

THE FRIENDS OF WINCANTON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

England & Wales · Charity number 296475

Details

Other names	THE FRIENDS OF VERRINGTON HOSPITAL, THE FRIENDS OF VERRINGTON HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1987-04-03
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE HEALTH BY SUPPORTING THE CHARITABLE WORK OF WINCANTON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND IMPROVING THE EXPERIENCE OF PATIENTS, VISITORS AND STAFF AT THE HOSPITAL TO RELIEVE AND BENEFIT THOSE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE SICK, CONVALESCENT, MENTALLY OR PHYSICALLY DISADVANTAGED OR INFIRM

Activities: Fundraising to support Wincanton Community Hospital by running Fetes, Garden Parties, Dances, Charity Draw, Race Days, Easter Egg Hunt, and Xmas Fayres etc. The funds are used to provide support to patients at the Hospital along with improvements to equipment, buildings and facilities.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Dorset
- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£37,259	£22,948	-	-
2024-12-31	£31,590	£15,324	-	-
2023-12-31	£37,446	£45,416	-	-
2022-12-31	£8,070	£16,594	-	-
2021-12-31	£12,192	£15,673	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
COLIN MAHONEY	Chair	
Andrew Chesterman		2005-03-17
CHARLES DOWNTON		
Gillian Oaten		2023-09-18
Ian Henry James Piper		2022-01-13
Sandra Grimstead		2020-01-16
Sebastian Aptakre-Davis		2025-09-15
Vivien Armson		2021-04-01

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CHARITY INFORMATION**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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Committee of Trustees

Chair Mr Colin Mahoney

Secretary Mr Ian Piper

Treasurer Mrs Vivien Armson

Other Trustees Mr C. Downton (Vice Chair)
Mrs G Oaten
Mr A. Chesterman
Mrs C. Spencer
Mr M. Spencer
Mrs S Grimstead
Mr S Aptakre-Davis

Examiners Mr C Mahoney
Mr C Downton

Bankers National Westminster plc
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THE FRIENDS OF WINCANTON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT 2025

OBJECTIVES

1. The object of the Friends shall be to relieve and benefit those members of the Community who are sick, convalescent, mentally or physically disadvantaged or infirm and, in addition, generally to support the charitable work of Wincanton Community Hospital and the work of other hospitals to which members of the Community may be referred by medical practitioners, together with local health support services.

COMMITTEE

2. The names of the Committee members at 31 December 2025 are listed on the preceding page.

INCOME

3. Fundraising income has increased by £1987 during this financial year. This is primarily attributable to the Spring Garden Party. Other fund raising events produced slightly higher profits than previous years.

4. Income from donations has increased by £4026 to £10,041 this year. This line of income cannot be influenced and is subject to fluctuation.

5. The interest from COIF Deposit Account has remained constant at approx. 4.1% during the year, and in line with market rates. The investment continues to give a good return. The trustees took the decision in Q3, 2024 to transfer cash from the current account into a new Liquidity Manager Savings account where it is earning monthly interest at approx 3.26%.

EXPENDITURE

6. Community support. We have been able to give funding to the CAT bus which has helped them to continue the service supplied to our community.

7. Wincanton Community Hospital has again benefited from expenditure on several white goods items which help daily operational needs.

8. We have been working closely with WCH NHS services and purchased equipment that will allow our hospital to provide more outpatient services to our community. During the year 2025, we purchased equipment totalling £12453, an increase of £7128 over 2024 expenditure. The larger items purchased included a Fractional Exhaled Nitric Oxide machine for respiratory services, and 3 Configura Solus Rise/Recline Chairs which assist with transporting patients around the hospital and to external appointments.

FUTURE PLANNING

The majority of the funds will remain in the Liquidity Management Savings account and the deposit account at the COIF where we believe the funds should gain a good return. With the current fluctuations of the Investment Market this, we believe will be the best option.

We now have, and will continue to have quarterly meetings with the Matron and her Senior staff to ensure that the funds raised by The Friends of Wincanton Community Hospital are spent on events, equipment, and needs that are in the best interests of the hospital, the staff and patients.

During 2026, we aim to continue our good working relationship with our local health centre. We will also work with Somerset NHS Senior Management Team to understand how WCH can be included in the strategic direction and plans for Somerset NHS Trust.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiners

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. In accordance with section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011, no independent audit examination is required as the income is below the minimum threshold.

It has been agreed by the committee that two trustees will verify the accuracy of the accounts.

The two trustees nominated are Mr C Mahoney and Mr C Downton.

Mr C Mahoney

Mr C Downton

Chairman

Deputy Chairman

DATE: _____

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Balance Sheet

	Previous Year 2024	Current Year 2025
Current Assets	346709	361345
Fixed Assets	0	0
Other Assets	0	0
Current Liabilities	0	0
Long-term Liabilities	0	0
Owner Equity	0	0
Total Assets	346709	361345
Balance	346709	361345

<u>Asset Breakdown</u>	Description	Previous Year 2024	Current Year 2025
Current Assets	Cash	31949	33408
Current Assets	Investments	300542	314759
Current Assets	Inventories	0	0
Current Assets	Accounts receivable	0	0
Current Assets	Pre-paid expenses	0	0
Fixed Assets	Property and equipment	0	0
Fixed Assets	Leasehold improvements	0	0
Fixed Assets	Interest	14218	13178

Fixed Assets	Less accumulated depreciation (Negative Value)	0	0
Other Assets	Charity	0	0
Total Assets		346709	361345

Liability Breakdown

		2024	2025
Liability Type	Description	Previous Year	Current Year
Current Liabilities	Accounts payable	0	0
Current Liabilities	Accrued wages	0	0
Current Liabilities	Accrued compensation	0	0
Current Liabilities	Income tax payable	0	0
Current Liabilities	Unearned revenue	0	0
Long-term Liabilities	Mortgage payable	0	0
Owner Equity	Investment capital	0	0
Owner Equity	Accumulated retained earnings		
Total Liabilities & Stockholder Equity		0	0

Profit and Loss

Friends of Wincanton Community Hospital
Accounting Year 2025

	Debit	Credit
Turnover		24082
Collection boxes		616
Donations		10041
Membership		670
Fundraising		12754

Sales	
Legacy	
Interest	13178
Less Cost of Sales	
Materials	200
Gross profit	37059
Less Tax-Disallowable Admin Expenses	22948
Community Expenditure	110
Hospital Equipment	12453
Plants	1496
Fund raising expenditure	3364
Stationery	36
Postage	185
Charitable Donations	5125
Insurance	179
Operating Profit	14111
Less Drawings	0
Less Profit & Loss journal entries	0
Retained Profit this period:	14111
Retained Profit brought forward:	3905
Distributable Reserves / Retained Profit carried forward:	17816

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**THE FRIENDS OF WINCANTON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT - 2024**

OBJECTIVES

1. The object of the Friends shall be to relieve and benefit those members of the Community who are sick, convalescent, mentally or physically disadvantaged or infirm and, in addition, generally to support the charitable work of Wincanton Community Hospital and the work of other hospitals to which members of the Community may be referred by medical practitioners, together with local health support services.

COMMITTEE

2. The names of the Committee members at 31 December 2024 are listed on the preceding page.

INCOME

3. Fundraising income has decreased by £2500 during this financial year, although the events were well attended, the spending per head at the functions were lower than previous years.

4. Income from donations has decreased by £3500 this year. This line of income is cannot be influenced and is subject to fluctuation.

5. The interest from COIF Deposit Account has significantly improved during the year in line with market rates. The investment is secure and now giving a good return. The trustees took the decision in Q3 to transfer cash from the current account into a new Liquidity Manager Savings account where it is earning monthly interest.

EXPENDITURE

6. Community support. We have been able to give funding to the CAT bus which has helped them to continue the service supplied to our community.

7. Wincanton Community Hospital has benefited from expenditure on several white goods items which help daily operational needs.

8. We have been working closely with NHS services and purchased equipment that will allow our hospital to provide more outpatient services to our community. Examples are a couch for the Gynaecology department and new equipment to update the services in the retinopathy area.

FUTURE PLANNING

The majority of the funds will remain in the Liquidity Management Savings account and the deposit account at the COIF where it will not be vulnerable to market reductions should gain a good return. With the current fluctuations of the Investment Market this, we believe will be the best option.

We now have, and will continue to have quarterly meetings with the Matron and her Senior staff to ensure that the funds raised by The Friends of Wincanton Community Hospital are spent on events, equipment, and needs that are in the best interests of the hospital, the staff and patients.

During 2025, we aim to strengthen our good working relationship with our local health centre. Our main aim is to create a more 'joined up' approach to the care and treatment received by our residents.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiners

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. In accordance with section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011, no independent audit examination is required as the income is below the minimum threshold.

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Balance Sheet

	Previous Year 2023	Current Year 2024
Current Assets	330,792	346,709
Fixed Assets	0	0
Other Assets	0	0
Current Liabilities	0	0
Long-term Liabilities	0	0
Owner Equity	0	0
Total Assets	330,792	346,709
Balance	330,792	346,709

<u>Asset Breakdown</u>	Description	Previous Year	Current Year
Current Assets	Cash	60,251	31,949
Current Assets	Investments	259,183	300,542
Current Assets	Inventories	0	0
Current Assets	Accounts receivable	0	0
Current Assets	Pre-paid expenses	0	0
Fixed Assets	Property and equipment	0	0
Fixed Assets	Leasehold improvements	0	0
Fixed Assets	Interest	11,358	14,218
Fixed Assets	Less accumulated depreciation (Negative Value)	0	0

Other Assets	Charity	0	0
Total Assets		330,792	346,709

Liability Breakdown

		2023	2024
Liability Type	Description	Previous Year	Current Year
Current Liabilities	Accounts payable	0	0
Current Liabilities	Accrued wages	0	0
Current Liabilities	Accrued compensation	0	0
Current Liabilities	Income tax payable	0	0
Current Liabilities	Unearned revenue	0	0
Long-term Liabilities	Mortgage payable	0	0
Owner Equity	Investment capital	0	0
Owner Equity	Accumulated retained earnings		
Total Liabilities & Stockholder Equity		0	0

Profit and Loss

Friends of Wincanton Community Hospital
Accounting Year 2024

	Debit	Credit
Turnover		17372
Collection boxes		349
Donations		6015
Membership		240
Fundraising		10767
Sales		
Legacy		

Interest	14218
Less Cost of Sales	
Materials	150
Gross profit	31440
Less Tax-Disallowable Admin Expenses	15324
Community Expenditure	240
Hospital Equipment	5325
Plants	1436
Fund raising expenditure	2860
Office Equipment	43
Stationery	45
Postage	95
Charitable Donations	5100
Insurance	179
Less Administration Expenses	200
Books & Journals	200
Operating Profit	15916
Less Drawings	0
Less Profit & Loss journal entries	0
Retained Profit this period:	15916
Retained Profit brought forward:	-12211
Distributable Reserves / Retained Profit carried forward:	3704

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INCOME

3. Fundraising income has significantly increased during this financial year, primarily as a result of the local community supporting 3 major fund raising events.

4. Income from donations has significantly increased this year due to a major gift from a past patient fund raising event.

5. The interest from COIF Deposit Account has significantly improved during the year in line with market rates. The investment is secure and now giving a good return. The interest earned has helped to cut our planned spending deficit from £19327 to £7969

EXPENDITURE

6. Community support. We have been able to give funding to the CAT bus which has helped them to continue the service supplied to our community.

7. Wincanton Community Hospital has benefited from expenditure on several white goods items which help daily operational needs.

8. We have completed work on two significant projects during 2023. One was the introduction of a hydraulic lift from the ward to the gardens. The lift has allowed the staff to take patients into the gardens in their beds or wheelchairs. We also needed to install a fire door to facilitate the lift. The second project was to give a total refurb to the family room. The existing room needed new furniture and the décor was outdated. This room has been renamed the quiet room and the light and airy environment has been utilised by many patients and their families.

9. We have been working closely with NHS services and purchased equipment that will allow our hospital to provide more outpatient services to our community.

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Balance Sheet

	Previous Year	Current Year
Current Assets	338,761	330,792
Fixed Assets	0	0
Other Assets	0	0
Current Liabilities	0	0
Long-term Liabilities	0	0
Owner Equity	0	0
Total Assets	338,761	330,792
Balance	338,761	330,792

<u>Asset Breakdown</u>	Description	Previous Year	Current Year
Current Assets	Cash	79,578	60,251
Current Assets	Investments	256,679	259,183
Current Assets	Inventories	0	0
Current Assets	Accounts receivable	0	0
Current Assets	Pre-paid expenses	0	0
Fixed Assets	Property and equipment	0	0
Fixed Assets	Leasehold improvements	0	0
Fixed Assets	Interest	2,504	11,358
Fixed Assets	Less accumulated depreciation (Negative Value)	0	0

Other Assets	Charity	0	0
Total Assets		338,761	330,792

Liability Breakdown

		2022	2023
Liability Type	Description	Previous Year	Current Year
Current Liabilities	Accounts payable	0	0
Current Liabilities	Accrued wages	0	0
Current Liabilities	Accrued compensation	0	0
Current Liabilities	Income tax payable	0	0
Current Liabilities	Unearned revenue	0	0
Long-term Liabilities	Mortgage payable	0	0
Owner Equity	Investment capital	0	0
Owner Equity	Accumulated retained earnings		
Total Liabilities & Stockholder Equity		0	0

Profit and Loss

Friends of Wincanton Community Hospital
Accounting Year 2023

	Debit	Credit
Turnover		26088
Collection boxes		389
Donations		10536
Membership		530
Fundraising		13085
Sales		1000
Legacy		548

Interest		11358
	25064	
Less Cost of Sales		
	180	
Materials		
Subcontractor Costs	24883	
Less Tax-Disallowable Admin Expenses	20310	
Community Expenditure	110	
Hospital Equipment	8683	
Plants	1340	
Fund raising expenditure	2377	
Printing	211	
Legal and Professional Fees	20	
Postage	159	
Charitable Donations	7232	
Insurance	179	
Less Administration Expenses	42	
Travel	42	
Operating Profit	-7970	
Less Drawings	0	
Less Profit & Loss journal entries	0	
Retained Profit this period:	-7970	
Retained Profit brought forward:	-4243	
Distributable Reserves / Retained Profit carried forward:	-12213	