



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1st August 2023 to: 31st July 2024

Charity name: Carers of Herefordshire

Charity registration number: 1204197

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Charity Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support existing local Carer Groups within the county and develop them in areas where none currently exist.• Enable and develop what the Carer groups offer to relieve stress on Carers, including social events and outings.• Create, maintain, and widen membership network.• Contribute a collective Carer voice for Herefordshire to relevant forums and decision makers, raising Carer profile and ensuring their concerns are heard, especially in securing crucial respite care.• Widen and strengthen the network of Carer support within the county alongside other relevant organisations. Seek grant and trust funding in support of the agreed aims.
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	Carer Monthly Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ledbury x2• Leominster• Ross on Wye• Leominster Walk• Hereford• Golden Valley• Bodenham• Crafty Carers• Rejuvenate• Walking Group• Carers Gardening Group x2• Zoom Coffee Morning x4 Social Outings <p>Various outings have been held throughout this financial year as listed below:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haunted Halloween Walk • Quiz Night x2 • Wreath Making Sessions x6 • Christmas Mince Pie Walk • High Town Stall • Bodenham Lake Lunch <p>Create Maintain and widen Membership Network.</p> <p>As this is the charities first financial year we have seen an influx of membership to the service and have ended the financial year with 639 members.</p> <p>Collective Carer Voice</p> <p>In this financial year we have met with various organisations and have collaborated with those organisations including.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taurus Health Care • NHS • Talk Community • Health Watch • Tuvida/Carers Links • Herefordshire Council • Dementia Matters • Mind • HomeStart • Young Adult Carers • Young Carers <p>Widen and strengthen the network of Carer Support</p> <p>Working with the above organisations in this financial year has helped build an awareness of unpaid Carers outside of the charity and has allowed Carers to have a voice within other agencies that they use.</p> <p>We have discussed the opportunity to build a respite care service for Carers in Herefordshire and have been recruited to be on the Carers Partnership board with will launch in the next financial year.</p> <p>Grant Funding</p> <p>Grant funding has been secured during this financial year from the following organisations or charities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Herefordshire Community Foundation • Herefordshire Community Foundation (Ledbury) • Madley Charities • Bodenham Craft Fayre • EF Bulmer Foundation • Herefordshire Community Foundation
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Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees of Carers of Herefordshire Charity present their annual report and audited accounts for the year ended 31 July 2024 and confirm they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the trust deed and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).
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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	Volunteers have been a crucial part in the day to day running of the charity they have contributed countless hours over the financial year and have helped the progression of the charity within this year. They have made a difference to the lives of every Carer that has been in contact with them and have helped to share information and services outside of the charity to ensure that Carers have all the necessary tools/help they need within their Caring role. These volunteers have been on the charities frontline and have been offering support, guidance and a listening ear to those who have used the service. They have also contributed to shaping the future of the service in this financial year by attending group leader meetings and discussing the development of the charity.
Other		n/a

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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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	Unpaid Carers have across the whole of Herefordshire have benefited from our service. As a service attending to the needs of Carers, we have made a direct impact on the Carer and the persons they Care for. We have achieved this by reducing the risk of the Carers becoming physically or mentally ill as a direct result of their Caring role. Currently 80% of Carers either suffer from an illness or develop an illness as a direct result of their caring role. We have raised awareness within the community of Carers and outside of that community of what a Carer is and how to identify them. One of the main hurdles we constantly face is Carers not identifying themselves as a Carer. We have been actively working in the community to educate people on who and what a Carer is, the impact on this would be to reach more Carers making sure they are all benefitting from the service. We have reached Carers before they get to breaking point to maintain their wellbeing and mental health. We have had an increase of Carers to our database over this financial period. We have kept them updated on activities and events and have used the opportunity to educate and information share other relevant services.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	As Above
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	The incoming resources for the year were double the expenditure so the reserves are good and remain to be strong.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The aim is to have a balance of £10k at any time to cover ongoing expenses such as wages and rents,
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£26,428
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	As above
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	n/a
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	n/a
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Foundation Module Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (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	<p>No further trustees have been recruited in this financial year.</p> <p>Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.</p> <p>In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.</p>

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Carers of Herefordshire
Other name the charity uses	Non-applicable
Registered charity number	1204197

Charity's principal address	Hinton Community Centre, Ross Road, Herefordshire HR2 7RJ

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	Margaret James	N/A		
2	Mark Eardley	N/A		
3	Sandra Mifflin	N/A		
4	Vincent McNally	Hinton Community Centre		
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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

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

Georgia Prince

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Vincent Edward McNally	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	25 th May 2025	

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024
FOR
CARERS OF HEREFORDSHIRE**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
1204197

Principal address
Hinton Community Centre
Hereford
HR2 7RJ

Trustees

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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Trustee

CARERS OF HEREFORDSHIRE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
Voluntary income		53,520
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Wages		21,447
Purchases		870
Support Costs		3,216
Advertising		545
Governance costs		504
Total resources expended		26,582
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		26,938
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		26,938

The notes form part of these financial statements

CARERS OF HEREFORDSHIRE**BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 JULY 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £
FIXED ASSETS		
Tangible assets	4	1,014
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at bank		26,428
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(504)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>26,928</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		26,938
NET ASSETS		<u>26,938</u>
FUNDS	6	
Unrestricted funds		<u>26,938</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>26,938</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by:

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Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

INCOMING RESOURCES

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2024.

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2024.

3. STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries	£ 20,250
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The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £
COST	
Additions	1,268
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DEPRECIATION	
Charge for year	254
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 July 2024	1,014
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5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

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Other creditors	504
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6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net movement in funds £	At 31.7.24 £
Unrestricted funds		
General fund	26,938	26,938
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TOTAL FUNDS	26,938	26,938
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Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	53,520	(26,582)	26,938
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TOTAL FUNDS	53,520	(26,582)	26,938
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CARERS OF HEREFORDSHIRE**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024**

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INCOMING RESOURCES	
Voluntary income	
Donations	4,905
Grants	48,615
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	53,520
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Total incoming resources	53,520
RESOURCES EXPENDED	
Charitable activities	
Wages	20,250
Rent	1,197
Purchases	1,601
Advertising	545
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	23,593
Governance costs	
Accountancy	504
Support costs	
Finance	
Bank charges	68
Information technology	
Computer software	414
Other	
Insurance	659
Postage and stationery	185
Sundries	159
Repairs and renewals	226
Motor Expenses	520
Computer equipment	254
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Total resources expended	26,582
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Net income	26,938
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29th May 2025

**CARERS OF HEREFORDSHIRE, CHARITY NO 1204197
EXAMINER'S REPORT**

I have examined the books and records of the Carers of Herefordshire for the year ending 31st July 2024 and confirm that the accounts have been prepared in accordance with those books and records and represent a true and fair view of the income and expenditure for the year.



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