



NEW BEGINNINGS 4U

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TRUSTEES REPORT **FOR THE PERIOD TO 31 DECEMBER 2025**

Charity No. 1181107

Structure, Governance & Management

Charitable Status

New Beginnings 4U CIO (Number 1181107) was registered on 11th December 2018.

Charitable Objects

To befriend mainly 'lifer' prisoners in HMP Leyhill South Gloucester or other prisons if requested, building up a relationship of trust until they are released when we then mentor them until they can stand on their own two feet so that they NEVER RE-OFFEND AGAIN.

Trustees

The Charity Trustees meet at least four times a year to discuss and review the work of the Charity. Two New Younger Trustees have been welcomed during the year and are made aware of their responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures, safeguarding policy and the ethos of the Charity. They are also asked DBS checked.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees objective is to have 4 – 6 weeks operating costs in reserve and this amounts to approx £2,000 - £3,000. At the end of the year the Charity held £11,307

Thank You

NB4U want to thank regular donors each month and during the year
Milton Christian Fellowship for their monthly gift
Renishaw £500
Local Markets £1291

Trustees

Patricia Hilder (Chair)
Natalie Batchelor (Secretary)
David Connolly
Julie Howarth (DBS checks)
Sara Hughes (Fundraising)
Susannah Weeks (Just giving Co-ordinator)
Joshua Harper (Bleadon Market)
Jonah Harper (Markets and IT)

Treasurer

Rachael Fisher (Appointed 1st January 2020)

Accountants

David K. Hardiman, Chartered Accountant
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Bankers

Lloyds Bank, Smethwick Branch

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Our Charity aim is 'to befriend mainly 'lifer' prisoners in HMP Leyhill, South Gloucester or other prisons if requested, building up a relationship of trust until they are released when we will mentor them until they can stand on their own two feet so that they NEVER RE-OFFEND AGAIN'.

Re-offending costs the tax payer over £10 billion a year as 60% of ex-offenders re-offend within 2 years of release. New Beginnings 4U Trustees ask WHY? The outside world just seem to treat ex-offenders as 'problems' but NB4U treat them as 'human beings who deserve a second chance'. As a Christian Charity we read in the Bible on 3 occasions 'the Lord has appointed me to bring good news to the poor, He has sent me to comfort the broken hearted and to announce that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed' Jesus felt these words in the Old testament of the Bible SO important, that he preached on them in his first sermon.

NB4U has been in operation for 19 years and a Charity for 7 years. Our routine remains the same, visiting Leyhill Prison on Saturday and Sunday on the first weekend of each month. Other Prisons visited in 2025 have been Channing's Wood,, Parc, Bridgend, Ashfield Bristol, Whatton and Erlestoke and Patricia did visit a prisoner in Frankland, Durham as she was on holiday there with her daughter and son-in-law.. These clients really appreciate our twice yearly visits of encouragement. We continued to send them all Birthday & Christmas Gifts of £50. We also buy them treats on their ROTL day's and Home Leaves. In 2025 we have seen a further 3 of our clients released into AP Hostels and all 3 are doing well. One lad was unfortunately re-called because ongoing accommodation couldn't be found for him, so that renders him 'homeless' we all find that really sad

We still like to think that we are here to build their trust, listen to their worries and concerns especially of deferred action. We never condemn or criticise them but offer them hope and a chance to turn their life around. We like the words of Henry Ford who said 'Failure is simply the opportunity to begin life again more intelligently' These residents need people around them who are interested in them as human beings, who have served their sentence and now deserve a second chance.

NB4U volunteers meet them on the Release on Temporary Licence days, and help them fulfil tasks like accompanying them to their Probation Officer appointment, opening a Bank Account, buying a mobile phone, finding a Doctor and Dentist. Visiting the library for them to be able to use the Computers and then anything else that helps them settle into the outside world. We have noticed this year they have more mental health issues, mostly financial anxiety so we always do a food shop with them. One of our Trustees has written an excellent guide on ways to help them settle into their Community.

Since we started the work in 2008 we have helped 85 men. We give hope to around 18 guys either still in prison or recently released and in Hostels and Flats. Many of the others seek our advice when they require it.

It has been a hard year for our Founders, Patricia & Peter Hilder as Peter was diagnosed with Grade 3 Non Hodgkins Lymphoma in July 2024 after being treated for 2 Skin Cancer Legions in the January. He had 6 rounds of Chemotherapy from July to November 2024 and had a good Christmas period with his family. However in January 2025 the symptoms returned and although a further round of Chemotherapy seemed the way forward his body had different ideas and he passed away peacefully on February 9th 2025. He is missed dreadfully but when 220 attended his celebration service the work of both Patricia and Peter was acknowledged as second to none and a round of applause showed peoples appreciation of their work. Ten of their lads attended the service, some taking part.

So what about the future?

Future Plans

Patricia plans to continue the work as follows:-

Visiting 2 lads in HMP Leyhill and 6 in other Prisons. 12 released but still needing encouragement. We will write regularly to 8 others.

There doesn't appear to be any way forward to continue the Charity long term as Patricia is now 79 and hopes to retire at the end of 2027 thus thinking it may be a Charity for a 20 year season.

The Community Lottery Grant received in 2024 had been a tremendous help meaning Patricia hasn't had to spend hours cooking to raise funds. She has just concentrated on visiting the men and loving and encouraging them to lead healthy and positive lives

By order of the Trustees

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Mrs P Hilder Chairperson

15th April 2026

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**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST DECEMBER 2025**

CHARITY NUMBER 1181107

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31ST DECEMBER 2025

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Registered 11th December 2020
Charity Number 1181107

TRUST INFORMATION

TRUST ADDRESS

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TRUSTEES

T D Conolly
Mrs P A Hilder
Mrs N Gale-Sides
Mrs J Howarth
Mrs S Hughes
Mrs S Weeks
Joshua Harper
Jonah Harper
P R Hilder (Died February 2025)
P G Franklin (Resigned 25th July 2025)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of New Beginnings 4U C.I.O.

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (Charity Number 1181107) for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Charity Trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

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

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David K. Hardiman FCA
Chartered Accountant
13 Boulevard
Weston-super-Mare
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13th March 2026

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DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST DECEMBER 2025

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> <u>2025</u>		<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> <u>2024</u>	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Income</u>				
Gifts		4741		5420
Lottery Grant		-		18000
Gift Aid		-		986
Fund Raising - Markets	1291		4045	
- Church Fayres	-		1720	
- Garage/Open Doors	-		2649	
- Other	<u>-</u>		<u>265</u>	
		<u>1291</u>		<u>8679</u>
<u>Total Income</u>		6032		33085
 <u>Less: Expenditure</u>				
Fuel and Parking	2319		2603	
Men's Gifts	3934		1213	
Men's Food	258		273	
Men's Clothes	260		232	
Men's Phone and Postage	60		220	
Men's Other Costs	285		45	
Postage, Stationery and Computer Costs	979		1416	
Cooking Ingredients and Disposables	333		2088	
Fayre Food Costs	399		793	
Directors Costs	5619		5670	
Public Liability Insurance	150		138	
Craft Items and Fayre Costs	202		434	
Equipment and Repairs	-		553	
Accountancy Paid	252		240	
Sundry Expenses	<u>280</u>		<u>160</u>	
		<u>15330</u>		<u>16078</u>
<u>(Deficit)/Surplus of Income over Expenditure</u>		£ (9298)		£ 17007

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash at Bank and in Hand	£ 11307	£ 20605
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<u>RESERVES</u>		
Balance at 1st January 2025	20605	3598
Income and Expenditure Account	<u>(9298)</u>	<u>17007</u>
<u>Balance at 31st December 2025</u>	£ 11307	£ 20605
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.....Chairperson

Mrs P A Hilder

13th March 2026

For and on Behalf of the Trustees

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ADDITIONAL PAGE FOR MEMBERS

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

NEW BEGINNINGS 4U C.I.O.

I have prepared the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025 set out on pages 3 to 4 from the accounting records and information supplied to me by the Trustees and they are in accordance therewith. The Trustees have confirmed that the Trust does not require an audit.

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**David K Hardiman
Chartered Accountant
13 Boulevard
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13th March 2026