

**THE ROBIN CENTRE**  
**(Charitable incorporated organisation)**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

***Registered Charity No 1161844***

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Charity registration:** The Charity was registered on 27 May 2015 as a charitable incorporated organisation.

**Charity number:** 1161844

**Governing body:** The Board of Trustees

**Principal office:** 2 Vicarage Road  
Kings Heath  
Birmingham  
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**Independent examiner:** Malcolm H J Willcox, FCCA  
Messrs Malcolm Willcox & Co  
*Chartered Certified Accountants*  
Hagley House  
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The trustees submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

### **Review of the year**

The main event for the Robin Centre this year was moving into our brand new premises across the courtyard from our old home. The construction of the new build, funded by the Government's Youth Investment Fund to the tune of over £3 million, was primarily to support our sister charity, the All Saints Youth Project. Part of the concept was that the Robin Centre's old premises should be remodelled for the benefit of youth work and wider community purposes.

The building work progressed rapidly but nevertheless took up most of 2024. It caused some disruption to our routine, mainly that members had to arrive from the Village Square where special arrangements were in force to allow our bus, taxis and members' families' own cars to cross the normally pedestrianized area. With good support from our landlord's team this passed off successfully, and disturbance from the building work itself, though much of it took place just outside the Centre, was minimal.

In January 2025 we moved into the new building. It is light, airy, with a larger and more conveniently shaped lounge and dining area, and a much better kitchen area with more facilities. There is a larger office and a small private room for interviews, staff breaks and the like. We now also have air conditioning as well as heating. Members, staff and volunteers have all been delighted with our new space.

Providing a stimulating and varied day for our members remains at the core of what we aim to achieve. In addition to the regular pattern of exercises, games, quizzes, craft work and the marking of special occasions throughout the year, we were pleased in September to take everyone out in two groups to Stratford on Avon for the day. We have also been out for lunch in a local pub. Meanwhile, our regular hot lunch service is a highlight of the day for members.

Membership numbers continued at a reasonable level though financially we recorded a small overall deficit. This would have been worse had we received all the taxi invoices which we should have. In June 2025, after the end of the reporting period, we addressed this situation with increases in our charges and the continuing inflationary pressures mean that this, regrettably, remains unfinished business.

An important element of our work is supporting the training of local students wishing to gain qualifications in health and social care. Since March 2024 we have provided work experience to twenty or so students from three local colleges to help them complete their NVQ levels 2 and 3 in this sector.

As always, the Trustees would like to thank Paula McGrath, our manager, Sally Edwards, her deputy and our dedicated team of staff and volunteers for all their hard work in making the Robin Centre such a welcoming and well loved place. We are proud of all that they have achieved for our members.

Overall 2025/25 remains a landmark year in the history of the Robin Centre when we finally moved into the tailor-made accommodation which was always intended for us. We are delighted with the outcome and, more importantly, so are our members and their carers.

### **Incorporation and status**

The Charity was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as a charitable incorporated organisation on 27 May 2015, and as such has no share capital.

### **Principal activity**

The Charity was formed to take over the older people's activities previously run by the All Saints Centre.

The objects of the Charity as set out in its constitution are:

The relief of elderly people, in particular those suffering from dementia, living in and around Birmingham, Solihull and Bromsgrove by the provision of facilities for the care, education, recreation, physical and mental well-being of such persons and their carers.

To advance such charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit from time to time.

#### **Public benefit**

In the opinion of the trustees, the Charity provides a public benefit, as described in the Charities Act 2011, by providing services with the aim of improving the health of elderly people.

#### **Financial result**

This is shown in the statement of financial activities on page 6.

#### **Reserves policy and going concern**

The trustees are confident that there are adequate financial resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

It is intended to build up reserves to cover a maximum of six months expenditure.

#### **Plans for the future**

The trustees plan to increase the operating capacity of the Charity when demand and financial resources permit.

#### **Governance and management**

The Charity is governed by a board of trustees who are all unpaid volunteers.

The trustees who served during the year were:

David Robert Ritchie (Chair)  
Kim Lilian Hancock  
Jennifer Susan Illingsworth (appointed on 11 February 2025)  
Kathleen Anne Isaac  
June Mary McDonaldson  
Anthony John Price  
Wendy Ross (resigned May 2024)  
Desmond John Workman

New members receive induction training to: brief them on their obligations under charity law; and to inform them of the content of the constitution and general working practices of the Charity.

#### **Related parties**

Any contractual or other relationship with a third party providing goods and services to the Charity, must be disclosed to the board. In the current year no such related party transactions were reported.

#### **Risk management**

The trustees are aware of the major risks to the Charity, which include:

- Dependence upon local authority funding.
- Retention of senior staff.



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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

**Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts**

The trustees are obliged under charity law to prepare accounts in accordance with applicable UK law and Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

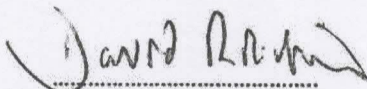
The trustees are satisfied that these accounts give a true and fair view of the organisation's affairs at 31 March 2025, and of its result for the year then ended.

The trustees are satisfied that adequate accounting records have been maintained in order to safeguard the assets of the Charity and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

**Independent examiner**

Malcolm H J Willcox, FCCA of Malcolm Willcox & Co, Chartered Certified Accountants, has signified his willingness to continue in office and a resolution for his re-appointment will be proposed at the next meeting of trustees.

*Approved by the trustees and  
signed on their behalf by*



**DAVID R RITCHIE**  
Chair of Trustees

13 December 2025

## REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ROBIN CENTRE (charitable incorporated organisation)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

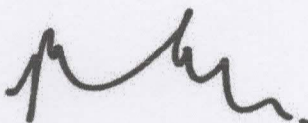
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do 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 no concerns and 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.



**MALCOLM H J WILLCOX FCCA**

Malcolm Willcox & Co

*Chartered Certified Accountants and Statutory Auditors*  
Birmingham

15 December 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Income</b>			
Grants & donations:			
Specific donation from <i>ShareGift</i>		-	10,000
General donations		596	1,338
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		596	11,338
Charitable activities – fees, lunches and transport		256,626	237,926
Investment		655	420
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		257,877	249,684
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Charitable activities	( 3 )	(268,631)	(215,094)
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<b>Net expenditure/income</b>		( 10,754)	34,590
<b>Valuation loss/gain</b>		( 299)	1,986
<b>Fund brought forward</b>			
Accumulated fund		121,195	84,619
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<b>Total fund carried forward</b>		110,142	121,195
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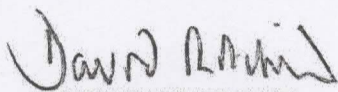
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BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

		2025	2024
	Notes	£	£
<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>	( 4 )	210	419
<b>Investment</b>	( 5 )	17,920	18,219
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	( 6 )	24,955	28,456
Cash at bank:			
Current account		41,194	46,071
Deposit account		63,344	62,689
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<b>Total current assets</b>		129,493	137,216
<b>Creditors – amounts falling due within one year</b>	( 7 )	( 37,481 )	( 34,659 )
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<b>Net current assets</b>		92,012	102,557
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		110,142	121,195
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 <b>Accumulated unrestricted fund</b>		 110,142	 121,195
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These statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and are subject to an independent examination.

*Approved and signed on behalf of the Charity  
on 13 December 2025*



**DAVID R RITCHIE**  
Chair of Trustees



1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the accounts are as follows:

**Basis of preparation**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: *Statement of Recommended Practice* (SORP) and the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102), effective 1 January 2019; also known as Charities SORP (FRS102).

The Robin Centre meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

**Going concern**

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis, as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist, and they have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to finance its operation in the foreseeable future.

**Income recognition**

Incoming resources are accounted for when receivable, except for investment income that is accounted for on a receipts basis.

**Charitable expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, when this can be measured reliably.

**Fund accounting**

The Charity's only fund is unrestricted, which means it is available to spend on its activities.

**Taxation**

The Charity is not liable to UK corporation tax because of its charitable status.

**Depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives at the following annual rate:

Furniture and equipment	-	20% straight-line
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2 LEGAL STATUS

The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation and has no share capital. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the trustees have no personal liability.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - continued  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>3 CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Operating costs:</b>		
Staff costs (Note 8)	154,793	117,014
Lunches and transport	64,577	48,641
Activities	12,708	10,928
Rent, rates and service charges	21,195	20,172
General office expenses	3,244	7,700
Insurances	2,557	2,438
Lighting and heating	3,125	3,459
Depreciation	209	263
Sundries	2,766	2,892
Repairs and renewals	279	344
Training	2,098	163
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	267,551	214,014
<b>Governance costs:</b>		
Statutory examination fee	660	660
Accounting	420	420
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	268,631	215,094
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<b>4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS – Office Equipment</b>		
<b>Cost:</b>		
At 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2025	14,120	14,120
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<b>Depreciation:</b>		
Brought forward	13,701	13,438
Charge for the year	209	263
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At 31 March 2025	13,910	13,701
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<b>Net book values:</b>		
At 31 March 2025	210	419
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - continued  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		2025 £	2024 £
5	INVESTMENT		
	The CBF Church of England Investment Fund - <b>294.40 Accumulation Shares</b>		
	At valuation brought forward	18,219	16,233
	Loss/gain on revaluation	( 299)	1,986
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	Value at 31 March 2025	17,920	18,219
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	Cost	12,500	12,500
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6	DEBTORS		
	<i>Amounts falling due within one year:</i>		
	Fees receivable	24,399	26,150
	Prepayments	556	2,306
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		24,955	28,456
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7	CREDITORS		
	<i>Amounts falling due within one year:</i>		
	Operating creditors	36,709	32,205
	Amount owing to – All Saints Community Development Company	772	2,454
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		37,481	34,659
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8	STAFF COSTS		
	Wages and salaries, including temporary staff	145,869	111,773
	Social security costs	6,102	3,105
	Pension contributions	2,822	2,136
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		154,793	117,014
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	There were no employees whose emoluments Exceeded £60,000 in either year.		
		Number	Number
	Average weekly number of employees during the year	7	6
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	Volunteers	2	2
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