

# Fred Pendlebury Trust

## Charity No: 242863

### FRED PENDLEBURY TRUST LEGACY

## Accounts, Trustees Annual Report & Independent Examiners Report

**For Financial Year Ending  
31<sup>st</sup> October 2025**

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date			Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
<b>From</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	November	2024	<b>To</b>	31 <sup>st</sup>	October 2025

### Section A

### Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs Sue Rigby	Chair		Appointed as a Circuit Steward of the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit
2	Revd Mark Coles	Trustee	To 31/08/2025	Appointed by the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit as a presbyter engaged in ministry in the Warrington Unitary Authority
	Revd Linda Bishop	Trustee	From 01/09/2025	Appointed by the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit as a presbyter engaged in ministry in the Warrington Unitary Authority
3	Cllr Wendy Johnson	Mayor of Warrington	To 19/05/2025	Governing document designates the incumbent Mayor as Trustee
4	Cllr Mo Hussain	Mayor of Warrington	From 19/05/2025	Governing document designates the incumbent Mayor as Trustee
5	Cllr Laurence Murphy	Chair of Stockton Heath Parish Council	To 13/05/2025	Governing document designates the incumbent Chair of Stockton Heath Parish Council as Trustee



	Cllr Judith Wheeler	Chair of Stockton Heath Parish Council	From 13/05/2025	Governing document designates the incumbent Chair of Stockton Heath Parish Council as Trustee
6	Mr Richard Verrill	Trustee		Appointed as a Circuit Steward of the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit
7	Mr Kenneth Long	Trustee		
8	Mr Alan Rogers	Trustee		

**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address
<b>Investment Managers</b>	COIF	CCLA, Investment Management Limited One Angel Lane London EC4R 3AB
<b>Bankers</b>	The Cooperative Bank	PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

Grant administration and accounts – Mrs Chris Ralston
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## Section B

## Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

The Trust was formed, and the constitution was adopted on 18th August 1965 and subsequently amended on 20th July 1977. A new scheme was sealed on 23 September 2004, which altered the governing document of the charity. The scheme was further amended in June 2007, January 2010 and July 2015.

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

The Charity is constituted as a Trust.

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

In accordance with the governing document five of the Trustees are appointed by virtue of the office they hold. These are:

- Two Circuit Stewards from the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit
- A presbyter from the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit engaged in ministry within the Warrington Unitary Authority
- The Mayor of Warrington
- The Chair of Stockton Heath Parish Council

Two further trustees are appointed by the Trustees. Those trustees must be members of a Methodist Church within the Warrington Unitary Authority which forms part of the area encompassed by the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit.



## Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Trust has strong links with the Methodist Church in the local area.

The Trust Administrator completes the day-to-day grant administration and accounting for the Trust. A contribution is made to the Circuit for office space, stationery etc.

**RISKS:** Trust's main risk arises from misuse of awards (e.g. applicants benefitting financially from awards made). This is mitigated by a policy that the Trust purchases the goods and services requested and, only under exceptional circumstances, makes direct payment to individual applicants. Bank Transfers are the preferred method of payment which require dual authorisation. Four Trustees have access to the bank account so transactions can be monitored. Applications are not generally accepted from individual self-referrers and must be made by local referring agencies working with vulnerable individuals.

**DATA PROTECTION:** The Fred Pendlebury Trust is registered with the Information Commissioners Office under the Data Protection Act 2018. Registration Number: Z104374. The handling of Data is in accordance with the requirements of the said Act.

**TRUSTEES INDUCTION:** Potential Trustees are briefed by the Chair prior to their appointment. A Trustee handbook is available for all Trustees.

**FIT AND PROPER PERSONS:** For the purposes of the Finance Act 2010 it is considered that all Trustees are believed to be fit and proper persons to hold the office of Trustee.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

**CHARITABLE OBJECTS:** To relieve either generally or individually persons of 50 years of age or over who were born or are resident in the area of benefit and who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress (for further details see clause 19 of the scheme). The area of benefit is defined as the Warrington Unitary Authority.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

The object of the Trust is for the benefit of those who are over 50 years of age and are resident in the Warrington area, in particular but not exclusively by offering grants to cover the financial costs of items such as kitchen appliances, domestic furnishings, essential repairs or decoration, access equipment, medical appliances, clothing or in some cases emergency food. The Trust also offers modest financial assistance to applicants who are in arrears.

Individual applicants to the Trust do not have to be pensioners or be in receipt of any kind of benefit but must be able to show some evidence of genuine need or financial hardship or distress. The Trust takes referrals from organisations working with the vulnerable within the area of benefit,



There are seven Trustees who meet 8 to 10 times per year to discuss applications. Between meetings emergency grants of up to £600 per applicant can be approved by the Chair and the Deputy Chair, at their discretion. Applications above this amount need to be circulated to all the Trustees with approval required from a quorum of Trustees 1(at the moment this is four).

During this financial year the Trustees have considered 81 applications.

We have received significant feedback from referral organisations and the applicants themselves advising that the items purchased with grant assistance make a huge difference to the lives of the individuals concerned.

Over the financial year the Trust has received thank you letters and emails from successful grant applicants.

With its strong Methodist connection, the Trust undertakes to bring a Christian ethos to all its work by offering a compassionate and understanding service.

The Trustees future strategy will be to consider how we meet an ever growing demand on our services and how we best equip ourselves to be able to respond to the needs generated by welfare/benefit changes.

#### Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You may choose to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**CONTROL OF GRANT MAKING:** The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in setting the grant making policy for the year.

**CONTROL OF FINANCE AND INVESTMENT ASSETS: Note:** The Trust employs an administrator to manage the grant making administration and financial book-keeping and office space is provided by the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit, for which a small charge is made.

i) A full financial report is presented to the Trustees at their bi-annual meetings, at intervening times the financial position of the Trust is monitored by the Administrator. In the event of unforeseen expenditure, the trustees have sufficient reserves and financial control to minimise any financial risk.

ii) Assets: The Trust generates income for its charitable work from investment funds operated by CCLA, specialist investment management for charities and faith organisations. They are authorised to make investment decisions based on security rather than profit. The monies not invested in this way are temporarily held on deposit with established banks and financial institutions. The investment management team has authority to manage the investments in accordance with the Trust's ethical policy and attitude to risk.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance



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### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During this financial year the Trustees have approved grants totalling £28,859.08, of which applications totalling £4,222 were later withdrawn, as were two applications from the previous financial year totalling £1,050.

The total sum paid out was £27,242.94 (including gifts for vacuum cleaners and mattress protectors), of which £3,452.01 related to grants outstanding from previous financial years. The amount for gifts was £213.89.

	£
Cleaning	426
Decorating	895
Domestic Equipment	1,325
Financial Assistance	269
Fitting	180
Floor Coverings	12,167
Furnishings	2,431
Furniture	355
Garden Work (inc furniture)	2,275
Mattress Cover Gift	108
Mortgage Arrears	331
Personal Computing	109
Personal Transport inc mobility aids	1,259
Property Service Charge	124
Respite Care	752
Special Equipment	70
Vacuum Cleaner Gift	206
White Goods	4,441

During the year, the Trust received no refunds for goods and services returned/not required.

Income generated from investments was £35,753.23

The total investment portfolio amounted to £1,134,057.36 at 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2025 (value in 2024 £1,142,738.92)



### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust currently meets its running costs and grant awards from the interest received on its investments. The Trust keeps between 3 and 6 months cash reserves available for use for these purposes. In order to maintain these levels of cash reserves the Trustees review the grant award criteria (maximum grant and period between repeat applications) twice a year and, if necessary, adjust the grant award criteria to maintain the stated levels of cash reserves.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

**INVESTMENT POLICY:** The Charity's only source of funds is from the investment portfolio with income and interest being available for grants.

The investments of the Trust are made in accordance with Charity Commission guidelines. These include regard for UK and overseas investment and a proportion of medium risk/balanced investments and gilts.

The Trustees have adopted an ethical investment policy. This commits the Pendlebury Trust to adopting an ethical policy that prevents it from directly trading in companies that make a profit from gambling, pornography and arms manufacture and dealings. The investments are handled by CCLA on behalf of the Trust.

The Trust undertakes no fund raising activities.



## Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>SP Rigby</i>	<i>R Verrill</i>
Full name(s)	SUSAN PATRICIA RIGBY	RICHARD VERRILL
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	DEPUTY CHAIR

Date

18-2-26   20/2/26
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## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank Current Account	36,321	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>36,321</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))\*uncleared cheques noted below

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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	COIF Ethical Fund A	Endowment	561,884	929,185
	COIF Property Fund	Endowment	100,000	106,372
	COIF Ethical Fund B	Endowment	60,000	98,500
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

*Sue Rigby*  
*Richard Verrill*

Sue Rigby - Chair  
Richard Verrill - Deputy Chair

18/2/26  
20/2/26





Charity Name  
**Fred Pendlebury Trust**

No (if any)  
242863

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
01/11/2024

To

Period end date  
31/10/2025

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Bank Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Income (after tax)	35,753	-	-	35,753	35,513
Grants Returned	-	-	-	-	74
<b>Sub total</b> (Gross income for AR)	35,753	-	-	35,753	35,587
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Total share sales	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	35,753	-	-	35,753	35,587
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable Grants	27,243	-	-	27,243	25,179
Office expenses and administrator salary	7,611	-	-	7,611	6,803
Grave maintenance	-	-	-	-	300
Independent Examiner's fee	150	-	-	150	150
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	35,004	-	-	35,004	32,432
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
Purchase of CCLA Income Units	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	35,004	-	-	35,004	32,432
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	749	-	-	749	3,155
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	35,572	-	-	35,572	35,572
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	36,321	-	-	36,321	38,727



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			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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Print Name

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*Richard Verrill*

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18/2/26  
25/2/26





Charity Name <b>Fred Pendlebury Trust</b>	No (if any) 242863
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## Receipts and payments accounts

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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Fred Pendlebury Trust Legacy

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>ST</sup> October 2025

**Charity no**

242863

**Set out on pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup>. October 2023.

**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 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.

**Signed:**

*Alan A Clements*

**Date:**

12<sup>th</sup>. March  
2026

**Name:**

Rev'd. Alan A. Clements.

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

Fellow Association of Charity Independent Examiners

**Address:**

15 Carleton Road, Great Knowley, Chorley PR6 8TQ.