

FRIENDS OF PICU

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025



**Supporting
Critically ill Children**
from across the South of England
and the Channel Islands

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1183373

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Charity Number:	CIO No. 1183373
Registered Office:	Mailpoint 27, Level D, Centre Block University Hospital Southampton Tremona Road Southampton SO16 6YD
Trustees:	Dr Iain Macintosh (Chair) Mr Stephen Hyde (Treasurer) Mrs Francesca Mahon Mr Darren May Mrs Verity Saxon Mrs Clare McGill-Sharpe (appointed 3rd April 2025)
Principal Bankers:	Lloyds Bank 120 Lewisham High Street Lewisham London SE13 6JG
Independent Examiner:	TC Group 3 Acorn Business Centre Northarbour Road Cosham Portsmouth PO6 3TH

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025. The Trustees have adopted the provision of Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statements of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Management

Friends of PICU is a registered charity, CIO No. 1183373 and is governed by its Constitution which was adopted on 13th May 2019.

Trustees

The Trustees are responsible for the overall governance of Friends of PICU and meet regularly throughout the year. The number of Trustees cannot be fewer than three. The Recruitment and Selection Process is the responsibility of the Trustees, using a recruitment process approved by all Trustees. Trustees are bound by a signed Code of Conduct. All Trustees give their time freely and no Trustee remuneration is paid.

During the financial year ended 31st March 2025, no Trustees stepped down and shortly after the year end a new Trustee was welcomed, Mrs Clare McGill-Sharpe, who works in the charity sector and brings significant experience of charity governance. The number of Trustees is now six.

Delegation

The Trustees delegate responsibility for the day-to-day administration of the charity to the Operations Manager who liaises regularly with the Chairman and all Trustees.

Risk Management

The Trustees continue to be mindful of risks to which the charity may be exposed and continue to monitor systems and procedures in place to manage any risk. Adequate insurance policies are in place to cover this.

Objectives and Activities

Our Charity Objects are to relieve the suffering and facilitate the care of patients and families of the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) at University Hospital Southampton, either directly for patients and families or indirectly through supporting the work of the PICU and its attendant services, by providing or assisting in providing equipment, facilities and services not routinely or immediately available in the regular provision.

Friends of PICU contributes to every part of the care that the unit provides and no patient will pass through PICU without being helped by equipment, services and resources that Friends of PICU has purchased and donated, or benefiting from the additional nursing training and education that the charity pays for.

Public Benefit

The Charity provides a benefit to the public through the provision of support to the children, their families and the PICU by providing vital equipment, resources, nurse training and education that the charity pays for.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission. The activities of the charity are available to all beneficiaries connected with the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit.

Volunteers

Friends of PICU receives the support of volunteers who provide help and support to the fundraising and administration activities of the charity, and who give their time freely. As a small charity, the support of the volunteers is very much appreciated and helps the charity to achieve its aims and objectives. During the year the charity welcomed new volunteers.

Achievements for the Year

Friends of PICU has steadily increased its income over its lifespan and this year was no exception. We generated more income than last year without increasing our costs. This is down to our own activities as well as those of our generous and energetic independent fundraisers, community supporters and local businesses. Also we have more actively managed our savings and under the supervision of our Treasurer we now have an additional savings income stream. None of our activities would be possible without our community and corporate supporters. In particular we would like to thank Haskins Garden Centre West End, Barratt Homes, Zurich Community Trust, Hall & Woodhouse and Hilton Southampton - Utilita Bowl. The latter's involvement has created, over the last two years, a wonderful and immensely popular Christmas Party aimed at families who have been through PICU.

Supporting families is at the heart of what we do and we are delighted to still fund the Family Liaison post, which has proved to be more important than we had ever imagined. A constant helping presence at that time of stress and confusion has been welcomed by all.

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Thanks to the incredible fundraising support of one family, we have been able to commit to the funding of PICU nurse training for a number of years, for which the PICU Matron is extremely grateful. We know that the parents deeply value the nurses and to be able to express this in their development is something we take pride in.

We continue to purchase equipment that has supported some of the most significant improvements in PICU. ECMO and ultrasound, which are key areas in the unit have received more support. The application of both of these technologies has become increasingly important in Paediatric Intensive Care and the financial support of the charity has ensured that there is no barrier to further upgrade and expansion. We have funds reserved for a replacement retrieval ambulance and for the refurbishment of the parent accommodation. Most people coming to the unit will see our new Infographic which shows a lot of the equipment and its uses. Friends of PICU, as well as funding many of the items, funded the Infographic which really helps parents understand what the multiple items are for.

Future Plans

We are finally on the brink of refurbishment of the accommodation. This was put on hold because of soaring costs. A more modest, but better value for money project has been agreed and we hope to complete it in early 2026. Alongside the Infographic, we have also agreed to fund new artwork for the unit and look forward to it also being in place at the beginning of 2026. As I have said, the Family Liaison has been a very successful and meaningful project. We are looking at expanding our support for this role. In every way, whether it is how the unit looks, where families sleep, how they are supported and how the doctors and nurses deliver their skills, Friends of PICU helps.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal Funding Sources

During the financial year, the charity received donations and these resources allowed the charity to continue to deliver its objectives and expenditure is in line with the financial donations received.

Reserves Policy

Each year the charity's Trustees consider the appropriate level of general reserves needed to sustain the charity. It is the intention of the Trustees to hold sufficient general reserves to enable the charity to meet its commitments and to manage reductions in its expenditure should the charity suffer a sustained fall in its income. The Trustees have assessed that general reserves should be at least four months running costs, which at 31st March 2025 amounted to circa £25,000.

The charity holds financial reserves to support its future activities in a number of categories, see notes 9, 10 and 11 within these financial statements.

Signed by:

Iain Macintosh

13/01/2026

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Dr I Macintosh (Chairman)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER’S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FRIENDS OF PICU

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity’s trustees 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 charity’s accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.


Independent examiner’s statement

Since the charity’s gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do 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 no concerns and 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.

Signed by: 
Signed:.....DE309013D89E409.....
James Blake FCA

13/01/2026
Dated:.....

for and on behalf of TC Group

3 Acorn Business Centre, Northarbour Road, Cosham, Portsmouth PO6 3TH

FRIENDS OF PICU**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025			2024
		<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Unrestricted</i>	Total	Total
		<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>		
		£	£	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	5,548	243,006	248,554	248,905
Other trading activities	2	-	900	900	1,626
Investment income	2	-	33,165	33,165	6,813
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		5,548	277,071	282,619	257,344
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>					
Expenditure on raising funds	3	-	65,047	65,047	67,340
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	9,575	107,312	116,887	217,330
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		9,575	172,359	181,934	284,670
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(4,027)	104,712	100,685	(27,326)
TOTAL FUNDS brought forward	11	22,760	807,312	830,072	857,398
TOTAL FUNDS carried forward	11	18,733	912,024	930,757	830,072

FRIENDS OF PICU**BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31st MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025			2024
		<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Unrestricted</i>	Total	Total
		<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>		
		£	£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>					
Tangible assets	5	-	972	972	1,404
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>					
Stock		-	11,123	11,123	13,382
Debtors	6	-	5,802	5,802	3,157
Cash at bank and in hand		18,733	903,670	922,403	825,688
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		18,733	920,595	939,328	842,227
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>					
Creditors due within one year	7	-	9,543	9,543	13,559
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	9,543	9,543	13,559
NET ASSETS		18,733	912,024	930,757	830,072
<u>FUNDS</u>					
Restricted Funds	9	18,733	-	18,733	22,760
Unrestricted - General Funds	10	-	95,839	95,839	163,863
Unrestricted - Designated Funds	10	-	816,185	816,185	643,449
TOTAL FUNDS	11	18,733	912,024	930,757	830,072

13/01/2026

The financial statements on pages 5 to 6 were approved by the trustees on..... and signed on their behalf by:

Signed by:

Iain Macintosh

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Dr I Macintosh (Chairman)

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

1. Accounting policies

a) Accounting convention

The financial statements 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

b) Going concern

The accounts have been prepared under the going concern basis. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

c) Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

- Unrestricted funds: These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustees.
- Designated funds: These are funds which have been designated by the Trustees for a particular purpose.
- Restricted funds: These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

d) Income

Voluntary income is recorded as received.

Tax reclaims from Gift Aid are included at the same time as the gift to which they relate where possible. All other claims are included periodically during the year.

Investment income is recorded as received.

e) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It includes any VAT paid.

Certain expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost categories.

Staff costs are split on a proportion of time spent on activities - 70% on raising funds and 30% on charitable activities.

Certain other costs which are attributable to more than one activity are apportioned across cost categories on the basis of the proportion of resource allocated to those activities.

f) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, being purchase price plus any incidental costs of acquisition, less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at a rate calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Equipment - 20% straight line

FRIENDS OF PICU**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025****2. Incoming Resources**

	<i>Restricted Funds</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>	2025	2024
	£	£	Total £	Total £
<u>Donations and legacies</u>				
Donations received	1,848	107,193	109,041	142,672
Fundraising income	3,700	113,563	117,263	83,811
Gift Aid	-	22,250	22,250	22,422
<u>Other trading activities</u>				
Merchandise sales	-	900	900	1,626
<u>Investment income</u>				
Bank interest received	-	33,165	33,165	6,813
	5,548	277,071	282,619	257,344

3. Expenditure

	Raising funds	Charitable activities		2025	2024
	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>	<i>Restricted Funds</i>	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Directly attributable costs - raising funds	20,716	-	-	20,716	19,450
Directly attributable costs - charitable activities	-	81,736	9,575	91,311	190,124
<u>Support costs</u>					
Staff costs	31,720	13,594	-	45,314	50,108
Professional fees and insurance	310	7,891	-	8,201	8,377
Website and computer costs	1,683	586	-	2,269	2,271
Bank charges and donation platform fees	5,616	-	-	5,616	6,164
Store rental	2,898	2,898	-	5,796	5,484
Volunteer expenses	438	109	-	547	102
Printing, postage and stationery	707	77	-	784	841
Office expenses	-	-	-	-	289
Subscriptions	137	147	-	284	269
Telephone	352	151	-	503	701
Staff training	-	51	-	51	25
Other support costs	38	72	-	110	33
Depreciation	432	-	-	432	432
	65,047	107,312	9,575	181,934	284,670

4. Staff costs

The average number of staff employed during the year was 2 (2024: 2). Salary costs during the year amounted to £44,301 (2024: £48,984) and pension costs totalled £1,013 (2024: £1,124).

No employee received emoluments of £60,000 or more during this year or the previous year.

FRIENDS OF PICU**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025****5. Tangible Fixed Assets - for charity's own use**

	Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1st April 2024	2,160	2,160
At 31st March 2025	2,160	2,160
Depreciation		
At 1st April 2024	756	756
Charge in the year	432	432
At 31st March 2025	1,188	1,188
Net book value		
At 31st March 2025	972	972
At 31st March 2024	1,404	1,404

6. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	5,060	2,455
Prepayments	742	702
	5,802	3,157

7. Creditors - amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	406	1,727
Other creditors	837	882
Accruals and deferred income	8,300	10,950
	9,543	13,559

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8. Grant Commitments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Hospital equipment and support expenditure during the year		
Bereavement Resources	220	57
Distraction Arts and Crafts Materials	83	43
Retrieval Service Jackets	-	156
Bereavement Services and end-of-life care items	-	1,926
Family Liaison & Bereavement Care Sister Post	40,500	51,367
Staff and volunteer wellbeing	387	178
Accent Lighting to existing cubicles on PICU	-	17,192
Accent Lighting to new cubicles on PICU	-	26,153
Family Support Fund	2,650	2,693
Landings Monitoring System for patients on ECMO Support	-	35,000
Central Monitoring System	-	20,320
Retrieval Ambulance Service OH Trolley Bags, Pouches & Airway Bags	-	2,995
Purchase of AMBU Bronchoscopy Screen & A-Scope	-	5,015
Purchase of Ferno Pegasus Trolley	-	5,640
Purchase of X-Series Monitor & Defibrillator	-	17,934
Refreshments for Parents and Families	810	191
Bereavement Bags and Books	275	177
Sensory items	-	457
Miscellaneous items purchased for PICU	987	846
PICU Parent Pack Pens	407	-
Fans and Air Coolers for Parent Accommodation Rooms	605	-
Education and Training Fund	5,000	-
Portable Ultrasound	27,000	-
PICU Psychology Weekly Meeting Refreshments	12	-
PICU Unit Renovation Artworks and Infographic Board	1,451	-
Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist Machine	3,286	-
GRF139 - 2x Panasonic Toughbooks	5,746	-
Mother's Day & Father's Day Gifts for Parents	288	-
Easter Eggs for Patients	54	-
Grants payable charged to the SOFA during the year	89,761	188,340

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants payable		
Balance b/fwd @ 1st April 2024	-	-
Grants payable charged to the SOFA during the year	89,761	188,340
Grants paid during the year	(89,761)	(188,340)
Grants pledged @ 31st March 2025	-	-

In addition to the above, the trustees had also approved the following grants as at 31st March 2025. These are not accrued for within these financial statements as the charity still had control of these funds at 31st March 2025.

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8. Grant Commitments (continued)

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants approved		
Hospital equipment and support expenditure		
PICU Parent Accommodation Renovations	500,000	500,000
Video Support for Families of New Patients	1,000	1,000
PICU Staff Wellbeing	-	347
Distraction Arts and Crafts Materials	741	824
Funding Contribution to Salary Band CNS	10,000	10,000
Refreshments for Parents and Families	390	200
Bereavement Resources	804	24
Family Liaison & Bereavement Care Sister Post	79,408	81,000
Education & Training Fund	-	5,000
Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist Machine	-	3,943
Portable Ultrasound	-	32,400
The JK PICU Nurse Training & Education Fund	23,442	16,510
Family Support Fund	3,582	1,232
Purchase of Retrieval Ambulance	170,875	48,626
Bereavement Bags and Books	731	1,006
Retrieval Ambulance Service	-	10,000
2x Panasonic Toughbook Monitoring Systems	-	6,897
PICU Admission and Information Pack for Families	1,000	1,000
Sensory Lights and Equipment	240	-
Charity Office Furniture/Refurbishment	2,500	-
Fundraising Materials - Collection Pots	1,118	-
Charity CRM Database	5,000	-
Charity Laptop	1,000	-
PPP Fund	1,000	-
PICU Unit Renovation Artworks and Infographic Board	8,739	-
PICU Psychology Weekly Meeting Refreshments	248	-
2x Sentec Transcutaneous CO2 Monitors	23,100	-
Grant pledges committed but not accrued at 31st March 2025	834,918	720,009

FRIENDS OF PICU**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025****9. Restricted Funds**

	Funds b/fwd £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Funds c/fwd £
Bereavement Bags and Books	1,006	-	(275)	-	731
Retrieval Ambulance Service	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
PICU Parent Accommodation Renovations	3,062	3,700	-	-	6,762
Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist Machine	795	-	(1,947)	1,152	-
2x Panasonic Toughbook Monitoring Systems	6,897	-	(5,745)	(1,152)	-
PICU Admission & Information Pack for families	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Family Liaison & Bereavement Care Sister Post	-	1,608	(1,608)	-	-
Sensory Lights & Equipment	-	240	-	-	240
	22,760	5,548	(9,575)	-	18,733

Bereavement Bags and Books

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of providing bereavement bags and books.

Retrieval Ambulance Service

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of funding a new Retrieval Ambulance.

PICU Parent Accommodation Renovation Project

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of contributing towards the cost of renovating the accommodation area opposite PICU which is for families of children on PICU, to provide an improved setup/layout for parents and families, and their visitors, when caring for/being with their child on PICU.

This income was derived from a charity fundraising event.

Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist Machine

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of contributing towards the purchase of a Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist machine.

2x Panasonic Toughbook Monitoring Systems

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of purchasing two Panasonic Toughbook Monitoring Systems.

PICU Admission & Information Pack for families

Funds received a donor specifically for the purpose of producing PICU Admission and Information Packs for families.

Family Liaison & Bereavement Care Sister Post

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of contributing towards the financing of the Family Liaison and Bereavement Care Sister Post.

Sensory Lights & Equipment

Funds received from donors specifically for the purpose of providing sensory lights and equipment for the PICU Unit.

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10. Unrestricted Funds

	Funds b/fwd £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Funds c/fwd £
General Funds	163,863	261,776	(92,302)	(237,498)	95,839
Designated Funds					
PICU Parent Accommodation Renovations	496,938	-	-	(3,700)	493,238
Family Support Fund	1,232	-	(2,650)	5,000	3,582
Video Support for Families	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
PICU Staff Wellbeing	347	-	(387)	40	-
Distraction Art & Crafts Materials	824	-	(83)	-	741
Funding Contribution to Salary Band & CNS	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
Family Refreshments	200	-	(810)	1,000	390
Bereavement Resources	24	-	(220)	1,000	804
Family Liaison & Bereavement Care Sister Post	27,000	1,608	(40,500)	91,300	79,408
Purchase of Retrieval Ambulance	48,826	1,755	-	110,294	160,875
The JK PICU Nurse Training & Education Fund	16,510	11,932	(5,000)	-	23,442
Education & Training Fund	5,000	-	-	(5,000)	-
Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist Machine	3,148	-	(1,339)	(1,809)	-
Portable Ultrasound	32,400	-	(27,000)	(5,400)	-
Charity Office Furniture/Refurbishment	-	-	-	2,500	2,500
Fundraising Materials - Collection Pots	-	-	-	1,118	1,118
Charity CRM Database	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
Charity Laptop	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
PPP Fund	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
PICU Unit Renovation Artworks and Infographic Board	-	-	(1,451)	10,190	8,739
Fans and Air Coolers - Parent Accommodation Rooms	-	-	(605)	605	-
PICU Psychology Weekly Meeting Refreshments	-	-	(12)	260	248
2x Sentec Transcutaneous CO2 Monitors	-	-	-	23,100	23,100
	643,449	15,295	(80,057)	237,498	816,185

PICU Parent Accommodation Renovation Project

To renovate the accommodation area opposite PICU which is for families of children on PICU, to provide an improved setup/layout for parents and families, and their visitors, when caring for/being with their child on PICU.

Family Liaison & Bereavement Care Sister Post

Three year funding of this new post on PICU. The postholder is responsible for supporting families throughout their stay on PICU and beyond. Additionally, they lead bereavement on PICU and support families through end-of-life care and the bereavement process, adhering to government statutory requirements and guiding families through the child death review process. The postholder is an integral part of the PICU journey and acts as an advocate for all families during their stay. It was agreed by the Trustees in March 2025 that this funding be extended for a further seven months until March 2026.

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10. Unrestricted Funds (continued)

Purchase of Retrieval Ambulance

The funding of a new ambulance for use by SORT Southampton Team for the retrieval of sick children from across the region needing treatment and care by PICU.

The JK PICU Nurse Training & Education Fund

An Education & Training rolling yearly funding for the PICU nursing team and allied health professionals employed/affiliated on PICU, for PICU specific education and training courses at local, regional and national levels related to individual job plans, and to enhance and develop individuals knowledge and skills with the aim of improving the delivery of evidence-based, world class care to all PICU patients.

Breas Clearway 2 Cough Assist Machine

The funding of a device used to augment a patient's cough when the patient is not strong enough to clear secretions. The equipment will benefit the patients by helping them clear secretions when they are unwell with a respiratory illness. This can help them recover sooner, or if used early enough, prevent them from getting as sick. This may result in a shorter hospital stay and less severe illness.

Portable Ultrasound

The funding of a portable ultrasound machine offering an enhanced imaging experience to aid multiple procedures. As well as being used in PICU, the ultrasound will also be used by the Retrieval Team. Using modern bedside imaging technology enables PICU to deliver high quality paediatric intensive care right at the point of need.

PICU Unit Renovation Artworks and Infographic Board

The funding of an Infographic Board that uses simple, iconic illustrations and straightforward descriptions to help families, carers and patients understand the equipment used in the Intensive Care environment. This improved understanding may help reduce anxiety and is also a useful tool for medical staff in explaining functions and procedures.

2x Sentec Transcutaneous CO2 Monitors

The funding of two Transcutaneous CO2 Monitors to assist with reducing the amount of blood tests patients may need. In particular these monitors assist patients who need a longer period of non-invasive ventilation support or those patients where there is difficulty inserting sample lines. These machines give a reliable reading of CO2 through skin probes, allowing the PICU team to ensure they are managing the ventilator support correctly with less invasive tests.

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11. Analysis of Net Assets between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
As at 31st March 2025				
Fixed Assets	972	-	-	972
Current Assets	123,318	797,277	18,733	939,328
Current Liabilities	(9,543)	-	-	(9,543)
Total Net Assets	114,747	797,277	18,733	930,757
As at 31st March 2024				
Fixed Assets	1,404	-	-	1,404
Current Assets	156,018	663,449	22,760	842,227
Current Liabilities	(13,559)	-	-	(13,559)
Total Net Assets	143,863	663,449	22,760	830,072

12. Related Party Transactions

The trustees received no remuneration during this year or the previous year.
Trustee donations to the charity amounted to £120 during the year (2024: £120).