

Knighton and District Community Support Project

Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2025

## **Knighton and District Community Support Project**

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## Knighton and District Community Support Project

### Charity information

<b>Charity number:</b>	1064122
<b>Date of registration:</b>	27 August 1997
<b>Principal office:</b>	21 Broad Street Knighton Powys LD7 1BL
<b>Trustees:</b>	Mrs A P Jones Mrs Y Moses Miss I Thomas Dr A M Moulden Ms J Lloyd Ms K L Mcindoe

## **Knighton and District Community Support Project**

### **Report of the Trustees**

#### **For the year ended 31 March 2025**

The charity is governed by the Constitution of Knighton & District Community Support dated July 2014.

#### **Appointment of Trustees**

The Trustees are elected by members.

For the year ended 31 March 2025, there has been no changes in trustees.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The notion of Knighton & District Community Support was formulated through local church groups where enthusiastic community members got together to initiate a pilot project to support care in the community. The main areas of work revolved around assisting the elderly and inform to stay in their own homes; to support those marginalised by disability or mental health and to support families with young children.

Whilst core members of staff are employed, much of the work is carried out by volunteer members of the community, who bring a diversity of skills, local knowledge and practical experience to the project.

As a rural community, Knighton suffers from isolation and difficulty in accessing amenities and services. To this end the Community Transport Scheme provides, regular and reliable transport through volunteers using their own cars, to allow those disadvantaged by rural isolation and lack of public transport to attend medical appointments and necessary social journeys.

The project registered as a charity in 1994 and is managed by a committee of volunteer trustees who give generously of their time and expertise in accounting, management and caring. The committee is open to new members and welcomes the additions of new skills and ideas for the project.

It is a rewarding and fulfilling process and delivers an increased awareness of and a sense of belonging to a supportive and connected community. The contribution of volunteer hours is recorded, and a Code of Conduct is applicable to all volunteers.

The Trustees have had due regard to the revised guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit per section 17(5) of the 2011 Charities Act.

#### **Transport**

Knighton & District Community Support are now 100% focused on providing community transport for medical and social purposes, adapting to local needs such as prescription deliveries and shopping assistance. This ensures public benefit by enabling access to healthcare, reducing isolation and supporting vulnerable groups. There is currently one full time member of staff, two part time drivers and 16 volunteer drivers, who make sure this side of things runs as smoothly as possible.

Our team includes one full-time staff member, two part-time drivers, and 16 dedicated volunteer drivers, who ensure smooth operations.

At the start of the financial year, we responded swiftly to increased demand from the NHS catching up on delayed operations and appointments. However, many were postponed or rescheduled at short notice, including on the day or after drivers had departed, which strained resources but highlighted our flexibility.



## **Knighton and District Community Support Project**

### **Report of The Trustees continued** **For the year ended 31 March 2025**

#### **Transport - continued**

In April & October 2024 we assisted many of our clients & non clients to get to their covid vaccination, with a fair amount of them being scheduled by the health boards on a weekend, which did impact on our drivers.

In April and October 2024, we assisted clients and non-clients with COVID vaccinations, including weekend appointments scheduled by health boards, which impacted driver availability but ensured vital health access for the community.

November 2024 brought heavy snowfall, disrupting both the Town Connection and Community Car services for about a week. Despite this, we maintained core operations where possible.

The charity has relied significantly on National Lottery funding over the past two years to sustain its transport services. Unfortunately, this funding will cease in the coming year, and despite exploring alternative fundraising and income generation options, the trustees have concluded that there are insufficient resources to continue operations in the longer term, especially as The Furniture Barn is not producing the income it once was.

As a result, the charity will proceed to an orderly closure.

The focus in the coming period will be on:

- Continuing to deliver essential services for as long as resources allow.
- Settling all outstanding liabilities.
- Transferring any remaining assets (after meeting obligations) to one or more other registered charities with similar objectives, in line with our governing document and Charity Commission requirements.
- Notifying the Charity Commission of the closure to enable removal from the register of charities.

The trustees are committed to managing this process responsibly to minimize disruption to the community we have served and to ensure compliance with all legal and regulatory obligations.

#### **Community car scheme**

We have 495 members across the Community Car and Town Connection Schemes (81 under 60 and 414 over 60). Volunteer drivers completed 1,541 journeys, transporting 1,771 people. Of these:

- 1,177 were medical/medical-related (77%)
- 364 were social/non-medical (23%)

#### **Town Connection**

The mileage covered by the Town Connection this financial year was 10,897 miles, with a total of 630 journeys made and 945 passengers carried.

Of these journeys, 201 were medically related, 429 were non-medical.

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### **Report of The Trustees continued** **For the year ended 31 March 2025**

#### **Town Connection - continued**

We continued weekly shopping trips to Llandrindod, Ludlow, Leominster, and Newtown, offering varied supermarket access. The Out & About scheme transported residents to seaside destinations and towns like Newquay and Kidderminster, combating social isolation.

Additionally, we adapted to community needs by delivering 512 prescriptions and providing weekly shopping assistance to several clients.

Passenger numbers increased due to our larger vehicle (capacity for 6 people) and high demand for vaccination transports.

#### **Services that we deliver:**

The Furniture Barn  
The Community Car Scheme  
The Town Connection Scheme  
Bike Workshop – This is totally self-funded & run by KDCS

#### **Financial Review**

Expenditure on salaries is up £9,063 reflecting more town connection journeys and salary increases.

In this current year there is a salary increase of 31%

May I thank this opportunity to thanks the donors of goods to us and to thanks all our volunteers, without whom, we would not survive.

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



Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees:

Mrs K McIndoe

Position: Vice Chairperson

Date: 26 January 2026

## **Knighton and District Community Support Project**

### **Independent Examiner's Report** **For the year ended 31 March 2025**

#### **Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Knighton and District Community Support Project**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Knighton and District Community Support Project for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 9.

#### **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 Commission 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 statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

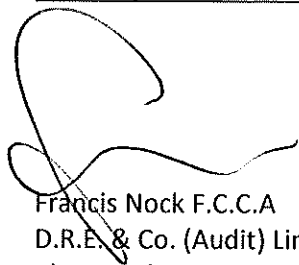
- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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

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**Independent Examiner's Report**

**For the year ended 31 March 2025**



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Date: 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Knighton and District Community Support Project**

**Receipts and payments account**  
**For the year ended 31 March 2025**

	Unrestricted Funds 31.03.2025	Restricted Funds 31.03.2025	Total Funds 31.03.2025	Total Funds 31.03.2024
<b>Receipts</b>				
Barn Income	14,306	-	14,306	32,543
Powys THB - NEPT	11,522	-	11,522	12,402
Powys CC - Core funding	5,278	-	5,278	7,808
Bethany Training	-	-	-	2,317
Town connection receipts	6,008	-	6,008	2,978
Donations/Grants	1,110	51,085	52,195	52,558
Miscellaneous Income	169	-	169	452
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>38,393</b>	<b>51,085</b>	<b>89,478</b>	<b>111,058</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Office Admin & Drivers Salary	-	36,605	36,605	34,281
Inland Revenue	-	6,195	6,195	3,777
Rent & Charges	10,008	5,004	15,012	15,012
Electricity, Heat & Water	4,613	-	4,613	6,157
Insurance	2,278	-	2,278	1,531
Telephone	1,628	-	1,628	1,940
Computer Costs	83	-	83	142
Printing & Stationery	1,502	-	1,502	822
Equipment & Repairs	146	-	146	106
Bank Charges	170	-	170	-
Van Costs - Fuel, MOT etc	3,205	-	3,205	3,945
Car Costs - Fuel, MOT etc	-	670	670	905
Drivers Expenses	-	8,916	8,916	12,951
NEPT	7,653	-	7,653	9,347
Accountancy & Legal Fees	888	-	888	816
Recycling	1,296	-	1,296	574
PCC Expenses	2,910	-	2,910	-
Sundry Expenses	873	-	873	1,095
Donations	-	-	-	30
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>37,253</b>	<b>57,390</b>	<b>94,643</b>	<b>93,431</b>
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,140	(6,305)	(5,165)	17,627
Cash funds brought forward	29,879	31,996	61,875	44,248
<b>Cash funds 31.03.2025</b>	<b>31,019</b>	<b>25,691</b>	<b>56,710</b>	<b>61,875</b>

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Unrestricted funds 31.03.2025	Restricted funds 31.03.2025	Total Funds 31.03.2025	Total Funds 31.03.2024
<b>Cash funds</b>				
Cash	31,019	25,691	56,710	61,875
	31,019	25,691	<b>56,710</b>	61,875
Motor vehicles - cost	59,567	-	59,567	59,567
	59,567	-	<b>59,567</b>	59,567

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:-



Name: Mrs K McIndoe

Position: Vice Chairperson

Date: 26 January 2026

**Knighton and District Community Support Project**

**Statement of restricted funds**

**For the year ended 31 March 2025**

<b>Lottery: Project funding</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Restricted b/fwd	31,996	2,639
Funds received	51,085	48,865
Funds utilised	(57,390)	(19,508)
Closing balance	25,691	31,996

Restricted funds relate to grant funding received from the National Lottery.

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Notes to the accounts

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**Related party disclosures**

During the year, the finance officer Mr J Moses was paid for his professional services of £5,500 (2024: £6,000). There was no balance owed to or from any related parties as at 31 March 2025.