

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025

AGM 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025

## Introduction

This year has been one of progress and exciting changes behind the scenes. We have been lucky to remain in a stable financial position whereby we have comfortably had funds available to cover our expenses and training costs as well as improving our groups.



## Objects of the Charity

To advance and promote the physical and psychological health of parents and children through education of the techniques of and the provision of training regarding breastfeeding in the county of Gloucestershire, including but not limited to raising the awareness of the health benefits of breastfeeding

## How we achieve our aims

- The provision of information about breastfeeding.
- Campaigning to improve services, facilities and support for breastfeeding families in the county of Gloucestershire.
- The promotion of services including groups and course support services in preparation for breastfeeding and to support breastfeeding.
- The provision of support services for parents who wish to breastfeed by training local peers who have breastfed to enable them to support breastfeeding families.
- The provision of training and information for peer supporters by Qualified Breastfeeding Counsellors.
- The education of those who will become parents and those who are supporting parents.
- The fostering and undertaking research into any aspects of the objects of the Charity and the dissemination of the results of any such research.
- The promotion of good working relationships with others to achieve greater understanding of the benefits of breastfeeding.

## BBC “All in The Mind”

This year, GBSN was nominated and placed in the final group for the BBC Radio 4 “All in The Mind” awards.

We provide so much more than just breastfeeding support. The impact of our work on postnatal mental health is huge. We cannot underestimate how much of a difference we make to the lives of the families who walk through our doors.

We were absolutely honoured to be recognised in this way, and to be a voice for the value of breastfeeding support.

## Accounts

Please see the balance sheet attached.  
In summary:

- Income: **£46,309.08**
- Expenses: **£19,725.14**
- Gross Profit: **£26,583.94**
- Administrative costs: **£2,124.31**
- NET PROFIT: 24,459.63**

## Financial Position

We are delighted to report that GBSN found itself in a stable financial position at the end of the accounting year. This is due in no small part to the tireless work of Lisa Cam and Sarah Houghton, who continued to apply successfully for grants, including funding from the National Lottery. We cannot rest on our laurels, and fundraising remains a vital source of income.



## Group Highlights

Our main highlight as ever, has been to see families come through the doors of GBSN groups, needing our support, and our helping them to achieve their breastfeeding goals.

Some will leave us after a few visits, but many will stay, and from their time with us, they will forge friendships and even choose to volunteer with us as Peer Supporters or Hostesses.

We are forever grateful to all our volunteers; you make us who we are.



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## Future Plans

- Restart our online **Antenatal Preparation for Breastfeeding Workshops**
- Develop our relationship with the NHS trust by providing **in person workshops**, as a pilot through Stroud Maternity Unit
- **Continue to work with** Health Visiting Teams and the Gloucestershire Infant Feeding Support Partnership
- Present **Information for Breastfeeding Parents at Work**, with sessions delivered in the workplace

## Statistics

- Number of attendees at groups: **2,344**
- Number of video calls to date: **3,733**
- Number of video calls this year: **251\***
- Number of new Peer Supporters trained: **14**

\*That's one for almost EVERY weekday in the year!

## Changes Ahead

Two Trustees are to retire: Kirstie Clarke and Nicky Wilson

Two Trustees are to be appointed: Elena Mills and Alice Rawstorne

The Charity is to be registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, simultaneously with the appointment of the above named Trustees

Danni Smith is to become the new Chair of the Charity.

Angharad Tebbutt is to become the new Safeguarding Lead



Company registration number: 06239404  
Charity registration number: 1121337

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE BREASTFEEDING SUPPORTERS' NETWORK  
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**



Rebecca Benneyworth & Co  
Chartered Accountant

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Company No. 06239404**  
**Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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

## **Objectives and Activities**

### **Aims and Objectives**

To advance and promote the physical and psychological health of parents and children through education of the techniques of and the provision of training regarding breastfeeding in the county of Gloucestershire, including but not limited to raising the awareness of the health benefits of breastfeeding

### **Public Benefit**

The activities the charity carries on to achieve its aims includes:

- The provision of information about breastfeeding.
- Campaigning to improve services, facilities and support for breastfeeding families in the county of Gloucestershire.
- The promotion of services including groups and course support services in preparation for breastfeeding and to support breastfeeding.
- The provision of support services for parents who wish to breastfeed by training local peers who have breastfed to enable them to support breastfeeding families.
- The provision of training and information for peer supporters by Qualified Breastfeeding Counsellors.
- The education of those who will become parents and those who are supporting parents.
- The fostering and undertaking research into any aspects of the objects of the Charity and the dissemination of the results of any such research.
- The promotion of good working relationships with others to achieve greater understanding of the benefits of breastfeeding.

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

## **Reference and Administrative Details**

### **Trustees**

Nicola Bradley  
Kirstie Clarke  
Rebecca Hooper  
Kate Martin  
Nicola Wilson

### **Charity Number**

1121337

### **Company Number**

06239404

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network  
Trustees' Report (continued)  
For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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**Independent Examiner**

Rebecca Benneyworth Chartered Accountant  
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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Trustees' Report (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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**Small Company Rules**

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

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

Kirstie Clarke

Trustee

27 February 2026

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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

**Responsibilities and Basis of Report**

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

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Rebecca Benneyworth Chartered Accountant

27 February 2026  
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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

				<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>					
Donations and legacies	<b>3</b>	44,314	118	44,432	31,677
Other trading activities	<b>4</b>	1,722	-	1,722	211
Investments	<b>5</b>	273	-	273	152
		<u>46,309</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>46,427</u>	<u>32,040</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>					
Raising funds	<b>6</b>	(2,910)	1	(2,909)	(1,000)
Charitable activities:	<b>6</b>				
Promotion and support of breastfeeding		(18,940)	-	(18,940)	(18,613)
		<u>(21,850)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>(21,849)</u>	<u>(19,613)</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>24,459</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>24,578</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<u>24,459</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>24,578</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>					
Total funds brought forward		24,420	4,143	28,563	16,136
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>13</b>	<u>48,879</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

				2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>				
Donations and legacies	3	31,677	-	31,677
Other trading activities	4	211	-	211
Investments	5	152	-	152
		<u>32,040</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,040</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>				
Raising funds	6	(1,000)	-	(1,000)
Charitable activities:	6			
Promotion and support of breastfeeding		(18,613)	-	(18,613)
		<u>(19,613)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(19,613)</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>12,427</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<u>12,427</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>				
Total funds brought forward		11,993	4,143	16,136
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	13	<u>24,420</u>	<u>4,143</u>	<u>28,563</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As At 31 May 2025**

				<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Assets	<b>9</b>	866	-	866	866
		<u>866</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>866</u>	<u>866</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Stocks	<b>10</b>	2,638	-	2,638	2,638
Debtors	<b>11</b>	131	-	131	131
Cash at bank and in hand		46,650	4,262	50,912	26,679
		<u>49,419</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,681</u>	<u>29,448</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>	<b>12</b>	(1,406)	-	(1,406)	(1,751)
		<u>48,013</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>52,275</u>	<u>27,697</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>					
		<u>48,013</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>52,275</u>	<u>27,697</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>48,879</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>48,879</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>
<b>FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>					
Restricted Funds				4,262	4,143
Unrestricted Funds				48,879	24,420
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>13</b>			<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Balance Sheet (continued)**  
**As At 31 May 2025**

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

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

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 27 February 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

Kirstie Clarke

Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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## **1. General Information**

Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 06239404 and registered charity number 1121337. The registered office is .

## **2. Accounting Policies**

### **2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements**

The financial statements have been prepared 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" and the Companies Act 2006.

The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

### **2.2. Incoming Resources**

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Interest income is recognised when receivable.

### **2.3. Resources Expended**

Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects comprise those costs incurred by the charity as a result of delivery of its services. Governance costs comprise the costs incurred by the charity in meeting its constitutional and statutory requirements. Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with generating voluntary income.

### **2.4. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures & Fittings	10 years
Computer Equipment	5 years straight line

### **2.5. Stocks and Work in Progress**

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks.

Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

At the end of each reporting period stocks are assessed for impairment. If an item of stock is impaired, the identified stock is reduced to its selling price less costs to complete and sell and an impairment charge is recognised in the statement of financial activities. Where a reversal of the impairment is required the impairment charge is reversed, up to the original impairment loss, and is recognised as a credit in the statement of financial activities.

### **2.6. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
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**3. Income from Donations and Legacies**

	<b>2025</b>	
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations and gifts	10,264	118
Grants	34,050	-
	<u>44,314</u>	<u>118</u>
	<u><u>44,314</u></u>	<u><u>118</u></u>
	<b>2024</b>	
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations and gifts	14,377	-
Grants	17,300	-
	<u>31,677</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u><u>31,677</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

**4. Income from Other Trading Activities**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Income from other trading activities	-	211
Fundraising events	1,722	-
	<u>1,722</u>	<u>211</u>
	<u><u>1,722</u></u>	<u><u>211</u></u>

**5. Investment Income**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank interest receivable	273	152
	<u>273</u>	<u>152</u>
	<u><u>273</u></u>	<u><u>152</u></u>



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**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
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**6. Analysis of Expenditure**

	<b>2025</b>		
	<b>Activities undertaken directly</b>	<b>Support costs (see note 7)</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Raising funds	2,128	781	2,909
Promotion and support of breastfeeding	17,671	1,269	18,940
	<u>19,799</u>	<u>2,050</u>	<u>21,849</u>

  

	<b>2024</b>		
	<b>Activities undertaken directly</b>	<b>Support costs (see note 7)</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Raising funds	1,000	-	1,000
Promotion and support of breastfeeding	16,568	2,045	18,613
	<u>17,568</u>	<u>2,045</u>	<u>19,613</u>

**7. Support Costs**

	<b>2025</b>		
	<b>Raising funds</b>	<b>Promotion and support of breastfeeding</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
General administration	781	1,171	1,952
Governance costs	-	98	98
	<u>781</u>	<u>1,269</u>	<u>2,050</u>

  

	<b>2024</b>	
	<b>Promotion and support of breastfeeding</b>	
	<b>£</b>	
General administration	<u>2,045</u>	

**8. Average Number of Employees**

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

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

**9. Tangible Assets**

	<b>Fixtures &amp; Fittings</b>	<b>Computer Equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
As at 1 June 2024	150	1,836	1,986
As at 31 May 2025	150	1,836	1,986
<b>Depreciation</b>			
As at 1 June 2024	-	1,120	1,120
As at 31 May 2025	-	1,120	1,120
<b>Net Book Value</b>			
As at 31 May 2025	150	716	866
As at 1 June 2024	150	716	866

**10. Stocks**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Stock	2,638	2,638

**11. Debtors**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Other debtors	131	131

**12. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Trade creditors	-	68
Bank loans and overdrafts	581	858
Accruals and deferred income	825	825
	1,406	1,751

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

**13. Movement in Funds**

	As at 1 June 2024	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 May 2025
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	24,420	46,309	(21,850)	48,879
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
MOBS	435	118	1	554
Restricted income fund	3,708	-	-	3,708
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	4,143	118	1	4,262
<b>Total funds</b>	28,563	46,427	(21,849)	53,141

	As at 1 June 2023	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 May 2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	11,993	32,040	(19,613)	24,420
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
MOBS	435	-	-	435
Restricted income fund	3,708	-	-	3,708
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	4,143	-	-	4,143
<b>Total funds</b>	16,136	32,040	(19,613)	28,563

**14. Transactions with Trustees**

Nicola Bradley received payment of £1,848.00 during the year for the provision of breastfeeding counselling services.

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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**15. Related Party Disclosures**

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure, except for those disclosed in the Transactions with Trustees note.

**16. Company limited by guarantee**

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

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

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations and gifts	10,382	14,377
Grants	34,050	17,300
	<hr/> 44,432	<hr/> 31,677
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Income from other trading activities	-	211
Fundraising events	1,722	-
	<hr/> 1,722	<hr/> 211
<b>Investments</b>		
Bank interest receivable	273	152
	<hr/> 273	<hr/> 152
	<hr/> 46,427	<hr/> 32,040
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>		
<b>Raising funds</b>		
Staging fundraising events	(1,072)	-
Marketing and advertising costs	(1,056)	(1,000)
Insurance	(782)	-
Sundry expenses	1	-
	<hr/> (2,909)	<hr/> (1,000)
<b>Charitable Activities:</b>		
<b>Promotion and support of breastfeeding</b>		
BFC Hourly fee	(11,503)	(11,164)
Room hire for weekly groups	(5,511)	(4,843)
Sundry group expenses	(230)	(361)
Sundry costs	(391)	(200)
Training volunteers	(36)	-
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	-	(129)
Insurance	-	(746)
Accountancy fees	-	(13)
Bank charges	(94)	(290)
Other office costs	(983)	(867)

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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) (continued)**  
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Sundry expenses	(94)	-
Companies House fees	(34)	-
DBS check costs	(64)	-
	<u>(18,940)</u>	<u>(18,613)</u>
	<u>(21,849)</u>	<u>(19,613)</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>24,578</u>	<u>12,427</u>



Company registration number: 06239404  
Charity registration number: 1121337

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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Company No. 06239404**  
**Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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

## **Objectives and Activities**

### **Aims and Objectives**

To advance and promote the physical and psychological health of parents and children through education of the techniques of and the provision of training regarding breastfeeding in the county of Gloucestershire, including but not limited to raising the awareness of the health benefits of breastfeeding

### **Public Benefit**

The activities the charity carries on to achieve its aims includes:

- The provision of information about breastfeeding.
- Campaigning to improve services, facilities and support for breastfeeding families in the county of Gloucestershire.
- The promotion of services including groups and course support services in preparation for breastfeeding and to support breastfeeding.
- The provision of support services for parents who wish to breastfeed by training local peers who have breastfed to enable them to support breastfeeding families.
- The provision of training and information for peer supporters by Qualified Breastfeeding Counsellors.
- The education of those who will become parents and those who are supporting parents.
- The fostering and undertaking research into any aspects of the objects of the Charity and the dissemination of the results of any such research.
- The promotion of good working relationships with others to achieve greater understanding of the benefits of breastfeeding.

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

## **Reference and Administrative Details**

### **Trustees**

Nicola Bradley  
Kirstie Clarke  
Rebecca Hooper  
Kate Martin  
Nicola Wilson

### **Charity Number**

1121337

### **Company Number**

06239404

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network  
Trustees' Report (continued)  
For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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**Independent Examiner**

Rebecca Benneyworth Chartered Accountant  
Rebecca Benneyworth & Co  
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Valley View The Ridge  
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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Trustees' Report (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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**Small Company Rules**

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

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

Kirstie Clarke

Trustee

27 February 2026

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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

**Responsibilities and Basis of Report**

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

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Rebecca Benneyworth Chartered Accountant

27 February 2026  
Valley View The Ridge  
Bussage  
Stroud  
GL6 8HD



**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

				<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>					
Donations and legacies	<b>3</b>	44,314	118	44,432	31,677
Other trading activities	<b>4</b>	1,722	-	1,722	211
Investments	<b>5</b>	273	-	273	152
		<u>46,309</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>46,427</u>	<u>32,040</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>					
Raising funds	<b>6</b>	(2,910)	1	(2,909)	(1,000)
Charitable activities:	<b>6</b>				
Promotion and support of breastfeeding		(18,940)	-	(18,940)	(18,613)
		<u>(21,850)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>(21,849)</u>	<u>(19,613)</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>24,459</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>24,578</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<u>24,459</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>24,578</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>					
Total funds brought forward		24,420	4,143	28,563	16,136
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>13</b>	<u>48,879</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

				2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>				
Donations and legacies	3	31,677	-	31,677
Other trading activities	4	211	-	211
Investments	5	152	-	152
		<u>32,040</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,040</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>				
Raising funds	6	(1,000)	-	(1,000)
Charitable activities:	6			
Promotion and support of breastfeeding		(18,613)	-	(18,613)
		<u>(19,613)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(19,613)</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>12,427</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<u>12,427</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,427</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>				
Total funds brought forward		11,993	4,143	16,136
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	13	<u>24,420</u>	<u>4,143</u>	<u>28,563</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As At 31 May 2025**

				<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>funds</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Assets	<b>9</b>	866	-	866	866
		<u>866</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>866</u>	<u>866</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Stocks	<b>10</b>	2,638	-	2,638	2,638
Debtors	<b>11</b>	131	-	131	131
Cash at bank and in hand		46,650	4,262	50,912	26,679
		<u>49,419</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,681</u>	<u>29,448</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>	<b>12</b>	(1,406)	-	(1,406)	(1,751)
		<u>48,013</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>52,275</u>	<u>27,697</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)</b>					
		<u>48,013</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>52,275</u>	<u>27,697</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>48,879</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>48,879</u>	<u>4,262</u>	<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>
<b>FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>					
Restricted Funds				4,262	4,143
Unrestricted Funds				48,879	24,420
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>13</b>			<u>53,141</u>	<u>28,563</u>

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Balance Sheet (continued)**  
**As At 31 May 2025**

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

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

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 27 February 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

Kirstie Clarke

Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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## **1. General Information**

Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 06239404 and registered charity number 1121337. The registered office is .

## **2. Accounting Policies**

### **2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements**

The financial statements have been prepared 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" and the Companies Act 2006.

The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

### **2.2. Incoming Resources**

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Interest income is recognised when receivable.

### **2.3. Resources Expended**

Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects comprise those costs incurred by the charity as a result of delivery of its services. Governance costs comprise the costs incurred by the charity in meeting its constitutional and statutory requirements. Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with generating voluntary income.

### **2.4. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures & Fittings	10 years
Computer Equipment	5 years straight line

### **2.5. Stocks and Work in Progress**

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks.

Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

At the end of each reporting period stocks are assessed for impairment. If an item of stock is impaired, the identified stock is reduced to its selling price less costs to complete and sell and an impairment charge is recognised in the statement of financial activities. Where a reversal of the impairment is required the impairment charge is reversed, up to the original impairment loss, and is recognised as a credit in the statement of financial activities.

### **2.6. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

**3. Income from Donations and Legacies**

	<b>2025</b>	
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations and gifts	10,264	118
Grants	34,050	-
	<u>44,314</u>	<u>118</u>
	<u>44,314</u>	<u>118</u>

  

	<b>2024</b>	
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations and gifts	14,377	-
Grants	17,300	-
	<u>31,677</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>31,677</u>	<u>-</u>

**4. Income from Other Trading Activities**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Income from other trading activities	-	211
Fundraising events	1,722	-
	<u>1,722</u>	<u>211</u>
	<u>1,722</u>	<u>211</u>

**5. Investment Income**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank interest receivable	273	152
	<u>273</u>	<u>152</u>
	<u>273</u>	<u>152</u>

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

**6. Analysis of Expenditure**

	<b>2025</b>		
	<b>Activities undertaken directly</b>	<b>Support costs (see note 7)</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Raising funds	2,128	781	2,909
Promotion and support of breastfeeding	17,671	1,269	18,940
	<u>19,799</u>	<u>2,050</u>	<u>21,849</u>

  

	<b>2024</b>		
	<b>Activities undertaken directly</b>	<b>Support costs (see note 7)</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Raising funds	1,000	-	1,000
Promotion and support of breastfeeding	16,568	2,045	18,613
	<u>17,568</u>	<u>2,045</u>	<u>19,613</u>

**7. Support Costs**

	<b>2025</b>		
	<b>Raising funds</b>	<b>Promotion and support of breastfeeding</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
General administration	781	1,171	1,952
Governance costs	-	98	98
	<u>781</u>	<u>1,269</u>	<u>2,050</u>

  

	<b>2024</b>	
	<b>Promotion and support of breastfeeding</b>	
	<b>£</b>	
General administration	<u>2,045</u>	

**8. Average Number of Employees**

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

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

**9. Tangible Assets**

	<b>Fixtures &amp; Fittings</b>	<b>Computer Equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
As at 1 June 2024	150	1,836	1,986
As at 31 May 2025	150	1,836	1,986
<b>Depreciation</b>			
As at 1 June 2024	-	1,120	1,120
As at 31 May 2025	-	1,120	1,120
<b>Net Book Value</b>			
As at 31 May 2025	150	716	866
As at 1 June 2024	150	716	866

**10. Stocks**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Stock	2,638	2,638

**11. Debtors**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Other debtors	131	131

**12. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Trade creditors	-	68
Bank loans and overdrafts	581	858
Accruals and deferred income	825	825
	1,406	1,751



**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

**13. Movement in Funds**

	As at 1 June 2024	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 May 2025
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	24,420	46,309	(21,850)	48,879
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
MOBS	435	118	1	554
Restricted income fund	3,708	-	-	3,708
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	4,143	118	1	4,262
<b>Total funds</b>	28,563	46,427	(21,849)	53,141

	As at 1 June 2023	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 May 2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	11,993	32,040	(19,613)	24,420
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
MOBS	435	-	-	435
Restricted income fund	3,708	-	-	3,708
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	4,143	-	-	4,143
<b>Total funds</b>	16,136	32,040	(19,613)	28,563

**14. Transactions with Trustees**

Nicola Bradley received payment of £1,848.00 during the year for the provision of breastfeeding counselling services.

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

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**15. Related Party Disclosures**

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure, except for those disclosed in the Transactions with Trustees note.

**16. Company limited by guarantee**

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

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

**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations and gifts	10,382	14,377
Grants	34,050	17,300
	<hr/> 44,432	<hr/> 31,677
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Income from other trading activities	-	211
Fundraising events	1,722	-
	<hr/> 1,722	<hr/> 211
<b>Investments</b>		
Bank interest receivable	273	152
	<hr/> 273	<hr/> 152
	<hr/> 46,427	<hr/> 32,040
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>		
<b>Raising funds</b>		
Staging fundraising events	(1,072)	-
Marketing and advertising costs	(1,056)	(1,000)
Insurance	(782)	-
Sundry expenses	1	-
	<hr/> (2,909)	<hr/> (1,000)
<b>Charitable Activities:</b>		
<b>Promotion and support of breastfeeding</b>		
BFC Hourly fee	(11,503)	(11,164)
Room hire for weekly groups	(5,511)	(4,843)
Sundry group expenses	(230)	(361)
Sundry costs	(391)	(200)
Training volunteers	(36)	-
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	-	(129)
Insurance	-	(746)
Accountancy fees	-	(13)
Bank charges	(94)	(290)
Other office costs	(983)	(867)

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**Gloucestershire Breastfeeding Supporters' Network**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) (continued)**  
**For The Year Ended 31 May 2025**

Sundry expenses	(94)	-
Companies House fees	(34)	-
DBS check costs	(64)	-
	<u>(18,940)</u>	<u>(18,613)</u>
	<u>(21,849)</u>	<u>(19,613)</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>24,578</u>	<u>12,427</u>