

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.

Barton Road Centre is open to the public every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to deliver a number of sessions and activities which serve to meet the purposes of the organisation.

Since 2022 the Centre also runs a community cafe - 'The Milk Kit Cafe' which is run by volunteers. Groups include 'Play Cafe' aimed at pre-school children and babies two mornings a week; National Lottery funded Little Tornadoes Group which is aimed at pre-school children one morning a week; Crafternoons which is aimed at people who enjoy craft activities; 'Games Afternoon' which was set up to combat loneliness and provide a meaningful space for people to come to keep warm; Thursday Coffee Group for people over 55; Gardening Group. The Centre also runs its own Community Choir which performs regularly at community concerts and in old people's homes across the district. In November 2024 the Choir was voted the People's Choice Choir of Lancashire.

The Centre is also open to a range of fee-paying groups which broadly meet the purposes of the charity. These range from table tennis groups, art groups, fitness groups and battle re-enactment groups. In total, the Centre has a weekly footfall of over 350 people, mainly from within a 2 mile radius of the centre.

Contribution made by volunteers

The charity comprises 10 community volunteers who undertake duties such as cafe staff, gardeners, window cleaners and group facilitators.

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.

The trustees believe that the centre achieves its broad aims to serve the people of South Lancaster and in-so-doing, improve people's health and wellbeing. This is achieved through the provision of a range of activities which are tailored to suit many. Social isolation is combated through the provision of a community cafe. The experience of selling tea and cake and chatting is vitally important to building relationships and trust. The cafe runs alongside a diverse range of groups which target special interests and a range of ages - from babies and toddlers through to elderly people. Mental wellbeing is addressed through the community choir but we also offer table tennis provision which is very popular and serves to improve people's physical health. People generally leave Barton Road Centre feeling better than when they arrived.

The function of our the majority of our groups is similar: There are no fees for our groups (with the exception of Choir and Coffee Group), but people are encouraged to come and participate in groups and, if they can afford a piece of cake to help the centre's running costs, then all is well! If they cannot, it is no problem either. We are providing spaces where people can feel in control of what they do in a very friendly, supportive environment.

Balance Sheet

Barton Road Centre

Period Ending 31-MAR-2025

	Current FY at 31-MAR-2025		Prior FY at 31-MAR-2024	
ASSETS				
SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS		126,528.49		101,896.52
Cumberland	45,798.30		24,132.64	
Saver	80,730.19		77,763.88	
FIXED ASSETS		0.00		0.00
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND		721.85		1,536.24
Cash in Hand	671.55		1,361.96	
Float	50.00		50.00	
Petty Cash	0.30		124.28	
OTHER ASSETS		0.00		0.00
DEBTORS-*DEBTORS	0.00		0.00	
TOTAL ASSETS		127,250.34		103,432.76
LIABILITIES				
CURRENT LIABILITIES		0.00		0.00
*CREDITORS	0.00		0.00	
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS @ 31-MAR-2025</u>		<u>127,250.34</u>		<u>103,432.76</u>
REPRESENTED BY FUNDS				
4th Plinth	-109.50		-109.50	
Art 4 Fun	108.00		0.00	
Best Cake Oven In The World	236.49		236.49	
Committed	6,048.32		7,200.00	
Community Choir	1,725.81		2,020.72	
Friday Play Cafe	16,989.29		0.00	
General Fund	101,053.43		88,482.04	
Reflections	208.50		208.50	
Table Tennis Rental	990.00		990.00	
Choir	0.00		0.00	
Choir On-line from Lottery Funding	0.00		0.00	
Cow Shed to Community	0.00		0.00	
Friday Women	0.00		0.00	
Good Soup and Games	0.00		2,030.00	
Memory Makers	0.00		1,477.03	
Projector screen from Lottery Funding	0.00		0.00	
Recipes Remembered	0.00		897.48	
Wind Turbine	0.00		0.00	
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES				
<u>TOTAL FUNDS BALANCE @ 31-MAR-2025</u>		<u>127,250.34</u>		<u>103,432.76</u>

BARTON ROAD CENTRE LTD
DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
1 ST APRIL 2024 TO 31 ST MARCH 2025

Profit & Loss Account	2024-25	2023-24
	£	£
INCOME		
Transfer B/w Funds		
Grants	17,500	350
Room Hire/Rent	18,087	12,783
Kitchens	15,413	15,725
Centre Groups	0	117
Events	907	2,429
Equipment	585	463
Fees/Subscriptions	0	6
Crafts Paid in	486	40
Donations	825	14,866
Managed Group Funds	3,243	976
Bank Interest	2,368	1,912
Travel	0	262
Total Income	59,414	49,929
Cost of Services		
Transfer B/w Funds		
Wages	18,564	18,131
Room Hire/Rent	100	0
Kitchens	3,397	3,566
Centre Groups	0	438
Crafts	305	0
Events	231	1,925
Equipment	3,503	1,355
Fees/Subscriptions	649	4,353
Travel	0	125
Stationery & Consumables	150	174
Donations	19	304
Pension	1,121	1,699
Tax	2,829	4,078
Mobile Phones	86	63
Managed Groups	4,237	0
Bank Charges	105	99
Printing & Postage	302	255
Funding	0	2,000
Total Expenses	35,596	38,564
Profit /(Loss) for the year	23,818	11,365

Profit/Loss on the year (All Funds)	23,818
Balance at start of the period	103,433
Balance at end of the period	127,251
Carried Forward	£ 127,251

BARTON ROAD CENTRE LTD
DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
1 ST APRIL 2024 TO 31 ST MARCH 2025

		2024-25	2023-24	
		£	£	
Note				
1	Unrestricted Funds	101,054	88,573	
2	Restricted Funds			
	4th Plinth	-110	-110	
	Best Cake Oven In The World	236	236	
	Art 4 Fun	108	0	
	Committed	6,048	7,200	
	Community Choir	1,726	2,021	
	Friday play café	16,989	0	
	Good Soup & Games	0	2,030	
	Memory Makers	0	1,387	
	Recipes Remembered	0	897	
	Reflection	209	209	
	Table Tennis Rental	990	990	
		26,197	14,861	
3	Funds			
	Cash on hand	Cash	722	1,537
	Working Account	Bank	45,798	24,133
	Savings Account	Bank	80,730	77,764
			127,251	103,433
4	Movement in Funds	23,818		

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of

Barton Road Centre Ltd.

Charity No. 1182276

I report on the accounts for the year 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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17th June 2025