

Friends of Vale School

Trustees' report and unaudited accounts

For the year ended 31 July 2025

Charity registration no. 1149337

Friends of Vale School

Legal and administrative information

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Charity number

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Trustees' report

For the year ended 31 July 2025

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 July 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005.

Structure, governance and management

The charity was established by a charitable trust deed on 18 September 2012, as amended on 9 September 2019.

The trustees who served during the year were:

H Belton	(Resigned 31 December 2025)
A Goodman	(Resigned 2 July 2025)
C McAlley	(Resigned 2 July 2025)
M Cooke	(Resigned 2 July 2025)
K Lawson	(Resigned 2 July 2025)
H Wilson	(Resigned 30 September 2024)
N A Williams	(Appointed 2 July 2025)
S Phibbs-Moss	(Appointed 2 July 2025 and resigned 13 October 2025)
E Lipscombe	(Appointed 2 July 2025)
E Gilbert	(Appointed 1 January 2026)
E Bradford	(Appointed 1 January 2026)
M Cooper	(Resigned 31 December 2025)

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are to advance the education of all the pupils in the school by:

- 1) developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school; and
- 2) engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.

The trustees regularly review the charity's activities and keep in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, ensuring that projects and services deliver meaningful improvements for the school community.

The trustees confirm that they have had full regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising their powers and duties.

Achievements and performance

Over the past year, the charity has run a varied and successful programme of fundraising activities, bringing together pupils, parents and the wider school community.

Highlights include the Summer fair, cake sale and Halloween Disco fundraising events undertaken during the year.

Ongoing income was generated by the sale of water bottles, T-Shirt and preloved uniform sales, and the recycling of clothes, CDs and DVDs.

As in previous years, the charity also continued to provide a committed level of funding to the school spread across the academic year which the school uses to enhance curriculum delivery and the school library, enhancing both the quality of learning and the richness of the wider educational environment.

These achievements reflect the commitment of the trustees, parents and community to ensure that every child at the school benefits from opportunities and resources that go beyond what statutory funding alone can provide.

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Trustees' report (continued)

For the year ended 31 July 2025

Financial review

The charity raised funds from the various activities carried out and generated a gross income of £27,688. The charity spent £5,750 of its unrestricted funds on donations to the school for books, and tree planting and a further £1,659 in welcoming new pupils to the school by way of the provision of new starter books and supplies together with funding an Easter Egg hunt.

The unrestricted funds of the charity at the year end available for use towards future projects amounted to £48,347. The trustees consider the charity to be in sound financial position, with sufficient resources to meet its short-term commitments and to respond promptly to suitable funding opportunities for the benefit of the school. The financial position is reviewed regularly to ensure funds are used efficiently and effectively in line with the charity's objectives.

The trustees have also reviewed the level of cash reserves required by the charity and in their opinion the bulk of cash held should be applied to the development of the school as soon as an appropriate project arises. As the charity relies on income from fundraising activities, a minimum reserve is maintained to ensure that ongoing commitments to the school can be met. Furthermore, the trustees will only authorise expenditure if sufficient funds are available.

During the year, the charity did not hold funds in deficit, either during the financial period or at the balance sheet date. There are no uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

On behalf of the board of trustees



N A Williams

Trustee

Dated: 18 APR 26

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Friends of Vale School

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2025, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

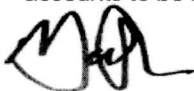
Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met; or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Dated: 22 APR 2026

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Statement of financial activities including income and expenditure account

For the year ended 31 July 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
<u>Incoming resources from generated funds</u>			
Fundraising activities	3	23,183	21,831
Donations received	2	4,505	1,150
Total incoming resources		27,688	22,981
<u>Resources expended</u>			
<u>Costs of generating funds</u>			
Cost of fundraising activities	3	11,594	8,829
Net incoming resources available		16,094	14,152
<u>Charitable activities</u>			
Grants to Vale School	4	7,409	7,547
Governance costs		1,952	800
Total resources expended		20,955	17,176
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		6,733	5,805
Fund balances at 1 August 2024		41,614	35,809
Fund balances at 31 July 2025		48,347	41,614


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Balance sheet

As at 31 July 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Current assets					
Stocks	7	350		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		48,897		42,214	
		<u>49,247</u>		<u>42,214</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(900)		(600)	
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>48,347</u>		<u>41,614</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			<u>48,347</u>		<u>41,614</u>
			<u>48,347</u>		<u>41,614</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 18 APR 26


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N A Williams
Trustee

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Notes to the accounts

For the year ended 31 July 2025

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005 and the Charities Act 2011.

1.2 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2 Donations received

	2025 £
Match Funding / Event Sponsor	4,505
Total Donations	4,505

3 Income and expenditure relating to fundraising activities, including sponsored event and match - funded donations

	Income £	Expenditure £	Match Funding / Event Sponsor £	Net Receipts £
Cake Sales	2,169	(21)	-	2,148
Christmas Cards	359	-	-	359
Christmas Fair	2,894	(2,749)	-	145
Halloween Disco	3,636	(1,524)	-	2,112
Preloved Uniform Sales	652	(350)	-	302
Recycling	109	-	-	109
Summer Fair	12,926	(6,600)	4,505	10,831
Sunflower and Donut Sale	438	(350)	-	88
	23,183	(11,594)	4,505	16,094

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

For the year ended 31 July 2025

4 Grants to Vale School

	Payments £
School books	3,500
Trees	2,250
New starter books and supplies	910
Easter Eggs	749
	<u>7,409</u>

5 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

6 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

7 Stocks

The replacement cost of finished goods, comprising T-Shirts as at 31 July 2025 is estimated at £350 (31 July 2024 : £nil).

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	<u>900</u>	<u>600</u>