

Registered Charity Number: 1098090

Multiple Sclerosis Peoples Help

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year Ended 30 September 2025

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS PEOPLES HELP

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

Registered Charity Number:

1098090

Principle Address

13 St Mary's Street

Thornbury

Bristol

BS35 2AB

Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows:

Mr S McCarthy

Mr R Wall

Mrs K Martin

Mrs A Payne

Independent Examiner

Charlotte Halsall FFA

25 Badminton Road

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Bristol

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and audited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2025.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the charity are to provide support either financially or practically to people who are elderly, disabled or infirm and to support local organisations who are enhancing lives of people in the community living with chronic neurological conditions.

The main activities of the charity are to support these groups of people by raising funds in the charity shop and the provision of practical assistance.

The Trustees can confirm that they have due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission (CC) on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

This year has been another great year for the charity due to the continued enthusiasm and dedication of our volunteers who work in the shop or as part of our DIY/Gardening teams. This work includes sales, PAT testing, customer service, maintaining a tidy and welcoming shop, gardening, general repairs, decorating and many other DIY jobs that people can no longer do themselves because they have disabilities caused by MS.

Requests for DIY support from MS sufferers are welcomed and thanks to the dedication of the DIY/Gardening teams it is not long before we are able to help. We are also able to provide funding for professionals such as Electricians and Plumbers if needed.

The shop continues to have a large turnover of donations including clothing, bric-a-brac, jewellery, pictures, toys and disability aids, plus wheelchairs, mobility scooters and portable electrical items which are checked for serviceability and PAT tested before sale in the shop. The Trustees wish to thank the Brightwell Centre for their regular donations to the shop following Jumble Sales.

The Trustees wish to pass on their thanks to all the volunteers for their hard work, dedication and "hands-on" attitude which is regularly commented on by visitors to the shop. Sales continue to exceed expectations, despite a national increase in second-hand online sales, which means the charity remains in a strong position to donate funds to the chosen charities.

Roger and Chris continue to use Roger's vehicle to collect and deliver larger donations that people give to the MSPH charity and for taking selected items to auction. This service is greatly appreciated by both the customers and Trustees.

The Trustees agreed to keep the shop open for another 5 years with a 3-year break point.

The post-Christmas meal was held in recognition of the volunteers' hard work – this was well supported.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity continues to be in a strong financial position at the year end with £155,926 in the trust's bank account despite the national increase in second hand on-line sales. In addition, accounting has moved to "Quick Books" for greater ease and efficiency.

The charity's principal source of funds this year were the sales from the charity shop located at 13 St Mary Street, Thornbury.

A donation of £23,200 was made to the Brightwell Centre in Bradley Stoke to fund replacement LED lighting in the oxygen suite, physio, gym and TR1; upgrade their IT systems/software and purchase 3 high back vinyl chairs for isobaric oxygen use. This donation enabled us to meet our obligation to support local organisations who are enhancing the lives of individuals in the community living with chronic neurological conditions. A primary role of our MSPH charity.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The charity continues to operate within the guidelines set out by the Charity Commission (CC) and Mike Martin OBE remains the MSPH Secretary and CC "Contact".

Trustee meetings are held on a 4 monthly basis as practical.

The existing MSPH website needs updating, however, the trustees agreed that this was unnecessary and not value for money in view of the shop's short lease extension.

Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees

The Trustees are identified through advertising and by word of mouth and are appointed for their expertise as necessary.

Chris Wall moved from Trustee to employed Shop Manager from Jan 2025.

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

A review of MSPH Policies and Procedures was launched in September 2024 and an updated list of those endorsed by the Trustees was submitted to the CC as part of the Annual Report 2024. The following policies and procedures are available to MSPH personnel.:

1. Bullying and harassment policy and procedures.
2. Complaints policy and procedures.
3. Trustee conflicts of interest policy and procedures.
4. Reimbursing expenses/purchases policy and procedures.
5. Volunteer Recruitment & Selection Policy.
6. Shop fire procedures.

Personnel

The Trustees wish to pass on their thanks to MJ for his work as a PAT tester.

CHARITY TRUSTEES

Mr R Wall – Treasurer

Mr S McCarthy – Trustee

Mrs K Martin – Trustee

Mrs A Payne – Trustee

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

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Mr Roger Wall

MSPH Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above-named charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 September 2025.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE EXAMINER

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

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charities Commissioners. An independent 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 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act: or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records:
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS PEOPLES HELP**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
ON THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)****YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

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.



Charlotte Halsall FFA

TaxSavers (Downend) Limited
25 Badminton Road
Downend
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BS16 6BB

Dated: 19 February 2026

**MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS PEOPLES HELP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds			
Activities Generating Funds:			
Shop Sales		104,652	114,378
Other Income			
Interest received		-	5
Government grants		=	=
Total Incoming Resources		104,652	114,383
LESS: Cost of Generating Funds			
Fundraising Trading:			
Shop Sales		<u>101,174</u>	<u>107,708</u>
Total Costs of Generating Funds		<u>101,174</u>	<u>107,708</u>
Net Income/Loss Resources Available for Charitable Activities		3,478	6,675
Charitable Activities			
DIY and Gardening Help		1,178	1,750
Batteries for Wheel Chairs		409	6,094
Charitable Contributions		<u>23,200</u>	=
Total Charitable Activity Cost		<u>24,787</u>	<u>7,844</u>
Governance Costs	4	<u>5,726</u>	<u>2,918</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>30,513</u>	<u>10,762</u>
Net Incoming/Loss Resources from Operations		(27,035)	(4,087)
Total funds brought forward		178,334	182,421
Total funds carried forward		151,299	178,334

The Charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

All movements are unrestricted funds.

The notes on pages 9 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	6,485	7,630
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	8,436	8,436
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>155,926</u>	<u>176,205</u>
		164,362	184,641
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:	9	19,551	13,937
Net current assets		<u>144,811</u>	<u>170,704</u>
Net Assets		<u>151,296</u>	<u>178,334</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted Funds:			
General Funds		151,296	178,334
Total Funds		<u>151,296</u>	<u>178,334</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 19th February 2026 and are signed on their behalf by:

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Mr R Wall, Trustee

The notes on pages on 9 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

1 Accounting policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities, issued in October 2011.
- b Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are received) into the bank account.
- c) Resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis and have been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category.
- d) Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for a particular restricted purpose within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when fund are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery - 15% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings - 15% reducing balance
Motor Vehicles - 15% reducing balance
Computer equipment - 33.33% straight line

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

2 Government Grants

	2025	2024
	£	£
Government Grants	-	-
	-	-

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

3 Fundraising Trading

	2025	2024
	£	£
Sale of Goods	104,652	114,378
Cost of Activities		
Shop activities	101,174	102,011
Net surplus/deficit	3,478	12,367

4 Governance Costs

The governance of the charity consisted of the following direct and indirect costs:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accountancy and Payroll	3,011	1,513
Independent Examiners Report	1,465	1,465
	5,726	2,978

5 Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There was no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2025, nor for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The trustees were paid a mileage allowance of 45p per mile and a subsistence allowance of £7 per day for attending meetings and for duties directly related to their duties as a trustee.

6 Staff Numbers

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
Activities		
Shop	2	1

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

7 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Plant & Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles (Disposed)	Computer Equipm ent	Total
Cost:					
As at 1.10.2024	11,349	17,434	8,973	4,524	42,280
Additions					
Disposals			(8,973)		
As at 30.9.2025	<u>11,349</u>	<u>17,434</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,524</u>	<u>33,307</u>
Depreciation:					
As at 1.10.2024	9,923	11,230	-	4,524	25,677
Charge for the year	214	931	-		1,145
Disposals					
As at 30.9.2025	<u>10,137</u>	<u>12,161</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,524</u>	<u>26,822</u>
Net Book Value					
As at 30.9.2025	<u>1,212</u>	<u>5,273</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>6,485</u>
As at 1.10.2024	<u>1,426</u>	<u>6,204</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>7,630</u>

8 Debtors: amounts falling within 1 year

	2025 £	2024 £
Prepayments	7,926	7,926
VAT	-	-
Loans	<u>510</u>	<u>510</u>
	<u><u>8,436</u></u>	<u><u>8,436</u></u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	2,855	2,855
Trade Creditors	216	1,052
Wages	10,556	6,709
Other tax and Social Security	<u>5,924</u>	<u>3,321</u>
	<u><u>19,551</u></u>	<u><u>13,937</u></u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF SHOP FUNDRAISING TRADING

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME		
Shop Sales	104,652	114,378
Cost of Sales		
Purchases	-	-
Gross Income	104,652	114,378
OVERHEADS		
Wages and Salaries	47,022	27,447
Pension Costs	404	381
Light, heat and water	5,314	3,888
Cleaning	625	332
Rent and Rates	28,605	30,075
Telephone and Internet	4,056	3,650
Computer Running Costs	1,901	2,071
Postage and Stationery	124	232
Refreshments and Volunteer Staff Expenses	4,211	7,742
Repairs and renewals	901	1,531
Insurance	93	443
Travel Expenses	2,304	21,484
Credit Card Terminal and Processing Fees	1,681	1,715
Sundries	2,663	2,155
Subscriptions	126	126
Depreciation	1,144	1,347
Total Overheads	101,174	107,708
Surplus/Deficit	3,478	6,670