

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1193205

Love Leeds Parks
Unaudited Financial Statements
31 December 2025

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Financial Statements

Year ended 31 December 2025

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

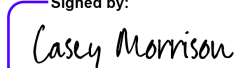
Chair's report

2025 was an excellent year for Love Leeds Parks. Many thanks to our staff and volunteers, partners and backers.

It was in many ways a consolidation year delivering the final elements of the National Lottery Heritage Fund project "Leeds Partnership Parks". It was great to work with our evaluators to feed the strong desire from community organisations to do more in green spaces across Leeds, and the love for green space from Leeds City Council, residents and communities across the City, plus wide-ranging social media engagement, is testament to this. Our impact report for 2025 shows a range of case studies across the City, involving community green spaces that are sometimes overlooked. We were proud to be able to fund many of these organisations to organise activities to bring people together, enjoy their green spaces and think about the future they want to bring about. The excellent video on our website shows much of the impact and learning from the last few years: loveleedsparks.org.uk/leeds-parks-loved/

It was great to be able to continue the partnership with the National Trust on the Festival of Blossom, and creating a map of the City's community orchards has been something we've wanted to do for some time. The partnership with Fruit Works worked very well and it's part of our continued efforts to work in partnership with existing environmental and community organisations in Leeds.

We continued to run our fundraising campaign on trees and community grants, which has helped with much-needed money getting to voluntary organisations across Leeds, and giving a profile to their much-needed work. We continue to bring investment into Leeds' green spaces, and we give many thanks to our partners Leeds City Council and health organisations, our Trustee volunteers and community partners, and especially our CEO Chloe Sykes and our Community worker Anne Proud for their hard work. Here's to to 2026!

Signed by:

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C Morrison - Chair

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Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Love Leeds Parks
Charity registration number	1193205
Principal office	Love Leeds Parks Farnley Hall Farnley Hall Park Hall Lane Leeds LS12 5HA

The trustees

A Barker	(Resigned 7 July 2025)
C Morrison	
D Ellison	
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Structure, governance and management

Love Leeds Parks supports community-led enhancements to public parks and green spaces in Leeds. We raise awareness about the wide ranging benefits of parks, promote community engagement in urban green spaces and generate donations for park improvement projects. The projects we fund are community focused and add value to public green spaces, as well as prioritising parks in deprived areas.

The charity was set up in 2021 and registered with the Charity Commission as a CIO under the charity reference number 1193205.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "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)"

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed for a three-year term and may sit for three consecutive terms after which they must stand down for at least 12 months. Trustees are recruited through the networks of the current trustees and by occasional advert.

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Objectives and activities

Love Leeds Parks' charitable objectives are:

To provide or assist in the provision of publicly accessible green space (parks, gardens, landscaped areas, woodland, recreational spaces, nature reserves and cemeteries) facilities in the interests of social welfare of the inhabitants of Leeds for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

The charity operates within the Leeds local authority area.

Public benefit

The trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit - including 'Public benefit: the public benefit requirement (PB1)' and 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)' - when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its current and future activities.

The achievements and activities outlined in this report demonstrate the public benefit arising from the charity's activities.

Activities

Love Leeds Parks supports community-led enhancements to public parks and green spaces in Leeds. We raise awareness about the wide-ranging benefits of parks, promote community engagement in urban green spaces and generate donations for park improvement projects. The projects we fund are community focused and add value to public green spaces, as well as prioritising parks in deprived areas.

Love Leeds Parks delivers activities directly or provides support and grants to other charities and voluntary groups who are working to support and improve green spaces or to encourage greater activity in green spaces. We work with Friends of Greenspaces, sports clubs and all community organisations who wish to have more attractive green spaces and spaces that host more activities to meet the needs of local people. Love Leeds Parks works closely with the Climate, Energy and Greenspaces department of Leeds City Council and the Parks and Greenspaces Forum.

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Achievements and performance

Our activity primarily focussed on our six priority parks: Burley Park, Harehills Park, Hunslet Moor Park, The Rein Park, Stanningley Park and Wortley Recreation Ground.

Activity delivered across both our priority neighbourhoods and the wider city was underpinned by the charity's four strategic priorities for 2023-25.

1. Connect - we will connect communities to their local green spaces

For the third consecutive year, Love Leeds Parks partnered with the National Trust as a local delivery partner for the national Festival of Blossom. Building on insights from previous campaigns, we piloted 'Leeds in Blossom', a new digital engagement approach alongside a programme of volunteer-led activity celebrating the city's community orchards.

"What a lovely idea! People visit Japan specifically for the cherry blossom season, but we can go to our parks for free" - Leeds resident

Working with local social enterprise Fruit Works, we created a map highlighting 15 blossom hotspots across Leeds, helping residents discover and connect with nearby green spaces. Seven of these sites were located within the 20% most deprived postcodes in the city. The map was available to download online and in print from ten locations, including community hubs, charities and libraries.

We also collaborated with five grassroots groups to deliver volunteer-led blossom events in community orchards across the city. Activities were designed to be inclusive and welcoming, offering residents of all ages opportunities to connect with nature through storytelling, live music, nature trails, seed planting, arts and crafts, games and maypole dancing.

Engagement:

- More than 250 residents attended community events, many visiting their local orchard for the first time.
- Strong local media coverage amplified the campaign, with more than 4,000 views of Yorkshire Evening Post blossom footage and BBC Radio Leeds featuring an interview with orchard volunteers at Farsley Community Orchard. Combined media reach was approximately 500,000.
- Within the first twenty days, the campaign drove a 244% growth in new website visitors, alongside significant social media growth, including a 1,144% increase in Instagram reach and a 229% rise in Facebook engagement.

2. Mobilise - we will empower communities to bring parks to life through activities and improvements.

In 2025, we partnered with ten anchor organisations and volunteer groups to deliver community-led activity across priority parks. Activity ranged from roller-skating sessions to football tournaments, silent discos, guided walks, art workshops, and community planting efforts.

Key outcomes from funded activity include:

- **Over 800 residents engaged** in trying new activities within their local parks.
- **359 volunteer hours contributed**, strengthening community-led action.

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- **Grassroots organisations expanded their reach**, with one youth-focussed CIC increasing its mailing list by over 30% following a sport event at Hunslet Moor Park.
- **Stronger community cohesion**, with participants and volunteers consistently highlighting a renewed sense of pride and togetherness: "Fun activities, plenty of laughter, and a real sense of the community coming together - right on our doorstep."
- **New partnerships formed between anchor organisations**, including Involve Leeds and Friends of Hunslet Moor, who now share resources, ideas, and planting initiatives. In Harehills, Hello Hip Hop and Harehills Bowling Club collaborated to deliver their most successful Spot Park Jam to date.
- **Increased participation from under-served communities**, with activities co-designed alongside people experiencing homelessness and those facing anxiety about new spaces. Participant feedback highlighted the inclusive impact: "I don't usually get chance to play, so it was nice to feel part of a team."
- **Reduced anti-social behaviour**, with increased park use and positive activity leading residents to report safer, more welcoming spaces.
- **Year-round community stewardship**, with the launch of a Winter Volunteering group in Stanningley Park, enabling residents to improve their environment while building lasting social connections.

Building on our successful model of empowering communities to shape and enjoy their local parks, we launched a new legacy grants programme in 2025. Open to all, the programme aimed to engage new groups while enabling previous grantees to build on their pilot successes. A total of £25,614 in grants was pledged to 14 groups, supporting legacy activities across six parks in 2026.

3. Invest - we will bring new funding into parks.

Alongside continued investment from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, we successfully attracted additional funding into Leeds' green spaces in 2025. We were pleased to secure repeat support from the National Trust and to welcome The Liz & Terry Bramall Foundation as a new local partner. Our Woodland Creation fundraising campaign also gained strong backing from Leeds' business community, raising sufficient funds to plant 775 new trees across the city.

4. Amplify - we will place a spotlight on the important role parks play in building happy and healthy communities.

In 2025, we invited Leeds-based Nifty Sustainability to evaluate our pilot project's progress. This wasn't just a tick-box exercise for us; we wanted to explore what the project really meant to people - not just the headline impacts but the ripple effects too - and highlight the challenges that lay ahead.

After extensive consultation with our VCSE network and a review of data previously collated by the CEO and Community Officer, Nifty Sustainability delivered a learnings summary and three case studies - all of which can be found at loveleedsparks.org.uk/leeds-parks-loved/

The findings reinforced our core belief that empowered communities, given support and resources, transform their green spaces into vibrant, safe, and welcoming places for all. We were delighted to share these findings with our wider community, celebrating the successes of our asset-based approach while identifying opportunities to better serve local need. Looking ahead, we will address key challenges highlighted by the evaluation, including strengthening city-wide networks for learning, expanding volunteer capacity, and improving access where park facilities have been degraded.

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Financial review

2025 was the third year the charity received funds under its National Lottery Heritage Fund three-year grant. March 2025 saw the completion of the third set of community park consultations and the production of collated findings. This coincided with Anne Proud our Community Officer moving on to a similar role in Leeds City Council. The opportunity was taken to reprofile the remaining spend to run the grants programme, to undertake the review of the project and to plan the next phase of the project. Main grant claim was £31,686 in 2025 versus £54,966 in 2024.

This reduction in our core costs is reflected in the year's expenditure £76,312 (2024: £101,325).

The National Lottery Heritage Fund advanced a further £24,512 for a second community grants round, of which £6,386 remained for distribution in 2025.

In 2025 LLP delivered a major Blossom project for the National Trust (£10k versus £5k 2024) and the Liz and Terry Bramall Foundation provided a very welcome £3k match funding for community grants.

Donations supporting both the general work of Love Leeds Parks and tree planting initiatives have continued at a steady pace; however, there has been limited capacity to actively promote these efforts.

Thus, income received in the year fell to £75,010 (2024: £81,939). This saw an overall deficit of £1,302 reflecting the spending of grant balances from West Yorkshire Combined Authority, Sir George Martin Trust and Scurrah Wainwright Charity, balanced by the roll forward of some Community Grant funds. The 2024 deficit of £19,386 came from awarding a large volume of community grants from funds received in the previous year.

Reserves policy

Love Leeds Parks' reserves policy is to hold between 7 and 14 weeks of expenditure as available unrestricted reserves. The trustees consider this amount sufficient to allow the charity to continue its core activities during a period of unforeseen difficulties and interruptions in funding. This was equivalent to holding between £3,876 and £7,754 in available unrestricted reserves on 31 December 2025.

Total funds held on 31 December 2025 amounted to £37,954 of which £9,157 was restricted and £28,797 was unrestricted.

The trustees are therefore satisfied that sufficient unrestricted reserves are currently held. It should be noted that £14,135 of the unrestricted is required to match the remainder of the NLHF grant. So required reserves (upper bound) and Lottery match are £21,889. This leaves £6,908 which is in part the higher level of reserves that will be needed should LLP expand its staffing in future. It should be noted that LLP may need to call on its reserves to maintain the CEO post until new major funding is finally secured late in 2026, whilst still retaining the funds if required to windup in a planned manner.

However, the trustees review the charity's financial obligations regularly and are conscious that the charity will be subject to increased commitments as the project grows, including costs associated with statutory obligations, as we seek to expand the staff team in 2026.

The trustees will therefore seek to maintain unallocated reserves over the course of 2026 and as noted below, are working towards a sustainable income model.

Future financial uncertainty

We are delighted to confirm the extension of our pilot project through to Autumn 2026, made possible

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by the continued support of the National Lottery Heritage Fund. We are also deeply grateful to our local supporters, including new funding from The Liz & Terry Bramall Foundation, which has ensured the project is fully match-funded to date.

Looking ahead, our focus is on securing further investment to support the charity's long-term sustainability. We are especially thankful to The Wildlife Trusts and the People's Postcode Lottery for pledging a flexible grant, which will provide our Board and Chief Executive with the capacity and resources in 2026 to drive lasting, community-led impact.

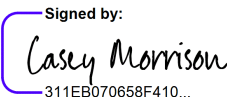
Plans for future periods

As we conclude the legacy phase of our pilot project, our priority in 2026 is to secure the charity's long-term sustainability so that we can build on our proven model and expand reach to other communities in need. Supported by robust evidence of need and impact from independent evaluators, we will develop our 2026-2029 strategy to empower communities and volunteers.

Key priorities for 2026 include:

- **Strategy co-design:** Engaging our VCSE network, local authority partners, and residents through workshops to shape the next phase of our strategy, foster partnerships, and drive systems change.
- **Fundraising for future parks:** Establishing a task & finish group to secure long-term funding as our National Lottery Heritage Fund grant concludes in Autumn 2026.
- **Legacy activity:** Supporting our network as they expand and strengthen their activities within the six priority parks.
- **Organisational resilience:** Building on strengthened governance, trustee recruitment, and policy updates from 2025, preparing to expand our staff team to broaden and deepen impact.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 20 April 2026 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Signed by:

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C Morrison
Chair

Signed by:

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J Preston
Treasurer

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Love Leeds Parks

Year ended 31 December 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Love Leeds Parks ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

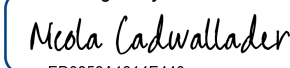
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements 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.

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Independent Examiner

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Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted funds	2025 Restricted funds	Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	1,875	62,867	64,741	76,800
Charitable activities	5	10,000	–	10,000	5,000
Investment income	6	269	–	269	139
Total income		<u>12,144</u>	<u>62,867</u>	<u>75,010</u>	<u>81,939</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Costs of raising donations and legacies	7	2,062	2,348	4,411	7,556
Expenditure on charitable activities	8,9	7,248	64,655	71,901	93,769
Total expenditure		<u>9,310</u>	<u>67,003</u>	<u>76,312</u>	<u>101,325</u>
Net expenditure		<u>2,834</u>	<u>(4,136)</u>	<u>(1,302)</u>	<u>(19,386)</u>
Transfers between funds		(837)	837	–	–
Net movement in funds		<u>1,997</u>	<u>(3,299)</u>	<u>(1,302)</u>	<u>(19,386)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		26,800	12,456	39,256	58,642
Total funds carried forward		<u>28,797</u>	<u>9,157</u>	<u>37,954</u>	<u>39,256</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Debtors	15	6,089	8,906
Cash at bank and in hand		54,222	48,770
		60,311	57,676
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	22,357	18,420
Net current assets		37,954	39,256
Total assets less current liabilities		37,954	39,256
Net assets		37,954	39,256
Funds of the charity			
Restricted funds		9,157	12,456
Unrestricted funds		28,797	26,800
Total charity funds	17	37,954	39,256

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 20 April 2026, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

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Chair

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J Preston
Treasurer

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 December 2025

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is Love Leeds Parks, Farnley Hall, Farnley Hall Park, Hall Lane, Leeds, LS12 5HA.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

VAT status

The charity is not VAT registered so all expenditure shown in the financial statements is inclusive of VAT.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured as the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Donations			
Donations and gifts	1,875	6,669	8,543
Grants			
Grants receivable	—	56,198	56,198
Other donations and legacies			
Donated goods and services	—	—	—
	<u>1,875</u>	<u>62,867</u>	<u>64,741</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations			
Donations and gifts	1,559	8,391	9,950
Grants			
Grants receivable	2,741	63,596	66,337
Other donations and legacies			
Donated goods and services	513	—	513
	<u>4,813</u>	<u>71,987</u>	<u>76,800</u>

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Services provided under contract	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

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6. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Bank interest receivable	269	269	139	139

7. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025
	£	£	£
Subscriptions and platform fees	19	1,014	1,034
Support costs	2,043	1,334	3,377
	<u>2,062</u>	<u>2,348</u>	<u>4,411</u>

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£
Subscriptions and platform fees	111	917	1,028
Support costs	4,861	1,666	6,528
	<u>4,972</u>	<u>2,583</u>	<u>7,556</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025
	£	£	£
Services provided under contract	7,248	31,083	38,330
Support costs	–	33,572	33,571
	<u>7,248</u>	<u>64,655</u>	<u>71,901</u>

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£
Services provided under contract	2,919	36,714	39,633
Support costs	148	53,989	54,136
	<u>3,067</u>	<u>90,703</u>	<u>93,769</u>

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9. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Grant funding of activities £	Support costs £	Total funds 2025 £	Total fund 2024 £
Services provided under contract	7,121	31,209	31,692	70,022	92,030
Governance costs	—	—	1,879	1,879	1,739
	<u>7,121</u>	<u>31,209</u>	<u>33,571</u>	<u>71,901</u>	<u>93,769</u>

10. Analysis of support costs

	Provision of publicly available green space £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Staff costs	28,254	28,254	56,940
Governance costs	1,879	1,879	1,740
General expenses	221	221	152
Insurance	285	285	157
Telephone	627	627	624
Recruitment	417	417	389
HR & payroll services	264	264	662
Evaluation	5,000	5,000	—
	<u>36,947</u>	<u>36,947</u>	<u>60,664</u>

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11. Analysis of grants

	2025 £	2024 £
Grants to institutions		
Better Lives Leeds	1,125	–
Feel Good Factor	1,950	–
Hello Hip Hop - NLHF	3,954	1,500
Harehills Park Bowling Club - NLHF	3,200	(1,125)
Harehills Lane Action Team - NLHF	–	1,500
Left Bank Leeds - NLHF	2,000	1,492
Friends of Wortley - NLHF	–	2,998
LS14 Trust - NLHF	–	4,500
Friends of Hunslet Moor - NLHF	–	1,500
Friends of Stanningley Park - NLHF	–	1,500
Hamara - NLHF	–	1,500
LS TEN limited - NLHF	1,145	1,440
The Nawroz School - NLHF	–	1,000
All England Netball Association - Spacehive	–	1,140
Friends of Stanningley Park - Spacehive	–	1,223
Friends of Burley Park - Spacehive	1,330	1,169
Cross Flatts FC	2,000	–
Champions Community Sport & Health CIC	1,000	–
Woodland Creation	3,100	–
Other grants < £1,000	5,546	3,987
The Skate Scholars	1,909	–
DJURTUS United	1,450	–
Learning Partnership	1,500	–
	<u>31,209</u>	<u>25,324</u>
Total grants	<u>31,209</u>	<u>25,324</u>

12. Independent examination fees

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,880</u>	<u>1,740</u>

13. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	<u>30,913</u>	<u>56,940</u>

The staff costs shown above are net of the Employment Support Allowance claim on behalf of the charity of £3,164.

The average head count of employees during the year was 1 (2024: 3).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

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14. Trustee remuneration and expenses

The key management personnel of the charity consists of the Board of Trustees and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The trustees receive no remuneration or benefits. The total benefits received by key management personnel in the year was £26,394 (2024: £25,626).

15. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>6,089</u>	<u>8,906</u>

16. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	10,497	10,159
Accruals and deferred income	11,860	7,092
Other creditors	—	1,169
	<u>22,357</u>	<u>18,420</u>

17. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
We Love Leeds Parks	—	—	(2,658)	—	(2,658)
General funds	<u>26,800</u>	<u>12,144</u>	<u>(6,652)</u>	<u>(837)</u>	<u>31,455</u>
	<u>26,800</u>	<u>12,144</u>	<u>(9,310)</u>	<u>(837)</u>	<u>28,797</u>

	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
We Love Leeds Parks	5,000	—	(3,532)	(1,468)	—
General funds	<u>30,173</u>	<u>9,952</u>	<u>(4,507)</u>	<u>(8,818)</u>	<u>26,800</u>
	<u>35,173</u>	<u>9,952</u>	<u>(8,039)</u>	<u>(10,286)</u>	<u>26,800</u>

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17. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Designated Fund - We Love Leeds Parks

The We Love Leeds Parks fund has been developed to empower local communities to fundraise for projects that bring the people of Leeds into their local parks or green spaces with activities or improvements. Delivered via the Spacehive crowdfunding platform, the fund offers community groups, non-profits, and CICs, the opportunity to secure up to £1,500 in funding towards projects benefitting Leeds' public green spaces, particularly those located in areas of high deprivation. This includes ventures that bring communities together, improve accessibility, enhance the physical and mental wellbeing of local residents, tackle the impacts of climate change, and conserve the heritage of public green spaces.

Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2025 £
National Lottery Heritage Fund	3,203	56,198	(59,873)	9,629	9,157
Tree Planting Appeal	1,214	2,660	(3,121)	(753)	–
Sir George Martin	2,763	–	–	(2,763)	–
West Yorkshire Combined Authority	2,276	–	–	(2,276)	–
The Scurrah Wainwright Charity	3,000	–	–	(3,000)	–
Footpath Rangers	–	1,009	(1,009)	–	–
The Liz & Terry Bramall Foundation	–	3,000	(3,000)	–	–
	<u>12,456</u>	<u>62,867</u>	<u>(67,003)</u>	<u>837</u>	<u>9,157</u>

	At 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2024 £
National Lottery Heritage Fund	19,936	54,915	(87,941)	16,293	3,203
Tree Planting Appeal	3,533	5,650	(5,345)	(2,624)	1,214
Sir George Martin	–	2,763	–	–	2,763
West Yorkshire Combined Authority	–	5,659	–	(3,383)	2,276
The Scurrah Wainwright Charity	–	3,000	–	–	3,000
Footpath Rangers	–	–	–	–	–
The Liz & Terry Bramall Foundation	–	–	–	–	–
	<u>23,469</u>	<u>71,987</u>	<u>(93,286)</u>	<u>10,286</u>	<u>12,456</u>

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18. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Current assets	53,812	6,499	60,311
Creditors less than 1 year	(22,357)	—	(22,357)
Net assets	<u>31,455</u>	<u>6,499</u>	<u>37,954</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Current assets	45,221	12,455	57,676
Creditors less than 1 year	(18,420)	—	(18,420)
Net assets	<u>26,801</u>	<u>12,455</u>	<u>39,256</u>

19. Related parties

In 2025 the charity received grant funding from the National Trust totalling £10,000 (2024: £5,000). Two of the charity's trustees - Casey Pae Morrison and Justin Dominic Scully - are employed by the National Trust. The funds received from the National Trust are restricted to the charity's 'Blossom' project.

Dean Ellison became an employee of the National Lottery Heritage Fund in October 2024, but in a role unconnected to the charity's award and its subsequent management.

In Autumn 2024, the charity made a pledge of £1,169 to the Spacehive Crowdfunder to be run by the Friends of Burley Park under the We Love Leeds Parks programme, the Crowdfunder was successful and the pledge released. In Summer 2025, the charity paid £1,330 grant from the Heritage Fund programme. Trustee John Preston is an active committee member of the Friends of Burley Park but played no part in the Love Leeds Parks grant panels to award these grants.