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(Registered Charity number 288350)

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TRUSTEES' REPORT for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report with the accounts of the Service for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Charitable status

The Barnet Bereavement Service was constituted and granted the status of a registered charity by the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales in 1982. Its registered number is 288350.

Charitable objects

The objects of the Service as stated in its constitution are:

- (i) the relief of bereaved people or those who have suffered loss by virtue of the disappearance of a relative or close friend in the London Borough of Barnet and in particular the furtherance of health and the relief of distress;
- (ii) to advance education in the nature of bereavement for the public benefit.

The Service's principal activity in recent years has been bereavement counselling.

Trustees and Management Committee

The Trustees who served during the year were:

Mrs U Bharadia
Mrs E M Illman
Mrs J Jenkins
Mrs S A Mackay-Davidson (appointed 21 November 2024)

The above Trustees were also members of the Management Committee.

Registered address

The registered address of the Service is Friary House, Friary Road, London, N20 0NR.

Review of the year

During the year, the Service continued to provide the services of bereavement counsellors to residents of the London Borough of Barnet. The financial results for the year are set out on pages 4 and 5.

Statement on public benefit

In deciding what activities the Service should undertake during the year, the Trustees have paid due regard to The Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Trustees consider that the objects for which the Service was registered as a charity, and the activities during the year, are for the public benefit.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT, continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

Responsibilities of the Trustees regarding the financial statements

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare a receipts and payments account and a statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year. In addition, they are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which are sufficient to show and explain the Service's transactions and to disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Service. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Service and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the Trustees

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J Jenkins', is written over a dotted line.

Mrs J Jenkins
Trustee

Date: 12 November 2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
to the Trustees of
THE BARNET BEREAVEMENT SERVICE**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Barnet Bereavement Service for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on the following pages 4 and 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

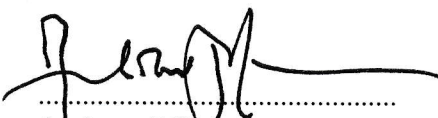
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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Andrew J Geary
Chartered Accountant

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Chartered Accountants
159a Chase Side
Enfield
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Date: 12 November 2025

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 General Fund £	2024 General Fund £
INCOME		
Grants and donations:		
- London Borough of Barnet	15,497	15,497
- The Hadley Trust	15,000	15,000
- Joseph Strong Frazer Trust	3,000	3,000
- The Doctor French Foundation	10,000	-
- National Lottery Award (Walk and Talk)	15,936	-
- Groundwork UK	-	1,000
- Anonymous and other	8,824	7,908
Interest received	39	40
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	68,296	42,445
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EXPENDITURE		
Co-ordinators' fees and expenses	30,167	25,511
Administrators' fees	-	2,322
Supervisors' fees and expenses	9,199	5,252
Printing, postage and stationery	135	120
Website and IT support	2,179	1,999
Telephone and internet	1,460	1,810
Rent and room hire	4,378	12,887
Repairs and maintenance	499	-
Insurance	1,480	1,415
Bank charges	60	61
Miscellaneous	-	591
Independent examiner's fee	408	390
Other professional fees and subscriptions	864	791
Depreciation	263	618
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	51,092	53,767
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SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	17,204	(11,322)
Fund balance brought forward	13,418	24,740
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Fund balance carried forward	30,622	13,418
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31 March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Furniture, fixtures and fittings, at cost	1,804	1,804
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(1,804)	(1,804)
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Office equipment, at cost	7,336	7,336
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(7,074)	(6,811)
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	262	525
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CURRENT ASSETS		
CAF current account	34,166	16,625
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CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued expenditure	3,806	3,732
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NET CURRENT ASSETS	30,360	12,893
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NET ASSETS	30,622	13,418
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ACCUMULATED FUNDS (refer to foot of page 4)		
General Fund	30,622	13,418
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Surplus carried forward	30,622	13,418
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Approved by the Trustees on 12 November 2025 and signed on their order by:



 Mrs J Jenkins
 Trustee