0	<b>2</b>	2	0	<b>2</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>

## 10 Independent Examiners Remuneration

The estimated Independent Examiners' remuneration of £1,800 and which is inclusive of VAT (£1,680 2021/22) relates solely to the independent examination of these accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

## 11 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Accrued income	0	0	<b>0</b>	4	0	<b>4</b>
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>

## 12 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000</b>	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	<b>Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000</b>
Cash in bank	1001	203	<b>1,204</b>	1133	203	<b>1,336</b>
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,336</b>

All cash balances are held in a NatWest current account.

### 13 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000
Creditor Accruals	(1)	0	(1)	(32)	0	(32)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>(32)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(32)</b>

### 14 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-23 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	(105)	0	(105)	(111)
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Interest receivable	(5)	0	(5)	0
(Increase) in debtors	4	0	4	189
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(31)	0	(31)	3
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(137)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(137)</b>	<b>81</b>

### 15 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

### 16 Commitments

The Charity has no commitments undisclosed in the Balance Sheet.

## 17 Analysis of Material Funds

The Charity has 13 funds, individual funds with material balances, are detailed below:

	1st April 22 balance b/f	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	31st March 23 balance c/f
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>				
WWL Healthcare Heroes	0	0	0	0
Cancer Care Appeal	178	0	0	178
Leigh Legacy	25	0	0	25
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
Wrightington Wish	416	5	(63)	358
Heart and Lung	220	19	(73)	166
Patients Wish	213	8	(41)	180
Cancer Care	65	35	(7)	93
Babies and Childrens	57	3	(1)	59
Other unrestricted funds	134	25	(15)	144
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>1,203</b>

The objectives of material funds held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 are detailed below:

- Cancer Care Appeal for the provision of facilities for the cancer care centre
- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports the Rainbow Ward and Neonatal Unit.

**WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1048659

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# Accounts

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# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts



**For the year to 31st March 2022**

**Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity**

**Registered Charity No. 1048659**

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## Chairman's welcome

I am delighted to present the 2021/22 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

This year has once again been a quiet year for the Charity. As was the case for all organisations and charities, COVID-19 continued to have an impact on opportunities for fundraising and social distancing restrictions implemented throughout the year reduced the footfall of visitors being allowed onto Foundation Trust sites.

We did however have the pleasure of working with colleagues throughout the Foundation Trust who so generously gave up their time to take part in fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on page 4 & 5.

And finally, on behalf of the Charitable Trust Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors, and staff.

Mark Jones, Chairman



## Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters, is heartwarming and inspiring. All donations received make a real difference to our patients.

We are immensely grateful to the many generous and committed members of our community who have helped to raise funds for our Charity. On behalf of our service users, carers, and staff we send our appreciation to everyone who has helped to make 2021-22 a successful year.

## Fundraiser Stories

Whilst the Charity does not employ a dedicated fundraising manager, fundraising is encouraged throughout the Foundation Trust and we have been fortunate to have received support from both the public and employees of the hospital in raising funds for the Charity this year.

The following highlights some of the fundraising events that took place this year.



### London Marathon

On Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup> Martin Halliwell a member of the public, successfully completed the London Marathon. Martin kindly chose Three Wishes as one of his nominated charities and exceeded his funding target by over £1,000.

In total Martin raised £1,335 for the Babies and Children's Fund- Neonatal Unit.

Well done and thank you Martin for your generosity and support.

### Wrightington Wish Fund

The Outpatients department at Wrightington Hospital held several Tombola's over the year, raising over £1,800.

### Specialist Services Fund

Leigh hospital outpatient's department also held two Tombola's this year resulting in raising over £600.

Well done to the Outpatient departments and thank you for your continued support.



### Fundraising Hero's

Several successful Just Giving pages have been created over the year to raise funds for our Charity and we are extremely grateful to all of those who have chosen Three Wishes as their Charity of choice

We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our local community; the people of Wigan are constantly fundraising for Three Wishes, and we are extremely grateful for all support and help. Whilst we thank every one of you, we would like to say a special thank you to the following for their support this year:

Colin Winstanley	Snug Session Strummers Music Event	Babies & Children's Fund £500
Fieldcore Volunteers	Ben Nevis sponsored hike	Cancer Care £834
James Hunter	Pentathlon	Babies & Children's Fund £4,225
Helen Smart	Swimming Event	Babies & Children's Fund £1,051
Tina's Dance Studio	Dancing Down to Funky Town	Babies & Children's Fund £2,077
Janet Ellison	Sponsored Swim	Women's Wish £190



# Campaigns

The Charity has one active fundraising campaign which will continue during 2022/2023.

## In Pink

In Pink is a campaign that has been set up to raise funds for equipment ultimately to support the breast screening service in screening more women faster. The campaign also aims to highlight the importance of breast screening appointments and to encourage all women to attend an appointment if they are invited.

Since the launch of this campaign in October 2019, £36k has been raised. This has been raised by a range of activities including: a sponsored swim, St Patricks Ladies Bowling Team sponsored bowl, Haigh Hall Wigan Ladies Golf Team golf competition, the Physio Team completed a sponsored marathon and numerous bake sales and raffles.



***We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have supported us during the year***

# The difference we make to our patients

During the year, the Charity spent £127k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting hospital.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below:

## LUCAS

We funded the purchase of a LUCAS device for the Emergency Department.

The LUCAS device provides consistent high-quality chest compressions shown by research to increase the chances of good patient outcomes whilst enabling nursing staff to be more readily able to deliver lifesaving intervention.

This equipment will enable a better standard of life support within the Resus department improving lifesaving procedures.



## Bili Blanket

The Children's wards have benefited from a piece of equipment called a Bili Blanket.

The Neo Natal Unit treat hundreds of babies with jaundice. This Bili soft phototherapy blanket allows treatment to continue during feeding time. It is also very beneficial when the babies need a higher intensity of treatment. This lifesaving equipment is utilised by Neonatal, Rainbow Ward and Maternity Ward.

## ECG Equipment

An ECG machine was purchased for the Leigh Walk-In-Centre.

The machine will aid the detection of any abnormal heart arrhythmia and provide best practice in the management of patients with cardiac related issues. This could lead to patients who do not present with signs and symptoms being discharged earlier to their own GP.





### Cottage Arbour

The Cancer Care Unit Garden has a new Cottage Arbour.

The Arbour will provide patients, friends, and relatives somewhere shaded, comfortable, and peaceful to sit whilst they await their appointments.

### Cardiac Catheter Lab Reclining Chairs

The Charity has purchased 5 Reclining Chairs for the Cardiac Catheter Lab (CCL).

These admission/recovery chairs for patients undergoing procedures within the Catheter Lab making the healing process more comfortable.



## Future Plans

Three Wishes will continue to work alongside and support Wrightington Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust during 2022/23 to improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience.

Included within our plans for the coming year are the purchase of stretcher beds for the Cardiology and Respiratory departments to support the safe transfer of patients between theatre and wards.

A Lumify machine for the Cardiac Catheter Lab, this machine is a portable ultrasound device which provides immediate imaging to assist a range of surgical procedures improving patient safety.

Also, in our plans are the purchase of 24-hour Blood Pressure Machines for Leigh Walk-in-Centre.

## Objectives of the Charity

### Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

# Structure, governance, and management

## Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee's legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit, and independently determine the Charity's strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The Charity adopted the working name 'Three Wishes' in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

## Charitable Trust Committee

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, ("the Charity") in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees' Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Committee as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Committee act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

## Independence

To retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Committee membership comprises of:

- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors, one of whom shall be Chair
- Chief Finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning

The members of the Charitable Trust Committee who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above.

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Committee and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

## Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2021/22 and contained within the Corporate Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

## Public interest benefit

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

## Management and delegation

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

# Reference and administrative details

## Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

## Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by Finance located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

## Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

## Board of Directors

Silas Nicholls	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Alison Balson	Director of Workforce
Mary Fleming	Chief Operating Officer
Ian Boyle	Chief Finance Officer
Richard Mundon	Director of Strategy & Planning
Rabina Tindale	Chief Nurse and Director of Infection Prevention and Control
Paul Howard	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller	Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
Robert Armstrong (to 31/10/21)	Chairman
Mark Jones (from 01/11/21)	Chairman
Clare Austin	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Steven Elliot	Non-Executive Director
Mick Guymer (to 31/07/21)	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Lobley	Non-Executive Director
Francine Thorpe (from 01/05/21)	Non-Executive Director
Alison Tumilty (from 01/09/21)	Non-Executive Director
Tony Warne (to 14/05/21)	Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 except where indicated.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also have the ability to seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

## Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2021/22

### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Committee.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Committee.

Income and expenditure are monitored at Charitable Trust Committee as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss the audit of the charity accounts and risk related matters.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 were unrestricted £1,105k (£1,036k 2020/21) and restricted £203k (£383k 2020/21).

In order to meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £18k for 2021/22 (£22k 2020/21).

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

## Annual review of income and expenditure

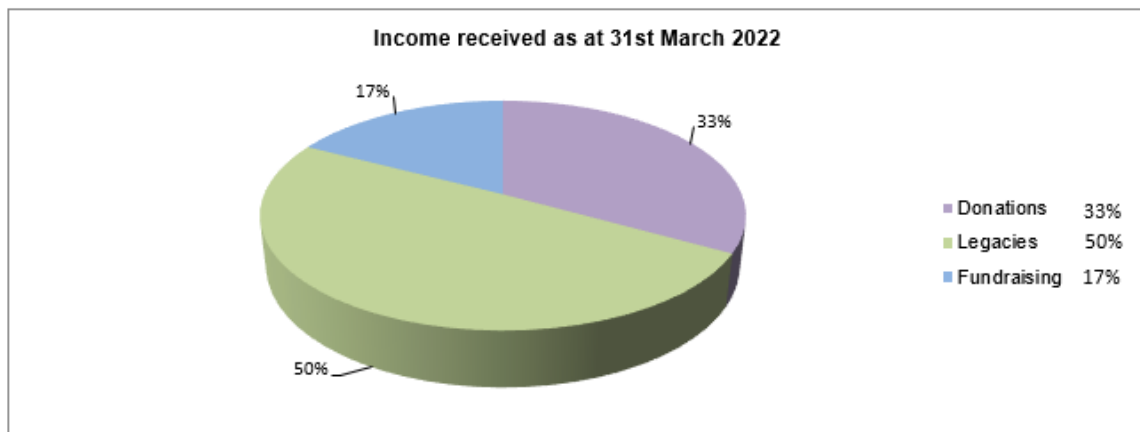
### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

Total income for 2021/22 was £212k (£548k, 2020/21).

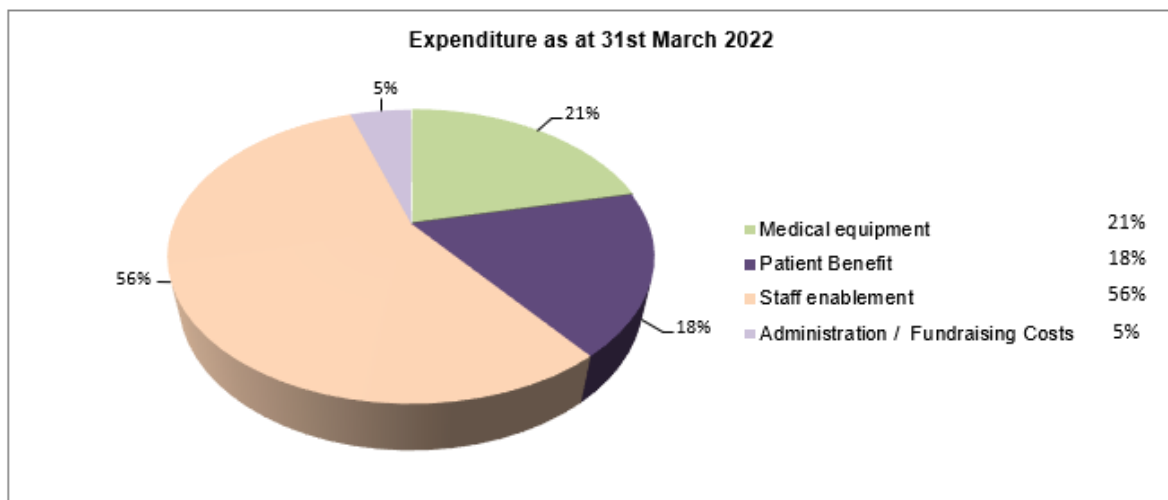
The Charity received legacy income totalling £105k (£195k, 2020/21).

The chart below shows a breakdown of incoming resources:



### Resources Expended

The statement of financial activities shows the total expenditure for the year was £323k (£195k, 2020/21) showed by category in the graph below:



## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
  - Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 18 to 28 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee

M Jones  
Chairman\*



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Date .....5<sup>th</sup> January 2023



Trust Board Director .....

Date...5<sup>th</sup> January 2023

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

## Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity

I report on the accounts of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity for the year ended 31st March 2022, which are set out on pages 18 to 28.

### *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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act: and
- 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 the seeking of 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 2011 Act: and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.



Philip Urmston BSc FCA  
Voisey & Co LLP, Chartered Accountants  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington, Cheshire WA1 1JW

5th Jan 2023

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
<b>Income</b>							
Donations and legacies	3	175	0	175	359	0	359
Income from charitable activities	4	37	0	37	9	180	189
Income from investments	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>212</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>548</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>							
Raising funds	6	0	0	0	(11)	0	(11)
Charitable activities	9	(143)	(180)	(323)	(192)	10	(182)
Depreciation	11	0	0	0	(2)	0	(2)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(143)</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>(323)</b>	<b>(205)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>(195)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>(111)</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>353</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>(111)</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>353</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>							
Total funds brought forward		1,036	383	1,419	873	193	1,066
Net movements in funds for the year		69	(180)	(111)	163	190	353
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>

## Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
<b>Non current assets</b>							
Tangible assets	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total non current assets</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	12	4	0	4	193	0	193
Cash	13	1,133	203	1,336	872	383	1,255
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,137</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,448</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditor Accruals	14	(32)	0	(32)	(29)	0	(29)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	18	0	203	203	0	383	383
Unrestricted income funds	18	1,105	0	1,105	1,036	0	1,036
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,105</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>

The notes on pages 20 to 28 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

M Jones  
Chairman\*



Date 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Trust Board Director



Date 5<sup>th</sup> January 23023

\* The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	15	261	(180)	81	163
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>261</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Interest received		0	0	0	0
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		261	(180)	81	163
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		872	383	1,255	1,092
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		<b>1,133</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>1,255</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

Unrestricted income funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. These unrestricted designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes to keep the benefit within their chosen division, and to allow for delegation of spending decisions to those divisions.

Similar designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The material funds held by the Charity are disclosed in Note 18.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

Unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the trustee has set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the trustee's discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 18.

#### **1.4 Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

#### **1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind**

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

#### **1.6 Incoming resources from legacies**

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

#### **1.7 Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

## 1.8 Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

## 1.9 Charitable activities

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 9.

## 1.10 Tangible fixed assets

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost.

## 1.11 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

## 1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

## 2 Related party

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Committee or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance.

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Donations	70	0	70	164	0	164
Legacies	105	0	105	195	0	195
<b>Total</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>359</b>

### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Grants received	0	0	0	0	180	180
Fundraising events	37	0	37	9	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>189</b>

### 5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Bank Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### 6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
* Fundraising pay costs	0	0	0	9	0	9
Fundraising non pay costs	0	0	0	2	0	2
Just Giving costs	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>

The fundraising managers post became vacant early in 20/21 and a decision has been taken not to replace this role at this time.

## 7 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals. All grants are made to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. In respect of grants received £180k has been expended in year to provide new changing facilities for staff on the Upper Johnson Ward.

## 8 Analysis of staff costs

Due to the Charity not having a Fundraising Manger in post during the year the Charity did not incur any staff costs.

## 9 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	38	0	20	0	0	0	58	0	<b>58</b>
Medical equipment	17	0	52	0	16	0	85	0	<b>85</b>
Staff enablement	0	180	0	0	0	0	0	180	<b>180</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>323</b>

\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of donated fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\* Governance and support costs have been apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances as at 31st March 2022.

In 2020/21 these costs were as follows

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		** Grant funding of activities		***Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total
	Unrestricted £'000	* Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	Unrestricted £'000	Restricted £'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	30	(10)	61	0	0	0	91	(10)	<b>81</b>
Medical equipment	54	0	26	0	1	0	81	0	<b>81</b>
Staff enablement	20	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	<b>20</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>182</b>

\* This relates to accrued expenditure brought forward from the previous financial year that was subsequently not required.

\*\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of donated fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*\* Governance and support costs have been apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund

## 9.1 Support and Governance Costs

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Financial Administration and governance	14	0	14	0	0	0
Independent Examination	2	0	2	1	0	1
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## 10 Independent Examiners Remuneration

The estimated Independent Examiners' remuneration of £1,680 (£1,680 2020/21) relates solely to the independent examination of these accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

## 11 Analysis of non-current assets

	Information technology £'000	Total £'000
Valuation/gross cost at 1 April 2021	14	14
<b>Valuation/gross cost at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>
Accumulated depreciation at 1 April 2021	(14)	(14)
Provided during the year	0	0
<b>Accumulated depreciation at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>(14)</b>
<b>Net book value at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Net book value at 1 April 2021	0	0
	Information technology £'000	Total £'000
Valuation/gross cost at 1 April 2020	14	14
<b>Valuation/gross cost at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>
Accumulated depreciation at 1 April 2020	(12)	(12)
Provided during the year	(2)	(2)
<b>Accumulated depreciation at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>(14)</b>
<b>Net book value at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Net book value at 1 April 2020	2	2

## 12 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Accrued income	4	0	4	193	0	193
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>193</b>

## 13 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Cash in hand	1133	203	1,336	872	383	1,255
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,255</b>

## 14 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Creditor Accruals	(32)	0	(32)	(29)	0	(29)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(32)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(32)</b>	<b>(29)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(29)</b>

## 15 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-22 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000
Net income income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	69	(180)	(111)	353
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Depreciation charges	0	0	0	2
Interest receivable	0	0	0	0
(Increase) in debtors	189	0	189	(183)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	3	0	3	(9)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>163</b>

## 16 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

## 17 Commitments

The Charity has no commitments undisclosed in the Balance Sheet.

## 18 Analysis of Material Funds

	1st April 21 balance b/f £'000	Incoming Resources £'000	Resources Expended £'000	31st March 22 balance c/f £'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>				
WWL Healthcare Heroes	180	0	(180)	0
Cancer Care Appeal	178	0	0	178
Leigh Legacy	25	0	0	25
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(180)</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
Wrightington Wish	333	107	(24)	416
Heart and Lung	257	14	(51)	220
Patients Wish	211	11	(9)	213
Cancer Care	62	15	(12)	65
Babies and Childrens	58	23	(24)	57
Other unrestricted funds	115	42	(23)	134
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>(143)</b>	<b>1,105</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>(323)</b>	<b>1,308</b>

The objectives of material funds held as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 are given below:

- Cancer Care Appeal for the provision of facilities for the cancer care centre
- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports the Rainbow Ward and Neonatal Unit.

**WRIGHTINGTON, WIGAN AND LEIGH HEALTH SERVICES CHARITY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1048659

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# Accounts

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# Trustee's Annual Report & Accounts

For the year to 31st March 2021



**Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health  
Services Charity**

**Registered Charity No. 1048659**

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## Chairman's welcome

I am delighted to present the 2020/21 annual report for Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity known to staff, patients, and supporters as Three Wishes.

During the financial year 2020/21 the Board approved the creation of a new designated fund, WWL Healthcare Heroes Fund, in response to donations being made to support our staff during COVID.

This fund ended the financial year with a fund balance of £208k of which £180k was received as a Grant from NHS Charities Together. This grant allocation had been distributed under Stage 1 of the COVID Urgent Appeal Grant Scheme to be spent on enhancing the well-being of NHS Staff, volunteers and patients impacted by COVID. The Trusts ambition is to use this grant funding to create staff rest facilities on the Royal Albert site.

During the year we have had the pleasure of once again working with our colleagues throughout the hospital who have so generously given up their time to take part in fundraising events and activities to support Three Wishes. Details of some of these events can found on page 5.

This will be my last annual report as the Chair of Three Wishes, as I have come to the end of my term of office after seven years in post at Wrightington Wigan and Leigh, I have always been proud of my involvement with WWL and Three Wishes

I would like to pay tribute to my executive colleagues, non-executive directors, governors and all those who have supported me in my role as Chairman of Three Wishes.

And finally, on behalf of the Charitable Trust Board, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters, fundraisers and volunteers for their hard work, commitment, and continued generosity throughout the year and for your most valuable contribution to the welfare and wellbeing of our patients, visitors and staff.

  
Robert Armstrong, Chairman



## Key Highlights of the year

As was the case for all organisations and charities, the financial year 2020/21 has been a year like no other. As we started the year, the global COVID-19 pandemic had just begun. The UK had entered its first period of national lockdown and people were beginning to adjust to social distancing and being asked to stay at home wherever possible. These restrictions resulted in the footfall of visitors being greatly reduced across all hospital sites and this impacted heavily on donations that would have normally been received on wards and in departments. On-site fundraising activities that involved the public were suspended and we also bid a fond farewell to our Fundraising Manager who left the charity for pastures new.

On a positive note, hundreds of thousands of people got behind the NHS including the incredible Captain Sir Tom who raised nearly £40m for the NHS Charities together Covid appeal of which Three Wishes received £180k. These funds will be used to support the Trusts ambition to create much needed staff rest facilities.

The Charity also benefited from many generous donations of food, toiletries and chocolate.

These gifts in kind were immediately distributed to and consumed by staff and patients. Due to these being immaterial in value they have not been included within the income figures in the accounts.

The charity also benefited from a number of higher value items including iPads and a permanent intelligent lighting solution. This lighting solution has become fondly known as the Tree of Hope and is regularly visited by staff visitors, patients and the residents of Wigan and Leigh. It is a reminder to us all, of the challenges we have overcome during this year.

These items have been included as income in the annual accounts.

A legacy of £193k was gratefully received by the Heart and Lung Fund and will be used to purchase various items of medical equipment.

## Your support, our appreciation

The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the environment and experience of our patients through purchasing equipment and enhancing services across all sites. This is achieved by the incredible support the charity receives from fundraisers, volunteers, those donating in memory of a loved one, or in recognition of the great care and service they have received.

The motivation and commitment shown by our supporters, is heartwarming and inspiring. As our charity grows, we have the privilege of sharing the amazing stories and motivations of some of our fundraisers. All donations made are gratefully received and make a real difference to our patients.

## Fundraiser Stories

Due to the imposed restrictions relating to COVID and the absence of a Fundraising Manager fundraising activities had significantly reduced during the year.

The following highlight some of the successes that were achieved.



### Tree of Hope

Martin Coop at Festive Lights was extremely generous in donating a permanent intelligent lighting solution worth over £10,000 as a thank you to the NHS during COVID and to provide some positivity and support during the pandemic.

### Wrightington Wish Fund

The Outpatients department at Wrightington Hospital held a very successful tombola raising over £400 for the Wrightington Wish Fund.



## WWL Healthcare Hero's Fund

2021 was an unsettling and challenging year for everybody due to COVID however this didn't stop the kind people of Wigan constantly fundraising for our hospital(s) and we would like to thank the following for their support:



Paula Walsh  
Sarah Smee  
Eva Curless  
Leanne Walsh  
Hawkley Hall  
Dean Gregory

Singalong Live with Diva P  
Tim's going Bald  
A Night for the NHS  
Sale of NHS Drawings  
High School Bake Sales  
Head Shave

***We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have supported us during this challenging year.***



# Campaigns

The Charity has one active fundraising campaign this will continue through to 2021/2022.

## In Pink

In Pink is a campaign that has been set up to raise funds for equipment ultimately to support the breast screening service in screening more women faster. The campaign also aims to highlight the importance of breast screening appointments and to encourage all women to attend an appointment if they are invited.

Since the launch of this campaign in October 2019, £14k has been raised for the improvement of Breast Screening Services at the Thomas Linacre Centre and a range of activities have been undertaken during this time.



# The difference we make to our patients

During the year, the Charity spent £173k on equipment and patient comforts aimed at enhancing the patient experience when visiting our hospitals.

Some of our key purchases and how these have made a difference to our patients are detailed below:

## 'RITA' – Reminiscence Interactive Therapy Activities

Several new 'RITA' devices for wards across multiple hospital sites were purchased during the year to support dementia patients. These devices improve interaction and conversation with patients, their families, and staff. They provide stimulating and personalised activities, games, photos, and videos for dementia patients which encourages and facilitates reminiscence about their lives. Such activities can help to calm challenging behaviour, promote independence, and improve mood and wellbeing.

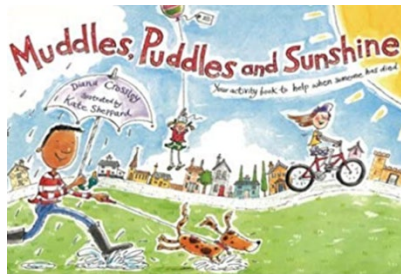


## Muddles, Puddles & Sunshine Books

“Muddles, Puddles & Sunshine” books offer practical & sensitive support for bereaved children.

These books offer a structured approach and an outlet for many difficult feelings which inevitably follow when someone dies. The books aim to help children make sense of their experience by reflecting on the different aspects of their grief, whilst finding a balance between remembering and having fun. The books also provide a valuable keepsake in the years to come.

They are also particularly valuable when the loss is sudden, which was the case for many of the patients who died from COVID.



## Cold Cap Machine

The Cancer Care Fund purchased a double cold cap machine to help minimise hair loss for patients going through chemotherapy. Hair loss can be traumatic to patients at a time when they are already going through the difficult diagnosis.



## Mobile Ventilator

We purchased a new ventilator to use for pre-term babies. This modern generation ventilator will help provide the best care in helping the lungs of preterm babies to recover.

## Future Plans

The COVID pandemic continued throughout the whole of the financial year 2020/21.

Infection prevention control measures and a restriction on patients and visitors attending hospital as a result of COVID has impacted on the opportunity for one off donations and has resulted in fundraising on hospital sites being suspended.

These restrictions are expected to continue into the new financial year 2021/22 and for this reason the charity has not committed to any fundraising plans for the new financial year. As a result of this decision there are no plans at the moment in time to replace the fundraising manager post which became vacant at the start of the year.

## Objectives of the Charity

### Statute

The Charity is committed to spend in line with the statutory public interest benefit criteria. It is additionally guided by its specific objects and mission statement, below.

The principal objectives and purposes of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, as set out in the trust deed, are as follows.

*“To provide for any charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service”*

The Charity works alongside the Foundation Trust to ensure that the advancement of healthcare is achieved daily. The Charity’s approved mission statement is as follows.

*“The mission of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity is to further improve the quality of patient care, through staff training, purchasing medical equipment and enhancing the patient environment and experience. This is achieved through the generosity of the public and by fundraising activities, events and appeals.”*

## Structure, governance, and management

### Corporate Trustee

The sole corporate trustee of the charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust. The Charity was established in accordance the National Health Services (Consequential Provision) Act 2006.

The Corporate Trustee is managed by its Board of Directors which consists of executive and non-executive directors. It has responsibility for ensuring that the NHS body fulfils its duties in managing the charitable funds. Members of the Foundation Trust Board are not individual trustees under Charity Law, but act as agents on behalf of the Corporate Trustee. They fulfil the Trustee’s legal duty by ensuring that funds

are spent in accordance with the objects of each fund in pursuit of public/patient benefit, and independently determine the Charity's strategy through meetings of the Charitable Trust Board.

The Charity adopted the working name 'Three Wishes' in 2012. The full current name of the Charity is Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity.

### Charitable Trust Board

The Foundation Trust is the sole trustee of the Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity, registered charity number 1048659, ("the Charity") in its corporate capacity.

The corporate trustee has powers under section 11 of the Trustee Act 2000 to appoint and delegate to agents. This power includes appointing a committee, membership of which is not necessarily restricted to its directors.

The corporate trustee also has powers under the Inheritance and Trustees' Powers Act 2014 power of advancement as set out in Chapter 16, Section 9.

The Foundation Trust has duly established and appointed the Charitable Trust Board as a committee to administer the charitable funds. Members of the Charitable Trust Board act as agents of the Foundation Trust.

### Independence

In order to retain independence and balance in its decision making the Charitable Trust Board membership comprises of:

- Chair of the Foundation Trust (Chair)
- Chief finance Officer
- Chief Nurse
- Deputy Chief Executive
- Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
- Director of Strategy and Planning
- Three (3) Non-Executive Directors

The members of the Charitable Trust Board who served during the year were drawn from those Corporate Trustee Board members listed above, as well as the following additional members.

- Governor member Andrew Haworth (April 2020 to March 2021)

**All executive and non-executive directors of the Foundation Trust are members of the Charitable Trust Board and are entitled to attend and vote at any meeting.**

### Corporate Trustee's appointments

The methods of appointment to the key governance roles within the Board of Directors and Council of Governors of the Corporate Trustee are reported in the Corporate Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts 2020/21 and contained within the Corporate

Trustee's Constitution. Copies of these documents can be obtained by contacting the Foundation Trust (see Reference and administrative details), and the Annual Report can be viewed on the Foundation Trust website.

### **Public interest benefit**

The Corporate Trustee ensures that the *public benefit* criteria, as detailed in the Charities Act 2011, are met by demanding that each funding application is critically assessed against those criteria via the Charity's internal expenditure guidance. Applications are prioritised and rejected or approved based on the availability of funds and compliance with the policy.

Funds are used to provide benefit to a wide range of patients, and any funds used for staff enablement are only allocated to projects that will directly benefit patients.

### **Management and delegation**

The day-to-day management of the Charity's funds is delegated to individual fund committees made up of a variety of staff members and independent governors. Each divisional committee has approved terms of reference and the following remit.

- Monitor spending throughout the financial year.
- Review, consider and, when appropriate, approve applications for charitable expenditure in their area.
- Ensure that the funds are used effectively within their remit, in line with donors' wishes.
- Continually review financial controls and Standing Financial Instructions confirming that all expenditure is totally consistent with their fund's objectives and the Charity's Expenditure Guidance policy.

The Foundation Trust's Financial Services department is responsible for the financial administration of the Charity and ensures that all expenditure is compliant with internal policy and charity law.

# Reference and administrative details

## Principal office

The principal office for the Charity is

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
The Elms  
Royal Albert Edward Infirmary  
Wigan Lane  
Wigan  
WN1 2NN

## Administration and records

The accounting records and day-to-day administration of the funds are undertaken by the Finance Directorate located at Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan WN1 1XX.

## Donations and fundraising enquiries and assistance

The Finance Department  
Email: [ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk](mailto:ThreeWishesCharity@wwl.nhs.uk)

## Board of Directors

Robert Armstrong	Chair
Silas Nicholls	Chief Executive
Sanjay Arya	Medical Director
Mary Fleming	Chief Operating Officer
Alison Balson	Director of Workforce
Ian Boyle (from 7/10/20) *	Chief Finance Officer
Ged Murphy (to 6/10/20) *	Acting Chief Finance Officer
Paul Howard	Director of Corporate Affairs
Anne-Marie Miller (from 1/03/21) *	Director of Communications and Stakeholder Engagement
Richard Mundon	Director of Strategy and Planning
Morag Olsen (from 9/11/20 to 21/02/21)	Interim Chief Nurse
Helen Richardson (to 31/10/20)	Chief Nurse
Rabina Tindale (from 15/01/21)	Chief Nurse
Sandeep Ranote (From 19/10/20)	Medical Director for Mental Health & Integration
Tony Warne	Non-Executive Director
Claire Austin	Non-Executive Director
Mick Guymer	Non-Executive Director
Ian Haythornthwaite	Non-Executive Director
Rhona Bradley	Non-Executive Director
Steven Elliot	Non-Executive Director
Lynne Lobley	Non-Executive Director

\*All of the members were in post for the 12-month period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 except where indicated.

The Trustees have access to qualified and dedicated internal resources including Trust secretary and the Finance team. They also have the ability to seek external advice when required. The professionals concerned maintain CPD as part of their professional development.

## Advisors

The following services were retained by the Charity during 2020/21

### Bank

National Westminster Bank PLC  
Sovereign Business Park  
Kingscroft Court  
Wigan  
WN1 3AP

### Independent Examiners

Voisey & Co LLP  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington  
Cheshire  
WA1 1JW

Registered administrative details and overview are also available on the Charity Commission website: [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk).

## Risk management

The Charity's key systems are designed and implemented by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, the Charity therefore benefits from the Foundation Trust's robust internal control and risk management framework.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed are identified and mitigating actions considered in meetings of the Charitable Trust Board.

The main risk to which the Charity is currently exposed is competition from other charities resulting in reduced public profile and associated decline in income streams. Several mitigations are in place and the risk is monitored through Charitable Trust Board.

Income and expenditure is monitored at Charitable Trust Board as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves and to ensure that the Charity is well-positioned to meet its objectives throughout the year.

The Trust's Audit Committee sets aside dedicated time to discuss charitable fund audit and risk matters.

The COVID restrictions that have been implemented for infection prevention continue to reduce fundraising activities on the Trust site and reduce 'footfall' donations on Wards and Departments.

# Financial review

## Reserve's policy

The Charity is not at risk of incurring expenditure on unforeseen emergency or operational costs and is not reliant on regular income streams. Divisional fund expenditure is regularly monitored against fund balances and can be readily controlled, overspending risk is therefore mitigated and there is no risk to short-term deficits in its cash budgets.

The total funds held by the Charity as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 were unrestricted £1,036k (£873k 2019/20) and restricted £383k (£193k 2019/20).

In order to meet the administrative fee and pre-approved commitments during the year the Corporate Trustee set a target reserve of £22k for 2020/21 (£134k 2019/20).

The reduction of the administration costs was due to less staff costs being incurred as a result of COVID.

## Investment policy

### Background

By law, the Charity must ensure it spends any income received within a 'reasonable period of receipt'. Charities should not hold substantial unspent reserves as a matter of course. However, where NHS charitable funds have surplus monies not needed to fund immediate charitable activities, trustees may elect to invest some or all this surplus to generate additional income to fund future activities.

All investment decisions

- must comply with the Trustee Act 2000 and have regard to the Act's standard investment criteria; and
- must be informed by proper professional investment advice.

The investment policy of the Corporate Trustee is to deposit fund balances in short-term interest-bearing accounts. This decision is based upon the intention in the short term to spend the funds, such that long-term investment would not be appropriate.

## Annual review of income and expenditure

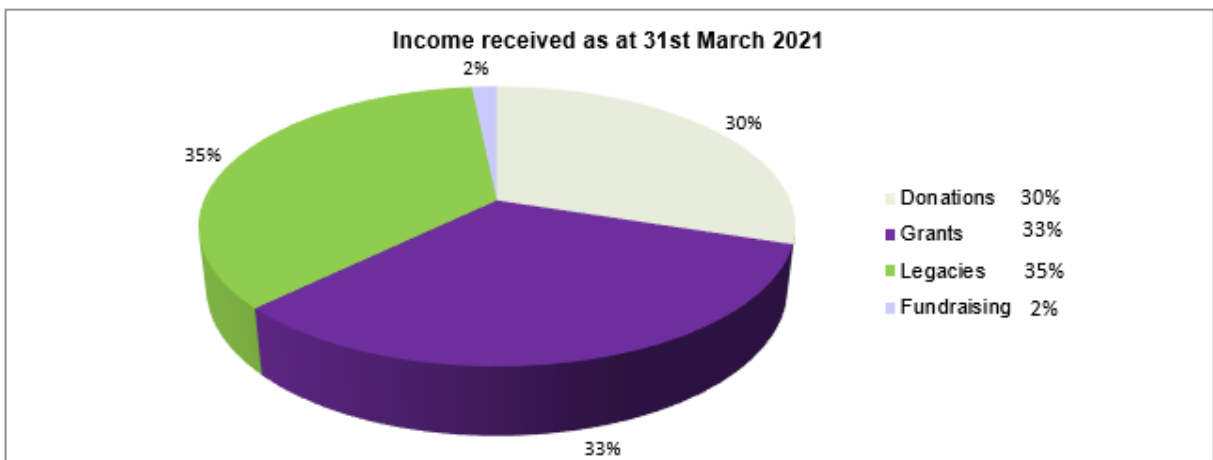
### Incoming resources

The Charity relies upon donations and legacies as its main source of income.

Total income for 2020/21 was £548k (£325k 2019/20).

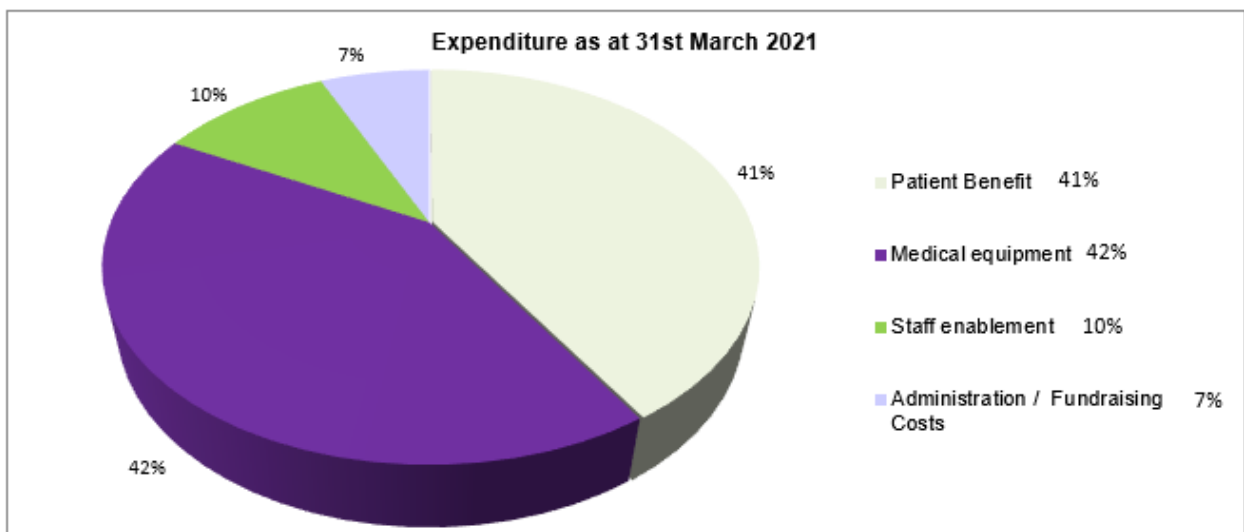
The Charity received legacy income totalling £195k (£153k, 2019/20).

The chart below shows a breakdown of incoming resources:



### Resources Expended

The statement of financial activities shows the total expenditure for the year was £196k (£494k 2019/20) showed by category in the graph below:



## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year, and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements that give a true and fair view, the Trustee should follow best practice and:

- 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the *going concern* basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation; keep proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, and which enables the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements in the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (accounts and Reports) regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed.
- Safeguard the assets of the Charity, therefore taking reasonable steps in the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 18 to 30 attached have been compiled from, and are in accordance with, the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

### By delegated authority on behalf of the Corporate Trustee

R Armstrong .....  Date **27 October 2021**

Chairman\* .....  Date **27 October 2021**

Trust Board Director

*The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman.*

## **Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity**

I report on the accounts of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Health Services Charity for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on pages 18 to 30.

### *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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act: and
- 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 the seeking of 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*

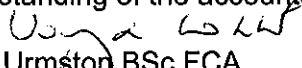
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

  
Philip Urmston BSc FCA  
Voisey & Co LLP, Chartered Accountants  
8 Winmarleigh Street  
Warrington, Cheshire WA1 1JW

..... 26th November 2021

# Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31st March 2021

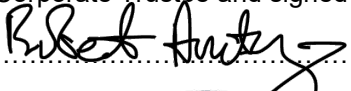
	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
<b>Income from</b>							
Donations and legacies	2	359	0	359	270	0	270
Income from charitable activities	3	9	180	189	53	0	53
Income from investments	4	0	0	0	2	0	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>368</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>325</b>
<b>Expenditure on</b>							
Raising funds	5	(11)	0	(11)	(52)	0	(52)
Charitable activities	8	(192)	10	(182)	(292)	(147)	(439)
Depreciation	10	(2)	0	(2)	(3)	0	(3)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(205)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>(195)</b>	<b>(347)</b>	<b>(147)</b>	<b>(494)</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>163</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>(22)</b>	<b>(147)</b>	<b>(169)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>163</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>(22)</b>	<b>(147)</b>	<b>(169)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>							
Total funds brought forward		873	193	1,066	895	340	1,235
Net movements in funds for the year		163	190	353	(22)	(147)	(169)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>1,066</b>

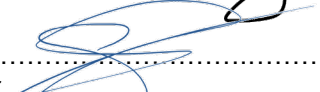
# Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2021

	Note	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
<b>Non current assets</b>							
Tangible assets	10	0	0	0	2	0	2
<b>Total non current assets</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Current assets</b>							
Debtors	11	193	0	193	10	0	10
Cash	12	872	383	1,255	885	207	1,092
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,065</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,448</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,102</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditors	13	(29)	0	(29)	(24)	(14)	(38)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>1,064</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>1,066</b>
<b>The income funds of the charity</b>							
Restricted income funds	16	0	383	383	0	193	193
Unrestricted income funds	16	1,036	0	1,036	873	0	873
<b>Total charity funds</b>		<b>1,036</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>1,066</b>

The notes on pages 21 to 30 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Corporate Trustee and signed on its behalf:

R Armstrong .....  Date **27 October 2021**  
Chairman\*

.....  Date **27 October 2021**  
Trust Board Director

\*The Board may authorise another Board member to sign in place of the Chairman

# Statement of Cash flows for the year ending 31st March 2021

	Unrestricted Note	Restricted	Total funds 31-Mar-21	Total funds 31-Mar-20
	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-20
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>				
Net expenditure for the reporting period (SOFA)	15	(14)	176	163
<b>Net cash provide by (used in) operating activities</b>		<b>(14)</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>				
Interest received		0	0	0
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(14)	176	163
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		885	207	1,092
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>	12	<b>872</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,255</b>

# Notes to the accounts

## 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the going concern basis and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

### 1.2 Going Concern

The trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The COVID pandemic has had an impact on the charity's fundraising income for unrestricted funds although this is partially offset by the generous donations made by members of the public in the first lockdown and restricted income from the NHS Charities Together national appeal.

The key risks to the Charity's continuing going concern status are a fall in income from donations or investment income but the trustee has arrangements in place to mitigate those risks (see the risk management and reserves sections of the annual report for more information).

### 1.3 Funds structure

Unrestricted income funds comprise of those funds which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. These unrestricted designated sub-funds are created to attempt to honour donors' (unbinding) wishes to keep the benefit within their chosen division, and to allow for delegation of spending decisions to those divisions.

Similar designated funds could be used by the Corporate Trustee at its discretion to earmark funds for specific future purposes. Any funds held within a designated sub-fund can be merged or transferred within the general purposes fund at any time, at the discretion of the Trustee, in accordance with the Health Service Act 1977.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

The material funds held by the Charity are disclosed in Note 16.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with the specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

Unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the trustee has set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the trustee's discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in note 17.

#### **1.4 Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

#### **1.5 Incoming resources Gifts in Kind**

Gifts in kind, such as food and care packages are not accounted for when they are accepted and immediately distributed unless a single donation is material.

Gifts of tangible assets which included ipads and lighting have been recognised as a donation at fair value (market price) on receipt and charitable expenditure when they are distributed to the value of £11,750.

Where gifts in kind are held before being distributed to beneficiaries, they are recognised at fair value as stock until they are distributed.

#### **1.6 Incoming resources from legacies**

Legacies are accounted for as incoming resources upon receipt or where the receipt of the legacy is probable.

Receipt is probable when:

- Confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estate(s) that probate has been granted
- The executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate to pay the legacy and
- All conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the charity's control.

If there is uncertainty as to the amount of the legacy and it cannot be reliably estimated, then the legacy is shown as a contingent asset until all the conditions for income recognition are met.

### **1.7 Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure. Contractual obligations are recognised as goods or services are supplied to either the Foundation Trust or the Charity.

The Charity does not make grants to third parties.

### **1.8 Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the same category of resources expended as the underlying purchases.

### **1.9 Charitable activities**

The costs of *charitable activities* include all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Charity. These costs comprise the direct costs of charitable purchases, and an apportionment of overhead and support costs as shown in note 8.

### **1.10 Tangible fixed assets**

The Charity's sole asset is a finance and fundraising piece of software that is held at historic cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over a period of 5 years.

### **1.11 Financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs). The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

### **1.12 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, which are described above, the Corporate Trustee is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Corporate Trustee does not consider there are any critical judgements or sources of estimation uncertainty requiring disclosure beyond the accounting policies listed above.

### 1.13 Related party

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust is the Corporate Trustee of the Charity.

During the year, none of the members of the Trust Board, Charitable Trust Board or senior Trust staff, or parties related to them, were beneficiaries of the Charity, and none of these individuals have undertaken any material transactions with the Charity or received honoraria, emoluments, or expenses in the year.

Board members, and other senior staff, take decisions on both Charity and exchequer matters, but endeavour to keep the interests of each discrete, and do not seek to benefit personally from such decisions. Declarations of personal interest have been made in both capacities and are available to be inspected by the public. The Corporate Trustee has purchased Directors and Officers liability insurance

## 2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
Donations	164	0	164	117	0	117
Legacies	195	0	195	153	0	153
<b>Total</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>270</b>

## 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
* Grants received	0	180	180	0	0	0
Fundraising events	9	0	9	53	0	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>53</b>

\* During the financial year the Charity received grants from the NHS Charities together Covid emergency appeal.

#### 4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
Bank Interest	0	0	0	2	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

#### 5 Raising funds

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
* Fundraising pay costs	9	0	9	45	0	45
Fundraising non pay costs	2	0	2	7	0	7
Just Giving costs	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>52</b>

The fundraising managers post became vacant early in the financial year and has since not been replaced.

#### 6 Analysis of grants

The Charity does not make grants to individuals and has not expended any of the grants received during the financial year.

#### 7 Analysis of staff costs

Due to the limited activity of the Charity as a result of Covid there has been a reduction in the staff costs incurred during the year.

## 8 Analysis of charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		** Grant funding of activities		***Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total £'000
	Unrestricted	* Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	30	(10)	61	0	0	0	91	(10)	<b>81</b>
Medical equipment	54	0	26	0	1	0	81	0	<b>81</b>
Staff enablement	20	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	<b>20</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>182</b>

\* This relates to accrued expenditure brought forward from the previous financial year that was subsequently not required.

\*\* The Charity made payments to Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for the purchase of donated fixed assets during the financial year.

\*\*\* Governance and support costs have been apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances as at 31st March 2021.

In 2019/20 these costs were as follows

	Activities undertaken directly - revenue funding		* Grant funding of activities		** Governance & support costs		Sub total		Total £'000
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Patient comforts and welfare	(67)	(13)	(55)	(134)	(52)	0	(174)	(147)	<b>(321)</b>
Medical equipment	(62)	0	(24)	0	(17)	0	(103)	0	<b>(103)</b>
Staff enablement	(13)	0	0	0	(2)	0	(15)	0	<b>(15)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>(79)</b>	<b>(134)</b>	<b>(71)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(292)</b>	<b>(147)</b>	<b>(439)</b>

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\*\* Governance and support costs have been apportioned on a pro rata basis of 50% on income received during the period and 50% on the closing fund balances as at 31st March 2020.

## 9 Independent examination fees

The independent examination fee for 2020/21 was £1,680k (£1,680 2019/20).

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds
	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-20	31-Mar-20	31-Mar-20
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Financial Administration and governance	0	0	0	20	48	68
Independent Audit / External Audit	1	0	1	1	0	1
Other	0	0	0	0	2	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>71</b>

For financial year 2020/21 the Charitable Trust Board made the decision not to charge the Charity for administration costs.

## 10 Analysis of non-current assets

	Information technology £'000	Total £'000
Valuation/gross cost at 1 April 2020	14	14
<b>Valuation/gross cost at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>
Accumulated depreciation at 1 April 2020	(12)	(12)
Provided during the year	(2)	(2)
<b>Accumulated depreciation at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>(14)</b>
<b>Net book value at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Net book value at 1 April 2020	2	2

	Information technology £'000	Total £'000
Valuation/gross cost at 1 April 2019	14	14
<b>Valuation/gross cost at 31 March 2020</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>
Accumulated depreciation at 1 April 2019	(9)	(9)
Provided during the year	(3)	(3)
<b>Accumulated depreciation at 31 March 2020</b>	<b>(12)</b>	<b>(12)</b>
<b>Net book value at 31 March 2020</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
Net book value at 1 April 2019	5	5

## 11 Analysis of debtors

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
Accrued income	193	0	193	10	0	10
<b>Total debtors</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>

## 12 Analysis of cash

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
Cash in hand	872	383	1,255	885	207	1,092
Notice deposits	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>1,092</b>

## 13 Analysis of current liabilities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Unrestricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-20 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
Accruals	(29)	0	(29)	(24)	(14)	(38)
<b>Total creditors</b>	<b>(29)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(29)</b>	<b>(24)</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>(38)</b>

## 14 Contingent assets and liabilities

The Charity has no contingent assets or liabilities.

## 15 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	Unrestricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Restricted 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-21 £'000	Total funds 31-Mar-20 £'000
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	163	190	353	(169)
<b>Adjusted for</b>				
Depreciation charges	2	0	2	3
Interest receivable	0	0	0	(2)
(Increase) in debtors	(183)	0	(183)	0
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	5	(14)	(9)	(65)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>(233)</b>

## 16 Analysis of material funds

The Charity has 13 funds, individual funds with material balances (greater than £50k) are below:

	1st April 20 balance b/f £'000	Incoming Resources £'000	Resources Expended £'000	31st March 21 balance c/f £'000
<b>Restricted Fund</b>				
WWL Healthcare Heroes	0	180	0	180
Cancer Care Appeal	178	0	0	178
Other restricted funds	15	0	10	25
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>383</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
Wrightington Wish	390	4	(61)	333
Heart and Lung	0	223	(10)	213
Patients Wish	253	21	(63)	211
Cancer Care	71	16	(25)	62
Babies and Childrens	43	34	(19)	58
Other unrestricted funds	116	58	(15)	159
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>(193)</b>	<b>1,036</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>1,066</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>(183)</b>	<b>1,419</b>

## 17 Material fund detail

The objectives of material funds held as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 are given below:

- The Healthcare Heroes Fund is being used to provide facilities, activities and services that support our staff well-being.
- Cancer Care Appeal for the provision of facilities for the cancer care centre
- Wrightington Wish to support services at Wrightington Hospital
- The Heart and Lung Fund for the provision of cardiology and respiratory services.
- The Patient wish fund provides patient comforts across all sites.
- The Cancer Care Fund supports cancer services and Cancer Care Centre at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary.
- The Babies and Children's Fund Supports the Rainbow Ward and Neonatal Unit.