

Charity registration number: 1167037

ChemoHero

Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 30 April 2025



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Reference and Administrative Details

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| Trustees | Nicola Baddick |
| | Laura Davies |
| | Joanne Down |
| | Zoe Smith |
| | Heidi Riley |
| | Sarah Dowson |
| | Lucy Warner |
| | Deborah Miles, (deceased January 2026) |
| | Anthony Beckley |
| Charity Registration Number | 1167037 |
| Principal Office | Boden Group Facilities Unit B1 Woodside Court Barnstaple Devon EX31 3TJ |
| Independent Examiner | Westcotts (SW) LLP 47 Boutport Street Barnstaple Devon EX31 1SQ |
| Bankers | Barclays Bank 38 Boutport Street Barnstaple Devon EX31 1HH |
| | Cambridge & Counties Bank Charnwood Court 5B New Walk Leicester LE1 6TE |

Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 April 2025.

Trustees serving during the year 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025:

Nicola Baddick. Chair of Trustees
Laura Davies
Jo Down
Zoe Smith
Heidi Riley
Sarah Dowson
Lucy Warner
Justin Beckley
Deborah Miles

Trustees serving at sign off in 2026:

Nicola Baddick. Chair of Trustees
Laura Davies
Jo Down
Zoe Smith
Heidi Riley
Sarah Dowson
Lucy Warner
Justin Beckley

Deborah Miles served as a Trustee during the year ended 30 April 2025. Deborah sadly passed away in January 2026 and is therefore not listed among the Trustees serving at the date of sign off.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

ChemoHero is a CIO governed by a formal constitution adopted on 11 May 2016 as amended on 6 November 2019.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

ChemoHero identifies the need for new Trustees, this may be due to vacancies arising due to resignations or due to a need for Trustees with a specific skill set.

Following a selection process, the Board of Trustees invites a preferred candidate to join the Board.

Induction and training of trustees

New Trustees are issued a role profile along with the Charity Commission Essential Trustee Guide and Trustee Code of Conduct.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The objects of ChemoHero are the preservation and protection of the good health and wellbeing of people with cancer in North Devon (that is, residents mainly residing in the North Devon Council area and Torridge District Council) by the provision of a box which contains items intended to provide relief from symptoms and to generally improve the conditions of life of those in ill-health.

From time to time the Trustees may agree that boxes may be provided upon request to chemotherapy patients who are seeking treatment at other hospitals in the UK, where appropriate.

Objectives, strategies and activities

ChemoHero continued to raise awareness of the Charity to encourage donations and fundraising.

The Charity provides Boxes of Kindness containing items intended to relieve symptoms and improve quality of life for people receiving chemotherapy SACT, Systemic Anti Cancer Treatment.

The activities satisfy the definition and guidance of public benefit as issued by the Charity Commission.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Lisa Wallis

On 26 August 2021, our founder, Lisa Wallis, sadly passed away from cancer at our local hospice. The Trustees remain committed to ensuring that Lisa's story continues to inspire all aspects of ChemoHero's work as her legacy continues.

Key Achievements in 2024-25

Boxes of Kindness

During the year, ChemoHero gifted a total of 753 Boxes of Kindness.

Breakdown of boxes gifted

Seamoor Unit. 439 boxes
253 female 186 male

Posted outside of North Devon. 314 boxes
244 female 70 male

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Counselling Support

ChemoHero continued to fund counselling support for cancer patients and their families.

During the year, a total of 134 counselling appointments were delivered. There were periods of service disruption due to illness. As a result, the counsellor carried out a higher number of initial assessments to ensure continuity of care.

ChemoHero Treat Trolley

The ChemoHero Treat Trolley continued to operate throughout the year and remained extremely popular with patients attending treatment sessions.

10th Birthday milestone

November 2024 marked ChemoHero's 10th birthday. This milestone was celebrated through fundraising activity and a dedicated celebration event later in the year.

Lisa Room closure

In September 2024, the Lisa Room at the Seamoor Unit, which had been used for pre treatment visits, was closed by the hospital due to space requirements. The Trustees continue to work closely with partners to support patients despite this change.

Fundraising Events and Donations

ChemoHero received incredible community support throughout the year. Key fundraising activity included:

- Bideford Soap Box Derby. Chosen charity for the year. Raised £26,196
- ChemoHero Quiz Night at Roundswell Primary School. Raised £997
- Chosen charity for Ilfracombe Running Club Doone Run. Raised £1500
- Trail of Heroes event along the Tarka Trail during the summer holidays aimed at young families.
- Chosen charity for West Buckland School for the school year. Raised £6,327
- ChemoHero 10th Birthday Ball at Beaconside in December. Sponsored by Quince Honey Farm. Raised £8,800
- Bradworthy Young Farmers raised £6668.60
- Chosen charity for Woolacombe Sands Holiday Park. Raised £3,241.63
- Beat the Fox Boxing Day run with Fremington Trailblazers. Raised £2,200
- Donation of £10,000 from Cyvita Ilfracombe at the start of 2025
- Garry Sussex completed 30 marathons in 30 days on a treadmill £1385
- Taz Pollard from the Ceramic Academy completed a 24 hour pottery throw down, raising £6,166 to be shared with ChemoHero and Ceramic Academy CIC
- Three runners took part in the London Marathon raising £4041
- Leah Legg began her 12 challenges for 2025 and was nominated for a South West Pride of Britain Award
- Paul Down started his challenge to walk 2025 miles in 2025.

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Trustees' Report (continued)

Media recognition

ChemoHero was nominated for and won the BBC Make a Difference Award for Devon.

BBC One's Morning Live filmed a segment about ChemoHero and its work. This resulted in a significant increase in box requests from across the UK and a rise in online donations.

Partnerships and support

- Chosen charity for EweMove Estate Agents
- Continued support from Boden Group, providing storage for box stock and a base to operate the charity
- A new partnership with Surfwell CIC to support staff working within Cancer Services
- Thermos began donating Thermos flasks for inclusion in Boxes of Kindness

Financial review

During the year the charity received income totalling £180,978 (2024: £139,928) and expenses totalling £166,630 (2024: £130,152).

At the year end there were total unrestricted funds of £219,189 (2024 £204,841).

Policy on reserves

The Charity's policy on reserves is to maintain sufficient funds to support the objects of the Charity, including running costs and overheads, for a 12-18 month period without the requirement for additional sponsorship or donation.

Plans for future periods

For the year 2025 to 2026, the Trustees plan to:

- Fund a counsellor to complete a psychosexual counselling qualification to support cancer patients in North Devon
- Provide ongoing support for Cancer Services staff through surf therapy in partnership with Surfwell CIC
- Hold another ChemoHero Celebration Ball
- Continue gifting Boxes of Kindness to people starting cancer treatment and those receiving care outside of North Devon where appropriate

Trustees' Report (continued)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.


The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 27/02/2026 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Nicola Baddick
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of ChemoHero

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of ChemoHero for the year ended 30 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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


I report in respect of my examination of the ChemoHero's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of ChemoHero as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

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

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Catherine Williams FCA DChA
Independent Examiner
Westcotts (SW) LLP
47 Boutport Street
Barnstaple
Devon
EX31 1SQ

Date: 27th February 2026

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Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 30 April 2025

| | Note | Unrestricted funds £ | Total 2025 £ | Total 2024 £ |
|--------------------------------|------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 2 | 159,611 | 159,611 | 112,020 |
| Trading income | 3 | 12,100 | 12,100 | 9,713 |
| Events income | 3 | 2,768 | 2,768 | 10,995 |
| Investment income | 4 | 6,499 | 6,499 | 7,200 |
| Total receipts | | <u>180,978</u> | <u>180,978</u> | <u>139,928</u> |
| Payments: | | | | |
| Wages and salaries | | (27,186) | (27,186) | (23,394) |
| Equipment | | (2,868) | (2,868) | (15,818) |
| Computer costs | | (1,399) | (1,399) | (962) |
| Printing, Postage & Stationery | | (3,485) | (3,485) | (1,790) |
| Counselling costs | | (21,950) | (21,950) | (19,546) |
| Accountancy and payroll fees | | (768) | (768) | (726) |
| Legal fees | | (426) | (426) | (399) |
| Marketing | | (231) | (231) | (69) |
| Online Store Products | | (2,195) | (2,195) | (5,308) |
| Materials | | (71,834) | (71,834) | (45,088) |
| Donation expenses | | (932) | (932) | (912) |
| Event Costs | | (16,529) | (16,529) | (8,613) |
| Miscellaneous expenditure | | (11,432) | (11,432) | (395) |
| Purchases - other gifts | | (4,643) | (4,643) | (6,372) |
| Bank charges | | (30) | (30) | - |
| Insurance | | (722) | (722) | (760) |
| Total payments | | <u>(166,630)</u> | <u>(166,630)</u> | <u>(130,152)</u> |
| Net receipts | | 14,348 | 14,348 | 9,776 |
| Cash brought forward | | <u>204,841</u> | <u>204,841</u> | <u>195,065</u> |
| Cash carried forward | 8 | <u>219,189</u> | <u>219,189</u> | <u>204,841</u> |

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2024 is shown in note 8.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 30 April 2025

| | Note | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|----------------|
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>219,189</u> | <u>204,841</u> |
| Unrestricted income funds | | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | <u>219,189</u> | <u>204,841</u> |

The financial statements on pages 8 to 13 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 27/02/2026..... and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Nicola Baddick
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

ChemoHero meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity receives the income. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations are received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

Grants, including grants for the purchase of fixed assets, are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on a payments basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Taxation

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.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2025 (continued)

2 Income from donations and legacies

| | | Unrestricted funds | Total 2025 |
|-----------|--|--------------------|------------|
| | | General £ | £ |
| Donations | | 159,611 | 159,611 |

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Total 2024 |
|-----------|--------------------|------------------|------------|
| | General £ | £ | £ |
| Donations | 110,920 | 1,100 | 112,020 |

3 Income from other trading activities

| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total 2025 £ |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Online store | 12,100 | 12,100 |
| Events income | 2,768 | 2,768 |
| | 14,868 | 14,868 |
| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total 2024 £ |
| Online store | 9,713 | 9,713 |
| Events income | 10,995 | 10,995 |
| | 20,708 | 20,708 |

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2025 (continued)

4 Investment income

| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total 2025 £ |
|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Interest receivable on bank deposits | <u>6,499</u> | <u>6,499</u> |
| | Unrestricted funds General £ | Total 2024 £ |
| Interest receivable on bank deposits | <u>7,200</u> | <u>7,200</u> |

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

6 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

| | 2025 £ | 2024 £ |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Staff costs during the year were: | | |
| Wages and salaries | 26,574 | 22,737 |
| Pension costs | <u>612</u> | <u>657</u> |
| | <u>27,186</u> | <u>23,394</u> |

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

| | 2025 No | 2024 No |
|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Employees | <u>1</u> | <u>1</u> |

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

7 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 April 2025 (continued)

8 Funds

| | Balance at 1 May 2024 £ | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Balance at 30 April 2025 £ |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| <i>General</i> | | | | |
| Unrestricted Funds | <u>204,841</u> | <u>180,978</u> | <u>(166,613)</u> | <u>219,206</u> |
| | Balance at 1 May 2023 £ | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Balance at 30 April 2024 £ |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| <i>General</i> | | | | |
| Unrestricted Funds | 195,065 | 138,828 | (129,052) | 204,841 |
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Tarka Home sock sponsorship | <u>-</u> | <u>1,100</u> | <u>(1,100)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total funds | <u>195,065</u> | <u>139,928</u> | <u>(130,152)</u> | <u>204,841</u> |

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

During 2024, £1,100 was received from Tarka Home towards the purchase of socks.