

**STREETS AHEAD FOR INFORMATION**

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the year ended 23 August 2025**

**Charity Number 1174369**

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**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the year ended 23 August 2025

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**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From** August 2024, Period start date  
**To** August 2025, Period end date

**Charity name:** Streets Ahead for Information

**Charity registration number:** 1174369

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	“(i) To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Gresham in Middlesbrough and the surrounding area without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the objects of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants; and (ii) to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre (hereinafter called 'the centre') and to maintain and manage the same whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or person or body) in furtherance of these objects
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	We have continued to identify possible sources of funding to allow us to deliver projects and activities to support the community in developing into a thriving cohesive society. The streets riots that took place on August 4 <sup>th</sup> 2024, had a major detrimental effect on many aspects of community relationships and cohesion. We are working through our projects and community members to bring the community together to increase community cohesion and reduce tensions through sharing experiences and cultures.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have continued to refer to the guidance issued by the Commission.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Not Applicable
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not Applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Our organisation continues to grow its pool of volunteers. The skills and lived experience they bring to our operations make us a stronger organisation and able to respond quickly and effectively to the issues emerging in our community.
Other		

### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>We have continued to support residents to become active within their community.</p> <p>People continue to reporting that (specially the elderly) that they are reticent about leaving their homes (especially after dark, many report that they feel unsafe). This became a much more serious issue after the riots. However, as a result of our community activities, we have seen evidence that these feelings are diminishing.</p> <p>We have recognised that many people have become isolated, and we host a coffee and chatter group session which is open to anyone in the community.</p> <p>We continue to operate a Community Shop with donations from local supermarkets and a bakery – feedback from our users is that it continues to go from strength to strength. The number of people attending the shop continues to grow</p> <p>Our team of volunteers deliver all the services.</p> <p>Feedback from residents has been very positive about the range of activities we have provided during the last year.</p>

		<p>The cultural mix of the area continues to become more complex.</p> <p>Through our partnership working we have actively developed opportunities to bring people together from all sectors of the community to meet and get to know each other, thereby learning about each other's communities and cultures.</p> <p>We have secured three years of funding from the Smallwood Trust aimed at helping women suffering from the effects of poverty. This funding has enabled us to develop new ways of supporting this group and to support and grow current activities.</p>
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#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have met all of the targets set by our funders, and we have also exceeded what we wanted to achieve as a Charity.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have been able to access funding to help us to achieve our outcomes
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Not Applicable
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Our funding from the National Lottery ceased in March. We have not been able to apply for any further funding due to the Charity Commissions notice of investigation. We are now running our operation from our reserves. We are currently awaiting the outcome of our recent lottery bid for an additional three years of funding
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to allow us to continue operating and responding to specific community needs.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	We are growing concerned that we are having to restrict the activities we offer and our reserves will not last forever.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	National Lottery Reaching Communities Fund Smallwood Trust
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The current principal risk is the lack of funding we are able to generate.
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	By Trustees election

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We are working in partnership with the Cleveland Housing Advisory Service
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Streets Ahead for Information
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1174369
Charity's principal address	109 – 111 Parliament Road Middlesbrough TS1 4JE

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rennie May	Chair	Appointed 8/17	
2	Mavis Arnold	Vice Chair	Resigned Nov 24	
3	Tania Johnson		Appointed 12/23	
4	Lynn Mullins		Appointed 7/24	
5	Chloe Baxter	Treasurer	Appointed 7/24	
6	Christine Ellis		Appointed 7/24	
7	David Mallam		Appointed 5/25	
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	



## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not Applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not Applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not Applicable

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Operational	John Atkinson	MVDA, Broadcasting House, Middlesbrough

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

#### Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not Applicable
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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Rennis May	Chloe Baxter
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	17.03.2026	

## **STREETS AHEAD FOR INFORMATION**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**

For the year ended 23 August 2025

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I report on the financial statements of Streets Ahead for Information for the year ended 23 August 2025, which are set out on pages 10 to 17.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2022 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have 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.

Doug Maltman FMAAT  
Fellow Member of the Association of Accountancy Technicians  
Connected Voice Business Services  
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Date: 19.03.2026

## STREETS AHEAD FOR INFORMATION

### STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT

For the year ended 23 August 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total Revised 2024 £
<b>Receipts from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	5	164	-	<b>164</b>	13
Charitable activities					
Grants and contracts	6	4,029	32,845	<b>36,874</b>	72,004
Other trading activities	7	11,659	-	<b>11,659</b>	49,907
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>15,852</b>	<b>32,845</b>	<b>48,697</b>	<b>121,924</b>
<b>Payments on:</b>					
Charitable activities					
Operation of the charity	8	67,905	4,232	<b>72,137</b>	111,228
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>67,905</b>	<b>4,232</b>	<b>72,137</b>	<b>111,228</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Net of receipts/payments		( 52,053 )	28,613	<b>( 23,440 )</b>	10,696
Cash funds brought forward		31,693	6,000	<b>37,693</b>	26,997
<b>Cash carried forward</b>		<b>( 20,360 )</b>	<b>34,613</b>	<b>14,253</b>	<b>37,693</b>

The Receipts and Payments Statement includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All receipts and payments derive from continuing activities

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

As at 23 August 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total Revised 2024 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand	14	( 20,360 )	34,613	14,253	37,693
<b>Liabilities:</b> amounts falling due within one year					
	15			<b>420</b>	360
<b>Funds of the charity</b>					
Unrestricted income funds			( 20,360 )		31,693
Restricted income funds			34,613		6,000
<b>Total funds</b>			<b>14,253</b>		<b>37,693</b>

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form an integral part of these accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the Board on: 19.03.2026

and are signed on its behalf by: C Baxter  
Treasurer

## **STREETS AHEAD FOR INFORMATION**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the year ended 23 August 2025

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#### **1 Accounting Policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### **2 Basis of accounting**

##### **2.1 Basis of preparation**

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. An audit is not required by the charity's constitution and has not been requested by the trustees.

The accounts 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.

Streets Ahead for Information meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

##### **2.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis**

The charity reported total unrestricted funds deficit at the year end of £23,310 and is making efforts to address the deficit by enhancing income and reducing expenditure. The trustees are of the view that the immediate future of the charity for the next 12 months is secure and that on this basis the charity is a going concern.

#### **3 Receipts**

##### **3.1 Recognition of receipts**

Receipts are recognised when the charity has received the resources, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of receipt have been met.

##### **3.2 Offsetting**

There has been no offsetting of receipts and payments, unless required or permitted by SORP.

##### **3.3 Grants and donations**

Receipts from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has received the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met.

##### **3.4 Volunteer help**

The value of volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

##### **3.5 Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

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#### **4 Expenditure and liabilities**

##### **4.1 Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

##### **4.2 Charitable activities**

Payments on charitable activities includes the costs of work and other activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

##### **4.3 Governance and support costs**

Support costs have been allocated between governance cost and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### **4.4 Irrecoverable VAT**

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the payment was incurred.

##### **4.5 Liabilities**

The charity has liabilities which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

##### **4.6 Provisions for liabilities**

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 23 August 2025

#### Analysis of receipts

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total Revised
	Funds	Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>5 Donations and legacies</b>				
Other	164	-	<b>164</b>	13
	<u>164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>164</b></u>	<u>13</u>
<b>6 Charitable activities</b>				
<u>Income from grants</u>				
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	46,137
Middlesbrough Lotto	29	-	<b>29</b>	47
Smallwood Trust	-	20,000	<b>20,000</b>	21,400
North Star Housing	4,000	4,000	<b>8,000</b>	4,000
Council	-	-	-	420
Community Health Hearts	-	400	<b>400</b>	-
Middlesbrough Community	-	2,950	<b>2,950</b>	-
Voices				
HBC Resilience	-	2,000	<b>2,000</b>	-
Renovation	-	1,000	<b>1,000</b>	-
MBC - Sports Day	-	2,495	<b>2,495</b>	-
	<u>4,029</u>	<u>32,845</u>	<u><b>36,874</b></u>	<u>72,004</u>
<b>7 Other trading activities</b>				
Room hire	1,920	-	<b>1,920</b>	3,000
Community Shop	9,739	-	<b>9,739</b>	-
Deposits	-	-	-	6,907
Loan repaid	-	-	-	40,000
	<u>11,659</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>11,659</b></u>	<u>49,907</u>

Receipts were £48,697 (2024: £121,924) of which £15,852 was unrestricted or designated (2024: £50,387) and £32,845 was restricted (2024: £71,537)



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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### Analysis of payments on charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total Revised
	Funds	Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>8 Charitable activities</b>				
<u>Direct costs</u>				
Project activities	-	2,535	<b>2,535</b>	856
Marketing/Street wise	762	-	<b>762</b>	3,507
Community Shop	766	-	<b>766</b>	4,332
Adder	-	-	-	1,760
<u>Support costs</u>				
Staffing costs	51,235	1,690	<b>52,925</b>	77,059
Staff expenses	894	-	<b>894</b>	24
Rent	6,529	-	<b>6,529</b>	5,500
Capacity Building	-	-	-	2,900
IT	1,055	-	<b>1,055</b>	1,166
Utilities	4,670	-	<b>4,670</b>	6,044
Telephone	15	-	<b>15</b>	969
Repairs and renewals	878	-	<b>878</b>	3,175
Office supplies	342	-	<b>342</b>	31
Insurance	-	-	-	513
Loan made	-	-	-	-
Other	759	7	<b>766</b>	3,392
	<u>67,905</u>	<u>4,232</u>	<u>72,137</u>	<u>111,228</u>

Payments on charitable activities were £72,137 (2024: £111,228) of which £67,905 was unrestricted or designated (2024: £26,623) and £4,232 was restricted (2024: £84,605)

#### 9 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	<b>420</b>	360
	<u>420</u>	<u>360</u>

#### 10 Analysis of staff costs and the cost of key management personnel

	2025 £	2024 £
Salaries and wages	<b>51,833</b>	75,374
Social security costs	<b>1,092</b>	1,685
	<u>52,925</u>	<u>77,059</u>

No employee received remuneration above £60,000 (2024: £nil)

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#### 11 Staff numbers

The head count was 3 staff (2024: 5 staff).

#### 12 Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity.

##### Trustees' expenses

No trustee expenses have been incurred in the year.

##### Transaction(s) with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period.

#### 13 Corporation Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objectives.

#### 14 Cash at bank and in hand

	<b>2025</b>	<b>Revised</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>£</b>
Cash at bank	<b>14,253</b>	37,693
	<b>14,253</b>	37,693

#### 15 Liabilities (payable within 1 year)

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Independent examination of accounts	<b>420</b>	360
	<b>420</b>	360

#### 16 Events after the end of the reporting period

No events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 17 Analysis of charitable funds

##### Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General unrestricted fund	31,693	15,852	( 67,905 )	-	( 20,360 )
<b>Totals</b>	<b>31,693</b>	<b>15,852</b>	<b>( 67,905 )</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>( 20,360 )</b>

##### Purpose of unrestricted funds

General unrestricted fund                      The 'free reserves' of the charity

##### Analysis of movement in restricted funds

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Smallwood Trust	5,000	20,000	( 582 )	-	<b>24,418</b>
North Star Housing	1,000	4,000	-	-	<b>5,000</b>
MBC - Sports Day	-	2,495	( 673 )	-	<b>1,822</b>
Community Health Hearts	-	400	-	-	<b>400</b>
Middlebrough - Community Voices	-	2,950	( 2,950 )	-	-
HBC - Resilience	-	2,000	( 27 )	-	<b>1,973</b>
	-	1,000	-	-	<b>1,000</b>
MBC - Essex Garden Renovation					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>32,845</b>	<b>( 4,232 )</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,613</b>

##### Purpose of restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income resources used for a specific purpose within the charity as identified by the donor.

Smallwood Trust	Support for women during the cost of living crises.
North Star Housing	Community Magazine - Streetwise.
MBC - Sports Day	Funds to cover sports day costs.
Community Health Hearts	FOC heart testing on volunteer residents
Middlesbrough - Community Voices	The aim of project was to enhance intergenerational community engagement - bringing residents together to create a stronger sense of community and safety.
HBC - Resilience	Streetwise and supporting Community Connectors.
MBC - Essex Garden Renovation	Our aim is to reclaim Essex Square and with the help of residents and partner organisations take it back to where it was pre-COVID.

#### 18 Capital commitments

As at 23 August 2025, the charity had no capital commitments (2024 -£nil)