

Charity registration number 1204461

# The Darjeeling Tank Locomotive Trust

(a Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual report and financial statements  
For the year ended 30 June 2025

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## Reference and administrative Details

Charity name	The Darjeeling Tank Locomotive Trust	
Registration Number	1204461	
Principal address	Longlands Anchor Lane Harvington Worcestershire WR11 8PA	
Vice-president	Mr A J Savage Mr A J G Rushton (appointed 9 August 2025)	
Trustees	Mr J Davey Mr A J Savage (resigned 9 September 2024) Mr A J G Rushton (resigned 9 August 2025) Mr P K Jordan Mrs S J Thompson Mr W Smith (appointed 9 September 2024)	Chairman Fundraising Fundraising Treasurer Secretary Engineering
Committee member	Mr P Marsh	Press relations
Bankers	NatWest Bank plc 113 High Street Scunthorpe DN15 6LT	
Governing document	Constitution dated 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2023	
Trustee selection		
Method	Appointed by existing Trustees	
Independent examiner	Mr John Flower	

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## Trustees' Report

The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and independent examiner's report of the charitable incorporated organisation for the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019)

### Introduction

This is the second annual report of the Trustees of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation, The Darjeeling Tank Locomotive Trust, charity number 1204461

### Objects and main activities

The objects of the CIO are defined in the Constitution as "to advance the education of the public in the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway locomotive number 19B and its history and design as well as the topic of narrow-gauge railways more generally, in particular by:

- a) The development and maintenance of display at Statfold Narrow Gauge Museum;
- b) Operating and/or displaying the locomotive at various narrow-gauge railways and other locations across the United Kingdom; and
- c) Providing opportunities for people of all ages and diverse backgrounds to learn about the skills relevant to heritage railway preservation, restoration, maintenance and operation.

To fulfil these aims, the Trust attends various railway-themed events with a display stand and engages with the public to talk about the Tank Locomotive 19B, encourage participation in its maintenance and operation and solicit donations

### Organisational structure

The Trustees, who act in a voluntary capacity, are assisted in the maintenance and operation of the 19B by a number of skilled individuals, who can be assisted, under close supervision, by keen individuals learning the various skills required.

### Review of Financial Position

The Trust bought locomotive 19B at auction on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023. The locomotive's ten-yearly formal examination commenced in December 2023, and despite early advice received to the contrary, it became apparent once the boiler had been removed from the frames, that boiler repairs would only be sufficient to keep the locomotive working for one to two years, and that the sensible solution would be to acquire a new boiler, which is likely to cost around £140,000, should last for thirty years. The new boiler is under construction by the Festiniog Railway Company, who have extensive experience in boiler construction and a high reputation

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### Review of Activities

The locomotive's chassis has already been overhauled, partly by our own volunteers and partly by the staff of Statfold Barn Narrow Gauge Museum Trust, and is ready to accept the new boiler when it is complete: this is estimated to be in the first quarter of 2026. This will be followed by the reconstruction of the locomotive, which should be operational again by the end of summer 2026. Fundraising continues: at 30 August 2025, we estimate that a further sum of around £6,000 is still required to complete the overhaul.

### Investment and reserves policy

The trustees continue to ensure reserves are maintained in line with our policy.

### Risk management

The trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Trust may be exposed for each financial year and systems, including insurance where appropriate, are in place to mitigate such risks. The Trustees consider that the major failure of a locomotive boiler to be the biggest risk, and accordingly, it is the subject of both regular professional inspection and insurance.

### Serious incidents

There were no serious incidents during the financial year.

### Trustees' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's incoming resources, its application of those resources during the period and its financial position at the end of the period. In preparing these statements, the Trustees are required to:

- a) Select suitable accounting policies and see that they are applied consistently; and
- b) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

The Trustees are satisfied that the financial statements comply with these requirements

Jeremy Davey  
Chairman of the Trustees

Peter Jordan  
Treasurer and Trustee

3 September 2025

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## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Darjeeling Locomotive Tank Trust**

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### **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 Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent Examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that there are no matters in connection with that examination which would give me cause to believe that:

- a) Accounting records were not kept in respect of The Darjeeling Tank Locomotive Trust as required by section 130 of the Act;
- b) The accounts do not accord with those records;
- c) 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 fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent review; and
- d) The accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

John Flower, 72 Station Road, Misterton, Nottinghamshire DN10 4DE

Dated: 3 September 2025

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## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 June 2025

		2025		28 August 2023 to 30 June 2024	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund	Total	Unrestricted funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME - UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>					
Donations received	60,865.94		60,865.94		260,130.62
Gift aid receivable	16,318.94		16,318.94		46,485.74
Crowdfund donations	160.00		160.00		680.00
Interest	2,251.71		2,251.71		
<b>RESTRICTED FUND - Boiler Club</b>		25,539.62	25,539.62		
	79,596.59	25,539.62	105,136.21		307,296.36
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Admin costs	2,187.56			5,068.48	
Website costs	72.87			2,603.04	
Insurances	2,117.14			2,001.41	
Repairs/maintenance				349.20	
Post/comms	4.25			235.24	
Finance charges	26.32			159.47	
Travel and subsistence	333.69				
Event costs				10.00	
Depreciation	252.00			252.00	10,678.84
	4,993.83		4,993.83		
Cash spent on new boiler		25,539.62			
Less: transferred to fixed assets		25,539.62			
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		-	100,142.38		296,617.52

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## Balance sheet at 30 June 2025

	<u>2025</u>		<u>28 August 2023 to 30 June 2024</u>		
	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets		362,880.84		323,331.30	
Current assets					
Bank	120,005.07		74,162.47		
Debtors	6,373.99		10,623.75		
	126,379.06		84,786.22		
LESS Creditors (due within 12m)	12,000.00		25,500.00		
NET CURRENT ASSETS		114,379.06		59,286.22	
		477,259.90		382,617.52	
Other liabilities (due between 1 and 5 years)		80,500.00		86,000.00	
Net assets		396,759.90		296,617.52	
ACCUMULATED FUND (Unrestricted funds)					
At 1 July 2024		296,617.52		-	
Surplus for the year		100,142.38		296,617.52	
At 30 June 2025		396,759.90		296,617.52	

Mr J Davey  
Trustee

Mr P Jordan  
Trustee



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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025

### 1 Accounting Policies

#### Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

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

#### Statement of compliance

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) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

#### Basis of preparation

The Darjeeling Tank Locomotive Trust 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 notes.

#### Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

#### Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in the Charities SORP which allows for smaller charities not to prepare a cash flow statement.

#### Income and endowments

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the Charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the amounts will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs (if incurred) allocated on the basis of time spent and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated on the Trustees' estimate of fair value.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 (continued)

### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them

#### Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, bank accounts in the Charity's name and any other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily converted to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds available for use at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity

#### Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives:

Plant and machinery	10% straight line
Ten-year overhaul costs	10% straight line

The Trustees are of the opinion that it would not be appropriate to provide depreciation on the rolling stock.

### 2. Income from charitable activities

	<u>2025</u>			<u>2024</u>	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Acquisition, maintenance and operation of Darjeeling Tank Locomotive 19B	79,596	25,540	307,296	307,296	307,296

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 (continued)

### 3. Expenditure on charitable activities

	<u>2025</u>			<u>2024</u>	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Maintenance and operation of Darjeeling Tank Locomotive 19B	4,994	-	4,994	10,679	10,679
Acquisition of fixed assets	-	25,540	25,540	323,583	323,583
	4,994	25,540	30,534	334,262	334,262

### 4. Fixed assets

	Rolling stock	Locomotive overhaul	Container	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 July 2024	306,631.80	14,431.50	2,520.00	323,583.30
Additions		39,801.54		39,801.54
At 30 June 2025	306,631.80	54,233.04	2,520.00	363,384.84
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2024	-	-	252.00	252.00
Charge for the year			252.00	252.00
At 30 June 2025	-	-	504.00	504.00
Net book amount 30 June 2025	306,631.80	54,233.04	2,016.00	362,880.84
Net book amount 30 June 2024	306,631.80	14,431.50	2,268.00	323,331.30

### 5 Debtors

	<u>2025</u>			<u>2024</u>	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Gift aid claim made	6,299	-	6,299	10,679	10,679
Value added tax refund claim	75	-	75	323,583	323,583
	6,374	-	6,374	334,262	334,262

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## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 (continued)

### 6. Creditors

Creditors consist solely of individuals who loaned money for the purchase of the locomotive 19B, and these loans are repayable as follows:

				<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
				£	£
Within twelve months				12,000.00	25,500.00
Between one and five years				80,500.00	86,000.00
				<b>92,500.00</b>	<b>111,500.00</b>

Funding to repay these loans will come from future standing order donations, where the standing orders are already in place. In accordance with our normal accounting policies, standing order income is only recognised when received.

### 7. Trustees remuneration and expenses

No Trustees, nor any person connected with them, have received any remuneration from the Charity during the period under review. During the period, expenses of £805 were refunded to four Trustees, of which £305 was repaid to the Charity as a donation.

### 8. Funds

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>		
		£	£	£		
General	Balance at 1 July 2024	296,617	-	296,617		
	Incoming resources	79,597	25,540	105,137		
	Resources expended	(4,994)		(4,994)		
	Balance at 30 June 2024	371,220	25,540	396,760		

### 9. Analysis of new assets between funds

		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>		
		£	£	£		
	Fixed assets	14,010	25,540	39,550		
	Current assets	41,592	-	41,592		
	Current liabilities	13,500	0	13,500		
		69,102	25,540	94,642		
	Liabilities (between 1 and 5 years)	5,500	-	5,500		
	MOVEMENT IN NET ASSETS	74,602	25,540	100,142		