

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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For the period ended 31 March 2025

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For the period ended 31 March 2025

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ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Charity No. 1194240
Trustees' Report for the period ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2025.

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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Structure, governance and management

The trustees who held office during the period and subsequently were as follows:

Abrar Hussain (Chair)
Nisbah Hussain
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Objective and activities

The key activities have been to provide benefit to the disadvantaged and deprived people from all backgrounds within the Borough of Blackburn with Darwen by improving health, empowerment, leadership and cohesion of these communities.

One Voice Blackburn is a charity that aspires to create an inclusive, cohesive and vibrant community in Blackburn with Darwen. One Voice Blackburn works on award winning projects aimed at addressing health inequalities in all communities in Blackburn with Darwen, and surrounding areas. One Voice seeks to improve the social and economic wellbeing of some of the most deprived communities in Blackburn with Darwen.

The charity delivers programmes of work aimed at improving the physical and mental health of residents of the borough alongside a strong programme of activities which instil leadership skills and abilities amongst both young people and women. In addition the charity provides opportunities for children and women to thrive and flourish through our provision of inclusive sports, arts and wellbeing activities on offer every week of the year. The activities benefit primarily residents from some of the most deprived wards in the borough and predominantly from South Asian backgrounds.

One Voice Blackburn works with the community in which the charity is based, mainly in Bastwell ward which was recently identified as experiencing the highest levels of child poverty in England.. The charity's health programmes engage residents of all ages, particularly those with long term conditions and mental health issues. The charity's social cohesion and leadership activities engage young people from 5 upwards and women of all ages.

Achievements and performance

The charity was originally established as a community organisation in 2011, and subsequently set up as a Community Interest Company in 2015, and registered with the Charity Commission on 27th April 2021.

The governing document is the Articles of Association.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the overall governance, management and control of the charity. The operational management is delegated to the Chief Executive. The Chief Executive reports to the board.

The Charitable objects are:

1. To act as a resource for young people up to the age of 25 living in the Borough of Blackburn with Darwen 'the area of benefit' by providing advice and assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:
 - Advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
 - Advancing education;
 - Relieving unemployment;
 - Providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who have need by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons.
2. To promote and protect the physical and mental health of people living in the area of benefit through the provision of support, education and practical advice.

3. To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the area of benefit in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

The Charitable objectives are delivered through four Primary Objectives

Health

Raising awareness of key health issues affecting our communities and supporting the strategies to deliver improvement in our health and well-being

Empowerment

Raising aspirations and opportunities for all within our communities to ensure that they fulfil their true potential

Leadership

Creating and developing pathways for those aspiring to become leaders now, and in the future

Cohesion

Working with key partners to develop both harmonious and cohesive local communities

Our values are engaging, passionate, warm and inclusive

The key achievements for One Voice Blackburn during the year were:

Health

Community Mental Health Transformation

One Voice Blackburn created a training package that was co-produced with residents who had a lived experience of mental health illness. The aim of the project is to deliver the training package to professionals working in the Mental Health field and how they can best help and engage with people from ethnic minority backgrounds.

As of 2024 we have delivered the training to over 180 health professionals across Lancashire over six courses. We have been commissioned for an extension of the project until March 2025. The training programmes have enabled health professional to gain a deeper insight into dealing with mental health and reducing barriers for people from the BAME community in reaching mental health services.

Mental Health Book

One Voice Blackburn have been working in emotional health and wellbeing for over a decade through their Baiter Sehat (Better Health) programme. West End Girl Safiyya Hanslod has published a new book which explores the issue of mental health among young people as a way of supporting children's mental health and well-being.

Sam's Diaries, charts the story of Samantha and her battle with anxiety. It is part of a four-book series which is written by the teenager with an initial 3,000 copies being distributed to primary school children in Blackburn and Darwen. One Voice Blackburn hosts a range of men and women's groups supporting people with negative mental health.

HPV Vaccination

One Voice Blackburn, alongside IntraHealth and NHS England have aimed to increase the uptake of the HPV vaccine in Blackburn with Darwen schools.

One Voice's Health Team, who started working on the project in January of 2024, have attended schools and emphasised the importance by presenting facts and knowledge around the topic. They have raised awareness with the young children across Blackburn with Darwen by answering any queries, fears, myths or questions that were preventing them taking the vaccine.

Most schools and educational establishments have seen some level of increase in the uptake of the vaccine, with some recording an increase of 61 per cent. Out of a total of 23 schools, there has been a rise in girls taking the vaccine in 15 schools, and a rise of boys accepting the HPV vaccine in 16 schools.

Dementia Friends

One Voice Blackburn created more than 2,000 dementia friends since the beginning of 2022, until the summer of 2024. The aim was to reach the target by the start of 2025 through the project 'Dementia in the Community'.

A dementia Friend learns about what it's like to live with dementia and then turns that understanding into action. Members of the community became dementia friends by attending face-to-face dementia friends Information Sessions delivered by One Voice Blackburn, through their champions. Dementia Friends is about learning more about dementia and the small ways you can help. From telling friends about Dementia Friends to visiting someone you know living with dementia.

Stem Cell Registrations

One Voice Blackburn and Anthony Nolan have been working in partnership for the last two years to recruit more potential donors from all ethnicities to the stem cell register and improve outcomes for patients.

One Voice Blackburn and Anthony Nolan have carried out several stem cell drive events where individuals can join the register. These have taken place in education and community settings to increase the number of young people from a BAME background to join the stem cell register.

In the next two years One Voice Blackburn will continue to recruit young people aged between 16 and 30 to the stem cell register. We have recruited over 200 individuals to the register since April 2023 and released a video with a stem cell recipient that is used across the UK. One Voice Blackburn are looking to produce a further video talking about the religious aspects of stem cell donation.

NHSBT Living Donor

One Voice Blackburn have helped in raising awareness and interest in living organ donation. We have worked with professionals in the community to create an informed presentation which was delivered to colleges across the borough. We put on regular workshops to help individuals get a deeper insight into what living donation is and why it is important in helping save lives.

As part of the project, we supported at the '30 Years of the Organ Donation Register' event at East Lancashire Hospitals.

Empowerment

Aleeza Isa Interviews

One Voice Blackburn have a whole host of talented young people that are part of our charity. We aim to give them a platform to perform, excel and inspire.

We are pleased to have launched Aleeza Isa Interviews, part of our fundraising series. The talk show style event takes place in front of a live audience. It is filmed and recorded for our YouTube channel and other social media platforms. Aleeza Isa Interviews has now completed five shows and has had guests including TikTok sensation Shabaz Says, Local MP Adnan Hussain, businessman and philanthropist Ram Gupta, Deputy Leader of BwD Council Julie Gunn amongst many others.

Aleeza Isa Interviews is sponsored by Together housing, Newground Together, Let's Foster, Electricity North West, Blackburn and Darwen Youth Zone, and Blackburn College. It is also supported by Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council.

1V Awards Dinner (Winners Event 2025)

One Voice Blackburn like to do things differently. We like to cultivate and nurture our own young talent. There is a breadth of talent among young people in Blackburn and we have every faith in them to deliver an exceptional performance on the stage at King George's Hall.

Each 1V Award Dinner is hosted by young people from our WEGs, EEBs and Scouts groups in front of a live audience of over 400 people. The 1V Awards Dinner 2024 was hosted by 13-year-old Aisha Hussain and co-hosted by Zainab Hanslod, Hamzah Ahmed and Zainab Ahmed. A state-of-the-art video was also filmed capturing the theme of the night which was 'Back to 1984'. The video has received over 36,000 views on our YouTube channel this far and continues to capture audiences across the country.

The One Voice Awards Dinner is usually hosted every year in February. The 1V Awards had a 'fallow year' in 2025 due to the redevelopment of King George's Hall in 2025, but the ceremony will return in 2026 for its 12th instalment. To continue our tradition of celebrating the talent that exists in our town we held a winner's event. The pride of Blackburn with Darwen gathered in Blackburn Museum and Art Gallery. The 1V Awards Winners event took place in late January 2025 to celebrate the 58 recipients of the 1V Awards since 2013.

The Winner's Event heard from previous winners such as Tinta Ali, who won Man of the Year in 2021. Abrar Hussain, chairman of One Voice Blackburn, spoke of his pride at maintaining the quality of the Awards and congratulated all the winners and finalists of the awards in the last 12 years.

West End Girls

WEGs was launched in 2014. The West End Girls (WEGs) are a group of 10 to 17 year olds from Blackburn and Darwen. The group's aim is to develop leadership skills and provide the space for them to grow and thrive. The girls inspire and motivate each other, creating a positive and affirming atmosphere while also giving back to their communities. WEGs aims to improve the girls' character, self-confidence and motivation. The groups also plan campaigns on a range of health and social issues.

The WEGs support local civic activities in the town, and volunteer to support many of the junior groups within One Voice Blackburn. Activities include public speaking, debating society, media opportunities, outdoor excursions, book club, event management, and much more.

The girls also visit major cities around the world. In May 2024 they travelled to Barcelona.

In 2024/25 two girls also partook in parachute jumps.

They as well as co-produce and co-edit the 1VTV quarterly bulletins, and submit articles to the 1V Magazine.

Leadership

We have several leadership groups at One Voice Blackburn including 2020 Vision, Coffee Natters (women's group), Gentlemen's Club (male leadership) amongst various others.

The 1V Scouts is the largest single group which is a part of One Voice Blackburn comprising of: Squirrels (4-6 year olds), Beavers (6-8 year olds), Cubs ((8-10 year olds), Scouts (10-14 year olds), Explores (14-18 year olds). Their most recent trip abroad included travelling to Japan and Bosnia which was a once in a lifetime experience for many young people and leaders.

Our 2020 Vision are exemplary when it comes to leadership. They support local civic events and gatherings including Remembrance Sunday, The Big Ifar and HAF. They lead various groups for a madrassah (mosque) project putting on many activities including sports for young people.

In 2025 they supported at Blackburn Colleges' Cyber Event-a large community event that saw over 400 members of the community attend.

We also provide leadership opportunities for young people in a variety of sports including netball.

Employment and Education

Multiply

We continued our work in reaching marginalised communities with two key employment programmes in Blackburn with Darwen and East Lancashire.

Our Multiply offer encourages adults aged 19+ to engage in sessions as we believe dealing with numbers is an everyday task whether it's sorting through bills or helping your child with homework.

We conducted weekly workshops where attendees are taught the importance of using numbers to work through everyday life with confidence and ease.

From planning bus routes to going through maths exam papers, the sessions offer a unique and specialised approach for individuals to improve their chances of finding employment.

We worked very closely with Blackburn Job centre in encouraging individuals who access their services to attend the Multiply sessions and improve on their numeracy skills so that they have a greater advantage at finding secure jobs.

In 2024/2025 we conducted over 40 courses with 200 attendees across the programme. Attendees went onto further courses at Blackburn College as well as providing volunteering opportunities at the 1V Holiday Clubs.

Sums and Palindromes

Sums and Palindromes is our tuition service that was launched in October 2023. Sums and Palindromes aims to improve the learning and understanding of each subject through co-ordinated tuition over a period lasting no less than 12 months. Since its launch we have supported over 48 young people.

Students from year 5 are involved in Sums and Palindromes, all the way to GCSE years. Subjects include English, Maths and Science.

Cyber Fest

One voice Blackburn [partnered with a number of agencies to produce a cyber fest event attended by over 660 people. Families across Lancashire flocked to Blackburn College at the weekend for a unique interactive festival aimed at demystifying the world of cyber security.

The event, CyberFest was held in February 2025 as a collaboration between Blackburn College, One Voice Blackburn, IMO Charity and tech company IN4.0 Group. Visitors were able to experience dozens of fun games and activities, aimed at getting children interested in cyber, as well as teaching ways to youngsters and adults, on how to be safe online. From programming racing bee robots to cyber-related spy 'missions', the activities were designed to engage with children aged from six, and featured prizes, including Lego sets, robotic hands and an iPad.

Children could take part in a virtual phishing exercise in the BLIS Suite, the blended learning interactive simulation room where participants were encouraged to search for passwords and spot phishing emails – fake messages sent to look like they are from companies but designed to steal users' data and information.

One Voice Blackburn ran a number of activities on the day, including Cyber Mythbusting, bee robot programming and Cyber Career Exploration.

Cohesion

Cohesion is one of One Voice Blackburn's primary objectives. One Voice Blackburn runs a variety of cohesion campaigns and events throughout the year aimed at bringing the community together and celebrating our uniqueness.

Afternoon Tea

One Voice Blackburn has organised high tea events since 2017 to promote community cohesion and integration throughout Blackburn with Darwen. Organisations and individuals across the borough attend and join in with an afternoon of networking, socialising and food.

Our most recent afternoon tea took place at Salmesbury Hotel in October 2024 with over 120 guests in attendance. The event was hosted by 14-year-old Ammarah Ikram who spoke about the different organisations that support One Voice Blackburn in a bid to make a greater difference to the community.

"I'm not a Muslim but I will Fast for one day"

Over 2000 people have participated in the 'I am Not a Muslim but I Will Fast for One Day' project during the Islamic month of Ramadan, since its launch in 2015. The project has won an Excellence award in the national Inclusive Companies Awards in 2018. The aim of this project is more than just building community cohesion, although that is a large part of it. It's about building and sustaining cohesive communities and understanding our local community.

Every year the campaign attracts a substantial number of individuals who join the campaign for the first time in support of their Muslim colleagues and friends.

In 2024/2025 alone we had over 80 participants including individuals and organisations across the borough and beyond. Whalley Scouts, Oakhill School, BRSK, Jam Coding, re:refresh, The Billy Project and Jamie Holman took part in the campaign for the first time. They shared their experiences through quotes and vlogs (video) as well as highlighting why the campaign is important. Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service, Together Housing, Electricity Northwest, Beardwood Hospital, MCM Accounting and Pleckgate High School are amongst some organisations who have continued to support the campaign over the last few years.

In 2025 the campaign was sponsored by Lets Foster. Each participant is given a food pack prepared and delivered fresh by Served By Fareeha.

"I'm a Muslim and I love the Festive Period".

The project 'I'm a Muslim and I love the festive period' was originally launched in 2015 as a community cohesion initiative by charity One Voice Blackburn. We all love the festive season in some way, shape or form. It's a great time for togetherness, acceptance, and community cohesion.

One Voice Blackburn has produced a series of videos where people of all ages from a Muslim background talk about how they also enjoy and take part in the festive season.

Over the past two years the campaign has continued with a slight twist. Young members from One Voice visited their neighbours to add a special bauble to their Christmas trees whilst proclaiming 'I'm a Muslim and I love the Festive Period.' Some got into the festive period by wearing their Christmas jumpers.

The campaign has grown immensely throughout the years with members and organisations across the town inviting young people from One Voice Blackburn to their homes and businesses to put up a specially selected bauble on their Christmas tree and talk about the importance of the campaign.

Vanessa Guerin from local business Boutique by Vee was visited by Mini WEG and Mini EEB Aisha and Ruhan who shared their favourite things about the festive period. Vanessa said "Having the young people come in to add a bauble on the Christmas tree and sharing why they love the festive period is so special. It shows that no matter what your religion or background is we can all appreciate and enjoy the same things."

Angela Boatwain from BwD Library, Stephanie Cowell from Electricity Northwest and Margorzata McManus from MCM Accounting also took part in the campaign, inviting young people from our groups to their home, showing them their Christmas decorations and sharing their Christmas traditions. Our young members placed a bauble on their Christmas tree as a reminder and sign of community cohesion and togetherness.

Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme

Backed by a nationwide investment of around £200 million, the HAF programme runs across all local authority areas during the school summer holidays, as well as Easter and Christmas. The programme is targeted at those who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

At One Voice Blackburn between April 2024-March 2025 we delivered HAF to over 1,200 young people, provided over 30,000 hot meals and ran over 100 hours of activities. We delivered some exceptional provisions including a day trip to Lytham St Annes where the young people splashed around in the sea, had fish and chips, played in the sand and finished their day off with some ice cream whilst relaxing on deck chairs.

Activities were led by qualified teaching staff who were supported by our 2020 Vision. Other activities included food around the world, baking, cinema to watch Mufasa, bowling and pantomime visits as well as sports days and a picnic in the park. We also organised an easter egg hunt.

There is always a strong focus on providing an adequate and well-balanced meal at the holiday club. Meals were provided according to the feedback we received from previous years. We had in house catering where food was fresh and hot every day.

Media and Marketing

1V Magazine

The 1V magazine was launched in June 2022 and is produced every quarter. The magazine moved from newsprint to glossy in late 2023. We have produced twelve issues of the magazine thus far.

The One Voice Blackburn magazine includes community-based features, columnists, designers, health related articles and much more. We have included articles with prominent members from the community including local MP Adnan Hussain, social media sensation Shabaz Ali, artist Jamie Holman and former CEO of Blackburn & Darwen Youth Zone Hannah Allen. The magazine promotes health initiatives including stem cell and cancer awareness as well as bringing light to our supporters and sponsors through advertisements and editorials.

The One Voice Blackburn Magazine is a means of celebrating the good in our town. It includes key community messages, education, and entertaining material. The articles focus on relevant, up to date news topics that are specific to our community and Blackburn as a whole.

Social media including YouTube

One Voice Blackburn is visible and consistent on various social media platforms including Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube and TikTok.

Our total followers on each platform:

Instagram- 6,322

Facebook- 3,700

Twitter-3,412

YouTube-3,050

LinkedIn-677

TikTok- 720

Our content is both informative and entertaining across different platforms. We have over 12,000 followers across our social media and over 36,000 views on our 'Back to 1964' video-our highest viewed video on our YouTube channel.

Through our social media platforms, we are able to reach and engage with diverse audiences and build a strong brand presence. The work and services that we deliver are highlighted across our social media channels. We are also able to connect with our members, communities, stakeholders, and supporters.

Financial review

The charity is reporting total income of £560,963 (2024: £630,933). Total expenditure for the year was £473,600 (2024: £459,401) resulting in an in-year surplus of £87,363 (2024: £171,532).

The reserves show a total of £553,611 (2024: £466,249) at 31 March 2025. The trustees are of the opinion that to maintain unrestricted reserves at this level appears to be a prudent course of action.

ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Charity No. 1194240
Trustees' Report for the period ended 31 March 2025

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the policies followed are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it's appropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose the reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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. The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Independent Examiner

A resolution proposing that Durhams Accountants Limited be reappointed as Independent Examiner of the charity will be put to members.

On behalf of the board of trustees



Abrar Hussain (Chair)

Dated: 14th October 2025

ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Independent Examiner's Report
For the period ended 31 March 2025

In accordance with the engagement letter dated 13 December 2020, we report on the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2025, which are set out herein.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's report

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

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

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) have not been met; or

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



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ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
<u>Incoming and Endowments from:</u>					
Donations and legacies	2	5,500	-	5,500	26,619
Charitable activities		474,524	80,939	555,463	604,314
Total incoming resources		480,024	80,939	560,963	630,933
 <u>Expenditure</u>					
Charitable activities	3	(394,738)	(78,862)	(473,600)	(459,401)
Total resources expended		(394,738)	(78,862)	(473,600)	(459,401)
 Net income/(expenditure)				87,363	171,532
 Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward				466,249	294,717
Funds at the end of the year	4			553,612	466,249

The notes on page 7-8 form part of these financial statements.

ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Balance Sheet
As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Fixed assets	5	4,746		8,211	
			4,746		8,211
CURRENT ASSETS					
Prepayments and other debtors		4,143		9,084	
Cash at bank and in hand		599,468		543,680	
			603,610		552,764
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Deferred income		(43,920)		(94,186)	
Accruals		(10,825)		(540)	
			(54,745)		(94,726)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			548,866		458,039
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			553,612		466,249
NET ASSETS			553,612		466,249
Unrestricted funds	4		550,798		465,512
Restricted Funds	4		2,814		737
MEMBERS' FUNDS			553,612		466,249

On behalf of the board



Abrar Hussain (Chair)

Dated: 14th October 2025

The notes on page 7-8 form part of these financial statements.

ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the period ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2. Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

1.3. Taxation

Corporation Taxation The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

1.4. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the Trust's work or for specific artistic projects being undertaken by the Trust.

1.5. Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

ICT Equipment	3 Years
Fixtures & Fittings	3 Years

2. Donations and Legacies

The charity received £5,500 (2024: £26,619) in donations during the financial year. All of these were for Unrestricted funds.

3. Total resources expended

	2025	2024
	£	£
Charitable activities undertaken directly	473,060	458,861
Governance costs	540	540
Total resources expended	473,600	459,401

ONE VOICE BLACKBURN
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the period ended 31 March 2025

3. Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected) received any remuneration during the period (2024: None).

4. Analysis of restricted funds

	Balances as at 1 st April 2024	Income Received	Spent	Balances as at 31 st March 2025
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds at the balance sheet date are represented by:				
WEA Multiply	-	23,656	23,656	-
Scouts	737	57,283	55,206	2,814
	737	80,939	78,862	2,814

5. Fixed Assets

	ICT & Office Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost:		
At the start of the year	26,705	26,705
Additions	1,659	1,659
At the end of the year	28,364	28,364
Accumulated depreciation:		
At the start of the year	18,495	18,495
Charge for the year	5,123	5,123
At the end of the year	23,618	23,618
Net book value		
At the end of the year	4,746	4,746
At the start of the year	8,211	8,211