

DES FORD IN BLOOM

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

AND

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD 1st NOVEMBER 2024 - 31st DECEMBER 2025



Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:

Desford In Bloom

Charity Number:

1209357

Trustees:

Karen Wakefield – Chair

Nicola Lockley – Vice Chair

Patrica Crane

Roberta Treadwell

Angela Johnson – Treasurer

Registered Address:

Desford Library

Main Street

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Independent Examiner

Helen Orencas

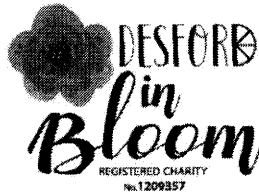
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CHAIR'S REPORT 1ST NOVEMBER 2024 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2025

Desford in Bloom was founded in 2016 as a working group of Desford Parish Council, being entirely run by volunteers from the local community. On 1st November 2024 the group successfully became an independent registered Charity and our first year since then has proven to be a very busy period for everyone involved.

We have held a record number of fundraising events during the past year, including a Quiz, Race Night, Garage Sales, two Beer Tents at village Festivals and a Xmas Wreath Workshop. Whilst there was a lot of work involved organising these, they all proved to be profitable and enjoyable. In addition, the generous support of residents ensured lots of sponsorship funding and donations were received, thus enabling our efforts throughout the village of Desford with planting and projects etc.

In May the installation of a new shed at the back of the Church Centre was finally completed. This is a very useful addition for storing the water bowsers, lawnmower, beer tent fridges and various other items requiring easy access for everyone concerned with their use.

A few years ago, a project to create a mosaic framework was undertaken with students at the Bosworth Academy. Some Year 8 students participated in a competition to design pictures depicting a few Desford landmarks and groups etc, following which the 6 winning designs were chosen. Although this had taken a little while to be finalised, we were delighted for this to be recently completed and erected inside the Desford Community Library.

Hanging baskets and planting schemes continued in the village centre throughout the summer, and we were delighted to achieve tremendous floral displays which received many compliments. Once again, planting of primulas and daffodil bulbs was carried out in the autumn to ensure a colourful display over the winter period and Spring next year. Summer planting of hanging baskets, planters and beds is continuing again in 2026.

Whilst the committee are not planning as many events during 2026, due to the difficulty in getting more of the community involved to assist, we are looking forward to another successful year ahead.

Grateful thanks to all our volunteers for their valuable help, without which none of our efforts would be possible.

KAREN WAKEFIELD



Financial Review

Within the period the charity received total income of £19,036.81.

This was made up by Donations & Sponsorship £4,707.16, Events £13,222.70, Sales of Plants £755.00, and Miscellaneous income of £351.95.

Total Payments during the period were £20,263.37. Expenditure was incurred for Planters & Baskets throughout the village of Desford £5,573.60, Fundraising events £6,105.68, Projects around the village £6,743.71, Equipment & Maintenance £811.15, Miscellaneous Expenses £1,029.23.

The Charity has a contingency fund within the annual budget of £7,000 to ensure that in the event of unforeseen circumstances the planting of baskets & planters can be fulfilled during the year.

The closing reserves are £33,368.88 All funds are unrestricted

The charity currently holds Assets of £35,918.39

The charity has no liabilities as at the year end.

The charity currently holds sufficient cash to finance the planned activities over the coming year and expects to continue as a going concern.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the above report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature: *K Wakefield*

Full Name: Karen Wakefield

Position: Chair

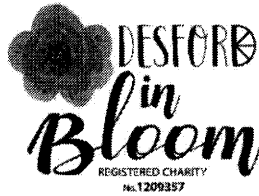
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Signature: *A Johnson*

Full Name: Angela Johnson

Position: Treasurer

Date: *16/2/26*



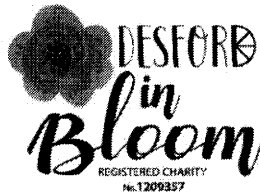
Receipts and Payments Account

Period Ended 31st December 2025

Receipts	£
Donation / Sponsorship	4,707.16
Pigs (Piggy Bank in local shops)	182.79
Events	13,222.70
Sales of Plants & Baskets	755.00
Miscellaneous Income (Bank Interest)	169.16
Total	<u>£19,036.81</u>

Payments	
Plants, Compost & Consumables	3,912.79
Equipment & Maintenance	811.15
Planters & Baskets and Maintenance	1,660.81
Website & Stationery	619.23
Re Occurring Costs	182.50
Projects	6,743.71
Events	6,105.68
Bank Charges	127.50
Donation to Local School	100.00
Total	<u>£20,263.37</u>

Nett Loss	(£1,226.56)
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2024/2025

Nett Loss	(1,226.56)
Cash at start of Period	£34,595.44
Cash as at 31 st December 2025	£33,368.88

Signed on behalf of the Charity Trustees

Signature *K Wakefield*

Full Name: Karen Wakefield

Position: Chair

Date: 16/2/2026

Signature: *A Johnson*

Full Name: Angela Johnson

Position: Treasurer

Date: 16/2/2026



Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Assets

Cash at Bank	£33,368.88
Equipment	£35,918.39
Total	<u>£69,287.27</u>

Liabilities

Other	£0.00
Total	<u>£0.00</u>

Signed on behalf of the Charity Trustees

Signature *KE Wakefield*

Full Name: Karen Wakefield

Position: Chair

Date: *16/2/26*

Signature: *A Johnson*

Full Name: Angela Johnson

Position: Treasurer

Date: *16/2/2026*



Financial Risk Management Report

The trustees of Desford in Bloom share overall responsibility for the financial control and safeguarding the funds of Desford in Bloom and ensuring that the Charity operates in accordance with the financial powers stated in its Constitution.

The treasurer takes the lead at committee meetings on:

- Making sure Desford in Bloom keeps proper accounts.
- Reviewing financial performance
- ensuring policies and procedures are regularly reviewed (annually)
- ensuring Desford in Bloom has robust and effective financial controls in place.
- liaising with the Chair about financial matters and with the independent examiner
- reporting on financial matters annually.

The treasurer will carry out periodic internal checks.

Financial Records

The Charity keeps proper accounts using Excel and Word. These include a cash book analysing all transactions, sales and purchase transaction against the annual budget set out at the beginning of the financial year, and a monthly summary of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts

Desford in Bloom will ensure that all income to which it is entitled is received and recorded.

A schedule of grant, sponsorships and donations with the method of payments will be maintained and reviewed each month.

Expenditure

The preferred method of payment is by bank transfer, but cheques are used if this is possible. Also Debit Cards are used by the trustees.

All expenditure is agreed by the trustees and recorded on the cash book showing the date and item number of the relevant meeting minutes.



Receipts are attached to a monthly expense report, signed by the card holder and authorised by the Chair, and where applicable the Treasurer.

Other Undertaking

Desford in Bloom does not accept any liability for any financial commitments unless authorised by the trustees.

As a registered Charity Desford in Bloom operates with robust financial control. All transactions are recorded and issued to all trustees each month. Expenditure is always approved by the trustees and receipts are kept in support of all expenditure. Any cash received from fund raising events is counted in the presence of at least two committee members and is banked at the earliest possible time. No cash is kept at the treasures or trustees home addresses.

Signed on behalf of the Charity Trustees

Signature *KE Wakefield*

Full Name: Karen Wakefield

Position: Chair

Date: *16/2/26*

Signature: *A Johnson*

Full Name: Angela Johnson

Position: Treasurer

Date: *16/2/2026*



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Desford in Bloom

No (if any)
1209357

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/11/2024	To	Period end date 31/12/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donation & Sponsorship	4,707	-	-	4,707	-
Events	13,223	-	-	13,223	-
Sales	755	-	-	755	-
Micellaneous	352	-	-	352	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,037	-	-	19,037	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,037	-	-	19,037	-
A3 Payments					
Planters & Baskets	5,574	-	-	5,574	-
Fundraising Events	6,106	-	-	6,106	-
Projects	6,743	-	-	6,743	-
Equipment & Maintenance	811	-	-	811	-
Miscellaneous	1,029	-	-	1,029	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,263	-	-	20,263	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,263	-	-	20,263	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,226	-	-	- 1,226	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 1,226	-	-	- 1,226	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at Bank	33,369	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	33,369	-	-
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		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Equipment used for Desford in Bloom	Desford in Bloom	33,369	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	K Wakefield	KAREN WAKEFIELD	16.2.26
	Johnson	ANGELA JOHNSON	16.2.26