

MARLBOROUGH & DISTRICT LINK SCHEME

England & Wales · Charity number 1069752

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1998-05-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address 12 Kelham Gardens
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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE POOR, SICK, ELDERLY OR DISABLED PERSONS IN MARLBOROUGH AND THE SURROUNDING VILLAGES BY PROVIDING OR ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF SERVICES CALCULATED TO REDUCE THE NEED, HARDSHIP OR DISTRESS OF SUCH PERSONS

Activities: The objects of the organisation are to relieve poor, sick, elderly or disabled persons in Marlborough and the surrounding villages by providing or assisting in the provision of services calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress of such persons.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** MARLBOROUGH
- Wiltshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£30,570	£29,742	-	-
2023-12-31	£32,329	£29,012	-	-
2022-12-31	£27,541	£25,769	-	-
2021-12-31	£21,219	£20,588	-	-
2020-12-31	£23,744	£23,609	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Louise Champion	Chair	2021-08-21
Alexander Blair		2017-07-22
Bridget Codrington		2026-03-28
Hugh de Saram		2022-03-26
James Rothwell		2026-03-28
Kathryn Williams		2023-08-19
Lisa Bartlett		2026-03-28
Mark McFarland		2022-03-26

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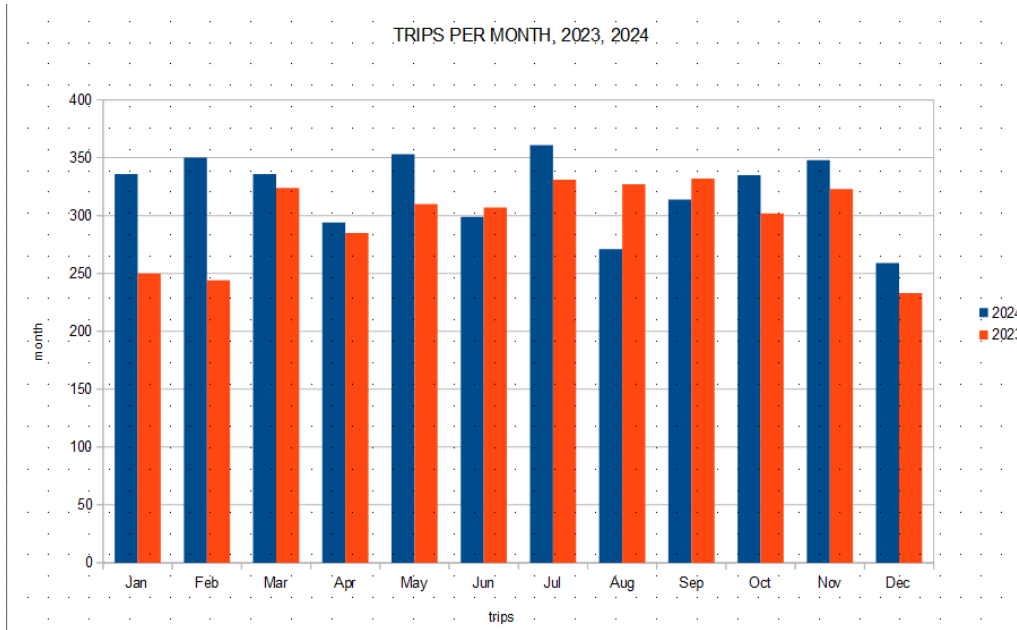
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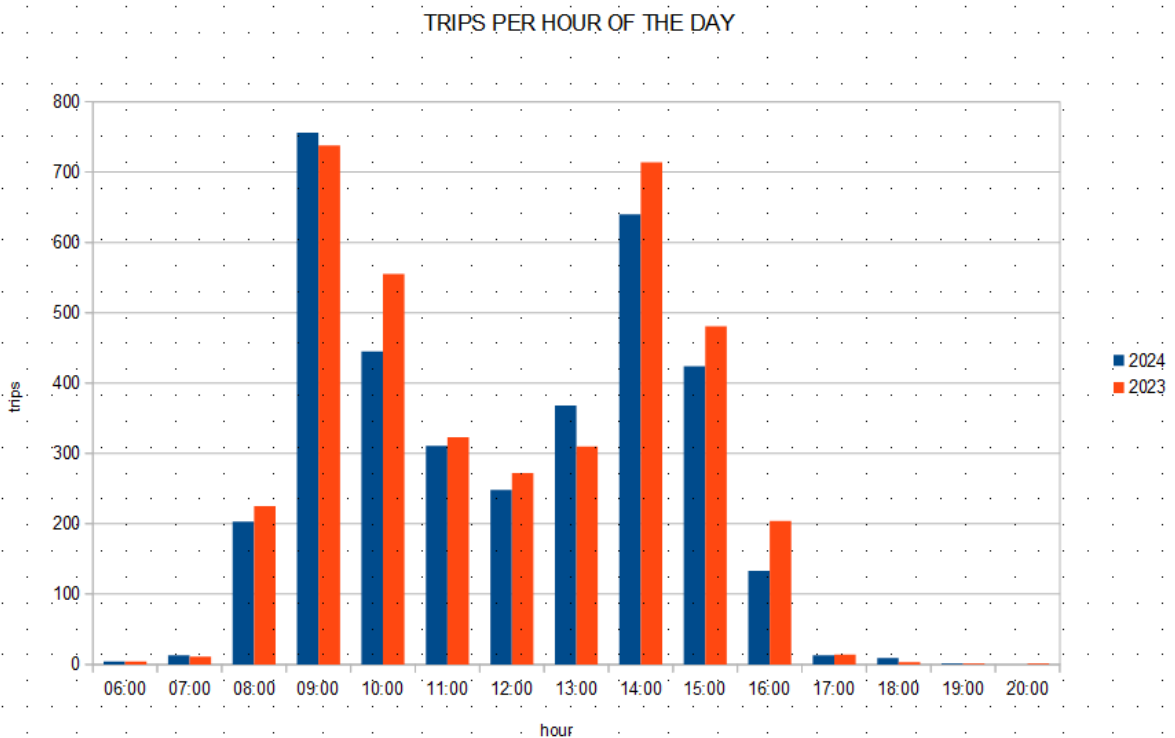
For the Year Ended 31st December 2024

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR
YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024**

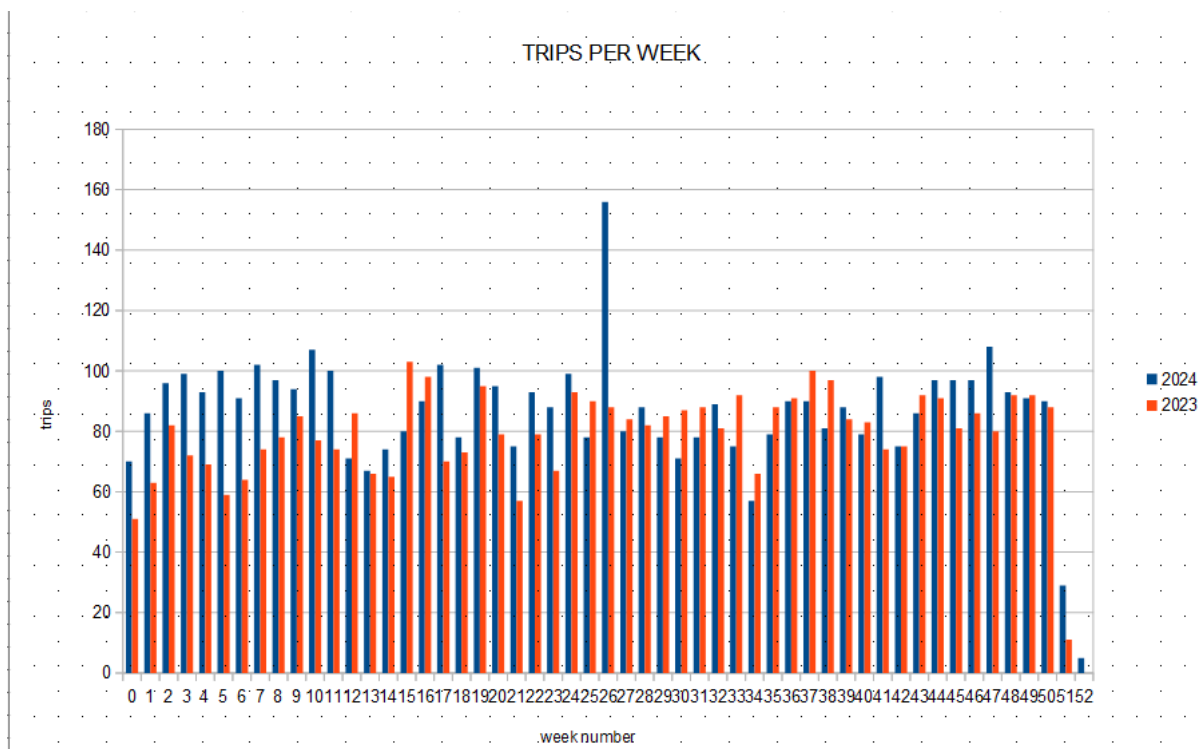
2024 was a year of consolidation after the Covid-recovery of 2023. Calls for our services show an across-the-board increase year on year (see graph below).



Last year's pattern of work across the working day was little different from that of 2023



For much of the year we averaged close to 100 trips per week, with a significant increase on the previous year in the first six months.



As in 2023, NHS efforts to deal with its backlog led to a number of last minute and out of hours trips.

Alongside driven trips, we sustained a steady program of home visits, both on the part of adult visitors and on the part of students from the two secondary schools. Testimonials from both schools, read out at the autumn seminar meeting for volunteers, provided witness to the satisfaction of the students involved both in the value of the exercise to their personal development and to the pleasure of meeting and bringing solace to the clients visited. As for adult visiting, we now have a band of four who are capable of taking on clients who might perhaps not be so suitable for students, given the sometimes, testing situations encountered. This has led to the need for regular group feedback, reflection and mutual support. Given that some of the adult visiting has arisen from referrals from the local GP surgery, we had hoped for liaison and support from that direction, but that turned out to entail too much of a risk of breaks in confidentiality, so we soldier on alone, although with recourse to Wiltshire County safeguarding support if need be. Kathryn Williams, our own safeguarding officer, has been invaluable here in supporting and keeping us on the straight and narrow.

The database we use to direct and document our activities now also sustains some 13 other LINK Schemes across Wiltshire, earning its author the recognition of an award for the second time at the Community First AGM.

Staffing levels continue to be just about adequate but always with the need to recruit and expand. On the coordinators front, Michael Reynolds has given first class service from his new home in the Isle of Wight but has now reached a point where he needs to move on to other things, so we take this opportunity to record our heartfelt thanks to him for his loyalty to the Marlborough cause and his skill and generosity in doing the job. Jan Douglas has had difficulty finding accommodation anywhere near Marlborough and is therefore being held in abeyance while we try to arrange for her to commute to the Chair's home to do her bit for the team. Meanwhile, we urgently need someone to fill Michael Reynolds' shoes.

Our driver corps continues to receive a steady drip-feed of new recruits, much thanks to word-of-mouth recommendations from existing volunteers and to Louise Champion's sterling efforts to recruit and train. Their generosity and good will continue to astonish and delight those of us trying to run the show.

The Committee continues to be a magnificent team supporting the Chair through thick and thin. Alex Blair sustains our financial affairs with his accustomed skill, while Mark McFarland provides faultless direction and detail to the Committee's activities. Margaret Toogood is unfailing in her care of the brown envelopes and the donations they contain. My sincere thanks go to all Committee members for their support and hard work. During the coming year we plan to recruit some new members to the Committee, not least to replace the Chair who intends to step down before a significant birthday in 18 months' time.

Hugh de Saram
Chair
February 2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
MARLBOROUGH AND DISTRICT LINK SCHEME**

I report on the accounts for the trust for the year ended 31st December 2024, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and 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.

Mrs Lynne Blunden
8 South View Place
Marlborough
SN8 1DD
Member ICAEW

Date:.....2025

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees present their report and accounts for this period.

Principal address and Charity Number:

18 Kelham Gardens, Marlborough SN8 1PW– Charity No.1069752

Charity Trustees:

Hugh de Saram (Chairperson), Mark McFarland (Secretary), Alex Blair (Treasurer), Julian George, Henry Pearson, Louise Champion and Kathryn Williams

The Committee is made up of the seven Trustees and Margaret Toogood (Assistant Treasurer).

Structure, Governance and Management:

The Charity is an association governed by a constitution dated 13th May 1998 (as amended), drawn up under the auspices of Wiltshire Link Schemes.

Objectives and activities of the Scheme:

The objectives of the Charity are to relieve the poor, sick, elderly or disabled in Marlborough and the surrounding district by providing or assisting in the provision of services calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress of such persons. In planning our objectives, we keep in mind the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance:

The charity has continued to fulfill its objectives under its constitution to its clients, to the best of its ability.

Reserves Policy:

The charity has total free reserves of £32,804 as at 31st December 2024. Under its constitution it is considered prudent to hold free reserves that represent six months expenditure in the financial year.

Investment Policy:

The charity’s funds are maintained in bank and building society accounts to ensure that it has sufficient funds to meet its regular commitments.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee..... March 2025

Mr Hugh de Saram

Trustee..... March 2025

Mr Alex Blair

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS**RECEIPTS**

	31-Dec-24	<u>31-Dec-23</u>
Clients' donations envelopes	£25,954	£26,547
Other Bank credits	£0	£63
Other income		
Other Donations (See Note 1)	£2,364	£3,988
iZettle Shopping	£362	£1,730
Gift Aid Claims	£1,890	£0
Grants	£0	£0
Deposit Account Interest		
TOTAL INCOME (A)	£30,570	£32,329

PAYMENTS

Volunteer - Mileage Allowances	£19,578	£19,608
Volunteers Shopping	£368	£1,730
Telephone Equip & Charges	£1,118	£1,152
Insurance	£580	£541
Administration expenses	£742	£279
Marketing & Donation Envelopes	£238	£218
Website & Database	£832	£604
Room Hire and Social Events (See Note 2)	£3,225	£1,881
Gifts	£51	£0
Subscriptions & Donations (See note 3)	£3,000	£3,000
Misc Exps	£0	£0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (B)	£29,742	£29,012
 SURPLUS (A) - (B)	 £828	 £3,317

Outstanding liabilities at yearend are £837 of expenses owed to volunteers

BANK BALANCES

Opening balances at 1st Jan-24		
Lloyds Bank	£31,976	£28,659
Cash in Hand		
	£31,976	£28,659
Closing balances at 31st Dec-24		
Lloyds Bank	£32,804	£31,976
Cash in Hand		
	£32,804	£31,976

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1

Other donations include £1,339 of volunteer driver's donations, and other Link donations of £825 towards our ongoing database costs.

Note 2

Includes £2,600 for our Clients summer tea party and autumn seminar.

Note 3

A donation paid to the Jubilee Centre for £3,000.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at 31st DECEMBER 2024

	31.12.2024 £	31.12.2023 £
<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>		
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash Funds:		
Bank Account	£32,804	£31,976
Cash in Hand	<u>£32,804</u>	<u>£31,976</u>

We approve the Financial Statement set out on pages 5 to 6.

We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis and for providing the Independent Examiner with all information and explanations necessary for his completion.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee.....
Mr Alex Blair (Treasurer)

Trustee.....
Mr Hugh de Saram (Chairman)

Treasurer's Report

The activity of the Charity continues to operate from a sound financial footing and there are no cost pressures to be concerned about. Income is steady and costs consistent and well controlled.

The Charity is committed to supporting worthwhile organisations whose needs are consistent with our constitution and so we have continued our support of The Jubilee Centre.

Thanks again to Margaret Toogood for collating and banking the client's donations and to Hugh de Saram for the continued support and first contact of the Link database.

Alex Blair
Hon Treasurer
March 2025

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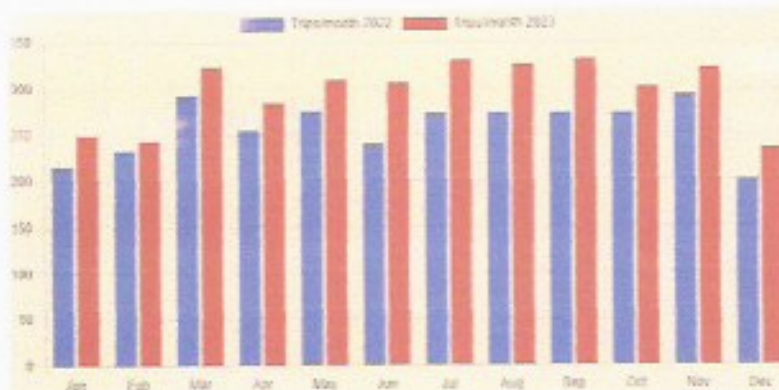
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For the Year Ended 31st December 2023

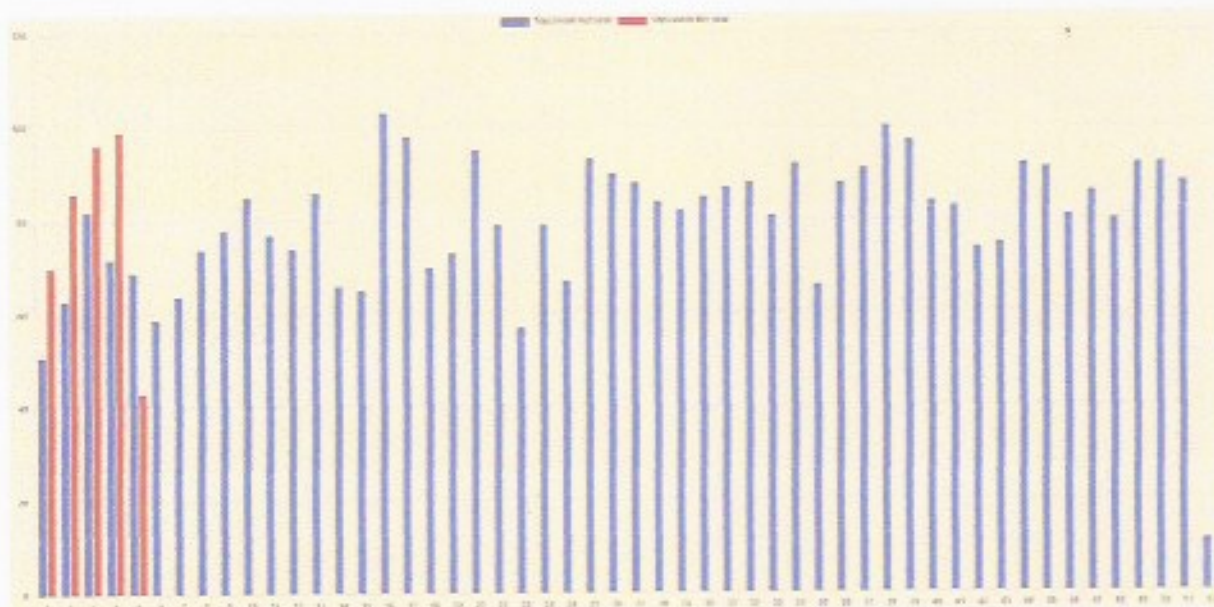
CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

2023 in many ways marked a return to normal service as the spectre of Covid receded. The number of trips per month was significantly up compared with 2022:



Medical appointments, particularly hospital appointments, stretched both earlier and later across the hours of the day as the NHS worked to reduce its backlog. The number of short-notice trips also increased for the same reason, making the job of our coordinators more fraught. We also had to write to a few clients who were gaming the system by not making it clear who the appointments they were booking were actually for, or presenting on pick-up with more passengers than had been booked with the coordinator.

Staffing remained more or less normal; that is, we need more volunteers! The coordinating team remained steady but for one rollover in the case of Alison Pick moving out of town and being replaced by Bridget Codrington. Additionally, Michael Reynolds, to everyone's delight, re-married, but has also decided to move to his new wife's home in the Isle-of-Wight. Most generously, he has continued to coordinate from there for the time being. Meanwhile, Lisa Bartlett will be joining the team imminently. They continue to do an amazing job both of organising themselves to cover the working week, and of servicing a great variety of clients with a dizzying range of needs. The weekly trip total averages around 90 as shown in the graph below



Finances continue to be very healthy, as the Treasurer will be reporting in detail.

On the strategic plane, we have begun to implement Vicky Sullivan's vision of LINK expanding its operation with more visiting of clients in their homes – the Good Neighbourhood Scheme, or GNS, as we are calling it. This is being done in partnership with the two secondary schools in town, St

and given some training before being linked with clients. Some are linked with individuals, some go

into care homes and work with the care home activity organiser. While the spread of responsibility across LINK, St John's and Marlborough College has complicated things a little, in general this venture has been integrated well into our operation and is meeting with approval from both clients and volunteers. Indeed, there are reports of additional students asking to join in and we are in the process of setting up training for them as I write this report. Cooperation between the schools and LINK has been exemplary and enthusiastic.

Marlborough LINK's database is currently in full use by a dozen LINK schemes across Wiltshire as well as being sampled by a few others to see whether it suits their needs. This provides us with valuable sharing of experience and information across the LINK network, from which we are all benefitting.

The management team of Committee members are a superb example of skilful, diligent teamwork. A recent incident where a volunteer driver was attacked by a client's dogs saw everyone pulling together in the most remarkable way to investigate, document and support. I could not have asked for more.

To sum up, the extraordinary willingness of our volunteers to respond to the needs of our clients merits the most heartfelt thanks and praise for their generosity and hard work. We look forward to seeing our operation grow as the Good Neighbourhood Scheme beds in.

Hugh de Saram

Chair

February 2024

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Date: 5th March 2024

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

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Charity Trustees:

Hugh de Saram (Chairperson), Mark McFarland (Secretary), Alex Blair (Treasurer), Julian George, Henry Pearson, Louise Campion and Kathryn Williams (appointed 19th August 2023).

The Committee is made up of the seven Trustees and Margaret Toogood (Assistant Treasurer).

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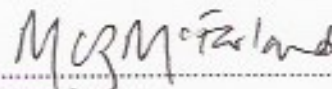
Reserves Policy:

The charity has total free reserves of £31,976 at 31st December 2023. Under its constitution it is considered prudent to hold free reserves that represent six months expenditure in the financial year.

Investment Policy:

The charity's funds are maintained in bank and building society accounts to ensure that it has sufficient funds to meet its regular commitments.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee.....  SH March 2024
Mr Mark McFarland

Trustee.....  SH March 2024
Mr Alex Blair

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS**RECEIPTS**

	<u>31-Dec-23</u>	<u>31-Dec-22</u>
Clients' donations envelopes	£26,547	£23,218
Other Bank credits	£63	£0
Other income		
Other Donations (See Note 1)	£3,988	£2,669
iZettle Shopping	£1,730	£382
Gift Aid Claims	£0	£1,272
Grants	£0	£0
Deposit Account Interest		0
TOTAL INCOME (A)	£32,329	£27,541

PAYMENTS

Volunteer Mileage Allowances	£19,608	£18,280
Volunteers Shopping	£1,730	£382
Telephone Equip & Charges	£1,152	£704
PPE	£0	£0
iZettle readers & interest	£0	£0
Insurance	£541	£466
Administration expenses	£279	£796
Marketing & Donation Envelopes	£218	£130
Website & Database	£604	£1,750
Room Hire and Social Events (See Note 2)	£1,881	£261
Gifts	£0	£0
Subscriptions & Donations (See note 3)	£3,000	£3,000
Misc Exps	£0	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (B)	£29,012	£25,769
SURPLUS (A) - (B)	£3,317	£1,772

Outstanding liabilities at yearend are £1,208 of expenses owed to volunteers.

BANK BALANCES

Opening balances at 1st Jan-23

Lloyds Bank	£28,659	£26,887
Cash in Hand		
	<u>£28,659</u>	<u>£26,887</u>

Closing balances at 31st Dec-23

Lloyds Bank	£31,976	£28,659
Cash in Hand		
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Notes to the Accounts

Note 1

Other donations include one-off donations from P Jeffrey estate (£1,500), driver volunteer's donations, and other Link donations of £525 towards the ongoing database costs.

Note 2

Includes £1,514 for our client's summer tea party.

Note 3

A donation paid to the Jubilee Centre for £3,000.


STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 31st DECEMBER 2023

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Cash Funds:		
Bank Account	£31,976	£28,659
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Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee.....
Mr Alex Blair (Treasurer)

5th March 2023

Trustee.....
Mr Mark McFarland (Secretary)

Treasurer's Report

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Alex Blair
Hon Treasurer
March 2024

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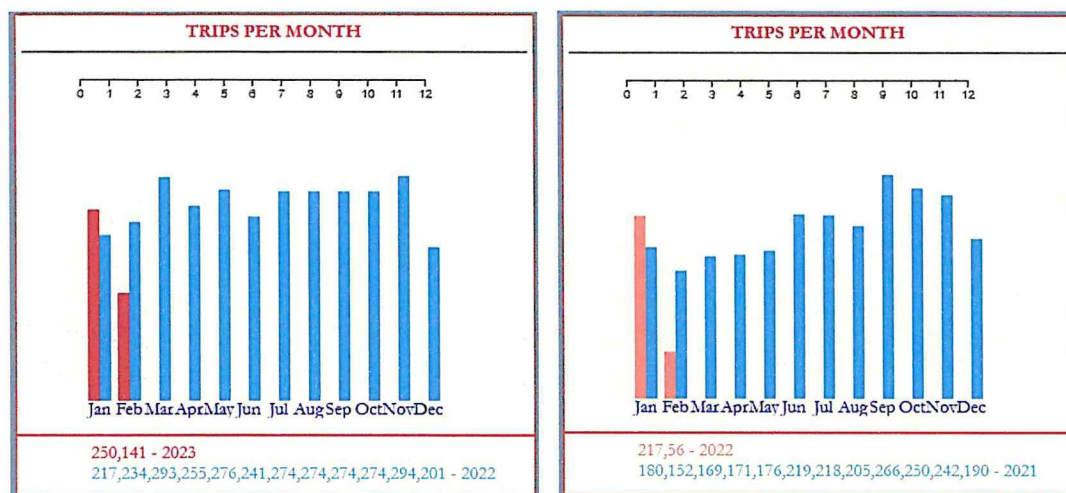
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For the Year Ended 31st December 2022

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Let us begin by marking the death of our remarkable Vicky Sullivan. Vicky was a towering figure, both within the Wiltshire LINK community and across a broad range of Marlborough society. Her contribution to the life of this area cannot be overstated, whether it be as a professional insurance broker, as a member of Marlborough Golf Club along with husband John, or more recently as Chair of both Marlborough and District LINK Scheme and of Marlborough Women's Institute. Whatever she touched, she affected profoundly, building, reinforcing, innovating. She is enormously missed and most affectionately remembered.

As for Marlborough LINK, 2022 saw a return to more normal activity rates, judged by pre-Covid numbers.



There were interesting quirks in booking patterns to the point where we had to cease any but medical appointments on Wednesdays, demand was so high on that day. The balance between shopping trips and medical trips tipped back towards the medical and we noticed some marked changes in the physical and mental fitness of some of our regular clients. We therefore had to face up to the difficult question of when we tell a client they are beyond our capability to help, together with the accompanying problem of onward pathways for such people. Liaison with the GP surgery in George Lane gave us some answers to the latter, somewhat alleviating the unhappiness associated with the former.

The roll call of volunteers varied as it does every year, with some leaving and some joining, all with that extraordinary good will that seems to be the hallmark of so many citizens of Marlborough and its environs. We always need more volunteers, to coordinate, to drive and to visit, but the generosity of those currently on the books enables us to render a remarkable range of service. Communications from clients all note what a major contribution LINK makes to their ability to continue living independently – something they clearly cherish very highly indeed.

In considering how LINK might commemorate and honour Vicky Sullivan's memory, much thought is being given to expanding our Good Neighbour service – something she was keen to develop. Particular attention is being focused on involving younger members of our community, currently still in school, with detailed conversations in progress. Our impression is that this post-Covid period is seen as a highly appropriate time to develop this initiative. We are also reinstating the annual summer tea party, a particular favourite of Vicky's.

In sum, therefore, Marlborough LINK is in rude health and excited about future development. My thanks go to Alex Blair, Treasurer, for keeping us solvent; to Mark McFarland for stepping up as Secretary; to Louise Campion, recruiting officer, for taking care of the vast amount of paperwork involved in induction and DBS checking; to Kathryn Williams for her expert advice and guidance on a range of issues, particularly at the point of deciding to tell a client they've moved beyond our remit; to our incredibly patient and skilled coordinators keeping the machine rolling day to day; and above all to our drivers and "good neighbour" volunteers, the shock troops on the front line. Thank you all!

Hugh de Saram, Chair, February 2023

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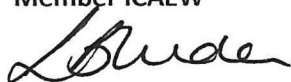
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Mrs Lynne Blunden
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Member ICAEW



Date: 5th March 2023

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their report and accounts for this period.

Principal address and Charity Number:

18 Kelham Gardens, Marlborough SN8 1PW– Charity No.1069752

Charity Trustees:

Hugh de Saram (Chairperson – appointed 26th March 2022), Mark McFarland (Secretary – appointed 26th March 2022), Alex Blair (Treasurer), Julian George, Henry Pearson, Louise Campion.

The following Trustees resigned in the year, Vicky Sullivan on the 27th March 2022 and Jeff Sherwood on the 30th May 2022.

The Committee is made up of the six Trustees, Margaret Toogood (Assistant Treasurer) and Kathryn Williams.

Structure, Governance and Management:

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Achievements and Performance:

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Reserves Policy:


The charity has total free reserves of £28,659 at 31st December 2022. Under its constitution it is considered prudent to hold free reserves that represent six months expenditure in the financial year.

Investment Policy:

The charity’s funds are maintained in bank and building society accounts to ensure that it has sufficient funds to meet its regular commitments.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee.....  March 2023
Mr Mark McFarland

Trustee.....  March 2023
Mr Alex Blair

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

RECEIPTS

	<u>31-Dec-22</u>	<u>31-Dec-21</u>
Clients' donations envelopes	£23,218	£16,535
Other Bank credits	£0	£0
Other income		
Other Donations (See note1)	£2,669	£1,137
iZettle Shopping	£382	£3,193
Gift Aid Claims	£1,272	£352
Grants	£0	£0
Deposit Account Interest		£2
TOTAL INCOME (A)	£27,541	£21,219
PAYMENTS		
Volunteer Mileage Allowances	£18,280	£13,634
Volunteers Shopping	£382	£2,962
Telephone Equip & Charges	£704	£791
PPE	£0	£578
iZettle readers & interest	£0	£0
Insurance	£466	£459
Administration expenses	£796	£628
Marketing & Donation Envelopes	£130	£182
Website & Database (See note 2)	£1,750	£249
Room Hire and Social Events	£261	£205
Gifts	£0	£0
Subscriptions & Donations (See note 3)	£3,000	£810
Misc Exps	£0	£90
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (B)	£25,769	£20,588
SURPLUS (A) - (B)	£1,772	£631

Outstanding liabilities at yearend are £631 of expenses owed to volunteers.

BANK BALANCES

Opening balances at 1st Jan-22

Lloyds Bank	£26,887	£6,722
Nationwide		£18,649
Cash in Hand		£885
	£26,887	£26,256

Closing balances at 31-12-22

Lloyds Bank	£28,659	£26,887
Cash in Hand		
	£28,659	£26,887

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1

Other donations include one-off donations at Vicky Sullivan's Funeral (£662), driver volunteer's donations, and other other Link donations of £825 towards the Originzone database costs.

Note 2

Includes £1,008 to Originzone for the hosting and management of the database.

Note 3

A donation paid to the Jubilee Centre for £3,000.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 31st DECEMBER 2022

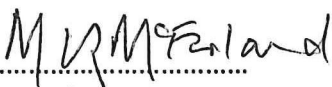
	31.12.2022	31.12.2021
	£	£
<u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u>		
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash Funds:		
Bank Account	£28,659	£26,887
Cash in Hand	<u>£28,659</u>	<u>£26,887</u>

We approve the Financial Statement set out on pages 5 to 6.

We acknowledge our responsibility for the financial information, including the appropriateness of the accounting basis and for providing the Independent Examiner with all information and explanations necessary for his completion.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee.....
Mr Alex Blair (Treasurer)

Trustee.....
Mr Mark McFarland (Secretary)

Treasurer's Report

The activity of the Charity returned very much back to normal following the pandemic disruption of the previous two years. Income remains strong and the Charity costs are well controlled providing a net surplus year on year.

The Charity is committed to supporting worthwhile organisations whose needs are consistent with our constitution. The Jubilee Centre is one such organisation we are delighted to help out.

Shopping trips and requirements continue albeit on a much lower scale.

Thanks again to Margaret Toogood for banking the client's donations and to Hugh de Saram for the continued support and first contact of the Link database.

Alex Blair
Hon Treasurer
March 2023