



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 January 2024 Period start date **To 31 December 2024**
Period end date

Charity name: Friends of Ilkley Rail Station (FOIRS)

Charity registration number: 1197227

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To preserve for the public benefit, Ilkley Railway Station, a Grade II Listed mid 19th Century building as a building of architectural and historic interest.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Following the formation of the Ilkley Rail and Bus Board FOIRS is now committed to creating an Ilkley Transport Hub. The key deliverables are to provide a central Transport Hub that incorporates Trains, Buses, a Coach Drop Off, Taxi Stand, Bicycle and Electric Car Hire. In addition facilities (Pods) are to include Toilets, Tourist Information and a Community Hub (multi purpose use).
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	FOIRS can confirm that our trustees have given due attention to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>This year FOIRS took part in an “Ilkley Station Volunteer Day” hosted and run by Northern Rail. In addition to some trustees, other volunteers included people from Ilkley Council, Northern Rail, Local Residents and Schools.</p> <p>The local Schools continue to maintain the Ilkley Station School Planters.</p>
Other		N/A

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity’s work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>One of the aims of both FOIRS and The Rail and Bus Board (created by FOIRS) is to create an Integrated Transport Hub for Ilkley.</p> <p>During the year FOIRS has started a process of applying for Funds (including an application to Ilkley Town Council).</p> <p>The purpose of these funds is to commission a report from a suitable Firm of Consultants to create a solution for a Transport Hub.</p> <p>Year 2025 is the 160th Birthday for Ilkley Rail Station. Work has started for an Exhibition to be held in August 2025. This includes 5 Information Boards depicting the History of Ilkley Station.</p> <p>FOIRS has adopted an area of land to “green space” at the foot of the steps from the Ilkley Rail Station Footbridge.</p> <p>In addition to seeking sponsors to develop the site, FOIRS is also looking at the possibility of applying for a Lottery Grant to fund the initial work required and also to pay for maintenance of the site for at least five years.</p> <p>On a festive note, FOIRS has once again purchased a Xmas Tree at the Annual St Margaret’s Xmas Tree Festival.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of this year FOIRS had £3,534.00 In cash assets.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Our source for funds remains to be through application for grants from various sources.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	We consider our risks are very low. Our main risks relate to our small number of volunteers and their ages. To mitigate this we are always looking to attract new members.
Other		N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		None
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation with voting members other than its trustees.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	All trustees are volunteers involved with the initial setting up of the charity. New members are agreed by the founding members.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	N/A
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	FOIRS is one of a number of "Friends of Ilkley" groups and regularly participates in the Ilkley Community Network (ICN) monthly meetings. The nature of our charity also requires close liaison with Northern and Network Rail and West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA). FOIRS also maintains close links to the Ilkley Rail and Bus Board. In fact Our Chairman Stephen Thornton is also Chair of this Group.
Other		N/A

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends of Ilkley Rail Station
Other name the charity uses	FOIRS
Registered charity number	1197227

Charity's principal address	Friends of Ilkley Rail Station, Northern Ilkley Railway, Station Road, Ilkley, LS29 8HF

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Stephen Thornton	Chair/Admin		N/A
2	Robert Hartley	Treasurer/Admin		N/A
3	Charles Scaife	None		N/A
4	Julia Collington	None		N/A
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

None

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	S R Thornton	R W Hartley
Full name(s)	Stephen Russell Thornton	Robert William Hartley
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair & Admin	Treasurer & Admin
Date	28 January 2025	



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Key Rail Station No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Jan-24		31-Dec-24

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Cash Carried Forward from 2023	4,564	-	-	4,564	-
Bradford Community Chest Fund Grant		-	-	-	500
Northern Rail Station Adoption Fund Grant		-	-	-	1,500
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,564	-	-	4,564	2,000
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,564	-	-	4,564	2,000
A3 Payments					
Aim Studio - FOIRS Leaflets	285	-	-	285	-
C Cheater - Station Artefacts Copies	544	-	-	544	-
M Hunnebell - Flash Drives (for Storage)	14	-	-	14	-
M Hunnebell - Material for 2025 Manor House Exhib.	96	-	-	96	
M Hunnebell - Anning's - Super8/Digitisation.	56	-	-	56	
St Margarets Parochial Church Council 1131220	35	-	-	35	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Annual Website Hosting Fees 2023		-	-	-	178
Setup of FOIRS Website		-	-	-	214
Print School Planter Artwork	-	-	-	-	123
St Margaret's Xmas Tree Festival Fee	-	-	-	-	175
Xmas tree Decorations	-	-	-	-	140
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,030	-	-	1,030	830
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,030	-	-	1,030	830
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,534	-	-	3,534	1,170
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	3,534	-	-	3,534	1,170

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Balance at Bank	3,534	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,534	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details			
	None		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details			
	None		-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details			
	None		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	S R Thornton	Stephen R Thornton	28-Jan-25	
	R W Hartley	Robert W Hartley	28-Jan-25	