

# THE WHEELS OF TIME (KENT)

England & Wales · Charity number 1206418

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2024-01-08

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN HISTORY AND HERITAGE THROUGH COLLABORATION AND JOINT PROMOTION OF MUSEUMS AND HERITAGE SITES BY RUNNING A SCHEME OR SCHEMES IN KENT.

**Activities:** To advance the education of young people in history and heritage through collaboration and joint promotion of museums and heritage sites by running a scheme or schemes in Kent.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£10,905	£3,008	-	-
2024-09-30	£5,201	£3,450	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Robert John Shrubbs</b>	Chair	2023-11-01
BRIAN RHYS WALTERS		2023-11-01
DAVID FRANCIS GILBERT		2023-11-01
Rosalind Clare Meredith		2023-11-01

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# Accounts

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# Wheels of Time (Kent)

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Charity registration number: 1206418

## Objectives and Activities

The Purpose of Wheels of Time (Kent) is to advance the education of young people in history and heritage through collaboration and joint promotion of museums and heritage sites by running a scheme or schemes in Kent.

Wheels of Time (Kent) was formed to take over the operation of the Wheels of Time badge collecting scheme in the administrative County of Kent and Medway Council areas from the unregistered, Wheels of Time network.

The Trustees operate the Charity with due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on Public Benefit

The scheme encourages children, generally in the age range of five to eleven years, to visit member museums and heritage venues by giving badges, unique to each venue, and award badges for collecting 10, 20, 30, 40 and all 55 badges from member venues.

The Trustees have delegated the operation of the Wheels of Time Scheme to a management committee, named the "Core Group", comprising representatives of Member organisations.

All of the members of the Core group are volunteers. The vast majority of Scheme Members are operated by volunteers one from each Member being tasked with operating the Wheels of Time Scheme at their venue.

The tenth anniversary of the original launch of the Wheels of Time occurred during the 2025 season. This has been marked by giving a special badge to children who have visited ten Wheels of Time venues (in Kent or Surrey) and whose parent has completed a short on-line questionnaire about their experience of the Scheme. A special ceremony was held on the Anniversary date presenting a further Award to a long-standing participant and an Award to one of participants who has most recently joined.

## Achievements and Performance

The recovery from the affects of Covid continued during the year demonstrated by twice the number of Award badges being earned by participants compared with 2024.

The Arts Council England funded project, to expand the scheme to other areas of the country, has been formally closed but a small residue of funds remains in the Ashford Borough Museum bank account. These are being spent on promoting the scheme in both Kent and Surrey.

## Financial Review

Wheels of Time receives income in the form of Contributions from its Members and grants from grant making bodies.

The difficulty in obtaining funds from external bodies could see the need to increase Members' Contributions. If Members do not consider such an increase of sufficient value they may leave. The Trustees' therefore aspire to hold one year's running cost in reserve.



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During the period the Charity received generous grants from two external bodies and a further sum from the closure of a charity with similar objectives. At the end of the financial period Wheels of Time holds a balance of £ 9,648.84, achieving this aspiration.

## Structure, Governance and Management

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Trustees are elected by Members of the Charity.

The Trustees have delegated the operation of the Wheels of Time Scheme in Kent to a Management Committee, named The Core Group, made up of principally of representatives of Member organisations. The Trustees are Members of the Core Group.

## Reference and Administrative details

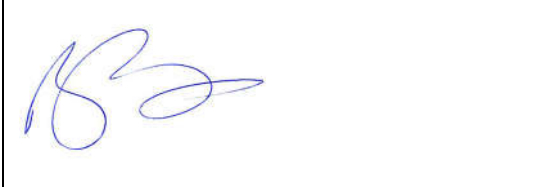

Charity name	Wheels of Time (Kent)
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1206418
Charity's principal address	c/o Ashford Museum Church Yard Ashford TN23 1QG

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Robert Shrubbs	Chair	
2	David Gilbert		
3	Rosalind Meredith		
4	Brian Walters		

## Declarations

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
	Full name(s)	Robert John Shrubbs
Position	Chair	
Date	10/04/2026	20/3/26

**Statement of Accounts**  
**Wheels of Time (Kent)**  
to 30 September 2024

**Assets**

	Bank Balance, Lloyds Treasurer's Account	£	9,649

**Other Assets**

	One set 4 no. promotional banners	£	188

Chairman / Treasurer

R. Shrubbs

Trustee

R. Meredith

2024	General Fund	2025	
	Balance B/F, 1st October 2024	£ 1,751.16	
£ 5,200.75	Receipts	£ 10,905.50	
£ 3,449.59	Payments		£ 3,007.82
£ 1,751.16	<b>Current Balance</b>		<b>£ 9,648.84</b>

2024	Receipts	2025	
	Member Conts	£ 5,260.00	
	Grants	£ 5,600.00	
£ 5,200.75	Other Income	£ 45.50	
£ 5,200.75	<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 10,905.50</b>	

2024	Payments	2025	
£ 2,582.80	Supplies		£ 2,606.14
£ 866.79	Other		£ 401.68
£ 3,449.59	<b>Total</b>		<b>£ 3,007.82</b>

# Statement of Accounts Wheels of Time (Kent) to 30 September 2024

## Note to the accounts

1 Prior to the registration of Wheels of Time (Kent) [WoT], on 8th January 2024, the Wheels of Time Scheme had been accounted for as a project by Ashford Borough Museum Society [ABMS], all funds were held by ABMS, were included in, and subject to the examination of, ABMS Accounts as reported to the Charity Commission.

ABMS continued to accept receipts for and make payments on behalf of WoT until the WoT bank account had been opened and all previously invoiced payment had been received. For accounting purposes those receipts and payments continued to be treated as if an ABMS project.

The receipts shown for 2024 therefore relate only to funds received into the WoT bank account (from ABMS) and payment for 2024 those made from the WoT bank account.

For reference at 1 January 2024 ABMS held in its restricted account for WoT General Funds	£	4,319.95
After 1 January 2024, ABMS received on behalf of WoT	£	4,533.80
and expended	£	3,653.00
The balance transferred to WoT in 2024 (shown as receipts in this statement)	£	<b>5,200.75</b>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

The Wheels of Time (Kent)

On accounts for the year ended

30 September 2025

Charity no (if any)

1206418

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/09/2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

27.03.2026

Name:

Tracey Moore

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

BFP ACA

Address:

UHY Hacker Young

Roman Square, Sittingbourne

Kent. ME10 4BJ

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

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During 2024 a slow recovery from the impact of the Covid pandemic continued.

The Charity was pleased to welcome The Lady Colgrain, The Lord Lieutenant of Kent, as its Patron.

In the absence of an operating bank account, during the initial four months of operation, the Ashford Borough Museum Society continued to manage funds and procurement for the Wheels of Time Scheme.

Members' Contributions were the sole source of income during the initial financial period. These are collected during January and February, hence were collected by Ashford Borough Museum Society.

The majority of expenditure also occurs in the first three months of the year, during which period badges, lanyards and brochures are procured. Some of these items were paid for from funds held by Ashford Borough Museum Society. Others were paid for by the Chair of Trustees and reimbursed after the Wheels of Time bank account had been opened.

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All of the members of the Core group are volunteers. The vast majority of Scheme Members are operated by volunteers one from each Member being tasked with operating the Wheels of Time Scheme at their venue.

## Achievements and Performance

As with all tourism and in person cultural activity the Wheels of Time Scheme suffered a very large drop in the number of participants during Covid and is seeing a gradual recovery from that low point.

It is likely that many pre-covid participants ceased their involvement in the Scheme during the pandemic and we are now seeing a gradual increase in the number of new participants.



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In parallel with continuation of operation of the Scheme in Kent the Core Group are assisting the oversight of an Arts Council England funded project to expand the scheme to other areas of the country. This saw the starting of independently operated schemes in Essex and Surrey. The project has also provided the Kent scheme with a new website allowing better management of information about Member Venues and introducing an online portal permitting easier monitoring of numbers of participants.

## Financial Review

At the end of the financial period Wheels of Time holds has a balance o £ 1,700, equivalent to approximately 25% of the running costs of the Wheels of Time Scheme in Kent.

Because most of the expenditure falls within two months it is the aspiration of the Trustees to create a reserve equivalent to one year of operational cost. If this is not achieved the Contribution required from Member organisations increases which may be considered to be beyond their means.

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Full name(s)

Robert John Shrubbs

Rosalind Clare Meredith

Position

Chair

Date

10<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**Statement of Accounts**  
**Wheels of Time (Kent)**  
to 30 September 2024

**Assets**

	Bank Balance, Lloyds Treasurer's Account	£ 1,751
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**Other Assets**

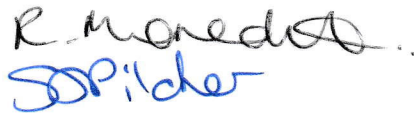
	One set 4 no. promotional banners	£ 186
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Chairman / Treasurer



R. Shrubbs

Trustee



R. Meredith

Examiner



S. Pilcher

General Fund		2024	
	Balance B/F, 8th January 2024	£ -	
	Receipts	£ 5,200.75	
	Payments		£ 3,449.59
	<b>Current Balance</b>		<b>£ 1,751.16</b>

Receipts		2024	
	Member Conts	£ -	
	Grants	£ -	
	Other Income	£ 5,200.75	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 5,200.75</b>	

Payments		2024	
	Supplies		£ 2,582.80
	Other		£ 866.79
	<b>Total</b>		<b>£ 3,449.59</b>

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The balance transferred to WoT (shown as receipts in this statement)

£ **5,200.75**