

Calne & District Link Scheme Trustees Report 2025

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We have attended local groups: the Calne Health & Social Care Forum, the Voices & Dementia group. I have attended Wiltshire Link Chairs' meetings through the year, organised by Community First.

Calne Link Scheme received a Certificate of Achievement Award at the Calne Town Council Civic Awards ceremony again this year, which Frank Rumble attended on 14 March.

We continue our involvement in the 'Warm Spaces' initiative, drawing on the funds given by a donor in 2022, allowing Calne Link to offer free transport to the Methodist Church on Wednesdays. Two-thirds of the £1,500 donation has been utilised to date.

We have been unsuccessful in arranging a timely Drive Plus Driver Assessment with Wiltshire Council for one of our volunteers. I am therefore investigating a switch to IAM Roadsmart. The cost is greater but is anticipated to be more efficient.

The technical support for the software used by our Co-ordinators has been switched to a new provider, enabling the Scheme to continue without change to the software system.

Fran Creasey
Chair
13 July 2025

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2024/25		2023/24
Total Number of Trips	4,687	3,926
Total Number of Miles	4,712	72,851
Total Hours	7,689	

CALNE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY LINK SCHEME

ANNUAL ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD 01/04/24 TO 31/03/25

		2024/2025	2023/2024
RECEIPTS	£	£	£
Donations	19151.1		
Individuals			
Donation Envelopes	42044.00	61195.10	41899.00
Inland Revenue Gift Aid Relief		0	2131.26
Grants		897.45	1106.26
Bank Interest		623.86	497.86
Arts Together		361	456
Total Receipts		63077.41	46090.38
PAYMENTS			
Volunteer Expenses	33900.12	33900.12	31203.16
Insurance		475.19	453.45
Administration		2209.77	3459.20
Hire of premises		360	360.00
Co-ordinators' Expenses Paid		260	422.00
Tesco Mobile		98.08	84.00
Misc		0.00	90.00
Total Payments		37303.16	36071.81
Excess of Receipts over Payments -		25774.25	
Total		63077.41	
Balances			
Balance as at 01/04/24		58488.08	
Surplus for 2023/25		25774.25	
Balance as at 31/03/25		84254.33	
Represented by :-			
Lloyds Bank Treasurers Account		69254.33	
Lloyds Bank Fixed Term Deposit		10000.00	
CCLA Charities Deposit Fund		5000.00	
Total		84254.33	

Independent Examiner's statement

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

Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

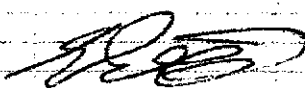
To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; and

To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply

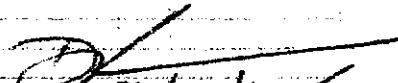
with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Stephen Stott
Treasurer


7/4/25

David Richardson
Independent Examiner


07/07/2025

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Registered Charity 1063848

Annual Statistics for 2025

Health Related Journeys	
Hospitals	1,374
Dental	60
GP Surgeries	399
Other Health	0
Total Health Related Journeys	2,448
Non-Health Related Journeys	
Leisure	116
Lunch Clubs & Day Centres	1,663
Others	485
Total Non-Health Related Journeys	2,264
Total Number of Journeys	4,712
Total Number of Miles	78,358
Total Number of Hours	9,085
Donations and Expenditure	
Expenses paid to Volunteers	£32,325.99
Donations from Clients	£48,378.00