

Big Local Gateshead
Registered Charity No. 1200709

Financial Statements
for the period ended 31 March 2025

Legal Information – 2024/25

Name: Big Local Gateshead

Charity Number: 1200709

Structure: Registered Charity (CIO)

Trustees:

Chair: Lawrence O'Halleron
Lesley Gooding
Susan Moody
Brandon Bartrop
Brenda Clelland
Paula Graham

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Rose Street
Gateshead
Tyne And Wear
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Independent Examiner: Mark Thompson MAAT
42 Lesbury Road
Newcastle Upon Tyne
NE6 5LB

Big Local Gateshead - Trustees' Report 2025

Aims & objectives

Big Local Gateshead is a charity based in Teams, ran by the people who live here with the aim of:

- Developing the capacity and skills of those living, working, or volunteering in our catchment area (Teams and Racecourse Estate)
 - Supporting the people living here to identify and meet the needs of their community.
 - To provide facilities for recreation and leisure time with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.
- religious or other opinions held by our beneficiaries.

What is Big Local Gateshead?

We are a resident led charity established in the Teams area of Gateshead to help and support local people within the community. We would like people to be proud of where they come from and enable them to have the same opportunities as others in the area.

This year has been spent preparing for and moving into new premises as we move closer to finalising an Asset Transfer from Gateshead Council. Most of our remaining lottery funding

Community work

We continue to build up our volunteer groups and are able to fund training where appropriate. Our Bike Club, Teams Wheelers, continues to attract new members with membership totaling more than 80 cyclists, mostly of pensionable age. Rides are tailored to cater for all ages and abilities.

During this period, we developed a Bike Shack and have plans to support training programmes for bike leadership and mechanic training.

Our weekly, Pop-up Shop - run by volunteers, continues to be very popular and attracts new residents every week - we plan to expand on this service in the future.

The Community Allotment has been updated with new pathways and raised beds improving wheelchair access. Various groups of all ages and abilities continue to meet there and benefit from this splendid community facility.

Doing more in the Teams!

We are moving forward with plans for an affordable Community Cafe and development of the front garden area into a usable and accessible space.

We also plan to continue working with the Tyne Derwent Way Project to consider new promotions and activities for the benefit of our residents and local people.

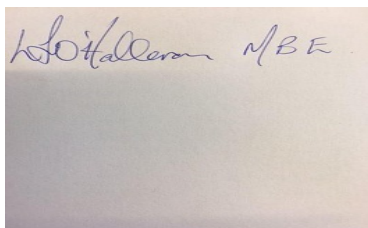
Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are

- Select suitable accounting policies
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements and presume that the charity will continue in operational existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. 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.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:-

A rectangular photograph of a handwritten signature in dark ink on a light-colored piece of paper. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "L. O'Halleron MBE".

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Print Name..Lawrence John O'Halleron MBE.....

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Chair's Report

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the
trustees of

Big Local Gateshead

On accounts for
the year ended

31 March 2025

Charity no 1200709

**Respective
responsibilities
of trustees and
examiner**

The trustees of the organisation are responsible for the preparation of accounts; they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act).
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of
- state whether particular matters have come to my

**Basis of
independent
examiner's
statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**Independent
examiner's
statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 120 of the Act); and
- accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Signed:



Date: 20th February 2026

Name:

Mark Thompson MAAT

Address:

42 Lesbury Road
Newcastle
NE6 5LB

Big Local Gateshead

Receipts & Payments Account 1 April to 31 March 2025

		2024/25			2023/24
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Notes			£	£
Receipts					
Donations and Membership		4716		4716	20659
Grants	3		133526	133526	7660
Shop Sales		4779		4779	1993
Community Rental		5800		5800	
Total Receipts		15295	133526	148821	30312
Payments					
Cost of Projects Delivered			31574	31574	2941
Freelance Fees			40156	40156	
Rent & Lease Costs			15878	15878	
Repairs & Renewals; Fixtures & Fittings			9131	9131	
Staff Expenses & Training			2123	2123	
Licenses and Subscriptions			2003	2003	
Cost of Fundraising		1090	28	1118	
Office Costs			584	584	308
Telephone and Internet			232	232	
Insurance			108	108	
Volunteer Expenses			73	73	
Misc			396	396	85
Utilities			515	515	4
Total Payments		1090	102801	103891	3338
Surplus/Deficit for the period		14205	30725	44930	26974
Funds at 1 April 2024		20994	5980	26974	0
Total Funds at 31 March 2025		35199	36705	71904	26974

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Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025	2024
Current Assets			
Current Account		68447	310
Cash in Hand			162
Debtors		3457	26502
Net Assets at 31 March 2025		71904	26974
Total Funds at 31 March 2025		71904	26974
Represented by :			
Unrestricted Reserves		35199	20994
Restricted Reserves		36705	5980
Total Funds		71904	26974

The financial statements were approved by the following members
of the Management Committee:

Signed.....Position.....

Signed.....Position.....

Date

Big Local Gateshead

Notes to the Financial Statements to March 2025.

- 1 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

Big Local Gateshead meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

- 2 Big Local Gateshead is a charity registered with the Charity Commission, as a CIO.
Registration no 1200709
It is governed by a management committee.

3 Grants Received:

Local Trust	88748
ASDA Foundation Grant	1880
Awards for All	9145
Barbour Foundation	2000
Big Bike Revival Cycling UK	3266
Catherine Cookson Grant	5000
Food Network Trailer (Gateshead Council)	2500
Sport England Grant	13500
Young Buds (ICB)	7487

Total Grants Received **£133,526**

- 4 The cost for Independent Examination for the year will be £...

5 Debtors

Local Trust Grant **£3,457**

6 Restricted Funds	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Balance
	April 2024			March 2025
Local Trust		88748	88748	0
ASDA Foundation Grant		1880		1880
Awards for All		9145	2156	6989
Barbour Foundation		2000	0	2000
Big Bike Revival Cycling UK		3266	1150	2116
Catherine Cookson Grant		5000	0	5000
Food Network Trailer (Gateshead Council)		2500	0	2500
Sport England Grant		13500	3804	9696
Young Buds (ICB)	5980	7487	6943	6524
Total	5980	133526	102801	36705