

**PIONEER PEOPLE WIRRAL
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**Pioneer People Wirral
Company No. 04592550
Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Objectives and Activities

Aims and Objectives

The principal activities of the Charity set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

- Advancement of the Christian Faith.
- Advancement of Christian education.
- Relief of hardship.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Main Achievements

This was my first year acting as Chair of the Charity and it was a year of significant growth. Income grew from just over £48,000 to over £130,000 and several new projects came on line.

After a challenging process we finally secured a new building from Wirral Borough Council. The Community Asset Transfer programme saw us sign a 25 year pepper-corn lease on Pensby Library. We re-opened the building in May 2024 with a library provision, charity shop and coffee shop. We employed a Ukrainian refugee who we helped move from Ukraine into a host family we sourced. Additionally, over 25 new volunteers joined the Charity. The coffee shop and charity shop will provide a long-term income to support the provision of our new community library. Early signs are incredible encouraging as the new library is fast becoming a real community hub and income streams are exceeding expectations. The Council are pleased with progress and asking us to consider taking over another Library.

Another area of growth is a potential new work in Angola. Two UK based companies who work in Angola want to use some of their profits to set up community based projects within Angola and have selected Pioneer as a potential delivery partner. This is based on our decades of delivering work in developing world settings and is a true compliment that reflects on the quality of our work and the ethos we bring to international development. We are still investigating possibilities and negotiating with the two donors but this could be a significant area of new work, with significant new income streams.

Another new project reflects our desire to partner and support small grassroots groups. The ENID project is aiming to support Wirral families who have children with additional needs and we are acting as a conduit for funds and providing some practical support.

Our links to Ukraine have been strengthened by the employment of our new Chef in the coffee shop. During the year we partnered with a Sheffield based charity who are delivering aid and support into Ukraine and held a sponsored bike ride outside the Library. The event was a huge success and really capture the imagination of the public. Exercise bikes were set up and the public invited to help us cycle all the way to Ukraine and make donations. Over £3,700 was raised along with donations of aid.

An Awards for All Lottery grant was secured at the end of the financial year to support a new partnership with Journeymen. Journeymen will be using The Hope Centre to run a new Men's Well Being project, the majority of the grant being spent in the next financial year.

This significant year of growth has been made possible through having sound governance, healthy reserves (£178,200), partnership working and over 30 committed volunteers. We anticipate 2025-26 will bring even further growth as we further develop community provision at Pensby Library, consider opening another Library and hopefully start setting up projects in Angola.

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees

Jonathan Birch
Martin Dickson
Joshua Simpson
Stephen Ward

Charity Number

1095310

**Pioneer People Wirral
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Company Number

04592550

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**Pioneer People Wirral
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Pioneer People Wirral for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statement unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at anytime the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Jonathan Birch

Trustee

16th January 2026

**Pioneer People Wirral
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Pioneer People Wirral
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 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 Company 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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Pioneer People Wirral
Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

				2025	2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	3	17,068	101,840	118,908	23,657
Charitable activities:					
Charitable Activity		6,373	-	6,373	9,494
Other trading activities	4	2,967	-	2,967	15,269
Investments	5	1,855	-	1,855	60
		<u>28,263</u>	<u>101,840</u>	<u>130,103</u>	<u>48,480</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities:	6				
Charitable Activity		(13,178)	(84,366)	(97,544)	(71,834)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>15,085</u>	<u>17,474</u>	<u>32,559</u>	<u>(23,354)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>15,085</u>	<u>17,474</u>	<u>32,559</u>	<u>(23,354)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		145,640	-	145,640	168,994
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	16	<u>160,725</u>	<u>17,474</u>	<u>178,199</u>	<u>145,640</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

**Pioneer People Wirral
Balance Sheet
As At 31 March 2025**

				2025	2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	12	1	-	1	1
		1	-	1	1
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	-	-	-	133
Cash at bank and in hand		164,424	17,474	181,898	149,769
		164,424	17,474	181,898	149,902
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	14	(3,700)	-	(3,700)	(4,263)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		160,724	17,474	178,198	145,639
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		160,725	17,474	178,199	145,640
NET ASSETS		160,725	17,474	178,199	145,640
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Funds				17,474	-
Unrestricted Funds				160,725	145,640
TOTAL FUNDS	16			178,199	145,640

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

On behalf of the board



Jonathan Birch

Trustee
16th January 2026

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

Pioneer People Wirral
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	6,711	-	6,711
Gift aid	3,754	-	3,754
Grants	12,105	-	12,105
Other	1,087	-	1,087
	<u>23,657</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,657</u>

4. Income from Other Trading Activities

	2025 Unrestricted funds	2024 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Income from other trading activities	2,967	-
Fundraising events	-	15,269
	<u>2,967</u>	<u>15,269</u>

5. Investment Income

	2025 Unrestricted funds	2024 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	1,855	60

6. Analysis of Expenditure

	2025		
	Activities undertaken directly (see note 7)	Grant funding of activities	Support costs (see note 8)
	£	£	£
Charitable Activity	<u>65,599</u>	<u>21,639</u>	<u>10,306</u>
			<u>97,544</u>

	2024		
	Activities undertaken directly (see note 7)	Grant funding of activities	Support costs (see note 8)
	£	£	£
Charitable Activity	<u>50,293</u>	<u>18,466</u>	<u>3,075</u>
			<u>71,834</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

7. Direct Costs

	2025
	Charitable
	Activity
	£
Fundraising activities:	
Operating charity shops	1,705
Employee costs:	
Wages and salaries	49,841
Employers pensions - defined contribution schemes	3,279
Premises expenses:	
Premises costs	3,627
General administration:	
Other vehicle costs	2,492
Support and administration costs	4,655
	65,599
	65,599
	2024
	Charitable
	Activity
	£
Fundraising activities:	
Operating charity shops	11,125
Employee costs:	
Wages and salaries	31,844
Employers pensions - defined contribution schemes	779
Premises expenses:	
Premises costs	3,086
General administration:	
Other vehicle costs	2,825
Support and administration costs	634
	50,293
	50,293

8. Support Costs

	2025
	Charitable
	Activity
	£
Premises expenses	4,523
General administration	730
Interest payable	4,183
Governance costs	870
	10,306
	10,306

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	2024
	Charitable Activity
	£
Premises expenses	1,726
General administration	49
Governance costs	1,300
	<u>3,075</u>

9. Independent Examiner's Remuneration

	2025	2024
	£	£
Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>870</u>	<u>1,300</u>

10. Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	49,841	31,844
Other pension costs	3,279	779
	<u>53,120</u>	<u>32,623</u>

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

11. Average Number of Employees

Average number of employees during the year was: 2 (2024: 1)

12. Tangible Assets

	Plant & Machinery
	£
Cost	
As at 1 April 2024	<u>4,300</u>
As at 31 March 2025	<u>4,300</u>
Depreciation	
As at 1 April 2024	<u>4,299</u>
As at 31 March 2025	<u>4,299</u>
Net Book Value	
As at 31 March 2025	<u>1</u>
As at 1 April 2024	<u>1</u>

13. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year		
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>133</u>

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For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

14. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Taxation and social security	2,830	2,963
Accruals and deferred income	870	1,300
	<u>3,700</u>	<u>4,263</u>

15. Pension Commitments

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company in an independently administered fund.

During the year the charge to the statement of financial activities in respect of defined contribution schemes was £3,279 (2024: £779).

At the balance sheet date contributions of £NIL were due to the fund and are included in creditors.

16. Movement in Funds

	As at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	145,640	28,263	(13,178)	160,725
Restricted funds				
Awards For All	-	19,370	(1,896)	17,474
Library Grant	-	82,470	(82,470)	-
Total restricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>101,840</u>	<u>(84,366)</u>	<u>17,474</u>
Total funds	<u>145,640</u>	<u>130,103</u>	<u>(97,544)</u>	<u>178,199</u>

	As at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	168,994	48,480	(71,834)	145,640
Total funds	<u>168,994</u>	<u>48,480</u>	<u>(71,834)</u>	<u>145,640</u>

17. Transactions with Trustees

None of the trustees received any remuneration or any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity during the current or previous year.

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

18. Related Party Disclosures

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

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19. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

Pioneer People Wirral
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		
Donations and legacies		
Donations and gifts	4,752	6,711
Gift aid	-	3,754
Grants	114,127	12,105
Other Income	29	1,087
	<u>118,908</u>	<u>23,657</u>
Charitable Activities:		
Charitable Activity		
Income from charitable activities	3,500	7,470
Rental income	2,873	2,024
	<u>6,373</u>	<u>9,494</u>
Other trading activities		
Income from other trading activities	2,967	-
Fundraising events	-	15,269
	<u>2,967</u>	<u>15,269</u>
Investments		
Bank interest receivable	1,855	60
	<u>1,855</u>	<u>60</u>
	<u>130,103</u>	<u>48,480</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable Activities:		
Charitable Activity		
Operating charity shops	(1,705)	(11,125)
Wages and salaries	(49,841)	(31,844)
Employers pensions - defined contribution schemes	(3,279)	(779)
Other vehicle costs	(2,492)	(2,825)
Premises costs	(3,627)	(3,086)
Support and administration costs	(4,655)	(634)
Grants to individuals	(21,639)	(18,466)
Light and heat	(4,523)	(1,726)
Sundry expenses	(730)	(49)
Bank interest payable	(4,183)	-
Independent examiner's fees	(870)	(1,300)
	<u>(97,544)</u>	<u>(71,834)</u>
	<u>(97,544)</u>	<u>(71,834)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u><u>32,559</u></u>	<u><u>(23,354)</u></u>