

The Driving Force

Scotland · Charity number SC036792

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	Unincorporated association
Registered	2005-08-16
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	Bonnybridge Health Centre Larbert Road Bonnybridge FK4 1ED
Website	www.bdthedrivingforce.org.uk

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of health', 'the advancement of citizenship or community development', 'the relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage'

What the charity does: Provide free transport for cancer and dialysis patients to appointments and offer complimentary therapies

Beneficiaries: 'People with disabilities or health problems'

Objectives: The Objects of the group shall be to promote the benefit of the cancer and dialysis patients by operating a voluntary transport service to hospital appointments and treatment sessions and help with transport for visitors if cancer patients are admitted to hospital. The group will also provide other services for people with cancer such as complementary therapies, hairdressing, podiatry and nail treatments.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Falkirk
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£27,697	£26,303	-	0
2024-03-31	£21,345	£28,010	-	0
2023-03-31	£20,007	£19,717	-	0
2022-03-31	£20,682	£15,762	-	0
2021-03-31	£9,517	£11,807	-	0

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Accounts

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THE DRIVING FORCE
REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 MARCH 2025

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THE DRIVING FORCE
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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Report of the Committee

Reference and Administrative Details

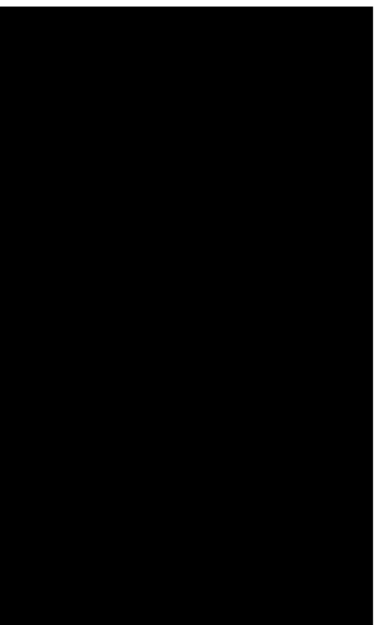
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Management Committee:



Bankers

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Independent examiner



Dickson Middleton
Chartered Accountants
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Stirling
FK8 1NE

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Report of the Committee (continued)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is an unincorporated association which was constituted on 16 August 2005.

The members of the management committee are elected at the annual general meeting of the charity and consist of not less than three and not more than eight members. At a management committee meeting a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer are elected from within the management committee. There will be six Trustees comprised of the elected office bearers plus two other members.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the charity are to provide benefits to cancer and dialysis patients and their visitors living in or near Bonnybridge, Denny and Banknock by operating a voluntary transport service to hospital appointments and providing therapy treatment sessions.

The objects are achieved through:

- The recruitment of drivers, coordinators and fundraisers
- Publicising the scheme locally
- The arrangement of training for all drivers
- Applications for grants
- Fundraising

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

In 2024/25 we continued to provide our core service of voluntary transportation to treatment appointments and our wellness and complementary therapies services for patients in the community.

We continue to review all risk assessments, policies and procedures.

We are grateful for the support given by the local community, businesses and service users.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees aim to hold sufficient funds to be able to provide our service for the foreseeable future without any restriction or curtailment. The amount retained in the General Fund at the year-end was £97,007.

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Report of the Committee
(continued)

STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The committee is responsible for preparing the Report of the Committee and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in Scotland requires the committee to prepare financial statements for each financial 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the committee is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The committee is 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 and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Management Committee and signed on its behalf by:



21st October 2025

THE DRIVING FORCE

Independent Examiner's Report to the Management Committee of The Driving Force

I report on the accounts of The Driving Force for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of Management Committee members and examiner

The Management Committee is responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The Management Committee considers that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the financial statements as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented in those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the financial statements.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

I do not, in giving this report, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or in whose hands it may come, save where expressly agreed by my prior consent in writing.



October 2025

THE DRIVING FORCE
Statement of Receipts and Payments
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	General Fund 2025 £	Restricted Fund 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Receipts				
<u>Voluntary income</u>				
Ordinary Donations	23,508	-	23,508	18,987
Gift Aid Donations & tax recovered	3,347	-	3,347	2,130
<u>Activities for generating funds</u>				
Activities, events and courses	-	-	-	-
<u>Investment income</u>				
Bank interest	842	-	842	228
Total Receipts	27,697	-	27,697	21,345
Payments				
<u>Charitable activities</u>				
Mileage and taxi costs	16,927	-	16,927	14,247
Therapy costs	5,678	-	5,678	3,504
Postage and stationery	270	-	270	420
Advertising and website	1,483	-	1,483	6,540
Insurance	523	-	523	517
Mobile phone	65	-	65	92
Driver training	-	-	-	476
Sundries	555	-	555	899
Fundraising costs	472	-	472	1,003
Total Payments for Charitable activities	25,973	-	25,973	27,698
<u>Governance costs</u>				
Independent examination	330	-	330	312
Total Payments	26,303	-	26,303	28,010
Net (Payments) / Receipts	1,394	-	1,394	(6,665)
Transfers to / (from) funds	-	-	-	-
(Deficit) / Surplus for year	1,394	-	1,394	(6,665)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024	95,613	-	95,613	102,278
Fund balances at 31 March 2025	97,007	-	97,007	95,613

The notes on pages 7 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Balances as at 31 March 2025

	Note	General Fund 2025	Restricted Fund 2025	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
		£	£	£	£
<u>Cash funds</u>	3				
Cash and bank balances brought forward		95,613	-	95,613	102,278
Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account		1,394	-	1,394	(6,665)
Cash and bank balances carried forward		97,007	-	97,007	95,613
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		97,007	-	97,007	95,613
<u>Funds</u>					
General Fund		97,007	-	97,007	95,613
Restricted Fund		-	-	-	-
<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>		97,007	-	97,007	95,613

Assets / liabilities not included above:

Fixed assets – Office and computer equipment – value immaterial

Estimate of other assets

Accrued interest	920	-	920	842
Income tax on Gift Aid refundable	1,032	-	1,032	629
	<u>1,952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,952</u>	<u>1,471</u>

Estimate of liabilities

Independent examination fee	330	-	330	312
Accrued mileage / therapy costs	1,444	-	1,444	3,491
	<u>1,744</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,744</u>	<u>3,803</u>

Approved by the Management Committee on October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:-



The notes on pages 7 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention, modified as to reflect the inclusion of income and expenditure on a receipts and payments (i.e. cash) basis, and in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006.

b) Incoming Resources

All income and donations are included within receipts under either unrestricted or restricted funds according to the terms under which the income is received or the donation is made.

c) Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis as payment is made.

Governance costs comprise accountancy expenses.

d) Funds structure

The charity has restricted income funds to account for situations where a donor requires that a donation must be spent on a particular purpose or where funds have been raised for a specific purpose. All other funds are unrestricted income funds.

2. Funds

The nature and purpose of each fund is as follows:-

a) **Restricted**

There are no restricted funds for this year.

b) **Unrestricted**

General Fund

The purpose of this fund is to meet all legitimate expenses incurred on behalf of The Driving Force.

3. Cash at bank and on hand

Unrestricted:

Business Bank Account
Business Reserve Account
Cash on hand

Restricted:

Business Reserve Account

	2025	2024
	£	£
	8,856	8,303
	88,151	87,310
	-	-
	<u>97,007</u>	<u>95,613</u>
	-	-
	<u>97,007</u>	<u>95,613</u>

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

4. Allocation of surplus (deficit) for year	2025 £	2024 £
General fund (note 6)	1,394	(6,654)
Restricted fund (note 6)	-	(11)
Total	<u>1,394</u>	<u>(6,665)</u>

5. Movements in funds	Balance 01/04/24 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers between funds £	Balance 31/03/25 £
Unrestricted	95,613	27,697	(26,303)	-	97,007
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>95,613</u>	<u>27,697</u>	<u>(26,303)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,007</u>

6. Analysis of net assets over funds

	Bank and cash £	Total £
General Fund	97,007	97,007
Restricted Fund	-	-
	<u>97,007</u>	<u>97,007</u>

7. Expenses paid to trustees

Expenses reimbursed to trustees in the year amounted to £366 (2024: £1,347).

8. Trustee Remuneration

Remuneration paid to trustees in the year was £nil (2024: £nil).