



Charity Number: 1148438
Standard registration

6th August 2012 onwards

Annual Report and Financial Statements to 31st May 2025

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Reference and Administrative Information

As at 31st May 2025

Charity Number:	1148438 Standard registration
Started:	6 th August 2012
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Trustees:	Tim Abbott (Chairperson) Mark Russell (Treasurer) Dave Gentry (Secretary) Peter Hassard Tim Abbott Si Cooper
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Independent Examiner:	Colin Smith

Trustee's Report

For the Year Ended 31st May 2025

The Trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31st May 2025, incorporating the Reference and Administrative information on Page 2.

Structure Governance and Management

The Trust was established by Trust Deed on the 4th August 2012 and was registered by the Charity Commission on 8th August 2012. Under the Deed the power to appoint Trustees, of which there shall be at least four, is vested in the existing Trustees. The Trustees met five times during the year in pursuance of our objectives.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity are: the promotion of the voluntary sector for the public benefit by the production of films which promote volunteering and the voluntary sector.

Big Picture is a UK based Registered Charity that exists to help other charities and voluntary organisations tell their stories and raise awareness of their causes. Our funding model allows us to offer films at rates that allows charities to maximise the allocation of their funds to the projects they have been set up to deliver.

Financial Review

The financial statements are included in this Report for the year and the financial situation at 31st May 2025. The Trustees are encouraged by the strong financial foundation and look forward to making more high quality films that promote volunteering and the voluntary sector in the future.

Trustees responsibilities

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and the apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

The Trustees have had regard to the public benefit general guidance issued by the Charity Commission. They believe that the description of the Charity's activities in this annual report evidences that those activities carry out the Charity's aims for the public benefit.

On behalf of the Trustees,

Tim Abbott (Chairperson)

Chairperson's Report

For the Year Ended 31st May 2025

Big Picture Charity Films completed its twelfth year of making high quality films for UK charities, all doing amazing work in and for their communities. This year we worked with 33 charities and made 48 films. Our film crew has travelled locally from our base in Colchester across the UK from Penzance to Scotland and many places in between.

Our funding model means we can offer a limited number of free films, where we cover the production costs and charities pay only for expenses incurred. In January 2025 we received 145 applications from which Trustees selected ten charities. During this financial year we produced films from the 2024 Free Films Offer as well as starting work on those selected from the 2025 applications.

The charity ran two fundraiser events during the year. In September 30 people walked about 18 miles round London pausing at locations connected with movie themes. Then in March our eleventh Quiz Night ran over three evenings raising £9600.

Trustees commit to giving away 10% of income each year and were able to donate £1000 each to the charities Clowns in the Sky, The Welcome Centre, Homeless Action Resource, Tomorrows Women and Walking 4 Hope. The charity continues to support 'Cry in the Dark', working with children and families in Romania, with a monthly £30 donation.

The trustee body remained at five members through the year.

Working with children and people who may be vulnerable the charity has safeguarding systems in place and regularly reviews its work to ensure best practice. There were no safeguarding concerns raised during the year.

Our work brings us into contact with the widest range of organisations, some with a turnover of multi-millions of pounds, some just starting out with very little, and all with a vision to improve the lives of those they serve. Even after so many years the staff and trustees at Big Picture Charity Films continue to be surprised, delighted and humbled by the work of the charitable sector and especially many newer, often tiny, charities. It inspires us in our work of supporting them as we continue to fulfil our mandate of making a difference, one film at a time.

Tim Abbott

Chairperson, Big Picture Charity Films

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Big Picture Charity Films

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Big Picture Charity Films for the year ended 31st May 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



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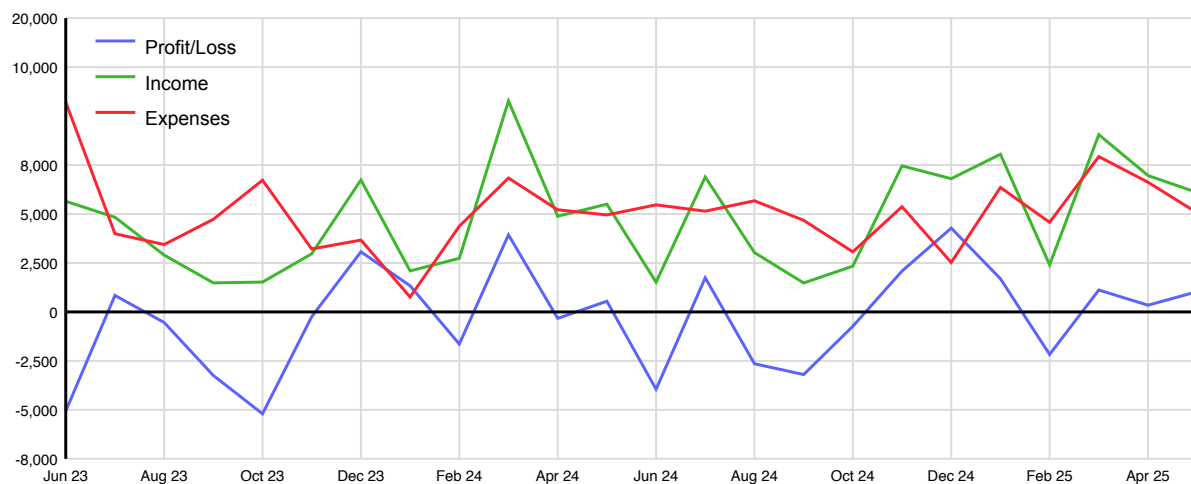
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Statement of Financial Activities

Report comparing FY 2024 and FY 2025

	FY 2025 (£)	FY 2024 (£)	Variance
Cash			
Cash Flow From Operations			
Cash in	61,028.64	51,017.43	19.6%
Cash out	(57,047.53)	(51,864.36)	(10%)
Net cash surplus (deficit)	3,981.11	(846.93)	570.1%
Cash Flow From Financing Activities			
Cash in	1,050.12	1,066.93	(1.6%)
Cash out	(5,420.00)	(6,750.00)	19.7%
Net cash surplus (deficit)	(4,369.88)	(5,683.07)	23.1%
Cash Summary			
Net cash movements	(388.77)	(6,530.00)	94%
Closing cash balance	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)
Profitability			
Cost of sales	(47,229.29)	(43,665.00)	(8.2%)
Gross profit (loss)	(47,229.29)	(43,665.00)	(8.2%)
Other income	61,028.64	51,017.43	19.6%
Administrative expenses	(9,818.24)	(8,199.36)	(19.7%)
Finance income	1,050.12	1,066.93	(1.6%)
Finance costs	(5,420.00)	(6,750.00)	19.7%
Profit (loss)	(388.77)	(6,530.00)	94%
Balance Sheet			
Assets	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)
Net Assets	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)

Profit & Loss

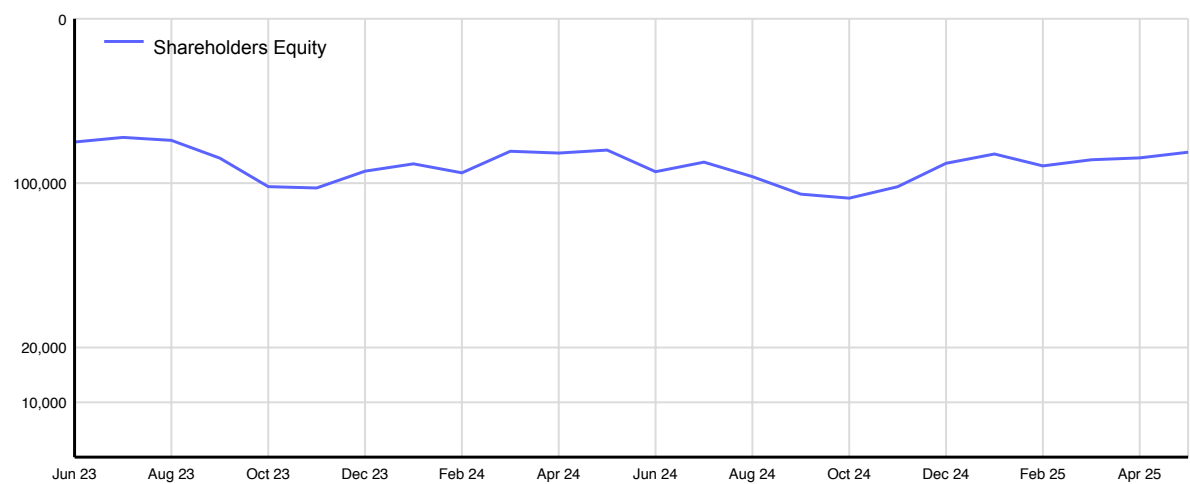


Report comparing FY 2024 and FY 2025

	FY 2025 (£)	FY 2024 (£)	Variance
Cost of sales			
Materials	(47,229.29)	(43,665.00)	(8.2%)
Total Cost of sales	(47,229.29)	(43,665.00)	(8.2%)
Gross Profit	(47,229.29)	(43,665.00)	(8.2%)
Administrative expenses			
Rent and rates			
Rent and rates	(30.00)	(300.00)	90%
Total Rent and rates	(30.00)	(300.00)	90%
Communications			
Internet	(169.10)	(551.23)	69.3%
Total Communications	(169.10)	(551.23)	69.3%
General administration			
Subscriptions	(238.66)	(197.96)	(20.6%)
Total General administration	(238.66)	(197.96)	(20.6%)
Travel			
Travel	(7,068.60)	(5,124.36)	(37.9%)
Total Travel	(7,068.60)	(5,124.36)	(37.9%)
Advertising			
Marketing	(1,984.64)	(2,025.81)	2%
Total Advertising	(1,984.64)	(2,025.81)	2%
Entertainment			
Entertaining clients	(16.20)	0.00	-

	FY 2025 (£)	FY 2024 (£)	Variance
Total Entertainment	(16.20)	0.00	-
Professional fees			
Accounting fees	(311.04)	0.00	-
Total Professional fees	(311.04)	0.00	-
Total Administrative Expenses	(9,818.24)	(8,199.36)	(19.7%)
Finance costs			
Finance expense			
Bank charges	(60.00)	(60.00)	0%
Total Finance expense	(60.00)	(60.00)	0%
Giving			
Charitable Giving	(5,360.00)	(6,690.00)	19.9%
Total Giving	(5,360.00)	(6,690.00)	19.9%
Operating Profit	(62,467.53)	(58,614.36)	(6.6%)
Other income			
Donation - Gift Aid	1,617.43	4,382.08	(63.1%)
Donations - Non Gift Aid	1,166.01	3,600.00	(67.6%)
Donations - From Films Produced	45,730.56	32,779.70	39.5%
BPCF Fundraising	11,684.48	10,130.65	15.3%
Walk Challenge Donation	830.16	125.00	564.1%
Total Other income	61,028.64	51,017.43	19.6%
Finance income			
Interest income	1,050.12	1,066.93	(1.6%)
Total Finance income	1,050.12	1,066.93	(1.6%)
Profit Before Tax	(388.77)	(6,530.00)	94%
Net Profit	(388.77)	(6,530.00)	94%

Balance Sheet



Report comparing FY 2024 and FY 2025

	FY 2025 (£)	FY 2024 (£)	Variance
Current assets			
Cash			
CAF Cash Account	13,485.17	11,409.72	18.2%
CAF Gold Account	42,162.52	44,626.74	(5.5%)
Total Cash	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)
Net Assets	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)
Equity			
Retained earnings	56,036.46	62,566.46	(10.4%)
Net profit	(388.77)	(6,530.00)	94%
Total Equity	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)
Shareholders Equity	55,647.69	56,036.46	(0.7%)