

**Wendover Community Library Trust**  
Charity number 1157773

Principal Office: Wendover Community Library, High Street, Wendover,  
Bucks, HP22 6DU

Trustees

Martin Chambers

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**Annual Report for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

The Wendover Community Library Trust ("WCLT") is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation approved for registration as a charity by the Charity Commission on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014. The Objects of WCLT in its Constitution (dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 2013) are:

"In partnership with the Buckinghamshire County Library Service, to manage the operation of the Wendover Community Library and to increase the use of the library building for a wider range of educational, community and commercial activities and events for the benefit of the residents of Wendover and the surrounding areas." The WCLT works alongside the Buckinghamshire County Library Service in the day to day running of the Wendover Community Library. Buckinghamshire County Library Service provides essential paid professional staff, who work alongside community volunteers, and have important management responsibilities. We have a 'Group Manager' and two part-time 'Library Assistants' who work alongside our volunteer staff. This sharing of responsibilities between public service employees and community volunteers is an important part of our purpose.

Trustees are selected for appointment according to their skills, knowledge and experience relevant to the requirements for the effective administration of WCLT. Meetings of the trustees are held on a regular basis to review matters such as the library facilities and activities, services, volunteers, fund raising and the relationship with

Buckinghamshire County Library Service. Nominated trustees additionally attend meetings of the Executive Committee, which consists of an equal representation of trustees and executives of Buckinghamshire Council.

### **Policies Adopted by the WCL Trustees.**

Since our last report all the policies adopted by the Trustees remain in place.

### **Summary of Activities.**

During this year, our annual calendar, created through the annual photograph competition, was again very well received. It is a wonderful reflection of Wendover and the surrounding countryside. The magazine Shelf Life, usually produced every two months, gives regular accounts of the activities that take place in the library. It also provides articles that cover the purpose and ideas behind the Community Library's place in the Wendover community.

The much enhanced, 'Wendover On Screen' has continued throughout this year. 'On Screen' continues to show films targeted at particular age groups, and also to show more than the previous 'one film per month'. It is important to add that there is no charge to see these films. Those seeing the films can make a voluntary contribution to the cost if they wish.

### **The Extension of the Community Library.**

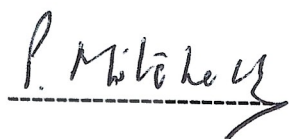
As noted in last year's report; after the successful application for funding support from the Libraries Improvement Fund, we have been able to put forward plans to make significant improvements to the Community Library and to the range of services that will be offered from the building. The extension will provide space to increase the range of community based activities that will be provided. A new children's area, larger than the existing area, will enable a wider range of children's activities, the computers available to library customers will be more flexible in how they can be used. The local tourist information area will be enhanced, the upstairs section of the library will have better access, but above all the provision of new furniture and the redecoration of the whole library will



enhance the ambience of the library and increase its attractiveness to all age groups in the community. It is also anticipated that the planned changes to the library's windows will improve the light inside the Library, and enhance considerably the functionality of our Library.

We are now able to confirm, (because this report is being written in August 2025), that after all the plans were agreed and confirmed, and contracts for the work were issued, the library closed in September 2024 for construction work to begin. This work was overseen by Buckinghamshire County Council, and after the work's successful completion, our Library reopened during April 2025. During this unavoidable period of closure we were grateful to the Wendover Parish Council, who allowed us to use their offices to operate 'a borrow and return service' of library books. Since the reopening of the Community Library, we have only received positive comments from members of our local community. I very much look forward to completing next year's report, (2025-2026) and being able to comprehensively report on Wendover's 'new' Community Library. Perhaps we will be able to include a number of photographs?

In conclusion, it is important to add that Trustees continue to be pleased that so many members of the local community continue to support their local library.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. Mitchell', written over a horizontal dashed line.

Philip Mitchell (Chair)

Wendover Community Library Trust Trustees.  
August 2025

**WENDOVER COMMUNITY LIBRARY TRUST; (Charity number 1157773)**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT : YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**

**Incoming Resources, Generated Funds,**

**Voluntary Income,**

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31.3.2024</b>
Grants	1000	9940
Subscriptions and Support	1078	2448
Tax Repayment	640	612
Local Fundraising Efforts	5889	4752

**Total Incoming Resources,**

<b>8607</b>	<b>17752</b>
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**Resources Expended,**

Local Fundraising Efforts

2992	1982
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**Charitable Activities,**

"Three Rings" Website

115	204
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Library Sundries

197	171
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Library Plan and Garden

552	0
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Grant-aided costs

1000	1500
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Walk Booklets

839	392
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Library Stock

4067	533
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Film shows costs

990	642
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**Total Resources Expended**

<b>10752</b>	<b>5424</b>
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**Net Movement In Funds**

Funds Brought forward, 1.4.2024

-2145	12328
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26023	13695
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Funds Carried Forward, 31.3.2025, represented by:

**Lloyds Bank Plc**

<b>23878</b>	<b>26023</b>
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Hon. Chair of Trustees

Date;

*P. Mitchell*

Philip Mitchell

Hon. Treasurer, Friends of  
Wendover Library

*Neville Morton*

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Wendover Community Library Trust, (Charity number 1157773)  
Notes to the Financial Statements, for the year to 31 March 2025

1. Restricted Fund,

£1000 (2024 £1500) Grants were received for and spent on a specific purpose. Those funds were restricted in that they could only be used for that intended purpose.

2. Friends of Wendover Community Library, (FOWL),

This committee raises funds and supports the Wendover Community Library Trust and is responsible to the Trust. As such, its income, expenditure and funds form part of the funds of the Trust, and is included in the attached figures.

3. Walk booklets cost £1839, £1000 of which was grant-aided.