

Charity number: 1160511

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST (CIO)

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2025**

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

TITLE	ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1160511
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) dated 14 August 2014
TRUSTEES	Karen Joy (Chair) Vicky Aspin Jean Kerr Lydia Ogundolawa Christine Fryers (joined 01/05/2025) Dave Lane (joined 01/05/2025) Sue Evans (resigned 26/01/2025) Derek King (resigned 20/06/2025) Sue Vallente-Kerr (3 x 3years term of office ended 21/04/2025) Charlene Wakerell (resigned 25/09/2024)
ADDRESS	Abbey Court School Rede Court Road, Strood Kent ME2 3SP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Richard Warnham The Westbrook Trust Byron Primary School Gillingham Kent ME7 5XX

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TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

Activities, Achievements and Future Plans

Abbey Court School Trust continues to hold meetings three times per year. We have continued to progress and think creatively to ensure our goals for the development of Larkin Farm Rural Activity Centre are achieved. Since completion of the Centre, the school has found that it requires additional support for the upkeep of the farm. The Centre is used extensively by local schools and colleges as well as Abbey Court pupils. It also provides opportunities for members of the local community for work experience and volunteering. It is an important educational resource for the local community and children/young people across Medway.

During our meetings we have reviewed existing activities, in line with the funding priorities for the Trust, which were identified as:

1. Animal feed
2. Animal welfare & living
3. Farm upkeep in general (e.g. maintenance)
4. Purchase of additional animals

The Trust had a total income for the financial year 2024-25 of £16,845.51 with outgoings of £17,432.34, making a net loss of £586.83 for the year, decreasing the bank balance to £23,383.08 to roll forward.

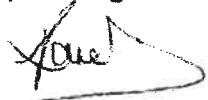
The Trust continued to run a lottery in 2024-25 (renewing its licence obtained from Gravesham and Medway Shared Licensing Services). From the overall income of £1,470 from the Lottery, a profit of £670 was made after deduction of the £800 needed for prize money. Please note that some of the income for the 2024-25 Lottery was received in advance in the previous financial year but has been included in the total figures for the draw for reporting consistency.

The Trust continues to run an Animal Adoption Scheme raising a profit of £2384.76. The increase on previous year being due to a multiple adoption donation totalling £690 from the Gallagher Group. Fundraising events were held included Sponsored Move £773.50, Silver Race £587.05, Non-uniform day £196.70, Horse Race Night £993.42, Christmas Jumper Fashion Show £466.80, Christmas Jumper Day £346.81, a Farm open day £6238.76 and Carols on the Farm £1012.87.

The Trust received corporate and community donations amounting to £650.01 which included sums from lottery winners donating back their cash prizes, local councillors and the collection tin held at a local garage. The Trust also submitted claims for current/historic Gift Aid of £792.52.

The Trust have paid £480.00 entrance fee for the London Marathon 2026 with hopes to raise £2,000 in return from sponsorship and donated £14,550 to Abbey Court Larkin Farm in October 2024.

In its tenth year, the Trust made no individual or group grants and received 0 external applications. Our fundraising for the new year will be to continue to support the school with the running costs of the farm for the benefit of children across Medway. It has been estimated that these costs will be in the region of £20,000. As a Trust, we are aiming to raise as much as we can towards these costs, so the farm is successful in providing an excellent community facility for local schools and colleges, as well as Abbey Court pupils.



Karen Joy
Chair of Trustees
Date: 30.3.26

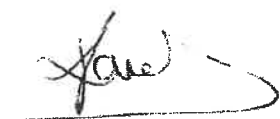
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Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

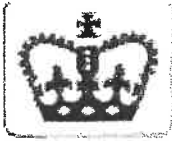
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Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 30.3.26

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity name
ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31ST AUGUST 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1160511

Set out on pages

AS SET OUT IN THE FINANCIAL TABLES IN THIS REPORT

sheet(s)

**I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st August 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").**

**Independent
examiner's statement**

**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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.**

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

- **accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of
the Act or**
- **the accounts do not accord with the accounting records**

**I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.**

Signed:

Date:

30/03/26

Name:

RICHARD WARNHAM

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

Address:

THE WESTBROOK TRUST

BYRON PRIMARY SCHOOL

GILLINGHAM, KENT ME7 5XX

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Previous Years
	2025 £	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £
Receipts				
Donations	650	0	650	1,051
Fundraising Income	16,196	0	16,196	11,313
Grants received	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	16,846	0	16,846	12,364
Payments				
Fundraising fees	-2,664	0	-2,664	2,282
Accountancy fees	-200	0	-200	325
Misc	-18	0	-18	216
Donations	-14,550	0	-14,550	2,710
Total Payments	-17,432	0	-17,432	5,533
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	-587	0	-587	6,831
Bank balance at beginning of year	23,970	0	23,970	17,139
Bank balance at end of year	23,383	0	23,383	23,970

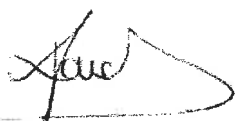
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £		2024 £	2024 £
Current Assets						
Bank Balances						
Current Accounts		23,383			23,970	
Liabilities						
			0			0
Charity Funds						
Restricted funds		0				
Unrestricted funds		23,383			23,970	
Total funds		23,383			23,970	

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 30.3.26

