



RIVERWAY COMMUNITY

Where the river flows there is life

Annual Report and Accounts

for the year ending

31st January 2025

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About Riverway Community

Riverway Community is a faith-based organisation committed to serving the local community through a variety of ministries, services, and outreach programmes. Our mission is to provide practical support, encouragement, and spiritual guidance to individuals and families, with a focus on building resilience, fostering wellbeing, and creating opportunities for positive change. Under the umbrella of Riverway Community, we have developed initiatives that respond to identified needs in the community, including the establishment of Aylesbury Women's Centre, which provides targeted support for women and families.

Trustees

Riverway Community is governed by a Board of Trustees who are responsible for providing strategic leadership, ensuring good governance, and overseeing the effective delivery of the organisation's objectives. The Trustees serving during the reporting period were:

- Mr Jonathan De Gee
- Ms Denshloy Myrie
- Ms Melody Byrne

The Board has continued to provide oversight, guidance, and accountability throughout the year.

Aylesbury Women's Centre (under the covering of Riverway Community)

During the reporting year, Riverway Community established and oversaw the work of Aylesbury Women's Centre, a vital new ministry providing support to women across Aylesbury and the surrounding areas.

The Centre has become a trusted and safe space where women can find encouragement, support, and practical help. Its work focuses on empowering women to overcome challenges, build resilience, and create positive futures for themselves and their families.

Key services delivered include:

- Therapeutic and aftercare support, helping women recover from trauma and rebuild confidence.
- Educational and skills-based courses, improving employability, financial literacy, and personal development.
- Peer support and community groups, reducing isolation and fostering strong, supportive networks.
- Practical support, through the Baby Bank and the provision of food vouchers to families in crisis.
- Signposting and advocacy, ensuring women can access specialist services and additional opportunities for growth and stability.

By addressing both emotional well-being and practical needs, Aylesbury Women's Centre takes a holistic approach that equips women with the tools, confidence, and support to move forward.

Staffing

To deliver this important work, Riverway Community engaged three women on a self-employed, part-time basis. Their skills, dedication, and commitment have been instrumental in ensuring that the Centre's services remain high-quality, accessible, and responsive to the needs of women and families in the community.

Pastor's Report and Declaration

Year Ending 31st January 2025

The financial statements for the year ending 31st January 2025 are presented with this report, including details of Income and Expenditure and the Bank Reconciliation as of 31st January 2025. Throughout the year, regular giving, offerings, and donations have just covered the expenditure required to sustain the services and ministries undertaken. While this has enabled us to continue meeting the needs of our congregation and community, it has also highlighted the importance of securing additional sources of income to expand and strengthen our work.

During this period, it was essential to secure alternative funding to support the new ministry of Aylesbury Women's Centre, established under the covering of Riverway Community.

We are pleased to report that the Centre was awarded a grant from the Thomas Hickman Charity, which was received and deposited in February 2024. This funding has enabled the Centre to begin delivering vital services to women and families in our community.

We continue to keep church costs to a minimum whilst ensuring that the needs of the local community are met effectively. However, Riverway Community faces the ongoing challenge of increasing regular giving in order to ensure financial sustainability and support future growth over the coming year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who have faithfully given and supported the work of Riverway Community and Aylesbury Women's Centre. Your generosity, prayers, and service remain the foundation upon which our ministries continue to grow.

Name: Jonathan De Oee

Signature: _____

Date: 25/9/25

Income – Current Account Receipts 2024/2025

General Fund		
Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Income
Donations	Baptism Donations	£0.00
	Service Offerings	£501.96
	One off Gifts	£1,380.00
	Tithes – Regular Giving	£8,746.56
	Total	£10,628.52
Total Income		£10,628.52

Restricted Funds		
Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Income
AWC – Restricted	One-Off Donations	£639.40
AWC – Fairhive Income	Grant	£3,000.00
AWC- Thomas Hickman 1 st Half Income	Grant	£25,000.00
AWC – Thames Valley Police Income	Grant	£5,000.00
AWC – Heart of Bucks Income	Grant	£10,000.00
AWC – Busks Council Income	Grant	£3,500.00
Total Income		£47,139.40

Unrestricted Funds		
Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Income
AWC – Benefact Income	Grant	£8,600.00
AWC- Clare Foundation Income	Grant	£2,000.00
Paypal Donations/Raffle Income & Premises Use	Donations for AWC/Raffle Income	£219.77
Total Income		£10,819.77

Expenditure – Current Account Payments 2024/2025

2025 General Fund		
Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Income
Admin Costs	Expenseplus Finance Software	£160.00
	Insurance	£250.05
	Office Supplies	£688.61
	Phone Costs	£566.30
	Safeguarding Costs	£150.00
	Total	£1,814.96
Communication Costs	Media Costs	£495.05
	Total	£495.05
Events & Service Costs	Baptism Costs	£159.22
	Music & Worship Costs	£90.00
	Service Costs	£370.00
	Total	£619.22
Mission Support	Aylesbury Local Giving (Food Vouchers)	£75.00
	Mission Giving	£250.00
	Total	£325.00
Other Expenditure	Pastor Expenses	£641.05
	Church Expenses	£1,297.12
	Rent	£3,654.60
	Stipend	£1,680.00
	Sundry Expenses	£141.70
	Total	£7,414.47
Total General Fund Expenditure		£10,668.70

2025 Restricted Funds		
Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Expenditure
Aylesbury Women's Centre	Office Costs	£35.26
	Staff Costs	£939.40
	Total	£974.66
Aylesbury Women's Centre Fairhive Grant	Baby Bank	£304.03
	Social Media & Marketing	£516.10
	Staff/Volunteer Uniform	£291.60
	Staff Costs	934.80
	Volunteer Expenses	18.50
	Transport Costs	£43.00
	Total	£2,108.03

Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Expenditure
Aylesbury Women's Centre Thomas Hickman 1st Half Grant	Baby Bank	£994.80
	Rent/Utility/Start Up Costs	£12,590.67
	Lap Tops	£350.00
	Staff Salaries	£5,754.60
	Workshops/Training & Counselling	£1,299.40
	Total	£20,989.47
Aylesbury Women's Centre Thames Valley Police Grant	Course Costs	£2,111.61
	Total	£2,111.61
Aylesbury Women's Centre Bucks Council Grant	Baby Bank	£870.76
	Total	£870.76
Aylesbury Women's Centre Heart of Bucks Grant	Equipment for Courses	£189.94
	Office/Premises Costs	£1,927.43
	Marketing & Website Costs	£255.38
	Digital Marketing Costs for Events	£300.00
	Staff Costs	£2,557.60
	Volunteer Costs	£177.60
	Total	£5,407.95
Total Restricted Fund Expenditure		£32,462.48

2025 Unrestricted Funds

Category Group	Category Detail	Actual Expenditure
Aylesbury Women's Centre Clare Foundation	Equipment	£1,661.37
	Atart Up Costs	337.76
	Total	£1,999.13
Aylesbury Women's Centre Benefact Trust	Community Outreach Projects	£1,709.20
	Rent & Utilities	£1,241.00
	Staff Costs	£1,499.40
	Total	£4,449.60
Paypal Donations, Raffle, Premises Use	Staff Costs	£7.70
	Total	£7.70
Total Unrestricted Fund Expenditure		£6,456.43

Current Account Summary

INCOME 2024/2025	
General Fund Total	£10,628.52
AWC - Restricted Funds Total	£47,139.40
AWC – Unrestricted Funds Total	£10,819.77
Total Income	£68,587.69

EXPENDITURE 2024/2025	
General Fund Total	£10,668.70
AWC - Restricted Funds Total	£32,462.48
AWC – Unrestricted Funds Total	£6,575.70
Total Expenditure	£49,706.88
Account Balance 31st January 2024	£58.39
Balance Carried Forward to 1st February 2025	£18,939.20

Independent Examiner's Report – Year Ending 31st January 2024

I report on the financial statements of Riverway Community Charity for the year ended 31st January 2025 which are set out below.

Respective Responsibilities

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts 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.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by Riverway Community and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations 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 view given by the financial statements.

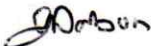
Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Jane Darbon
Independent Examiner

Signature: 

Date: 26/1/25