

Knitted Knockers UK

Annual Report and Accounts for the
year ended
31 December 2025

Charity Number:
1161125



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Charity Details

Charity Name: Knitted Knockers UK

Also known as: KKUK

Registered Charity Number: 1161125

Address: 25 Aylesbury Drive
Sunderland
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Current Trustees:	Mrs. Deborah Wright	Chair
	Mrs. Sandra Ground	
	Mrs. Pamela Blythe	Secretary
	Mrs. Gillian George	

Trustees Annual Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report for the year ended 31 December 2025

Structure, governance and management

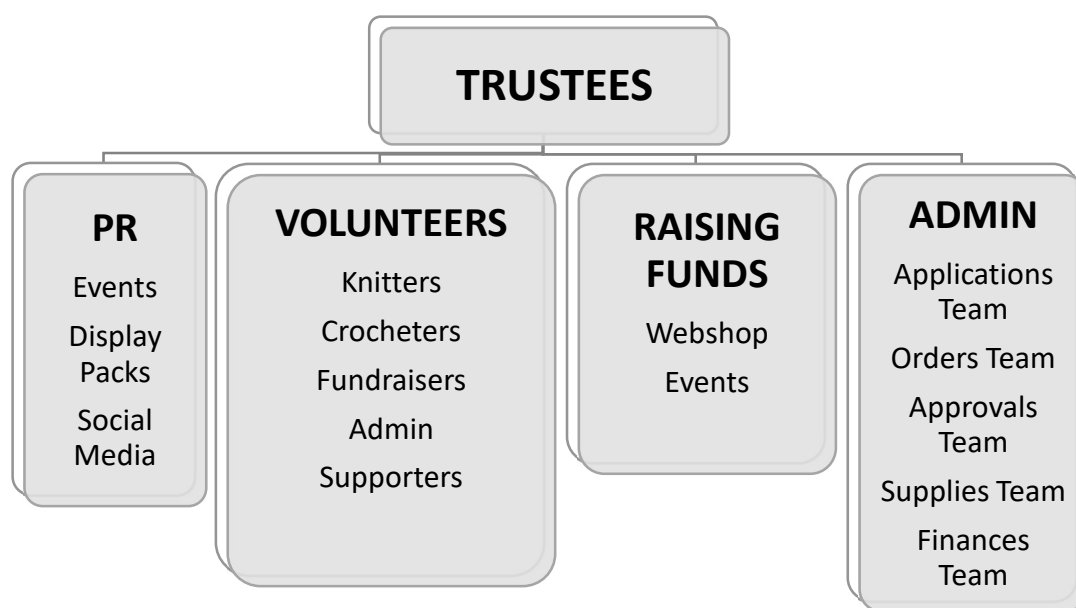
The charity is a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation which is governed by a constitution dated 10 January 2015, updated December 2016, October 2019 and September 2023.

The charity is governed by its Trustees

New Trustees are invited and voted by majority.

The charity has no employees, with everyone acting in a voluntary capacity in all roles.

The charity's organisational structure is given below:



Objectives and activities

The objective of KKUK is to 'provide free of charge, a prosthesis to any woman who has undergone mastectomy or lumpectomy due to breast cancer'.

Summary of activities:

- **Provision of knitted and crochet prosthesis for recipients**
In order to do this, our teams of volunteers are involved in:
 - responding to general enquiries received via the website 'enquiry' forms
 - collating and filling orders from recipients for knitted prostheses
 - selection, approval & mentoring new volunteers and ensuring the required product standard is met & maintained
- **Provision of display packs of knitted and crochet prostheses to healthcare and other services aimed at women who have undergone mastectomies or lumpectomies**
 - completing display pack requests for organisations requesting display packs
 - Liaising with these organisations, and offering speakers to talk to health professionals, staff and potential recipients
- **Raising Awareness of Knitted Knockers UK and the service we provide**
In order to do this, our teams of volunteers are involved in:
 - advertising and promoting KKUK CIO through website, direct contact with healthcare organisations, support groups, retail outlets & bespoke lingerie stores
 - profile raising through social media & mainstream media
- **Organisational admin and management**
In common with all charitable organisations behind the scenes a huge volume of other work goes on, to keep the organisation running and develop it to meet the needs of beneficiaries now and in the future
 - ordering and purchasing yarn and other items to make the prostheses
 - developing and building on the Charity's identity – developing 'house style' for flyers and promotional material
 - engaging with volunteers with skills or knowledge not held by Trustees or Board members for the advancement of the charity

The charity is reliant on the hard work and effort of our volunteers: without whom the charity would not exist. The charity continues to rely primarily on the work of our approved volunteers to:

- knit & crochet
- fundraising
- raise awareness by attending events across the country

Whilst providing the prostheses is the key purpose of KKUK, a real depth of understanding and the spirit of community has developed amongst the volunteers.

Being spread all over the UK has made it difficult for every volunteer to meet up but efforts continue for 'pockets' of volunteers to meet.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant-making policy for the year.

Achievements and performance

The Trustees consider the following to be the key achievements during the year:

- maintaining volunteers numbers through periodic recruitment (95 approved knitting and crocheting volunteers)
- number of individual knockers made and delivered were 5033 in the year to 31 December 2025 (3810 9m period to 31 December 2024)
- total orders were 2846 (2843 9m period to 31 December 2024)
- display packs delivered to healthcare professionals were 60 in the year to 31 December 2025 (39 in 9m period to 31 December 2024)
- introduction of a new style filler for lumpectomies and a Lumpectomy Co-ordinator.
- publicity events in John Lewis stores, wool shows and talks at WI groups
- continued success of the online shop with limited edition minis and specially designed notecards being offered for sale
- celebration of our 10-year anniversary by issuing volunteers with pin badges and introducing anniversary items to the webshop
- 4 volunteers attended a royal reception at Buckingham Palace

Raising Funds for the Charity

When KKUK was established, it relied upon the donations and the generosity of its volunteer members to operate. We soon became aware that the unique design of our prosthesis made a talking point and as they could be made smaller, we started to make and sell mini knocker keyrings. They are 'made with love and filled with hope' by the knitters in the same way as the standard knockers.

These mini knocker keyrings are normally on display at events, and special editions are made for Christmas and Breast Cancer Awareness Month. They can be bought along with our specially designed notecards and Christmas decorations from our online shop at www.knittedknockersuk.com

Financial Review

Receipts for the year ended 31 December 2025 were £32,333 compared to £22,776 for the last financial period (9 months).

Voluntary donations increased from £18,133 for 9m period ended 31 December 2024 to £26,116 for the year ending 31 December 2025. Fundraising and Trading Activity Income was £4,981 for the year ending 31 December 2025.

The cost of our charitable activity was £18,654 for the year ending 31 December 2025 compared to £17,142 for the period ended 31 December 2024.

We finished the year with a surplus of £13,679 (£5,634 period ended 31 December 2024) and the charity's unrestricted funds carried forward to next year are £96,852 (£83,173 period ending 31 December 2024).

We rely predominantly on donations with a significant source of donations being recipients, family or friends who choose to donate in thanks for the prosthesis they have received. All prostheses are supplied free of charge to recipients.

The other source of donations comes via fundraising sites, which supporters use to collect donations as sponsorship for undertaking a challenge type event.

Fundraising is primarily from sales of mini knocker keyrings and cards via the online shop. The mini keyrings are replicas of the real prosthesis but knitted in 4ply with a tag bearing the charity's strap line and logo attached to a key fob. These are available at information events at a price of £3 with a post and packaging price added when purchased online. The cards are in a pack of 5 for £3 plus P&P.

Funds are used to purchase yarn and distribute it to volunteers to make the prosthesis, small/medium organza bags which are used to hold the knitted knockers and also mailing bags for posting knockers are sent to recipients. Volunteers purchase stuffing for the knockers and incur the costs of posting the knocker orders to the recipients. These costs are claimed back on a monthly basis via an expense claim form.

Reserves

The charity's unrestricted reserves at 31 December 2025 are £96,852 (31 December 2024: £83,173)

Currently the charity does not have an official policy regarding reserves, and in general only incurs expenditure when funds are available.

On 2 April 2024 a new website was introduced which includes a sophisticated back-end area where we can process our orders. It affords the trustees with a better oversight of the operations of the whole organisation.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity SORP 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 and of incoming resources and application of resources, including the receipts and payments of the charity for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 09.04.2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs Deborah Wright
Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 December 2025

I report on the financial statements of for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 10 to 14.

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 2022 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, 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 statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I 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.

Doug Maltman FMAAT
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Connected Voice Business Services
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Date: 09.04.2026

Receipts and Payments Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

		Y/E 31 December 2025		P/E 31 Dec 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations	4	26,116	26,116	18,133
Receipts from Funding & Trading Activities	5	4,981	4,981	3,997
Other income	12	1,236	1,236	647
Total Receipts		32,333	32,333	22,776
Payments				
Cost of Generating Funds (Fundraising & Trading to Raise Funds)	6	1,695	1,695	1,001
Cost of Charitable Activities	7	16,959	16,959	16,141
Total Payments		18,654	18,654	17,142
Net Receipts/(payments)		13,679	13,679	5,634
Transfers to/(from) Funds		-	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) for year		13,679	13,679	5,634
Opening Cash & Bank Balance		83,173	83,173	77,539
Closing Cash & Bank Balance		96,852	96,852	83,173

The Receipts and Payments Statement includes all gains and losses recognized in the financial period. All receipts and payments derive from fundraising and charitable activities.

At present the charity only holds unrestricted funds and therefore no restricted funds column is shown

The notes on pages 11-15 form part of these accounts.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

		At 31 December 2025		At 31 Dec 2024
		Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Note	£	£	£
Cash, Bank and Deposit Balances at start of year Movement in the Year		83,173	83,173	77,539
Surplus/(deficit) of Receipts over payments for the year		13,679	13,679	5,634
Cash, Bank and Deposit Balances at end of the year	12	96,852	96,852	83,539
Other Assets Estimated				
Gift Aid Recoverable	11	400	400	400
Total Other Assets Estimated		400	400	400
Liabilities	13			
Volunteer expenses for December 2025 for Post & Packing & materials to fill knockers.		386	386	459
Independent Examiners's Fee	9	126	126	204
Total Estimated Liabilities		512	512	663

As the Charity holds only unrestricted funds, no restricted column is shown.

The notes on pages 11-15 form part of these accounts

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

Signed

Dated 09.04.2026

Mrs. D Wright

Notes to the Accounts

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. Basis of Preparation

These accounts are prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis.

2. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted Funds are funds which can be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the charity's objectives.

Restricted Funds are funds which can only be used for specific purposes as specified by the donor or when funds have been raised for a specific purpose.

Currently the charity holds only unrestricted funds.

3. Debts and Guarantees

The charity has not given any guarantees where there is an outstanding liability at the date of this statement

The charity has no outstanding debts at the date of this statement which are secured on the assets of the charity.

4. Analysis of Donations Receipts

		Year to 31 December 2025		9m to 31 Dec 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
Corporate Donations		2,711	2,711	2,916
Voluntary Donations direct to Charity		12,281	12,281	6,663
Donations via Just Giving		7,235	7,235	5,152
Gift Aid via Just Giving		591	591	910
Donations via Charitable Giving		116	116	92
Donations via PayPal		3,182	3,182	2,400
Total Donations		26,116	26,116	18,133

5. Analysis of Fundraising & Trading Receipts

		Year to 31 December 2025		9m to 31 March 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
Sales of Mini Knocker Keyrings		3,553	3,553	3,103
Sales of Cards/Notelets		449	449	114
Sales of Christmas Decorations		99	99	405
Sales of Anniversary Items		496	496	-
Postage charges for online sales		282	282	325
Easy Fundraising		102	102	50
Total Fundraising & Trading receipts		4,981	4,981	3,997

6. Analysis of Cost of Raising Funds

		Year to 31 December 2025		9m to 31 Dec 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
Cost of Mini Keyrings		315	315	217
Cost of Cards		194	194	-
Cost of Anniversary items		297	297	
General online shop costs		267	267	292
SumUp Fees		19	19	
PayPal/Just Giving Fees		603	603	492
Total F/R Activities Costs		1,695	1,695	1,001

7. Analysis of Cost of Charitable Activity

		Year to 31 December 2025		9m to 31 Dec 2024
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
Cost of Knitted Knockers				
Cost of Yarn		2,448	2,448	2,662
Cost of Filling for Knockers		981	981	1,066
Postage & Packaging Knockers		8,096	8,096	7,005
Cost of Display Packs		204	204	199
Cost of Helpful Hearts				
Materials		49	49	-
Postage		167	167	158
Other Postage		614	614	534
Promotional materials		355	355	235
Events		798	798	52
Phone		123	123	105
Insurance		425	425	425
Website, software & IT		1,018	1,018	3,364
Accounting & Independent Examiner		510	510	279
Printing		62	62	-
Misc.		1,060	1,060	-
Bank Charge		49	49	57
Total F/R Activities Costs		16,959	16,959	16,141

8. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

No remuneration was paid to any trustee or related party. Trustees are reimbursed for expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity.

9. Fees for examination of the accounts

	YE 31/12/2025 £	PE 31/12/2024 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	126	144
Total	126	144

10. Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

11. Assets (receivable within 1 year)

	31/12/2025	31/12/2024
	£	£
Gift Aid receivable	400	400
Total	400	400

12. Cash at bank and in hand

	31/12/2025	31/12/2024
	£	£
Current Account	18,769	12,319
Paypal Account	200	271
Deposit Account	77,883	70,647
Cash in hand	-	-
Total	96,852	83,173

Interest of £1,236 was received in the Deposit Account and is included in Other Income.

13. Liabilities (payable within 1 year)

	31/12/2025	31/12/2024
	£	£
Volunteer expenses	386	459
Accruals		
Independent Examination of accounts	126	204
Total	512	663

14. Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised, which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

15. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds As at 31 December 2025

Unrestricted Funds	Fund Balances Brought forward £	Incoming Resource £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Fund Balances Carried Forward £
General Unrestricted Fund	83,173	32,333	(18,654)	-	96,852
Totals	83,173	32,223	(18,654)	-	96,852

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds As at 31 December 2024

Unrestricted Funds	Fund Balances Brought forward £	Incoming Resource £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Fund Balances Carried Forward £
General Unrestricted Fund	77,539	22,776	(17,142)	-	83,173
Totals	77,539	22,776	(17,142)	-	83,173

Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted funds: Free reserves of the charity