

SECOND CHANCE CHICHESTER

Trustees' Report for Period: 1st Jan 2025 to 31 December 2025

(since obtaining charity status)

Reference and administration details

Charity name: Second Chance Chichester

Registered Charity Number: 1208533

Charity's Principal address 113 Worcester Road
Chichester
West Sussex PO19 5EE

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

<u>Trustee Name</u>	<u>Office</u>
Richard Plowman	Managing Director
Bruce Brechin	Operations Director
Richard Hancock	Treasurer

Structure, Governance and management

The Charity has a governing document adopted on 5th June 2024.

The trustees have prepared suitable policies and take governance seriously and seek to apply the Charity Governance Code. Training is also given to the volunteers. There are currently 5 volunteers

Objectives and activities

Summary of the Objects:

TO RELIEVE POVERTY AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONG PEOPLE LIVING OR WORKING IN THE CHICHESTER AREA BY THE REUSE AND PROVISION OF FURNITURE AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD ITEMS TO SUCH PERSONS WHICH THEY COULD NOT OTHERWISE AFFORD.

Summary of main activities in relation to these objects:

Previously in 2024, the main activities have been carried by the trustees and a team of 7 volunteers. The activity of clients being able to select items to make their house a home with free delivery of household items. This was enhanced by the co-operation of the Chichester Crafters who were responsible for repairing and upscaling good quality wooden furniture which would have been sent to the amenity tip. The sponsorship of Panther Vans providing free transport was essential to the operation.

During 2024 and over early 2025 over 110 families and individuals were helped with a wide range of household items. The fact that they could choose the items greatly added to their self confidence and wellbeing . Feedback has been excellent particularly as most were being housed in empty properties even without floor coverings and curtains.

However loss of the main premises and the lack of a suitable cost effective replacement together with a difficult funding environment meant in 2025 that the main operation had to be suspended. The team did well as the original premises needed to be cleared and restored to the original state in a short period. Despite extensive investigation no suitable replacement building could be found.

Achievements and Performance

With no sales income, the charity is dependent and fund raising and grants. The failure to be given a substantial levelling up grant by Chichester District Council meant there was constant pressure on financing the operation. However, during 2005 the charity managed to be successful in obtaining small grants and fund raising. A small number of people were helped with specific items and financial support given to a charity offering a similar service.

Future Plans

Finding a suitable premises has proved very difficult. The trustees are therefore reviewing possible closure of Second Chance Chichester. Funding and keeping volunteers has also been difficult given cost of living rises and competition for a smaller pool of grants and funding. The activities of Second Chance Chichester has meant that larger charities have changed the way they operate with the homeless which to a certain extent has filled the gap SCC was filling

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Receipts and Payments Account for the period from Jan 1st , 2025 to 31st December 2025

Receipts

Fund raising	
Individual	
Private donors	1250
Rotary Clubs Chichester	2805
sales auctions books	185
Tony Dignum	1680
LOFA	2000
City Council *Note returned by crown grant	3000
lakeview grange	300
TOTAL Receipts for period	11220

Payments

Rent of Unit 2 Leigh Road	3000
Southdowns storage	2
	200
Grant to Rotary Harbour Club	1000
Rates* year with rebate	465
Sign removal	54
utilities	770
vehicle	118
TOTAL Payments for the period	7607

Starting balance: Jan 1st 2025	0.00
Surplus / Deficit: (11220 - 7607) Dec 31st 2025	-
Closing Balance	3613
	0.00

Under Sections 144 and 145 of the Charities Act 2011 the Charity

is exempt from an audit and independent examination of the above accounts



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Dr R A Hancock Trustee

Financial Review

The financial review covers the period since granting Charity Status to Second Chance Chichester 1280533 from Jan 1st to Dec 31st. 2025

Details of any funds materially in deficit

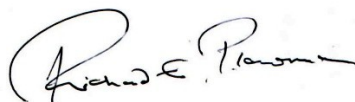
There are no funds in deficit

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name Richard Edward Plowman

Position: Trustee Managing Director

Date 16th July 2026