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Trustees Annual Report

2024—2025

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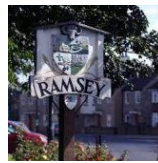
Thank you to all of our supporters for donating their time and shared their skills for our benefit and that of the local community.

Thank you also to those who have fundraised on our behalf or made individual donations, to our local councils for their continued support and to our amazing team of volunteers – without you we would not be able to deliver our services!

Your actions have greatly encouraged us and helped us to continue to deliver our services locally, across Huntingdonshire.

For your support during the financial year 2024/2025—We thank you!

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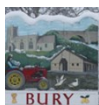
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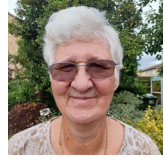
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The Charity may by ordinary resolution at an Annual General Meeting appoint a person who is willing to act as a Trustee.

At least 14 clear days written notice shall be given to the members of the names of those nominated or otherwise standing for appointment or re-appointment as a Trustee.

The persons to be appointed as Trustees shall be determined by ballot of the members.

The Trustees may appoint a person who is willing to act as a Trustee.

Any Trustee appointed under this clause must retire at the next Annual General Meeting.

Staff



Marie Webb
General Manager



Tripti Woolf
Huntingdon &
Godmanchester
Area Manager



Natalie Goodwin
Ramsey Area
Manager



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Shona Martin
St Neots Area
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Chairman's Report 2024/2025

Mike Baker



Thanks to the hard work of our staff and Trustees, we have enjoyed another very busy year with our car scheme, measured either by number of journeys or by number of miles travelled reaching record levels. Our major concern is a worrying worsening in our financial situation, resulting from declining income and increased expenditure. The reason for our falling income is twofold – a sudden reduction in grants from local councils and a fall in sales from our charity shop in Huntingdon.

We have tried to keep local councillors in all of our town councils fully aware of the work we do and its importance in the lives of so many people and perhaps it's time for our clients to let local councillors know about this – if you can do this then please do so by writing to them. The financial situation at the moment is not likely to close us down, but it is serious and does cause us great concern.

The role of the Trustees is to appoint staff and set general policy guidelines. Our Trustees do much more than this – researching funding opportunities, applying for grants and looking at strategy for the organisation. My thanks goes to all of our Trustees – in particular Bob Young, our Treasurer, Jenny Clarke, our Secretary, Anthony Clarke and Dennis Camilleri, who have worked hard on strategy and finance and Steve Burdett who has looked after the Ramsey office so well and taken on a number of initiatives on fundraising. We welcome new Trustees, Natalie Leigh-Brown, who was the St Ives Office Manager a few years ago and Russell Taylor (who was co-opted during the year to support our St Neots Office).

Our General Manager, Debbie Windsor, left us for a full time job elsewhere and we will miss her. She was an intelligent and shrewd organiser, much liked by our staff and who was very capable of representing our organisation in public situations.

We have promoted Marie Webb, formerly our Ramsey Manager, to be our General Manager and she has already been busy making funding applications on our behalf. We have appointed Natalie Goodwin to be our manager in Ramsey and she enjoys working in the office in the amazing town centre premises owned by the Ramsey Town Council.

Shona has again done pioneering work in St Neots and organised another excellent Christmas party for drivers and clients, to which she invited the Mayor and Town Councillors so they could witness directly the work we do and could talk to the drivers as well as the people who use our services. Sadly Shona was not well enough to attend, so I was drafted in and although was a bit out of my depth, I enjoyed meeting the good team from St Neots. Kirsty has kept our very busy St Ives office running smoothly as well as organising the famous St Ives Christmas Day lunch. The lunch was meticulously organised and was a very great success. The Mayor of St Ives spent the whole day with us and was in raptures about the tremendous community atmosphere it created. Pat Jones, our cook, again excelled herself working quietly but effectively in producing a wonderful meal- we are greatly in her debt.

Tripti has been busy securing new drivers and as a result bookings in Huntingdon have increased. She has been very successful in applying for small grants.

Emma and her team of volunteers continue to cheerfully man the Charity Shop in Huntingdon. Her team work tirelessly and the fall in profits this year was a real blow. However, with a grant from The Huntingdon Freeman's Trust, Emma is going to refurbish the shop and is determined to make more profit than ever in the coming year. She is a tremendous asset to us and is very well known and respected in Huntingdon, not just for manning the shop, but for all the food that she collects from Greggs, The Co-op, Marks and Spencer's (via the Foodbank), Morrisons and Anglian Water, which goes in to the fridge and is given out on a 'take what you need, donate what you can' basis.

One lady stopped me the other day and said 'Your shop is much more than just about making money, it is a huge community asset, a place where people can volunteer and meet, it is excellent!' I was delighted to hear what I know is true.

Medical evidence suggests that volunteering is good for you – giving you a purpose, meeting new people, making new friends and giving you a sense of satisfaction.

So I hope all of our volunteers get the pleasure and fulfilment you deserve for all the good work you do for our organisation and on behalf of all of the people we help in the District, I say a big Thank You.

We continue to be grateful to our funders – the Town Councils of St Neots, Ramsey and St Ives who have all given us financial support, as well as helping us with our premises. The Town Councils of Huntingdon and Godmanchester, the Parish Councils of Houghton and Wyton, Bury and Fenstanton, Huntingdon Freeman's Trust, Winter and Company and Kimbolton Dental Surgery have helped us this year and we are grateful to them and also all of the other individuals and organisations that have made donations to us during the year.

Our organisation is about volunteering, and we depend on so many individuals in our shop, our offices and those who drive. I would like to thank all of them because without them we could not exist. A number of individuals donate money for which we are very grateful.

"The volunteers feel they are part of a family in the shop, its about more than money, its about the community"

Treasurer's Report

Bob Young



This report is for the fiscal year ending on 31st March 2025.

HVC's Total income for the year was £114,929 and total expenditure on charitable activities was £142,941. Total income was down by 6% and total expenditure on charitable activities was up by 17% over the last financial year 2023/24 due to more difficult trading conditions for charity shops and increased running costs for our car scheme.

Cash at the bank and the investment account is shown below along with the totals for the end of the 2023/2024 financial year:

	31 st March 25	31 st March 24
Cash at Bank	£36,876	£49,977
Cash Investment Account	£31,177	£30,000
Total Cash	£68,053	£79,977

This shows a fall of 15% in funds available for the coming financial year 2025/26.

HVC's Income has four main sources:

a) Local council grants

These amounted to £36539 which was an 15.5% increase on the previous year. The efforts to attract additional grant funding were successful and we are incredibly grateful for the councils shown below for their generosity and support.

St Ives Town Council
Huntingdon Town Council
Godmanchester Town Council
St Neots Town Council
Houghton & Wyton Parish Council
Bury Parish Council
Ramsey Town Council
Hemingford Grey Parish Council
Fenstanton Parish Council

b) Car Scheme

Our Car Scheme across all four offices in St Neots, St Ives, Huntingdon and Ramsey has delivered an increase in Income by 11% to £29404.

c) Charity Shop

Unfortunately our Charity Shop did not show a profit this year. Shop income decreased by 19% (£8533), and the running costs for the shop increased by £12566 compared with the previous year. The Trustees acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the shop's staff and volunteers in a difficult climate for charity shops throughout the UK. The HVC shop has a positive impact on the local community it serves and we will continue to implement a proactive plan to return the shop to a positive financial performance in 2025/26.

d) Donations

This year HVC has again attracted a healthy level of donations from a wide variety of individuals and organisations. For example, many drivers donate their petrol cost and many clients give donations over and above the cost of their trip. Organisations who have supported us are:

Winter & Co
Rotary Club of St Ives
MG Owners Club
Rotary Club of Huntingdon
Ramsey Hospital Charity
Needlingworth Good Neighbours Group
Huntingdon Mayor's Charity
Kimbolton Dental Practice
Hunts Post Tokens Scheme
Huntingdon Freeman's Trust

It is gratifying that so many organisations and individuals think highly enough of our work to donate and we thank them all.

The major element of expenditure is salaries/ wages. All were uprated in line with NJC pay scales and government minimum/living wage levels. Salaries and wages increase by 3%.

Following last year's investment this year has been about consolidating and taking advantage of our new office structure and website. The new offices have, as we hoped, provided opportunities to develop and broaden our aims and aspirations. However, the additional rental costs have been reflected in the funds available for the coming year. Meeting this increase in overheads through increased income will continue be a major challenge for 2025/26. The Trustees have agreed the charity's strategy going forward into 2025/26 and beyond which focuses our limited resources on activities that will sustain and grow our income while maintaining good financial management.

There has been some success in the efforts to expand and diversify our income stream. The trustees are determined to continue to focus on generating income from local authorities, local business and business organisations. A number of new potential sources of funding have been identified and applications are underway.

A qualified firm of chartered accountants, George Hay LLP, has independently examined the annual accounts which are summarised in the Trustees Annual Report booklet.

A copy of the full accounts will be posted on our website and available on request from our general manager Marie Webb.

General Manager's Report

Marie Webb



It has been a very busy but productive year at HVC, filled with change and supported by great team work!

We were sad to say goodbye to Debbie, our General Manager. Her last day with HVC was on 31st October and so the staff met at the White Hart in Godmanchester to celebrate her time with us. I, as Ramsey Area Manager was asked to step into the General Manager role and officially started in this position at the beginning of January. We have since recruited a replacement Ramsey Area Manager, Natalie Goodwin, who has settled in very quickly and is doing a brilliant job in the Ramsey office!

In June we held our 2023-2024 AGM at Hemingford Abbots Village Hall. The meeting was well attended, including a number of local Council members. We shared video feedback from volunteers and clients, which was a fantastic way to share the positive impact that everyone at HVC has within the community.

In November we were asked to take over the running of the Needingworth and Holywell Good Neighbours Car Scheme, resulting in a large number of clients and drivers joining HVC, all capably managed by Kirsty and her team at St Ives and resulting in an increase in numbers of both volunteer drivers and clients of the car scheme.

Kirsty also did an amazing job organising the annual St Ives Christmas Day Lunch. The day was a huge success, supported by many volunteers and enjoyed by many local residents who would otherwise have been alone on Christmas day.

We have continued to build on our relationships with local organisations, including providing presentations at Rotary clubs and Lunch clubs, attending village and town community fairs and meeting with local councillors. All of these activities help to extend our reach to more clients in need, whilst also looking to increase the number of volunteer drivers available to provide this much needed service.

Tripti is now well settled in the Maple Centre and is building new relationships within the building, whilst continuing to provide a supportive environment for her busy volunteers and increasing numbers of clients.

Tripti also took charge of the Hunts Post Cash for Charities competition. Thanks to the help of our wonderful clients, volunteers, staff and their families and friends, we collected more than 7,000 Hunts Post Charity Tokens (the highest number collected by any of the nominated charities) and received £2,300 as a result of everyone's support.

Shona has steered the St Neots office through a huge increase in the number of drives conducted throughout the year. She is to be commended for continuing to do so with a bright and positive outlook.

The Car Scheme has seen an increase in both the number of drives taking place and miles covered by our volunteers across all offices. As a team of Area Managers, we have pulled together and supported each other through what has been a challenging time, and I am sure we will continue to do so!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the Area Managers for your hard work, and in particular for your support during this transition. You all work tremendously hard to ensure our organisation continues deliver this wonderful, much valued services to the community.

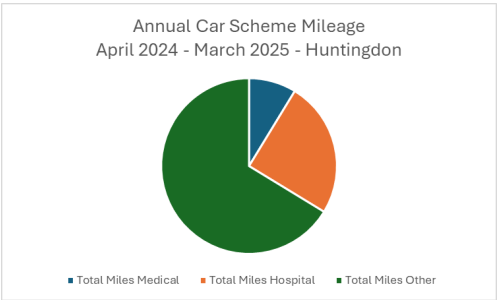
Each office is also supported by a team of hard working and dedicated Administrative Volunteers and wonderful Volunteer Drivers, and we simply could not deliver the service without them. Thank you all for your continued support.

Finally, thank you also to the Trustees for your dedication and commitment. The time you give up give up supporting us does not go unnoticed.

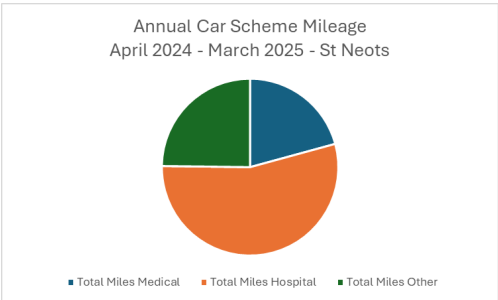
Our Community Car Scheme

The demand for our Community Car Scheme continues to increase and the statistics for 2024/25 are shown in the four tables below :

Annual Car Scheme Totals - Huntingdon		
Total Miles Medical	Total Miles Hospital	Total Miles Other
2,435	6,984	18,514



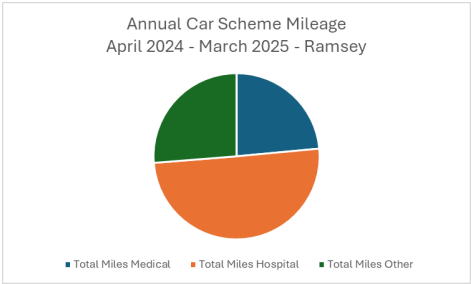
Annual Car Scheme Totals St Neots		
Total Miles Medical	Total Miles Hospital	Total Miles Other
6,564	17,212	7,841



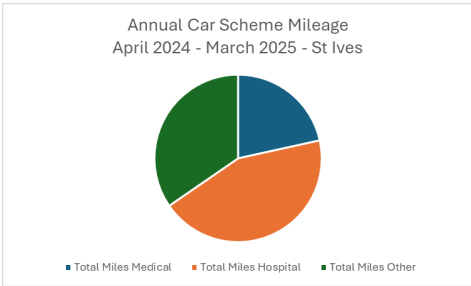
“As a newbie to the team I just thought I would send a message to say:

So far, without question, all the clients I have done drives for have been full of praise and so grateful for what the team does for them - they say they don't know what they would do without the service.”

Annual Car Scheme Totals Ramsey		
Total Miles Medical	Total Miles Hospital	Total Miles Other
4,674	9,975	5,217



Annual Car Scheme Totals St Ives		
Total Miles Medical	Total Miles Hospital	Total Miles Other
7,648	15,565	12,274



43,483 Miles
travelled for **social & personal journeys** such as shopping, exercise classes and day care and lunch clubs

49,772 Miles
travelled to **hospitals**
43% of total mileage

21,329 Miles
travelled to **medical appointments**
such as doctors, dentists & opticians
18% of total mileage

Highlights from St Ives

Kirsty Fletcher



Our amazing Volunteers have been kept busy again this year and we could not run our office without them so a huge thank you to ALL of you for your support and effort in the past 12 months.

In November we were asked to take over the Needingworth Good Neighbours Car Scheme to ensure their clients were able to continue to get to appointments, and happily nine of the drivers also transferred over to our scheme.

We attended both St Ives Community Fair and the Age and Dementia Fair organised by St Ives Cares & St Ives Town Council

"It's a much valued service at extremely low costs to users. I think you're all amazing to be there for us in need."

Community Car Scheme

The St Ives Community Car Scheme has had its busiest years ever. Our Volunteer Drivers carried out 3210 journeys covering 35,578 miles from April 2024 to March 2025 – that is over 680 miles every week – a 25% mileage increase on 2023/2024!

The 3,210 journeys were arranged by our amazing Admin Volunteers – Monica, Pam, Ann, Jenny and Jean – which is an incredible achievement. Once a client asks us for a drive our Admin Team contact the nearest available driver to see if they are free, if not they will contact the next driver and so on. Sometimes we get lucky and the first driver we contact is able to do the drive but more often than not it will be the third or fourth driver contacted who is available to do the drive.

So for 3,210 journeys we would have to make over 9,600 contacts and then get back to our client to confirm the drivers name which would make the total contacts 12,840 – you can see the amount of effort that is put in to fulfill the drives for our clients.

Every one of the 3,210 journeys our drivers did makes a difference to our clients, not only do they have peace of mind our drivers will wait for up to an hour for them but will take them from their door to the door of wherever they need to get to. Below comment from one of our clients:

"I wanted to say thank you so much for your help today. Your driver was so helpful and I truly appreciate the service. It's a truly wonderful service, & so good that the drivers wait until the appointment has finished. It's a much valued service at extremely reasonable costs to users. I think you're all amazing to be there for us in need."

110 new clients registered with us this year and 8 new drivers so you can see the demand is increasing and our need for drivers is more urgent than ever.

Volunteers Morning: Our St Ives volunteers got together at Floods Tavern in February rather than our usual Christmas gathering. We received a kind donation which enabled us to offer some nibbles and chips which were much appreciated. It was great for all our Volunteers to spend time and chat with each other and the feedback was we would like to keep the gathering in February so we will do this again in 2026.

HVC were delighted to be sponsored by the MG Owners Club as the recipient this year for funds raised by their annual Snowdrop Run. This was thanks to having been nominated by MGOC committee member Glenn Pascoe, partner of our admin volunteer Monica. Over 100 classic MG's gathered at Anglesey Abbey one Saturday in February for the drive to Jordans Mill at Biggleswade.

Kirsty and Anthony were invited to the MG Owners Club's monthly meeting, where they were presented with a cheque for £2,000 as the proceeds from the recent Snowdrop Run.

We are hugely grateful to Glenn for proposing us to be this year's charity recipient, and to the MGOC as a whole for their interest, support and hospitality.



Christmas Day Lunch 2024

St Ives office of Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre (HVC) with the Free Church organised a fabulous lunch, it was so lovely to see over 50 guests who would otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day sharing a very tasty two course Christmas lunch with coffee, mince pies and mints to follow. Mike Baker, HVC Chair, started the day off with a welcome to our Mayor Pasco Hussain and Shalom our organist who accompanied us as we all sang Carols before lunch. Rev Nick Witham joined us to say Grace.



The lunch is only possible due to generous donations, the food is donated by The Buckingham Emergency Food Appeal, cash donations from members of the public with drinks supplied by Morrisons and Waitrose. Pat Jones our marvellous cook and her

willing helpers started the lunch preparations on Christmas Eve and they were back early on Christmas Day to complete our wonderful lunch. Mavis, John and Free Church volunteers prepared the hall with decorations, set the tables including crackers which set the Christmas scene for the day.

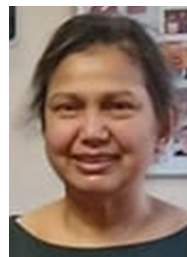
We had over 40 raffle prizes donated by members of The Free Church, Fifi's Cakery, Janet Church Interiors, The Golden Lion, West End DIY and our volunteers. Adams Cook & Pearce with the help of Simon Hephner set up the televisions so we could all watch the King's Speech before our guests made their way home with a gift bag put together by Michael and his family containing hand made gifts from Star Crafters and homemade jams and chutneys made by Pat our cook plus lots of other goodies.

Our volunteers gave up their Christmas Day to ensure the lunch went like clockwork, welcoming guests and making sure everyone was comfortable, serving lunch and drinks throughout the lunch. We also needed volunteer drivers to collect those who would not be able to get to the venue and return them home at the end of the day. Thank you volunteers, you are amazing. The Christmas Day lunch takes an enormous amount of planning and preparation and without the help, kindness and support of all people mentioned we would not be able to run this event, we are extremely grateful to you all.



Highlights from Huntingdon

Tripti Woolf



Huntingdon office has settled at the Maple Centre. The reception staff are friendly and willing to go the extra mile to help. The office continues to support individuals seeking volunteering opportunities and organisations by advertising their opportunities. Many enquiries including Community Car Scheme bookings now come via the website, which is growing in popularity. The office also hosted a visit by the Mayor of Huntingdon Karl Brockett.



Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre was one of the lucky organisations picked to receive a brand new laptop courtesy of Amazon.



Karl Brockett Mayor of Huntingdon, was impressed by the work carried out by the Volunteer Centre.

Celebrations

To celebrate Volunteers Week, a day out on the Ladybird was organised to thank our wonderful Community Car Scheme Drivers, Administrators and joined by staff and volunteers from Huntingdon Together Charity Shop. The trip was to St Ives with a fish and chips lunch at The Waits. It was a glorious sunny day.

We celebrated David Ford's 80th Birthday. David has been driving for us for about two years.





A coffee morning was held for volunteer drivers and car scheme volunteers, in order that they met and got to know each other.

Community Car Scheme

It has been another busy year with an increase in bookings. There has been a 7% increase in the number of miles covered by our volunteer drivers and 60 new clients. Seven new volunteer drivers were recruited: Andy, Alison, Mark, Michael, Sandro, Sarah, Tim during the year. There's been a significant rise in the number of new clients and also visits to other hospital many of which are private but used by the NHS.

Christmas 2024

Another annual event is our Festive get together with a meal at Hartford Marina attended by Staff, Volunteers, Mike Baker and Chris Myles.

*"Thank you very much
for all your help, its
been valuable and
much appreciated."*

All our volunteer drivers are very special, they go above and beyond their remit to help our clients from carrying shopping into their homes; getting wheelchairs and porters at the hospital and sometimes staying with them as they wait for their appointments, carrying out drives late in evenings or very early in the mornings.

A special mention to Stuart who took a lady to Hinchbrook hospital and spent 6hrs with her, taking her for her scans and waiting until she was admitted.

A huge thank you to a wonderful team of volunteer Car Scheme Administrator and volunteer drivers. Thank you very much for all your help and hard work.

Highlights from St Neots

Shona Martin



St Neots has significantly grown over the last 12 months, below are some of the key highlights;

- 38% increase in the number of journeys we have delivered compared to last years figures.
- 9 new active drivers
- 3 new administrative volunteers in the St Neots office
- 57 new clients Jan 2025– May 2025

I would like to thank all our amazing volunteers (drivers and admin staff), who make the St Neots car scheme such an amazing success. Without their dedication, compassion and the fact they always go above and beyond to ensure clients get to where they need to be, (sometimes with only a few hours notice from clients) we would not have been able to help over 1,800 passengers.

I'd also like to thank everyone who has kindly donated to keep this invaluable community service running. A special thanks to St Neots Town Council too for their continued support and generosity

We have also faced some challenges as although we now have a total of 21 drivers that have been DBS checked and able to assist, due to personal and unforeseen circumstances, we have on average, a maximum of 10 active drivers on a regular basis per week; but on average have about 35 drive requests a week. However I hope to alleviate some of the challenges we face in the near future as I am currently processing 4 new drivers for the St. Neots office and hopefully one new administrative volunteer who can hopefully work in the office on a Thursday; at present it is only myself running the car scheme on a Thursday, which does impact the management role delivery.

"It was so wonderful to be able to book transport, having a cheerful person taking your booking, know it will arrive on time and to have a pleasant journey with a friendly and polite driver!"

Our statistics:

- We have **over 650** clients registered to use our St Neots Car Scheme Service; with **57** of these being in the last five months/ since Jan 2025; this is due to clients sharing knowledge of the service with friends and linking with other service providers in the community.
- **21** active DBS checked volunteer drivers
- St Neots has **3** admin volunteers helping in the office Mon– Wed. I am optimistic that we will have a fourth admin volunteer who will be joining the team soon.

"I think you're wonderful... I'm nearly 88, and you're a lifeline for me"

Between April 2024 – March 2025 we completed **2557** journeys, helping registered clients travel **31,617** miles. These journeys included medical, hospital and social appointments that they otherwise may not have been able to attend due to financial constraints as many of our clients are on fixed incomes.

Christmas get together drivers, clients and office staff

The St Neots office continues to utilise the drivers donations and show the clients our appreciation for using the community service by holding our 2nd Christmas get together for volunteers, clients and trustees. The Christmas get together was a fantastic way to get everyone together and celebrate success and meet new people. Although due to personal circumstances I was unable to attend, it was a great turn out from the community, and volunteer drivers kindly offered to do the return journey to clients for free. It was a relaxed environment with some nibbles, refreshments, presentation from our Chair, in our "getting to know our Trustees" section of the 2 hour event. There was even a raffle at the end. I look forward to this years community events.



Highlights from Ramsey

Natalie Goodwin

I have now been in post for just over two months and have really enjoyed getting to know everyone involved with the charity. I have started building on the already good relationships that Marie has with members of the Town Council and the surrounding local businesses and charities.



Building a relationship with Ramsey Town Council and other local groups has been one of my priorities. Having the new office in the Town Council building and having the invaluable local connections and knowledge shared between ourselves and the local council is imperative and a real advantage to our new location. The Town Council have put up a leaflet rack in the foyer outside our office which I have used to put a variety of our leaflets in, I have also spoken to Lisa Renfree about putting an advertisement in the Ramsey Town Council Newsletter which is now ready to go out in the next edition.

“What a wonderful team you have working there. I do not regret giving up my car with the

Another important priority has been establishing and becoming a part of the newly formed Ramsey Networking Group for which we have had two meetings so far. The aim of the group is to increase our reach and make the Centre more accessible. The meetings have

been coordinated by Sallyann and Kathy from Hunts Forum (now Support Cambridgeshire), also present were representatives from Ramsey Rural museum, the Ramsey Mayor Val Fenley, Lisa Renfree the Town Council Clerk, Georgia Patterson from the Community Safety Partnership, amongst others. These were very worthwhile meetings in terms of making connections within the local voluntary community and discussions around what the network’s focus will be and how we will achieve that. Focus will be on understanding the needs of the Ramsey community and available services, networking with other providers and services, identifying gaps in current services, exploring funding opportunities, building connections to improve signposting and recruiting more volunteers. The next meeting will

take place in July and I look forward to building on the progress made so far.


The Volunteer Car Scheme

Ramsey and the surrounding villages have a particularly isolated position with many vulnerable individuals in our town struggling due to limited public transport to the more remote locations. The nearest hospitals for medical appointments are all a considerable distance away and this combined with financial difficulties, or physical disabilities can make this essential part of life almost impossible for many. This combined with the fact that our driver's get to know many of our regular clients and often wait whilst they are in their appointments, even if several hours, give this personal touch that is not possible with a taxi service.

The number of new clients using the service has increased, with 88 new clients joining the Car Scheme during the year. During this year, our 13 drivers have accommodated a total of 1387 journeys with over 19,000 volunteer miles driven.

There was a decrease in the number of journeys at the start of 2025 and this seems a direct result to the improvements to existing bus services and a new bus route, increasing access for those capable of using public transport. An increase in hospital journeys has unfortunately also led to a large number of last minute appointments cancelled by the NHS. The need for this service in Ramsey is clear and is continuing to grow. We have seen a steady increase in journeys and expect a significant increase in the coming year.

I have been struck by how much our administrative volunteers do, not just taking details of drive requests, they are sometimes the only person that a client may speak to in a day and they take time to listen and get to know the people that call in, offering comfort and a caring ear.



"I really do love it here, I don't know what I'd do without this little job. Because I live on my own I love chatting to the clients and drivers, as well as knowing I am helping the local community!"



HUNTINGDON

together



Highlights from Huntingdon Together Shop Emma Cameron

Despite this being a difficult year for charity shops, we have continued to support the community and look forward to implementing our plans for improvements to the shop next year .

Raffles to raise funds!

We had raffles throughout the year organised by Josephine Cameron, Donna Painter and Jackie Gebbie. Valentine's day, Mother's day, Easter, Summer, Halloween and Christmas.



Ladybird Boat Trip May 2024



Once upon a time in Huntingdon

A huge thank you went to Warboys 1st Rainbows and Brownies for decorating our shop! We had a cake stall and lucky dip and raised lots of money on Huntingdon's family fun day.

Part of BID's **Halloween Trick or Treat trail!** We had a cake stand, lucky dip and teddy tombola.



The Mayor's
Pancake Race
2025

Christmas 2024

We celebrated our ninth year of trading! We held our annual stall at the light switch on, had many events and our Christmas party.



Extra Funds Raised!

Online Books £2104.36

Ziffit £1351.23

We buy Books £753.13 -Thank you to Anthony, Mum, Michael and Callum and James

Vintage Cash Cow £72

Vinted - Thank you to Jenna

Rags £113.42

Volunteer Brokerage:

6715.5 hours

PAT Testing: 1555 hours -Thank you Phil, Mum and Michael

Food – Not for profit but we ask for a donation for the up-keep of the fridge.

Our Community Fridge and emergency packs continue and support local people, whilst our shop continues to provide low cost goods to the community. We are very proud to be called by many a community hub! Thank you to Greggs, Anglian Water, Co-op, Godmanchester Food Bank Morrisons and the general public that donate for this service!

We are looking forward to serving the Community in 2025-2026!

The biggest **THANK YOU** goes to the amazing volunteers who work extremely hard to just keep the shop running and raise funds for HVC!!



Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre is a small local Charity providing a volunteer led Car Scheme across Huntingdonshire, as well as promoting the benefits of volunteering across the region.

We are extremely grateful to all of our supporters for donating their time and skills for our benefit and that of the local community.

To those who have fundraised on our behalf and made individual donations — we thank you!

Our focus within our local communities is to

- ◆ Continue to support our Volunteer Car Scheme
- ◆ Raise funds to support our work through our Huntingdon Together Shop, Grant Applications and Project Work
- ◆ Help volunteers and promote volunteering

‘Supporting volunteering across Huntingdonshire’

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M G Baker
R Brown
S G Burdett
D Camilleri
J M Clarke
A Clarke
C A Myles
R Young
N Leigh-Brown Occupation Community Development Lead (appointed 27.6.24)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 16th July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Trustee

Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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Samantha Green

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Date: 16th July 2025

Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activities		<u>142,942</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>142,942</u>	<u>123,606</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(28,012)	-	(28,012)	(1,198)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>56,542</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>63,542</u>	<u>91,554</u>

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Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre

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CREDITORS					
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The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 16th May 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

M. G. Baker

Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

Income is shown within three main categories in the Statement of Financial Activities: voluntary income, investment income and incoming resources from charitable activities.

Voluntary income are donations and are accounted for at the time of arising.

Incoming resources from charitable activities include grants and contributions received relating to the volunteer services provided by the charity.

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Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Intangible assets

Amortisation on Intangible assets is provided at 25% on cost in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Office Equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds have been previously recognized in respect of the desired premises relocation. As this is no longer considered viable, approval has been sought from the donors to instead use the funds to improve the existing facilities. There is no present timescale on this project owing to the extenuating circumstances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Reserve policy

The reserves policy states that the Charities reserves should be maintained at a minimum of three months operating expenditure. Due to the ever changing economy the Trustees are considering a change in this policy to maintain 6 months expenditure. The freely available reserves as of 31st March 2025 amounted to £56,542 which is sufficient to cover 5 months expenditure.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation - owned assets	449	598
Hire of plant and machinery	109	486
Other operating leases	25,213	15,039
Website costs amortisation	<u>1,081</u>	<u>225</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	<u>122,408</u>	-	<u>122,408</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	<u>123,606</u>	-	<u>123,606</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(1,198)	-	(1,198)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>85,752</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>92,752</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>84,554</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>91,554</u>

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5. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Website costs £
COST	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>4,324</u>
AMORTISATION	
At 1 April 2024	225
Charge for year	<u>1,081</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,306</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	<u>3,018</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>4,099</u>

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment £
COST	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>15,770</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2024	13,976
Charge for year	<u>449</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>14,425</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,345</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,794</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	2,437	5,189
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>875</u>	<u>1,048</u>
	<u>3,312</u>	<u>6,237</u>

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8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2025 £	2024 £
Other	<u>31,177</u>	<u>30,026</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Social security and other taxes	571	579
Accruals and deferred income	<u>11,799</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>12,370</u>	<u>579</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	84,554	(28,012)	56,542
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	<u>7,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>91,554</u>	<u>(28,012)</u>	<u>63,542</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,930	(142,942)	(28,012)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,930</u>	<u>(142,942)</u>	<u>(28,012)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	85,752	(1,198)	84,554
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	<u>7,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,752</u>	<u>(1,198)</u>	<u>91,554</u>

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	122,408	(123,606)	(1,198)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>122,408</u>	<u>(123,606)</u>	<u>(1,198)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	85,752	(29,210)	56,542
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	7,000	-	7,000
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,752</u>	<u>(29,210)</u>	<u>63,542</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	237,338	(266,548)	(29,210)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>237,338</u>	<u>(266,548)</u>	<u>(29,210)</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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C A Myles
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Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Intangible assets

Amortisation on Intangible assets is provided at 25% on cost in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Office Equipment - 25% on cost

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds have been previously recognized in respect of the desired premises relocation. As this is no longer considered viable, approval has been sought from the donors to instead use the funds to improve the existing facilities. There is no present timescale on this project owing to the extenuating circumstances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Reserve policy

The reserves policy states that the Charities reserves should be maintained at a minimum of three months operating expenditure. Due to the ever changing economy the Trustees are considering a change in this policy to maintain 6 months expenditure. The freely available reserves as of 31st March 2025 amounted to £56,542 which is sufficient to cover 5 months expenditure.

2. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation - owned assets	449	598
Hire of plant and machinery	109	486
Other operating leases	25,213	15,039
Website costs amortisation	<u>1,081</u>	<u>225</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	<u>122,408</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>122,408</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	<u>123,606</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>123,606</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(1,198)	-	(1,198)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>85,752</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>92,752</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>84,554</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>91,554</u>

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5. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Website costs £
COST	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>4,324</u>
AMORTISATION	
At 1 April 2024	225
Charge for year	<u>1,081</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,306</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	<u>3,018</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>4,099</u>

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment £
COST	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>15,770</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2024	13,976
Charge for year	<u>449</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>14,425</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,345</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>1,794</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	2,437	5,189
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>875</u>	<u>1,048</u>
	<u>3,312</u>	<u>6,237</u>

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8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2025 £	2024 £
Other	<u>31,177</u>	<u>30,026</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Social security and other taxes	571	579
Accruals and deferred income	<u>11,799</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>12,370</u>	<u>579</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	84,554	(28,012)	56,542
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	<u>7,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>91,554</u>	<u>(28,012)</u>	<u>63,542</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,930	(142,942)	(28,012)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,930</u>	<u>(142,942)</u>	<u>(28,012)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	85,752	(1,198)	84,554
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	<u>7,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,752</u>	<u>(1,198)</u>	<u>91,554</u>

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	122,408	(123,606)	(1,198)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>122,408</u>	<u>(123,606)</u>	<u>(1,198)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	85,752	(29,210)	56,542
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	7,000	-	7,000
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,752</u>	<u>(29,210)</u>	<u>63,542</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	237,338	(266,548)	(29,210)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>237,338</u>	<u>(266,548)</u>	<u>(29,210)</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.