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Executive Summary

University Hospitals Birmingham Charity ("the Charity" or "UHB Charity") exists to support the patients and staff of University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust ("UHBFT"), by funding equipment, facilities, research and patient support that are over and above what can be provided by the NHS.

UHBFT operates four of the largest hospitals in the Birmingham area - the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham ("QEHB"), Heartlands Hospital, Good Hope Hospital and Solihull Hospital as well as Birmingham Chest Clinic, Solihull Community Services and Umbrella Sexual Health Services.

Together, the hospitals and the Charity care for nearly three million patients a year. Patients are referred to the hospitals' many centres of excellence from across the UK. We also support the 25,000 staff who work throughout our hospitals.

Our patients and staff are at the heart of everything we do. Since 2010 the Charity has spent over £75 million funding projects to save and improve the lives of our patients and staff. Every day our work makes a real and lasting difference to those visiting and working in our hospitals.

At UHB Charity we support everyone from tiny babies who arrive too soon, brave children undergoing lifesaving treatment, cancer and transplant patients, injured military heroes and older patients suffering with dementia. We even work with our four-legged friends, with our Pets in Hospital scheme bringing dogs to visit patients on wards for a cuddle.

Whilst the Charity's official name reflects the NHS Foundation Trust it is based at, it is known to the public mainly by its four individual hospital brands – QEHB Charity, Heartlands Hospital Charity, Good Hope Hospital Charity and Solihull Hospital Charity.

This is because the public mainly identify with the names of our hospitals rather than the overall NHS Foundation Trust name.

The Charity engages with patients, families, donors and supporters across Birmingham and the wider West Midlands, and Trustees want to see an increase in total grants made and total fundraising income.

The Charity funds cutting edge medical equipment such as CyberKnife and Tomotherapy that provide world class care for radiotherapy patients at QEHB, and perfusion devices are increasing the numbers of organs suitable for transplant. Charity funded research is discovering ways to repurpose existing drugs to treat cancer patients and improve surgical outcomes.

Facilities not normally seen at NHS hospitals but funded by the Charity include Fisher House, the "home away from home" for military patients and their families, which continues to be a safe haven for the families of our injured and ill heroes so they can be close to each other whilst in hospital.

The Charity also provides similar "home away from home" services for our civilian NHS patients, based at QEHB and Heartlands Hospital. These include Karen's Home from Home which is kindly supported by the Karen Morris Memorial Trust, Millie's Home from Home which is kindly supported by Millie's Watch Charitable Trust and Stine's Home from Home which is kindly supported by The Giles' Trust.

Our Heartlands Hospital Home from Home is used by parents of babies on the neonatal unit after they entered the world a little early and need some extra care by our specialist teams.

During the year under review we saw our £4m Edmonds Transplant Centre open to patients and we are very grateful to HRH The Duchess of Gloucester for carrying out the official opening in May 2025.

We continue to work with a number of local charities, including Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer, The Get A Head Charitable Trust, Help Harry Help Others, Friends of Queen Elizabeth Medical Centre, Friends of Solihull Hospital and Breast Friends Solihull. In partnership with these organisations, we have continued to support ground breaking medical research, provide cutting edge medical equipment, and improve patient experiences across the hospitals.

We are especially grateful to SSAFA and The Royal British Legion for their support of military patients and their families through their ongoing support of £50,000 each per year towards the Fisher House running costs.

This is just a snapshot of the progress the Charity has made during the last year, including being a major provider of research grants in the region and funding services and equipment that are over and above that which the NHS provides.

The report that follows provides full information on the Charity's history and background, its structure and governance, its plans for the future, and detailed reports on its revenues and expenditure. The Charity is always proud to have supported our amazing hospitals this year and we look forward to hitting new highs in excellent patient care.

Chair's Statement

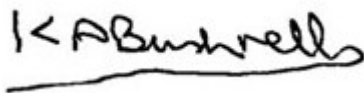
I am delighted to be contributing to my first Chair's statement as the Chair of Trustees for University Hospitals Birmingham Charity, having joined the Board of Trustees in the year under review.

I am looking forward to building on the exceptional work carried out by David Mackay, the Chair of Trustees for the previous eight years, and visiting and seeing so many of our projects across our hospitals.

I would like to thank David for his unstinting work and dedication and am very grateful that he will continue to serve as a Trustee into 2026.

I would also like to thank my fellow Trustees for welcoming me to the Board, and in particular I would like to thank everyone that has supported the Charity through fundraising, donating or taking part in our events over the year.

However, I feel that I should now hand over the remainder of this year's Chair's statement for the final time to David Mackay, to reflect on the Charity's activities this year.



Keith Bushnell
Chair of Trustees

It is with mixed emotions that I write my final Chair's statement. It has been a privilege to have served eight years as the Chair of Trustees for University Hospitals Birmingham Charity and I am so proud to have overseen the growth in the Charity over that time, supporting patients, families and staff across our hospitals and I am sad to be stepping down from the post of Chair.

However, I am overjoyed that Keith Bushnell has joined the Charity this year and is taking over as the Chair of Trustees. He brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role and to the Charity, and I look forward to working with him as he continues to drive the Charity to improve outcomes for patients and their families.

One of the best parts of being the Chair of Trustees is the ability to visit and see so many of our projects and speak to patients and their families who have told their stories of how the Charity has been able to help them at their time of need, a number of whose stories are told later in this report.

None of that could have been done without the kind and generous support of our donors and fundraisers. Over the past year our fundraising income exceeded £6 million, over 21% up from the previous year even during a time of high inflation and increased costs of living.

Whether you have taken part in one of our events, made a donation, volunteered or joined our weekly lottery, we want to say a huge thank you for helping us reach our total. In whatever way you have chosen to support us, we are very grateful. It means we can continue to change and save lives.

In the year ahead, some of our projects should come to completion and new projects will be launched, all in order to make the patient experience the best it can possibly be.

The Edmonds Transplant Centre has been a project that has taken a long time to come to fruition, but I was elated to see the doors of this new £4 million facility open to patients in early 2025 and it was with much gratitude that we welcomed HRH The Duchess of Gloucester to formally open the Centre in May 2025.

I would once again like to formally mark my thanks to A Edmonds & Co, whose large donation provided the cornerstone of our fundraising, and whose managing director David Edmonds, spoke so generously at the opening about the reasons for the company's support of our transplant patients.

I was also very pleased to see the response from the local communities to our first Iftar dinner in March when over 300 people joined us to break their daily fast during Ramadan. It was a wonderful opportunity to bring people together and celebrate the cultures and diversity within the Midlands.

Our Homes from Home, which include Fisher House for military patients and their families, and a number of properties for civilians patients and families, continue to provide accommodation for families to stay close to their loved ones in hospital, and 2024/25 was our busiest year ever in terms of total numbers of people staying at our Homes from Home.

I would particularly like to thank the Provincial Grand Lodge of Warwickshire, who will be celebrating their 300th anniversary in 2028. To mark this occasion, they have adopted Fisher House as the charity beneficiary for their tercentenary appeal.

The Freemasons have been an incredibly kind and generous organisation to the Charity over the years, and this appeal will really help us raise the profile of Fisher House across the country.

All the money we raise is to make progress towards one goal – supporting patients, families and staff at UHBFT. As you will see in this report, this is done by purchasing cutting edge medical equipment normally only available abroad or in private practice, providing facilities not normally seen in NHS hospitals (such as Fisher House), funding world class research at the hospitals and universities across the region, or simply by making a patient's stay in hospital just that little bit more comfortable.

Through your kind and generous support, we can continue to make a difference to the hospitals' patients and families, not by replacing government funding, but by adding to that level of care provided in other NHS hospitals and helping make our hospitals world class facilities.

It is important that we can get that message out to the wider public, and our job is made so much easier because of the tremendous support we get from local, regional and national media outlets.

Particular thanks must go to BBC Midlands Today, BBC Radio WM, Heart FM, Free Radio, ITV Central News, West Midlands News, Birmingham Live and British Forces Broadcasting who all continue to be very supportive in showcasing news stories about the Charity and its support of patients.

The Trustees are grateful to UHBFT who provide finance administration to the Charity through a Service Level Agreement. In particular, I would like to thank Jonathan Brotherton (Chief Executive of UHBFT) and his management team for their valuable support of the Charity, ensuring that we have good links throughout the hospitals and helping us to identify ways we can benefit patients.

I would also like to acknowledge the valuable support of our volunteers, both those in the hospitals and the numerous volunteers carrying out their own fundraising events across the country. As Chair of the Board I would like to express my gratitude to my fellow Trustees and I know we all are very proud to witness the dedication of our own Charity staff and the pride they take in their work.

I hope you will enjoy reading this report and hearing a little more about the projects we have already funded and the stories behind some of our fundraising successes.

Please do let us know what you think of the report, either by emailing me or Keith at charities@uhb.nhs.uk or writing to us at University Hospitals Birmingham Charity, Fisher House, Mindelsohn Way, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, B15 2GN. You can see more about the hospital charity via our website, www.hospitalcharity.org.

Thank you all for your support.



David Mackay
Chair of Trustees

An Overview

Charitable purpose and public benefit

University Hospitals Birmingham Charity, company number 10004003, registered charity number 1165716, is the official charity of University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust.

The Charity exists for the benefit of patients and staff at UHBFT and provides funding for support that is over and above that provided by core NHS funding.

The Charity operates predominantly across four hospitals – QEHB, Heartlands Hospital, Good Hope Hospital and Solihull Hospital but also supports UHBFT patients wherever they are treated, including regional dialysis clinics, Birmingham Chest Clinic, Solihull Community Services and Umbrella Sexual Health Services.

The Charity's income comes from fundraising, donations, charitable grants, legacies and sponsorship. The Trustees oversee charitable expenditure to ensure that funding is for the clear benefit of patients, their families, UHBFT staff, and others using the hospitals.

Under the Charities Act 2011, charities are required to demonstrate that their aims are for the public benefit. The two key principles which must be met in this context are first, that there must be an identifiable benefit or benefits; and secondly, that the benefit must be to the public, or a section of the public.

Charity Trustees must ensure that they carry out their charity's aims for the public benefit, must have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance, and must report on public benefit in their Annual Report.

The Trustees regularly monitor and review the success of the Charity in meeting its key objectives of benefiting patients at UHBFT. The Trustees confirm, in the light of the guidance, that these aims fully meet the public benefit test and that all the activities of the charity are undertaken in pursuit of its aims.

A vital role of the Charity is its work in supporting and enhancing UHBFT's outstanding quality of clinical activity, and accordingly this report includes some general information about UHBFT.

Fundraising Regulator

The Charity subscribes to the voluntary fundraising regulation of the Fundraising Regulator and has paid the full amount of the voluntary levy to the Fundraising Regulator since its inception.

You can find out more about the Fundraising Regulator and the Code of Fundraising Practice at www.fundraisingregulator.org.uk

Information about UHBFT

UHBFT is one of the largest teaching hospital trusts in England, serving a regional, national and international population.

It includes Heartlands Hospital, the QEHB, Solihull Hospital and Community Services, Good Hope Hospital in Sutton Coldfield and Birmingham Chest Clinic. It also runs a number of smaller satellite units, allowing people to be treated as close to home as possible.

UHBFT sees and treats more than 2.5 million people every year across its sites and its hospitals deliver more than 11,000 babies a year, making it one of the largest maternity services in Europe.

UHBFT is a regional centre for cancer, trauma, renal dialysis, burns and plastics, HIV and AIDS, as well as respiratory conditions like cystic fibrosis. It also has expertise in premature baby care, bone marrow transplants and thoracic surgery and has the largest solid organ transplantation programme in Europe.

UHBFT provides a series of highly specialist cardiac, liver and neurosurgery services to patients from across the UK.

World-renowned for trauma care, UHBFT has developed pioneering surgical techniques in the management of ballistic and blast injuries, including bespoke surgical solutions for previously untreatable injuries.

As a result of its clinical expertise in treating trauma patients and military casualties, QEHB has been designated both a Level 1 Trauma Centre and the host of the UK's only National Institute for Health Research Surgical Reconstruction and Microbiology Research Centre.

UHBFT also hosts the Royal Centre for Defence Medicine at QEHB which is the UK's primary receiving unit for military patients and provides medical support for operational deployments and specialist care for armed forces members. There are over 500 serving military personnel from across the Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force working at the hospital.

The Wellcome Trust Clinical Research Facility is also hosted by UHBFT at QEHB. This development is a joint initiative between UHBFT and the University of Birmingham Medical School.

UHBFT partnered with the University of Birmingham and Birmingham Women's & Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to create Birmingham Health Partners, bringing together clinical, scientific and academic excellence across an integrated medical and life sciences campus. Birmingham Health Partners operates the Institute of Translational Medicine on the UHBFT campus. The Centre for Rare Diseases, supported by the Charity, is part of the Institute of Translational Medicine.

Our key performance indicators

The Trustees reviewed the Charity's business plan during the last twelve months, and developed a series of seven key performance indicators to clarify if the Charity is performing against its business plan.

These key performance indicators are assessed on a traffic light basis – green means the key performance indicator is being met, yellow means it is not met but plans are in place to rectify this and red means the key performance indicator is not being met and needs immediate action or constant monitoring.

These key performance indicators are discussed with, and reviewed by, our internal auditors.

Key Performance Indicators

KPI No.	Status	Aim	KPI	Action
1		To raise funds so the charity can support patients across UHBFT	Meet budgeted income target of £5,000,000	Achieved [£6,249,000].
2		To spend charitable funds to support patients across UHBFT	Meet budgeted expenditure target of £5,363,000	Achieved [£6,721,000] The additional spend was facilitated by the increased income to the Charity.
3		To maximise how much per £1 spent is spent on charitable activities	To strive to spend at least 75p per £1 spent on charitable activities which would be better than the charity sector average	Achieved. 79p of every £1 spent is spent on charitable activities.
4		To maximise the amount raised per £1 spent on fundraising costs	To strive to raise at least £4 per £1 spent on fundraising costs which would be better than the charity sector average	Achieved. Raised £4.48 per £1 spent on fundraising.
5		To raise awareness of the Charity across social media channels	Increase in followers on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube.	Achieved – numbers grew across all social media platforms.
6		To be an employer of choice	Monitor staff turnover rates with the aim to be lower than the charity sector average	Staff turnover 22% against charity sector average of 25%. [Turnover excludes staff whose fixed term contract expired]
7		To have a healthy and supportive working environment	Monitor staff absence rates with the aim to be lower than the charity sector average	Achieved. Staff absenteeism of 5 days per employee p.a. against charity sector average of 7.1 days per employee p.a. [This average would drop to 3.8 days per employee if excluding the member of staff who had a 31 day absence for surgery]

Plans for the future

The Charity met during the year with UHBFT on a regular basis and, based on these discussions, the Trustees have identified the following areas for support:

1. QEHB Cancer Appeal

QEHB treats hundreds of thousands of cancer patients each year, with a mixture of surgery, radiotherapy and chemotherapy.

UHBFT has asked for the Charity's support in improving both the treatment of cancer patients, and the holistic care and support that can be provided to patients and their families.

The Charity has identified a need to raise in excess of £4,500,000 to support UHBFT in this area by funding new PET-CT scanner facilities and launching a new cancer patient information and support service.

2. The Giles' Trust

QEHB is a national centre of excellence for the diagnosis, treatment of, and research into brain tumours.

The Charity is working with Professor Colin Watts and consultant oncologists Sara Meade and Helen Benghiat to fund cutting edge medical equipment for the diagnosis and treatment of brain tumours, and has funded a Clinical Research Nurse to increase the number of patients taking part in clinical research trials by recruiting appropriate patients and administering new treatments.

The Charity is delighted to be working with former England cricketer Ashley Giles and his wife Stine Giles in the area of brain tumour research, under the banner of The Giles' Trust.

3. Fisher House

Fisher House provides a "home away from home" for military patients and their families. Many of those military personnel served in Iraq and Afghanistan and continue to return to the hospital for more surgery, and personnel who are receiving treatment for illness – from cancer care to transplants.

Fisher House receives no funding from the NHS or the Ministry of Defence and relies on charitable donations.

The Charity needs to provide £300,000 each year to run Fisher House and the Friends of Fisher House scheme allows groups, companies and individuals to support Fisher House directly.

4. Homes from Home

University Hospitals Birmingham Charity's Homes From Home appeal provides patients and families with free accommodation near to our hospitals, helping to keep families together during difficult times in their lives.

Our Homes from Home appeal began with Fisher House, our military home from home, and has expanded into providing accommodation at QEHB and Heartlands Hospital for civilian patients who are being treated in one of our specialist units such as the bone marrow transplant unit at QEHB or the Neonatal unit at Heartlands Hospital.

For patients and their families, visiting the hospitals can be a stressful experience without the added pressure of trying to find somewhere to stay to be near a loved one. We provide these homes away from home to alleviate that stress, and make visiting the hospital, under what can be very difficult circumstances, as easy as possible.

We are proud to support patients and their families when they need it the most.

The Charity needs to provide £300,000 each year to run its Homes from Home and the appeal allows groups, companies and individuals to support our Homes from Home directly.

We need your support

We will be seeking the community's support in raising the funds required for the above major projects. If you would like to learn more about our ambitious plans for all sites, and how you can play a part, please contact the Charity at charities@uhb.nhs.uk

You can also visit our website at www.hospitalcharity.org

If you would like to know more about how we operate, both administratively and for fundraising, please contact Mike Hammond, the Chief Executive of the Charity, at mike.hammond@uhb.nhs.uk or on 0121 371 4852 or by writing to:

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What we fund

The Charity funds projects in four main areas – equipment, research, facilities, and staff & patient welfare. In this section of the report we give some more information together with some case studies as real life examples of what we fund.

Equipment

The Charity is proud to supplement the excellent quality of care on offer to the over two million patients who are treated across UHBFT each year. The Charity provides equipment that is ‘over and above’ core NHS funding. This can mean funding equipment that is on the cutting-edge of modern medicine and so not yet available on the NHS, or funding additional machines that will benefit patients by reducing waiting times.

In 2024/25, the Charity spent £1,144,000 on new equipment (2023/24: £413,000).

Some of the major items of equipment purchased are detailed below.

Designated Fund	Equipment
Neonatal	Concord birth trolley
Haematology & Oncology	Reclining chemotherapy chairs
Elderly Care	Accuvein handheld vein viewing system
Renal	Fresenius advanced haemodialysis system
Trauma	Transoesophageal echocardiogram
Critical care	Metabolic monitors
Paediatrics	Kitten scanner to support children having MRI scans
Spinal Neurosurgery	2 mobile C-Arms for 3D intraoperative imaging

Case study 1: Hospital Charity funds equipment to support premature babies

To mark World Prematurity Day, the Hospital Charity presented a Concord Birth Trolley to the neonatal intensive care unit at Heartlands Hospital.

This amazing piece of equipment keeps mum and baby attached allowing delayed cord clamping, which provides huge benefits to all babies, especially those born premature and helps save lives. This incredible piece of equipment can reduce the death rate in babies born under 28 weeks by a third!

When a premature baby is born, they often need help breathing immediately after birth and so the umbilical cord is clamped straight away so staff can help the baby. In doing so a baby is born with a third of their blood still outside their body (in the cord and the Placenta).

Delaying clamping of the umbilical cord for at least 60 seconds increases blood cells in the body by 60% which will provide babies with enough iron to get them through their first year, as well as antibodies, stem cells and white blood cells to help fight infection.

Heartlands Hospital and Good Hope Hospital treat 1,000 premature babies under 37 weeks every year. 100 of those are born under 32 weeks weighing less than 1,000 grams, and some can weigh as little as 400 grams, which is almost the same as a can of pop!

Neonatal Consultant at Heartlands Hospital, Pinki Surana, said, “In our specialist Neonatal Unit at Heartlands Hospital, we really wish to harness the beneficial effects of delayed cord clamping - especially for our preterm babies – as it can decrease death by a third, reducing the risk of brain bleeds and improving their iron stores which is linked to better mental abilities.

“Concord Birth Trolley will allow us to aid the breathing of our preterm babies whilst they are still attached to the cord, which is so important to improve their survival and long-term developmental prospects. It also allows for mum to be with her baby in those very first moments rather than being whisked away for various procedures; this is so crucial for their bonding, promotion of breast-feeding and developmental care.

“We can’t thank Heartlands Hospital Charity enough for raising funds for such a vital, life-saving piece of equipment.”

Case study 2: Hospital Charity launches mobile dental van at local primary school

World Oral Health Day in March 2025 saw the official launch of the hospital charity’s Mobile Dental Unit at Kingshurst Primary School – with the message ‘a happy mouth is a happy mind.’

The hospital charity has funded a new dental unit for the Solihull Hospital Community Dental Team.

The team visits primary schools around the Solihull borough to ensure children from all backgrounds have access to the best dental care possible.

Going to the dentist can often make us feel anxious and this can be due to the unnerving experience we have as children. The hospital charity wanted to change this and help children view the dentist differently, making it less daunting and significantly improving their oral hygiene.

The unit includes the best dental equipment and has been designed to suit the needs of children with learning difficulties, as well as being wheelchair friendly.

It is bright and colourful to make it feel less clinical and help children feel more comfortable when coming to their appointments.

The van also includes additional features and sensory equipment such as a ceiling projector which helps to distract children who may be feeling stressed or anxious about visiting the dentist.

These sensory items help calm the young patients and are particularly beneficial for children with more complex needs, such as children on the autistic spectrum.

Nicki Williams, Principal Dental Nurse for the Solihull Community Dental Team said, "We are extremely grateful to Solihull Hospital Charity for providing us with the fantastic new dental unit. It has enabled us to continue visiting children in the Solihull borough and ensure they receive the dental care they need.

"The additional features make a huge difference and help children feel less anxious and afraid about dental care and really encourages a positive relationship with the dentist from a young age."

For many children across Solihull, access to dental surgeries can often be difficult and for children with complex needs, access to treatment can be even harder.

This unit has made a massive difference to the local community, bringing dental advice, examinations and treatments to children in primary schools within the borough of Solihull, including the most deprived areas.

The dental van is currently situated at Kingshurst Primary School, where the dental nurses are seeing children on a regular basis, helping to improve the oral health of young people across the area and reducing their anxieties around dental health for the rest of their lives.

Acting Headteacher at Kingshurst Primary School, Shelley Mitchell said, "Having the dental van based at Kingshurst Primary School is a really useful and well utilised provision. It offers our families convenient and prompt access to dental health care.

"There is no need to take children out of school for lengthy appointments, children can be seen during the school day, avoiding missed learning time and leave of absence from work for parents.

"Our children enjoy visiting the dental van, it eliminates the fear and anxiety often associated with visiting the dentist as it is onsite. The dental team have become familiar faces in school, and this provides welcomed reassurance to both children and their families.

"We are really grateful to UHB Charity and the Trust for providing this service at Kingshurst and can see the positive impact it has for our children and families."

One of the parents said, "The dental nurses are so friendly and really good with my child. Taking her to a regular dentist, was more challenging and she's been a lot happier going to the Dental Van. She needed several appointments and is now confident to go on her own without me. I'd recommend the van to other parents and other schools."

Her daughter said, "The dental van is good. They have helped me with my teeth and how to look after them. The dentists are kind and I feel safe going there."

Research

An important part of the Charity's charitable grants programme is funding research at UHBFT and associated universities. The charity funds research into any field of medicine carried out at UHBFT and gives grants of a maximum of £70,000 each that can be used over two years. The intention of these pump priming research grants is often to help clinicians develop their research sufficiently to then apply for larger national grants but with an emphasis on delivering patient benefits in the short to medium term, rather than blue sky medical research.

Research is the first step in medicine moving forward and we are proud to be part of the fight against life limiting and ending illnesses.

The Charity did not run an open research grants round in 2024/25 and so during the year the Charity awarded £300 in new research grants [2023/24 £1,073,000].

Facilities

As well as funding equipment and research, the Charity sometimes funds improvements to buildings or completely new facilities. In 2024/25, the Charity spent £2,200,000 in this category [2023/24 £1,935,000].

The Charity's Homes from Home appeal helps to provide patients and families with free accommodation near to our hospitals, helping to keep families together during difficult times in their lives. Our Homes from Home appeal began with Fisher House, and is now provided at QEHB and Heartlands Hospital for the families of premature babies, children with cancer, brain tumour patients and leukaemia patients amongst others.

Case Study 1: Military patients and their families travel to Fisher House not only from across the UK but from across the world. Here is the story of Tracy & Charlie who were based in Cyprus when they came to Fisher House

Tracy served in the army for six years and her husband Charlie has spent 11 years in the Royal Signals.

They currently live in Cyprus where Tracy is a civil servant and were halfway through a three year posting when on a walk with their dogs Charlie experienced a cardiac episode completely out of the blue.

The military hospital in Cyprus carried out tests on Charlie and diagnosed an irregular heartbeat. After a second episode further investigations showed a blockage in an artery serving his heart and he was told he needed surgery.

A decision was made to fly him back to the UK to undergo an operation at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham. He was escorted on the flight by a cardiologist and two nurses.

Tracy continues the story:

"Charlie and I had been in Cyprus for 14 months, however, our grown up daughter lives in the family home in Harrogate. When I realised the seriousness of Charlie's condition I didn't know who to phone, there was no one to call to come and be with me, I have never felt so alone.

"Charlie and I have been married for 40 years; we've been together since I was 19 and he was 23. He really is my rock but now the man who was once so strong and independent showed a vulnerability and fear I had never seen before.

"It all came as such as shock, Charlie is physically fit, a non smoker but his cholesterol is high.

"In amongst the urgency of getting ready to travel I desperately tried to work out where I would stay whilst Charlie was in the hospital. I was currently in Cyprus, my support network was in Harrogate and Charlie would be in Birmingham which is very much where I wanted to be.

"I wasn't used to doing things on my own and it was certainly new territory to try and navigate. However, Ben from the Defence Medicine Welfare Services team in the UK got in touch and from that moment on I felt so supported.

"I was told I would be able to stay in Fisher House, a home away from home on the hospital site for as long as I needed at no cost.

"Walking through the door at Fisher House felt like one big hug.

"It is a beautiful house and a much needed base for me whilst I am waiting for Charlie's surgery to be arranged. Because of the seriousness of his situation he would remain on the ward until his heart bypass surgery date was fixed.

"Our daughter wanted to come and visit from Harrogate and we laughed about how we would cope sharing a room – she is 30 after all – but no, she was given a room next to mine and it has been so lovely to have her stay.

"When she goes back home to work I won't feel isolated though. There is warmth about Fisher House which is difficult to describe. There are people to chat to over breakfast and the staff are amazing. Everyone is so kind.

"I will be here until Charlie is discharged and able to travel to Harrogate where we will be with family and friends until he is fit to fly back to Cyprus."

"I entered Fisher House tired and stressed and not only felt warmth as soon as I walked through the door but it has been a place of recovery from the stress of the past few weeks.

"I spoke to my boss on the phone the other day and he said that he could hear in my voice how much better I was – being in this environment helps.

"As soon as we are back in Cyprus, Charlie and I are going to get back to our love of walking; we will set ourselves a walking challenge in which we can raise funds to support Fisher House."

"I cannot put into words how beneficial being here has been for me. You can really see how it allows families to be as complete as they possibly can be."

Case Study 2: Edmonds Transplant Centre opens its doors to transplant patients from across the UK

After a long fundraising campaign, the brand-new Edmonds Transplant Centre at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham opened its doors to patients in 2025.

The £4.2 million centre will allow patients to begin their treatment in the new facility which is making a huge difference to transplant patients and their families and the staff treating them.

Before it opened, patients had to have their appointments in multiple areas across the hospital with many return appointments during their transplant journey.

The new centre is a "one-stop-shop," providing everything patients need pre- and post-op, all in one place. This greatly improves treatment and recovery, making the organ transplant process less stressful for patients and helping them feel less anxious throughout their journey.

The new centre gives them a sense of familiarity as they come to the same part of the hospital for each appointment. It also allows the staff to really get to know the patients and their families and provide the care and support needed throughout the transplant process.

The Edmonds Transplant Centre Birmingham provides patients with:

- ▶ Pre-transplant consultations
- ▶ Additional fitness classes before surgery
- ▶ Patient support groups
- ▶ Rehabilitation classes after surgery

Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham is the most active transplant centre in Europe, with world-leading surgeons and cutting-edge equipment. The hospital carries out all the major organ transplants – heart, lung, liver and kidney.

This new centre is enabling the hospital to continue providing exceptional care to our transplant patients on their life-changing journey.

Clinical Care Consultant, Nick Murphy, who is behind the idea of the centre, explained how the new centre will streamline patient journeys, saying, "Patients can come in and see their physician, the surgeon, the transplant coordinators, their psychologist and their dietician all on the same day, and in one location. This will take away a huge amount of stress for patients and therefore speed up their recovery time."

We'd like to say a huge thank you to A. Edmonds & Co. Ltd. and the Garfield Western Foundation, Denise Coates Foundation and Queen Elizabeth Kidney Patients Association, plus many more fantastic donors and fundraisers who have supported us with the new Centre. Thanks to their help we have been able to transform the treatment and recovery journey of our transplant patients.

To mark its 150th anniversary, A Edmonds & Co Ltd became a major donor to help develop the Edmonds Transplant Centre Birmingham for patients going through life-saving treatment at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, contributing around £1 million to the appeal.

Managing Director, David Edmonds, said, “A Edmonds & Co Ltd. has been in Birmingham since 1870 and always supports local causes. It gives us great pleasure as a Birmingham employer to be able to provide funding for the local hospital thanks to the support of our staff and customers.”

University Hospitals Birmingham Charity Chief Executive, Mike Hammond said, “Having Edmonds Transplant Centre Birmingham at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) will make a massive difference for our patients locally and beyond.

“We are immensely proud of what we have achieved and thank our amazing supporters who helped us develop this state-of-the-art centre.”

For more information, please visit: TransplantCentre.org

Case Study 3 – Taking care of our littlest patients – Heartlands Home from Home

It can be a traumatic time for parents whose babies need urgent care because they are sick or born prematurely. Whether it's big or small it all makes a massive difference.

Having a place to stay within two minutes of the Neonatal Ward at Heartlands Hospital takes the stress away and means they can be with their loved ones all hours of the day.

It makes it easier for mums needing to breastfeed and parents doing skin to skin, which is so important for baby's development helping them get better quicker and bond with their mum and dad.

The house has all the comforts a family would need and allows siblings to stay as well keeping them together.

It means so much to the Charity to be able to fund this and offer parents free accommodation and parking so they can focus on their babies and not have to worry about commuting from all parts of the country.

The Charity also funds Prematurity Packs and Beads of Courage, some of the smaller things that we fund, that can have a big impact.

Our Prematurity Packs are designed to help parents with some of the necessities they may not have with them if their baby is born early, like muslins and tiny sized onesies.

Beads of Courage are collectable beads that parents are given while their baby is in hospital. Each bead represents something different and is designed to celebrate a milestone in the baby's care as a reminder to parents of the positive moments and progress their little one has made.

Sarah Moxon, Neonatal Matron, said, “Having a baby treated on the Neonatal Unit can be a scary time for parents and families.

“The items that the Charity provides, like the Beads of Courage, the home away from home, which gives parents a place to stay for free while their baby is in on the unit, and the Neonatal Family Support Worker positions, really help us to look after the families on our ward.

“All of this helps us to ensure that parents are confident in caring for their baby, giving them the support they need when trying to understand what is going on and offer them reassurance.”

Training, education and staff & patient support and welfare

The fourth area of grant making is in the area of training, education and staff & patient support and welfare though it is important to note is that the Charity does not fund statutory training which is training that the NHS should provide to all staff.

The Charity funds courses and conference fees for staff to attend events that will bring knowledge back into the hospitals for the benefit of patients.

The Charity has also funded a range of patient information films on subjects as wide ranging as cardiac rehabilitation exercise, breast reconstruction information and paediatric radiotherapy.

In addition, the Charity funds a number of patient welfare initiatives, from pizza night on the Teenage Cancer Trust Young Persons Unit, Pets in Hospital visits, to memory lane cafes and activities for elderly patients.

Over the past year, the Charity has provided additional support for projects to support staff with their mental health including mindfulness and psychological support and wellbeing officers for Junior Doctors.

This was possible thanks to the generous support of donors and fundraisers who raised money specifically to support staff across our hospital sites.

In 2024/25, the Charity spent £1,482,000 in this category. (2023/24 £963,000).

Case Study One: The difference the hospital charity makes to cancer patients

This year we spoke to Chloe, a cancer patient who has been supported by the hospital charity through her stays in hospital and at our Homes from Home.

Here is her story:

“Am I strong enough to go through this again? This is what I asked myself when I was diagnosed with cancer for the second time.

“My name is Chloe, and I was first diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia when I was 12 years old. Treatment was really tough, but I got through it.

“I was three years into remission, when I spotted tiny red marks on my skin. When I went to the doctors to get the marks checked out, tests confirmed the worst: it had come back.

“My heart sank when the doctor said those words and my family and I had to go through it all over again. I was 17 and halfway through my A-Levels when I spent ten weeks on the

Teenage Cancer Trust Young Person's Unit at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham.

"Luckily, due to my age, my mum was allowed to stay with me on the ward. I don't know what I would have done without her. As it was lockdown, I wasn't allowed to leave the hospital, so I couldn't see the rest of my family or friends, I missed them so much.

"However, when I walked onto the ward it was not what I was expecting. My bedroom was decorated with really cool wall art and didn't look like a hospital room at all.

"Everyone else on the ward was a similar age to me. We got to play games, have pizza nights and had cooked breakfasts on Fridays, which really cheered me up after days of treatment.

"I then had to have chemotherapy five days a week which made me feel really sick. As I don't live in Birmingham, it would have taken me four hours a day to travel back and forth.

"That's when QE Hospital Birmingham Charity stepped in and gave us free accommodation and parking just a 5-minute walk from the hospital! It made a huge difference and meant my dad could also stay, giving both mum and I that extra support.

"The care I received at the QE was amazing and the staff really got me through what was the toughest time of my life. I am now 12 months in remission and so grateful to the hospital and the Charity for everything they have done for me and my family.

"QE Hospital Birmingham Charity made what was the worst time of my life be the best it could possibly be. It provides so much for cancer patients from lifesaving state-of-the-art technology and decorating wards that make you feel more at ease during treatment, to blankets that keep you warm during radiotherapy and lollipops that take away the metallic taste that Chemotherapy leaves behind."

"The nurses and support workers were incredible. They were so calm and confident that we felt confident as well.

"Our little girl is now close to taking her first steps and is starting to say a few words. We are extremely thankful for the care Aisha received and felt indebted to the support workers and all the staff who work at the NICU. We know how hard it can be for parents to go through what we did, so we began making regular donations of gifts to the unit to pay their kindness forward and help future families."

Case Study Two: Neonatal Family Support Workers help families at their time of crisis

This year two Neonatal Family Support Workers funded by the hospital charity stated at the neonatal units at Heartlands and Good Hope Hospitals.

We talked to one father whose children were cared for at the neonatal unit and the difference the family support workers made for his family:

"My name is Haider. I would like to tell you about my two beautiful children, who were cared for by the amazing staff at Heartlands Hospital Neonatal Unit (NICU), and the incredible difference that the support from the hospital's charity made.

"When our firstborn son was taken straight to NICU, it was every parent's worst nightmare, and we were terrified; we didn't know what was happening or what was wrong. The team were so supportive and reassured us every step of the way.

"When our second child, Aisha, came early, weighing only 2lbs, we feared the worst again, but the Neonatal Family Support Workers based at NICU, who are funded by the Charity, were a lifeline.

How we are funded

The Charity is delighted to receive donations to support its work from generous individuals, companies, community groups, staff, patients and families. These donations help the Charity to continue making grants and supplementing money donated in previous years.

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has fundraised, donated, volunteered, or taken part in one of our many events over the past year. It is only with your help and support that we are able to do so many amazing things to support patients, families and staff across the Trust.

Fundraising

The Charity organises events and supports many more fundraisers organising their own events throughout the year.

Fundraisers can download the Charity's fundraising toolkit from our website www.hospitalcharity.org which is packed with hints and tips for your fundraising, as well as the charity's registration form. Sponsorship and Gift Aid forms are also available from the website.

You can follow the Charity on social media:

Twitter @UHBCharity

Facebook @UHBCharity

Instagram @uhbcharity

TikTok @uhbcharity_

Linkedin @UniversityHospitalsBirminghamCharity

People taking part in sponsored events can also raise funds through our dedicated charity pages on the online giving site JustGiving:

University Hospitals Birmingham Charity
www.justgiving.com/uhbcharity

Fisher House
www.justgiving.com/fisherhouse

The Fundraising team would be delighted to speak to anyone who is considering taking part in an event, or organising their own fundraising, for any of our hospital charity funds and can be contacted by email at charities@uhb.nhs.uk or by telephone on 0121 371 4852.

As well as the many individuals to whom the Charity is very grateful for their support, we would also like to mention some of the companies and organisations that have supported University Hospitals Birmingham Charity over the past twelve months. We have so many generous supporters we cannot mention them all by name, but they all make a real difference to the care we can give our patients. Our case studies show just some of the ways people have supported the Charity.

Donor	Area of support
Joseph & Lena Randall Charitable Trust	QEH Charity
Matt Davies and chef friends	QEH Charity
HCB Solicitors	UHB Charity
Barclays Bank	UHB Charity
Fairer Futures Community Fund	UHB Charity
Morrisons Foundation	UHB Charity
Skipton Building Society	UHB Charity
The Birmingham District Nursing Charitable Trust	UHB Charity
The Eric W Vincent Trust Fund	UHB Charity
Michael Marsh Charitable Trust	UHB Charity
Tipton and Coseley Building Society Charitable Foundation	UHB Charity
Friends of Solihull Hospital	Solihull Hospital
Friends of Queen Elizabeth Medical Centre	Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham
Grace Leahy	Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham
Guru Nanak Nam Ladies Jatha	Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham
Home Instead	Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham
Paul Langham	Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham
The Lord Mayor of Birmingham's Charity	Children's Appeal
Wilmcote Charitrust	Children's Appeal
Measures Trust	Children's Appeal
Sparkhill Charitable Trust	Children's Appeal
Richard Cadbury Charitable Trust	Children's Appeal
Birmingham Airport Community Trust Fund	Children's Appeal
Upper GI Support Group	QEH Upper GI Fund
Sheila Leighton	Neurology
A Edmonds & Co Ltd	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Garfield Weston Foundation	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Denise Coates Foundation	Edmonds Transplant Centre
William A Cadbury Charitable Trust	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Saintbury Trust	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Sue Boston	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Lisa Chapman	Edmonds Transplant Centre
QE Kidney Patients Association	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Birmingham Transplant Sports Team	Edmonds Transplant Centre
Millie's Watch	Homes Away from Home

Donor	Area of support
B&Q Foundation	Homes Away from Home
Baron Davenport's Charity	Homes Away from Home
Sikh Arts & Cultural Association (SACA) Bike Ride	Homes Away from Home
G J W Turner Trust	Homes Away from Home
Karen Morris Memorial Trust	Karen's Home from Home
Oakley Charitable Trust	Teenage Cancer Trust Young Person's Unit
Laura Crane Youth Cancer Trust – Project Youth Cancer	Teenage Cancer Trust Young Person's Unit
BBC Children in Need	Teenage Cancer Trust Young Persons Unit
Sue Cressman	Breast Cancer
Pink Ribbon Foundation	Breast Cancer
Royal British Legion	Fisher House
SSAFA	Fisher House
Provincial Grand Lodge of Warwickshire	Fisher House
Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust	Fisher House
The Army Benevolent Fund	Fisher House
Royal Navy & Royal Marines Charity & Greenwich Hospital	Fisher House
Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund	Fisher House
Veterans' Foundation	Fisher House
Red Arrows Trust	Fisher House
Army Central Fund	Fisher House
One Thousand Trades Group	Fisher House
Henry Wong Harborne	Fisher House
W E Dunn Charitable Trust	Fisher House
William Allen Young Charitable Trust	Fisher House
The MacRobert Trust	Fisher House
Gowling WLG Charitable Trust	Fisher House
Geoff Hill Charitable Trust	Fisher House
Florence Shaw Trust	Diving with the Injured
Sands	Eden Suite
Stan Bowley Trust	Cyberknife
Stine & Ashley Giles	The Giles' Trust
Maggie Bate	The Giles' Trust
Cassidy Group	The Giles' Trust
The Grace Trust	The Giles' Trust
Tony Fox BEM, family & friends	The Ann Fox Foundation
Aylesford Family Charitable Trust	Pets in Hospital
Kelton Charitable Trust	Pets in Hospital
Solihull Lions	Pets in Hospital
Sarbit Johal	Renal Department
CFG Law	4Trauma4Patients
Slater & Gordon	4Trauma4Patients
Higgs LLP	4Trauma4Patients

Case Study one – Breast cancer survivor funds not one but FIVE probes to support other patients

Sue Cressman has been a longstanding supporter of our hospital charities and regularly hosts events at her venue Nailcote Hall, a four star country house hotel with a Championship par 3 golf course.

Sue is a breast cancer survivor and is passionate about raising money to help more people receive the best possible care.

Her Ascot Ladies Days and Pink Balls are great events where everyone has lots of fun but also raise lots of money for cancer patients. Sue's latest generous fundraising efforts have raised almost £30,000!

This will allow us to purchase not just one but FIVE Mammography Localiser Probes for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham and Solihull Hospital.

This technology is used during surgery to remove breast cancer tumours. It allows our surgeons to determine the location of a tumour more accurately and prevent the unnecessary removal of healthy tissue.

This reduces complications and scarring as well as speeding up recovery time. A huge thank you to Sue for helping us improve the outcomes for breast cancer patients from across the West Midlands and beyond, and ultimately help save lives.

Sue is currently raising funds to provide a mobile mammography chair for Solihull Hospital for which we are really grateful.

Case study two – Warwickshire Freemasons launch tercentenary appeal to support military patients and their families

We are excited that The Provincial Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Chapter of Warwickshire have announced they are partnering with Fisher House UK for their Provincial Tercentenary 2028 Appeal.

In 2028, the Province of Warwickshire will be celebrating its 300-year anniversary. To celebrate they are making immensely generous donations to support Fisher House at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham over the next four years leading up to this momentous anniversary.

Provincial Grand Master, Philip Hall said, "The support provided by Fisher House is without equal. The positive impact it has on the recovery of injured service personnel being treated next door at the Royal Centre for Defence Medicine, in knowing their loved ones are safe while they are being cared for, is immeasurable.

"Warwickshire Freemasons are truly proud to support this unique facility as the primary charity recipient to mark our 300-year celebrations in 2028. Set in the heart of Birmingham, Fisher House is the only facility of its kind in the UK and serves the whole of the UK Armed Forces worldwide."

Fisher House offers a Home away from Home for injured military personnel and their family. The 18-bedroom haven is just a few minutes' walk from Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Birmingham, meaning families can stay close to their loved ones whilst they are in hospital receiving treatment.

Many of those injured have served in combat, and their injuries often require ongoing care for many years.

Fisher House UK celebrated its 11th anniversary in 2024 and will turn 15 years old during the 2028 Tercentenary year.

We are so proud to have supported so many military patients and their families over the years. We wouldn't be able to keep our doors open if it wasn't for our amazing donors, like the Warwickshire Freemasons. Thanks to their generous donations and support, we can continue offering a home away from away to our military patients and their families when they need it most.

Laura Power, Deputy Head of Fundraising at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham Charity said, "We are extremely grateful to Warwickshire Freemasons for choosing to partner with Fisher House UK as part of their 300-year anniversary celebrations. We rely solely on donations to keep this amazing facility running year after year and we couldn't do it without our incredible donors and supporters.

"Guests have described Fisher House as 'one big hug' and 'a place that takes away all your problems'. We see the huge difference this makes to our patients as they embark on their road to recovery and with the Invictus Games coming to Birmingham in 2027, there will be some exciting opportunities on the horizon."

Case study three – Hospital Charity welcomes the community for inaugural Iftar Dinner

This Ramadan, Heartlands Hospital Charity was overwhelmed by the response from the community, when it held its first ever Iftar Dinner. The night raised an amazing £93,000 to help children treated at Heartlands Hospital.

The Iftar dinner was organised to fundraise for equipment that will help young patients at Heartlands Hospital better understand their treatment and be less fearful.

The money raised will now fund a Kitten Scanner, an incredible piece of equipment, that shows children who need an MRI [CT] Scan, how the machine works. The small replica helps to reduce their fear and gives them the chance to understand what to expect through play.

All of this means that fewer children will need anaesthesia during the procedure.

The response from the local community was incredible, including Afzal Hussain, Deputy Lieutenant for the West Midlands, local groups, businesses, and hospital staff, and is a testament to the important work done by the hospital charity to support patients.

Saiqha Din, Fundraising Manager at Heartlands Hospital Charity said, "I am so grateful to the community for their support. When we took the leap to host an Iftar Dinner, we wanted to put Heartlands Hospital Charity on the map and raise awareness in the local community of what we do. The community's response is heartwarming, and the money they raised will make a huge difference to young patients treated at Heartlands.

"The Kitten Scanner that we can now fund will transform the hospital experience for children who need an MRI, as well as reduce the stress felt by their families. Hospital is scary enough as an adult, it can be terrifying for a child, especially something as noisy and claustrophobic as a CT scan. Anything we can do to alleviate some of that fear is great, the help that we can give with the Kitten Scanner, is incredible."

Heartlands Hospital Charity is very grateful to its amazing donors and fundraisers, who have helped to support patients, their families, and staff at Heartlands Hospital.

Case study four – Local award-winning chefs raise thousands for QEHB Charity at fine-dining event

Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham Charity teamed up with Matt Davies, Vice President of the British Culinary Federation and former award-winning chef, for the second year to host the Great Brummie Menu.

For the 2025 event, Matt was joined by local award-winning chefs, including Glynn Purnell, and stars of The Great British Menu and Bake Off The Professionals.

The event raised a staggering £18,245 which will go towards Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham Charity and Hospitality Action, two charities close to Matt's heart.

Eight years ago, Matt suffered severe burns and lost the use of his arm and was treated by Burns and Plastics Surgeon, Colonel Mark Foster at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham.

Matt has gone through over 70 operations over the years and unfortunately, after severe infection had to have his arm amputated last year. He is incredibly grateful for the ongoing care he has received and wanted to say thank you and give something back, so began organising charity fine-dining events and has been fundraising for the hospital charity ever since.

Matt said, "Colonel Mark Foster has been with me through this journey for 8 years. I am hugely indebted to him and the incredible team at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham. This is the second year doing this phenomenal event with my amazing friends who cooked on the night. Working with the hospital charity I have been able to raise money to help others going through their treatment journey. I'm proud to have been able to help put on another fantastic Great Brummie Menu event."

We'd like to say a huge thank you to all the amazing Chefs who came to support Matt at the event including local TV chef, Glynn Purnell, Michelin Star Chefs Luke Tipping from Simpsons and Jonathan Howe from Lumiere Restaurant, Cheltenham alongside Great British Menu Star, Liam Dillon and Bake Off The Professionals Finalist, Darryl Collins.

The chefs were supported by students on the Culinary Arts Management and Professional Chef degree programmes from University College Birmingham, supported by BCF Junior Team England.

The evening included a sparkling drinks reception followed by a 5-course tasting menu, with each course prepared by a different chef. The lucky guests were treated to Glynn Purnell's famous Burnt English Custard Egg Surprise, which won the dessert course of the Great British Menu in 2008 with a perfect score of 10/10/10.

Glynn said, “Matt’s been a great friend of mine for many years. He’s been through so much and when things happen in life, we need to support each other. The Great Brummie Menu is for a great cause, this is the second year Matt has put on this fantastic event and I didn’t want to miss it for the world. I’m here to support Matt and help raise some money for the charities close to his heart.”

Legacies

Gifts in wills are a much valued and major source of funding for the Charity.

Legacies are used, in accordance with donors’ wishes, to support research, to fund capital projects, to allow continued investment in equipment and to support UHBFT’s patients, families and staff.

The Charity is very grateful to those donors who have considered us in their will, and we would encourage anyone considering leaving a gift in their will to contact the Chief Executive to discuss their plans, how they would like to support the work of UHBFT and how the Charity can recognise their vital support.

The Charity has partnered with organisations to offer free and discounted wills for supporters.

Find out more about this new service by visiting www.hospitalcharity.org/ways-to-help/gifts-in-wills

We are delighted to report that in the year to 31 March 2025 the Charity received generous legacies to the value of £1,494,000 [2023/24: £622,000]. We would like to acknowledge the generous sums received from bequests made by the following people:

Donor	Donor
Stanley Herbert Ankrett	Philip Baldwin
Elizabeth Bousfield	Margaret Ellen Burgess
Lily Ada Byford	Alan Cottrell
Brenda Cross	Geoffrey Douglas
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David Goodhead	Betty Green
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Marion Hitchiner	Bernard Holmes
Patricia Howse	Madge Hughes
Doreen Humphris	George Kovasc
Dorothy Lucas	Margaret Morrall
Janice Newnham	Marjorie Oliver
Ivor Parry	Edna Margaret Phillips
Douglas Leslie Pittaway	Mary Teresa Ross
Harold Rutter	Joyce Satchwell
Shirley Simmonds	Robin Smith
Irene Doris Snape	

Legacy donations can help to make a huge difference to our patients, their families and our staff and we are very grateful to everyone who has left a gift in their will.

Governance

More about who we are and how we work

In addition to the Charity’s registered name, University Hospitals Birmingham Charity, there are four working names to reflect the four hospitals it operates from: Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham Charity, Heartlands Hospital Charity, Good Hope Hospital Charity and Solihull Hospital Charity.

The Charity made the decision to take advantage of the guidance published by the Department of Health on “How NHS charities can convert to independent status” and converted to a new charitable company limited by guarantee on 23 February 2016.

Previously, the Charity operated under the name of University Hospital Birmingham Charities, charity registration number 1093989 as an unincorporated trust.

Our history

The teaching hospitals of Birmingham originally amalgamated as the United Birmingham Hospitals and had charitable funds managed by the Special Trustees for the Former United Birmingham Hospitals Trust Funds. When the hospitals were split into separate trusts, the decision was made to split the charitable funds in the same way. The Special Trustees were dissolved by Statutory Instrument on 1 April 2001. An apportionment of their funds, together with corporate funds, were transferred to University Hospital Birmingham Charities.

On 23 February 2016, the Charity became a charitable company limited by guarantee and fully independent from the Department of Health who are no longer responsible for the appointment of Trustees.

On 1 April 2017, the Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust Charitable Fund merged with University Hospitals Birmingham Charity and the Charity took on responsibility for charitable activities across Heartlands, Good Hope and Solihull hospitals in addition to QEHB. This happened alongside the merger of Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust with University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust.

How do we do things?

The Charity can have up to fifteen unpaid Trustees who make up the Board of Trustees. They decide policy and make sure it is implemented. UHBFT has the right to nominate up to a third of the Trustees.

Day to day management is delegated to the Charity Chief Executive who is responsible for carrying out the decisions of the Trustees and working with professional external advisors and the representatives of UHBFT who provide services to the Charity.

The Chair of the Trustees, who is elected by the Trustees, chairs meetings and takes an active role working with the Charity Chief Executive in the daily management of the Charity. In the financial year to 31 March 2025 the Chair of Trustees was David Mackay who was succeeded by Keith Bushnell in March 2025.

Detailed in the table below are all the Trustees who held office during the financial year to 31 March 2025.

Trustees who were in office during the year to 31 March 2025	Date of first appointment	Date when appointment expires [or expired if in year]
Michael Seabrook*	23 February 2016	22 February 2026
David Mackay*	23 February 2016	22 February 2026
Joanne Eales	21 August 2019	31 August 2026
Stan Baldwin	21 August 2019	31 August 2026
Hannah Woodall-Pagan	24 August 2022	31 August 2025
Alexia Binns	24 August 2022	31 August 2025
Amil Khan	24 August 2022	31 August 2025
Amelia Godson	22 November 2024	21 November 2026
Keith Bushnell	12 February 2025	11 February 2028
Raj Verma	12 February 2025	30 June 2025

*Trustees marked with an asterisk previously served as Trustees under the old charity registration number and were appointed as Trustees under the new charity registration number.

Details of Trustees

David Mackay worked for West Bromwich Building Society for 33 years, retiring in 2008 as Managing Director of West Bromwich Mortgage Company. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Sales & Marketing Management. David has served as a Board Member of the Black Country Chamber of Commerce & Industry, and as Chair of Governors at Howley Grange Primary School.

Michael Seabrook was a practising solicitor after he was admitted in 1976 and a partner at Eversheds from 1986 until he retired in 2011. He was a corporate lawyer for over thirty years, advising venture capitalists and management teams. He is also a Director of Solihull Moors Football Club CIC.

Joanne Eales is a qualified Chartered Accountant specialising in accountancy services to SME businesses. She has served as a parish councillor on Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council and has been Treasurer for the parents’ associations at Bromsgrove Preparatory School and Bromsgrove School.

Stan Baldwin is a Governor at UHBFT representing Solihull & Meriden. He has extensive public sector experience including nine years’ service as a Non-Executive Director of the Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust. His previous posts have included Principal of Community Education with the City of Birmingham and Chief Executive of Wyre Forest District Council.

Hannah Woodall-Pagan is Company Secretary at Severn Trent Plc. Hannah has extensive listed company experience, gained in a number of senior leadership roles spanning the FTSE100 and FTSE250. She is responsible for providing governance advice and guidance to the Board and senior management, as well as leading the Company Secretariat function and is a chartered company secretary, being a Fellow of the Chartered Governance Institute.

Alexia Binns is an experienced solicitor who has a Corporate Governance Certificate accredited by the Association of Corporate Governance Practitioners. Alexia works primarily for Construction and Facilities Management companies. In her previous role as Head of Legal Procurement at the Birmingham Organising Committee for the 2022 Commonwealth Games Ltd she led on the legal elements of procurement and strategic planning in relation to the same. She has a background in providing proactive advice and mentoring colleagues to develop their potential.

Amil Khan is a member of the Public Affairs team at the University of Birmingham which manages the University's political engagement activities and plays a key role in shaping the reputation and profile of the institution with significant stakeholders including at the national, international and regional level. He also serves as a Trustee of United by 2022, the official legacy charity of the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, the Warwickshire Cricket Foundation and is a member of the Athletics Ventures Stakeholder Board.

Amelia Godson is Deputy Chief Transformation Officer at NHS Coventry & Warwickshire Integrated Care Board. A registered nurse, Amelia held management positions at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust for eleven years before moving to UHBFT to take up the post of Deputy Chief Operating Officer. After five years at UHBFT, Amelia took her current post at NHS Coventry & Warwickshire Integrated Care Board, the body responsible for commissioning health and care services on behalf of people in Coventry & Warwickshire.

Keith Bushnell [term of office started on 12 February 2025] worked in four Managing Director/Chief Executive roles in healthcare services for the 23 years before semi-retirement in 2021, including providing NHS out of hours GP services. He remains a Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of a rehabilitation and treatment provider where he was Chief Executive for 12 years, and is also Non Executive Chair of a social care provider for adults with physical and/or learning disabilities. Keith is a Fellow of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants.

Trustee recruitment, appointment and induction

Trustee recruitment is carried out by the Charity.

Trustees are recruited following public advertisement, or are nominated by UHBFT, who have the right to nominate up to a third of the Trustees. As at 31 March 2025, UHBFT has nominated two Trustees [Stan Baldwin and Amelia Godson].

All potential Trustees must be interviewed and recommended by a panel consisting of at least two Trustees of the Charity and the Charity Chief Executive. Candidates must show knowledge of, and an interest in, UHBFT and the community it serves and be willing to give the time necessary.

Trustees are also selected to give the Charity a good mix of appropriate professional skills, such as finance, investment and law. All Trustees are appointed for a fixed term of up to four years, which is renewable.

Performance measures adopted by the Board include amongst other things a measure of the attendance level of Trustees. All measures are monitored regularly by the Board of Trustees.

New Trustees are provided with an induction pack comprising governing documents, and policies and procedures, and if they have not had previous dealings with UHBFT, a tour of the hospital.

Training courses are offered to the Trustees, in charity law and administration and the roles and responsibilities of Trustees, as part of their ongoing professional development.

Our auditors and solicitors provide much useful material and the Association of NHS Charities (now known as NHS Charities Together and of which we are a member) runs regular conferences for Trustees.

Charity Sub-Committees

The Trustees have the power to establish committees to provide scrutiny of aspects of the Charity and to make recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

As at 31 March 2025 there are three sub-committees – the Performance & Finance Committee which met four times during the year 2024/25; the Nominations Committee which met five times during the year 2024/25; and the Grant Review Committee which met twice during the year 2024/25.

The Charity's Staff

The Charity directly employs 27 members of staff as at 31 March 2025, equivalent to 23.7 full time employees across the four hospital sites.

The Charity Chief Executive is responsible for delivering the strategic objectives set by the Trustees and has delegated day to day responsibility for running the Charity.

Finance administration services are provided by UHBFT under a service level agreement and individually named members of staff are responsible for providing those services, but the staff are employed by UHBFT.

External and internal auditors, legal advisors, investment managers and representatives of the NHS, amongst others, complement the staff in support of the Board of Trustees.

Remuneration policy

The Trustees consider the following when setting remuneration levels for the Charity Chief Executive and any other senior executives.

1. The goal of the Charity's remuneration policy is to offer fair pay to attract and retain appropriately qualified staff to lead, manage, support and deliver the Charity's aims.
2. Trustees are ultimately responsible for setting remuneration levels for the Charity's most senior staff, which in the case of the Charity currently applies only to the Charity Chief Executive.
3. To set appropriate pay and rewards requires making informed judgments and following the Charity's governance and constitutional arrangements.
4. In deciding top levels of pay and rewards, Trustees will consider the purposes, aims and values of the Charity, and its beneficiaries' needs.
5. Trustees will consider how increasing pay, particularly at senior levels, would be perceived by employees, donors and beneficiaries.
6. Trustees will make an assessment of the Charity's and senior staff's performance against expectations, both short and long term.
7. Trustees will seek information on pay policies and practices in other organisations that could help guide a decision on whether a level of pay is fair.

Having considered the above points, the Trustees did not award the Charity Chief Executive a salary increase in the year under review.

Volunteers

Many hundreds of volunteers, including Fund Advisors, contribute to the work of the Charity and we are very grateful to them all.

Members of the public as well as Fund Advisors organise fundraising events for us during the year and some members of the public also volunteer within UHBFT on projects that are funded from the Charity's designated funds.

It is not possible, due to the nature of such volunteering, for the Charity to quantify in terms of hours the contribution of all its volunteers.

The Charity thanks all its volunteers for their contribution to its ongoing work.

Grant making structure and policy

The charitable funds that the Charity manage, and from which grants are made, are held as endowment funds (expendable or permanent), restricted funds and unrestricted funds (designated or wholly unrestricted).

It is the Trustees' policy to ensure that all grants made from these funds are used in accordance with the purposes of the individual fund and the Charity's purposes and aims.

Individual funds' purposes include research, equipment and patient and staff welfare.

Day to day operational policy guidelines, which deal with such matters as expenditure on travel when on charitable business, are issued to Fund Advisors and regularly reviewed.

The definitions of endowment, restricted and unrestricted funds are detailed below:

- a. Endowment funds – the donor has expressly provided that the investment income of the fund may be applied for a specific charitable purpose.
Endowment funds are further split between expendable endowments (where the Trustees have the discretion to spend the capital) and permanent endowments (where Trustees have no discretion to spend the capital).
The Charity has one endowment fund – the John Smith Airway Award Endowment which recognises outstanding research carried out by young anaesthetists.
- b. Restricted funds – the donor has provided for the entire donation to be used for a specified purpose or has been given assurance that the donation is destined for a particular purpose.
- c. Unrestricted funds – funds which are neither endowment nor restricted.
These are held either as designated (earmarked) funds (where the donor has made known their non-binding wishes) and wholly unrestricted funds which are for use at the Trustees' discretion.
Unrestricted funds are held under the umbrella of the General Fund; there are currently just over 500 such funds.

All of the different types of funds have Fund Advisors who facilitate local decision-making and offer expertise in the particular area of the fund.

The Fund Advisors have delegated powers and responsibility to authorise expenditure in line with the purpose of the fund and to manage projects and activities on a day to day basis within certain limits.

For expenditure in excess of these limits they make recommendations to the Charity Chief Executive and Trustees.

All the Charity's restricted and unrestricted funds can be spent at any time. Grants from these funds are applied for by Fund Advisors.

Charitable expenditure

Details of our major expenditure in the areas of equipment, medical research, facilities and training, education and patient support, are given elsewhere in this report (see pages 10-15).

During the financial year under review, the Charity made grants totalling £6,177,300 (2023/24: £5,585,600).

Charity’s advisors and agents

Representatives of senior management of UHBFT attend Board Meetings and receive copies of Board papers.

There is also regular contact with senior UHBFT management, including the Chief Executive of UHBFT, both formally and on an informal basis.

Fund Advisors to the Charity are clinicians, ward sisters and other staff of UHBFT who are in regular contact with patients.

The Finance Department of UHBFT provides financial and administrative support to the charity under a Service Level Agreement.

Details of our other advisors can be found below.

Other advisors

- ▶ RSM: St Philips Point, Temple Row, Birmingham B2 5AF (internal auditors)
- ▶ Dains, Paradise Circus, 2 Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3AX (external auditors)
- ▶ Barclays Bank: Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2BY (bankers)
- ▶ Schroder & Co Limited: 12 Moorgate, London EC2R 6DA (investment managers)
- ▶ Shakespeare Martineau Solicitors: 1 Colmore Square, Birmingham B4 6AA (lawyers)

Wider networks and related parties

The Charity is one of some 250 NHS-linked charities in England and Wales. A number of the larger NHS-linked charities have, for a number of years, joined together to form NHS Charities Together (formerly known as the Association of NHS Charities) which now has every NHS charity as a member.

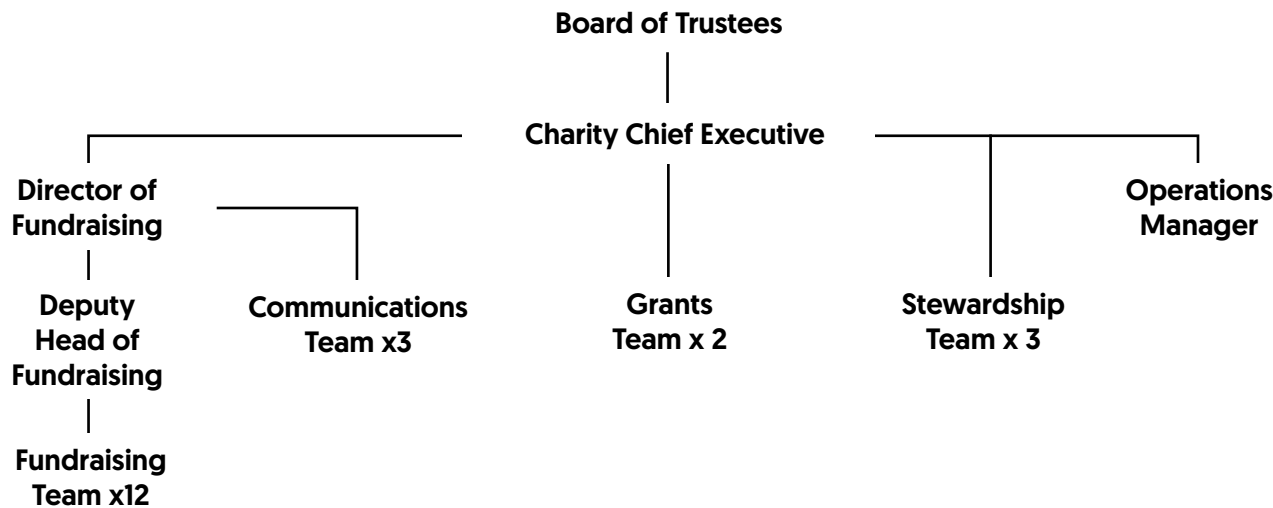
As a member, we have the opportunity to discuss matters of common concern and exchange information and experiences, join together with others to lobby government departments and others, and to participate in conferences and seminars which offer support and education for our staff and Trustees.

NHS Charities Together led on the national COVID-19 fundraising campaign which raised over £150 million.

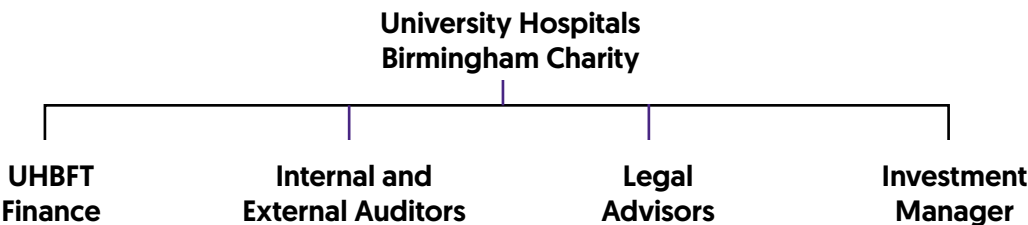
We are very grateful to NHS Charities Together for the ability to participate in their grant making programmes that have distributed the fundraising, with the Charity receiving over £1 million in grants from the COVID-19 fundraising campaign.

The Charity works closely with, and provides the majority of its grants to, UHBFT and the University of Birmingham, UHBFT’s main research partner. Although the Trustees are careful to consult with representatives of these organisations through their board meetings and other, less formal contacts, they retain their independence to act in the best interests of the Charity and the communities they serve.

Administrative Structure as at 31 March 2025



External support structure as at 31 March 2025



Risks policy

A Risk Register, identifying the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, and an action plan of controls to mitigate those risks is in place and is tabled at each Trustee Board meeting.

The Risk Register and controls are reviewed by our internal and external auditors.

A Fraud and Corruption policy was updated and adopted by the Board of Trustees in August 2007.

A written policy on the acceptance and refusal of donations was updated and adopted by the Board of Trustees in March 2011.

Internal auditors, RSM have carried out a review of the Risk Register and controls in the year under review.

The Trustees have identified the following principal risks to the Charity, with the details of how they are managing these risks:

Risk	Mitigation
The Charity not having a significant profile within the hospitals themselves	Advertising sites within the hospital, permanent presence within the hospital, direct meetings with doctors, nurses and management
A lack of charitable projects for which to fundraise	Working directly with doctors, nurses and management to identify ways the hospital charity can help to benefit patients. Planning of fundraising appeals well in advance
Managing the funds and assets of the Charity effectively	Charity Chief Executive formally reports at each Trustee meeting. UHBFT Chief Financial Officer presents quarterly finance reports to Trustees. Investment Managers present to Trustees on an annual basis

Investment policy

The Charity's long term investments are managed by Schroders & Co Limited. The investments are held in the Cazenove Charity Responsible Multi Asset Fund.

The Board of Trustees monitors investment performance and receive regular reports from the investment manager.

The move to the Cazenove Charity Responsible Multi Asset Fund was to reduce volatility and generate a sustainable rate of income from the investments, and the Trustees note the portfolio is performing to those requirements over the long term.

The investment policy and investment performance is reviewed at each quarterly Trustee Board meeting.

The Trustees have adopted the following investment policy:

i. The Charity's aims in investing its funds

"The Trustees recognise that donors to the Charity expect their donations to be spent on charitable activities relating to the work of UHBFT in a timely manner. The Trustees therefore wish to invest those funds to generate a financial return on capital, whilst minimising the risk to capital. The income thus generated will be used to further the aims and objectives of the Charity."

ii. The balance between capital growth and income generation

"The Trustees main concern is preservation of capital. However, whilst taking that into consideration, the need for capital growth is not a main priority. Thus, within the constraints of capital preservation, the Trustees prefer income generation over capital growth."

iii. Consideration of risk

"The Trustees desire a low to medium risk investment portfolio. Charitable funds should be spent in a timely manner, thus investments that require a long period of investment are not to be recommended."

iv. The timing of returns

"The Trustees need to draw a steady cash stream from their investments during the year. The investment policy should enable the funding of the cash requirements provided by the Trustees."

v. Special preferences – e.g. ethical investments

"The Trustees wish to invest solely their cash holdings in organisations protected by the UK regulatory authorities. In addition, the Trustees wish to screen their investments in such a way that investments avoid harm through environmental, social and governance integration and screening, investments benefit stakeholders through responsible activities, and investments contribute to solutions through influence and investing for impact. Investment portfolios should exclude sectors such as tobacco, alcohol, pornography, gambling and those that have a high impact on climate change. Any investment manager should provide the Trustees with their Socially Responsible Investment policy prior to investing in equities to enable the Trustees to give approval of such policy."

vi. Review of the policy statement

"This investment policy statement will be reviewed by the Trustees on an annual basis."

vii. The way in which the investment discretion will be exercised

"The Trustees delegate the day to day management of the investments to the investment manager subject to the policy above. The investment manager should be able to demonstrate how the investments made on behalf of the Charity meet the policy requirements and should present to the Trustees on an annual basis their plans for the year ahead."

viii. Reserves policy

“Once the Trustees have formally agreed any charitable grant, the funds covering that grant will be moved into a cash account. In addition to those funds necessary to cover any agreed grants, the charity wishes to hold in a cash reserve a sum equal to six months expenditure of its general funds to allow the charity to meet its obligations in the event of a failure to raise any new charitable funds.

There is no need to set aside any reserves against the earmarked funds as if no income was received, no expenditure would be made.”

Reserves policy

The reserves policy is reviewed annually and is now incorporated into the investment strategy to help our investment advisors manage our funds in the most appropriate way.

The reserves policy was established by the Board of Trustees as part of their plans to provide long term support to UHBFT for equipment, medical research, facilities and training, education & patient support.

The Trustees calculate the reserves as that part of the Charity's unrestricted income funds that are freely available after taking account of designated funds which have been earmarked for specific purposes, unrealised gains or losses and certain funds, which on the basis of prudence do not form part of the reserves.

The total funds of the Charity at the year ending 31 March 2025 were £15,969,000. The total level of unrestricted reserves is analysed as follows:

	£
Total funds available at year end 31 March 2025	15,969,000
Less:	
Endowment funds	40,000
Restricted funds	193,500
Designated funds (including Fisher House and Homes away from Home)	13,004,000
Unrealised investment movements	1,855,600
Total free reserves	875,900

Trustees calculated the level of required or target free reserves after reviewing the Charity's annual income and expenditure level and taking into account medium term commitments.

The target reserves ensure stability of grant funding to UHBFT. The target reserves are calculated as follows:

	£
Provision for six month's general fund expenditure requirements*	500,000
Total target reserve requirement:	500,000

*The figure for six month's general fund expenditure requirements are those costs the Charity would incur, including

redundancy costs, if fundraising income ceased and Trustees had to wind up the Charity's activities.

The available reserves are at the target range to be at a sufficient and prudent level.

The Trustees note that there is still a large balance of designated funds within the Charity and have set plans to continue to spend these balances on the areas appropriate to donors' wishes.

Financial review

The full 2024/25 Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet and accompanying notes to the accounts are set out on pages 43 to 56.

Income during the year amounted to £6.249 million (2023/24: £5.163) and expenditure in the year was £6.721 million (2023/24: £6.112 million).

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities in respect of the Trustees' Annual Report and the Financial Statements

The charity trustees (who are also the directors of the University Hospitals Birmingham Charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Company Law requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and parent charitable company and of the income and expenditure, of the charitable company and Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements comply with applicable UK accounting standards (FRS 102) and statement of recommended practice, 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 Group will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group and the Charities transactions and that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and the Charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Statement as a disclosure to our auditors

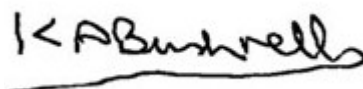
In so far as the Trustees are aware at the time of approving our trustees' annual report:

- there is no relevant information, being information needed by the auditors in connection with preparing their report, of which the charitable group's auditors are unaware, and
- the trustees, having made enquiries of fellow directors that they ought to have individually made and have each taken all steps that they are obliged to take as a Trustee in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable group's auditors are aware of that information.

Approved by Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



David Mackay
(Trustee)



Keith Bushnell
(Trustee)

Independent auditor's report to the members of University Hospitals Birmingham Charity

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of University Hospitals Birmingham Charity (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiary (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of the Group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Group's or the parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Trustees' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the parent charitable Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the parent charitable company has not kept adequate and sufficient accounting records, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or

Independent auditor's report to the members of University Hospital Birmingham Charity (cont')

- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement set out on page X, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the Group's and the parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the Group or parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- *the senior statutory auditor ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities, and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;*
- *we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the parent Charitable Company and the Group through discussions with directors and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector;*
- *we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the parent charitable company and the Group, including the financial reporting legislation, Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, taxation legislation, anti-bribery, employment, and environmental and health and safety legislation;*
- *we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and*
- *identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.*

We assessed the susceptibility of the parent charitable company's and the group's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- *making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected, and alleged fraud; and*
- *considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.*

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- *performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;*
- *tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;*
- *assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates set out in Note 3 were indicative of potential bias; and*
- *investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.*

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- *agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;*
- *reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;*
- *enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims; and*
- *reviewing correspondence with HMRC, relevant regulators and the parent Charitable Company's and the group's legal advisors.*

Independent auditor's report to the members of University Hospital Birmingham Charity (cont')

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission, or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' report.

Use of the audit report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Mark Gurney FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

Dains Audit Limited

Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

Birmingham

Date: 20 August 2025

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities (including consolidated Income and Expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note ref.	Unrestricted funds 2025 £000	Restricted funds 2025 £000	Endowment funds 2025 £000	Total funds 2025 £000	Total Funds 2024 £000
Income and endowments from:						
Donations, legacies, grants and gifts in kind	3	4,356	1	40	4,397	3,635
Charitable activities	3.1	980	1	-	981	790
Other Trading Activities						
UHB Trading CIC	2.2	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	9.2	871	-	-	871	738
Total		6,207	2	40	6,249	5,163
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds:						
UHB Charity	5.1	1,395	-	-	1,395	1,156
UHB Trading CIC	2.2	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities:						
Medical Research	5	-	-	-	-	1,073
Purchase of Equipment		1,144	-	-	1,144	413
New Building and Refurbishment		999	1,200	-	2,200	1,935
Staff Education and Welfare		984	2	-	985	937
Patient Education and Welfare		490	6	-	496	26
Programme related Assets Running Costs		491	-	-	491	534
Depreciation Costs		9	-	-	9	38
Grants to Other Bodies		-	-	-	-	-
Total		5,513	1,208	-	6,721	6,112
Net (expenditure) / income before gains and losses on investments		694	(1,206)	40	(472)	(949)
Other recognised gains and losses						
Unrealised gains / (losses) on investments		(110)	-	-	(110)	588
Transfers between funds	15	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		584	(1,206)	40	(582)	(361)
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		15,151	1,400	-	16,551	16,912
Total funds carried forward	17	15,735	194	40	15,969	16,551

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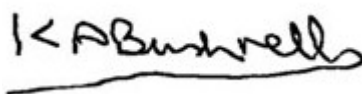
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Fixed assets:						
Investments-Equities, Securities and Property	9	10,028	194	40	10,222	12,516
Tangible Fixed Assets	9.4	-	-	-	-	9
Programme Related Asset	9.3	2,132	-	-	2,132	2,040
<i>Total fixed assets</i>		12,160	194	40	12,394	14,565
Current assets:						
Debtors payable within one year	10.1	1,115	-	-	1,115	1,887
Debtors payable after more than one year	10.1	389	-	-	389	678
Cash at bank and in hand	10.2	5,350	-	-	5,350	4,893
<i>Total current assets</i>		6,854	-	-	6,854	7,458
Liabilities:						
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	606	-	-	606	585
<i>Net current assets/liabilities</i>		6,248	-	-	6,248	6,873
<i>Total assets less current liabilities</i>		18,408	194	40	18,642	21,438
Provisions payable within one year	13	1,880	-	-	1,880	3,672
Provisions payable after more than one year	13	793	-	-	793	1,215
<i>Total net assets or liabilities</i>		15,735	194	40	15,969	16,551
The funds of the group:						
Endowment funds	17.1	-	-	40	40	-
Restricted income funds	17.2	-	194	-	194	1,400
Unrestricted funds	17.3	15,735	-	-	15,735	15,151
<i>Total funds</i>		15,735	194	40	15,969	16,551

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

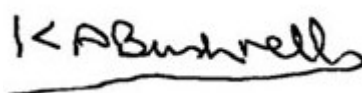
	Note ref.	Unrestricted funds 2025 £000	Restricted funds 2025 £000	Endowment funds 2025 £000	Total funds 2025 £000	Total Funds 2024 £000
Fixed assets:						
Investments-Equities, Securities and Property	9	10,028	194	40	10,222	12,516
Tangible Fixed Assets	9.4	-	-	-	-	9
Programme Related Asset	9.3	2,132	-	-	2,132	2,040
<i>Total fixed assets</i>		12,160	194	40	12,394	14,565
Current assets:						
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Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

		2024/25	2023/24
		£000	£000
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash used by operating activities	Table A	(2,466)	(245)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	9.2	871	738
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	9.3	-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments	9	2,266	6
Purchase of investments	9	(215)	(376)
Net cash provided by investing activities		2,922	368
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	-
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		457	123
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		4,893	4,770
Change in cash and cash equivalents due to exchange rate movements		-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	Table B	5,350	4,893

Table A: Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

		2024/25	2023/24
		£000	£000
Net movement in funds for the period		(582)	(361)
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation charges	9.4	9	38
Losses / (gains) on investments		110	(588)
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	9.2	(871)	(738)
Decrease / (increase) in Stock		-	-
Decrease / (increase) in Debtors	10.1	1,061	(150)
Increase / (Decrease) in creditors	11	21	(55)
(Decrease) / increase in provisions	13	(2,214)	1,609
Net cash used by operating activities		(2,466)	(245)

Table B: Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

		2024/25	2023/24
		£000	£000
Cash in hand	10.2	5,350	4,893
Total cash and cash equivalents		5,350	4,893

Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April	Cash	At 31 March
	2024	Flows	2025
	£000	£000	£000
Cash at bank and in hand	4,893	457	5,350
	4,893	457	5,350

Notes to the Accounts

The company was incorporated as a private company limited by guarantee on 1st April 2016. It is incorporated in England and Wales under the Companies Act and registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The address of the registered office is given in the reference and administration section of these financial statements. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are to support the patients and staff of University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust ("UHBFT"), by funding equipment, facilities, research and patient support that are over and above what can be provided by the NHS.

1 Accounting Policies

1.1 a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements 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 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

University Hospitals Birmingham Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historic cost or transaction value with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

b) Assessment of going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts. Regular budget reviews take place to ensure the Charity can meet their liabilities as they fall due.

1.2 Group Financial Statements

Group financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly owned subsidiary UHB Trading CIC on a line-by-line basis. A separate income statement and balance sheet for the subsidiary is presented in note 2.2. In the year under review UHB Trading CIC was dormant and received no income or incurred any expenditure. This is due to the Charity not generating enough trading income to use a trading subsidiary.

The Charity's functional and presentational currency is GBP and the financial statements are rounded to the nearest £'000.

1.3 Structure of Funds

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified either as an *endowment fund*, where the donor has expressly provided that only the income of the fund may be applied, or as a *restricted income fund* where the donor has provided for the donation to be spent in furtherance of a specified charitable purpose. Endowment funds, where the capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes, are sub analysed between those where the Trustees have the discretion to spend the capital, *expendable endowment*, and those where there is no discretion to expend the capital, *permanent endowment*.

Those funds which are neither endowment nor restricted income funds, are *unrestricted income funds* which are sub-analysed between *designated (earmarked) funds* where the donor has made known their non-binding wishes or where the Trustees, at their discretion, have created a specific fund for a specific purpose, and *wholly unrestricted funds* which are wholly at the Trustees' unfettered discretion.

The major funds held in each of these categories are disclosed in Note 17.

1.4 Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity has entitlement to the income, any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Charity that sufficient funds exist to enable a distribution to be made, all conditions within the legacy have been fulfilled or are within the Charity's control or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material (see note 12).

1.4 Income (cont')

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Trust has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. It includes dividends and interest. Where it is not practicable to identify investment management costs incurred within a scheme with reasonable accuracy the investment income is reported net of these costs. It is included when the amount can be measured reliably. Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method and dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.5 Donated Goods and Services - Role of Volunteers

Due to the nature of the role of volunteers it is not possible to quantify the monetary value of their varied contributions but an outline of the activities they perform freely is explained below:-

It should be noted that all Trustees / Company Directors give their time and skills freely to run the Charity.

Fund Advisors - there are about 800 UHB NHSFT staff who, through delegated Trustee Authority make recommendations as to how the charity's designated funds are spent to benefit the patients of the hospital. These funds are designated (or earmarked) by the trustees to be spent for a particular purpose or in a particular ward or department in accordance with the purpose of the donation. Each fund advisor has delegated power to authorise up to £1,000 of expenditure from the relevant designated fund. Fund advisors wishing to recommend in excess of £1,000 require authority from the Charity Chief Executive who has Trustee delegated authority to spend up to £10,000, requests in excess of this amount up to £30,000 require the authority of the Charity Chairman and requests over this value require full Trustee Board approval.

Fund Raisers - there are many volunteers locally who actively support the fundraising for the charity by directly raising funds, using collection tins as well as volunteers who undertake sponsored activities and collect through online support pages. Activities include, cycling, skydiving and walking. The charity also has a team of regular volunteers, totalling circa 110, who volunteer in the Fund Raising Hubs within the hospitals, assist with fundraising events and visit wards and departments with the Pets in Hospitals scheme.

1.6 Expenditure and Irrecoverable VAT

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party.

Included within provisions are the values of unpaid grants awarded by the trustees at the balance sheet date. These grants are considered individually with regards to the timings of the requirements to allow the provisions to be split between amounts considered expendable within one year and amounts expendable after one year.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of expenditure for which it was incurred.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

1.7 Allocation of Overhead and Support Costs

Overhead and support costs which are not wholly attributable to an expenditure type have been apportioned between Costs of Raising Funds and Charitable Activities. The analysis of overhead and support costs and the basis of allocation is shown in note 4.

- a) Costs of Generating Funds are all costs attributable to generating income for the charity other than income arising from charitable activities, and represent fundraising costs together with investment management fees.
- b) Costs of Charitable Activities comprise all expenditure identified as wholly or mainly incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the charity. These costs, where not wholly attributable, are apportioned and in addition to direct costs include an apportionment of overhead and support costs as disclosed in note 5.

1.8 Fixed Assets

Investments

Investments - are stated at market value as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. The restatement is due to the cost price of the investment holdings being adjusted and the incorporation of the value of the investment properties which had previously been omitted.

Investment Property

Investment property is carried at fair value determined annually by Trustees and periodically by external valuers and derived from current market rents, recent transaction prices and investment property yields for comparable real estate, adjusted if necessary for any difference in the nature, location, or condition of the specific asset. No depreciation is provided. Changes in fair value are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

In February 2020 the charity acquired Bottle Cottages comprising of 11 flats with a further 2 flats purchased in December 2023 and another in September 2024. 5 of these flats are being held as investment properties with the remaining being held as programme related assets.

Along with Bottle Cottages, No2 Elizabeth Court (50% share) and No7 Elizabeth Court (100% share) are being held as investment properties. The value of the properties were reviewed by Cottons Chartered Surveyors and evaluated against local market conditions etc in February 2025. Trustees have concluded that it reflects the market value at the year end.

Exceptionally, where the size or nature of a holding of securities is such that the disposal of those securities would have a material effect on the quoted market price, a separate disclosure by way of note would advise of the adjustment to the market price and valuation necessary to reflect this situation. Currently the Charity does not hold any investments of this type.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of expenditure for which it was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

At each reporting date the Charity assesses whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined to be the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Fisher House has been depreciated over the deemed useful life of 10 years.

Hepatitis Van - this mobile unit has been depreciated over the deemed useful life of 3 years.

Man Van - this mobile unit has been depreciated over the deemed useful life of 3 Years.

1.8 Fixed Assets (cont')

Programme Related Asset

All programme related investments are held at market value.

Fair value is determined annually by Trustees and periodically by external valuers and derived from current market rents, recent transaction prices and yields for comparable real estate, adjusted if necessary for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset. No depreciation is provided. Changes in fair value are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

9 of the Bottle Cottages flats mentioned above are being held as programme related assets with the remaining being held as investment properties.

Elmbank Court is also being held as a programme related asset. The value of the properties were reviewed by Cottons Chartered Surveyors and evaluated against local market conditions etc in February 2025. Trustees have concluded that it reflects the market value at the year end.

1.9 Gains and Losses

All gains and losses on investments are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening carrying value (purchase price if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchase price if later).

1.10 Tax Policy

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.11 Financial instruments policy

The Charity has applied the provisions of FRS 102, Section 11, 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12, 'Other Financial Instruments Issues'. Financial assets and liabilities are recognised when the Charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Charity initially recognises a financial asset or a financial liability at transaction price – for debtors and other creditors this is the settlement amount. Where material grant commitments over one year are discounted to reflect present value.

1.12 Debtors

Debtors are measured at their recoverable amount, there are currently no provisions for bad or doubtful debts.

1.13 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and any short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.14 Creditors and provisions

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.

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

1.15 Pensions

NHS Pension Scheme

Past and present employees are covered by the provisions of the two NHS Pension Schemes. Details of the benefits payable and rules of the schemes can be found on the NHS Pensions website at www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/pensions. Both the 1995/2008 and 2015 schemes are accounted for, and the scheme liability valued, as a single combined scheme.

Both are unfunded defined benefit schemes that cover NHS employers, GP practices and other bodies, allowed under the direction of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care in England and Wales. They are not designed to be run in a way that would enable NHS bodies to identify their share of the underlying scheme assets and liabilities. Therefore, each scheme is accounted for as if it were a defined contribution scheme: the cost to the NHS body of participating in each scheme is taken as equal to the contributions payable to that scheme for the accounting period.

In order that the defined benefit obligations recognised in the financial statements do not differ materially from those that would be determined at the reporting date by a formal actuarial valuation, the FReM requires that “the period between formal valuations shall be four years, with approximate assessments in intervening years”.

An outline of these follows:

a) Accounting valuation

A valuation of scheme liability is carried out annually by the scheme actuary (currently the Government Actuary's Department) as at the end of the reporting period. This utilises an actuarial assessment for the previous accounting period in conjunction with updated membership and financial data for the current reporting period, and is accepted as providing suitably robust figures for financial reporting purposes. The valuation of the scheme liability as at 31 March 2025, is based on valuation data as 31 March 2023, updated to 31 March 2025 with summary global member and accounting data. In undertaking this actuarial assessment, the methodology prescribed in IAS 19, relevant FReM interpretations, and the discount rate prescribed by HM Treasury have also been used.

The latest assessment of the liabilities of the scheme is contained in the statement by the actuary, which forms part of the annual NHS Pension Scheme Annual Report and Accounts. These accounts can be viewed on the NHS Pensions website and are published annually. Copies can also be obtained from The Stationery Office.

b) Full actuarial (funding) valuation

The purpose of this valuation is to assess the level of liability in respect of the benefits due under the schemes (considering recent demographic experience), and to recommend the contribution rate payable by employers.

The latest actuarial valuation undertaken for the NHS Pension Scheme was completed as at 31 March 2020. The results of this valuation set the employer contribution rate payable from April 2024 to 23.7% of pensionable pay. The core cost cap cost of the scheme was calculated to be outside of the 3% cost cap corridor as at 31 March 2020. However, when the wider economic situation was taken into account through the economic cost cap cost of the scheme, the cost cap corridor was not similarly breached. As a result, there was no impact on the member benefit structure or contribution rates.

The 2024 actuarial valuation is currently being prepared and will be published before new contribution rates are implemented from April 2027.

National Employment Savings Trust Scheme (NEST)

The Charity also contributes to the National Employment Savings Trust Scheme (NEST), a defined contribution pension scheme.

A defined contribution pension scheme is a post-employment benefit plan under which the Charity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Contributions are therefore charged to the SOFA in the year in which they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

2 Judgements and accounting estimates

In the application of the charitable company's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The charitable company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future.

The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

In the view of the Trustees in applying the accounting policies adopted, the following judgements were required that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements and the following estimates or assumptions made carry a significant risk of material adjustment in the next financial year.

Investment property valuation

The charitable company carries its investment property and programme related assets at fair value, with changes recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities. The charity engages professional valuers periodically to determine fair value, which is based on a number of valuation techniques, which are largely linked to external property market values for similar properties and market yields expected for comparable real estate. There are also inherent assumptions in respect of the value in use of such properties, which are subject to judgement and estimation. These include the discount rate, growth rates and inflation.

Grant provision

The split of the grant provision between less than one year and greater than one year requires an element of management judgement as to when the grant expenditure is probable to take place within the remaining time period for each grant and through periodic correspondence with recipients.

2.1 Prior Year Comparatives

The primary statements provide prior year comparators in total. The individual comparators for the charity can be found within the relevant note to the accounts.

2.2 Related party transactions and trustees' expenses and remuneration

Patients of University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust are the main beneficiary of the charity. The charity has made charitable grants to University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and these are detailed in note 5.2.

University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust provides a financial and administration service to the charity by agreement with the Trustees. The charges made by the NHS Foundation Trust are set at a fair open market rate and are included in the overhead and support costs detailed in note 5.1.

None of the trustees or parties related to them, has undertaken any transactions with University Hospitals Birmingham Charity or received any benefit from the charity in payment or kind.

2.2 Related party transactions and trustees' expenses and remuneration (cont')

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with University Hospitals Birmingham Charity. During the year, one of the Trustees was an employee of the University Hospitals Birmingham NHS FT and is paid on normal pay scales for their role in the Trust. They are not remunerated for their role as a Trustee of the charity or other work performed for the charity. Their remuneration for their work for the Trust is included in the accounts of the Trust along with any other disclosures. A further Trustee serves on the Trust's Board of Governors, unpaid. The trustees have not purchased trustee indemnity insurance.

During the year expenses for trustees paid directly to a third party were paid as below. (2023/24 £19)

	Accom/Subs	Travel	Training	Total
	£	£	£	£
2024/25	14	-	-	14

The estimated value of unclaimed travel expenses during the year was £400 (£400 2023/24)

- 2.3** The Charity opened a wholly owned trading subsidiary in August of 2018. 'UHB Trading CIC' which gift aids all of its profits to the charity. UHB Trading CIC is a community interest company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales No. 11334657 which sells branded merchandise and generates income from commercial exploitation of the charity's brands. As the Charity controls the Company its accounts have been consolidated into those of the charity. In the year under review, and the prior year, UHB Trading CIC was dormant and received no income or incurred any expenditure. This is due to the Charity not generating enough trading income to use a trading subsidiary.

Registered office for UHB Trading CIC: Fisher House Mindelsohn Way, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, United

UHB Trading CIC Income Statement	2024/25 £'s	2023/24 £'s
Turnover		
Operating Income	-	-
Expenditure		
Cost of Sales	-	-
Gross profit	-	-
Administration Expenses	-	-
Interest receivable	-	-
Interest Payable	-	-
Profit for the year	-	-
Gift Aid Donation to UHB Charity	-	-
Retained Profit b/f	-	-
UHB Trading CIC Statement of Position	2024/25 £'s	2023/24 £'s
Assets Employed		
Current Assets		
Stock	-	-
Debtors	-	-
Cash in Hand and at Bank	-	-
Current Liabilities	-	-
Net Assets	-	-
Financed by		
Reserves	-	-

3 Income from Donations and Legacies

	2024/25				2023/24			
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	Funds	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Donations from individuals	986	1	40	1,027	541	-	-	541
Donations from companies	800	-	-	800	1,811	-	-	1,811
Legacies	1,494	-	-	1,494	621	1	-	622
Grants	908	-	-	908	94	399	-	493
Gifts in kind	168	-	-	168	168	-	-	168
	4,356	1	40	4,397	3,235	400	-	3,635

3.1 Income from Charitable Activities

	2024/25				2023/24			
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	Funds	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Income from Fundraising Events	980	1	1	981	789	1	1	790

4 Allocation of Support Costs and Overheads

Support and overhead costs are allocated between fundraising activities and charitable expenditure. The basis of allocation is the number of transactions processed.

	2024/25				2023/24			
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	Funds	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Salaries & Pension	251.0	-	-	251.0	250.0	-	-	250.0
Travel	0.3	-	-	0.3	0.6	-	-	0.6
Training	10.9	-	-	10.9	9.3	-	-	9.3
Office Costs	42.6	-	-	42.6	54.1	-	-	54.1
Stationery	11.1	-	-	11.1	9.2	-	-	9.2
Insurance	7.8	-	-	7.8	7.2	-	-	7.2
Subscriptions	5.2	-	-	5.2	0.5	-	-	0.5
Trustee training and Expenses	0.0	-	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.0
Professional fees	0.0	-	-	0.0	1.4	-	-	1.4
Internal Audit	20.2	-	-	20.2	3.8	-	-	3.8
External Audit	18.0	-	-	18.0	18.9	-	-	18.9
Bank Charges	0.2	-	-	0.2	0.2	-	-	0.2
Finance SLA	166.0	-	-	166.0	166.0	-	-	166.0
Other	10.7	-	-	10.7	5.2	-	-	5.2
	544.0	-	-	544.0	526.4	-	-	526.4

All support costs have been allocated to unrestricted funds due to minimal restricted transactions on the basis of the number of transactions processed and is shown at note 5.1 of these accounts.

4.2 Governance Costs

Calculated governance costs for 2024/25 are £89.34k (2023/24 £63.03k). They relate to costs associated with the governance of operating the charity and include such items as Statutory Audit, Company registration and legal costs as well as an apportionment of remuneration and financial services costs for time spent on governance issues.

5 Analysis of Charitable Expenditure

Expenditure on charitable activities was £5,326k (2023/24: £4,956k) of which £932k was restricted (2023/24: £4k).

The charity, under a Scheme of Delegation, either incurred expenditure with third parties in pursuance of grants or reimbursed expenditure incurred by beneficiaries. The charity did not undertake any direct charitable activities during the year.

Support costs attributable to Charitable Expenditure have been apportioned between categories on the basis of the number of individual transactions undertaken by the charity.

	2024/25			2023/24		
	Grant Funded	Support	Total	Grant Funded	Support	Total
	Activity	Costs	2025	Activity	Costs	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Medical Research	(15.5)	15.8	0.3	1,038.1	35.5	1,073.6
Purchase of Equipment	1,078.7	65.6	1,144.3	332.5	80.6	413.1
Building and Refurbishment	2,196.2	3.3	2,199.5	1,931.7	3.0	1,934.7
Staff Education and Welfare	907.2	78.2	985.4	806.2	130.5	936.7
Patient Education and Welfare	469.2	27.1	496.3	(19.7)	45.6	25.9
Programme related running costs	461.6	29.3	490.9	490.1	44.3	534.4
Depreciation Costs	9.4	0.0	9.4	37.5	0.3	37.8
Grants to other Bodies	-	-	-	-	-	-
	5,106.8	219.3	5,326.1	4,616.4	339.8	4,956.2

	2024/25				2023/24			
Analysis between funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	Funds	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Medical Research	0.3	-	-	0.3	1,073.6	-	-	1,073.6
Purchase of Equipment	1,144.3	-	-	1,144.3	413.1	-	-	413.1
Building and Refurbishment	999.0	1,200.5	-	2,199.5	1,934.7	-	-	1,934.7
Staff Education and Welfare	983.8	1.6	-	985.4	933.0	3.7	-	936.7
Patient Education and Welfare	490.1	6.2	-	496.3	25.9	-	-	25.9
Programme related running costs	490.9	-	-	490.9	534.4	-	-	534.4
Depreciation Costs	9.4	-	-	9.4	37.8	-	-	37.8
Grants to other Bodies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4,117.8	1,208.3	-	5,326.1	4,952.5	3.7	-	4,956.2

5.1 The remaining £324.7k support costs (£186.6k 2023/24) have been allocated to the Costs of Raising Funds on the basis of the number of transactions. Due to the minimal level of transactions on Restricted funds all costs are assigned to Unrestricted funds (2023/24 nil).

	2024/25			2023/24		
	Grant Funded	Support	Total	Grant Funded	Support	Total
	Activity	Costs	2025	Activity	Costs	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Costs of Raising Funds	744.5	324.7	1,069.2	747.1	186.6	933.7
Costs of Fundraising Events	268.7	-	268.7	179.4	-	179.4
Investment Management Costs	57.3	-	57.3	42.7	-	42.7
	1,070.5	324.7	1,395.2	969.2	186.6	1,155.8

	2024/25				2023/24			
Analysis between funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	Funds	2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Costs of Raising Funds	1,069.2	-	-	1,069.2	933.7	-	-	933.7
Costs of Fundraising Events	268.7	-	-	268.7	179.4	-	-	179.4
Investment Management Costs	57.3	-	-	57.3	42.7	-	-	42.7
	1,395.2	-	-	1,395.2	1,155.8	-	-	1,155.8

5.2 Grants

Grants are made to University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust as well as other institutions. The Charity does not make grants to individuals.

	2024/25	Total	2023/24	Total
Institution Receiving Support	Number of	2025	Number of	2024
	Grants	£000	Grants	£000
University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust	32	2,616	35	4,067
University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust*	*	3,424	*	1,445
University of Birmingham	*	137	*	74
		6,177		5,586

* The Trustees operate a Scheme of Delegation under which Fund Advisors manage day to day disbursements in accordance with protocols set out by the Trustees. Funds disbursed in this way represent ongoing activity which is not possible to segment into individual grant awards.

6 Analysis of staff costs

No staff costs are contained within the Trading Company.

	Total	Total
	2025	2024
	£000	£000
Salaries and wages	789	744
Social security costs	75	71
Other pension costs	54	54
	918	869

Pension Costs are split as follows

Defined Contribution Scheme	40	40
NHS Pensions Defined Benefit Scheme	14	14
	54	54

Outstanding contributions at year end were:

Defined Contribution Scheme	7	7
NHS Pensions Defined Benefit Scheme	-	-
	7	7
Average full time equivalents of employees in the year:	23.7	22.0
Average head count during the year:	27.0	26.0

7 The number of employees whose total earnings in the year (excluding employer pension contributions) fell into the bands below were:

	2024/25	2023/24
	Total	Total
£60,000 - £69,999	1	1
£90,000 - £99,999	1	1

The key management personnel for both the Charity and the UHB Trading CIC comprise the Trustees (unpaid) and the Charity Chief Executive who was paid a salary of £97,758 plus pension contributions of £14,333.

8 Auditor's Remuneration

The external auditor's remuneration of £18,000 (2023/24: £16,500) related solely to statutory audit work. The charity did not commission any additional work from the auditor (2023/24 nil).

9 Analysis of Fixed Asset Investments Movements during the year

	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000	2024 Charity £000	2024 Group £000
Equities, Securities and Property				
Market value at start of year	12,516	12,516	11,928	11,928
Less: Disposals at carrying value	(2,269)	(2,269)	(6)	(6)
Add: Acquisitions at cost	215	215	376	376
Transfer (to) / from programme related asset	(5)	(5)	(370)	(370)
Net gains (losses) on revaluation	(195)	(195)	588	588
Market value at end of year	10,262	10,262	12,516	12,516
Historic cost at year end	9,454	9,454	11,345	11,345
Proceeds from the sale of investments in year	2,266	2,266	6	6

9.1 Market value at 31 March - All held in the UK

	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000	2024 Charity £000	2024 Group £000
Schroders Responsible Multi Asset Fund	8,800	8,800	11,333	11,333
Investment Property	1,314	1,314	1,098	1,098
Leasehold Properties	140	140	77	77
Other Investments	8	8	8	8
	10,262	10,262	12,516	12,516

9.2 Total gross income from Charity and Group

	2024/25 Total £000	2023/24 Total £000
a) Fixed Asset Investments		
Investments listed on a recognised Stock Exchange	669	631
Other Fixed Assets	-	5
b) Current Assets		
Interest earned on cash deposits and inter co. loan in the year	23	18
c) Investment Properties		
Rent received	179	84
	871	738

9.3 Programme Related Asset

All assets relate to the Charity

	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000	2024 Charity £000	2024 Group £000
Freehold Property				
Market Value at start of Year	2,040	2,040	1,670	1,670
Transfer (to) / from Investment Asset	5	5	370	370
Net Gain on revaluation	87	87	-	-
	2,132	2,132	2,040	2,040
Historic Cost	2,008	2,008	1,963	1,963

9.4 Tangible Fixed Assets	Fisher House		Hepatitis Van		Man Van		Total	
	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000	2025 Charity £000	2025 Group £000
COSTS								
Cost as at 1st April 2024	-	-	112	112	108	108	220	220
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost as at 31st March 2025	-	-	112	112	108	108	220	220
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION								
As at 1st April 2024	-	-	103	103	108	108	211	211
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the year	-	-	9	9	-	-	9	9
Depreciation as at 31st March 2025	-	-	112	112	108	108	220	220
Net Book Value as at 31st March 2024	-	-	9	9	-	-	9	9
Net Book Value as at 31st March 2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Fisher House has been fully depreciated and the initial lease has expired, therefore the Charity has disposed of the asset. A new 10 year lease at peppercorn rent has been signed with UHB NHS Foundation Trust.

The Man Van & Hepatitis Van has been fully depreciated however the Charity still owns and runs this asset.

10 Analysis of Current Assets

10.1 Amounts falling due within one year:	2024/25 Charity £000	2024/25 Group £000	2023/24 Charity £000	2023/24 Group £000
Trade debtors	400	400	164	164
Accrued income	558	558	1,579	1,579
Prepayments	157	157	144	144
Amounts owed by group and undertakings	-	-	-	-
Total debtors payable within one year	1,115	1,115	1,887	1,887
Amounts falling due after one year:	2024/25 Charity £000	2024/25 Group £000	2023/24 Charity £000	2023/24 Group £000
Trade debtors	-	-	-	-
Accrued income	389	389	678	678
Prepayments	-	-	-	-
Amounts owed by group and undertakings	-	-	-	-
Total debtors payable after more than one year	389	389	678	678

Amounts owed by group and undertakings are unsecured, interest free, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand.

10.2 Cash and cash equivalents	2024/25 Charity £000	2024/25 Group £000	2023/24 Charity £000	2023/24 Group £000
Cash at bank and in hand	5,350	5,350	4,893	4,893

11 Creditors	2024/25 Charity £000	2024/25 Group £000	2023/24 Charity £000	2023/24 Group £000
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Trade creditors	230	230	329	329
Accruals	360	360	241	241
Other taxation and social security	16	16	15	15
Total creditors falling due within one year	606	606	585	585

12 Contingent assets – legacy income

As at 31 March the charity had been notified of 30 legacies (2023/24 27 legacies), the value of which cannot be ascertained with accuracy, all being a share of a residue amount.

13 Liabilities and Provisions for Charity and Group

	Charitable Expenditure £000	2025 Total £000	2024 Total £000
Movements during the year			
Opening Provisions	4,887	4,887	3,278
Add: New provisions charged in the year	3,147	3,147	4,373
Less: Provisions released in the year	(4,994)	(4,994)	(1,359)
Change in value of brought forward provisions	(367)	(367)	(1,405)
Provisions outstanding at end of year	<u>2,673</u>	<u>2,673</u>	<u>4,887</u>
Provisions Payable within one year	1,880	1,880	3,672
Provisions payable after more than one year	793	793	1,215
Provisions outstanding at end of year	<u>2,673</u>	<u>2,673</u>	<u>4,887</u>

Provisions included in the accounts relate to grants payable, (charitable expenditure for both years) which have been approved by the Trustees but not yet paid.

14 Commitments for Charity and Group

Trustees have entered into arrangements with future commitments as follows:

	2025 Land & Buildings £000	2025 Other £000	2024 Land & Buildings £000	2024 Other £000
Expiring within a year				
Finance SLA	-	172	-	166
Office Accommodation	18	-	17	-
	<u>18</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>166</u>
Expiring between 2 - 5 years	39	-	3	-

15 Pension commitments

The Charity operates multiple defined contribution pension schemes. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Charity in independently administered funds. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Charity to the funds and amounted to £54,000 (2024 - £54,000). Contributions of £7,000 (2024 - £7,000) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.

16 Grant Commitments

At the balance sheet date, the Charity had committed to making grants of £2,558,000 (2024 - £4,818,000) as part of its multitude of supported projects. The grant commitment consists of a number of grants that either run over a three-year period or provide additional funding to existing grants made to grantees.

Where the grant commitment runs over several years, the balance of the commitment outstanding at each year end will be subject to monitoring, particularly in respect of the timeframe remaining on each grant.

17 Analysis of Charitable Funds**17.1 Endowment Funds for Charity and Group**

	Balance 1 April 1 April 2024 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers £000	Gains and Losses £000	Balance 31 March March 2025 £000
R1 J Smith Endowment	-	40.0	-	-	-	40.0
Total Endowment Funds	-	40	-	-	-	40

The objects of the endowment fund is as follows

E1 Endowment to fund an annual prize for anaesthetist students.

17.2 Restricted Funds for Charity and Group

	Balance 1 April 2024 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers £000	Gains and Losses £000	Balance 31 March 2025 £000
R1 Hollier Legacy	88.3	-	-	-	-	88.3
R2 Hear and Now	19.9	-	(2.0)	-	-	17.9
R3 Get Ahead	91.8	1.5	(6.0)	-	-	87.3
R4 Transplant Centre	1,200.0	-	(1,200.0)	-	-	0.0
Total Restricted Funds	1,400	2	(1,208)	-	-	193.5

The objects of the restricted funds are as follows

R1 For the training and education of doctors at Good Hope Hospital

R2 For the cochlear implant programme.

R3 Funds used to purchase vital equipment, education and research into cancer and other head and neck diseases.

R4 Grant to be used against the Transplant Centre.

17.3 Unrestricted and Designated Funds

The Trustees set a balance (opening or closing) of £250,000 or above as the threshold for reporting material designated funds.

Those funds above the Trustees set balance of £250,000 are disclosed below:

	Balance 1 April 2024 £000	Income £000	(Expenditure) £000	Transfers £000	Gains and Losses £000	Balance 31 March 2025 £000
Designated Funds						
E1 UHB Transplant Centre	2,403.0	612.4	(2,900.0)	99.0	-	214.4
E2 Ward 19 Charity Fund Heartlands	416.9	-	(35.3)	(2.4)	-	379.2
E3 Good Hope Legacies	297.0	83.4	-	-	-	380.4
E4 4 Trauma 4 Patients	1,008.8	(16.0)	(106.9)	(84.7)	-	801.2
E5 Fisher House	343.7	521.9	(483.2)	(47.7)	-	334.7
E6 The Giles Trust	267.7	117.1	(51.6)	(50.8)	-	282.4
E7 QEHB Legacies	760.4	427.8	-	(168.5)	-	1,019.7
E8 Trustee approved future projects	358.3	-	-	-	-	358.3
E9 QE Cancer Appeal	379.1	-	-	-	-	379.1
E10 Home from Home capital fund	2,077.4	-	-	100.0	-	2,177.4
E11 Friends of QE capital fund	326.0	-	-	-	-	326.0
E12 UHB Invoices	164.5	154.9	-	-	-	319.4
E13 Miscellaneous Fundraising	215.4	329.6	(24.7)	(125.0)	-	395.3
E14 UHB Legacies	28.7	749.2	-	(300.3)	-	477.6
E15 UHB Online Fundraising	244.5	69.5	(1.0)	(22.9)	-	290.1
Other designated funds	3,273.3	2,969.2	(1,656.2)	282.5	-	4,868.8
Unrestricted Funds						
UHB Charity	415.6	188.5	(254.4)	526.2	-	875.9
All Funds Gain/(Loss) on Investments	2,170.5	-	-	(205.2)	(109.7)	1,855.6
Total Unrestricted Funds	15,151	6,207	(5,513)	0	(110)	15,735.5
UHB Trading CIC	-	-	-	-	-	-
Consolidated Total	16,551	6,249	(6,721)	0	(110)	15,969

17.3 Unrestricted and Designated Funds - continued

E1	To create a Birmingham Transplant Centre at UHB
E2	Support for the Haematology & Oncology Units
E3	Legacies for the benefit of Good Hope Hospital
E4	Patient support programme for trauma patients
E5	Fisher House, home away from home for military patients and their families
E6	Support for brain tumour departments at UHB
E7	Legacies for the benefit of Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham
E8	Funds set aside for future projects approved by Trustees that do not have a current confirmed start date
E9	Supporting cancer patients
E10	Home from Home capital
E11	Friends of QE Hospital capital
E12	Income invoiced but not yet received
E13	Various fundraising projects that are not identified in another earmarked fund
E14	Legacies for the benefit of UHB NHS Foundation Trust
E15	Income received from online fundraising

Other Designated Funds related to other wards and clinical departments within the University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust for which donors and funders have indicated their non-binding wishes when making their generous gifts, donations, grants or legacies. Donors and funders express a preference rather than trust/restriction when donating/giving/granting and therefore all designated funds are effectively unrestricted in nature and then assigned to projects by the Charity.

17.4 Summary of Funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance 1 April 2024 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers £000	Gains and Losses £000	Balance 31 March 2025 £000
Unrestricted funds	2,586.1	188.5	(254.4)	321.0	(109.7)	2,731.5
Designated funds	12,564.7	6,019.0	(5,258.9)	(320.8)	-	13,004.0
Restricted funds	1,400.0	1.5	(1,208.0)	-	-	193.5
Endowment Funds	-	40.0	-	-	-	40.0
	16,551	6,249	(6,721)	0	(110)	15,969

18 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £000	Restricted Funds 2025 £000	Endowment Funds 2025 £000	Total Funds 2025 £000
Analysis of net assets between funds - current year				
Fixed asset investments	12,160	194	40	12,394
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Current assets	6,854	-	-	6,854
Creditors due within one year	(606)	-	-	(606)
Total	18,408	194	40	18,642
Provisions Payable within one year	(1,880)	-	-	(1,880)
Provisions payable after more than one year	(793)	-	-	(793)
Total	(2,673)	-	-	(2,673)
Total fund balances	15,735	194	40	15,969
Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year				
	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £000	Restricted Funds 2024 £000	Earmarked Funds 2024 £000	Total Funds 2024 £000
Fixed asset investments	13,956	600	-	14,556
Tangible fixed assets	9	-	-	9
Current assets	6,658	800	-	7,458
Creditors due within one year	(585)	-	-	(585)
Total	20,038	1,400	-	21,438
Provisions Payable within one year	(3,672)	-	-	(3,672)
Provisions payable after more than one year	(1,215)	-	-	(1,215)
Total	(4,887)	-	-	(4,887)
Total fund balances	15,151	1,400	-	16,551

19 Transfers Between Funds

There have been no transfers between restricted & designated funds for 2024/25. (2023/24 £Nil)

20 Controlling Party

The ultimate controlling party is the Trustess of the Charitable Parent Company.

