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**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

**Charity No. 1060019**

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**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**CHARITY REGISTRATION: 1060019**  
**THE ANNUAL REPORT**

The Trustees submit the Annual Report and Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Constitution:** The League of Friends of Beccles & District War Memorial Hospital is registered under the Charities Act 1960.  
Charity Registration No: 1060019

**Registered Address:** Beccles & District War Memorial Hospital  
St. Mary's Road  
Beccles  
Suffolk  
NR34 9NQ.

**Chairman:** Dr. P. Harrison

**Trustees:** Dr. A. Bubb, Dr P. Harrison, Dr. G. Collins, Mrs. A. Arnold, Ms. J. LaBanc, Mrs. E. Wilson, Mr. R. Andrew, Mr. J. Reid, Mrs. H. Patchett, Mrs S. Webber, Mrs. C Wheeler, Mr. D Lewis, Ms. L Coleman.

<b>Principal Bankers:</b>	Nationwide, 1 New Market Beccles Suffolk NR34 9HQ	Lloyds TSB Plc 47 London Road North Lowestoft Suffolk NR32 1BL
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**Solicitors:** Norton Peskett Solicitors  
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**Principal Objects:** The principal object of the Charity is to provide funding for the benefit of patients and former patients in the community of Beccles & District War Memorial Hospital and Beccles Health Centre, and generally, to support the charitable work of said hospital.

## **THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CHARITY REGISTRATION 1060019**

### **TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 9 and comply with the charity's trust deed and applicable law.

#### **Reference and Administration details**

Please refer to page 1 of the accounts.

#### **Structure, Governance and management**

The Charity is constituted by a trust deed registered with the Charity Commission under charity number 1060019 in 1996 and as amended 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

The Charity shall elect each year, by rotation, Trustees to serve for a period of three years at the Annual General Meeting, from nominations, duly proposed and seconded and received by the Secretary at least seven days prior to the meeting. The Committee of Trustees shall have the power to fill any vacancies at the first meeting of the newly elected members.

The charity is run by a committee which consists of the elected Trustees and Officers drawn from these Trustees, who meet at least four times a year to discuss and decide on financial and other matters to assist patients and former patients of Beccles Hospital and Health Centre, according to the Constitution. The constitution is at present being reviewed to ensure that the Trustees are meeting their obligations.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The object of the League, per the trust deed, shall be to benefit patients and former patients of the Beccles and District War Memorial Hospital, and generally, to support charitable work of said hospital.

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. At the Trustee meetings they regularly monitor the activities of the charity to ensure they are in agreement to the objectives set out in the trust deed. In doing this, the trustees have considered the public benefit when planning the activities for the year, and when reviewing the aims and objectives for the charity.

Please note that the Beccles Hospital, to whom the charity gives the majority of its financial assistance, is an NHS hospital, and therefore available to the general public. The benefits, as outlined below, are to both the staff in the performance of their work there, but in the main to the public who are treated there. The charity also aims to benefit other invalids within the community and continues to do this by providing to other local charitable organisations who treat invalids who are sick, convalescent, disabled, handicapped and infirm.

Although the charity's activities are restricted geographically to helping those who are affected within the Beccles and surrounding district (as per the trust deed) there are no further restrictions as to who gains from the benefits provided and there is no discrimination associated with class or otherwise.

The Friends continue to contribute to try and make the hospital and health centre better places for patients and staff alike through financial assistance in a variety of ways.

## **THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CHARITY REGISTRATION 1060019**

### **TRUSTEES REPORT YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025 CONTD..**

First and foremost, we help with the purchase of equipment and funding of improvements to the fabric of the hospital and its surroundings. In the last year the Friends have spent £15,638 on charitable expenditure for the Hospital, with £11,400 being spent on medical equipment and furniture. Also, the Friends help with other things such as the care and maintenance of gardens at the hospital and to provide slippers, newspapers, magazines, and amenities for Patients during their stay in Hospital.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

This year has showed a continuation of the excellent support that the Friends receive from the local community, which has left us in a very healthy financial position, and well-placed to give further support to the hospital in the years to come.

At the end of the financial year the Friends had on deposit & in hand the sum of £804,917, a net increase in funds held in the year of £40,879.

The Friends continue to receive donations in memory of deceased former patients, and also from other members of the public and local organisations who for various reasons wish to show their support for the work of the hospital and its staff. Substantial funds were also received in the form of bequests from those wishing to show their appreciation of Beccles Hospital.

#### **Plans for the Future**

The Trustees do not expect any material changes in the published objectives of the Charity in the forthcoming year and will continue to receive and expend funds for the benefit of the patients and former patients of Beccles Hospital within the Hospital and in the local community where the other sources are unavailable.

With reserves growing significantly in the recent past the Trustees have discussed informally the level of investment with a view to spreading the investments over several banks at the same time accepting that professional advice and action in this area would require expenditure. To date investments are placed in three leading banking institutions.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The level of unrestricted reserves at the year-end was £803,743. As well as supporting local charities as stated above, we spend what we are asked to spend by the Hospital, after it has been agreed by the Trustees. We ask all (hospital) departments to submit requests. It is intended that the Hospital's primary use will be for intermediate care. The Trustees will still look to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level of at least £200,000. This amount would allow for the usual charitable giving to take place, for a period of approximately 12 months, in the event that income received should significantly decrease.

**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
CHARITY REGISTRATION 1060019**

**TRUSTEES REPORT YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025 CONTD...**

**Investment Policy**

The funds held by the charity are held in interest-bearing accounts at Nationwide Building Society and Bonds at Lloyds Bank, where there is little risk to the capital sums held.

**Risk Policy**

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that the systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to the major risks.

**Statement of trustee's responsibilities**

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare the Annual Report and 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 those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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

**Approval**

This report was approved by the trustees on ..... 20/4/26 ..... and signed on their behalf.



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Signed by Chairman

**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2025</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Income &amp; Expenditure</b>					
<b>Incoming Resources</b>					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds:					
Voluntary Income	2	29,629	-	29,629	8,519
Activity for generating funds		1,085	-	1,085	854
Investment Income	3	27,897	-	27,897	3,174
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<u>58,611</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,611</u>	<u>12,547</u>
<b>Resources Expended</b>					
Costs of Generating Funds:					
Fundraising trading costs		625	-	625	93
Charitable Activities	4	15,638	-	15,638	16,463
Governance Costs	5	1,903	-	1,903	2,249
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<u>18,166</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,166</u>	<u>18,805</u>
<b>Net movement in funds for the year</b>		40,445	-	40,445	(6,258)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward at 1 July 2024		763,298	-	763,298	769,556
<b>Total funds carried forward at 30 June 2025</b>		<u>803,743</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>803,743</u>	<u>763,298</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form a part of these financial statements.

**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025	2024
		£	£
Gross income of continuing operations		58,611	12,547
Total expenditure of continuing operations		18,166	18,805
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year</b>		<u>40,445</u> =====	<u>(6,258)</u> =====


The Summary Income and Expenditure Account is derived from the Statement of Financial Activities on page 5 which, together with the notes to the accounts on pages 9 to 10 provides full information on the movements during the year on all the funds of the Charity.

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form a part of these financial statements.



**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
BALANCE SHEET AT 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Lloyds Treasurers Accounts	4	65,378		52,348	
Nationwide Investment Account		274,155		261,690	
Lloyds Investment Accounts		465,384		450,000	
Prepayments	6	116		517	
		<u>805,033</u>		<u>764,582</u>	
<b>LIABILITIES: Amounts falling within one year</b>					
	7	(1,290)		(1,284)	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			803,743		763,298
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<u>£ 803,743</u>		<u>£ 763,298</u>
<b>Representing:</b>					
<b>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted funds			803,743		763,298
Restricted funds			-		-
			<u>£ 803,743</u>		<u>£ 763,298</u>

  
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 Trustee

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on: Date 20/4/26 .....

The notes on pages 9 to 10 form a part of these financial statements.

**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the year	40,445	(6,258)
<b>Total funds Retained</b>	<u>40,445</u>	<u>(6,258)</u>
	=====	=====
<b>INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>40,445</b>	<b>(6,258)</b>
	<u>40,445</u>	<u>(6,258)</u>
	=====	=====
<b>MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		
Movement in debtors	(428)	27
Movement in creditors	(6)	336
<b>Movement in liquid funds:</b>		
Increase/(Decrease) in bank balances	40,879	(6,621)
	<u>40,445</u>	<u>(6,258)</u>
	=====	=====

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**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice “Accounting and Reporting by Charities” (SORP 2005) issued in March 2005, and applicable UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.

**Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. This includes legacies received.

**Resources Expended**

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

**Costs of generating Funds**

Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred for fund raising purposes.

**Charitable Activities**

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries. These costs are listed at note 4.

**Governance Costs**

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity, and include its audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. These costs are listed at note 5.

**Stock**

Stock is included at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

**2. VOLUNTARY INCOME**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£
Donations	525	1,525
Legacies & Bequests	29,104	6,994
	<u>29,629</u>	<u>8,519</u>
	=====	=====

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£
Interest receivable on cash deposits in the UK	27,898	3,174
	=====	=====

**THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

**4. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES ('Direct Costs')**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Equipment purchased - Hospital	11,400	8,627
- Surgery	-	2,906
Newspapers, books & magazines for Hospital ward	1,828	1,85
Hospital staff / patient Christmas gifts	652	600
Sundry items for Hospital	-	90
Refreshments	547	348
Hospital gardening costs	1,031	2,037
Footwear	180	-
	<u>15,638</u>	<u>16,463</u>
	=====	=====

**5. GOVERNANCE COSTS ('Support Costs')**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accountancy and other non audit fees	1,140	1,100
Licences, subscriptions & insurance	583	969
Telephone	180	180
	<u>1,903</u>	<u>2,249</u>
	=====	=====

**6. DEBTORS: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Prepayments	116	544
	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>

**7. LIABILITIES: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Creditors & Accruals	1,290	1,284
	<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BECCLES & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 10.

### **Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the charities act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 terms or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true & fair" view & the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: ..... 21 / 4 / 2026 .....