

# THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

England & Wales · Charity number 800482

## Details

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Other names	THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF THE BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF THE BLANDFORD HOSPITAL, FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD HOSPITAL
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1988-12-14
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO RELIEVE PATIENTS AND FORMER PATIENTS OF THE HOSPITAL AND OTHER INVALIDS IN THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE SICK, CONVALESCENT, DISABLED, HANDICAPPED, INFIRM OR IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND, GENERALLY, TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE SAID HOSPITAL

**Activities:** The objects of the Friends shall be to provide support and assistance to patients of the Blandford Community Hospital and preserve and protect the health of the community by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities, support services and equipment not normally provided by the NHS or statutory authorities.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** THE AREA SERVED BY THE NORTH DORSET PRIMARY CARE TRUST AND THE AREA SERVED BY THE FORMER WEST DORSET HEALTH AUTHORITY
- Dorset

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£196,052	£244,308	-	-
2024-03-31	£195,843	£240,942	-	-
2023-03-31	£247,914	£190,542	-	-
2022-03-31	£228,756	£298,581	-	-
2021-03-31	£1,334,534	£159,630	£2,770,912	4

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alison Collingwood BROWN		2015-07-08
JOSEPH HICKISH		2023-07-03
Karabi Pluck		2021-11-25
LINDA ANN PRIOR		
Nicci Brown		2023-07-03
PETER RICHELL		2011-07-19
Roger Bradshaw		2025-10-02
STEVEN COLE		2011-07-19
TREVOR BRIDLE		2007-04-01
WILLIAM MILLER MCLAUGHLIN		
Yvonne Thorne		2018-04-01

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

**Founded 1948**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**2025**

**MEMBER GROUP OF “ATTEND”  
(Formerly THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS)**

**Registered Charity No. 800482**

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## Notice of Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 68th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL will be held at The Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset on 2nd July 2025 at 6.30pm for the following purposes:

(1) To receive and adopt the Report of the Council on the Association's activities and the examined Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

(2) Elections to Council:

Under the provisions of rule 11(B) of the Constitution the following members of the Council retire at the end of this meeting.

Mr P Richell  
Mr T Bridle  
Mrs A Brown  
Mrs K Pluck

Being eligible Mr P Richell, Mr T Bridle, Mrs A Brown and Mrs K Pluck offer themselves for re-election.

Mr Roger Bradshaw has been nominated for election to the Council.

Steve Hayward has offered his resignation from the Council.

Under the provisions of rule 11(C) a public notice was advertised on 19 May 2025 calling for any nominations for the Council to be delivered to the Secretary by 20 June 2024. No nominations have been received.

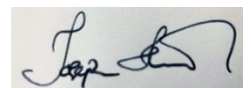
The following will be duly elected:

Mr P Richell  
Mr T Bridle  
Mrs A Brown  
Mrs K Pluck

(3) To appoint an Independent Examiner of the Accounts and to authorise the Council to determine their remuneration.

(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Association.

**Light refreshments will be served after the meeting**



By order of the Council  
5 June 2025

Mr J Hickish  
Secretary

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Patron	The Viscount Portman	
President	Mr W McLaughlin FRICS	
Council	Mr T Bridle AIB Mrs A Brown Mr S Cole Mrs Y Thorne Mr W McLaughlin FRICS Mr J Hickish (Secretary) Mr R Bradshaw – Co-Opted	Mrs K Pluck Mrs L Prior Mr P Richell Mr C Marjoram Mr M Wood Ms N Brown
Management Board	Mr S Cole (Chairman) Mrs K Pluck (Treasurer) Mr Joe Hickish (Secretary) Mr P Richell (Chair of Community Service Working Group) Mr W McLaughlin FRICS (President & Project Manager/ Chair of Finance and Projects Working Group) Mrs L Prior (Chair of Shops Support Group)	
In attendance at Meetings	Hospital Matron	
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc  National Westminster Bank plc  Virgin Money	
Accountant	Mr J N Butt A.C.A.	
Secretary	Mr J Hickish	
Treasurer	Mrs K Pluck FCMA CGMA ICOSA	
Office	Blandford Community Hospital Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD  Telephone: 01258 450095 (direct line) Email: <a href="mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net">dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net</a>	

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## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

The members of Council (who are also Trustees of the charity) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

### Reference and Administrative information

Details under this heading are contained on Page 2 and should be read as part of this report.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The charity's governing document is "The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital Constitution, Objects and Rules" (as amended 2008 & 2019).

The Trustees are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. Council may appoint additional or replacement Trustees to fill vacancies until the next AGM. Officers are appointed by Council from those elected by members. New trustees meet with officers and are made fully aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Constitution and all relevant aspects of the Friends' operations.

The full Council consists of a maximum of 20 members from whom the Management Board, as shown on page 2, is drawn. All members of Council are expected to serve on at least one of the working groups specialising in a specific aspect of our work. The Management Board decide on how to allocate the funds raised by the Charity at their committee meetings, with the staff only being involved with clerical roles. The Management Board are the charity's key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services

### Objectives and Activities

It is expected that Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust will fund the provision and replacement of standard hospital equipment, fixtures and fittings.

The objects of the Friends shall be to provide support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserve and protect the health of the community by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities, support services and equipment not normally provided by the NHS or statutory authorities. In pursuing these activities, the Council confirms that it has complied with its duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance

In pursuance of these objects the Council continued to raise funds and to invite and receive contributions from individuals and organisations by way of subscriptions, donations or otherwise. Efforts are made to enlist the support of a broadly based substantial membership to keep in touch with the actual needs of the population, and existing members are encouraged to assist in this respect. Although it had been quite a quiet year the Friends continued to supplement the service provided by the hospital management for the health, welfare and comfort of patients and also provided amenities and support in the hospital and the community for patients, staff and others, including increases of funding for the Blandford Opportunities Group, who provides a day facility for disabled children and Blandford School for their Counselling Facilitator.

In considering applications for financial support the following priorities are adopted:

1. Major projects that add to the well-being and/or treatment of patients and/or the working conditions of the staff.
2. Additional equipment that would extend or enhance work carried out by consultants in the hospital.
3. Additional equipment to facilitate treatment given in the wards and outpatient clinics.
4. Grants for further training of hospital staff, especially nursing staff.
5. Improvements to the hospital environment.

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Equipment for improved care in

- a) Equipment for improved care in the community and health related community projects.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The key performance indicators used to assess the performance of the Charity are a comparison of income generated from all sources compared with prior years. In addition, all expenditure is closely monitored in comparison with prior years and previous similar activities. At each Committee/ Board meeting detailed reports and analysis are prepared on the performance of the investments held.

Our shops continue to be very successful, with a group of dedicated volunteers, managed by our Charity Shop Manager. The shops have recently been refurbished causing some disruption and closure, but income remained very similar to the previous year.

The Community Transport Services remains extremely busy, and patients are very grateful for our services. To make the minibus more accessible we invested in a new wheelchair. This has greatly assisted people who find it difficult to leave their home and participate in stroke groups, shopping and outing trips. These trips are supported by an escort and the drivers.

The Friends' volunteers manned a stall at the Sturminster Newton Cheese Festival and helped to raise the Friends' profile and generated income for the charity.

The Friends invited volunteers to a post-Christmas dinner which was held in the dining room of the hospital which was again a great success. This was followed by a Cream Tea in the summer

In the community we have again continued to fund a counsellor at Blandford School, a valuable service helping children who are experiencing difficulties. We also supported the Blandford Opportunities Group who provide day facilities for disabled children and their parents, and increased funding to incorporate specific equipment as well as their running costs. We continue to employ a hospital gardener and supply hanging baskets where appropriate. The hospital ward is supplied with daily newspapers by the Friends.

An Ultra Scanner was requested by the MSK department, and the Friends invested £35,000 in this piece of equipment. This saves Blandford patients the need to travel to other hospitals for this scan.

Funds were made available for staff development which included training for one nurse to train in Parkinson's enabling that nurse to use those skills within the hospital. We funded places for the Community Hospital Annual Conference and for nurses to do a palliative care course.

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## Financial Review

The Council is aware of its responsibility to invest funds prudently to achieve both income and capital growth and this aspect is reviewed regularly by the Management Board. It is Council policy to maintain in normal circumstances, a core reserve of liquid funds, which, with the income generated, will provide sufficient funding to meet requests for support without undue delay.

The core reserve is based on the funding needed to cover staff salaries, charitable activities, and reasonable project costs for a period of one year. The Management Board has authority to spend £100,000 on any one project within a total of £200,000 for a six-monthly-period without reference to Council.

As of 31 March 2025, the charity's unrestricted reserves exceed the targeted core reserves, and the surplus will be used to support charitable projects in future periods.

Incoming resources for the year to 31 March 2025 was £196,052 against expenditure totalling £244,308 resulting in an operating loss of £48,256. This, together with Investment gains of £207,894 generated a net income figure of £159,638.

Shop income remained at the same level as last year, despite the Blandford shop being closed for refurbishment for 4 weeks in February and the Sturminster shop during the last week in March. A £6K deficit in Other Trading Activities because of the Autumn Fair not taking place, was offset by an increase in income from Donation and Legacy, leaving total income at 196K as in 2024.

Expenditure in the community comprised the increased funding of £15K for Blandford School for two years and £7K for Blandford Opportunity Group for 3 years.

Support for the hospital included staff training, along with garden maintenance and the supply of newspaper to the ward as in previous years. A final payment of £50K was made to Dorset Healthcare for the £300k grant committed for the MSK unit. An amount of £35K has been authorised for an Ultrasound Scanner for the MSK department to support their expanding back/spinal pain clinics.

Expenditure on fixed assets amounted to £21K, which included a wheelchair for the minibus and extensive refurbishment of the Blandford shop. As at 31 March 2025, work at the Sturminster shop had commenced and £16K has been accrued in the accounts, completion to take place in April 2025.

In August, £100K was re-invested in M & G, split between Charifund and Charibond units in the same proportion (75:25) as our holdings in these funds.

On 31 March 2025 the value of investments held with M&G amounted to £2,668,973. The bank balance was £150,055 which included £1,832 of Tarrant Ward funds.

The combined total of the cash in our bank accounts and the M&G investments gives £2,819,028 of rapidly realisable funds, which is £173K higher than last year. At 31st March 2025, the total value of unrestricted reserves stood at £3,067,810. Unrestricted reserves in 2024 were £2,908,172.

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## Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
2. Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP.
3. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
4. State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
5. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

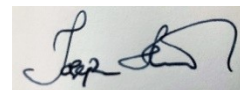
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and for the maintenance and the integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website.

## Staff and Volunteers

The Council has been well supported as usual by the four members of staff, Leonne Hughes – Charity Team Manager, Lisa Deverell – Community Transport Manager, Becca Norris – Charity Shops Manager and Lucy Collin, Charity Admin Support.

All officers and members of the Council are honorary and did not receive any remuneration during the year or other sums except by way of reimbursement of expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Council by:



5 June 2025

Mr J Hickish  
Co-opted Secretary

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## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

I report on the financial statements of the Friends of Blandford Community Hospital for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees, who are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act); to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act); and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Jeff Butt

Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Broadacres, The Ridge, Woodfalls, Wiltshire, SP5 2LQ.

6 June 2025

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		2025	2024
		£	£
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	63,858	50,706
Other trading activities	3	116,382	122,332
Investments	3	15,812	16,305
Other income	3	<u>0</u>	<u>6,500</u>
		<u>196,052</u>	<u>195,843</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>			
Raising funds	4	69,896	66,489
Charitable activities	4	93,454	101,033
Other	4	<u>80,958</u>	<u>73,420</u>
		<u>244,308</u>	<u>240,942</u>
<b>Net Income before investment Gains/(Losses)</b>		(48,256)	(45,099)
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	9	<u>207,894</u>	<u>99,778</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>159,638</u>	<u>54,679</u>
Net movement in funds		159,638	54,679
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Total funds bought forward		2,908,172	2,853,493
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>		<u>3,067,810</u>	<u>2,908,172</u>
<b>BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2025</b>			
		2025	2024
		£	£
Tangible Assets	8	321,737	329,705
Investments	9	<u>2,668,973</u>	<u>2,361,079</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>2,990,710</u>	<u>2,690,784</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	10	28,541	62,037
Cash at Bank and in hand		<u>150,055</u>	<u>285,304</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>178,596</u>	<u>347,341</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	<u>79,496</u>	<u>129,953</u>
<b>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</b>		<u>99,100</u>	<u>217,388</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		<u>3,089,810</u>	<u>2,908,172</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year</b>	12	22,000	
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u>3,067,810</u>	<u>2,908,172</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>			
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<u>3,067,810</u>	<u>2,908,172</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these accounts. These accounts were approved by the Council on 5 June 2025. Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees.

*K. Pluck*

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S COLE – Chairman

K PLUCK – Treasurer

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>(30,142)</b>	<b>(313,564)</b>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income		15,812	16,305
Profit on sale of Asset			6,500
Sale/ (Purchase) of equipment		(20,919)	(6,726)
Sale of Investments			300,000
Purchase of investments		(100,000)	
<b>Net cash provided/(used) in investing activities</b>		<b>(105,107)</b>	<b>316,079</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		(135,249)	2,515
Cash and cash equivalent brought forward		<u>285,304</u>	<u>282,789</u>
<b>Cash and Cash equivalent carried forward</b>		<b><u>150,055</u></b>	<b><u>285,304</u></b>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 1. Basis of preparation

#### 1.1. Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional and presentational currency of the Charity. The financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### 1.2 Changes to accounting estimates

The most significant judgements affecting these financial statements relate to the timing of the recognition of legacy income in the accounts. The policy for legacy recognition is set out below. In the trustees' opinion there are no significant sources of estimation uncertainty affecting the financial statements. No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

#### 1.3 Material prior year errors

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

### 2. Accounting policies

#### 2.1 Income

Recognition of income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when

- The charity becomes entitled to the resources.
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS102SORP.

Grant and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the general income recognition criteria are met. Government grants are recognised using the performance model and grants which have specified future performance-related conditions are initially recognised as a liability and are released to income only when the related conditions are met. Grants which have no performance-related conditions are recognised when the proceeds are received or receivable.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### Legacies

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is when there has been a grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

### Donated goods

Donated goods are recognised as income upon sale.

### Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

### Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable, and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

### Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

### Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year. All gains and losses are taken to the statement of financial activities as they arise.

## 2.2 Expenditure and liabilities

### Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

### Allocation of costs

Governance and support costs have been allocated between raising funds, charitable activities and other costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, e.g. allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by usage.

During the current and previous years all expenditure incurred by the Charity has related to the single activity of providing support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserving and protecting the health of the community

### Grants payable without performance conditions

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation is recognised.

### Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

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## 2.3 Assets

### Investments

Fixed asset investments are in Charifund and Charibond – Accumulation Shares and Units. They are valued initially at cost and subsequently at their market value at the year end.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity.

The charity owns a mixed-use property which comprises a shop used by the charity and a flat which is let out to provide investment income. This entire property is included within tangible fixed assets as the investment property component cannot be measured reliably.

The fixed assets are capitalised at cost if they can be used for more than one year. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 8.

### Debtors

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently that are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

## 3. Analysis of income

	2025	2024
	£	£
<u>Donations and legacies</u>		
Donations and gifts	38,111	32,208
Gift Aid	3,491	3,054
Legacies	19,456	12,454
Membership subscriptions	2,800	2,990
	<hr/> 63,858	<hr/> 50,706
<u>Other trading activities</u>		
Shop income	115,530	116,145
Christmas cards	117	2,023
Autumn Fair	0	1,929
Raffle	0	1,600
Other events	735	635
	<hr/> 116,382	<hr/> 122,332
Other income		
Profit on sale of Asset (Minibus)		6,500
<u>Income from investments</u>		
Rental income	13,936	14,548
Bank Interest	1,876	1,757
	<hr/> 15,812	<hr/> 16,305

## 4. Analysis of expenditure

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Expenditure on raising funds</b>		
Shop expenditure	26,986	24,717
Christmas cards	0	1,620
Raffle	0	407

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Autumn Fair	0	411
Staff costs	28,373	26,612
Motor vehicle running costs	1,611	1,580
Storage Unit costs	12,926	11,142
<b>Total Expenditure on raising funds</b>	<b>69,896</b>	<b>66,489</b>

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Note 4 Continued	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>		
Hospital Equipment and Amenities	91,206	46,494
Hospital Equipment and Amenities – grant written off	(59,000)	
<b>Total Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<b>32,206</b>	<b>46,494</b>

Hospital Equipment and Amenities include grants payable to third parties and details of these can be found in Note 7

Community		
Community Volunteers Expenses	21,791	17,883
Minibus Running Costs	4,695	3,827
Staff costs	34,762	32,829
	61,248	54,539
<b>Total Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<b>93,454</b>	<b>101,033</b>

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Other Support costs</b>		
Office salaries	33,052	31,263
Printing and stationery	1,969	2,417
Postage	1,020	1,049
Accounts Examiner's Fee	870	1,230
Attend Subscription	944	995
Travelling, conference and meeting	2,135	3,107
Property costs	9,277	5,673
Depreciation of assets	28,887	25,400
Miscellaneous	2,804	2,286
<b>Total Other expenditure</b>	<b>80,958</b>	<b>73,420</b>

Governance costs, included in the above, totalled £2,275 (2024: £2,865)

5. Details of certain items of expenditure	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees for examination of accounts	960	900

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Operating Lease expenses	11,369	10,455
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<b>6. Paid employees</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
6.1 Average head count in this year	3	3
6.2 Staff Costs	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Salaries	83,431	79,097
National Insurance	4,440	3,954
Pension costs	8,316	7,654
Total	96,187	90,705

No employees received employment benefits of more than £60,000 in either the current or previous year

<b>7. Analysis of grants committed</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
MSK – Ultrasound scanner	35,000	
Blandford Opportunity Group	21,000	
The Blandford School Pupil Support	30,000	15,000
The Forum Centre		9,065
Other grants made below £4,000	838	2,280
	86,838	26,345

Of the grants disclosed above, no grants were paid to individuals in FY 2025

<b>8. Tangible Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Freehold Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	278,441	24,202	91,770	394,413
Additions	0	20,919	0	20,919
Disposals	0	(5,147)	0	(5,147)
Balance carried forward	278,441	39,974	91,770	410,185

### Depreciation

Basis	Straight line – buildings only	Straight Line	Straight Line	Total
Rate	2%	25%	25%	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	12,458	16,370	35,881	64,709
Depreciation	1,569	8,687	18,630	28,886
Disposals	0	(5,147)	0	(5,147)
At the end of the year	14,027	19,910	54,511	88,448

### Net Book Value

At the beginning of the year	265,983	7,832	55,889	329,704
At the end of the year	264,414	20,064	37,259	321,737

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### 9. Investments Assets

	2025 £	2024 £
Carrying (fair) value of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31 March	2,361,079	2,561,301
Value of Charifund Units at 31/03/2024	1,794,842	1,947,357
Add: Purchase of additional units	75,000	
Deduct: Sale of additional units		(225,000)
Deduct: Loss on sale of units		(3,126)

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Add: Re-investment of distributions

106,821

106,471

Add/(Deduct) net gain/(loss) on revaluation

87,770

(30,860)

Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2025

2,064,433

1,794,842

Charibond Income Shares

Value of Charibond Shares at 31/03/2024

566,237

613,944

Add: Purchase of additional units

25,000

Deduct: Sale of additional units

(75,000)

Add: Gain on Sale of Units

2,237

Add: Reinvestment of distribution

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	25,878
	20,809
Add net gain on revaluation	
	(12,575)
	4,247
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2024	
	<u>604,540</u>
	<u>566,237</u>
Total of Charifunds & Charibonds at 31/03/2025	
	2,668,973
	2,361,079

**10. Debtors and prepayments**

	<b>2025</b>
	<b>£</b>
	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>
Prepayments and accrued income	
	21,078
	6,209
Accrued Income	

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	4,963
	53,828
Other debtors	
	2,500
	2,000
	28,541
	62,037

**11. Creditors and accruals falling due in one year**

2025 £	2023 £		2024 £
		Grants payable	
			57,000
			126,280
		Accruals and deferred income	
			22,496
			3,673
			79,496
			129,953

**12. Creditors and accruals falling due in more than one year**

**2024  
£                      2023  
£**

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Grants payable

22,000

## Movement in recognised provision and funding commitments during the year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Commitments recognised at the start of the year	126,280	429,776
New grant commitments charged to SoFA in year	86,838	26,345
Grants paid in year or no longer required	(134,118)	(329,841)
Amount of grant commitments recognised as at 31 March 2025	79,000	126,280

### Grant Commitments

Due within one year	57,000	
Due in more than one year	22,000	
	79,000	

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### 13. Transactions with trustees and related parties

Members of the board give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other benefits for the work that they undertake in relation to the Charity. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to the Charity-these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity related business meetings.

Expenses were incurred by committee members, as detailed below. And these were wholly in fulfilment of charity business. There are no other related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Travel and subsistence	215	182
Total Number of trustees paid expenses	12	12

### 14. Operating Lease Commitments

	2025	2024
	£	£
The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid		
Expiring:		
In less than one year	20,008	10,807
Between one and five years	19,037	8,065
Within more than five years	NIL	NIL

### 15. Reconciliation of Net Movement in funds to net cash flow from Operating Activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net Movement in funds	159,638	54,679
Add back depreciation charge and loss on sale of assets	28,887	25,400
Deduct Investment income shown in investing activities	(15,812)	(16,305)

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Deduct/(Add) Investment revaluation gains	(207,894)	(99,778)
Deduct/ Add profit on sale of assets		(6,500)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors and Accrued income	33,496	54,414
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	<u>(28,457)</u>	<u>(325,474)</u>
<b>Net Cash used in Operating Activities</b>	<u>(30,142)</u>	<u>(313,564)</u>

## 16. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At Start of Year	Cash Flows	At End of Year
Cash at Bank and In Hand	285,304	(135,249)	150,055

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 17. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Analysis of Fund Movements	Fund b/f	Income	Expenditure	Investment Gains and (Losses)	Fund c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	2,908,172	196,052	244,308	207,894	3,067,810

### Analysis of Charitable Funds – Prior Year

Unrestricted Funds	2,853,493	195,843	240,942	99,778	2,908,172
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## FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the years ended 31 March

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Charitable Expenditure</b>	93,454	101,033	86,583	192,599	60,639
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	(48,256)	(45,099)	57,372	(69,825)	1,174,904
<b>Total Funds</b>	3,067,810	2,908,172	2,853,493	2,842,280	2,770,912

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## ANALYSIS OF MEMBERSHIP

	2025	2024
BLANDFORD FORUM	179	177
BLANDFORD ST MARY	20	21
BROAD OAK	4	2
BRYANSTON	5	6
CHARLTON MARSHALL	32	33
CHILD OKEFORD	56	57
DURWESTON	17	17
FARRINGTON	2	2
HAZELBURY BRYAN/IBBERTON	3	3
IWERNE MINSTER	16	17
LANGTON LONG	3	3
OKEFORD FITZPAINE	15	15
PIMPERNE/LETTON	13	13
SHILLINGSTONE	30	30
SPETISBURY	11	6
SHROTON	8	12
STOURPAINE	14	14
STURMINSTER NEWTON AREA	61	61
TARRANT GUNVILLE	5	6
TARRANT HINTON	6	6
TARRANT KEYNSTON	5	4
TARRANT MONKTON & LAUNCESTON	4	5
TARRANT RUSHTON & RAWSTON	1	3
WINTERBORNE HOUGHTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE KINGSTON	1	1
WINTERBORNE STICKLAND & TURNWORTH	2	2
WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH	2	2
OTHER AREAS	<u>42</u>	<u>77</u>
	<u>560</u>	<u>598</u>

**Joint subscriptions of £10 or more have been counted as 2 individuals.**

**If you would like to help by recruiting members in your area, please contact the Friends' Office, Blandford Community Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 7DD.**

**Telephone: 01258 450095**

**email: [dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net](mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net)**

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
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**Founded 1948**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**2024**

**MEMBER GROUP OF “ATTEND”  
(Formerly THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS)**

**Registered Charity No. 800482**

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**Notice of Meeting**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 67th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL will be held at The Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset on 3rd July 2024 at 6.30pm for the following purposes:

(1) To receive and adopt the Report of the Council on the Association's activities and the examined Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024.

(2) Elections to Council:

Under the provisions of rule 11(B) of the Constitution the following members of the Council retire at the end of this meeting.

Mr S Cole  
Mr M McLaughlin  
Mr C Marjoram  
Mrs Y Thorne

Being eligible Mr S Cole, Mr M McLaughlin, Mr C Marjoram and Mrs Y Thorne offer themselves for re-election.

Mike Wood has offered his resignation from the Management Board however will remain a Trustee.

Under the provisions of rule 11(C) a public notice was advertised on 10 May 2024 calling for any nominations for the Council to be delivered to the Secretary by 14 June 2024. No nominations have been received.

The following will be duly elected:

Mr S Cole  
Mr M McLaughlin  
Mr C Marjoram  
Mrs Y Thorne

(3) To appoint an Independent Examiner of the Accounts and to authorise the Council to determine their remuneration.

(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Association.

**After completion of formal business there will be a talk given by Sally Wilson, Headteacher, The Blandford School and Mrs Kirsty Radford, Student Support Worker.**

**Light refreshments will be served after the meeting**



By order of the Council  
3 June 2024

Mr J Hickish  
Secretary

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Patron	The Viscount Portman	
President	Mr W McLaughlin FRICS	
Council	Mr T Bridle AIB Mrs A Brown Mr S Cole Mr S Hayward Mr C Marjoram Mr W McLaughlin FRICS	Mrs K Pluck Mrs L Prior Mr P Richell Mrs Y Thorne Mr M Wood
Management Board	Mr S Cole (Chairman) Mrs K Pluck (Treasurer) Mr Joe Hickish (Secretary) Mr P Richell (Chair of Community Service Working Group) Mr W McLaughlin FRICS (President & Project Manager/ Chair of Finance and Projects Working Group) Mrs L Prior (Chair of Shops Support Group)	
In attendance at Meetings	Hospital Matron	
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 9 High Street, Colchester, CO1 1DD  National Westminster Bank plc 25 Market Place, Blandford Forum, DT11 7AQ	
Accountant	Mr J N Butt A.C.A.	
Secretary	Mr J Hickish	
Treasurer	Mrs K Pluck	
Office	Blandford Community Hospital Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD  Telephone: 01258 450095 (direct line) Email: <a href="mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net">dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net</a>	

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**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL**

The members of Council (who are also Trustees of the charity) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Reference and Administrative information**

Details under this heading are contained on Page 2 and should be read as part of this report.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity's governing document is "The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital Constitution, Objects and Rules" (as amended 2008 & 2019).

The Trustees are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. Council may appoint additional or replacement Trustees to fill vacancies until the next AGM. Officers are appointed by Council from those elected by members. New trustees meet with officers and are made fully aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Constitution and all relevant aspects of the Friends' operations.

The full Council consists of a maximum of 20 members from whom the Management Board, as shown on page 2, is drawn. All members of Council are expected to serve on at least one of the working groups specialising in a specific aspect of our work. The Management Board decide on how to allocate the funds raised by the Charity at their committee meetings, with the staff only being involved with clerical roles. The Management Board are the charity's key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services

**Objectives and Activities**

It is expected that Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust will fund the provision and replacement of standard hospital equipment, fixtures and fittings.

The objects of the Friends shall be to provide support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserve and protect the health of the community by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities, support services and equipment not normally provided by the NHS or statutory authorities. In pursuing these activities the Council confirms that it has complied with its duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance

In pursuance of these objects the Council continued to raise funds and to invite and receive contributions from individuals and organisations by way of subscriptions, donations or otherwise. Efforts are made to enlist the support of a broadly based substantial membership to keep in touch with the actual needs of the population, and existing members are encouraged to assist in this respect. The Friends continued to supplement the service provided by the hospital management for the health, welfare and comfort of patients and provided amenities and support in the hospital and the community for patients, staff and others, including the Blandford Opportunities Group, who provides a day facility for disabled children.

In considering applications for financial support the following priorities are adopted:

1. Major projects that add to the well-being and/or treatment of patients and/or the working conditions of the staff.
2. Additional equipment that would extend or enhance work carried out by consultants in the hospital.
3. Additional equipment to facilitate treatment given in the wards and outpatient clinics.
4. Grants for further training of hospital staff, especially nursing staff.
5. Improvements to the hospital environment.
6. Equipment for improved care in the community and health related community projects.

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**Achievements and Performance**

The key performance indicators used to assess the performance of the Charity are a comparison of income generated from all sources compared with prior years. In addition, all expenditure is closely monitored in comparison with prior years and previous similar activities. At each Committee/ Board meeting detailed reports and analysis are prepared on the performance of the investments held.

Our shops and volunteers have now returned to normal. However, income is beginning to meet pre COVID levels we are regularly having to recruit new volunteers.

The Community Transport Services is getting extremely busy with the waiting list initiatives resulting in last minute requests having to be refused. Staff are trying to point patients in other directions for transport where they are unable to help through the Friends.

The new –payroll system is working well with no apparent problems, likewise with the HR support. All staff are now signed up to their pension schemes.

The year 2023 was the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Friends. This was marked by a picnic lunch at Durweston Village Hall which all volunteers were invited and was very much appreciated by all. Thanks to all the Trustees and volunteers who made this a successful event. Unfortunately, the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance event had to be cancelled due to lack of numbers.

The Friends invited volunteers to a post-Christmas dinner which was held in the dining room of the hospital which was again a great success.

In the community we have again continued to fund a counsellor at The Blandford School, a valuable service helping children who are experiencing difficulties. We also supported The Forum Centre, Blandford with funding for outdoor equipment. We continue to employ a hospital gardener and supply hanging baskets where appropriate. The hospital ward is supplied with daily newspapers by the Friends.

We funded a Zeiss 6000 OCT Scanner, which is now operational in the hospital. This is the most up to date eye scanner which enables the Consultant to treat retina eye problems without having to have follow up appointments. This is saving patients' time and the long journey to Dorchester.

The charity's policy is to hold working capital within the bank accounts and to invest any surplus funding in its investment portfolio. The portfolio is held for capital growth and the objective is to achieve a gain year-on-year. In 2023-2024 the portfolio generated investment gains of £99,778.

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## **Financial Review**

The Council is aware of its responsibility to invest funds prudently to achieve both income and capital growth and this aspect is reviewed regularly by the Management Board. It is Council policy to maintain in normal circumstances, a core reserve of at least £300,000 which, with the income generated, will provide sufficient funding to meet requests for support without undue delay.

The target level of £300,000 of core reserves is based on the funding needed to cover staff salaries, charitable activities, and reasonable project costs for a period of one year. The Management Board has authority to spend £100,000 on any one project within a total of £200,000 for a six-monthly-period without reference to Council.

As at 31 March 2024 the charity's unrestricted reserves exceed the targeted core reserves and the surplus will be used to support charitable projects in future periods.

Incoming resources for the year to 31 March 2024 was £195,843 against expenditure totalling £240,942 resulting in an operating loss of £45,099. This, together with Investment gains of £99,778 generated a net income figure of £54,679.

The total incoming resources of £195,843 was a decrease of £52K over the previous year. This was mainly due to a lower level of legacy received in the year, £12K in 2024 against £82K in 2023. This deficit was partially offset by Shop income at £12K higher than last year and the receipt of £6,500 from the sale of the old mini bus.

Expenditure on Charitable activities comprised £9,065 for outdoor playground equipment to The Forum Centre Blandford, £1,800 to cover the year's rent for the Mental Health Team's Cookery Group, and as in previous years, the funding of £12K for Blandford school and £6K for Blandford Opportunity Group. The funding for Blandford School will be increased to £15K for the next three years.

Support for the hospital included staff training and garden furniture for Tarrant Ward, along with garden maintenance and the supply of newspaper to the ward. The amount of £64,767 was paid to Dorset Healthcare for the OCT Scanner, as well as £250K of the £300K committed for the MSK unit, the balance of £50K to be paid in April 2024. Commitments to cover the cost of the scanner and the MSK unit have already been accounted for in previous years. No further commitments have been made in the year towards Hospital Equipment and Amenities.

Expenditure on raising funds remained in line with last year. Staff costs showed a £16K increase reflecting the full complement of 4 part time members of staff being in place for the entire year and the annual pay award.

Expenditure on fixed asset amounts £6,726, which included flooring in the storeroom area of the Blandford shop, shelving fitted to the Sturminster shop and the warehouse, and minibus customisation.

To finance the payment of the MSK suite, £300K was withdrawn from our M&G investment. On 31 March 2024 the value of investments held with M&G amounted to £2,361,079. The bank balance stood at £285,304 which included £800 of Tarrant Ward funds.

The combined total of the cash in our bank accounts and the M&G investments gives £2,646,383 of rapidly realisable funds, which is £198K lower than last year. As at 31 March 2024 the total value of unrestricted reserves stood at £2,908,172. Unrestricted reserves in 2023 were £2,853,493.

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**Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
2. Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP.
3. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
4. State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
5. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and for the maintenance and the integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website.

**Staff and Volunteers**

The Council has been well supported as usual by four members of staff, Leonne Hughes – Charity Team Manager, Lisa Deverell – Community Services Manager, Becca Norris – Charity Shops Manager and Lucy Collin – Charity Admin Support. Each, along with the many volunteers, contribute significantly to the efficiency of the Friends' organisation and activities.

All officers and members of the Council are honorary and did not receive any remuneration during the year or other sums except by way of reimbursement of expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Council by:



3 June 2024

Mr J Hickish  
Co-opted Secretary

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF**  
**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

I report on the financial statements of the Friends of Blandford Community Hospital for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees, who are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to: examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act); to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act); and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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

Jeff Butt  
Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Broadacres, The Ridge, Woodfalls, Wiltshire, SP5 2LQ.  
4 June 2024

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

		2024	2023
		£	£
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	50,706	124,075
Other trading activities	3	122,332	110,177
Investments	3	16,305	13,662
Other income	3	<u>6,500</u>	
		<u>195,843</u>	<u>247,914</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>			
Raising funds	4	66,489	61,903
Charitable activities	4	101,033	86,583
Other	4	<u>73,420</u>	<u>42,056</u>
		<u>240,942</u>	<u>190,542</u>
<b>Net Income before investment Gains/(Losses)</b>		(45,099)	57,372
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	9	99,778	(46,159)
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>54,679</u>	<u>11,213</u>
Net movement in funds		54,679	11,213
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Total funds bought forward		2,853,493	2,842,280
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>		<u>2,908,172</u>	<u>2,853,493</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2024**

		2024	2023
		£	£
Tangible Assets	8	329,705	348,379
Investments	9	<u>2,361,079</u>	<u>2,561,301</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>2,690,784</u>	<u>2,909,680</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	10	62,037	116,451
Cash at Bank and in hand		<u>285,304</u>	<u>282,789</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>347,341</u>	<u>399,240</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	<u>129,953</u>	<u>455,427</u>
<b>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</b>		<u>217,388</u>	<u>(56,187)</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		<u>2,908,172</u>	<u>2,853,493</u>
Total net assets		<u>2,908,172</u>	<u>2,853,493</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>			
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<u>2,908,172</u>	<u>2,853,493</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these accounts. These accounts were approved by the Council on 3 June 2024. Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees.

*K Pluck*

*S Cole*

S COLE – Chairman

K PLUCK – Treasurer

**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**  
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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>(313,564)</b>	<b>109,013</b>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income		16,305	13,662
Profit on sale of Asset		6,500	
Sale/ (Purchase) of equipment		(6,726)	(81,086)
Sale of Investments		300,000	
Purchase of investments			
<b>Net cash provided/(used) in investing activities</b>		<b>316,079</b>	<b>(67,424)</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		2,515	41,589
Cash and cash equivalent brought forward		<u>282,789</u>	<u>241,200</u>
<b>Cash and Cash equivalent carried forward</b>		<b><u>285,304</u></b>	<b><u>282,789</u></b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**1. Basis of preparation**

**1.1. Basis of accounting**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional and presentational currency of the Charity. The financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**1.2 Changes to accounting estimates**

The most significant judgements affecting these financial statements relate to the timing of the recognition of legacy income in the accounts. The policy for legacy recognition is set out below. In the trustees' opinion there are no significant sources of estimation uncertainty affecting the financial statements. No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

**1.3 Material prior year errors**

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

**2. Accounting policies**

**2.1 Income**

**Recognition of income**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when

- The charity becomes entitled to the resources.
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

**Offsetting**

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS102SORP.

**Grant and donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the general income recognition criteria are met. Government grants are recognised using the performance model and grants which have specified future performance-related conditions are initially recognised as a liability and are released to income only when the related conditions are met. Grants which have no performance-related conditions are recognised when the proceeds are received or receivable.

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**Legacies**

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is when there has been a grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

**Donated goods**

Donated goods are recognised as income upon sale.

**Volunteer help**

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

**Income from interest, royalties and dividends**

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

**Income from membership subscriptions**

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

**Investment gains and losses**

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year. All gains and losses are taken to the statement of financial activities as they arise.

**2.2 Expenditure and liabilities**

**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

**Allocation of costs**

Governance and support costs have been allocated between raising funds, charitable activities and other costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, e.g. allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by usage.

During the current and previous years all expenditure incurred by the Charity has related to the single activity of providing support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserving and protecting the health of the community

**Grants payable without performance conditions**

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation is recognised.

**Creditors**

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

**2.3 Assets**

**Investments**

Fixed asset investments are in Charifund and Charibond – Accumulation Shares and Units. They are valued initially at cost and subsequently at their market value at the year end.

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Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity.

The charity owns a mixed-use property which comprises a shop used by the charity and a flat which is let out to provide investment income. This entire property is included within tangible fixed assets as the investment property component cannot be measured reliably.

The fixed assets are capitalised at cost if they can be used for more than one year. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 8.

**Debtors**

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently that are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

**3. Analysis of income**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<u>Donations and legacies</u>		
Donations and gifts	32,208	37,691
Gift Aid	3,054	2,494
Legacies	12,454	81,690
Membership subscriptions	2,990	2,200
	50,706	124,075
<u>Other trading activities</u>		
Shop income	116,145	104,333
Christmas cards	2,023	1,500
Autumn Fair	1,929	3,059
Raffle	1,600	1,285
Other events	635	
	122,332	110,177
Other income		
Profit on sale of Asset (Minibus)	6,500	
<u>Income from investments</u>		
Rental income	14,548	13,662
Bank Interest	1,757	
	16,305	13,662

**4. Analysis of expenditure**

<b>Expenditure on raising funds</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Shop expenditure	24,717	23,608
Christmas cards	1,620	1,114
Raffle	407	183
Autumn Fair	411	203
Staff costs	26,612	21,952
Motor vehicle running costs	1,580	3,266
Storage Unit costs	11,142	11,577
<b>Total Expenditure on raising funds</b>	<b>66,489</b>	<b>61,903</b>

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<b>Note 4 Continued</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>

**Expenditure on Charitable Activities**

Hospital Equipment and Amenities	<u>46,494</u>	<u>30,569</u>
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Hospital Equipment and Amenities include grants payable to third parties and details of these can be found in Note 7

Community		
Community Volunteers Expenses	17,883	15,224
Minibus Running Costs	3,827	2,963
Staff costs	<u>32,829</u>	<u>37,827</u>
	<u>54,539</u>	<u>56,014</u>

<b>Total Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<u>101,033</u>	<u>86,583</u>
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<b>Other Support costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>

Office salaries (1 part time employee)	31,263	14,759
Printing and stationery	2,417	2,534
Postage	1,049	319
Accounts Examiner's Fee	1,230	900
Attend Subscription	995	930
Travelling, conference and meeting	3,107	3,404
Property costs	5,673	2,392
Depreciation of assets	25,400	12,920
Miscellaneous	<u>2,286</u>	<u>3,898</u>
<b>Total Other expenditure</b>	<u>73,420</u>	<u>42,056</u>

Governance costs, included in the above, totalled £2,865 (2023: £2,190)

<b>5. Details of certain items of expenditure</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>

Fees for examination of accounts	900	900
Operating Lease expenses	10,455	10,455

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<b>6. Paid employees</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
6.1 Average head count in this year	3	3
<b>6.2 Staff Costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Salaries	79,097	64,614
National Insurance	3,954	3,855
Pension costs	7,654	6,068
<b>Total</b>	<u>90,705</u>	<u>74,537</u>

No employees received employment benefits of more than £60,000 in either the current or previous year

<b>7. Analysis of grants committed</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
MSK Suite		
Age Concern		10,000
Blandford Opportunity Group		6,000
The Forum Centre	9,065	
The Blandford School Pupil Support	15,000	12,000
C-Arm for Theatre		
OCT Scanner and Platform		
Other grants made below £4,000	2,280	
	<u>26,345</u>	<u>28,000</u>

Of the grants disclosed above, no grants were paid to individuals in FY 2024

<b>8. Tangible Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Freehold Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	278,441	20,002	140,358	438,801
Additions		4,200	2,526	6,726
Disposals			(51,114)	(51,114)
Balance carried forward	<u>278,441</u>	<u>24,202</u>	<u>91,770</u>	<u>394,413</u>

**Depreciation**

Basis	Straight line – buildings only	Straight Line	Straight Line	Total
Rate	2%	25%	25%	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	10,889	12,314	67,219	90,422
Depreciation	1,569	4,055	19,776	25,400
Disposals			(51,114)	(51,114)
At the end of the year	<u>12,458</u>	<u>16,369</u>	<u>35,881</u>	<u>64,708</u>

**Net Book Value**

At the beginning of the year	267,552	7,688	73,139	348,379
At the end of the year	265,983	7,833	55,889	329,705

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<b>9. Investments Assets</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Carrying (fair) value of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2023	2,561,301	2,607,460
Value of Charifund Units at 31/03/2023	1,947,357	1,961,328
Add: Purchase of additional units		
Deduct: Sale of additional units	(225,000)	
Deduct: Loss on sale of units	(3,126)	
Add: Re-investment of distributions	106,471	92,245
Add/(Deduct) net gain/(loss) on revaluation	(30,860)	(106,216)
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2024	<u>1,794,842</u>	<u>1,947,357</u>
 Charibond Income Shares		
Value of Charibond Shares at 31/03/2023	613,944	646,132
Add: Purchase of additional units		
Deduct: Sale of additional units	(75,000)	
Add: Gain on Sale of Units	2,237	
Add: Reinvestment of distribution	20,809	12,035
Add net gain on revaluation	4,247	(44,223)
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2024	<u>566,237</u>	<u>613,944</u>
 Total of Charifunds & Charibonds at 31/03/2024	<u>2,361,079</u>	<u>2,561,301</u>

<b>10. Debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Prepayments and accrued income	6,209	4,719
Accrued Income	53,828	109,732
Other debtors	2,000	2,000
	<u>62,037</u>	<u>116,451</u>

<b>11. Creditors and accruals</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants payable	126,280	429,776
Accruals and deferred income	3,673	25,651
	<u>129,953</u>	<u>455,427</u>

**Movement in recognised provision and funding commitments during the year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Commitments recognised at the start of the year	429,776	432,976
New grant commitments charged to SoFA in year	26,345	28,000
Grants paid in year or no longer required	(329,841)	(31,200)
Amount of grant commitments recognised as at 31 March	<u>126,280</u>	<u>429,776</u>

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**12. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

Members of the board give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other benefits for the work that they undertake in relation to the Charity. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to the Charity-these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity related business meetings.

Expenses were incurred by committee members, as detailed below. And these were wholly in fulfilment of charity business. There are no other related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Travel and subsistence	182	180
Total Number of trustees paid expenses	12	12

**13. Operating Lease Commitments**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid		
Expiring:		
In less than one year	10,807	18,655
Between one and five years	8,065	18,872
Within more than five years	NIL	NIL

**14. Reconciliation of Net Movement in funds to net cash flow from Operating Activities**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Net Movement in funds	54,679	11,213
Add back depreciation charge and loss on sale of assets	25,400	12,290
Deduct Investment income shown in investing activities	(16,305)	(13,662)
Deduct/(Add) Investment revaluation gains	(99,778)	46,159
Deduct/ Add profit on sale of assets	(6,500)	
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors and Accrued income	54,414	40,316
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	<u>(325,474)</u>	<u>12,067</u>
<b>Net Cash used in Operating Activities</b>	<u>(313,564)</u>	<u>109,013</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**15. Analysis of changes in net debt**

	At Start of Year	Cash Flows	At End of Year
Cash at Bank and In Hand	282,789	2,515	285,304

**16. Analysis of Charitable Funds**

Analysis of Fund Movements	Fund b/f	Income	Expenditure	Investment Gains and (Losses)	Fund c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	2,853,493	195,843	240,942	99,778	2,908,172

**Analysis of Charitable Funds – Prior Year**

Unrestricted Funds	2,842,280	247,914	190,542	(46,159)	2,853,493
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**FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

For the years ended 31 March

	2024 £	2023 £	2022 £	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Charitable Expenditure</b>	101,033	86,583	192,599	60,639	400,803
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	(45,099)	57,372	(69,825)	1,174,904	(288,234)
<b>Total Funds</b>	2,908,172	2,853,493	2,842,280	2,770,912	1,402,770

**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**  
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**ANALYSIS OF MEMBERSHIP**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
BLANDFORD FORUM	177	190
BLANDFORD ST MARY	21	20
BROAD OAK	2	2
BRYANSTON	6	6
CHARLTON MARSHALL	33	38
CHILD OKEFORD	57	59
DURWESTON	17	19
FARRINGTON	2	2
HAZELBURY BRYAN/IBBERTON	3	3
IWERNE MINSTER	17	21
LANGTON LONG	3	4
OKEFORD FITZPAINE	15	17
PIMPERNE/LETTON	13	14
SHILLINGSTONE	30	28
SPETISBURY	6	6
SHROTON	12	15
STOURPAINE	14	15
STURMINSTER NEWTON AREA	61	74
TARRANT GUNVILLE	6	6
TARRANT HINTON	6	6
TARRANT KEYNSTON	4	5
TARRANT MONKTON & LAUNCESTON	5	5
TARRANT RUSHTON & RAWSTON	3	1
WINTERBORNE HOUGHTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE KINGSTON	1	1
WINTERBORNE STICKLAND & TURNWORTH	2	2
WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH	2	2
OTHER AREAS	<u>77</u>	<u>80</u>
	<u>598</u>	<u>644</u>

**Joint subscriptions of £10 or more have been counted as 2 individuals.**

**If you would like to help by recruiting members in your area, please contact the Friends' Office, Blandford Community Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 7DD.**

**Telephone: 01258 450095**

**email: [dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net](mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net)**

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

**Founded 1948**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**2023**

**MEMBER GROUP OF "ATTEND"  
(Formerly THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS)**

**Registered Charity No. 800482**

**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**  
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**Notice of Meeting**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 66th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL will be held at The Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset on 26th July 2023 at 6.30pm for the following purposes:

(1) To receive and adopt the Report of the Council on the Association's activities and the examined Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023.

(2) Elections to Council:

Under the provisions of rule 11(B) of the Constitution the following members of the Council retire at the end of this meeting.

Mr S Hayward  
Mrs L Prior  
Mr M Wood

Being eligible Mr S Hayward, Mrs L Prior and Mr M Wood offer themselves for re-election.

No members have offered their resignations.

Under the provisions of rule 11(C) a public notice was advertised on 12 May 2023 calling for any nominations for the Council to be delivered to the Secretary by 2 June 2023. Nominations have been received for Mr Joe Hickish and Ms Nicci Brown.

The following will be duly elected:

Mr S Hayward  
Mrs L Prior  
Mr M Wood  
Mr J Hickish  
Ms Nicci Brown

(3) To appoint an Independent Examiner of the Accounts and to authorise the Council to determine their remuneration.

(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Association.

**Light refreshments will be served after the meeting**



By order of the Council  
1 June 2023

Mr J Hickish  
Co-opted Secretary

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Patron	The Viscount Portman	
President	Mr W McLaughlin FRICS	
Council	Mr T Bridle AIB Mrs A Brown Mr S Cole Mr S Hayward Mr C Marjoram Mr W McLaughlin FRICS	Mrs K Pluck Mrs L Prior Mr P Richell Mrs Y Thorne Mr M Wood
Management Board	Mr S Cole (Chairman) Mrs K Pluck (Treasurer) Mr Joe Hickish (Co-opted Secretary) Mr P Richell (Chair of Community Service Working Group) Mr W McLaughlin FRICS (President & Project Manager/ Chair of Finance and Projects Working Group) Mr M Wood (Chair of Fundraising) Mrs L Prior (Chair of Shops Support Group)	
In attendance at Meetings	Hospital Matron	
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 9 High Street, Colchester, CO1 1DD  National Westminster Bank plc 25 Market Place, Blandford Forum, DT11 7AQ	
Accountant	Mr J N Butt A.C.A.	
Secretary	Mr J Hickish (Co-opted)	
Treasurer	Mrs K Pluck	
Office	Blandford Community Hospital Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD  Telephone: 01258 450095 (direct line) Email: <a href="mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net">dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net</a>	

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**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL**

The members of Council (who are also Trustees of the charity) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**Reference and Administrative information**

Details under this heading are contained on Page 2 and should be read as part of this report.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity's governing document is "The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital Constitution, Objects and Rules" (as amended 2008 & 2019).

The Trustees are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. Council may appoint additional or replacement Trustees to fill vacancies until the next AGM. Officers are appointed by Council from those elected by members. New trustees meet with officers and are made fully aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Constitution and all relevant aspects of the Friends' operations.

The full Council consists of a maximum of 20 members from whom the Management Board, as shown on page 2, is drawn. All members of Council are expected to serve on at least one of the working groups specialising in a specific aspect of our work. The Management Board decide on how to allocate the funds raised by the Charity at their committee meetings, with the staff only being involved with clerical roles. The Management Board are the charity's key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services

**Objectives and Activities**

It is expected that Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust will fund the provision and replacement of standard hospital equipment, fixtures, and fittings.

The objects of the Friends shall be to provide support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserve and protect the health of the community by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities, support services and equipment not normally provided by the NHS or statutory authorities. In pursuing these activities, the Council confirms that it has complied with its duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance

In pursuance of these objects the Council continued to raise funds and to invite and receive contributions from individuals and organisations by way of subscriptions, donations or otherwise. Efforts are made to enlist the support of a broadly based substantial membership to keep in touch with the actual needs of the population, and existing members are encouraged to assist in this respect. The Friends continued to supplement the service provided by the hospital management for the health, welfare and comfort of patients and provided amenities and support in the hospital and the community for patients, staff and others, including the Blandford Opportunities Group, who provide a day facility for disabled children.

In considering applications for financial support the following priorities are adopted:

- a) Major projects that add to the well-being and/or treatment of patients and/or the working conditions of the staff.
- b) Additional equipment that would extend or enhance work carried out by consultants in the hospital.
- c) Additional equipment to facilitate treatment given in the wards and outpatient clinics.
- d) Grants for further training of hospital staff, especially nursing staff.
- e) Improvements to the hospital environment.
- f) Equipment for improved care in the community and health related community projects.

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**Achievements and Performance**

The key performance indicators used to assess the performance of the Charity are a comparison of income generated from all sources compared with prior years. In addition, all expenditure is closely monitored in comparison with prior years and previous similar activities. At each committee meeting detailed reports and analysis are prepared on the performance of the investments held.

During the last year, and now that lockdown rules have lifted, we were able to resume normal activities. Our shops and volunteer drivers have slowly returned to normal. However, we lost quite a few volunteers after lockdown as they found the risk too great helping in the shops. We have now recruited more volunteers and shops are fully operational. The Community Transport Services started with a limited service which steadily grew as people became more confident to venture out. We recognise that Covid 19 will be with us for years to come and we need to closely monitor and learn to live with it. Our staff came out of furlough and started to base themselves back in the Friends Office again. We had some staff changes and this resulted in a new shop manager during this time.

Due to the lockdown and restrictions in 2021/22, our normal events were put on hold except for the Annual Raffle at Christmas. This year we organised an Autumn Fayre which proved very successful. The charity does not use professional fundraisers nor does it subscribe to any schemes or standards for regulating fund-raising and does not use external fund-raising consultants.

Although earlier meetings were conducted over the Zoom platform, we now organise face to face meetings within the hospital.

Due to staff changes we have had to employ a payroll system as the NHS has not got the capacity to take on our new staff on their payroll. This has been a steep learning curve for staff and the Board. We have had to find HR support which we now have through a local company. As new staff are no longer eligible for the NHS pension, we have had to set up a pension scheme for new staff.

As the lockdown inhibited all the normal volunteer social gatherings, e.g., Christmas meals etc, we decided to have a Picnic Lunch at Durweston Village Hall during the summer, which was a very pleasant afternoon enjoyed by all. We are hoping to repeat this in 2023.

In the community we have again continued to fund a counsellor at Blandford School, a valuable service helping children who are experiencing difficulties. We also supported the Blandford Opportunities Group who provide day facilities for disabled children and their parents, and increased funding to incorporate specific equipment as well as their running costs.

We funded a new C arm image scanner intensifier for the treatment room at Blandford Hospital. This allows clinicians to give a more accurate location when giving injections, e.g., back treatments. This is now in use.

The charity's policy is to hold working capital within the bank accounts and to invest any surplus funding in its investment portfolio. The portfolio is held for capital growth and the objective is to achieve a gain year-on-year.

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**Financial Review**

The Council is aware of its responsibility to invest funds prudently to achieve both income and capital growth and this aspect is reviewed regularly by the Management Board. It is Council policy to maintain in normal circumstances, a core reserve of at least £300,000 which, with the income generated, will provide sufficient funding to meet requests for support without undue delay.

The target level of £300,000 of core reserves is based on the funding needed to cover staff salaries, charitable activities, and reasonable project costs for a period of one year. The Management Board has authority to spend £100,000 on any one project within a total of £200,000 for a six-monthly-period without reference to Council.

As of 31 March 2023 the charity's unrestricted reserves exceed the targeted core reserves and the surplus will be used to support charitable projects in future periods.

In the year ended 31 March 2023 total incoming resources amounted to £247,914, an increase of £19K over the previous year. Shop income, although steady throughout the year, was at a generally reduced level as compared with last year. Together with the discontinuation of a £20K covid grant received last year but not applicable this year, there was a decrease in income from trading activity of £34K. This was offset by higher income from Legacy and Donation. Donation received was £16K higher than in 2022, boosted by a few very generous sums received, notably two at £5K each. Notification of Legacy income to the value of £81,690 was received during the current year. This amount has been included in the accounts and should be credited to our bank account during 2023/24.

A £10k increase in Community Volunteers' expenses reflected the higher level of activity this year compared with last year when transport services were not in operation until September 2021. Expenditure on Charitable activities comprised support for team building for Hospital staff, and as in previous years, the funding of £12K for Blandford school and £6K for Blandford opportunity Group. Additionally, a grant of £10k was awarded to Age Concern in Sturminster to help with the running of their core activities in assisting the community. The commitment to cover £300,000 of the cost of the new MSK unit, as well as the C Arm and the OCT Scanner have already been accrued for in the accounts in previous years and awaiting payment. No further commitments have been made in the year towards Hospital Equipment and Amenities.

Expenditure on raising funds remained in line with last year. Staff costs showed a £10K reduction as a result of the Admin Support role being vacant during the year.

During this year, electronic tills were purchased and installed in the two shops, facilitating day to day control of income, as well as banking and accounting procedures. Shelving at a cost of £8K was fitted to the warehouse. A minibus has been purchased at a cost of £72K to replace our current one bought in 2013, delivery of which is expected July 2023.

On 31 March 2023 the value of investments held with M&G amounted to £2,561,301. This total, combined with the cash in our bank accounts of £282,789 gives us £2,844,090 of rapidly realisable funds, at the same level as last year. As at 31 March 2023 the total value of unrestricted reserves stood at £2,853,493.

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**Plans for the Future**

Our ongoing project for Blandford Hospital next year will be upgrading the old Operating Theatre into a new, modern Treatment Facility, which was put on hold due to the pandemic. Unfortunately, due to other developments it has been put on hold once again.

With our Office Manager retiring, the Trustees considered how best to replace her.

The issues were with staff reporting to different Trustees

- Too many managers – “top heavy”
- Variations in management styles
- Focused on specialist services with no corporate overview
- Staff have no overall view of the running of the charity
- Trustees are volunteers and have no formal line management status
- Complex rules relating to employment law, health & safety, payroll and pensions, performance management, annual appraisals, disciplinary procedures, and so on.

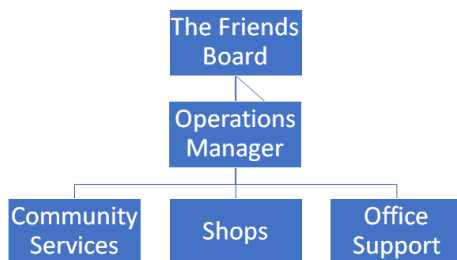
The preferred outcome was

- One person to have overall responsibility for managing staff
- Consistent approach to management style
- Able to take on a corporate responsibility for all aspects of charity aims and objectives
- Overall view of all staff performance and flexibility of staff time
- Paid manager with executive responsibility and leadership
- Professional and trained in HR resources to deal with day-to-day employment issues, managing annual leave and sickness absences, payroll and pensions, performance management and appraisals, and so on.
- Attends Board Meeting to present reports and answer questions – accountable to the Management Board.

After advertising within our own staff, we appointed Leonne Hughes as Operations Manager and are pleased to report that the whole staffing structure is working very well now that she is in post.

See new structure below.

*New Management Structure*



Currently, our membership stands at 644 members and we would like to increase this number.

We will continue our role of representing patients’ needs within the hospital and community and we are grateful to the Dorset Health Care University NHS Foundation Trust for accepting us as a responsible participant in the future of our hospital and community care.

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**Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
2. Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP.
3. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
4. State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
5. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and for the maintenance and the integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website.

**Staff and Volunteers**

The Council has been well supported as usual by the three members of staff, Leonne Hughes – Charity Team Manager, Lisa Deverell – Community Transport Manager, Becca Norris – Charity Shops Manager. Each, along with the many volunteers, contribute significantly to the efficiency of the Friends' organisation and activities. Lucy Collin – Charity Admin Support will be joining the team in mid-April.

All officers and members of the Council are honorary and did not receive any remuneration during the year or other sums except by way of reimbursement of expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Council by:



1 June 2023

Mr J Hickish  
Co-opted Secretary

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF**  
**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

I report on the financial statements of the Friends of Blandford Community Hospital for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees, who are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to: examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act); to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act); and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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

Jeff Butt  
Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Broadacres, The Ridge, Woodfalls, Wiltshire, SP5 2LQ.  
2 June 2023

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
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**


		2023 £	2022 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	124,075	72,066
Other trading activities	3	110,177	143,747
Investments	3	<u>13,662</u>	<u>12,943</u>
		<u>247,914</u>	<u>228,756</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>			
Raising funds	4	61,903	59,321
Charitable activities	4	86,583	192,599
Other	4	<u>42,056</u>	<u>46,661</u>
		<u>190,542</u>	<u>298,581</u>
<b>Net Income before investment</b>		57,372	(69,825)
<b>Gains/(Losses)</b>			
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	9	<u>(46,159)</u>	<u>141,193</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>11,213</u>	<u>71,368</u>
Net movement in funds		11,213	71,368
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Total funds bought forward		2,842,280	2,770,912
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>		<u>2,853,493</u>	<u>2,842,280</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2023**

Tangible Assets	8	348,379	280,213
Investments	9	<u>2,561,301</u>	<u>2,607,460</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>2,909,680</u>	<u>2,887,673</u>
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>			
Debtors	10	116,451	156,767
Cash at Bank and in hand		<u>282,789</u>	<u>241,200</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		399,240	397,967
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	<u>455,427</u>	<u>443,360</u>
<b>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</b>		<u>(56,187)</u>	<u>(45,393)</u>
<b>Total Assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>2,853,493</u>	<u>2,842,280</u>
Total net assets		<u>2,853,493</u>	<u>2,842,280</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>			
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<u>2,853,493</u>	<u>2,842,280</u>

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these accounts. These accounts were approved by the Council on 1 June 2023. Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees.

  
S COLE – Chairman

  
K PLUCK – Treasurer

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	<b>Note</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>109,013</b>	<b>822,311</b>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income		13,662	12,943
Sale/ (Purchase) of equipment		(81,086)	(542)
Sale of Investments			225,000
Purchase of investments			<u>(1,025,000)</u>
<b>Net cash provided/(used) in investing activities</b>		<b>(67,424)</b>	<b>(787,599)</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		41,589	34,712
Cash and cash equivalent brought forward		<u>241,200</u>	<u>206,488</u>
<b>Cash and Cash equivalent carried forward</b>		<b><u>282,789</u></b>	<b><u>241,200</u></b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**1. Basis of preparation**

**1.1. Basis of accounting**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional and presentational currency of the Charity. The financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**1.2 Changes to accounting estimates**

The most significant judgements affecting these financial statements relate to the timing of the recognition of legacy income in the accounts. The policy for legacy recognition is set out below. In the trustees' opinion there are no significant sources of estimation uncertainty affecting the financial statements. No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

**1.3 Material prior year errors**

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

**2. Accounting policies**

**2.1 Income**

**Recognition of income**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when

- The charity becomes entitled to the resources.
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

**Offsetting**

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS102SORP.

**Grant and donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the general income recognition criteria are met. Government grants are recognised using the performance model and grants which have specified future performance-related conditions are initially recognised as a liability and are released to income only when the related conditions are met. Grants which have no performance-related conditions are recognised when the proceeds are received or receivable.

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**Legacies**

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is when there has been a grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

**Donated goods**

Donated goods are recognised as income upon sale.

**Volunteer help**

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

**Income from interest, royalties and dividends**

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

**Income from membership subscriptions**

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

**Investment gains and losses**

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year. All gains and losses are taken to the statement of financial activities as they arise.

**2.2 Expenditure and liabilities**

**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

**Allocation of costs**

Governance and support costs have been allocated between raising funds, charitable activities and other costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by usage. During the current and previous years all expenditure incurred by the Charity has related to the single activity of providing support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserving and protecting the health of the community

**Grants payable without performance conditions**

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation is recognised.

**Creditors**

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

**2.3 Assets**

**Investments**

Fixed asset investments are in Charifund and Charibond – Accumulation Shares and Units. They are valued initially at cost and subsequently at their market value at the year end.

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Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity.

The charity owns a mixed-use property which comprises a shop used by the charity and a flat which is let out to provide investment income. This entire property is included within tangible fixed assets as the investment property component cannot be measured reliably

The fixed assets are capitalised at cost if they can be used for more than one year. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 8.

Debtors

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently that are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

**3. Analysis of income**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<u>Donations and legacies</u>		
Donations and gifts	37,691	21,836
Gift Aid	2,494	2,917
Legacies	81,690	43,698
Membership subscriptions	<u>2,200</u>	<u>3,615</u>
	<u>124,075</u>	<u>72,066</u>
<u>Other trading activities</u>		
Shop income	104,333	119,467
Covid-19 Grant Income		19,825
Christmas cards	1,500	2,787
Autumn Fair	3,059	
Raffle	1,285	1,668
Other events		
	<u>110,177</u>	<u>143,747</u>
<u>Income from investments</u>		
Rental income	<u>13,662</u>	<u>12,943</u>

**4. Analysis of expenditure**

	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Expenditure on raising funds</b>		
Shop expenditure	23,608	19,917
Christmas cards	1,114	2,501
Raffle	183	446
Autumn Fair	203	136
Staff costs	21,952	19,632
Motor vehicle running costs	3,266	2,272
Storage Unit costs	11,577	13,993
Printing and stationery		424
Telephone		
<b>Total Expenditure on raising funds</b>	<u>61,903</u>	<u>59,321</u>

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	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
<b>Note 4 Continued</b>		
Hospital Equipment and Amenities	<u>30,569</u>	<u>147,319</u>
Hospital Equipment and Amenities include grants payable to third parties and details of these can be found in Note 7		
Community		
Community Volunteers Expenses	14,883	5,239
Mini Bus Running Costs	2,963	2,071
Staff costs	37,827	36,627
Printing and stationery		785
Postage		458
Social outing	<u>341</u>	<u>100</u>
	<u>56,014</u>	<u>45,280</u>
<b>Total Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<u>86,583</u>	<u>192,599</u>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
<b>Other Support costs</b>		
Office salaries (2 part time employees)	14,759	29,384
Printing and stationery	2,534	283
Postage	319	458
Accounts Examiner's Fee	900	1,550
Attend Subscription	930	845
Travelling, conference and meeting expenses	3,404	1,424
Property costs	2,392	3,386
Depreciation of assets	12,920	7,963
Miscellaneous	<u>3,898</u>	<u>1,368</u>
<b>Total Other expenditure</b>	<u>42,056</u>	<u>46,661</u>
Governance costs, included in the above, totalled £2,190 (2022: £3,149)		
<b>5. Details of certain items of expenditure</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2021</b>
	£	£
Fees for preparation and examination of accounts	900	1,550
Operating Lease expenses	10,455	7,092

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<b>6. Paid employees</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
6.1 Average head count in this year	3	4
6.2 Staff Costs	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Salaries	64,614	71,549
National Insurance	3,855	4,202
Pension costs	<u>6,068</u>	<u>9,892</u>
Total	<u>74,537</u>	<u>85,643</u>

No employees received employment benefits of more than £60,000 in either the current or previous year

<b>7. Analysis of grants committed</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Age Concern	10,000	
Blandford Opportunity Group	6,000	6,000
Blandford School Pupil Sup	12,000	12,000
C Arm for Theatre		59,000
OCT Scanner and Platform		65,000
Razier 11 Emergency Lifting Chair		3,518
Other Grants made below £4,000		<u>1,200</u>
	<u>28,000</u>	<u>146,718</u>

Of the grants disclosed above, no grants were paid to individuals in FY 2023 (£1,200 to individuals in 2022)

<b>8. Tangible Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Freehold Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	278,441	10,910	68,364	357,715
Additions	0	9,092	71,994	81,086
Disposals	0		0	0
Balance carried forward	<u>278,441</u>	<u>20,002</u>	<u>140,358</u>	<u>438,801</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
Basis	Straight line – buildings only	Straight Line	Straight Line	Total
Rate	2%	25%	25%	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	9,320	9,113	59,069	77,502
Depreciation	1,569	3,201	8,150	12,920
Disposals	0		0	0
At the end of the year	<u>10,889</u>	<u>12,314</u>	<u>67,219</u>	<u>90,422</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At the beginning of the year	269,121	1,797	9,295	280,213
At the end of the year	267,552	7,688	73,139	348,379

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**9. Investments Assets**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Carrying (fair) value of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2022	2,607,460	1,666,267
Value of Charifund Units at 31/03/2022	1,961,328	879,398
Add: Purchase of additional units		925,000
Add: Re-investment of distributions	92,245	53,148
Add/(Deduct) net gain/(loss) on revaluation	<u>(106,216)</u>	<u>103,782</u>
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2023	<u>1,947,357</u>	<u>1,961,328</u>
Charibond Income Shares		
Value of Charibond Shares at 31/03/2022	646,132	786,869
Add: Purchase of additional units		100,000
Deduct: Sale of additional units		(225,000)
Add: Gain on Sale of Units		1,725
Add: Reinvestment of distribution	12,035	
Add net gain on revaluation	<u>(44,223)</u>	<u>(17,462)</u>
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2023	<u>613,944</u>	<u>646,132</u>
Total of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2023	<u>2,561,301</u>	<u>2,607,460</u>

**10. Debtors and prepayments**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Prepayments and accrued income	4,719	4,757
Accrued Income	109,732	147,593
Other debtors	<u>2,000</u>	<u>4,417</u>
	<u>116,451</u>	<u>156,767</u>

**11. Creditors and accruals**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants payable	429,776	432,976
Accruals and deferred income	<u>25,651</u>	<u>10,384</u>
	<u>455,427</u>	<u>443,360</u>

**Movement in recognised provision and funding commitments during the year**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Commitments recognised at the start of the year	432,976	310,646
New grant commitments charged to SoFA in year	28,000	146,718
Grants paid in year or no longer required	<u>(31,200)</u>	<u>(24,388)</u>
Amount of grant commitments recognised as at 31 March	<u>429,776</u>	<u>432,976</u>

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**12. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

Members of the board give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other benefits for the work that they undertake in relation to the Charity. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to the Charity-these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity related business meetings.

Expenses were incurred by committee members, as detailed below. And these were wholly in fulfilment of charity business. There are no other related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Travel and subsistence	180	165
Total Number of trustees paid expenses	12	8

**13. Operating Lease Commitments**

<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>

The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid  
 Expiring:

In less than one year	18,655	18,355
Between one and five years	18,872	38,527
Within more than five years	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>

**14. Reconciliation of Net Movement in funds to net cash flow from Operating Activities**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Net Movement in funds	11,213	71,368
Add back depreciation charge and loss on sale of assets	12,920	7,963
Deduct Investment income shown in investing activities	(13,662)	(12,943)
Deduct/(Add) Investment revaluation gains	46,159	(141,193)
Deduct/ Add profit on sale of assets		
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors and Accrued income	40,316	771,170
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	<u>12,067</u>	<u>125,964</u>
<b>Net Cash used in Operating Activities</b>	<u>109,013</u>	<u>822,311</u>

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**15. Analysis of changes in net debt**

	At Start of Year	Cash Flows	At End of Year
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>241,200</u>	<u>41,589</u>	<u>282,789</u>

**16. Analysis of Charitable Funds**

Analysis of Fund Movements	Fund B/Fwd	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and (Losses) £	Fund C/Fwd £
Unrestricted Funds	2,842,280	247,914	190,542	(46,159)	2,853,493

**Analysis of Charitable Funds - Prior year**

Unrestricted Funds	2,770,912	228,756	298,581	141,193	2,842,280
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**FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

**For the years ended 31 March**

	2023 £	2022 £	2021 £	2020 £	2019 £
<b>Charitable Expenditure</b>	86,583	192,599	60,639	400,803	129,230
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	57,372	(69,825)	1,174,904	(288,234)	20,914
<b>Total Funds</b>	2,853,493	2,842,280	2,770,912	1,402,770	1,795,994

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**ANALYSIS OF MEMBERSHIP**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
BLANDFORD FORUM	190	208
BLANDFORD ST MARY	20	23
BROAD OAK	2	4
BRYANSTON	6	6
CHARLTON MARSHALL	38	40
CHILD OKEFORD	59	73
DURWESTON	19	21
FARRINGTON	2	2
HAZELBURY BRYAN/IBBERTON	3	3
IWERNE MINSTER	21	21
LANGTON LONG	4	4
OKEFORD FITZPAINE	17	20
PIMPERNE/LETTON	14	15
SHILLINGSTONE	28	37
SPETISBURY	6	8
SHROTON	15	17
STOURPAINE	15	16
STURMINSTER NEWTON AREA	74	80
TARRANT GUNVILLE	6	7
TARRANT HINTON	6	5
TARRANT KEYNSTON	5	5
TARRANT MONKTON & LAUNCESTON	5	5
TARRANT RUSHTON & RAWSTON	1	3
WINTERBORNE HOUGHTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE KINGSTON	1	1
WINTERBORNE STICKLAND & TURNWORTH	2	6
WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH	2	3
OTHER AREAS	<u>80</u>	<u>87</u>
	<u>644</u>	<u>723</u>

**Joint subscriptions of £10 or more have been counted as 2 individuals.**

**If you would like to help by recruiting members in your area, please contact the Friends' Office, Blandford Community Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 7DD.**

**Telephone: 01258 450095 Fax: 01258 394055**  
**email: [dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net](mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net)**

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

**Founded 1948**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**2022**

**MEMBER GROUP OF “ATTEND”  
(formerly THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS)**

**Registered Charity No. 800482**

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**Notice of Meeting**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 65th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL will be held at The Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset on 6th July 2022 at 6.30pm for the following purposes:

(1) To receive and adopt the Report of the Council on the Association's activities and the examined Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022.

(2) Elections to Council:

Under the provisions of rule 11(B) of the Constitution the following members of the Council retire at the end of this meeting.

Mr P Richell  
Mr T Bridle  
Mrs A Brown

Being eligible Mr P Richell, Mr T Bridle and Mrs A Brown offer themselves for re-election.

Mrs D Stenner, Mrs J Stayt and Mrs D Sale have offered their resignations.

Under the provisions of rule 11(C) a public notice was advertised on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 calling for any nominations for the Council to be delivered to the Secretary by 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The following will be duly elected:

Mr P Richell, Mr T Bridle, Mrs A Brown, and Mrs K Pluck, election during the year confirmed.

(3) To appoint an Independent Examiner of the Accounts and to authorise the Council to determine their remuneration.

(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Association.

**Light refreshments will be served after the meeting**



By order of the Council  
9 June 2022

Mrs D SALE  
Secretary

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Patron	The Viscount Portman	
President	Mr W McLaughlin F.R.I.C.S	
Council	Mr T Bridle A.I.B. Mrs A Brown Mr S Cole Mr S Hayward Mr C Marjoram Mr W McLaughlin F.R.I.C.S.	Mrs K Pluck Mrs L Prior Mrs P Richell Mrs D Sale Mr Y Thorne Mr M Wood
Management Board	Mr S Cole (Chairman) Mrs K Pluck (Treasurer) Mrs D Sale (Secretary) Mr P Richell (Chair of Community Service Working Group) Mr W McLaughlin F.R.I.C.S (President & Project Manager/ Chair of Finance and Projects Working Group) Mr M Wood (Chair of Fundraising) Mrs L Prior (Chair of Shops Support Group)	
In attendance at Meetings	Hospital Matron	
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 9 High Street, Colchester, CO1 1DD  National Westminster Bank plc 25 Market Place, Blandford Forum, DT11 7AQ	
Accountant	Mr J N Butt A.C.A.	
Secretary	Mrs D Sale	
Treasurer	Mrs K Pluck	
Office	Blandford Community Hospital Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD  Telephone: 01258 450095 (direct line) Email: <a href="mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net">dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net</a>	

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## **REPORT OF THE COUNCIL**

The members of Council (who are also Trustees of the charity) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

### **Reference and Administrative information**

Details under this heading are contained on Page 2 and should be read as part of this report.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity's governing document is "The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital Constitution, Objects and Rules" (as amended 2008 & 2019).

The Trustees are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. Council may appoint additional or replacement Trustees to fill vacancies until the next AGM. Officers are appointed by Council from those elected by members. New trustees meet with officers and are made fully aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Constitution and all relevant aspects of the Friends' operations.

The full Council consists of a maximum of 20 members from whom the Management Board, as shown on page 2, is drawn. All members of Council are expected to serve on at least one of the working groups specialising in a specific aspect of our work. The Management Board decide on how to allocate the funds raised by the Charity at their committee meetings, with the staff only being involved with clerical roles. The Management Board are considered to be the charity's key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services

### **Objectives and Activities**

It is expected that Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust will fund the provision and replacement of standard hospital equipment, fixtures and fittings.

The objects of the Friends shall be to provide support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserve and protect the health of the community by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities, support services and equipment not normally provided by the NHS or statutory authorities. In pursuing these activities the Council confirms that it has complied with its duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance

In pursuance of these objects the Council continued to raise funds and to invite and receive contributions from individuals and organisations by way of subscriptions, donations or otherwise. Efforts are made to enlist the support of a broadly based substantial membership in order to keep in touch with the actual needs of the population, and existing members are encouraged to assist in this respect. The Friends continued to supplement the service provided by the hospital management for the health, welfare and comfort of patients and also provided amenities and support in the hospital and the community for patients, staff and others, including the Blandford Opportunities Group, who provide a day facility for disabled children.

In considering applications for financial support the following priorities are adopted:

- a) Major projects that add to the well-being and/or treatment of patients and/or the working conditions of the staff.
- b) Additional equipment that would extend or enhance work carried out by consultants in the hospital.
- c) Additional equipment to facilitate treatment given in the wards and outpatient clinics.
- d) Grants for further training of hospital staff, especially nursing staff.
- e) Improvements to the hospital environment.
- f) Equipment for improved care in the community and health related community projects.

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### Achievements and Performance

The key performance indicators used to assess the performance of the Charity are a comparison of income generated from all sources compared with prior years. In addition all expenditure is closely monitored in comparison with prior years and previous similar activities. At each committee meeting detailed reports and analysis are prepared on the performance of the investments held.

During the second year of the pandemic, when lockdown rules eased slightly, we were able to establish some of our normal activities. This came at a cost to the shops, volunteer drivers and had a huge impact of how we delivered our services. It also had an impact on the shop volunteers, where some found the risk too great to be back helping in the shops. The Community Transport Services started with a limited service which steadily grew as people became more confident to venture out. We recognise that Covid 19 will be with us for years to come and we need to closely monitor and learn to live with it. Our staff came out of furlough and started to base themselves back in the Friends Office again. We had some staff changes and this resulted in a new shop manager during this time.

Due to the lockdown and restrictions in 2021, our normal events were put on hold except for the Annual Raffle at Christmas, but future events are now in the planning starting with an Autumn Fayre in 2022. We continue to have a link from our website to a Just Giving page, which has added another source of funds. The charity does not use professional fundraisers nor does it subscribe to any schemes or standards for regulating fund-raising and does not use external fund-raising consultants. The charity's staff are careful to ensure that they treat potential supporters fairly and with respect and no complaints have been received in the year with respect to the charity's fundraising practices.

Although earlier meetings were conducted over the Zoom platform, we started to organise face to face meetings within the community, but not in the hospital due to restricted access to the hospital.

In the community we have again continued to fund a counsellor at Blandford School, a valuable service helping children who are experiencing difficulty. We also supported the Blandford Opportunities Group, who provide day facilities for disabled children and their parents, and increased funding to incorporate specific equipment as well as running costs.

For all Blandford Hospital staff we recognised their huge contribution and commitment during the months of Covid19 with a staff lapel badge. This was achieved as a joint project with other Friends of Community Hospitals.

We will be funding a new C arm image scanner intensifier for the treatment room at Blandford Hospital. This allows clinicians to give a more accurate location in order to give injection, eg back treatment.

It was also agreed to fund a Zeiss 6000 OCT Scanner. This is the most up to date eye scanner which enables the Consultant to treat retina eye problems without follow up appointments.

The charity's policy is to hold working capital within the bank accounts and to invest any surplus funding in its investment portfolio. The portfolio is held for capital growth and the objective is to achieve a gain year-on-year. In 2022 the portfolio generated investment gains of £141,193

### Financial Review

The Council is aware of its responsibility to invest funds prudently to achieve both income and capital growth and this aspect is reviewed regularly by the Management Board. It is Council policy to maintain in normal circumstances, a core reserve of at least £300,000 which, with the income generated, will provide sufficient funding to meet requests for support without undue delay.

The target level of £300,000 of core reserves is based on the funding needed to cover staff salaries, charitable activities and reasonable project costs for a period of one year. The reserves policy was last reviewed by the Trustees in May 2021 and it was confirmed this remained appropriate to the charity's current circumstances.

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The Management Board has authority to spend £100,000 on any one project within a total of £200,000 for a six-monthly-period without reference to Council.

As at 31 March 2022 the charity's unrestricted reserves exceed the targeted core reserves and the surplus will be used to support charitable projects in future periods.

In the year ended 31 March 2022 income decreased by £1,105,778 over the previous year, the decrease from reduced legacy income of £1,147,978 was offset by increased income from trading activities which rose from £98,019 to £143,747 in the year. An additional sum of £64,811 was received from the estate of Phyllis Skinner, boosting Income further. Membership figures have been revised to show the actual income received from membership, ie membership fee of £5 multiplied by the number of members. Any surplus amounts received along with membership fees have been included under Donation The decrease of £7k for the year is the result of this change in reporting and does not reflect a decline in the number of members.

During the year, a further sum of £700,000 was invested in M&G Charifund units and £100,000 in Charibond units. Moreover, £225,000 of units were transferred out of Charibond into Charifund. On 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 the value of these investments amounted to £2,607,460. This total, combined with the cash in our bank accounts of £241,200 gives us £2,848,660 of rapidly realisable funds. As at 31 March 2022 the total value of unrestricted reserves stood at £2,842,280.

Spending on Charitable Activities during the year amounted to £192,599, which covered spending on the Hospital, our Minibus and Community Volunteers Scheme and several contributions to health related projects within the wider Community. The commitment to cover £300,000 of the cost of the new MSK unit has been accrued for in the accounts and is awaiting payment in the near future.

#### **Plans for the Future**

The trustees consider the most significant risk currently facing the charity to be the uncertainty surrounding the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

It will be quite challenging to safeguard our staff and volunteers which we consider to be of the utmost importance in order for us to get back to normal and attract enough volunteers. We hope to continue with our services, patient transport, shops, etc as soon as it is safe to do so. Fund raising events will be organised when permitted by Covid legislation. We continue to discuss our main project for Blandford Hospital with the Trust this year for the upgrading of the old Operating Theatre into a new, modern Treatment Facility, which was put on hold due to the pandemic.

With our Office Manager retiring, the Trustees will consider how to replace her.

Currently, our membership stands at 723 members and we would like to increase this number. Our Membership Chair has some ambitious plans to achieve this.

We will continue our role of representing patients' needs within the hospital and community and we are grateful to the Dorset Health Care University NHS Foundation Trust for accepting us as a responsible participant in the future of our hospital and community care.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

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4. state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
5. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

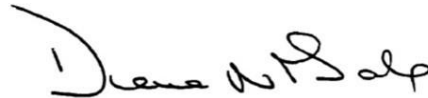
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and for the maintenance and the integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website.

**Staff and Volunteers**

The Council has been well supported as usual by the four members of staff, Sarah Connors - Office Manager, Lisa Deverell - Community Services Coordinator, Emma Sisson – Shop Manager/Events who was later replaced by Suzanne Leighton as Shop Manager and Leonne Hughes - Transport and Admin Coordinator. Each, along with the many volunteers, contribute significantly to the efficiency of the Friends' organisation and activities.

All officers and members of the Council are honorary and did not receive any remuneration during the year or other sums except by way of reimbursement of expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity.

Signed on behalf of the Council by:



9 June 2022

Mrs D Sale  
Secretary

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF**  
**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**

I report on the financial statements of the Friends of Blandford Community Hospital for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees, who are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to: examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act); to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act); and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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

Jeff Butt

Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Broadacres, The Ridge, Woodfalls, Wiltshire, SP5 2LQ.

10 June 2022

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

		2022 £	2021 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	72,066	1,225,011
Other trading activities	3	143,747	98,019
Investments	3	<u>12,943</u>	<u>11,504</u>
		<u>228,756</u>	<u>1,334,534</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>			
Raising funds	4	59,321	51,651
Charitable activities	4	192,599	60,639
Other	4	<u>46,661</u>	<u>47,340</u>
		<u>298,581</u>	<u>159,630</u>
<b>Net Income before investment</b>		(69,825)	1,174,904
<b>Gains/(Losses)</b>			
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	9	<u>141,193</u>	<u>193,238</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>71,368</u>	<u>1,368,142</u>
Net movement in funds		71,368	1,368,142
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Total funds bought forward		2,770,912	1,402,770
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>		<u>2,842,280</u>	<u>2,770,912</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2022**

Tangible Assets	8	280,213	287,634
Investments	9	<u>2,607,460</u>	<u>1,666,267</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>2,887,673</u>	<u>1,953,901</u>
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>			
Debtors	10	156,767	927,937
Cash at Bank and in hand		<u>241,200</u>	<u>206,488</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		397,967	1,134,425
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		<u>443,360</u>	<u>317,414</u>
<b>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</b>		<u>(45,393)</u>	<u>817,011</u>
<b>Total Assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>2,842,280</u>	<u>2,770,912</u>
Total net assets		<u>2,842,280</u>	<u>2,770,912</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>			
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<u>2,842,280</u>	<u>2,770,912</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these accounts. These accounts were approved by the Council on 9 June 2022. Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees.

*K Pluck*

*S Cole*

S COLE – Chairman

K PLUCK – Treasurer

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>822,311</b>	<b>242,978</b>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income		12,943	11,504
Sale/ (Purchase) of equipment		(542)	(2,387)
Sale of Investments		225,000	200,000
Purchase of investments		<u>(1,025,000)</u>	<u>(450,000)</u>
<b>Net cash provided/(used) in investing activities</b>		<b>(787,599)</b>	<b>(240,883)</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		34,712	2,095
Cash and cash equivalent brought forward		<u>206,488</u>	<u>204,393</u>
<b>Cash and Cash equivalent carried forward</b>		<b><u>241,200</u></b>	<b><u>206,488</u></b>

**THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL**  
**Charity Number 800482**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**1. Basis of preparation**

**1.1. Basis of accounting**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional and presentational currency of the Charity. The financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**1.2 Changes to accounting estimates**

The most significant judgements affecting these financial statements relate to the timing of the recognition of legacy income in the accounts. The policy for legacy recognition is set out below. In the trustees' opinion there are no significant sources of estimation uncertainty affecting the financial statements. No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

**1.3 Material prior year errors**

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

**2. Accounting policies**

**2.1 Income**

**Recognition of income**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when

- The charity becomes entitled to the resources.
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

**Offsetting**

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS102SORP.

**Grant and donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the general income recognition criteria are met. Government grants are recognised using the performance model and grants which have specified future performance-related conditions are initially recognised as a liability and are released to income only when the related conditions are met. Grants which have no performance-related conditions are recognised when the proceeds are received or receivable.

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**Legacies**

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is when there has been a grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

**Donated goods**

Donated goods are recognised as income upon sale.

**Volunteer help**

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

**Income from interest, royalties and dividends**

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

**Income from membership subscriptions**

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

**Investment gains and losses**

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year. All gains and losses are taken to the statement of financial activities as they arise.

**2.2 Expenditure and liabilities**

**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

**Allocation of costs**

Governance and support costs have been allocated between raising funds, charitable activities and other costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by usage. During the current and previous years all expenditure incurred by the Charity has related to the single activity of providing support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserving and protecting the health of the community

**Grants payable without performance conditions**

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation is recognised.

**Creditors**

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

**2.3 Assets**

**Investments**

Fixed asset investments are in Charifund and Charibond – Accumulation Shares and Units. They are valued initially at cost and subsequently at their market value at the year end.

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Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity.

The charity owns a mixed-use property which comprises a shop used by the charity and a flat which is let out to provide investment income. This entire property is included within tangible fixed assets as the investment property component cannot be measured reliably

The fixed assets are capitalised at cost if they can be used for more than one year. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 8.

Debtors

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently that are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

**3. Analysis of income**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<u>Donations and legacies</u>		
Donations and gifts	21,836	21,261
Gift Aid	2,917	1,500
Legacies	43,698	1,191,676
Membership subscriptions	<u>3,615</u>	<u>10,574</u>
	<u>72,066</u>	<u>1,225,011</u>
 <u>Other trading activities</u>		
Shop income	119,467	38,641
Covid-19 Grant Income	19,825	55,853
Christmas cards	2,787	96
Golf Day	0	0
Fashion Show	0	131
Autumn Fair	0	0
Raffle	1,668	0
Other events	<u>0</u>	<u>3,298</u>
	<u>143,747</u>	<u>98,019</u>
 <u>Income from investments</u>		
Rental income	<u>12,943</u>	<u>11,504</u>

**4. Analysis of expenditure**

	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Expenditure on raising funds</b>		
Shop expenditure	19,917	13,553
Golf Day	0	100
Christmas cards	2,501	0
Raffle	446	0
Autumn Fair	136	0
Bingo	0	0
Other events	0	235
Publicity	0	0
Staff costs	19,632	28,230
Motor vehicle running costs	2,272	1,734
Storage Unit costs	13,993	6,870
Printing and stationery	424	773
Telephone	<u>0</u>	<u>156</u>
<b>Total Expenditure on raising funds</b>	<u>59,321</u>	<u>51,651</u>

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<b>Note 4 Continued</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>		
Hospital Equipment and Amenities	<u>147,319</u>	<u>23,919</u>
Hospital Equipment and Amenities include grants payable to third parties and details of these can be found in Note 7		
Community		
Community Volunteers Expenses	5,239	387
Mini Bus Running Costs	2,071	1,719
Staff costs	36,627	32,826
Printing and stationery	785	1,289
Postage	458	324
Telephone	0	175
Social outing	<u>100</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>45,280</u>	<u>36,720</u>
<b>Total Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<u>192,599</u>	<u>60,639</u>

**Analysis of expenditure**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Other Support costs</b>		
Office salaries (2 part time employees)	29,384	28,868
Printing and stationery	283	974
Postage	458	324
Telephone	0	58
Accounts Examiner's Fee	1,550	1,450
Audit Fee	0	4,200
Attend Subscription	845	845
Travelling, conference and meeting expenses	1,424	61
Property costs	3,386	1,862
Depreciation of assets	7,963	7,366
Miscellaneous	<u>1,368</u>	<u>1,332</u>
<b>Total Other expenditure</b>	<u>46,661</u>	<u>47,340</u>

Governance costs, included in the above, totalled £3,149 (2021: £6,556)

**5. Details of certain items of expenditure**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fees for preparation and examination of accounts	1,550	1,450
Audit Fees	0	4,200
Operating Lease expenses	7,092	6,744

No audit was required for the year to 31 March 2022. (2021 Audit required cost £4,200)

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<b>6. Paid employees</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
6.1 Average head count in this year	4	4
6.2 Staff Costs	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Salaries	71,549	73,955
National Insurance	4,202	5,357
Pension costs	<u>9,892</u>	<u>10,612</u>
Total	<u>85,643</u>	<u>89,924</u>

No employees received employment benefits of more than £60,000 in either the current or previous year

<b>7. Analysis of grants committed</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bariatric Chair	0	870
MSK Suite	0	3,862
Staff Lapel Pins	0	2,000
Blandford Opportunity Group	6,000	5,000
Blandford School Pupil Sup	12,000	10,000
C Arm for Theatre	59,000	0
OCT Scanner and Platform	65,000	0
Razier 11 Emergency Lifting Chair	3,518	0
Other Grants made below £4,000	<u>1,200</u>	<u>556</u>
	<u>146,718</u>	<u>22,288</u>

Of the grants disclosed above, £1,200 were committed to be paid to individuals (£2,000 to individuals in 2021). In FY2022 no material grants were paid to institutions (FY 2021 grants of NIL were committed to be paid to institutions)

<b>8. Tangible Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Freehold Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	278,441	22,775	68,364	369,580
Additions	0	542	0	542
Disposals	<u>0</u>	<u>(12,407)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(12,407)</u>
Balance carried forward	<u>278,441</u>	<u>10,910</u>	<u>68,364</u>	<u>357,715</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
Basis	Straight line – buildings only	Straight Line	Straight Line	Total
Rate	2%	25%	2%	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At the beginning of the year	7,751	18,225	55,970	81,946
Depreciation	1,569	1,799	3,099	6,467
Disposals	<u>0</u>	<u>(10,911)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(10,911)</u>
At the end of the year	<u>9,320</u>	<u>9,113</u>	<u>59,069</u>	<u>77,502</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At the beginning of the year	<u>270,690</u>	<u>4,550</u>	<u>12,394</u>	<u>287,634</u>
At the end of the year	<u>269,121</u>	<u>1,797</u>	<u>9,295</u>	<u>280,213</u>

During the year the Charity revised its depreciation policy from a reducing balance basis to a straight line basis. This resulted in an increased depreciation charge of £900.54 in the year to 31 March 2022

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**9. Investments Assets**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Carrying (fair) value of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2021	1,666,267	1,223,029
Value of Charifund Units at 31/03/2021	879,398	577,852
Add: Purchase of additional units	925,000	125,000
Add: Re-investment of distributions	53,148	0
Add/(Deduct) net gain/(loss) on revaluation	<u>103,782</u>	<u>176,539</u>
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2022	<u>1,961,328</u>	<u>879,398</u>
Charibond Income Shares		
Value of Charibond Shares at 31/03/2021	786,869	645,177
Add: Purchase of additional units	100,000	325,000
Deduct: Sale of additional units	(225,000)	(200,000)
Add: Gain on Sale of Units	1,725	5,759
Add net gain on revaluation	<u>(17,462)</u>	<u>10,933</u>
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2022	<u>646,132</u>	<u>786,869</u>
Total of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2022	<u>2,607,460</u>	<u>1,666,267</u>

**10. Debtors and prepayments**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Prepayments and accrued income	4,757	6,516
Accrued Income	147,593	919,921
Other debtors	<u>4,417</u>	<u>1,500</u>
	<u>156,767</u>	<u>927,937</u>

**11. Creditors and accruals**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants payable	432,976	310,646
Accruals and deferred income	<u>10,384</u>	<u>6,768</u>
	<u>443,360</u>	<u>317,414</u>

**Movement in recognised provisions and funding commitments during the year**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Commitments recognised at the start of the year	310,646	307,432
New Grant commitments charged to SoFA in year	146,718	22,288
Grants paid in year or no longer required	<u>24,388</u>	<u>19,074</u>
Amounts of grant commitments recognised at 31 March 2022	<u>432,976</u>	<u>310,646</u>

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**12. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

Members of the board give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other benefits for the work that they undertake in relation to the Charity. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to the Charity-these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity related business meetings.

Expenses were incurred by committee members, as detailed below. And these were wholly in fulfilment of charity business. There are no other related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Travel and subsistence	165	0
Total Number of trustees paid expenses	8	0

**13. Operating Lease Commitments**

**2022**  
**£**

**2021**  
**£**

The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid  
Expiring:

In less than one year	<u>18,355</u>	<u>7,900</u>
Between one and five years	<u>37,527</u>	<u>32,365</u>
Within more than five years	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>

**14. Reconciliation of Net Movement in funds to net cash flow from Operating Activities**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Net Movement in funds	71,368	1,368,142
Add back depreciation charge and loss on sale of assets	7,963	7,366
Deduct Investment income shown in investing activities	(12,943)	(11,504)
Deduct/(Add) Investment revaluation gains	(141,193)	(193,238)
Deduct/ Add profit on sale of assets		
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors and Accrued income	771,170	(919,997)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	<u>125,946</u>	<u>(7,791)</u>
<b>Net Cash used in Operating Activities</b>	<u>822,311</u>	<u>242,978</u>

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**15. Analysis of changes in net debt**

	At Start of Year	Cash Flows	At End of Year
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>206,488</u>	<u>34,712</u>	<u>241,200</u>

**16. Analysis of Charitable Funds**

Analysis of Fund Movements	Fund B/Fwd	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and (Losses) £	Fund C/Fwd £
Unrestricted Funds	2,770,912	228,756	298,581	141,193	2,842,280

**Analysis of Charitable Funds - Prior year**

Unrestricted Funds	1,402,770	1,334,534	159,630	193,238	2,770,912
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**FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

**For the years ended 31 March**

	2022 £	2021 £	2020 £	2019 £	2018 £	2017 £
Charitable Expenditure	192,599	60,639	400,803	129,230	140,762	127,748
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(69,825)	1,174,904	(288,234)	20,914	68,067	47,367
<b>Total Funds</b>	2,842,280	2,770,912	1,402,770	1,795,994	1,733,354	1,696,982

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**ANALYSIS OF MEMBERSHIP**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
BLANDFORD FORUM	208	216
BLANDFORD ST MARY	23	24
BROAD OAK	4	4
BRYANSTON	6	6
CHARLTON MARSHALL	40	44
CHILD OKEFORD	73	82
DURWESTON	21	21
FARRINGTON	2	2
HAZELBURY BRYAN/IBBERTON	3	2
IWERNE MINSTER	21	24
LANGTON LONG	4	4
OKEFORD FITZPAINE	20	20
PIMPERNE/LETTON	15	15
SHILLINGSTONE	37	39
SPETISBURY	8	8
SHROTON	17	17
STOURPAINE	16	17
STURMINSTER NEWTON AREA	80	85
TARRANT GUNVILLE	7	7
TARRANT HINTON	5	5
TARRANT KEYNSTON	5	6
TARRANT MONKTON & LAUNCESTON	5	5
TARRANT RUSHTON & RAWSTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE HOUGHTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE KINGSTON	1	1
WINTERBORNE STICKLAND & TURNWORTH	6	6
WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH	3	4
OTHER AREAS	<u>87</u>	<u>86</u>
	<u>723</u>	<u>756</u>

**Joint subscriptions of £10 or more have been counted as 2 individuals.**

**If you would like to help by recruiting members in your area, please contact the Friends' Office, Blandford Community Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 7DD.**

**Telephone: 01258 450095 Fax: 01258 394055  
email: [dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net](mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net)**

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
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**Founded 1948**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**2021**

**MEMBER GROUP OF “ATTEND”  
(formerly THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS)**

**Registered Charity No. 800482**

## Notice of Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 64th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL will be held at The Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset on 7th July 2021 at 6.30pm for the following purposes:

(1) To receive and adopt the Report of the Council on the Association's activities and the examined Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021.

(2) Elections to Council:

Under the provisions of rule 11(B) of the Constitution the following members of the Council retire at the end of this meeting.

Mr C Marjoram  
Mrs J Thompson  
Mrs Y Thorne

Being eligible Mr C Marjoram and Mrs Y Thorne offer themselves for re-election.

Mrs J Thompson has offered her resignation.

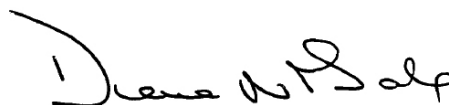
Under the provisions of rule 11(C) a public notice was advertised on 14<sup>th</sup> May April 2021 calling for any nominations for the Council to be delivered to the Secretary by 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021. The following will be duly elected:

Mr C Marjoram  
Mrs Y Thorne

(3) To appoint an Independent Examiner of the Accounts and to authorise the Council to determine their remuneration.

(4) To transact any other ordinary business of the Association.

**Light refreshments will be served after the meeting**



By order of the Council  
4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Mrs D SALE  
Secretary

# THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

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Patron	The Viscount Portman	
President	Mr W McLaughlin F.R.I.C.S	
Council	Mr T Bridle A.I.B. Mrs A Brown Mr S Cole Mr S Hayward Mr C Marjoram Mr W McLaughlin F.R.I.C.S. Mrs L Prior	Mr P Richell Mrs D Sale Mrs D Stenner Mrs J Stayt Mrs J Thompson Mr Y Thorne Mr M Wood
Management Board	Mr S Cole (Chairman) Mr S Hayward. (Treasurer) Mrs D Sale (Secretary) Mr P Richell (Chair of Community Service Working Group) Mr W McLaughlin F.R.I.C.S (President & Project Manager/ Chair of Finance and Projects Working Group) Mr M Wood (Chair of Fundraising) Mrs L Prior (Chair of Shops Support Group)	
In attendance at Meetings	Hospital Matron	
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 9 High Street, Colchester, CO1 1DD  National Westminster Bank plc 25 Market Place, Blandford Forum, DT11 7AQ	
Accountant	Mr J N Butt A.C.A.	
Auditor	Rothmans Audit LLP	
Secretary	Mrs D Sale	
Treasurer	Mr Stephen Hayward	
Office	Blandford Community Hospital Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD  Telephone: 01258 450095 (direct line) Email: <a href="mailto:dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net">dhc.friends.blandford@nhs.net</a>	

# THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

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## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

The members of Council (who are also Trustees of the charity) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

### Reference and Administrative information

Details under this heading are contained on Page 2 and should be read as part of this report.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The charity's governing document is "The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital Constitution, Objects and Rules" (as amended 2008 & 2019).

The Trustees are elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. Council may appoint additional or replacement Trustees to fill vacancies until the next AGM. Officers are appointed by Council from those elected by members. New trustees meet with officers and are made fully aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Constitution and all relevant aspects of the Friends' operations.

The full Council consists of a maximum of 20 members from whom the Management Board, as shown on page 2, is drawn. All members of Council are expected to serve on at least one of the working groups specialising in a specific aspect of our work. The Management Board decide on how to allocate the funds raised by the Charity at their committee meetings, with the staff only being involved with clerical roles. The Management Board are considered to be the charity's key management personnel and are not remunerated for their services

### Objectives and Activities

The objects of the Friends shall be to provide support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserve and protect the health of the community by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities, support services and equipment not normally provided by the NHS or statutory authorities. It is expected that Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust will fund the provision and replacement of standard hospital equipment, fixtures and fittings. As well as supporting the hospital, the Friends also provide amenities and support in the community, including to the Blandford Opportunities Group, who provide a day facility for disabled children. In pursuing these activities the Council confirms that it has complied with its duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

In pursuance of these objects the Council continues to raise funds and to invite and receive contributions from individuals and organisations by way of subscriptions, donations or otherwise. Efforts are made to enlist the support of a broadly based substantial membership in order to keep in touch with the actual needs of the population, and existing members are encouraged to assist in this respect.

In considering applications for financial support the following priorities are adopted:

1. Major projects that add to the well-being and/or treatment of patients and/or the working conditions of the staff.
2. Additional equipment that would extend or enhance work carried out by consultants in the hospital.
3. Additional equipment to facilitate treatment given in the wards and outpatient clinics.
4. Grants for further training of hospital staff, especially nursing staff.
5. Improvements to the hospital environment.
6. Equipment for improved care in the community and health related community projects.

# THE FRIENDS OF BLANDFORD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

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## Achievements and Performance

The key performance indicators used to assess the performance of the Charity are a comparison of income generated from all sources compared with prior years. In addition all expenditure is closely monitored in comparison with prior years and previous similar activities. At each committee meeting detailed reports and analysis are prepared on these key performance indicators and on the performance of the investments held.

During this unusual, pandemic year we have continued to support the hospital and local community. We have had to adapt the way we do things in line with the Government's legislation on Covid 19. All community activity involving volunteers was temporarily suspended for the safety of our volunteers. Our staff have kept in contact with our many volunteers through Facebook, our website and telephone calls and we look forward to seeing them back once the lockdown is over. Our shops were also closed for most of the year. Initially, our staff worked from home to complete a backlog of work and then, more recently, they have been flexibly furloughed. All Board, Council and Staff meetings have taken place via the Zoom platform. The positive outcome of this was that all Trustees' now have improved IT skills.

We are pleased that the Musculoskeletal Suite project was completed in May 2020, to which The Friends have committed to contribute funds of £300,000. This enables patients to be supported in a local 'one stop shop' instead of having to visit other facilities.

In the community we have again supported Life Education Wessex, a service that visits local schools to educate children on various health issues including the safe facts of life and drug and alcohol awareness. We have also continued to fund a councillor at Blandford School, a valuable service helping children who are experiencing difficulty.

Normally, we have a busy Fund Raising Diary but, due to the Covid 19 situation, all events were cancelled with the exception of the Annual Raffle, which was itself a great success. We have set up a link from our website to a Just Giving page, which has added another source of funds. The charity does not use professional fundraisers nor does it subscribe to any schemes or standards for regulating fund-raising and does not use external fund-raising consultants. The charity's staff are careful to ensure that they treat potential supporters fairly and with respect and no complaints have been received in the year with respect to the charity's fundraising practices

## Financial Review

The Council is aware of its responsibility to invest funds prudently to achieve both income and capital growth and this aspect is reviewed regularly by the Management Board. It is Council policy to maintain in normal circumstances, a core reserve of at least £300,000 which, with the income generated, will provide sufficient funding to meet requests for support without undue delay.

The target level of £300,000 of core reserves is based on the funding needed to cover staff salaries, charitable activities and reasonable project costs for a period of one year. The reserves policy was last reviewed by the Trustees in May 2021 and it was confirmed this remained appropriate to the charity's current circumstances. The charity's policy is to hold working capital within the bank accounts and to invest any surplus funding in its investment portfolio. The portfolio is held for capital growth and the objective is to achieve a gain year-on-year. In 2021 the portfolio generated investment gains of £193,238. The Management Board has authority to spend £100,000 on any one project within a total of £200,000 for a six-monthly-period without reference to Council. As at 31 March 2021 the charity's unrestricted reserves exceed the targeted core reserves and the surplus will be used to support charitable projects in future periods. In the year ended 31 March 2021 income increased by £1,109,558 over the previous year, the increase resulting from the receipt of two large legacies as well as the realisation of further legacies totalling £916,676 yet to be received. These very generous legacies more than offset declines of £15,764 in donations and Gift Aid, £4,281 in memberships and £47,332 in other trading activities, the latter resulting from the Coronavirus pandemic forcing the closure of our shops for much of the year and the cancellation of all fundraising activities. Unfortunately, this will continue to have a significant impact on income next year.

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In March a £250,000 legacy payment was invested in M & G equally between Charifund and Charibond units and on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 the total value of these investments were £1,666,267. This total, combined with the cash in our bank accounts of £206,488 gives us £1,872,755 of rapidly realisable funds and forms part of our total unrestricted reserves of £2,770,912 as at 31 March 2021

Spending on Charitable Activities during the year amounted to £60,639, which covered spending on the Hospital, our Minibus and Community Volunteers Scheme as well as several contributions to health related projects within the wider Community. The commitment to cover £300,000 of the cost of the new MSK unit has been accrued for in the accounts and is awaiting payment in the near future.

### Plans for the Future

The trustees consider the most significant risk currently facing the charity to be the uncertainty surrounding the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. It will be quite challenging to safeguard our staff and volunteers which we consider to be of the utmost importance in order for us to get back to normal and attract enough volunteers. We hope to continue with our services, patient transport, shops, etc, as soon as it is safe to do so. Fund raising events will be organised when permitted by Covid legislation. Our main project for Blandford Hospital next year will be upgrading the old Operating Theatre into a new, modern Treatment Facility.

Currently, our membership stands at 756 members and we would like to increase this number. Our Membership Chair has some ambitious plans to achieve this.

We will continue our role of representing patients' needs within the hospital and community and we are grateful to the Dorset Health Care University NHS Foundation Trust for accepting us as a responsible participant in the future of our hospital and community care.

### Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
2. Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
3. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
5. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and for the maintenance and the integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website.

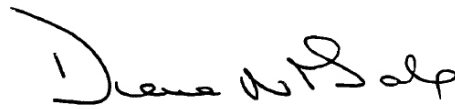
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**Staff and Volunteers**

The Council has been well supported as usual by the four members of staff, Sarah Connors - Office Manager, Lisa Deverell - Community Services Coordinator, Emma Sisson – Shop & Fundraising Coordinator and Leonne Hughes - Transport and Admin Coordinator. Each, along with the many volunteers, contribute significantly to the efficiency of the Friends' organisation and activities.

**Remuneration**

All officers and members of the Council are honorary and did not receive any remuneration during the year or other sums except by way of reimbursement of expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity.  
Signed on behalf of the Council by:



4 June 2021

Mrs D Sale  
Secretary

# Independent auditor's report to the trustees of The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital for the year ended 31 March 2021

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Friends of Blandford Community Hospital ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of The Charities Act 2011.

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Other Matter

The charity was not required to have an audit in the previous year as it fell below the audit threshold, therefore the prior period comparatives are unaudited.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the director's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

## Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, including the trustees' report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under Section 144 Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

The objectives of our audit, in respect to fraud, are to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

In identifying and assessing risk of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures include the following:

- The engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charity and those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the financial statements through discussions with trustees and management. The key laws and regulations considered are FRS102 and the Charities Act.
- We understood how the charity is complying with those frameworks by making enquires of management and we corroborated our enquiries by reviewing Board minutes.

- We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, by making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was a susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud and by considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations and we have evaluated opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements including management override.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with the laws and regulations identified above, which included, but were not limited to, identifying and testing journal entries made during the year and at the year-end and agreeing financial statement disclosure to underlying supporting documentation.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above, and there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities).

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Rothmans Audit LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rothmans Audit LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a single, long, horizontal, slightly curved line that serves as a decorative underline.

Rothmans Audit LLP  
Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors  
Avebury House  
6 St Peter Street  
Winchester  
Hampshire  
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Date: 9 June 2021

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

		<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	1,225,011	68,980
Other trading activities	3	98,019	145,351
Investments	3	<u>11,504</u>	<u>10,645</u>
		<u>1,334,534</u>	<u>224,976</u>
<b>Resources expended</b>			
Raising funds	4	51,651	61,827
Charitable activities	4	60,639	400,803
Other	4	<u>47,340</u>	<u>50,580</u>
		<u>159,630</u>	<u>513,210</u>
<b>Net Income before investment</b>		1,174,904	(288,234)
<b>Gains/(Losses)</b>			
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	9	<u>193,238</u>	<u>(104,990)</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>1,368,142</u>	<u>393,224</u>
Net movement in funds		1,368,142	393,224
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>			
Total funds bought forward		1,402,770	1,795,994
<b>Total Funds carried forward</b>		<u>2,770,912</u>	<u>1,402,770</u>
 <b>BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2021</b>			
Tangible Assets	8	287,634	292,614
Investments	9	<u>1,666,267</u>	<u>1,223,029</u>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>1,953,901</u>	<u>1,515,643</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	10	927,937	7,940
Cash at Bank and in hand		<u>206,488</u>	<u>204,392</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		1,134,425	212,332
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	<u>317,414</u>	<u>325,205</u>
<b>Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)</b>		<u>817,011</u>	<u>(112,873)</u>
<b>Total Assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>2,770,912</u>	<u>1,402,770</u>
Total net assets		<u>2,770,912</u>	<u>1,402,770</u>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>			
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>		<u>2,770,912</u>	<u>1,402,770</u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	14	242,978	13,731
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income		11,504	10,645
Sale/ (Purchase) of equipment		(2,387)	887
Sale of Investments		200,000	
Purchase of investments		<u>(450,000)</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>
<b>Net cash provided/(used) in investing activities</b>		<b>(240,883)</b>	<b>(13,468)</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the period		2,095	263
Cash and cash equivalent brought forward		<u>204,393</u>	<u>204,130</u>
<b>Cash and Cash equivalent carried forward</b>		<b><u>206,488</u></b>	<b><u>204,393</u></b>

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these accounts. These accounts were approved by the Council on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021. Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees.



S Cole – Chairman



S Hayward - Treasurer

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**1. Basis of preparation**

**1.1. Basis of accounting**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional and presentational currency of the Charity. The financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

**1.2 Changes to accounting estimates**

The most significant judgements affecting these financial statements relate to the timing of the recognition of legacy income in the accounts. The policy for legacy recognition is set out below. In the trustees' opinion there are no significant sources of estimation uncertainty affecting the financial statements. No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

**1.3 Material prior year errors**

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

**2. Accounting policies**

**2.1 Income**

**Recognition of income**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when

- The charity becomes entitled to the resources.
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

**Offsetting**

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS102SORP.

**Grant and donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the general income recognition criteria are met. Government grants are recognised using the performance model and grants which have specified future performance-related conditions are initially recognised as a liability and are released to income only when the related conditions are met. Grants which have no performance-related conditions are recognised when the proceeds are received or receivable.

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**Legacies**

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is when there has been a grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

**Donated goods**

Donated goods are recognised as income upon sale.

**Volunteer help**

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

**Income from interest, royalties and dividends**

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

**Income from membership subscriptions**

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

**Investment gains and losses**

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year. All gains and losses are taken to the statement of financial activities as they arise.

**2.2 Expenditure and liabilities**

**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

**Allocation of costs**

Governance and support costs have been allocated between raising funds, charitable activities and other costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by usage. During the current and previous years all expenditure incurred by the Charity has related to the single activity of providing support and assistance to patients of the hospital and preserving and protecting the health of the community

**Grants payable without performance conditions**

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation is recognised.

**Creditors**

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

**2.3 Assets**

**Investments**

Fixed asset investments are in Charifund and Charibond – Accumulation Shares and Units. They are valued initially at cost and subsequently at their market value at the year end.

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Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity.

The charity owns a mixed-use property which comprises a shop used by the charity and a flat which is let out to provide investment income. This entire property is included within tangible fixed assets as the investment property component cannot be measured reliably

The fixed assets are capitalised at cost if they can be used for more than one year. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 8.

**Debtors**

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently that are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

**3. Analysis of income**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<u>Donations and legacies</u>		
Donations and gifts	21,261	32,684
Gift Aid	1,500	5,841
Legacies	1,191,676	15,600
Membership subscriptions	<u>10,574</u>	<u>14,855</u>
	<u>1,225,011</u>	<u>68,980</u>
 <u>Other trading activities</u>		
Shop income	38,641	125,275
Covid-19 Grant Income	55,853	0
Christmas cards	96	0
Golf Day	0	4,778
Fashion Show	131	1,910
Autumn Fair	0	8,994
Bingo	0	2,645
Other events	<u>3,298</u>	<u>1,749</u>
	<u>98,019</u>	<u>145,351</u>
 <u>Income from investments</u>		
Rental income	<u>11,504</u>	<u>10,645</u>

**4. Analysis of expenditure**

**Expenditure on raising funds**

	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Shop expenditure	13,553	20,047
Golf Day	100	2,263
Christmas cards	0	1,500
Fashion Show	0	742
Autumn Fair	0	994
Bingo	0	903
Other events	235	310
Publicity	0	403
Staff costs	28,230	24,555
Motor vehicle running costs	1,734	1,760
Storage Unit costs	6,870	6,677
Printing and stationery	773	1,122
Telephone	<u>156</u>	<u>551</u>
<b>Total Expenditure on raising funds</b>	<u>51,651</u>	<u>61,827</u>

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<b>Note 4 Continued</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>		
Hospital Equipment and Amenities	<u>23,919</u>	<u>334,347</u>
Hospital Equipment and Amenities include grants payable to third parties and details of these can be found in Note 7		
Community		
Community Volunteers Expenses	387	24,383
Mini Bus Running Costs	1,719	5,424
Staff costs	32,826	32,541
Printing and stationery	1,289	1,869
Postage	324	371
Telephone	175	618
Volunteer meals	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>36,720</u>	<u>65,206</u>
Hospital Staff Training	<u>0</u>	<u>1,250</u>
<b>Total Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>	<u>60,639</u>	<u>400,803</u>

**Analysis of expenditure**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Other Support costs</b>		
Office salaries (2 part time employees)	28,868	28,511
Printing and stationery	974	747
Postage	324	371
Telephone	58	206
Accounts Examiner's Fee	1,450	1,495
Audit Fee	4,200	0
Attend Subscription	845	402
Travelling, conference and meeting expenses	61	157
Property costs	1,862	8,009
Depreciation of assets	7,366	9,006
Miscellaneous	<u>1,332</u>	<u>1,676</u>
<b>Total Other expenditure</b>	<u>47,340</u>	<u>50,580</u>

Governance costs, included in the above, totalled £6,556 (2020: £2,054)

**5. Details of certain items of expenditure**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fees for preparation and examination of accounts	1,450	1,200
Audit Fees	4,200	NIL
Operating Lease expenses	6,744	7,067

This is the first year that the Charity has required an audit and the auditor's remuneration constituted an audit fee of £4,200 (2020 NIL)

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<b>6. Paid employees</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
6.1 Average head count in this year	4	4
6.2 Staff Costs	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£
Salaries	73,955	70,503
National Insurance	5,357	4,969
Pension costs	<u>10,612</u>	<u>10,135</u>
Total	<u>89,924</u>	<u>85,907</u>

No employees received employment benefits of more than £60,000 in either the current or previous year

<b>7. Analysis of grants committed</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£
Bariatric Chair	870	0
MSK Suite	3,862	300,000
Staff Lapel Pins	2,000	0
Blandford Opportunity Group	5,000	5,000
Blandford School Pupil Sup	10,000	10,000
Life Education Wessex	0	6,200
Yeovil Breast Cancer Unit	0	5,000
Other Grants made below £4,000	<u>556</u>	<u>8,147</u>
	<u>22,288</u>	<u>334,347</u>

Of the grants disclosed above, £2,000 were paid to individuals (£3,915 to individuals in 2020). In FY2021 no material grants were paid to institutions (FY 2020 grants of £300,000 were committed to be paid to the NHS trust)

<b>8. Tangible Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Freehold Land and Buildings</b>	<b>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
At the beginning of the year	278,441	20,972	68,364	367,777
Additions	0	2,387	0	2,387
Disposals	<u>0</u>	584	<u>0</u>	<u>584</u>
Balance carried forward	<u>278,441</u>	<u>22,775</u>	<u>68,364</u>	<u>369,580</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
Basis	Straight line – buildings only	Reducing Balance	Reducing Balance	Total
Rate	2%	25%	25%	
	£	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	6,182	17,143	51,838	75,163
Depreciation	1,569	1,521	4,132	7,222
Disposals	<u>0</u>	<u>439</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>439</u>
At the end of the year	<u>7,751</u>	<u>18,225</u>	<u>55,970</u>	<u>81,946</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At the beginning of the year	<u>272,259</u>	<u>3,829</u>	<u>16,526</u>	<u>292,614</u>

At the end of the year	<u>270,690</u>	<u>4,550</u>	<u>12,394</u>	<u>287,634</u>
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**9. Investments Assets**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Carrying (fair) value of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2020	1,223,029	1,303,019
Value of Charifund Units at 31/03/2020	577,852	671,496
Add: Purchase of additional units	125,000	25,000
Add: Re-investment of distributions	21,947	0
Add/(Deduct) net gain/(loss) on revaluation	<u>154,599</u>	<u>(118,644)</u>
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2021	<u>879,398</u>	<u>577,852</u>
Charibond Income Shares		
Value of Charibond Shares at 31/03/2020	645,177	631,523
Add: Purchase of additional units	325,000	0
Deduct: Sale of additional units	(200,000)	0
Add: Gain on Sale of Units	5,759	0
Add net gain on revaluation	<u>10,933</u>	<u>13,654</u>
Carrying (fair) value at 31/03/2021	<u>786,869</u>	<u>645,177</u>
Total of Charifunds and Charibonds at 31/03/2021	<u>1,666,267</u>	<u>1,223,029</u>

**10. Debtors and prepayments**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Prepayments and accrued income	6,516	3,440
Accrued Income	919,921	0
Other debtors	<u>1,500</u>	<u>4,500</u>
	<u>927,937</u>	<u>7,940</u>

**11. Creditors and accruals**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants payable	310,646	307,432
Accruals and deferred income	<u>6,768</u>	<u>17,773</u>
	<u>317,414</u>	<u>325,205</u>

**Movement in recognised provisions and funding commitments during the year**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Commitments recognised at the start of the year	307,432	18,509
New Grant commitments charged to SoFA in year	22,288	334,347
Grants paid in year	<u>19,074</u>	<u>45,424</u>
Amounts of grant commitments recognised at 31 March 2021	<u>310,646</u>	<u>307,432</u>

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**12. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

Members of the board give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other benefits for the work that they undertake in relation to the Charity. However, they can claim expenses to reimburse them for costs that they incur in fulfilling their duties relating to the Charity-these include travelling specifically for charitable funds committee meetings and charity related business meetings.

Expenses were incurred by committee members, as detailed below. And these were wholly in fulfilment of charity business. There are no other related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Travel and subsistence	0	157
Total Number of trustees paid expenses	0	10

**13. Operating Lease Commitments**

<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>

The following operating lease payments are committed to be paid  
Expiring:

In less than one year	<u>7,900</u>	<u>584</u>
Between one and five years	<u>32,365</u>	<u>32,000</u>
Within more than five years	<u>NIL</u>	<u>8,000</u>

**14. Reconciliation of Net Movement in funds to net cash flow from Operating Activities**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Net Movement in funds	1,368,142	(393,224)
Add back depreciation charge and loss on sale of assets	7,366	9,006
Deduct Investment income shown in investing activities	(11,504)	(10,645)
Deduct/(Add) Investment revaluation gains	(193,238)	104,990
Deduct/ Add profit on sale of assets		
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	(919,997)	634
Decrease/(Increase) in Accrued Income		
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	<u>(7,791)</u>	<u>302,970</u>
<b>Net Cash used in Operating Activities</b>	<u>242,978</u>	<u>13,731</u>

## 15. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At Start of Year	Cash Flows	At End of Year
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>204,393</u>	<u>2,095</u>	<u>206,488</u>

## 16. Analysis of Charitable Funds

Analysis of Fund Movements	Fund B/Fwd	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and (Losses) £	Fund C/Fwd £
Unrestricted Funds	1,402,770	1,334,534	159,630	193,238	2,770,912

### Analysis of Charitable Funds - Prior year

Unrestricted Funds	1,795,994	224,976	513,210	(104,990)	1,402,770
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## FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

### For the years ended 31 March

	2021 £	2020 £	2019 £	2018 £	2017 £
Charitable Expenditure	60,639	400,803	129,230	140,762	127,748
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	1,174,904	(288,234)	20,914	68,067	47,367
Total Funds	2,770,912	1,402,770	1,795,994	1,733,354	1,696,982

## ANALYSIS OF MEMBERSHIP

	2021	2020
BLANDFORD FORUM	216	251
BLANDFORD ST MARY	24	30
BROAD OAK	4	5
BRYANSTON	6	11
CHARLTON MARSHALL	44	47
CHILD OKEFORD	82	89
DURWESTON	21	22
FARRINGTON	2	2
HAZELBURY BRYAN/IBBERTON	2	3
IWERNE MINSTER	24	25
LANGTON LONG	4	4
OKEFORD FITZPAINE	20	20
PIMPERNE/LETTON	15	18
SHILLINGSTONE	39	47
SHROTON	17	17
SPETISBURY	8	8
STOURPAINE	17	20
STURMINSTER NEWTON AREA	85	114
TARRANT GUNVILLE	7	7
TARRANT HINTON	5	5
TARRANT KEYNSTON	6	7
TARRANT MONKTON & LAUNCESTON	5	6
TARRANT RUSHTON & RAWSTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE HOUGHTON	3	3
WINTERBORNE KINGSTON	1	3
WINTERBORNE STICKLAND	6	10
WINTERBORNE WHITECHURCH	4	4
OTHER AREAS	86	99
	<u>756</u>	<u>884</u>

Joint subscriptions have now been counted as individuals.

If you would like to help by recruiting members in your area, please contact the Friends' Office, Blandford Community Hospital, Milldown Road, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 7DD.

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## NOTES