

**ANNUAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

**THE ROSE THOMPSON
FOUNDATION**

(Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1182806

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1182806
PREVIOUS NAME	BME Cancer Communities
DATE OF REGISTRATION	4th April 2019
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st December 2023
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	30th November 2024
TRUSTEES AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2024	Lindsay Thompson Sharon Stevens Jackie Brown Vivian Oliver Elaine Israel-Samuels Rupert Aikman Jenene Aikman
LEGAL STATUS	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	CIO - Foundation Registered 4th April 2019, As Amended 12th October 2022, As Amended 5th December 2023.
OBJECTS	<p>To preserve and protect the health of people in particular but not exclusively from Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) and low-income communities living with or affected by cancer by providing and assisting in the provision of: a) Culturally sensitive and appropriate practical advice, information, advocacy and support services b) Services directed to improving participation in BME cancer research and detection initiatives c) Diversity training to improve the culture sensitivity and services delivery of statutory bodies.</p>
CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	B'Me Against Cancer Christopher Cargill House 21-23 Pelham Road Nottingham NG5 1AP
PRIMARY BANKERS	Unity Trust Bank Plc Four Brindleyplace Birmingham B1 2JB
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS	Castle View Accounting Ltd Ground Floor Offices 53 High Street Arundel West Sussex BN18 9AJ

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

Background

Our object is to preserve and protect the health of people in particular, (but not exclusively) from the global majority and low-income communities living with or affected by cancer, by providing and assisting in the delivery of culturally appropriate and adequate:

- Holistic care to provide the patient with one of the best opportunities to enhance survival, containment, or recovery;
- Support for carers of those affected by cancer, and;
- Community engagement and involvement services aimed to improve participation in cancer research and detection initiatives.

Our Income

Our income during this operational year is primarily from existing commissioned projects. We plan to diversify our income streams so as not to be reliant on these engagements. Our annual financial accounts are detailed below.

Main Activities and Achievements

Completion of the Clinical Trials Participation Project Commissioned by UCL

This project proceeded to its final phase during the period covered by this report

The work involved:

- Conducting a rapid appraisal of the existing evidence on clinical trial participation in Black and Minority Ethnic communities;
- Examining the views of Black African and Black Caribbean people on clinical trial participation;
- Exploring interpretations and meanings attached to the term clinical trial among Black Africans and Black Caribbeans, and;
- Making recommendations on practical initiatives relevant to increasing participation and identifying barriers to participation in clinical trials.

A report was completed in December 2023, and the final phase, including awareness-raising events based on the findings and related materials, will be produced in the coming months.

Digital Literacy Project (Phase 1)

Digital Notts (NHS) commissioned this project as part of a broader initiative to:

- help increase the number of people using digital services for their health, care and wellbeing;
- Deliver and facilitate activities designed to help people access digital services and improve IT skills amongst service users.

These are the outcomes (KPI) at the end of Phase One:

- Supported 63 (KPI 50) people to get online and improve their skills and confidence using digital health tools;
- Delivered 15 (KPI 15) digital support hubs to support people in improving their digital skills and confidence in accessing health and care services online;
- Recruited and trained five people (KPI 3) to become Digital Health Champions, and;
- Produced 1 case study from the participants.

These successful outcomes qualify us for a 2nd Phase in the coming operational year.

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Looking Ahead

The Cancer Resource Centre

We are committed to establishing a state-of-the-art cancer resource centre (CRC). This initiative will proceed in phases. As the CRC will provide culturally appropriate and holistic care, the first phase will involve developing services and building capacity.

Key Features and Benefits of the CRC

We plan to provide or facilitate access to services designed to provide emotional, spiritual, social, and practical support to individuals affected by cancer. These are the key features and benefits:

- **Wellness & Recovery Action Planning (WRAP):** A personalised guide supporting cancer patients' physical, emotional, and mental well-being—helping them regain control of their health;
- **Complementary Therapies:** Facilitating access to therapies such as massage, acupuncture, and aromatherapy to ease symptoms and promote relaxation. **Personal Support Adviser:** Offering advocacy and tailored support for patients and carers, including a personal WRAP;
- **Advocacy:** Empowering patients and carers to understand their rights and access the care and services they deserve;
- **Digital Literacy Support:** Helping individuals confidently use digital tools like the NHS App and access reliable online health information;
- **Nutrition Support:** Provide guidance to manage, strengthen and aid recovery and support immunity;
- **Recreational Activities:** Offering uplifting experiences that ease stress, support healing, and build social connection;
- **Clinical Research Awareness:** Raise awareness and facilitate access to new treatments and therapies.

Conclusion

The RTF is in the process of transitioning from activities that were predominantly campaigning, informational, and awareness-raising. Our focus and drive for the future is to be a pioneering and person-centred provider and facilitator of holistic care for cancer patients and carers.

Our task in the coming year is to maintain momentum and build the necessary capacity to deliver on our objectives.

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Trustees' Responsibilities

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

The Law applicable to Charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Governing Document 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, including the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the CIO will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Governing Document. 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.

Approved by the Trustees on 25/09/2025

Signed on their behalf by Trustee 

Printed Name: **LINDSAY THOMPSON**

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024/23 £	TOTAL 2023/22 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds					
Donations, Grants & Legacies	3a	9,527	47,952	57,479	59,293
Charitable Activities	3b	-	5,000	5,000	3,150
Investment Income	3c	-	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	3d	7,606	-	7,606	-
Other Incoming Resources	3e	1,439	-	1,439	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		18,572	52,952	71,524	62,443
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of Generating Funds					
Cost of Charitable Activities	4a	19,742	43,683	63,425	54,538
Governance Costs	4b	1,660	2,000	3,660	8,373
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		21,402	45,683	67,085	62,911
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(2,830)	7,269	4,439	(468)
Funds Brought Forward		(3,272)	2,380	(892)	(424)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT NOVEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 30-Nov-24 £	TOTAL 30-Nov-23 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2	-	-	-	-
Investments	6	-	-	-	-
Total Fixed Assets		-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Debtors & Prepayments	8	-	-	-	-
Cash at Bank and in Hand	7	(5,142)	9,649	4,507	8
Total Current Assets		(5,142)	9,649	4,507	8
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	960	-	960	900
NET CURRENT ASSETS		(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)
Creditors: Amounts falling due in more than one year	10	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		(6,102)	-	(6,102)	(3,272)
Restricted Funds	5	-	9,649	9,649	2,380
Total Funds		(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)

25/09/2025

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by Trustee 

Printed Name: LINDSAY THOMPSON

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation & Assessment of Going Concern

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015) (Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Assessment of Going Concern

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment Gains and Losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the trustees meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants with Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SOFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants Payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.

Unrestricted funds

These funds can be used for the general objectives of the charity as set out in the trustees report. The movements of the unrestricted funds are given in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Restricted funds

These funds are where the donor has specified a purpose for the donation made. These restrictions often arise as a result of appeals for special offerings for specific purposes.

Designated funds

These funds are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for particular purposes or projects.

Fixed Assets

Fixed Assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £1,500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation Expense

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied are as follows:

Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	25% - Reducing Balance Basis
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2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The CIO held no fixed assets during this or the previous financial period.

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

30th November 2024 : None

30th November 2023 : None

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3. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024/23 £	TOTAL 2023/22 £
a) Donations, Grants & Legacies				
Gifts & Donations	8,193	-	8,193	10,205
Grants Received	1,334	47,952	49,286	49,088
	9,527	47,952	57,479	59,293
b) Charitable Activities				
Activities & Projects	-	5,000	5,000	3,150
	-	5,000	5,000	3,150
c) Investment Income				
Interest	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
d) Activities for Generating Funds				
Sponsorship Income	2,590	-	2,590	-
Fundraising Income	5,016	-	5,016	-
	7,606	-	7,606	-
e) Other Incoming Resources				
Sundry Income	1,439	-	1,439	-
	1,439	-	1,439	-

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4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024/23 £	TOTAL 2023/22 £
a) Cost of Charitable Activities					
Activities & Projects		4,206	6,567	10,773	7,030
Administrative Expenses		965	4,050	5,015	1,249
Advertising & Publicity		3,420	-	3,420	1,500
Bank Charges		98	-	98	72
Catering Costs		329	-	329	-
Insurance Costs		45	-	45	-
Licenses & Subscriptions		425	-	425	256
Office Costs		384	-	384	-
Rent & Rates		3,250	6,200	9,450	5,721
Staff Costs	12	3,851	21,815	25,666	37,666
Sundry Expenses		2,429	1,904	4,333	902
Telephone Costs		233	3,147	3,380	143
Travel & Subsistence		107	-	107	-
		19,742	43,683	63,425	54,538
b) Governance Costs					
Independent Examiners Fees	9	960	-	960	900
Legal & Professional Fees		700	2,000	2,700	7,473
		1,660	2,000	3,660	8,373

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

	Balance 01-Dec-23 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance 30-Nov-24 £
Carers Federation Ltd	-	5,000	2,591	-	2,409
Kingsmead Fund	-	5,000	750	-	4,250
Prostate Cancer Research	2,380	-	2,380	-	-
UCL Clinical Research Fund	-	42,952	39,962	-	2,990
	2,380	52,952	45,683	-	9,649

PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR

	Balance 01-Dec-22 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance 30-Nov-23 £
Prostate Cancer Research	-	3,150	770	-	2,380
	-	3,150	770	-	2,380

The Restricted funds are wholly represented by the charity's cash reserves and are to be expended as specified above.

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6. INVESTMENTS

The CIO held no fixed assets investments during this or the previous financial period.

7. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	TOTAL 30-Nov-24 £	TOTAL 30-Nov-23 £
Cash at Bank & in Hand	(5,142)	9,649	4,507	8
	(5,142)	9,649	4,507	8

8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	TOTAL 30-Nov-24 £	TOTAL 30-Nov-23 £
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	TOTAL 30-Nov-24 £	TOTAL 30-Nov-23 £
Independent Examiners Fees	960	-	960	900
	960	-	960	900

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The CIO held no long term liabilities during this or the previous financial period.

11. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 30-Nov-24 £	TOTAL 30-Nov-23 £
Fixed Asset Investments	-	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
	(6,102)	9,649	3,547	(892)

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12. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	TOTAL 2024/23 £	TOTAL 2023/22 £
Gross Wages, Salaries & Fees	23,598	36,647
Employer's National Insurance Costs	2,067	1,019
Pension Contributions	-	-
	<u>25,666</u>	<u>37,666</u>

Employees who were engaged in each of the following activities:

Charitable Activities	2	3
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The Charity operates a PAYE scheme to pay all members of employed staff and no employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000. The Charity also employs members of staff on a self employed basis and is therefore not liable for National Insurance Costs.

13. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

During the financial year Trustee Mr Lindsey Thompson received £24,619 (2023/22:£26,340) in staff costs in his capacity as COO for BME Cancer Communities in furthering the Charity's objects.

During the financial year Ms Cara Thompson (Daughter to Trustee Lindsey Thompson) received £7,561 (2023/22:£4,036) in staff costs in her capacity as Administrator for The Rose Thompson Foundation in furthering the Charity's objects.

No other payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

14. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

15. RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the CIO's needs. This is based on the CIO's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the CIO will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

16. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The CIO acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the CIO has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the CIO should undertake.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/ members of The Rose Thompson Foundation on the accounts for the year ended 30th November 2024 set out on pages 7 to 15.

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- 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 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 Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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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Date: 26th September 2025