

Minibuses, Shoppers, Ring & Ride

Vehicles: 12

Miles: 53.989

Passenger boardings: 36,844

Group Members: 84

Individual Members: 724

Transport to meet individual

Cosy Mosey walking group

No of walkers: 38

Attendance : 149

Trips : 10

Big thanks to Ian, Jean, Sandra and Glenice and Anne for expertly arranging, delivering and caring for our cosy moseyers. If you can't keep up with everyday walkers, Cosy Mosey is for you.

Cosy Cuppa

Many thanks to Jane Pollard for facilitating these meetings and to Wendy Scott and Glenys Sage for making the refreshments/washing pots etc. A lovely social group for people at risk of isolation and in need of good company.

Sessions: 48 Attendance: 1,008

Funding and Donations received from:

Nottinghamshire County Council, Ashfield District Council, Cllrs Andy Meakin, Awards For All, Co-op, JN Derbyshire and many individuals and group members of Our Centre.

Staff members: Matt Pike, Elden Skinner, Jen Hannant, John Blount, Adrian Rowe, Rebecca Berridge, Paddy Ryan, Dave Bramwell, Michael Timmins, John Berridge, and Angie Peppard.

Voluntary Car Scheme

Miles covered: 76.345

Journeys: 6,557

Trips: 7,145

Thank you to all our amazing volunteer car drivers for giving back to the community with your time and commitment.

Wheelchair Hire

Number of hirings: 98

These are hired for a day/ weekend/week/month, for all sorts of reasons from health appointments, holidays, weddings and long term

Seated Exercise

Weekly chair based exercise sessions at Our Centre followed by refreshments. Helen, Pauline and Sue have developed these fast growing groups with love and kindness and we couldn't ask for more. Huge appreciation to Margaret for covering in emergencies.

Sessions: 96

Attendance: 1,536

Glad Rags

Charity shop only made possible through our team of wonderful volunteers. Thank you to John, Doreen, Sue, Glenys, Glen, Garry, Lindsey, Amanda, Jane, Louise, Martha, Willow, Kimberly, Ethan, and Olivia,

Volunteers: Chris Rowe, John Bower, Paul Williamson, Andy Jones, Don Ward, Glen Smith, Rob Barker, Eileen Ryan, Mike Burn, Ian Craske, Doreen Smith, John Smith, Jane Pollard, Sandra Shooter, Brian Millard, Dave Rothery, Pauline Stojanovic, Alberto Rovida, Anne Morecroft, John Turner, Martha Kirk, Willow Lawton, Ethan Layland, Gary Chantry, Geoff Ware, Alan Kelly, Chloe Smith, Lexey Bramwell, Jean Craske, Sue Bowler, Alvin Cable, Olivia Clare, Stephen Cooper, Kelly Edmonds, Anne English, Pete Kent, Margaret Smith x2, Sarah Smith, Louise Harris, David Howe, Kimberly Jeffries, Dave Bramwell, Glenys Sage, Wendy Scott, John Faulkner, Denise Barker, Susan Burn, Jim Tobias, Kevin Skinner, Jim Williams, Janice Bostock, Sandra Musson, Ann Schofield, Sue Herrington, Audrey Barnes, Brandon, Michael Anderson, Maddison Berridge, and last but not least Sally Anne Kent.

Our Centre is committed to promoting and valuing equality & diversity in all of its activities. We welcome and celebrate the diversity of the communities and are strongly committed to achieving equal opportunities and access for all people and groups in society. Equality & diversity is the cornerstone of all of our policies and procedures. We are proud of the actions we take to eliminate discrimination and prejudice to ensure inclusion and engagement for all the people who work and volunteer with us or wish to use our services. We will continue to strive towards a culture that is diverse and which recognises and develops the potential of all our staff, volunteers and service users and we will go above and beyond the minimum legal requirements in order to achieve this.



Annual Report 2024-2025

We are very grateful to our funders:-



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Secretary: Rebecca Berridge

Trustees: Mr Alberto Rovido

Ms Christina Rowe

Mr Rob Barker

Mr Martin Atherton

Cllr Warren Nuttall - ADC representative

Appointed Examiner of Accounts:

Community Accounting Plus

Report by the Chair of Trustees

Nothing stands still in whatever we do, Our Centre is no exception. We welcomed Matt and Elden to take the lead after Angie decided to take a back seat. Angie is still very much a part of the Centre even if we don't see her every day now. She is in the wings supporting the team as she always has done and deserves thanks and recognition for this.

The year has been a challenge, as usual there is never enough funding to make life easy. Matt, Eldon and Angie work tirelessly to make things work on a practical and financial basis, given the budget we have. Price increases for almost everything certainly gives us all a challenge.

Thank you to all the staff old and new for all the hard work they put in to keep the centre running smoothly so our members can sit back and enjoy a great variety of activities, something to suit everyone. We are indebted to our volunteers as without them the Centre would not function. Our new Ashfield Furniture project is moving at a pace again run by volunteers. We are so fortunate to have all these volunteers who care about our community, come together to make things happen.

Our Christmas event was yet again a huge success with lots of fun and laughter. Can't wait to see what the theme will be for this year! My personal thanks go to our dedicated board of Trustees who meet regularly to provide a listening ear, offer support and make decisions for the future of the Centre.

Paul Williamson



Volunteers: Chris Rowe, Sandra Musson, John Bower, Paul Williamson, Andy Jones, Don Ward, Glen Smith, Rob Barker, Eileen Ryan, Mike Burn, Ian Craske, Doreen Smith, John Smith, Jane Pollard, Sandra Shooter, Brian Millard, Dave Rothery, Pauline Stojanovic, Alberto Rovida, Anne Morecroft, John Turner, Martha Kirk, Willow Lawton, Ethan Layland, Gary Chantry, Geoff Ware, Alan Kelly, Chloe Smith, Lexey Bramwell, Jean Craske, Sue Bowler, Alvin Cable, Olivia Clare, Stephen Cooper, Kelly Edmonds, Jane North, Anne English, Fliss Moir, Robert Moor, Garry Mountain, Lindsey Monroe, Pete Kent, Margaret Smith x2, Sarah Smith, Louise Harris, David Howe, Kimberly Jeffries, Dave Bramwell, Glenys Sage, Wendy Scott, John Faulkner, Jean Craske, Steph Hardstaff, Joyce Kent, Jane Symonds, Jim Williams, Glenice Wilkinson, Denise Barker, Susan Burn, Jim Tobias, Kevin Skinner, Jim Williams, Janice Bostock, Glenice Coleman, Ann Schofield, Sue Herrington, Audrey Barnes, Brandon Perkins, Michael Anderson, Amanda Shaw, Ian Craske, Maddison Berridge, and last but not least Sally Anne Kent.

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
(Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	26,886	-	26,886	19,561
Charitable activities	3	19,102	259,389	278,491	291,238
Other trading activities	5	13,702	-	13,702	12,404
Investment income	6	1,306	-	1,306	1,697
Other income	7	8,066	-	8,066	8,700
Total Income		69,062	259,389	328,451	333,600
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	(51,826)	(305,124)	(356,950)	(359,960)
Other expenditure	9	-	(2,351)	(2,351)	-
Total Expenditure		(51,826)	(307,475)	(359,301)	(359,960)
Net income/(expenditure)		17,236	(48,086)	(30,850)	(26,360)
Transfers between funds		(23,240)	23,240	-	-
Net movement in funds		(6,004)	(24,846)	(30,850)	(26,360)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		231,369	49,827	281,196	307,556
Total funds carried forward	22	225,365	24,981	250,346	281,196

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

22 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
General fund	231,369	69,062	(51,826)	(23,240)	225,365
Restricted funds					
Transport fund	47,843	239,389	(296,458)	25,224	15,998
Exterior insulation (NCC)	1,984	-	-	(1,984)	-
Activities Co-ordinator (Lottery)	-	20,000	(11,017)	-	8,983
Total restricted funds	49,827	259,389	(307,475)	23,240	24,981
Total funds	281,196	328,451	(359,301)	-	250,346

MATT'S REPORT—CENTRE MANAGER AND FINANCE

AGMs are a bit like new year, reflecting on the year that's gone, thinking about how we all made it through and with a fresh hope of the year to come. I could talk about how we started last year with £47,250 confirmed grants to start us off on an expected expenditure of over £300,000! So just the small matter of having to find another £252,750 to run our centre for another year! I could talk about how fuel costs are up to over £26,000 a year! I could talk about how just having a business account costs just under £1000 per year (yes, every time we pay into the bank we are charged – lucky bankers) All very tough demands on an independent charity who just wants to help. I could rant and rant about costs and injustices; how councils will pay for countless referral posts but not support the organisations to where they are being referred etc etc.....But in the end, it doesn't really matter – that's the thing with our centre, yes there is the matter of paying for things, but far more important than that is that together we find a way through to help and support each other. We are wholly independent; it doesn't matter who's running the country or the councils. It doesn't matter that we don't have all the things we want because together we find a way to get what we need.

When I look back on this year, I see so many volunteers who have come forward and filled the gaps, they have devoted their time unconditionally, they are the real heroes of the show, without them, quite literally we wouldn't have a 'cat in hell's chance' to help, support and listen to all those that need it. Our centre is about community – bringing everyone together - I know I keep saying it but we are completely independent that means we are not politically, religiously or financially interested. It's just about us being together and having a platform to support each other, regardless of circumstances outside our control. This year Our Centre has not shied away from need (even when the £££'s say NO) we have pushed on to make lasting differences to our community.

YOU have established the Ashfield furniture project and what a project this is – run solely by volunteers making huge differences to families across Ashfield. Some of the stories I've heard are heart-rending, kids with no beds etc etc... but now they do all of this could not have been done without the Helen Williamson Legacy Fund (HWLF)

YOU have established a new network of social and wellbeing activities within Our centre– this year we welcomed Becky as activities coordinator; we now have a range of activities most days. Our activities volunteers have gone above and beyond making seated exercise classes enjoyable, fun and entertaining (of course followed by a biscuit/s) we've had crocheting, popcorn, ukuleles, walking in the sunshine (and rain), funky Friday discos and pom poms galore.

Gladrags: WOW you know who you are – these people are amazing, day in day out you're there, YOU have created a place that fills people with a sense of belonging, YOU welcome everyone, YOU identify need, YOU listen, YOU talk, YOU are a friendly face – THANK YOU.

The board of trustees – always sounds rather grand that A big thank you to them, without them constitutionally our centre could not exist. They give their time freely and are always at the end of the phone when needed, are happy to sign for this and that, along with proof of identities etc, I note that this last year has seen a biscuit drought, and Pauline has promised this will be rectified going forward.

The hum drum of day to day and the people you share that with is the lion share of what we know, I am so fortunate to share this time with people who are dedicated, amusing, compassionate and are willing to go above and beyond to get each day done, I know it's not easy in fact it's exhausting so a very big thank you to the people in the back because without you there is no front. Thank you too to our volunteer office worker you make Monday mornings a joy!

Transport: I'll not spend long on this but just so you know: passenger boardings for last year: 35,043 (phew)

Thank you to all our caring drivers and the difference you make to people's lives.

Paddy has worked tirelessly, along with the voluntary car scheme volunteers to get folks there and back again. Also this year has seen a record breaker for the most apple pies baked for Paddy, he is attempting to break this record next year so if anyone can 'make Paddy a pie' please feel free.

To our bus volunteers – thank you, thank you

I must close with saying a very big thank you to Elden & Angie

Elden is always busy making things work again.. and again and so much more!

Angie - words are not enough, all I/we can say is thank you

Things I'd like to change: I'd really like to have a full-time receptionist to answer the phone!!

Matt

ELDEN'S REPORT - OPERATIONS AND TRANSPORT MANAGER

Matt has said it all very succinctly, so I wholeheartedly ditto all that he's said and add my personal thanks to Matt for being glued to the computer for every hour he's at the centre, which allows me to move between the Garage, GladRags, Ashfield Furniture Project, driving jobs and the yard to fix whatever needs fixing. When I'm at my desk it's usually when I'm answering emails, negotiating insurance costs, sorting out paperwork for our various properties and ordering parts. I know I'm bad at communicating and as a result, no-one knows where I am half the time ... but I will always answer my phone.

This year has been the 'major breakdowns year' and I don't think that there has been a week where one of the chuffin' buses hasn't had a problem ...and without serious funding to renew some of them, we will certainly have to downsize on the services that we currently provide. With all the problems we are facing it's often hard to find the positives, but there *are* some and that's what makes it worth it in the end. What are the positives, I hear you ask? The laughs, and there are plenty of those: the pleasure you feel when you've helped someone, and there are plenty of those; the appreciation from members, and there are plenty of those: the pleasure of receiving funding, and there's not enough of those! Thank you to staff, volunteers, trustees, funders, members and the community.

Elden

QuickBooks information inputted and coordinated expertly by Matt Pike

Company registration number: 05956771

Charity registration number: 1119588

Our Centre

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Our Centre

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Our Centre

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Paul Williamson, Chair
	Pauline Stojanovic, Treasurer
	Rob Barker
	Christina Rowe
	Alberto Rovida
	Glenice Coleman
Secretary	Rebecca Berridge
Charity Registration Number	1119588
Company Registration Number	05956771
Registered Office	6 Pond Street Kirkby-in-Ashfield Nottinghamshire NG17 7AH
Independent Examiner	John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL

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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees and officers

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

Trustees:	Paul Williamson, Chair
	Pauline Stojanovic, Treasurer
	Rob Barker
	Christina Rowe
	Alberto Rovida
	Glenice Coleman (appointed 6 November 2024)
	Martin Atherton (resigned 17 April 2025)
	Helen Williamson (resigned 6 November 2024)
	John Knight (resigned 6 November 2024)

Secretary:	Rebecca Berridge (appointed 6 November 2024)
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Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association dated 5 October 2006. It has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £1.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Vacant positions are advertised on the Our Centre website, the Our Centre newsletter, local radio, in community centres, libraries and on social media. All applications are presented at a Trustee Meeting with their proposals and this is followed up with an induction meeting and training if appropriate.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To support Kirkby-in-Ashfield and the wider community with services to aid healthier, independent lifestyles and ease isolation, financial hardship and well-being.

- (a) act as a recruiting agency for volunteers and provide them with an advisory and pastoral service to encourage their goodwill and stimulate their efforts;
- (b) provide a central resource of advice and information for persons willing to undertake voluntary service and for voluntary and statutory organisations;
- (c) provide a community transport service, including a voluntary car scheme, for such of the inhabitants of Kirkby and the surrounding area, who are in need of such a service because of age, sickness or disability (mental or physical), or poverty, or because of a lack of availability of adequate and safe public passenger services;
- (d) relieve financial hardship by the recycling and provision of furniture, clothes and other household items; and
- (e) provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

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Trustees' Report

Public benefit

Community transport with accessible minibuses and voluntary car scheme, volunteer recruitment and support, wheelchair hire, wellbeing groups, social activities, shopper services, resource centre, recycling of household furniture, clothes and other items.

These activities increase skills and confidence, reduce isolation, enhance physical and emotional wellbeing, promote good mental health, ease poverty and financial hardship.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Began the Ashfield Furniture Project to help communities suffering hardship.

Increased our centre assets with the rental of property in Sutton in Ashfield.

Permanent contract issued to Activities Co-ordinator.

Lots of new activities, eg. more seated exercise classes, music & wellbeing, craft group, men's group and Funky Friday.

Partnership working with Enterprising Ashfield and Nottm Trent University.

Financial review

Policy on reserves

The Trustees have established a reserves policy to ensure that adequate funding be kept in reserve in the event that Our Centre ceases to be viable. The level of reserves is reviewed annually and adjusted appropriately by the management committee. The charity currently has reserves to cover three months running costs.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Financial risks

Loss or reduction of funding, replacement of minibuses, cost of living crisis.

Acknowledgements

Special thanks to our funders, staff and volunteers and the community for supporting the work we do.

Our Centre

Trustees' Report

Statement of Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Our Centre 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), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements 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 its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable 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 governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Paul Williamson
Trustee

Our Centre

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company')

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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's 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 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.

.....
John O'Brien MSc, FAIA, FCIE, employee of Community Accounting Plus
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

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Date:.....

Our Centre

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	26,886	-	26,886	19,561
Charitable activities	3	19,102	259,389	278,491	291,238
Other trading activities	5	13,702	-	13,702	12,404
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Total Income		<u>69,062</u>	<u>259,389</u>	<u>328,451</u>	<u>333,600</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	(51,826)	(305,124)	(356,950)	(359,960)
Other expenditure	9	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,351)</u>	<u>(2,351)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(51,826)</u>	<u>(307,475)</u>	<u>(359,301)</u>	<u>(359,960)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		17,236	(48,086)	(30,850)	(26,360)
Transfers between funds		<u>(23,240)</u>	<u>23,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(6,004)	(24,846)	(30,850)	(26,360)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>231,369</u>	<u>49,827</u>	<u>281,196</u>	<u>307,556</u>
Total funds carried forward	22	<u><u>225,365</u></u>	<u><u>24,981</u></u>	<u><u>250,346</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 22.

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Our Centre

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	19,561	-	19,561
Charitable activities	3	8,038	283,200	291,238
Other trading activities	5	12,404	-	12,404
Investment income	6	1,697	-	1,697
Other income	7	8,700	-	8,700
Total Income		<u>50,400</u>	<u>283,200</u>	<u>333,600</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	8	<u>(55,913)</u>	<u>(304,047)</u>	<u>(359,960)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(55,913)</u>	<u>(304,047)</u>	<u>(359,960)</u>
Net expenditure		(5,513)	(20,847)	(26,360)
Transfers between funds		<u>(23,124)</u>	<u>23,124</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(28,637)	2,277	(26,360)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>260,006</u>	<u>47,550</u>	<u>307,556</u>
Total funds carried forward	22	<u><u>231,369</u></u>	<u><u>49,827</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

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Our Centre
(Registration number: 05956771)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	15	175,581	214,749
Current assets			
Debtors	16	5,305	4,539
Cash at bank and in hand	17	<u>72,546</u>	<u>66,297</u>
		77,851	70,836
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>(3,086)</u>	<u>(4,389)</u>
Net current assets		<u>74,765</u>	<u>66,447</u>
Net assets		<u><u>250,346</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	22	24,981	49,827
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>225,365</u>	<u>231,369</u>
Total funds	22	<u><u>250,346</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

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

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have 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 financial statements on pages 6 to 18 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Pauline Stojanovic
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Our Centre

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

Our Centre 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 notes.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

Under the exemption available to smaller charities the Board of Trustees has chosen not to include a Statement of Cash Flows within the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life on a straight line basis as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Land & buildings	3%
Fixtures & fittings	10%
General equipment	20%
IT equipment	33.3%
Motor vehicles	20%

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those grants for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	9,983	9,983	13,741
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	14,445	14,445	5,820
Grants from other charities	2,458	2,458	-
	26,886	26,886	19,561

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Activities	6,526	-	6,526	4,118
General administration	1,412	6,294	7,706	12,757
Grants & donations	-	71,818	71,818	112,374
Wheelchair & room hire	4,670	-	4,670	449
Registration	4,568	1,130	5,698	4,440
Transport fares & hire	-	180,147	180,147	157,100
Ashfield Furniture Project donations	1,926	-	1,926	-
	19,102	259,389	278,491	291,238

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4 Grants & donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Nottinghamshire County Council	10,945	27,250	38,195
Ashfield District Council	1,000	20,000	21,000
Co-op Community Fund	1,677	-	1,677
National Lottery Community Fund	-	20,000	20,000
BSOG	-	4,545	4,545
Thomas Farr Charity	2,458	-	2,458
Notts Community Foundation	500	-	500
Héroux-Devtek	500	-	500
Sundry grants & donations	4,806	23	4,829
UKSPF	2,500	-	2,500
Nottingham Trent University	2,500	-	2,500
	<u>26,886</u>	<u>71,818</u>	<u>98,704</u>

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Trading income;			
Sale of donated good (Glad Rags shop)	12,057	12,057	9,682
Fundraising	1,645	1,645	2,722
	<u>13,702</u>	<u>13,702</u>	<u>12,404</u>

6 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	1,306	1,306	1,697
	<u>1,306</u>	<u>1,306</u>	<u>1,697</u>

7 Other income

	Unrestricted General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Rental income	8,066	8,066	8,700
	<u>8,066</u>	<u>8,066</u>	<u>8,700</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

8 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Activities & supplies	453	298	751	349
Card machine & bank charges	282	1,414	1,696	1,634
Glad Rags shop costs	-	-	-	158
Cleaning	276	584	860	445
Depreciation	9,430	11,694	21,124	26,138
Subscriptions	7	65	72	25
Hospitality	1,212	457	1,669	1,727
IT software & consumables	441	277	718	333
Training	1,065	-	1,065	-
Legal & professional	976	1,889	2,865	2,056
Insurance	922	-	922	966
Payroll service	175	1,126	1,301	1,327
Premises maintenance	1,142	751	1,893	12,015
Equipment, repairs & renewals	861	-	861	2,090
Rent, room hire & utilities	4,676	2,761	7,437	3,968
Printing, stationery & postage	283	1,648	1,931	1,192
Sundry expenses	133	-	133	1,604
Telephone & internet	240	2,164	2,404	2,219
Vehicle running costs & insurance	1,140	57,816	58,956	61,704
Volunteer expenses	2,203	9,493	11,696	10,366
Wages, NI & pension	25,909	212,687	238,596	229,644
	<u>51,826</u>	<u>305,124</u>	<u>356,950</u>	<u>359,960</u>

9 Other expenditure

	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	<u>2,351</u>	<u>2,351</u>	-
	<u>2,351</u>	<u>2,351</u>	-

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10 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net outgoing resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Loss on disposal of fixed assets held for the charity's own use	2,351	-
Depreciation of fixed assets	21,124	26,138
	<u>23,475</u>	<u>26,138</u>

11 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	220,148	214,873
Social security costs	11,607	9,532
Pension costs	6,841	5,239
	<u>238,596</u>	<u>229,644</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
Average number of employees	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>

9 (2024 - 9) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £6,841 (2024 - £5,239).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £22,190 (2024 - £42,599).

12 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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14 Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner are analysed as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent examination	1,320	1,270
Other financial services	1,204	1,105
	<u>2,524</u>	<u>2,375</u>

15 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Fixtures & fittings £	Motor vehicles £	IT equipment £	General equipment £	Total £
Cost						
At 1 April 2024	187,084	4,650	246,518	8,137	31,508	477,897
Additions	-	-	-	2,107	-	2,107
Disposals	-	-	(76,394)	-	-	(76,394)
At 31 March 2025	<u>187,084</u>	<u>4,650</u>	<u>170,124</u>	<u>10,244</u>	<u>31,508</u>	<u>403,610</u>
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2024	32,267	4,650	198,675	8,137	19,419	263,148
Charge for the year	5,613	-	11,694	702	3,115	21,124
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	(56,243)	-	-	(56,243)
At 31 March 2025	<u>37,880</u>	<u>4,650</u>	<u>154,126</u>	<u>8,839</u>	<u>22,534</u>	<u>228,029</u>
Net book value						
At 31 March 2025	<u>149,204</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,998</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>8,974</u>	<u>175,581</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>154,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,843</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,089</u>	<u>214,749</u>

16 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	3,865	4,539
Other debtors	1,440	-
	<u>5,305</u>	<u>4,539</u>

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17 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash on hand	605	521
Cash at bank	71,941	65,776
	<u>72,546</u>	<u>66,297</u>

18 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	315	319
Accruals	2,771	4,070
	<u>3,086</u>	<u>4,389</u>

19 Charity status

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

20 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

21 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted		2025 Total funds
	General £	Restricted £	£
Tangible fixed assets	159,583	15,998	175,581
Current assets	68,868	8,983	77,851
Current liabilities	(3,086)	-	(3,086)
Total net assets	<u>225,365</u>	<u>24,981</u>	<u>250,346</u>
	Unrestricted		2024 Total funds
	General £	Restricted £	£
Tangible fixed assets	166,906	47,843	214,749
Current assets	68,852	1,984	70,836
Current liabilities	(4,389)	-	(4,389)
Total net assets	<u>231,369</u>	<u>49,827</u>	<u>281,196</u>

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22 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	231,369	69,062	(51,826)	(23,240)	225,365
Restricted funds					
Transport fund	47,843	239,389	(296,458)	25,224	15,998
Exterior insulation (NCC)	1,984	-	-	(1,984)	-
Activities Co-ordinator (Lottery)	-	20,000	(11,017)	-	8,983
Total restricted funds	<u>49,827</u>	<u>259,389</u>	<u>(307,475)</u>	<u>23,240</u>	<u>24,981</u>
Total funds	<u>281,196</u>	<u>328,451</u>	<u>(359,301)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250,346</u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Transport fund is the net book value of vehicles and hence the transfer from the general fund is to keep the balance at this level each year.

Exterior insulation (NCC) - funding from the Notts County Council towards exterior insulation.

Activities Co-ordinator (Lottery) - toward salary.

The transfer from the Exterior insulation (NCC) fund to the General fund reflects the release of any restrictions on the use of these funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	256,649	50,400	(55,913)	(19,767)	231,369
<i>Designated</i>					
Building & Vehicle Funds	<u>3,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,357)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>260,006</u>	<u>50,400</u>	<u>(55,913)</u>	<u>(23,124)</u>	<u>231,369</u>
Restricted					
Transport fund	39,386	215,309	(261,100)	54,248	47,843
Anchor project (Lottery)	-	58,813	(27,689)	(31,124)	-
Salary (Lottery)	8,164	-	(8,164)	-	-
Exterior insulation (NCC)	<u>-</u>	<u>9,078</u>	<u>(7,094)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,984</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>47,550</u>	<u>283,200</u>	<u>(304,047)</u>	<u>23,124</u>	<u>49,827</u>
Total funds	<u><u>307,556</u></u>	<u><u>333,600</u></u>	<u><u>(359,960)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

Company registration number: 05956771

Charity registration number: 1119588

Our Centre

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Our Centre

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Paul Williamson, Chair
	Pauline Stojanovic, Treasurer
	Rob Barker
	Christina Rowe
	Alberto Rovida
	Glenice Coleman
Secretary	Rebecca Berridge
Charity Registration Number	1119588
Company Registration Number	05956771
Registered Office	6 Pond Street Kirkby-in-Ashfield Nottinghamshire NG17 7AH
Independent Examiner	John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL

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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees and officers

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

Trustees:	Paul Williamson, Chair
	Pauline Stojanovic, Treasurer
	Rob Barker
	Christina Rowe
	Alberto Rovida
	Glenice Coleman (appointed 6 November 2024)
	Martin Atherton (resigned 17 April 2025)
	Helen Williamson (resigned 6 November 2024)
	John Knight (resigned 6 November 2024)

Secretary:	Rebecca Berridge (appointed 6 November 2024)
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Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association dated 5 October 2006. It has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £1.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Vacant positions are advertised on the Our Centre website, the Our Centre newsletter, local radio, in community centres, libraries and on social media. All applications are presented at a Trustee Meeting with their proposals and this is followed up with an induction meeting and training if appropriate.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To support Kirkby-in-Ashfield and the wider community with services to aid healthier, independent lifestyles and ease isolation, financial hardship and well-being.

- (a) act as a recruiting agency for volunteers and provide them with an advisory and pastoral service to encourage their goodwill and stimulate their efforts;
- (b) provide a central resource of advice and information for persons willing to undertake voluntary service and for voluntary and statutory organisations;
- (c) provide a community transport service, including a voluntary car scheme, for such of the inhabitants of Kirkby and the surrounding area, who are in need of such a service because of age, sickness or disability (mental or physical), or poverty, or because of a lack of availability of adequate and safe public passenger services;
- (d) relieve financial hardship by the recycling and provision of furniture, clothes and other household items; and
- (e) provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

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Public benefit

Community transport with accessible minibuses and voluntary car scheme, volunteer recruitment and support, wheelchair hire, wellbeing groups, social activities, shopper services, resource centre, recycling of household furniture, clothes and other items.

These activities increase skills and confidence, reduce isolation, enhance physical and emotional wellbeing, promote good mental health, ease poverty and financial hardship.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Began the Ashfield Furniture Project to help communities suffering hardship.

Increased our centre assets with the rental of property in Sutton in Ashfield.

Permanent contract issued to Activities Co-ordinator.

Lots of new activities, eg. more seated exercise classes, music & wellbeing, craft group, men's group and Funky Friday.

Partnership working with Enterprising Ashfield and Nottm Trent University.

Financial review

Policy on reserves

The Trustees have established a reserves policy to ensure that adequate funding be kept in reserve in the event that Our Centre ceases to be viable. The level of reserves is reviewed annually and adjusted appropriately by the management committee. The charity currently has reserves to cover three months running costs.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Financial risks

Loss or reduction of funding, replacement of minibuses, cost of living crisis.

Acknowledgements

Special thanks to our funders, staff and volunteers and the community for supporting the work we do.

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Trustees' Report

Statement of Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Our Centre 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), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements 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 its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable 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 governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Paul Williamson
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company')

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company')

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's 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 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.

.....
John O'Brien MSc, FAIA, FCIE, employee of Community Accounting Plus
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

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Date:.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	26,886	-	26,886	19,561
Charitable activities	3	19,102	259,389	278,491	291,238
Other trading activities	5	13,702	-	13,702	12,404
Investment income	6	1,306	-	1,306	1,697
Other income	7	8,066	-	8,066	8,700
Total Income		<u>69,062</u>	<u>259,389</u>	<u>328,451</u>	<u>333,600</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	(51,826)	(305,124)	(356,950)	(359,960)
Other expenditure	9	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,351)</u>	<u>(2,351)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(51,826)</u>	<u>(307,475)</u>	<u>(359,301)</u>	<u>(359,960)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		17,236	(48,086)	(30,850)	(26,360)
Transfers between funds		<u>(23,240)</u>	<u>23,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(6,004)	(24,846)	(30,850)	(26,360)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>231,369</u>	<u>49,827</u>	<u>281,196</u>	<u>307,556</u>
Total funds carried forward	22	<u><u>225,365</u></u>	<u><u>24,981</u></u>	<u><u>250,346</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 22.

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	19,561	-	19,561
Charitable activities	3	8,038	283,200	291,238
Other trading activities	5	12,404	-	12,404
Investment income	6	1,697	-	1,697
Other income	7	8,700	-	8,700
Total Income		<u>50,400</u>	<u>283,200</u>	<u>333,600</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	8	<u>(55,913)</u>	<u>(304,047)</u>	<u>(359,960)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(55,913)</u>	<u>(304,047)</u>	<u>(359,960)</u>
Net expenditure		(5,513)	(20,847)	(26,360)
Transfers between funds		<u>(23,124)</u>	<u>23,124</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(28,637)	2,277	(26,360)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>260,006</u>	<u>47,550</u>	<u>307,556</u>
Total funds carried forward	22	<u><u>231,369</u></u>	<u><u>49,827</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Our Centre
(Registration number: 05956771)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	15	175,581	214,749
Current assets			
Debtors	16	5,305	4,539
Cash at bank and in hand	17	<u>72,546</u>	<u>66,297</u>
		77,851	70,836
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>(3,086)</u>	<u>(4,389)</u>
Net current assets		<u>74,765</u>	<u>66,447</u>
Net assets		<u><u>250,346</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	22	24,981	49,827
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>225,365</u>	<u>231,369</u>
Total funds	22	<u><u>250,346</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>

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

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have 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 financial statements on pages 6 to 18 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Pauline Stojanovic
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

Our Centre 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 notes.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

Under the exemption available to smaller charities the Board of Trustees has chosen not to include a Statement of Cash Flows within the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life on a straight line basis as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Land & buildings	3%
Fixtures & fittings	10%
General equipment	20%
IT equipment	33.3%
Motor vehicles	20%

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those grants for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from companies, trusts and similar proceeds	9,983	9,983	13,741
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	14,445	14,445	5,820
Grants from other charities	2,458	2,458	-
	26,886	26,886	19,561

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Activities	6,526	-	6,526	4,118
General administration	1,412	6,294	7,706	12,757
Grants & donations	-	71,818	71,818	112,374
Wheelchair & room hire	4,670	-	4,670	449
Registration	4,568	1,130	5,698	4,440
Transport fares & hire	-	180,147	180,147	157,100
Ashfield Furniture Project donations	1,926	-	1,926	-
	19,102	259,389	278,491	291,238

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4 Grants & donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Nottinghamshire County Council	10,945	27,250	38,195
Ashfield District Council	1,000	20,000	21,000
Co-op Community Fund	1,677	-	1,677
National Lottery Community Fund	-	20,000	20,000
BSOG	-	4,545	4,545
Thomas Farr Charity	2,458	-	2,458
Notts Community Foundation	500	-	500
Héroux-Devtek	500	-	500
Sundry grants & donations	4,806	23	4,829
UKSPF	2,500	-	2,500
Nottingham Trent University	2,500	-	2,500
	<u>26,886</u>	<u>71,818</u>	<u>98,704</u>

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Trading income;			
Sale of donated good (Glad Rags shop)	12,057	12,057	9,682
Fundraising	1,645	1,645	2,722
	<u>13,702</u>	<u>13,702</u>	<u>12,404</u>

6 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	1,306	1,306	1,697
	<u>1,306</u>	<u>1,306</u>	<u>1,697</u>

7 Other income

	Unrestricted General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Rental income	8,066	8,066	8,700
	<u>8,066</u>	<u>8,066</u>	<u>8,700</u>

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8 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Activities & supplies	453	298	751	349
Card machine & bank charges	282	1,414	1,696	1,634
Glad Rags shop costs	-	-	-	158
Cleaning	276	584	860	445
Depreciation	9,430	11,694	21,124	26,138
Subscriptions	7	65	72	25
Hospitality	1,212	457	1,669	1,727
IT software & consumables	441	277	718	333
Training	1,065	-	1,065	-
Legal & professional	976	1,889	2,865	2,056
Insurance	922	-	922	966
Payroll service	175	1,126	1,301	1,327
Premises maintenance	1,142	751	1,893	12,015
Equipment, repairs & renewals	861	-	861	2,090
Rent, room hire & utilities	4,676	2,761	7,437	3,968
Printing, stationery & postage	283	1,648	1,931	1,192
Sundry expenses	133	-	133	1,604
Telephone & internet	240	2,164	2,404	2,219
Vehicle running costs & insurance	1,140	57,816	58,956	61,704
Volunteer expenses	2,203	9,493	11,696	10,366
Wages, NI & pension	25,909	212,687	238,596	229,644
	<u>51,826</u>	<u>305,124</u>	<u>356,950</u>	<u>359,960</u>

9 Other expenditure

	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	<u>2,351</u>	<u>2,351</u>	-
	<u>2,351</u>	<u>2,351</u>	-

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10 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net outgoing resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Loss on disposal of fixed assets held for the charity's own use	2,351	-
Depreciation of fixed assets	21,124	26,138
	<u>23,475</u>	<u>26,138</u>

11 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	220,148	214,873
Social security costs	11,607	9,532
Pension costs	6,841	5,239
	<u>238,596</u>	<u>229,644</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
Average number of employees	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>

9 (2024 - 9) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £6,841 (2024 - £5,239).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £22,190 (2024 - £42,599).

12 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

13 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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14 Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner are analysed as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent examination	1,320	1,270
Other financial services	1,204	1,105
	<u>2,524</u>	<u>2,375</u>

15 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Fixtures & fittings £	Motor vehicles £	IT equipment £	General equipment £	Total £
Cost						
At 1 April 2024	187,084	4,650	246,518	8,137	31,508	477,897
Additions	-	-	-	2,107	-	2,107
Disposals	-	-	(76,394)	-	-	(76,394)
At 31 March 2025	<u>187,084</u>	<u>4,650</u>	<u>170,124</u>	<u>10,244</u>	<u>31,508</u>	<u>403,610</u>
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2024	32,267	4,650	198,675	8,137	19,419	263,148
Charge for the year	5,613	-	11,694	702	3,115	21,124
Eliminated on disposals	-	-	(56,243)	-	-	(56,243)
At 31 March 2025	<u>37,880</u>	<u>4,650</u>	<u>154,126</u>	<u>8,839</u>	<u>22,534</u>	<u>228,029</u>
Net book value						
At 31 March 2025	<u>149,204</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,998</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>8,974</u>	<u>175,581</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>154,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,843</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,089</u>	<u>214,749</u>

16 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	3,865	4,539
Other debtors	1,440	-
	<u>5,305</u>	<u>4,539</u>

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17 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash on hand	605	521
Cash at bank	71,941	65,776
	<u>72,546</u>	<u>66,297</u>

18 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	315	319
Accruals	2,771	4,070
	<u>3,086</u>	<u>4,389</u>

19 Charity status

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

20 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

21 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted		2025
	General £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	159,583	15,998	175,581
Current assets	68,868	8,983	77,851
Current liabilities	(3,086)	-	(3,086)
Total net assets	<u>225,365</u>	<u>24,981</u>	<u>250,346</u>
	Unrestricted		2024
	General £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	166,906	47,843	214,749
Current assets	68,852	1,984	70,836
Current liabilities	(4,389)	-	(4,389)
Total net assets	<u>231,369</u>	<u>49,827</u>	<u>281,196</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

22 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	231,369	69,062	(51,826)	(23,240)	225,365
Restricted funds					
Transport fund	47,843	239,389	(296,458)	25,224	15,998
Exterior insulation (NCC)	1,984	-	-	(1,984)	-
Activities Co-ordinator (Lottery)	-	20,000	(11,017)	-	8,983
Total restricted funds	<u>49,827</u>	<u>259,389</u>	<u>(307,475)</u>	<u>23,240</u>	<u>24,981</u>
Total funds	<u>281,196</u>	<u>328,451</u>	<u>(359,301)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250,346</u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Transport fund is the net book value of vehicles and hence the transfer from the general fund is to keep the balance at this level each year.

Exterior insulation (NCC) - funding from the Notts County Council towards exterior insulation.

Activities Co-ordinator (Lottery) - toward salary.

The transfer from the Exterior insulation (NCC) fund to the General fund reflects the release of any restrictions on the use of these funds.

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These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	256,649	50,400	(55,913)	(19,767)	231,369
<i>Designated</i>					
Building & Vehicle Funds	<u>3,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,357)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>260,006</u>	<u>50,400</u>	<u>(55,913)</u>	<u>(23,124)</u>	<u>231,369</u>
Restricted					
Transport fund	39,386	215,309	(261,100)	54,248	47,843
Anchor project (Lottery)	-	58,813	(27,689)	(31,124)	-
Salary (Lottery)	8,164	-	(8,164)	-	-
Exterior insulation (NCC)	<u>-</u>	<u>9,078</u>	<u>(7,094)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,984</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>47,550</u>	<u>283,200</u>	<u>(304,047)</u>	<u>23,124</u>	<u>49,827</u>
Total funds	<u><u>307,556</u></u>	<u><u>333,600</u></u>	<u><u>(359,960)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>281,196</u></u>