

Charity number: 1110002
Company number: 05456793
(England and Wales)

Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2025



Wyre Forest Dial-A-Ride

Trustees

Glen Collins – Chairman

Ian Redfern - Secretary

Lionel Slack

Jonathan Haley

Nigel Caldicott

Peter Simner

Trudi Elliott CBE

Sarah Beadsworth

Cathy Foster

Charity Number

1110002

Bankers

HSBC, 13 Church Street, Kidderminster

Solicitors

Higgs LLP, Waterfront Business Park, 3, Brierley Hill, DY5 1LX

Report of the Trustees – Year Ending January 2025

At the beginning of 2024, we were approached by, *Community Transport Wyre Forest*, who were in need of support following the resignation of key staff. What initially began as an arrangement to provide back-office support gradually evolved into discussions around a potential merger of the two organisations.

There were significant hurdles along the way, including the need to seek legal advice to ensure full compliance with regulatory requirements, which prevented a swift resolution.

However, we are pleased to report that on **28th February 2025**, *Community Transport Wyre Forest* formally closed, and from **1st March 2025**, *Wyre Forest Community Transport* officially came into being.

The newly expanded service brings additional funding and resources, offering both a volunteer car service and a minibus option. As a larger organisation, we hope this growth will lead to further opportunities for funding and increased recognition.

It is important to note that **Wyre Forest Dial-A-Ride** remains the registered name of the charity, operating under the trading name of **Wyre Forest Community Transport**.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to **Lionel Slack**, who retired after many years of dedicated service as both a driver and Trustee. We also warmly welcome **Trudi Elliott**, **Sarah Beadsworth**, and **Cathy Foster**, who transferred into the new organisation and have already made valuable contributions.

As always, we remain deeply grateful to our staff and volunteers for their continued support and service.


Chairman

Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
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Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride

Report of the Trustees

For the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees have prepared this Report of Client Accounts. Either company law, or the measure of the company's financial statements for the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objective of the company is to provide a community transport service for such of the inhabitants of Wyre Forest and its neighbourhood who need of such a service because of age, sickness or disability (mental or physical), poverty, or because of a lack of availability of adequate and public passenger services.

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Significant events

During the year the charity received a significant non-cash donation in the form of vehicles from Community Transport Wyre Forest which accounts for the increase in tangible fixed assets shown in the Balance Sheet.

Reserves

There was a surplus of £45,763 in the year after administrative expenses of £166,630. The balance of un-restricted funds to carry forward is £13

This leaves the charity in a reasonably strong position going forward especially with the increasing pressure on funding from local authorities.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride, a company limited by guarantee under the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

No formal procedure is currently in place but is in the course of being established.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Name of Charity	Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
Charity registration number	1110002
Company registration number	05456793
Principal address	WFDC Depot Green Street Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 1HA

**Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
Report of the Trustees
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

Trustees

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Mr Glen Michael Collins
Mr Ian Redfern
Mr Jonathan Haley
Mr Lionel Slack (Resigned on 17/03/2025)
(Resigned: 17 March 2025)
Mr Nigel Caldicott (appointed on 17/05/2024)
(Appointed: 17 May 2024)
Mr Peter Simner (appointed on 17/05/2024)
(Appointed: 17 May 2024)
Sarah E Beadsworth (appointed on 01/03/2025)
(Appointed: 01 March 2025)
Trudi M Elliott (appointed on 01/03/2025)
(Appointed: 01 March 2025)
Catherine M Foster (appointed on 01/03/2025)
(Appointed: 01 March 2025)

Secretary

Mr Ian Redfern

Independent examiners

Andrew E S Sherrey
Laburnum House
Adams Hill
Clent
Stourbridge
DY9 9PS

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by

29 December 2025

Mr Ian Redfern

**Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, 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 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 Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiners 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 that in any material respect:

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 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.

Andrew E S Sherrey
Chartered Accountant
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DY9 9PS

29 December 2025

Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	2024-25 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	2	74,502	28,361
Other trading activities	3	137,891	147,741
Total		212,393	176,102
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	4	(166,630)	(145,925)
Total		(166,630)	(145,925)
Net income		45,763	30,177
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		90,603	60,421
Total funds carried forward		136,366	90,603

Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	95,863	20,194
		95,863	20,194
Current assets			
Debtors	9	11,246	10,000
Cash at bank and in hand		33,178	62,937
		44,424	72,937
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(3,921)	(2,532)
Net current assets		40,503	70,405
Total assets less current liabilities		136,366	90,600
Net assets		136,366	90,600
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted income funds	11	136,366	90,600
Total funds		136,366	90,600

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

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,

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.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

Mr Ian Redfern

29 December 2025

Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Companies Act 2006. Wyre Forest Dial-a-Ride meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Motor Vehicles	25% Reducing balance
Fixtures and Fittings	25% Reducing balance

2. Income from donations and legacies

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
Donations received	74,502	28,361
	74,502	28,361

3. Income earned from other activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
Bus operating services	137,891	147,741
	137,891	147,741

4. Expenditure on other trading activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
Bus operating services	36,957	38,241
Support costs	129,673	107,681
	166,630	145,922

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5. Analysis of support costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Management	129,673	107,681

6. Staff costs and emoluments

	2025	2024
Administration	3	3
Drivers and assistants	3	3
	6	6

7. Comparative for the Statement of Financial Activities

The comparative year values on the Statement of Financial Activities are for unrestricted funds.

8. Tangible fixed assets

Cost or valuation	Motor Vehicles £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Total £
At 01 April 2024	92,892	8,704	101,596
Additions	84,000	-	84,000
Disposals	(20,430)	-	(20,430)
At 31 March 2025	156,462	8,704	165,166
Depreciation			
At 01 April 2024	73,391	8,009	81,400
Disposals	(18,385)	-	(18,385)
Charge for year	6,114	174	6,288
At 31 March 2025	61,120	8,183	69,303
Net book values			
At 31 March 2025	95,342	521	95,863
At 31 March 2024	19,501	695	20,196

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9. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Amounts due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	11,246	10,000
	11,246	10,000

10. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	3,921	2,530
	3,921	2,530

11. Movement in funds**Unrestricted Funds**

	Balance at 01/04/2024 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 31/03/2024 £
General				
General	90,603	212,393	(166,630)	136,366
	90,603	212,393	(166,630)	136,366

Unrestricted Funds - Previous year

	Balance at 01/04/2023 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 31/03/2023 £
General				
General	60,426	176,102	(145,925)	90,603
	60,426	176,102	(145,925)	90,603

Purpose of unrestricted Funds**General**

The purpose of Wyre Forest Dial a Ride is to provide a community transport service for such of the inhabitants of Wyre Forest and its neighbourhood who are in need of such service.

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12. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Tangible fixed assets £	Net current assets / (liabilities) £	Net Asset: £
Unrestricted funds			
General			
General	95,863	40,503	136,366
	95,863	40,503	136,366
Previous year			
	Tangible fixed assets £	Net current assets / (liabilities) £	Net Asset: £
Unrestricted funds			
General			
General	20,196	70,407	90,603
	20,196	70,407	90,603

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