

Basingstoke & District Disability Forum

BDDF Impact Report

(Annual Review & Accounts)

for the year ended 31st March 2025

Registered Charity in England & Wales: 1155660

Basingstoke and District Disability Forum CIO

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Welcome from our Chair

Impact statement for the financial year ending 31st March 2025 for Basingstoke & District Disability Forum (BDDF). The Report and Accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis.

Our services have provided direct support to Disabled people, while BDDF has extended our reach by hosting events and groups that connect more with local charities and organisations committed to supporting the Disabled community. As demand for these services continues to rise—driven by an ageing population, economic pressures, and sustained strain on the charitable sector—we remain steadfast in our mission. We are committed to listening to our members, increasing our impact, and growing our membership to ensure we reach and support more Disabled individuals across Basingstoke and Deane.

We are pleased to report that BDDF has successfully secured funding for several key initiatives. We extend our sincere gratitude to all our funders for their generosity and continued confidence in our mission. We acknowledge the invaluable contributions of National Lottery and People's Postcode Lottery players, whose support will enable the delivery of vital programmes over the next five years.

Additional fundraising efforts have further strengthened our work. Highlights include hosting a children's activity stall at the Basingstoke Transport Festival in May 2024, organised by the Basingstoke and Deane Rotary Club, and conducting multiple collection drives at local supermarkets such as Morrison's and Tesco. These activities not only generate funds but also enhance public engagement and raise awareness of BDDF's impact within the wider community.

The Board of Trustees met ten times during this financial period, with several members actively contributing to the delivery of events and services. To sustain this momentum and support our continued growth, we recognise the need to expand the Trustee board and welcome new members who share our commitment to the organisation's mission.

On behalf of Basingstoke & District Disability Forum, we extend our sincere appreciation to all whose dedication and professionalism continue to shape BDDF into the valued organisation it is today. We also acknowledge the vital contributions of our charity partners, supporters, and volunteers. Most importantly, we thank our growing membership. BDDF's work is made possible by the continued support of the Basingstoke and Deane community, to whom we remain deeply grateful.

Hannah Reilly - Chair of Trustees

What BDDF achieved in 2024-2025

Ongoing Signposting Service

Chronic Pain Support Groups

Community Cafes

Christmas Party

Disability Awareness Day

Camera Club (in partnership with Wavelly House)

New Accessible Art Clubs

New In-Person Support Groups

New Online Support Groups

New Disability Awareness Sessions for Schools

Who we are:

BDDF was formed in 2008 to support the local disabled community. When BDDF formed, there was no clear organisation representing the general disability community of Basingstoke. There was a gap in the accessibility of services available, as well as a lack of inclusion or opportunities for Disabled people. BDDF was founded by a group of residents with lived experience of disabilities with the aim of supporting the community, giving a voice and addressing the stigma. We achieved registered Charity status in 2014. We celebrated our 10th Birthday as a registered charity on 6th February 2024.

Our Vision:

To create a community that sees the person, values the difference, and embraces awareness.

Our Mission:

To facilitate increased awareness, active involvement and healthy promotion of Disabled people and their impairments and health conditions.

Our Aim:

To promote both visible and invisible disability. By increasing awareness, providing information and bringing people together. BDDF partners and collaborates with fellow disability charities/groups and provides guidance to local businesses who are striving to be accessible and inclusive.

Strategic Objectives:

1. **Involvement** - to improve the involvement and representation of Disabled people and their families/carers within Basingstoke.
2. **Promotion** - to promote greater awareness of disability through initiatives and activities that champion inclusivity, understanding, and reduce barriers.

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3. **Partnerships** - To improve partnership working between agencies, both voluntary sector and statutory, that are involved in supporting disability.

Operational Objectives:

1. **Improve the mental and physical well-being** of people with Disabilities in Basingstoke.
2. Tackle feelings of **loneliness and reduce social isolation** within the disabled community.
3. **Increase knowledge** amongst people with disabilities and the wider disabled community about support services available, both directly through BDDF and signposting to other local charities and organisations.

Our Strategy:

BDDF set a clear strategy and structure to help everyone understand who BDDF are and what we do.

We have split ourselves into 4 key focus areas as follows:

1. **Access** – digital and physical (tackling the digital divide and escalating physical barriers)
2. **Financial Inclusion** – benefits, debt, job and employment advice
3. **Diversity & Inclusion** – appreciating intersectionality and proactively interacting with groups representing other minority groups, such as via the local Hate Crime Network
4. **Mental & Physical health** – this includes our direct services such as Chronic Pain and helping people to find information and advice to support their needs and reduce barriers.

All of which helps us to better reflect **the voice of the local disabled community**.

Increasing Demand in Local Area:

BDDF follows the definition consistent with the Equality Act 2010. A person is considered disabled if they have a self-reported long-standing illness, condition, or impairment which causes difficulty with day-to-day activities.

BDDF is committed to offering a programme of core services that are relevant, impactful, and empowering to support those individuals and their families, carers and employers.

From the 2021 census:

- 23% of the UK population identified as having a disability.
- The population of Basingstoke and Deane was 185,200 people.
- 27,778 Disabled people living in Basingstoke and Deane.
- 5.7% of Basingstoke and Deane residents were identified as being disabled and limited a lot in daily activities.
- 9.9% were identified as being disabled and limited a little in daily activities.

Source: Office for National Statistics – 2011 Census and Census 2021 - <https://www.ons.gov.uk/visualisations/censusareachanges/E07000084/>

Membership:

BDDF is a free-to-join, membership-based organisation. BDDF is for all Disabled adults, offering support for those over 18 with visible and non-invisible impairments. We are open to everyone, and our members include people who have sensory, physical, learning, mental health, or chronic conditions.

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Members receive access to all our free services, newsletter and activities. Our services are created based on feedback from our members.

Our Staff Members:

Our employees each play a vital role in helping BDDF to provide support and services to Disabled people and their families. We are so very proud of their achievements.

Staff: on 1st April 2024

- Sanchia Sanday BDDF Volunteer Coordinator (16 hours a week)
- Elizabeth Brisco, BDDF Fundraising Coordinator (10 hours a week)
- Kathleen Loosley, BDDF Social Media Coordinator (3 hours a week)
- Georgina Leonard, BDDF Social Media Coordinator (3 hours a week)

Staff changes:

- Sanchia Sanday was promoted to BDDF Main Services Coordinator/ Facilitator in August 2024, and an increase in work hours (18 hours a week)
- Kathleen Loosley, BDDF Social Media Coordinator (3 hours a week), when on Maternity Leave in July 2024 return in February 2025.
- Georgina Leonard, BDDF Social Media Coordinator, started 11th October 2023 (3 hours a week) Left the charity on 30th September 2024

Staff on 31st March 2025:

- Sanchia Sanday BDDF Main Services Coordinator/ Facilitator (18 hours a week)
- Elizabeth Brisco, BDDF Fundraising Coordinator (10 hours a week)
- Kathleen Loosley, BDDF Social Media Coordinator (3 hours a week)

BDDF Trustee Board:

BDDF Board members on 1st April 2024:

- Chair - Hannah Reilly appointed 22nd June 2023
- Deputy Chair - Carol Hawkins appointed 22nd June 2023
- Treasurer - David John Mark Soutter appointed 8th November 2021
- Alderman Jane Frankum appointed 8th November 2021

BDDF Board members who were appointed during this period:

- Alexandria Campbell-Carter appointed on 17th April 2024

BDDF Board Members, Trustees On 31st March 2025:

- Chair - Hannah Reilly appointed 22nd June 2023
- Deputy Chair - Carol Hawkins appointed 22nd June 2023
- Treasurer - David John Mark Soutter appointed 8th November 2021

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We thank you all for the time and dedication you have continued to show BDDF. We had only 5 trustees at the end of the period. We will continue to advertise for trustees across our membership who will bring both action and passion to the board through lived experience as a Disabled person, diversity and skills.

BDDF Patrons:

We give thanks to our Patrons who actively support BDDF within the community:

- Lady J. Coleman, Life Patron
- Rt Hon Dame Maria Miller, Patron
- Cllr. Simon Minas-Bound, Patron

Our Services:

Activities that BDDF undertake are to improve the lives of our beneficiaries and make a difference. All are free to attend

Signposting Service (SPS)	Our Signpost Service remains a central aspect of BDDF. Receiving queries in person, via email, telephone, and messenger on Facebook. This is a tailored service where our volunteers support the member with bespoke responses, signposting them to services we offer that may help or onto organisations who can support their specific needs. We work with them throughout the journey often for multiple issues over lengthy periods of time.
Chronic Pain Support Group	Our monthly free to join CPSG sessions have continued and are well supported by our regular attendees and some newcomers. These sessions provide a warm and welcoming environment for individuals with chronic pain conditions to come together to share their experiences. Featuring guest speakers and practitioners providing information and demos including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Seated yoga and mindfulness- EFT Tapping Therapy- Citizens Advice Bureau presented energy saving tips- Seated Exercise- Scam and fraud workshop- Reiki
Photography Group	We received a grant from No Wrong Door AMHE to purchase cameras and equipment to run a photography club. This began In February 2024 and is being run in partnership with Wavelly House (Together for Mental Wellbeing). It is a monthly group, and we have already held sessions on nature, wildlife, transport (aeroplanes), architecture. The group ran until February 2025 with an exhibition held on Wednesday 26 th March at Proteus Creation Space which showcased some of the best photographs.

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Accessible Art Club	We received a Pride in Place grant from Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council to run an accessible art club. The sessions are held monthly at Proteus Creation Space and run by local artist Jacky Purtill. Jacky is an amazing tutor and makes every session fun and creative. One of the grant conditions was to hold an exhibition of the works carried out by the members so this was held on Wednesday 26 th March at Proteus where artwork was exhibited and we provided free refreshments. The Deputy Mayor of Basingstoke & Deane Cllr Colin Phillimore attended.
In Person Support Group	We received a grant from The National Lottery Community Fund to enable us to run new monthly in person support groups for our existing members and the wider community. These have been held at The Basingstoke Discovery Centre a central, easily accessible location within the town centre. We are planning to book guest speakers for later in the year such as DWP, CAB and SNG Housing.
Online Support Group	We received a grant from The National Lottery Community Fund to enable us to run new monthly online support groups for our existing members and the wider community. These are currently being held at different times of the day to gauge when best suits our members. These online sessions are perfect for those who would like to interact with others but may not feel well enough or able to leave their homes.
Community Cafe	Our quarterly networking meetings have continued both online and in person at our offices at The Orchard, they are open to charities and organisations giving the chance to discuss challenges and successes.

Our Reach:

Website: <https://www.bddf.org.uk/>

The BDDF website at bddf.org.uk continues to provide vital information to members, with updated dedicated signposting page full of information split into easy-to-understand subcategories, and several brand-new pages and features to reflect our current service offering. We received over 5000 visitors to our website between March 2024 and March 2025, with most looking for information on mental health or seeking our contact details. We continue to develop approaches to improve our website and make it as useful to members as possible.

Social Media Reach Between April 2024 and March 2025:

We use five Different Social Media Platforms to raise and awareness of the charity.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bddforum/>

Engagement refers to the interactions our audience has with our social media content, including comments, shares, and likes on our Facebook.

March 2024: 1,821 followers

April 2024: 5.1K engagement

May 2024: 1,871 followers.

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June 2024: 1.7K engagement, 21K accounts reached.

July 2024: 1,975 followers.

August 2024: 2.1K engagement, 14K accounts reached.

September 24, 2024: 1,975 followers.

October 2024: 2.2K engagement, 12K accounts reached.

November 2024: 1,976 followers.

December 2024: 3K engagement, 15K accounts reached.

January 2025: 1,982 followers.

February 2025: 5.6K engagement, 17.5K accounts reached.

March 2025: 1,996 followers

April 2025: 2,001 followers, 4.7K engagement, 27.5K accounts reached.

The significant jump in engagement in January 2025, reaching 4.1K (+27% from the previous 90 days), indicates a growing interest and interaction from the audience.

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/basingstokedisabilityforum/>

Our Instagram account saw growth from 600 followers in April 2024 to 718 followers in April 2025, representing a growth of approximately 19.7%. This increase can be attributed to our focused strategies around Disability Awareness Day, which significantly boosted engagement and visibility on the platform.

LinkedIn: <https://uk.linkedin.com/company/basingstoke-district-disability-forum>

Our LinkedIn connections increased from 38 to 74 between April 2024 and March 2025.

Twitter: <https://x.com/bddforum>

Our Twitter account has been active in October 2024 since then 25 tweets made up end of March 2025. The posts made 15 to 191 impressions.

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@bddfbasingstokedistrictdis1060>

The Channel was created in November 2015. Since then it has had under 4,000 Views on 31 Videos and 30 Subscribers.

Digital Divide and Paper-based Resources

Digital exclusion is affecting our communities, and the move to technology triggered by the pandemic is deepening the divide.

Independence is heavily reliant on access to information, and with more information than ever before being online, we must break down the barriers and reduce the digital gap.

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BDDF swiftly moved services online where possible, created a more accessible website and established IT support sessions to help our members get online. However, there is still a vast proportion of members who cannot access the internet or have the knowledge to be able to research information on the internet. The Digital Divide remains a key barrier for many of our members, so BDDF continues to focus on digital inclusivity. Our main donations were given to us for printing a booklet of information, advice and services in the local community. This is for people who find it difficult to research information online.

This is why paper-based resources are important to our members, and consequently why BDDF created a signposting and information magazine called “Be Included Basingstoke” (BIB) which contains written information about local support services in Hampshire regarding disabilities and mental health. Two issues of the BIB were produced between March 2024 and 2025, with a third special financial edition in progress.

Our Survey - Giving Disabled People a Voice

The 2024 edition of the BDDF survey was opened in April 2024 and subsequently received 38 responses. Results showed that almost 60% of our members struggle to some degree with social isolation, and respondents rate their life satisfaction lower than the national average. Members reported issues in daily life including physical access problems, discrimination, and denial of service. Happily, those who can engage with BDDF services in some capacity report higher life satisfaction and feelings that things they do are worthwhile, and lower social isolation scores. BDDF will survey members annually going forward and act on feedback. The key takeaway from this survey was that members wanted more social interaction, and this has been acted upon thanks to the generous funding we received from the National Lottery Community Fund.

Our Awareness Events & Community Collaboration:

Supporting our community through partnerships that deliver innovative projects that focus upon improving health and well-being.

Disability Awareness Day (DAD)

On Friday 27th June 2024, BDDF hosted its annual Disability Awareness Day. Open to the public from 9.30am to 3pm in The Malls Shopping Centre. With our key aims being to provide information, offer advice and raise awareness.

This event has previously been held in April, but the last two years were very cold for those who were seated for a long period of time and so we agreed to move the date to a warmer month such as June.

Around 35 local organisations joined BDDF each of whom provide services for Disabled people. Volunteers and staff were on hand to answer questions on a wide range of topics including benefits, transport, health, housing, education, sports and more!

The Disability Awareness Day is our flagship event to healthily promote both visible and non-visible disability. By increasing awareness, providing information and bringing people together.

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We gave out many of our latest edition of our 'Be Included Basingstoke' magazines and canvas bags with our BDDF logo on.

The Digital divide has had a huge impact on our members and the wider Disabled community. Getting the right information at the right time helps to make informed choices and by having the many different groups and charities in one place, together, the event allowed us all to provide direct face to face support as well as forging many new connections and deepening the local Disabled community network. Thank you to all who came.

Be Included Basingstoke

We have now distributed 4 issues of the BIB, with the fifth in progress. Thousands have been distributed in the Basingstoke area. These booklets help reduce the digital divide and get the information out there to anyone who needs it, as well as providing a useful reference document for charities. The pdf versions of the BIB are available on our website at <https://www.bddf.org.uk/be-included-basingstoke>

Community café

BDDF host quarterly networking sessions where local organisations and groups who support Disabled people are all welcome to attend to share what services and events they have on and to also problem solve issues with one another.

Our Newsletter

BDDF continues to regularly share information from member organisations regarding their activities and services via our website, social media and our newsletters. Each featured organisation is added to our website and invited to have a stall at our DAD event, they are also welcome to attend the Community Cafe.

Chronic Pain support Group

Free support group, held monthly at Proteus Creation Space.

Films to Schools

Prior to Covid, our 'Films to Schools' programme took several disability awareness films created by BDDF into local primary schools to teach children a little more about disability and provide an interactive workshop. The sessions have now been reworked and relaunched, and we have now delivered: a pilot school session in November 2024, a Cub's group in February 2025, and three further school visits in February and March 2025. The sessions have received extremely positive feedback, and we aim to do two visits most months (school holidays considered) going forward. We would like to thank the schools and groups that have generously welcomed us for these sessions and hope they have been useful.

The Awareness Films that used in these sessions and any future videos can be viewed on YouTube:

- [Talk To Me](#)
- [Like Everyone Else](#)
- [Just Ask](#)

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Grants & Fundraising

We have been fortunate to receive several grants over the financial year including two large multi-year grants from the National Lottery Community Fund (both the Awards for All and Reaching Communities schemes). This funding provides vital long-term stability for the charity and supports core costs, two brand new support and social groups, and our existing popular Chronic Pain Support Group, as well as the relaunch of our Films to Schools disability awareness visits.

We also received funding for several rounds of our vital cost-of-living bundles which were delivered to vulnerable households through the DWP Household Support Fund, and the Tesco Stronger Starts blue token scheme, where we won the public vote in stores and received the highest award of £1,200.

We received funding for financial inclusion focussed guest speakers and a special edition of Be Included Basingstoke, funding for our 2024 Christmas party from the One Stop Community Partnership and funding from Basingstoke Round Table for activity packs for those members that really benefitted from a fun distraction free-of-charge.

Finally, we received generous unrestricted funding from the Postcode Society Trust, which we have been putting to good use to support all the charity's activities.

We are enormously grateful to all our wonderful, generous funders, without whom the charity could not continue, and we would like to extend special thanks to the players of both the National Lottery and Peoples' Postcode Lottery, whose generosity allows these vital funding schemes to take place.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Basingstoke and District Disability Forum CIO

Report to the trustees of Basingstoke & District Disability Forum

I report to the charity trustees of Basingstoke & District Disability Forum, Charity number 1155660, on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)b of the Charities Act; and
- 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:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Patricia Fox FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountant
36 Essex Road
Basingstoke
RG21 7TB

Date.....24/1/26.....

Signed..........

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31 March 2025

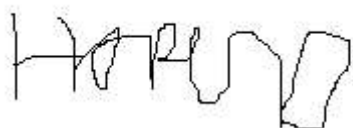
	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Incoming resources					
Donations received	3.1	5,374	-	5,374	3,498
Fundraising events	3.2	345	-	345	3,079
Grant income	3.3	13,000	23,689	36,689	17,448
Bank interest		2	-	2	2
Total income resources		18,721	23,689	42,410	24,027
Resources expended					
Costs of charitable activities	4	15,628	23,722	39,350	34,249
Total resources expended		15,628	23,722	39,350	34,249
Net (expenditure) / income		3,093	(33)	3,060	(10,222)
Gross transfers between funds		(33)	33	-	-
Net movements in funds		3,060	-	3,060	(10,222)
Fund balances brought forward		6,476	-	6,476	16,698
Funds balances carried forward		9,536	-	9,536	6,476

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BALANCE SHEET as at 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Current assets					
Accounts receivable		110	-	110	200
Cash at bank and in hand		12,235	34,717	46,952	22,706
Total current assets		12,345	34,717	47,062	22,906
Creditors					
Deferred income	7.1	-	34,717	34,717	15,164
Other creditors – sundry creditors		2,809	-	2,809	1,266
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		2,809	34,717	37,526	16,430
Net current assets		9,536	-	9,536	6,476
Net assets		9,536	-	9,536	6,476
Unrestricted funds		9,536	-	9,536	6,476
Total charity funds		9,536	-	9,536	6,476

Approved by the Trustees on 11th November 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Hannah Reilly – Chair of Trustees

NOTES to the accounts

1. Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS102) issued in October 2019).

2. Accounting policies

- 2.1. Recognition of incoming resources: these are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources and when Trustees are confident that income will be received and the monetary value can be reasonably measured.
- 2.2. Costs of charitable activities included in the Statement of Financial Activities are on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. Expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost categories.
- 2.3. Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, when it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified as Restricted when Grantors have place restrictions on how and when the funds shall be spent. Other expenditure represents those items not falling into any other heading. Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.
- 2.4. Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.
- 2.5. Unrestricted funds: these comprise those funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

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3. Analysis of income

	2025	2024
	£	£
3.1 Donations received during the year	5,374	3,498
3.2 Fundraising events – volunteer income	345	3,079
3.3 Grants income – Restricted	2025	2024
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council – Strengthening Communities	9,143	9,409
National Lottery (i)	4,197	-
National Lottery – Reaching Communities	3,236	-
Rotary BIB	1,468	-
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council – Pride in Place	1,232	-
DWP	1,209	-
NWD AMHE	971	-
Action Hampshire	923	-
Tesco Arts Funding	900	-
One Stop Christmas Party	274	-
Round Table Arts Funding	136	-
Hampshire County Council Household Support Fund	-	1,913
NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB	-	1,596
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council – Councillor Grants	-	1,500
Arthur Bates Fund	-	1,500
Arnold Clark Community Fund	-	1,490
Four Lanes Trust Grant	-	40
Total Grants - Restricted	23,689	17,448

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4. Costs of Charitable activities

	2025		2024	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Advertising and Marketing	-	-	-	477
Accountancy	1,520	-	1,520	1,389
Bank Fees	68	-	68	64
Business Insurance	90	240	330	330
Event Costs	653	4,405	5,058	4,463
General Expenses	169	542	711	2,099
Independent Examiner	100	-	100	100
IT Software, Subscriptions and Support	1,146	93	1,239	1,102
Legal & professional fees & licences	160	35	195	85
Printing and postage	222	1,486	1,708	1,624
Rent	730	2,190	2,920	2,920
Room Hire	798	804	1,602	210
Salaries	9,715	13,880	23,595	19,154
Subscriptions	239	47	286	180
Telephone line rental and calls	18	-	18	52
	15,628	23,722	39,350	34,249

5. Corporation Tax

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or Section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1962 to the extent that are applied to its charitable objects.

6. Staff numbers

The Charity currently employs 3 members (2024: 3) of staff on a part-time basis.

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7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

7.1. Deferred income

	2025	2024
	£	£
National Lottery – initial Grant	14,575	-
National Lottery – Reaching Communities	9,865	-
NWD AHME	2,752	-
BDBC Pride in Place	2,303	-
Good Exchange	1,500	-
Didymus Fund	1,398	1,398
Action Hampshire	602	-
Round Table BIBS	364	-
BDBC Strengthening Communities	-	9,144
NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB	-	3,722
One Stop - Christmas	477	-
DWP	160	-
Rotary (BIB)	721	900
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	34,717	15,164
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8. Independent examiner

Included in expenditure for the year is a provision for £100 (2024 - £100) for the Independent Examiner's Report.

9. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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Ways that people can volunteer with BDDF

BDDF need volunteers who can donate time, energy and skills to support our work. Most of all volunteers are needed to help:

- Being Trustees
- Being ambassadors (spreading the word)
- Running our Monthly Support Groups and activities
- Running our signposting service
- At our events
- Help with our collection days at supermarkets
- General office administration

Ways that people can donate to BDDF

- Our collection days at local supermarkets and shops: this year BDDF has collected at Tesco, Morrison's and Dunelm in Basingstoke.
- Easy Fundraising: [Basingstoke & District Disability Forum Fundraising | Easyfundraising](#)
- Basingstoke and Deane Community Lottery: [Basingstoke and Deane Community Lottery \(bandcommunitylottery.co.uk\)](#)
- PayPal: [PayPal Giving Fund](#)

Contact us - How to get in touch & keep up to date

Please get in touch via:

- Email office@bddf.org.uk
- Via Facebook Messenger
- Phone 01256 423869
- Or pop in to see us in person at The Orchard (by prearranged appointment only) or by joining us at one of our services / events

Newsletters

- We offer newsletters / Be Included Basingstoke via email or post.
- To be added to our postal mailing list please call **01256 423869** leaving your home address, name & telephone number.

Website: Information on all our free services is updated regularly on our website

<http://www.bddf.org.uk/>

Social Media: Keep up to date by liking our page on Facebook, Instagram or tweet us!

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