

The Invisible Friends

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Company Number: CEO10024)

Report and Financial Statements

Period ended: 30 April 2025

Charity no: 1172532

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees: D Van Spall
 P J Van Spall (resigned 1 June 2025)
 A Tabberer
 J M Weller
 C S Orzechowski
 M L Stothard
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Report of the trustees for the period ended 30 April 2025

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisers

Reference and administrative details are shown in the schedule on page 1 of the financial statements.

The Trustees

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

D Van Spall
P J Van Spall (resigned 1 June 2025)
A Tabberer
J M Weller
C S Orzechowski
M L Stothard
N D Newman
M Crichton

Structure

The Invisible Friends (TIF) is a charitable incorporated organisation registered with the Charity Commission.

Objectives and activities

The advancement of the education of the public in the appreciation and knowledge of choral singing, particularly but not exclusively by providing opportunities for disabled and able-bodied individuals to learn and take part in choral singing. An emphasis is placed on individuals with an invisible disability in order to raise the confidence of such people in an inclusive manner which encourages the integration of disabled and non-disabled people. Invisible disability is defined as a disability that is not immediately apparent.

Achievements and performance

Throughout 2024 and leading into 2025, TIF Derby have had yet another incredibly successful year! Former Mayor of Derby Cllr Ged Potter chose TIF Derby as one of 2 main charities he wanted to help raise both more awareness of within Derby and its surrounding areas and to also raise money for both Charities. Abbie went along to the end of civil service ceremony where Cllr Ged Potter announced that he had raised an incredible £4,000!

As always, TIF Derby performed at numerous gigs and events; some of which were paid gigs/gigs whereby the organisers made a monetary donation in kind will of their performance. At both the Oasmaston Park & the Sinfin Park Community Fun Days, Abbie received a cheque of £75 for the charity (£150 in total) Further awareness of the Charity and money for the Charity was made/donated at all other TIF Derby gigs and events.

In March, Abbie was invited as a Guest Speaker at Naidex (one of the countries biggest Disability Exhibitions) at the NEC Birmingham and spoke very proudly about TIF raising even more awareness of the Charity on a much bigger scale. Abbie has been invited back as a Guest Speaker next year and they would also like TIF Derby to go along and perform at the event next year too!

TIF Derby invited a further 2 new members into the choir both of whom are having a wonderful time and have already said how much becoming a member of TIF Derby has helped them with their confidence, self esteem and both now find it a lot easier to make new friends outside of TIF too!

'The Pride of TIF 2024' was the most memorable 'Pride of TIF' so far as in attendance was The Mayor of Derby, The High Sheriff of Derbyshire & the Lord Lieutenant of Derbyshire all of whom have

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reported back about how much they thoroughly enjoyed the event and how much the performances from both TIF Derby Choir & TIF Rugby Choir touched their hearts.

During 2024 - 2025, Abbie herself won the BBC Radio Derby 'Make a Difference' award in the voluntary sector in recognition of the hard work she puts in to the charity and our TIF Derby branch in particular and she also received a High Sheriff of Derbyshire Award too. Both of these awards have helped raise the bar for TIF for sure!

Another hugely successful year for TIF Derby - long may it continue!

Financial review

The charity is in a satisfactory financial position with sufficient funds to continue operations. It is the policy of the charity to monitor unrestricted funds which are free reserves of the charity to achieve a minimum level of £2,000 along with a repairs and replacement reserve of £600.

Plans for future periods

The charity will continue with its charitable objectives. The 5-year plan is to set up TIF groups nationwide who meet and perform regularly in their locality and periodically the groups will come together and perform as one.

Trustees' Responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales 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 judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 17th June 2025, and signed on their behalf by:

D Van Spall (Trustee)
Chairman

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Statement of Financial Activities for the period ended 30 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Incoming Resources						
Incoming resources from charitable activities:						
Subscriptions, events & donations		7,420	-	-	7,420	6,558
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
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Total incoming resources		7,420	-	-	7,420	6,558
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Resources expended						
Charitable activities		(5,865)	-	-	(5,865)	(7,340)
Depreciation		(40)	-	-	(40)	(40)
Governance costs		-	-	-	-	-
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Total resources expended		(5,905)	-	-	(5,905)	(7,380)
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Net incoming resources / (resources expended)		1,515	-	-	1,515	(822)

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

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Charity Balance Sheet as at 30 April 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	119	159
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		119	159
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		13,635	12,080
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		13,635	12,080
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		-	-
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Net current assets		13,635	12,080
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Total assets less current liabilities		13,754	12,239
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		-	-
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Net assets		13,754	12,239
		=====	=====
Funds:			
Unrestricted funds			
General funds		13,754	12,239
Designated funds		-	-
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		13,754	12,239
Restricted funds		-	-
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Total funds		13,754	12,239
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

D Van Spall, Trustee

Dated: 17th June 2025

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Notes forming part of the financial statements
for the period ended 30 April 2025

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

(b) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds represent those assets which must be held permanently by the charity, principally investments. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objects of the charity and is included as unrestricted income. Any capital gains or losses arising on the investments form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

(c) Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are included at valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are included as income when they are sold. Donated facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified and a third party is bearing the cost. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

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(d) **Resources expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

(e) **Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Equipment over 5 years

2 Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment £	Total £
Cost		
Brought forward	199	199
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
	-----	-----
At 30 April 2025	199	199
	=====	=====
Depreciation		
Brought forward	40	40
Charge for year	40	40
Disposals	-	-
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At 30 April 2025	80	80
	=====	=====
Net book value		
At 30 April 2025	119	119
	=====	=====
At 30 April 2024	159	159
	=====	=====

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3 Comparative for the statement of financial activities

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £
Incoming Resources					
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Subscriptions & donations		6,558	-	-	6,558
Grants received		-	-	-	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Total incoming resources		6,558	-	-	6,558
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Resources expended					
Charitable activities		(7,340)	-	-	(7,340)
Depreciation		(40)	-	-	(40)
Governance costs		-	-	-	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Total resources expended		(7,380)	-	-	(7,380)
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Net incoming resources / (resources expended)		(822)	-	-	(822)

4 Trustees remuneration, benefits and expenses

During the year, payments were made to D Van Spall for the provision of studio use and for the charity single recording at the heavily discounted rate of £2,160.

During the year, payments were made to N D Newman for the provision of vocal coaching sessions at the heavily discounted rate of £1,950.

There were no other trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025.