

**Northampton & Lamport Railway CIO**  
**Financial statements for the year**  
**ended 31 December 2024**  
(Registered charity, number 1172398)

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**Northampton & Lamport Railway CIO  
Trustees' annual report for the year  
ended 31 December 2024**

**Full name** Northampton & Lamport Railway CIO

**Organisation type** Charitable incorporated organisation

**Registered charity number** 1172398

**Principal address**

Northampton & Lamport Railway, Pitsford & Brampton Station, Pitsford Road, Chapel  
Brampton, NN6 8BA

**Trustees**

Colin Haddon, Chair	Julian Skinner
Marie Pratt, Secretary	Mary Sproxton
Brian Chambers, Membership Secretary	Colin Cuthberston from, 16/11/2024
Joseph Pratt	Andrew Entwistle from, 19/02/2024
Paul Sells, Assets Manager	

**Independent examiner**

Eva Stevens, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41  
Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

**Governance and management**

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO-Association constitution adopted  
04/04/17.

Consultation with existing trustees and members, formal approach and interview.  
The appointee can be co-opted by the existing trustees prior to being confirmed by  
the AGM.

**Objectives and activities**

- 1) For the benefit of the public the preservation and conservation of the historic  
Northampton to Market Harborough railway line, its structures, associated rolling  
stock and history.
- 2) To advance education in the techniques and methods for conservation and  
operation of steam and diesel engines and associated equipment and buildings by  
the provision of training in such areas.
- 3) To promote the retention and the preservation of any such historical rolling  
stock, vehicles and equipment as aforesaid by museums, transport undertakings and  
other

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public bodies and institutions and to provide facilities to enable the public to observe such rolling stock, vehicles and equipment and assist in that preservation. 4) To promote the study of and research into railways, engines and rolling stock, catalogue, collect and collate material and publish information.

### **Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit**

For the benefit of the public, the preservation and conservation of the historic Northampton to Market Harborough railway line and its buildings, infrastructure and associated rolling stock.

Advancing education in techniques and methods for conservation by provision of training in such areas; promotion of the retention and preservation of historical rolling stock and equipment. Regular operation of steam and diesel locomotives.

### **Public benefit statement**

General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

### **Summary of the main achievements during the period**

Volunteers provided by the CIO continue to support the railway, notably through infrastructure improvements and staffing the operation of the railway's services.

We continue our programme of assisting with refurbishment and maintenance of engines and coaches, to provide adequate rolling stock for the operation of the railway.

We also continue the publication of our journal The Premier Line to keep our members and the general public informed about all our activities and on matters of interest.

We have continued to gain new members in 2024 and these are the source for volunteers to help with the maintenance and operation of the railway. We continually encourage the recruitment of new members and there are currently in excess of 300 members.

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### The charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have considered the level of free reserves (i.e. reserves not held for planned projects and unplanned emergencies) that they wish to maintain. These should cover approximately three years of operating expenditure. Free reserves at the end of 2024 stood at £43,464.

There are two reserves designated for specific purposes, being the southern extension and the station refurbishment. At the end of 2024 these reserves total £11,515.

### Financial risks


The greatest risk continues to be that costs outrun income. Maintaining the infrastructure of the railway is a continuing cost and the work of volunteers helps to keep those costs under control. We continue to seek new rolling stock and have a programme of refurbishment and maintenance of existing rolling stock. Donations and membership subscriptions are a valuable source of income. Further grant applications will help to provide funds.

### Additional information

We provide grants to Northampton Steam Railway Limited (NSRL) for the purchase of new rolling stock and for infrastructure projects. There is a separate agreement each time a grant is made, to formalise the purpose of the grant. We do not routinely make grants to any other organisation.

Our funders and supporters are varied; grant applications are made to various organisations: we do not regularly apply for grants to one organisation, as some charities do, to support our service delivery costs.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  Date \_\_\_\_\_  
16/10/2025 Colin Haddon, Trustee

### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Northampton & Lamport Railway CIO for the year ended 31 December 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Northampton & Lamport Railway CIO (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of


the 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 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 the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed  Date 20/10/2025  
Eva Stevens BSc, CPFA  
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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### Receipts & payments account for the year ended 31 December 2024

2023				2024
Total		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Funds		Funds	Funds	Funds
£		£	£	£
	<b>Receipts</b>			
4250	Grants	4857	143	5000
7906	Voluntary donations	6502	-	6502
3390	Memberships 3377 - 3377 1026 Lotto receipts 960 - 960			
475	Bank interest	653	-	653
37	Misc sales	352	192	544
<u>17084</u>	<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>16701 -</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>17036</u>
	<b>Payments</b>			
19255	Grants made to NSRL	-	-	-
856	Insurances	639	-	639
-	Memberships & subscriptions	45	-	45
100	Other admin expenses	68	-	68
3114	Printing, postage & stationery	3599	-	3599
625	Repairs & renewals	8609	-	8609
7728	Restoration	-	-	-
863	Sundry expenditure	-	-	-
-	IT equipment purchase 293 - 293 - Purchase of Shares 2500 - 2500			
276	Misc assets	-	-	-
<u>32817</u>	<b>Total payments</b>	<u>15753</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15753</u>
(15733)	<b>Net receipts/(payments)</b>	948	335	1283
69429	Cash funds at start of this period	<u>42516</u>	<u>11180</u>	<u>53696</u>
<u>53696</u>	<b>Cash funds at end of this period</b>	<u>43464</u>	<u>11515</u>	<u>54979</u>

### Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2024

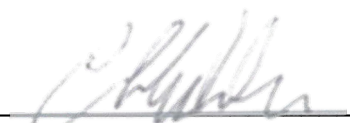
2023

2024

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£	Cash assets	Note	£
<u>53696</u>			<u>54979</u>
<u>53696</u>	Bank accounts		<u>5497</u>
			<u>9</u>
	<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
<u>14365</u>			<u>16890</u>
<u>14365</u>	Investments - Shares in Northampton Steam Railway Ltd		<u>1689</u>
			<u>0</u>
	<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		
	General equipment.		
	Booking Office restoration, cost for 2022, £4,112.		
	Landscaping equipment, purchased August 2022, total cost £2,216.		
	Mk1 carriage, purchased October 2021, total cost £25,945.		
	Interpretation board, purchased October 2021, total cost £1,188.		
	3 x Mk3 TSO's, purchased September 2020, total cost £7,800.		
	DVT, purchased July 2020, total cost £10,800.		
	Disabled access ramp (WIP), purchased December 2019, total cost £1,675		
	Welfare unit, purchased August 2018, total cost £12,009.		
	Allchin steamroller, value on transfer £55,000.		
	3919 coach, current value £19,514.		
	Ruston shunting engine, value on transfer £5,000.		
	Leyland National bus, value on transfer £500.		
	Permanent way, value on transfer £29,247. <b>Liabilities</b>		
<u>(900)</u>	Creditors	3	<u>(936)</u>
<u>(900)</u>			<u>(936)</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed  Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 16/10/2025 Colin Haddon, Trustee

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## Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

### 1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

### 2. Funds analysis

	Opening balance £	Receipts (Payments) £		Closing balance £
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Pitsford & Brampton Station	7028	242	-	7270
Southern Extension	<u>4152</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4245</u>
	<b><u>11180</u></b>	<b><u>335</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>11515</u></b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	<u>42516</u>	<u>16702</u>	<u>(15754)</u>	<u>43464</u>
	<b><u>42516</u></b>	<b><u>16702</u></b>	<b><u>(15754)</u></b>	<b><u>43464</u></b>

Purpose of funds:

Pitsford & Brampton Station - this is a fund that will support the building of the main station building at Pitsford & Brampton Station which was demolished when BR vacated the station.

Southern Extension - the improvement of infrastructure which forms part of the leasehold agreement between Northamptonshire County Council and Northampton Steam Railway Ltd (NSRL).

### 3. Creditors

	£
Independent examination fee	<u>936</u>
	<b><u>936</u></b>

### 4. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.



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### **5. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions in this period.

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### 6. Glossary of terms

**Creditors:** These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

**Debtors:** These are amounts owed to the charity, but not received in the accounting period.

**Restricted funds:** These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.