Telford Visually Impaired Group CIO

Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 2025

Registered Number 1209274

Trustees
Brian Richards (Chair)
Geoffrey Foulkes (Vice Chair)
Haydn Griffiths (Treasurer)
Kenneth Whitcombe (Club President)
Patricia Hayward (Club Secretary) (resigned July 2026)
Peter Seaward (new Club Secretary) (appointed July 2026)
Hayley Dyson
Ian Roberts (resigned July 2026)

Independent Examiner
Tranter Lowe (Oakengates) Limited
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Bankers
TSB Bank plc, Wellington, Telford
NatWest, Telford (opened March 2025)

Investments
One year bond held with Cambridge and Counties Bank
Investment portfolio held with Quilter

Address for enquiries
Dr Haydn Griffiths, 1 Limekiln Lane, Wellington, Telford TF1 2JA

The Annual Report of TVIG

The Telford Visually Impaired Group was founded in 2006 as a members' club, with membership open to those with visual impairments and their carers. It allows members and their carers to share their experiences at regular monthly meetings and also to organise excursions, meals out and other events. The club advertises through its own web-site and via Telford and Wrekin's Independent Living Centre, Sight Loss Shropshire, the eye clinics at Royal

Shrewsbury Hospital and Telford's Princess Royal Hospital, local rehabilitation centre for people with visual impairment. The club is open to all adults within Telford and Wrekin and the surrounding area who suffer from visual impairments. The club has its own closed Facebook page.

The club committee interviews new members and explains to them the objects and aims of the club, encouraging both the visually impaired and their carers to participate as fully as possible.

In January 2024, the club was offered a donation from a charity (The Liz and Jo Fullwood Trust for the Elderly Blind - charity number 1113233) set up to help elderly blind people in Shropshire and Pembrokeshire. This charity was being closed and its funds disbursed to similar organisations. The donation of £150,000 was received on 9th February 2024.

As a result of this donation, the club set up a charity of the same name, to help it with the trusteeship of these funds. The charity Telford Visually Impaired Group CIO, charity number 1209274, was established on 24th July 2024.

The charity currently has 6 trustees, 3 are members of the club. 2 are ex officio, the President and Secretary. In addition, 3 people not associated with the club were invited to act as independent trustees, to monitor the running of the club's activities and to oversee the investment and disbursement of funds. These 3 independent trustees hold the positions of chair, vice chair and treasurer on the board of trustees. The charity treasurer is currently helping the club in the capacity of club treasurer too. The club treasurer would also normally be a trustee ex officio.

The trustees, members of the club committee, plus any who volunteer as independent carers, that is not attending as a carer accompanying a specific member, are DBS checked to ensure they are suitable to work with vulnerable adults.

All trustees and members of the club are volunteers and no-one receives any payment for their services.

The annual accounts are examined by a firm of local accountants.

The board of trustees meets at least twice a year to oversee the finances, policies and statutory obligations of the charity and club. The club's committee meets regularly, independent of the trustees, though matters of finance are referred back to the board of trustees for approval.

Up 2024 the club relied on donations to fund its trips, excursions and meals. Since the large donation to the club, it has been able to reduce membership fees and the contribution from members towards the various events, which it is gradually increasing. Given many of the members have other physical disabilities and are on moderate incomes, subsidising activities allows greater participation.

When TYIG gained charitable status, business banking accounts were established with NatWest to hold its investments and most of the large donation have been invested to ensure sufficient funds for the club's activities for the future. The TSB account is used for the day to day running of the club.

The charity's accounts for both 2024 and 2025 were examine by Tranter Lowe, Chartered Accountants, Oakengates, Telford.



Haydn Griffiths

Trustee

Financial Review of the Year 2024

Income from membership, grants and interest totalled £3,557 plus the major donation of £150,000 from the Fullwood Trust. Expenditure totalled £5,497, which left the charity of a surplus of £148.060 for the year.

Income and Expenditure Account

		2024		2023
Income				
Donations	150,000		550	
Membership and other income	964		2,117	
Grants received	750		750	
Interest received	1,843	153,557		3,417
Less Expenditure				
Coach Hire, Trips and Meals	2,517		2,994	
Room and Equipment Hire	673		587	
Website	130		142	
Professional fees	1,750			
Sundries	427	5,497	84	3,807
Surplus (Deficit) over the year		148.060		(391)
Funds at 1st January 2024				
TSB Bank Account - instant access		2,300		2,690
Excess Income over Expenditure during the year		148,060		(391)
		150,360		2,299
Funds at 31st December 2024				
TSB Bank Account - instant access		1,517		2,299
TSB Bank Account - deposit		148,843		
		150,360		2,299

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Income and Expenditure Account

Year ending 31st December	**2025**		**2024**	
Income	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
Donations	250		150,000	
Membership and other income	1,597		964	
Grants received	0		750	
Gain on investment	13.610			
Interest received	663	16,120	1,843	153,557
Less Expenditure				
Coach Hire, Trips and Meals	4,574		2,517	
Room and Equipment Hire	933		673	
Website	164		130	
Professional fees	3,000		1,750	
Sundries	373	9,044	427	5,497
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TSB Bank Account - instant access		1,517		2,300
TSB Deposit		148,843		
Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year		7,076		148,060
		157,436		150,360
Funds at 31st December 2025				
TSB Bank Account - instant access		1,370		1,517
TSB Bank Account - deposit		137		148,843
NatWest Current		250		
NatWest Deposit		1,001		
NatWest 35 Day		26		
NatWest 95 Day		1,042		
Cambridge & Counties Bank		20,000		
Quilter		133,610		
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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Telford Visually Impaired Group

Income & Expenditure Account

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