



**Basildon Hospital & Community
League of Friends
Report and Financial Statements
Year Ended 31 March 2025**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees have the pleasure of presenting their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Friend's group was founded in 1951. It is an unincorporated association and registered with the charity commission.

It is recognised that its constitution needs review and this will be part of the work undertaken in the next twelve months.

Currently it has three trustees who are registered at the charity commission, although it is expected that once new governance, structures are in place, this will increase.

Practically much of the decision making is run past the committee to ensure is in line with the organisation history and current practice. Involvement in the committee is open to anyone who volunteers in the tea bar.

There are no paid staff in the organisation and much of the day-to-day leadership and management is delivered by volunteer/team leaders.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose to raise funds for the work at Basildon Hospital which is part of Mid and South Essex Hospital trust.

At present it mostly raises funds through a volunteer led and run tea bar which is based in the outpatient's department. Funds are raised to add value, to the patients experience while using NHS services. This may be practically delivered through the purchasing of new equipment, providing facilities or funding services.

During the next year the organisation will clarify its vision and mission and produce a business plan.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Purposes of the Charity

The Charity is established to make grants for the provision of equipment and or services to Basildon Hospital both at its main site in Basildon and satellite sites in the district. It is the policy of the Charity to make grants only after a full case for the need of the equipment has been made by the Hospital and this has been voted on by the committee.

The Charity supports its purposes by the operation of refreshment facilities in the outpatient department which are accessible to the public. It also receives donations.

The provides a public benefit to the community. The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Review/achievements during the year

The League of Friends has a long and proud history. During the year. the baton of leadership was held by both by both Alan Ursell and Kay Humphries alongside myself the chair. We are very grateful to both of them for their help and talents to encourage the organisation on its journey to date. We wish them every success and happiness in their new arenas of service. I am very grateful to be joined by David Wood as Treasurer/Trustee and Rachel Andrews as Secretary/Trustee.

There have been a number of changes in the familiar faces in the tea-bar volunteers. We are very grateful for the service of those who have left and thankful for the enthusiasm of those who have joined. It is good to see that the community still are interested in and support us.

We recognise the importance of the relationship with the hospital, and this is directed through the hospital charity. We are grateful for their patience and encouragement and look forward to ongoing developments over the next twelve months.

We continue to receive regular request requests for funding of equipment and have funded the following:

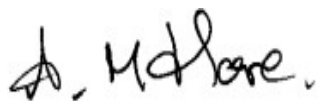
We remain very proud of our work in the tea bar and recognise it as a service to the hospital community that is very important to some as well as being a practical fundraiser.

For Christmas 2025 we are putting on a raffle which is a first for The Friends in many years and we look forward to further developments to improve our profile and contribution to the life of the hospital, its patients and the whole community in the coming year.

We donated a total of £9,890 to the Hospital for the purchase of cot beds in the maternity ward and a clown entertainer for the children's ward; something which the league of friends has been doing for many years.

Anne Hare

Chair



Basildon Hospital & Community League of Friends

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

I report to the CHARITY trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity, 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Rosemary Durham

Independent Examiner

Basildon Hospital & Community League of Friends

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income Resources					
Donations	2	75	-	75	94
Activities for generating funds	3	89,138	-	89,138	92,989
Investment income		459	-	459	198
Total Income		89,672	-	89,672	93,281
 Cost of generating funds	4	 (60,228)	 -	 (60,228)	 (71,579)
Charitable activities	5	(9,890)	-	(9,890)	(26,312)
Management and Administration	6	(880)	-	(880)	(2,091)
Total Expenditure		(70,998)	-	(70,998)	(99,982)
 Net movement in funds for the year		 18,674	 -	 18,674	 (6,071)
 Funds brought forward		 52,931	 -	 52,931	 59,632
Funds carried forward at 31 March 2025		71,605	-	71,605	52,931

There were no recognised gains or losses for 2024 or 2025 other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Basildon Hospital & Community League of Friends

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Current Assets			
Stock		-	1,909
Cash at bank and in hand		71,605	51,422
		71,605	53,331
Creditors: amounts falling due			
Within one year	7	-	(400)
Net current assets		71,605	52,931
Total assets less current liabilities		71,605	52,931
Funds			
Restricted funds		-	-
Unrestricted funds		71,605	52,931
Total funds		71,605	52,931

Approved by the Board of Trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:



Anne Hare
Chair



David Wood
Treasurer

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice FRS102 “Accounting and Reporting by Charities” and with the “Financial and Reporting Standard FRS102 applicable to the UK and the Republic of Ireland”

Income

Voluntary income and donations are accounted for as received by the Charity. The income from fundraising ventures is shown gross, with the associated costs included in fundraising costs. No permanent endowments have been received in the period.

Value added tax

Value added tax is not recoverable by the Charity, and as such is included in the relevant cost in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost or realisable value.

Cost of fundraising

Fundraising expenditure comprises costs incurred in running the snack bar in the hospital

Grants

Grants are accounted for when approved by trustees

Management and administration expenditure

Expenditure on the management and administration of the Charity includes all expenditure not directly related to the charitable activity.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

2 Donations

	2025	2024
	£	£
All sources	75	94

3 Activities for generating funds

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gross income from snack bars	89,138	92,989

4 Costs of generating funds

	2025	2024
	£	£
Purchases for snack bars	60,244	71,579

5 Direct charitable expenditure

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants made to hospital and patients	9,890	26,312

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

6 Management and administration

	2025	2024
	£	£
Business rates	147	251
Subscriptions and insurance	725	690
Independent examiners fee	0	400
Postage, stationery etc	8	75
Sundry expenses	0	675
Total	880	2,091

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals	-	400