

FRIENDS OF PERSHORE HOSPITAL

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1195814

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025 ACCOUNTS

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025
FOR FRIENDS OF PERSHORE HOSPITAL**

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Friends of Pershore Hospital have had a good year since I last reported to you. The Hospital is well staffed and running well. Our Matron, Emma Carrington, who joined in May 2024 made a lasting and positive difference to the Hospital and we were so sorry to hear in November that she was leaving. She has moved to Wyre Forest and we would like to thank her for all her hard work and the way in which she worked with the Friends to enable us to help the Hospital where we could. We wish her the very best for her future. At the time of writing, I have not had the pleasure of meeting with our new Matron, Shamima Begum, but we all look forward to working with her in the future.

We ended the year with some very exciting news. A gentleman named James Flynn from Tewkesbury left us a bequest in his will and we heard in December that we would be receiving £253,233.77. This was a very welcome surprise, but we were saddened Mr. Flynn had no living relations and consequently we were unable to offer our thanks to anyone. This money will enable us to help the Hospital and local charities for many years to come.

We have supported the Hospital over the year with various grants. Kathryn Kuiper who kindly spoke to us at our AGM last year has continued to organise Music Therapy sessions which she tells us the patients gain much pleasure from. She was so pleased to report that patients who do not usually leave their beds were now coming to these sessions and engaging with other patients and staff. It has especially helped those patients suffering with dementia. In September Katy Powers, the Community Palliative Care/End of Life Facilitator came to explain to us about her work with patients and their families. She was very inspiring and the Trustees were happy to fund a new Day Bed for the Hospital. This will enable family members to be with their relatives at all times at the end of their lives. We also organised for the Awnings in the Garden to be serviced and the local company who carried out this work kindly were able to do a variety of repairs to the netting over the Garden as well. We also funded new blinds for some of the Wards and when it was discovered that they were two blinds short, the firm, Just Fabrics, very kindly made them up and delivered them, all free of charge. This was such a kind gesture and we were most grateful to them.

We have been extremely fortunate to have been introduced to the wonderful Martine Horsburgh. She kindly volunteered to help with the garden and has planted the pots with bulbs for the Spring and tidied up a great deal. We are indebted to her for her help and send our very sincere thanks for all her hard work.

We continue to support both Doctors Surgeries in Pershore and would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff at both Practices for all they do for our community. During a conversation recently with a couple who had moved a number of times and were now happily settled in Pershore, it was wonderful to hear that we had the best GP Practices they had ever known. Praise indeed! We funded new examination couches for both Practices and helped Pershore Medical Practice with funding for their new Dispensing Machine.

We have also been pleased to give grants to both St. Richards Hospice and the Worcestershire Royal Hospital this year. We provided funds to the Hospice for new equipment to be used in the community for patients being treated at home, an important aspect of their work, and were happy to offer our support to the WRH for their Hold the Moment maternity Appeal. This is to provide equipment for the Maternity Unit and is much needed.

We are so fortunate in Pershore to have many charitable organisations helping local people and we are always happy to consider any requests for funding. We helped fund another PSA testing day, always fully subscribed and successful. The Well Being Hub in the High Street continues to do marvellous work for so many people and we were pleased to again assist them with the purchase of new office equipment. Pershore saw the founding this year of its first Men's Shed, a really important venue for men to meet, work and socialise. The Shed is located in the car park of the Allotments on No Gains and Jan and I were thrilled to be invited to attend the opening ceremony. We were so impressed with all that had already been done and with the enthusiasm of so many for this great project. We wish them much success in the future.

Finally I would like to thank my fellow Trustees, without whom none of this would be possible. Jan Garratt, our Secretary, works tirelessly for the Friends, ably supported by our, not so new now, Treasurer Andrew Hughes. Andrew has transformed the way this role works for the Friends and we are now able to join the 21st Century and use internet banking at last! You will see from Andrew's report that he has outlined precisely where the money we have spent this year has gone and done so in a particularly engaging way. I am so grateful to Andrew for his help and hard work in this cause and know all the Trustees feel the same. John Nixon spent many, many hours this year working on our Public Relations and advertising the work of the Friends and organised for FOPH to be the charity at a Mayors Coffee Morning last Summer. It was a well-attended event and I would like to thank John for all he does, so cheerfully, for us.

We are always glad to welcome new Trustees onto the Committee, so if any of you would like to talk to Jan or I about this role, please do contact us, or if you know of anyone who might be keen, we would love to hear from them and explain what we do. Having been given the opportunity to help in such a generous way, we are keen to use our funds to help as many people as we can.

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Registration Number	1195814
Principal Address	Pershore Hospital Queen Elizabeth Drive Pershore Worcestershire WR10 1PS
Chair	Mrs Karen Hodges
Treasurer	Mr Stephen Wardle - Resigned 8/4/25 Mr Andrew Hughes - Appointed 8/4/25
Secretary	Mrs Jan Garratt
Trustees	Dr Judith Dale Mrs Linda Hamlin Mrs Susan Stainton Mrs Jan Garratt Mrs Debbie Hakesley Mr John Nixon Mrs Julie Everett
Independent Examiner	Pixham Accounting & Bookkeeping Services Ltd Low Wood Brockhill Road Malvern Worcestershire WR14 4DL
Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc 19 High Street Evesham Worcestershire WR11 4DQ
Patrons	The Mayor of Pershore Mrs Harriett Baldwin M.P. Canon Claire Lording Mr Sebastian Freeman

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025 ACCOUNTS**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, 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) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

Governing document

The charity is governed by the Objects and Rules Report originally accepted in January 1952, most recently approved and updated by the members on 21 April 2009 and amended on 27 October 2020.

The charity was registered as the Friends of Pershore Cottage Hospital in 1973, which has since been shortened to the Friends of Pershore Hospital and is a member under the Charity Commission of England and Wales.

Committee

The Committee members in office during the year are shown on page 3.

Committee members are selected from members of the Friends by election at the Annual General Meeting or by election by the Committee to fill a casual vacancy which can be held until the conclusion of the subsequent Annual General Meeting, excluding the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. The Object and Rules declares that the Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Society and not less than four, nor more than seventeen other persons at any time. This has been honoured throughout 2025. The Object and Rules were amended by special resolution at the Annual General Meeting to reduce the minimum number of trustees.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The risk management programmes in place provide assurance to the Trustees and supporters of the Friends of Pershore Hospital. The Committee has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular, those related to the operations and finances of the Society and is satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to the major risks. The assessments of risk controls are under continual review.

The day to day procedures are overseen by the charity's Chairman, Mrs Karen Hodges.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- educate the public in the needs of the patients of the Pershore Hospital

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)**Trustees' responsibilities statement (continued)**

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102)
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. 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 charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**Objectives and aims**

The key object of the charity is to be that of relieving the patients and former patients of the Hospital and other invalids in the community who are sick, convalescent, disabled, infirm or in need of financial assistance and generally to support the charitable work of the Hospital and other hospitals at which the patients from Pershore and District normally received treatment.

The Objects and Rules Report indicates that the Friends have the power and responsibility to carry out the above object through the ability to:

- educate the public in the needs of the patients of the Pershore Hospital
- foster co-operation and inter-communication between its members, other charitable institutions, Local Authorities, Hospital Authorities, local doctors and the National Health Service
- recruit, and assist in the recruitment of, volunteers in and for the Hospital
- take and accept gifts or property for the objects of the Society

The Friends of Pershore Hospital is an unincorporated charity and is a non-sectarian, non-political charitable organisation with no subsidiaries.

Significant activities

The principal activity of the Friends is to support the work of Pershore Hospital.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

Trustees' responsibilities statement (continued)

Public benefit

In pursuance of the charity's objective, the Friends of Pershore Hospital have had regard to the guidance from the Charities Commission on the provision of public benefit. The first principle requires the Friends to identify the benefits and the second to demonstrate that these benefit the public or a section of the public. The principal object of the charity identifies the benefits, and the Chairman's Report details how the charity has delivered those benefits to the patients of Pershore Hospital, their relatives and friends as well as others requiring care in the community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Results and reserves

The results for the year are set out in the financial statements on pages 8 and 9. During the year income amounted to £267,559 (2024: £13,240) and expenditure to £57,788 (2024: £50,621)

The Committee recognises the importance of establishing a reserves policy to provide a prudent level of cover to meet future obligations. As a result, the Committee reviews its reserves on a regular basis and is holding funds in cash to fund its continuing programme of providing equipment for the new hospital.

The net incoming resources therefore, amounted to £209,771 (2024: £-37,381).

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18th February, 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs Karen Hodges - Trustee and Chairman

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FRIENDS OF PERSHORE HOSPITAL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Friends of Pershore Hospital (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

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

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 in section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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 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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Sarah K MacKellar CA
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Date: 18th February, 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

		2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Unrestricted funds £
	Notes		
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Income from:			
Voluntary income	2	258,936	2,037
Investment income	3	8,623	11,203
Total income		267,559	13,240
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities:			
Hospital expenses	4	452	843
Donations	5	30,814	34,138
Equipment and furnishings		23,839	13,061
Governance costs	6	2,349	1,299
Professional fees		334	1,280
Total expenditure		57,788	50,621
NET INCOME / EXPENDITURE		209,771	(37,381)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward	11	234,181	271,562
Total funds carried forward		443,952	234,181

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand	9	457,600	234,630
		<hr/> 457,600	<hr/> 234,630
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(13,650)	(450)
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net current asset		443,950	234,180
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total assets less current liabilities		443,950	234,180
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net assets		443,950	234,180
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Charity Funds			
Unrestricted funds	11	443,950	234,180
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total charity funds		443,950	234,180
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 18th February, 2026

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees:

Mrs Karen Hodges - Trustee and Chairman

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 Summary of significant accounting policies**General information and basis of preparation**

The Friends of Pershore Hospital is a Charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 2 of these financial statements. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are described on the Report of the Trustees on pages 4 to 6.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. 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) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

Membership subscriptions are taken to income on a received basis and legacies are included when the charity is advised by the personal representative of an estate that payment will be made, or property transferred, and the amount can be quantified.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the Charities SORP (FRS 102). Further detail is given in the Trustees' Annual Report.

No income has been declared net of expenditure.

Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

1 Expenditure recognition (continued)

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

Grants payable to third parties are within the charitable objectives. Where unconditional grants are offered, this is accrued as soon as the recipient is notified of the grant, as this gives rise to a reasonable expectation that the recipient will receive the grants. Where grants are conditional relating to performance then the grant is only accrued when any unfulfilled conditions are outside of the control of the charity.

Allocation of support and governance costs

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, and administrative costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out at Headquarters. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Tax

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

2 Income from charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Donations	4,135	320
Subscriptions	1,567	1,717
Legacy	253,234	-
	<u>258,936</u>	<u>2,037</u>

All income from charitable activities constitutes voluntary income and for the year ended 2025 and 2024 was attributed to the unrestricted fund.

3 Investment income

	2025 £	2024 £
Deposit account interest	8,623	11,203
	<u>8,623</u>	<u>11,203</u>

All investment income for 2025 and 2024 was attributed to the unrestricted fund.

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

4 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Notes	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total £
Hospital expenses		452	-	452
Donations		30,814	-	30,814
Equipment and furnishings	5	23,839	-	23,839
Governance costs	6	-	2,349	2,349
Professional fees		334	-	334
		<hr/> 55,439	<hr/> 2,349	<hr/> 57,788 <hr/>

All of the expenditure on charitable funds for 2025 and 2024 was attributed to the unrestricted fund.

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5 Direct costs of charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Sundry hospital expenses	452	843
Donations	30,814	34,138
Equipment	23,839	13,061
Professional fees	334	1,280
	<hr/> 55,439	<hr/> 49,322
	<hr/>	<hr/>

Donations were made to the following:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Friends of Pershore Care Centre	-	3,101
Graham Fulford Charitable Trust	-	3,500
Lyndsey Cox	-	475
Pershore Riverside Centre	-	2,302
Paula Evans	-	3,150
Pershore Wellbeing Hub	3,250	10,000
Worcester Acute Hospital Charity	10,000	6,000
St Richard's Hospice	5,569	-
Pershore Plus Volunteer Centre	-	5,000
Men's Shed Pershore	6,000	-
Pershore Community First Responders	658	-
Kidderminster PSA Group	3,000	-
Other	2,337	610
	<hr/> 30,814	<hr/> 34,138
	<hr/>	<hr/>

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6 Support costs

	Management 2025 £	Totals 2024 £
Governance costs	2,349	1,299
	<hr/> 2,349	<hr/> 1,299

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2025 Governance costs £	2024 Governance Costs £
Subscriptions	560	725
Accounts	350	450
Expenses	1,409	75
AGM costs	30	49
	<hr/> 2, 349	<hr/> 1,299

7 Independent examiners remuneration

The independent examiners remuneration amounts to an independent examination fee of £400 (2024: £400), inclusive of VAT.

8 Trustees' and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees all give freely their time and expertise without any form of remuneration or other benefit in cash or kind (2024: £nil).

Treasurers' expenses of £1,358 were reimbursed during the year (2024: £nil).

The secretary's expenses reimbursed during the year totalled £51 (2024: £88).

The chairman's expenses reimbursed during the year totalled £nil (2024: £nil).

There were no other expenses reimbursed to trustees (2024: £nil).

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9 Current assets

	2025	2024
	Total funds	Total funds
	£	£
Bank Current Account	5,775	24,661
COIF Account	451,825	209,969
	<hr/> 457,600	<hr/> 234,630
	<hr/>	<hr/>

All bank balances related to unrestricted funds both in 2025 and 2024.

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	400	450
Donations payable	13,250	-
	<hr/> 13,650	<hr/> 450
	<hr/>	<hr/>

All creditors falling due after one year related to unrestricted funds both in 2024 and 2023.

11 Movement in funds

	At 01.01.25	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	234,181	209,771	443,952
TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> 234,181	<hr/> 209,771	<hr/> 443,952
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	267,559	(57,788)	209,771
TOTAL FUNDS	267,559	(57,788)	209,771

12 Capital commitments

The charity has no capital commitments for the year ended 31 December 2025 (2024: £nil).

13 Related party transactions

There are no related party transactions during the period (2024: £nil).

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Donations	4,135	320
Subscriptions	1,567	1,717
Legacy	253,234	
	<hr/> 258,936	<hr/> 2,037
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	8,623	11,203
	<hr/> 267,559	<hr/> 13,240
Total income		
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Sundry hospital expenses	452	843
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Support costs		
Management		
Subscriptions	560	725
Accounts	350	450
Expenses	1,409	75
AGM costs	30	49
	<hr/> 2,349	<hr/> 1,299
Total expenditure	<hr/> 57,788	<hr/> 50,621
Net income /(expenditure)	<hr/> 209,771	<hr/> (37,381)