

ALICE HOLT INCLUSIVE CYCLING
AGM 22 JANUARY 2026

Chairman's Report

Howard gave the following report outlining the charity's activities for the calendar year 1 January to 31 December 2025.

1. The Charity remains in a very sound position, both in financial terms and in the number of attendees using our specialised cycles. The number of paying users has been fairly steady over the last three years (see stats below), but this belies the fact that in addition to disabled folk, we welcome an almost equal number of carers, teachers and family members.

2023 – 1,137 (average number 15.79)

2024 – 1,368 (average number 17.25)

2025 – 1,332 (average number 16.51)

2. We welcomed many different groups, SEN schools, and organisations at AHIC in addition to single persons (usually with their carers). These included (but not limited to):

Pathways School, Pond Meadow School, Portesbery School,

Dementia Friendly Alton, Post 19, Active Surrey,

National Association of Social Providers (NASP), Winchester Scouts, Abbey School,

Henry Tyndale School, Hollywater School, KEF Kids, Alton Stroke Support,

Linkable Adult Services, Hampshire Childrens Services, Tadley Court School,

NE Hants Disabled Childrens Family event; Woodlarks Summer Groups.

It should be pointed out that most of these groups were catered for by arranging a special event, rather than coming on our regular Thursday morning session.

3. After many years of campaigning, it is gratifying to report that AHIC have been successful in acquiring additional, and much needed, storage for our 'stable' of special cycles. Our thanks go to Forestry England for supplying two newly-refurbished 30 foot containers to replace our old dilapidated leaking 40 foot container. These are currently at a temporary site in the overflow car park at Alice Holt Forest, and are expected to be moved to their permanent site at the Activity Centre early in 2026 once the necessary ground work and foundations have been completed. This will give us 50% more storage capacity, and enable us to purchase more badly-needed specialised bikes (for which we have funds). It will also mean that our long-suffering volunteers will not need to hang bikes from the ceiling of the container to save space.
4. AHIC re-commenced operations on Thursday 6 February 2025 after our usual Christmas/New Year break, and finished on Thursday 11 December 2025 when we had our Volunteers Christmas 'Thank you' lunch.
5. We are very fortunate in having a very enthusiastic and empathetic team of 15 volunteers (7 of whom are Trustees). None of our volunteers or Trustees take any form of recompense for the hard work they do, either financially or in kind.
6. During the year AHIC were fortunate to receive substantial financial donations from The Army Golf Club, and Hart Road Runners. These amounts are shown in the annual accounts. We also received a donation of a child's specially adapted trike, and also specialist cycle-cleaning equipment from Muc-off UK. As a result of all the above, AHIC are in a very strong financial position for the coming year. However, the Trustees have agreed that a large part of our funds will be spent on replacing and adding to our fleet of cycles to meet demand once our additional

storage has been commissioned. The Trustees have agreed that a reserve fund of £1,000 shall be kept permanently to meet contingencies.

7. AHIC continue to enjoy good relations with Forestry England, with both our Annual Permission and Licence to Operate documents having been renewed for a further year. We co-exist happily with 'Go Ape' – a commercial organisation operating various outdoor activities at Alice Holt. In February 2025 Go Ape installed an overhead adventure netting trail above the All-ability Cycle Trail which briefly interrupted AHIC's clients' use. We continue to attend the regular Stakeholders meetings organised by Forestry England.
8. Our Trustees continue to hold regular quarterly meetings, and the minutes of these meetings are circulated to all our volunteers.
9. In September 2025 AHIC was registered with the RVS (Royal Voluntary Service) in case any member of the public was interested in volunteering with our Charity.
10. As mentioned at the last AGM, the AHIC bank accounts have been moved to new accounts, still with NatWest Bankline. The old accounts have now been closed down, and an additional Trustee signatory has been added bringing the total number of signatories up to the maximum of four allowed. For the Thursday morning drop-in sessions at Alice Holt, payments continue to be made either in cash or by card (via Sum UP). Group bookings are usually paid for by internet transfer.
11. Lastly, as always, my very sincere thanks to our dedicated and hardworking team of volunteers, without whom AHIC would not exist and would be sorely missed by all our clients.

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Year to 31st December 2025
Receipts and Payments Accounts

£	2025 Year	2024 Year
Receipts		
Clients	2,934.00	3093.00
Donations	444.04	2606.06
Interest	144.26	133.29
Park Leisure	0.00	0.00
Sale of old cycles	0.00	0.00
Special events	1,119.00	1383.00
Other	0.00	0.00
Total receipts	<u>4,641.30</u>	<u>7,215.35</u>
Payments		
Admin fee	41.25	32.87
FE License fee	75.00	0.00
Insurance premium	565.05	441.41
Cycle purchases	0.00	0.00
Spares/repairs	538.89	335.81
Stationery	9.20	132.00
Subsistance	148.00	120.00
Thank you gifts	0.00	0.00
Other	102.34	170.08
Total payments	<u>1,479.73</u>	<u>1,232.17</u>
Net receipts/(payments)	3,161.57	5,983.18
Cash funds last year end	<u>12,799.21</u>	<u>6816.03</u>
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Cash funds		
Cash	192.39	153.49
Bank	<u>15,768.39</u>	<u>12645.72</u>
	<u>15,960.78</u>	<u>12,799.21</u>
Assets for charity's use		
Cycles at insurance valuation	45,000.00	45000.00
Other monetary assets		
Due from Weekly Clients and Special Events	300.00	60.00
Liabilities		
Amounts owed by charity	0.00	0.00

