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ABOUT VISION

Charity details

Charity name	VISION (ROSSENDALE)
Working name	VISION
Charity registration	Registered in England and Wales no. 1138523
Company number	Company limited by guarantee, no. 07315280 (incorporated 15 July 2010)
Registered office	Woodlea Mission, 5a Tenterfield Street, Rossendale, BB4 7BA
Trustees	**Jane Shadlock** (Chair), **Stephen Shepherd** (Treasurer), **Ian Bury**, **Nathan Shepherd** **Rachel Topham** (Lead Trustee for Safeguarding) – Appointed 27/06/2025 The Trustees are also directors for the purpose of company law. Appointment of Trustees is governed by the company's Articles of Association. The Board of Trustees meet on a regular basis to review the activities of the charity.

Structure and governance

Governing document	Articles of Association (amended 20 March 2020)
Affiliation	A member of the Evangelical Alliance since 2017
Accountants	Lumb Accountancy Services Limited New Hall Hey Business Centre, New Hall Hey Road, Rossendale, BB4 6HL
Team	Full-time employees (permanent): **1** Part-time employees (fixed-term): **1** Self-employed sessional workers: **2** Active volunteers: **28**

Objectives

Charitable objectives	To advance the Christian religion amongst young people mainly but not exclusively of secondary school age, first and foremost in Rossendale (Lancashire) by all means including such religious and other charitable activities as the trustees may decide, in accordance with the statement of faith.
Public benefit	VISION meets the Charity Commission's public benefit requirement under the categories of general charitable purposes, the advancement of education and training through structured programmes, and the advancement of religious understanding and engagement.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by

Mrs. NJ Shadlock (Chair)

29 October 2026

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ABOUT VISION

We're a CHRISTIAN charity

We put our **faith** into action by sharing the hope we have in Jesus, and by responding to young people's needs with compassion and practical help.

We're a LOCAL charity

We're focused on **Rossendale.** Our team are familiar faces in local schools and young people know where they can find consistent support close to home.

We're an ESTABLISHED charity

Since our first event in 2002, parents and schools have **trusted** VISION to run activities that inspire young people towards a life of purpose and possibility.

Our activities

- **We run our own venue,** offering fun and free activities to help young people make friends, discover faith, and find a place to belong.
- **We work with local primary and secondary schools** to deliver engaging classes and assemblies which bring a message of hope to combat the anxiety, low self-worth, and online harm experienced by so many.
- **We help young people develop skills and confidence** with opportunities to play an active part in our work.
- **We offer professional counselling** for teenagers facing serious emotional and mental health difficulties, and provide help with essentials such as toiletries, food and clothing when needed.

Our building

Our home is Woodlea Mission, a chapel built in 1894 near the spot where evangelist John Wesley preached in 1747. After serving as an independent church for 116 years, the building was donated to VISION in 2010 and has been transformed into a stunning venue for young people thanks to the generosity and hard work of our supporters.

Our team

Nathan Shepherd is our Charity Director and our only full-time employee. Nathan manages all day-to-day activities, leads our work with young people, and coordinates resources, volunteers, and supporters.

Amy Moriarty has led our youth counselling service since 2020. Amy is a professional psychotherapist who is paid by VISION on a sessional basis as a self-employed practitioner.

For larger sessions in schools and special events, we continue to work with actor and writer **Matt Britton**. Matt has more than 25 years of youth work experience and, like Amy, is paid by VISION on a sessional basis.

Grant funding enabled us to employ **Abigail Jones** on a short-term contract for two hours a week in November. Abigail was in her final year of sixth form and was tasked with exploring the possibility of new after-school youth activities.

The rest of our team are all **volunteers**! Some are retired and able to give many hours each week, but most have full-time jobs and generously give up some of their spare time to help out. Most activities held at Woodlea Mission simply wouldn't be possible without our volunteers who bring so much enthusiasm, experience, and care for the young people.

2025 stats

- We ran **646** sessions including classes/assemblies in **10** schools plus weekly groups and counselling sessions
- We worked with **2,944** children and teenagers:
  - **83** attended an activity at Woodlea Mission
  - **47** received professional counselling
  - **2,814** saw our team in school
- We were supported by **28** volunteers and received **£38k** in donations from **90** individuals/families.




WHO AM I?








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not everyone wants what's best for us


holiday photos
hobbies / interests
EXIT


HOPEFUL PRAYER


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★★★★★

Absolutely fabulous!!!!

"ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS!!!! Meticulously planned and well organised! The children's attention was captured as soon as they stepped into the building.

Games were exciting, engaging and age appropriate. Questions and content fitted the age group perfectly. Staff were knowledgeable about social media/screen time/anxiety/peer pressure etc. and used a mixture of collaborative idea generating and individual thoughts.

You delivered an important message whilst keeping all 43 children engaged throughout the morning - not an easy feat!"

N. Sharples, Senior Leader
Waterfoot Primary School
June 2025

★★★★★

Relevant and credible

"As always, it was excellent. There was a depth to the theology that underpinned a very accessible, relevant and credible session.

It connected with the young people's life experiences at 14/15 years old.

Most importantly, pupils were left in no doubt about who they can believe in a world of multiple fakes - Jesus!"

C. Pountain, Director of Spirituality
St Christopher's CE High School
July 2025

★★★★★

Excellent rapport

"Highly engaging and well delivered. Pupils were actively involved and responded very positively to Nathan, who built an excellent rapport with them. It was pleasing to see pupils able to confidently recall key learning points after the session, demonstrating strong understanding and impact."

N. Howard, Key Stage 2 teacher
St John with St Michael CE Primary School
September 2025

★★★★★

Very engaging and interactive

"The session was very engaging and interactive. The children remained attentive throughout, and everything was explained clearly and effectively."

"Very informative but also fun for the children. Nathan was very engaging!"

Key Stage 2 staff
St Anne's CE Primary School
September 2025

★★★★★

Expertly tailored

"Fantastic assembly which was exactly what we needed our students to hear about in terms of the internet and popular apps. The assemblies were expertly tailored to each year group, based on a wealth of scientific studies and thoroughly grounded in cognitive science. This meant our students would really see the importance of the points being made.

All our staff are saying how brilliant the assembly was. Very much looking forward to welcoming you back for the next instalment!! Thank you very much."

J. Dougherty, Assistant Principal
Bacup & Rawtenstall Grammar School
October 2025

★★★★★

Just what our children needed

"it was fantastic as usual and just what our children needed. It tied in perfectly with other things we have been learning about in class."

"Thank you so much for visiting our school. The children were so enthused by your session and learnt a lot of valuable information from it."

Key Stage 2 staff
St Nicholas CE Primary School
November 2025

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SCHOOLS

We had another busy year in schools, with new and exciting opportunities to offer practical help to students.

In Church of England schools, we're asked to share Bible verses and talk about faith, often closing with a prayer for those who want to join in. In other schools, we focus on helping students make informed and confident choices, and reminding them that their lives are precious and they are not alone.

January–July

In January, Nathan visited St Christopher's CE High School for a Spirituality Day on the theme of "Destiny", working with 110 pupils aged 15-16 and making space for questions about faith, purpose and the future.

In March, St Wilfrid's CE Academy asked us to share the Easter story with 510 pupils aged 14-17. Matt performed the final three chapters of Mark's Gospel, with short reflections from Nathan on friendship, betrayal, love and grace. Bringing the story to life in this way helps young people engage with the Bible and consider what it might mean for their own lives.

In June, 48 children aged 10-11 from Waterfoot Primary School walked down to VISION for their annual wellbeing day. Seven volunteers helped Nathan and Matt run interactive games, challenges and discussions. These sessions give us time to listen to children, take their worries seriously, and remind them they don't have to face difficult things alone.

In July, Nathan returned to St Christopher's for another Spirituality Day with 140 pupils aged 11-15, before he and Matt delivered new internet safety sessions for 66 children aged 10-11 at two primary schools.

September–December

Internet safety is now our most-requested topic, and it's not difficult to see why. Everything's gone digital, from friendships, free time and food deliveries, to homework, hobbies and even happiness. Children's lives revolve around screens. This opens up many possibilities... but also allows easy access to some of the most harmful content imaginable.

In response, we created "Heart + Mind", a three-part series inspired by Philippians 4:6–8 which uses realistic scenarios and demonstrations to help children think about their online activity. The series was launched in four primary schools: Waterfoot Primary, St Anne's CE Primary, Newchurch St Nicholas CE Primary, and St John with St Michael CE Primary.

Part 1, "Guard Your Heart", ran in September and explored two concepts: "not everyone tells the truth" and "not everything we see is real". Children practised spotting scams and fake content, learnt how to pause before clicking to give themselves thinking time, and discussed what to do if someone asks them to share something private.

Nathan returned to St Christopher's in October, working with 270 sixth form students on the theme of "Hopeful Prayer", before starting a new assembly series at Bacup and Rawtenstall Grammar School (BRGS). These 20-minute year assemblies, delivered to all 1,110 pupils aged 11–18, explored the science behind addictive design features in apps and games, offering practical steps to break harmful habits and make room for purpose, hope and connection with others.

Part 2 of the primary school series, "Guard Your Mind", began after half term. Children explored how water is filtered, then applied the same ideas to the internet: some dangers are obvious, such as violent/explicit videos; other dangers build up slowly, making us feel we're not attractive, successful or happy enough. Children were encouraged to filter out harmful content, talk to a trusted adult about what they've seen online, and make time for activities away from screens.

Later in November, Nathan and Matt adapted the primary school content to create two-hour sessions for a Year 7 internet safety day at BRGS, where 180 pupils aged 11-12 looked at issues and dangers in greater depth.

Finally, in December, we shared the Christmas story with 405 children aged 4-11 in primary school assemblies.

All of these visits have strengthened our connection with our nearest schools. Every pupil now knows about VISION, helping them see that there are people nearby who care about them and want to support them.

Funding

This work is made possible by financial contributions and donations: in 2025, schools contributed £1,625 towards lessons and assemblies, and local businesses donated £700 through our "Cover the Cost" campaign.

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WOODLEA MISSION

We want to help young people stay connected to one another, and to Jesus. Our activities at Woodlea Mission give teenagers space to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and discover how it relates to their everyday lives.

Connect

Connect is a high-energy mix of games, talks, activities and discussions to help 11-18s find purpose through faith in Jesus. Connect ran on Friday evenings in term time, led by Nathan and supported by a faithful team of nine volunteers.

From January to April, we focused on starting a youth band. We explored why music matters to Christians and what the Bible says about worship. We chose some Christian songs and looked closely at their lyrics, helping young people think about the meaning behind the words they would be singing. They could then choose to sing or play an instrument, and we learnt the songs together. We rehearsed each week, using simple backing tracks to fill in the missing instruments.

This led to young people from Connect helping lead worship at our Good Friday service, a free event aimed at teenagers and adults which combined music, an Easter message from Nathan, and Matt's dramatic retelling of the Easter story, performed word-for-word from the Bible. This gave the young people an opportunity to put their developing musical skills into practice and play an active part in sharing our faith with others.

In May and June, we tried out the new Alpha Youth Series. Each week began with our usual game and refreshments, followed by an episode from the video series. We then made time for discussion, reflection and prayer, giving young people an opportunity to explore Christian faith together and talk about their own thoughts and questions.

For part of the autumn term, we worked in two age groups, 11–14s and 15–18s, so discussions could better reflect their different stages of life. With the older group, we particularly explored leadership from a Christian perspective. Towards the end of the year, we brought everyone back together as one group and tapped into the excitement around BBC One's "Celebrity Traitors" with a series exploring what the Bible says about faithfulness and integrity. This gave us a familiar starting point for thinking about how faith shapes our choices and relationships.

We finished the year on a high with our annual Christmas Party: fun games, food and reflection on the Christmas story.

Reach Puppets

In April, Reach Puppets moved to a new home at Kay Street Baptist Church.

Reach Puppets was part of our charity from 2018 to 2025. During that seven-year period a total of 45 young people aged 10–18 developed their puppeteering skills, grew in confidence and made lasting friendships through weekly rehearsals and regular performances. Their fun and faith-filled shows brought joy to hundreds of children at VISION KIDS events and local churches, and we're grateful to all the volunteers who contributed to this part of our charity's work.

We marked the move with a "Thank You Night" at Woodlea Mission on 25 March. Parents were invited to watch a final performance by the puppeteers, leaders from VISION and Kay Street Baptist Church spoke to celebrate the young people and all they had contributed over the years, and we watched some video highlights.

All puppets, staging, equipment and resources that were no longer needed by our charity were donated to Kay Street Baptist Church, allowing this collection - built up over many years - to remain available for charitable faith-based work with children and young people.

Events for children and families

During the autumn term, Kids Club and Lite Nite were on hold while we took the fun and energy of VISION KIDS into local primary schools. We missed welcoming families to these much-loved events but were excited by opportunities to work regularly with hundreds of children across Rossendale through lessons, assemblies and school trips to VISION, offering hope and support, and sharing the same Christian message of love, light and life.

Funding

Youth events and groups at our venue are free of charge. All running costs for the building and our activities are funded by monthly donations to our charity.

COUNSELLING

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Youth Counselling Service

Some young people are carrying difficulties that need more time and specialist support than a group session can offer. Our Youth Counselling Service provides professional, individual care for teenagers facing complex emotional and mental health challenges, helping them find a sense of safety and hope for the future.

For us, this work is a practical expression of our Christian faith and our belief that every young person's life is precious. We want young people to know that their difficulties do not define their worth, that help is available, and that there can be hope beyond what they are facing today.

Established in 2020 during the pandemic, the service is led by Amy Moriarty, a qualified therapist, co-founder of VISION and our charity's Safeguarding Lead. Throughout 2025, Amy worked at one of our nearest schools, The Valley Leadership Academy, every Tuesday and Wednesday during term time. In total, 47 young people aged 11–16 received counselling during the year. In the autumn, Amy also supported pupils from Whitworth High and Alder Grange, with some sessions taking place at VISION in Waterfoot.

The young people supported by Amy often face many challenges at the same time. Some have experienced abuse, neglect or domestic violence; others are grieving the loss of someone close to them or living in unsafe and unsettled circumstances. They may be struggling with anxiety, depression, low self-esteem or difficulties with relationships and school life. For some, their distress has led to self-harm, problems with eating, or even attempts to end their lives. It is heartbreaking that young people are carrying such heavy burdens - but reassuring that they are not facing them alone.

Amy provides one-to-one counselling, giving each young person time with a trusted professional who listens without judgement. Her work helps young people make sense of difficult experiences, recognise and manage their emotions, and develop ways to cope when life feels overwhelming. Sessions respond to the individual, with space to explore concerns about home, friendships, school, identity or the future.

Careful arrangements behind the scenes help make this possible. School staff coordinate referrals and appointments, and counselling takes place in a private, consistent setting where conversations can happen without unnecessary interruptions. Amy works closely with the school's safeguarding staff and, where appropriate, with parents, carers and external agencies including family services and the police.

Schools already work hard to support their pupils, and our aim is to strengthen the care available to those with the greatest needs. Providing counselling within school brings specialist support into a familiar place, making it easier for young people to attend regularly.

Youth Emergency Fund

Alongside counselling, our Youth Emergency Fund enables Amy to arrange practical help for young people who urgently need essentials such as toiletries, food or clothing. These needs can be easy to overlook when someone is facing a much larger crisis, but responding to them is an important part of caring for the whole person.

Funding

Our counselling service operates at cost, with schools usually covering the fees and any available funding and discounts helping to reduce what they pay.

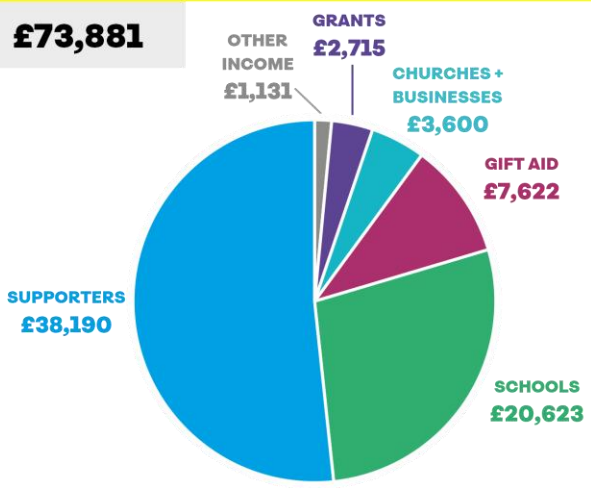
Donations to the Youth Emergency Fund can be made by contacting our office.

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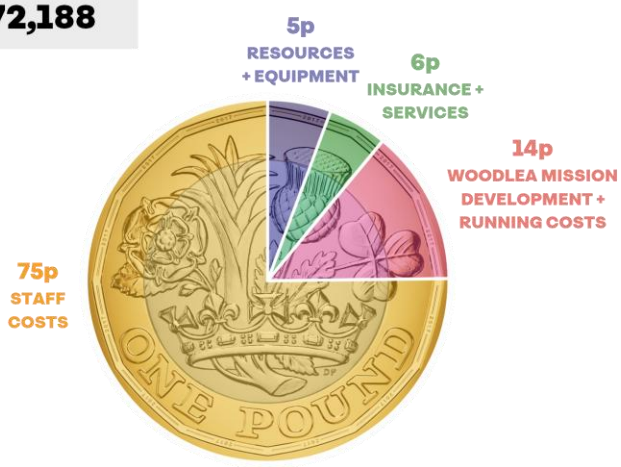
2025 INCOME

£73,881



FOR EVERY £1 SPENT IN 2025

£72,188



VISION received...

£38,190 from our supporters - that's **£31,045** from monthly donations and **£7,145** in one-off donations.
↑ £479 more than last year

£20,623 from schools - **£18,998** for counselling and **£1,625** towards lessons and assemblies.
↑ £523 more than last year

£7,622 in Gift Aid from last year's donations.
↓ £712 less than last year

£3,600 of corporate donations - that's **£2,900** from churches and **£700** from local businesses.
↑ £1,975 more than last year

£2,715 in grants - **£2,000** from the Bishop Radford Trust and **£715** from Lancashire County Council.
↓ £2,285 less than last year

£1,131 of other income from room hire, electricity generated by solar panels, cashback and interest.
↓ £674 less than last year

VISION spent...

£54,291 on staff costs for salaries and sessional workers plus training, DBS checks and travel expenses.
↓ £2,179 less than last year

£9,997 on Woodlea Mission – that includes all development and refurbishment, plus running costs (utility bills, cleaning, stock and supplies) along with licences and subscriptions.
↑ £3,643 more than last year

£3,818 on insurance, accountants' fees, and membership costs for ThirtyOne:Eight (safeguarding), Stewardship (legal and employment advice), and the Evangelical Alliance.
↓ £491 less than last year

£3,854 on resources, materials and equipment.
↓ £244 less than last year

£228 on fundraising (not visible on chart).
↑ £228 more than last year

Asset transfer

In April we donated a collection of puppets, staging and equipment to Kay Street Baptist Church, along with £517.83 in unspent donations that were allocated to Reach Puppets. The transfer was made under a written agreement requiring assets to be used for charitable purposes to continue supporting Christian work with local young people.

Trustees' policy on reserves

We aim to hold enough reserves to keep our charitable activities running for up to three months if income falls short. We only commit to projects with significant costs once the necessary funding is secured.

This page summarises cash received and spent in 2025. For a fuller picture of the charity's financial position, please refer to the attached accounts, which use the accruals basis and include accounting adjustments.

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TEAM

Our volunteers

VISION runs on the passion and dedication of ordinary people who believe that our small charity is making a big difference.

Alongside our paid staff, 28 adult volunteers generously gave their time, skills and experience to support young people in Rossendale. Together, they contributed more than 2,000 voluntary hours to VISION in 2025.

Some contributions are easy to see; others happen quietly behind the scenes. We're grateful to everyone who volunteered during the year, whether through regular involvement or help with particular activities.

Of course, we'd also like to recognise all the young people aged 13-17 who have helped at our events. Their input is vital to the charity, and our events wouldn't be the same without their energy and enthusiasm.

Safeguarding

Protecting children and young people is central to our work. Our trustees retain overall responsibility for safeguarding, supported by a trained safeguarding team appointed to record and respond to concerns.

Our Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment policies guide how we deliver activities and appoint staff and volunteers. These policies are reviewed regularly, and all team members are required to complete safeguarding training and follow our procedures. We maintain secure arrangements for raising and recording concerns so that information can be passed promptly to the safeguarding team.

Our membership of ThirtyOne:Eight gives us access to specialist safeguarding advice, DBS services, training and resources.

Our safeguarding statement is publicly available on our website.

Safety and training

We maintain arrangements for fire safety, first aid, building security and food hygiene, including the management of allergies.

Our volunteer team includes experienced healthcare professionals who support first aid provision, and team members receive training in responding to accidents and emergencies. A professional fire risk assessment informs our precautions, and fire systems are inspected and tested regularly. During 2025, we carried out a series of drills to test our emergency procedures and evacuation plans.

These arrangements support the care we want young people, families and volunteers to experience whenever they take part in VISION's activities.

Prayer support

As Christians, we believe that prayer changes things.

When we refurbished and re-opened Woodlea Mission in 2015, we chose Isaiah 61 as our foundation scripture. This chapter describes the mission statement of Jesus: to bring good news, comfort the broken-hearted, and offer freedom to those who feel trapped and weighed down.

When we pray, we're asking God to rebuild, restore, and revive young lives in Rossendale. We're seeking his guidance, wisdom and strength, and asking him to provide the resources we need. In 2025 we shared regular updates with team members and supporters who have committed to pray for our charity. We believe this made a significant difference and would like to thank everyone who has taken time to support us in prayer this year.

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PLANS FOR 2026

Charitable activities

In 2026, we aim to build on the progress made during 2025, strengthening our relationships with young people, schools and supporters, and developing new opportunities to serve our local area. Our priorities will include:

+ **Developing our schools work -** The "Heart + Mind" internet safety series will continue into 2026, with regular lessons and assemblies helping children put what they learn into practice. We'll also offer more primary schools the opportunity to visit Woodlea Mission for new "Fear/Less" sessions in June, which will explore confidence, identity and self-worth.
+ **Helping young people take the lead –** Connect will continue to provide a place to explore faith, build friendships and develop gifts. We'll continue to offer volunteering opportunities, involving sixth formers in creating content for younger children and giving them practical youth work experience, guided by our team.
+ **Maintaining specialist support** – We'll continue our counselling service through the long-term arrangement with The Valley Leadership Academy, providing professional care shaped around individual needs. We'll also maintain the Youth Emergency Fund so that practical help will remain available when a young person urgently needs essentials.

Woodlea Mission

We'll continue to look after and develop Woodlea Mission. We'll host more school groups for sessions that make full use of the stage, screens, lighting and other facilities. We'll also explore possibilities for activities after school, drawing on ideas developed through our work experience placements. Keeping the building organised, maintained and ready for different uses will help us make the most of the space available.

Team

We'll encourage older teenagers and young adults to volunteer, offering clear responsibilities, support and opportunities to learn. Training will remain an important part of caring for our team and the young people we serve. We'll continue providing training in Fire Safety, First Aid, Security and Safeguarding, helping everyone understand their role in keeping our activities safe and welcoming.

Systems, processes and policies

We'll continue to refine the systems that support bookings, referrals, communication and record-keeping. This will help us reduce unnecessary administration while ensuring that important information is handled carefully. Regular policy reviews and clear procedures will help staff and volunteers understand their responsibilities and respond consistently to young people's needs.

Support

The generosity of individuals, families, churches and businesses will remain essential to VISION's work. We'll keep supporters informed through newsletters and our Christmas mailing, sharing both the activities taking place and the difference their support makes.

We'll seek to grow regular giving, strengthen relationships with local businesses and maintain fair contributions from schools, using charitable funding to keep services affordable. A more dependable income will help us plan ahead and, over time, create further opportunities for paid youth work, giving greater continuity to our support for local young people.

Company registration number: 07315280
Charity registration number: 1138523

VISION (ROSSENDALE)
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Lumb Accountancy Services Limited
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Vision (Rossendale)
Reference and Administrative Details
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

Trustees	Mr Ian Bury Mrs Norma Shadlock Mr Nathan Shepherd Mr Stephen Shepherd Mrs Rachel Topham (appointed 27/06/2025)
Charity Number	1138523
Company Number	07315280
Registered Office	Woodlea Mission Tenterfield Street Rossendale Lancashire BB4 7BA
Independent Examiner	Martin Urquhart FCCA Lumb Accountancy Services Limited Chartered Certified Accountants New Hall Hey Business Centre New Hall Hey Road Rawtenstall Lancashire BB4 6HL

Vision (Rossendale)
Company No. 07315280
Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Objectives and Activities

Aims and Objectives

Vision (Rossendale) is a Christian charity working with young people in Rossendale. We believe that the Christian faith offers hope, freedom, and wholeness for every person, and as such we aim to:

- present the never-changing Christian gospel message in an ever-changing youth culture, using every opportunity and all available means of communication;
- inspire and equip young Christians to thrive in their schools, colleges, and homes;
- build lasting, positive links with local churches and others who share our vision and aims.

The charities objectives are to advance the Christian religion amongst young people mainly but not exclusively of secondary school age, first and foremost in Rossendale (Lancashire) by all means including such religious and other charitable activities as the trustees may decide, in accordance with the statement of faith.

Public Benefit

Vision (Rossendale) meets the Charity Commission’s public benefit requirement under the categories of general charitable purposes, the advancement of education and training through structured programmes, and the advancement of religious understanding and engagement.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit.

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs Norma Shadlock

Trustee
21 September 2026

Vision (Rossendale)
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Vision (Rossendale)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Martin Urquhart FCCA

21 September 2026
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Vision (Rossendale)
Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	**3**	40,121	2,715	42,836	52,671
Charitable activities	**4**	21,323	-	21,323	21,716
Other trading activities	**5**	-	-	-	1,325
Investments	**6**	73	-	73	-
		61,517	2,715	64,232	75,712
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities	**9**	(75,304)	(4,359)	(79,663)	(76,955)
NET EXPENDITURE		(13,787)	(1,644)	(15,431)	(1,243)
Transfers between funds	**17**	(3,195)	3,195	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(16,982)	1,551	(15,431)	(1,243)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		254,550	518	255,068	256,311
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**17**	237,568	2,069	239,637	255,068

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

Vision (Rossendale)
Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds
		£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies	**3**	47,671	5,000	52,671
Charitable activities	**4**	21,716	-	21,716
Other trading activities	**5**	1,325	-	1,325
		70,712	5,000	75,712
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Charitable activities	**9**	(76,955)	-	(76,955)
NET EXPENDITURE		(6,243)	5,000	(1,243)
Transfers between funds	**17**	4,482	(4,482)	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(1,761)	518	(1,243)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Total funds brought forward		256,311	-	256,311
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	**17**	254,550	518	255,068

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Vision (Rossendale)
Balance Sheet
As At 31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	**13**	220,255	-	220,255	226,743
		220,255	-	220,255	226,743
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	**14**	-	-	-	9,283
Cash at bank and in hand		18,652	2,069	20,721	19,917
		18,652	2,069	20,721	29,200
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	**15**	(1,339)	-	(1,339)	(875)
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		17,313	2,069	19,382	28,325
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		237,568	2,069	239,637	255,068
NET ASSETS		237,568	2,069	239,637	255,068
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Funds				2,069	518
Unrestricted Funds				237,568	254,550
TOTAL FUNDS	**17**			239,637	255,068

For the year ending 31 December 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

On behalf of the board

Mrs Norma Shadlock

Trustee
21 September 2026

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1. General Information

Vision (Rossendale) is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 07315280 and registered charity number 1138523. The registered office is Woodlea Mission, Tenterfield Street, Rossendale, Lancashire, BB4 7BA.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) "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)", Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

2.2. Incoming Resources

Voluntary income including donations, legacies and grants receivable are accounted for when there is entitlement to the funds. This income is only deferred when the grant or donation is specified for a future accounting period or the donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has entitlement.

Income from activities for generating funds is recognised as earned under normal accounting trading practice.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Charitable activities income is recognised as earned. This income is deferred when admission fees and similar income is received in advance of the related performance.

2.3. Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Charitable activities expenditure includes the costs associated with staging performances and related activities and includes the direct costs and the support costs relating to these activities.

Governance costs are those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity, which comprises the accounts, audit and legal fees.

2.4. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold	2% straight line basis
Fixtures & Fittings	25% reducing balance basis

2.5. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

2.6. Government Grant

Government grants are recognised in the statement of financial activities in an appropriate manner that matches them with the expenditure towards which they are intended to contribute.

Grants for immediate financial support or to cover costs already incurred are recognised immediately in the statement of financial activities. Grants towards general activities of the entity over a specific period are recognised in the statement of financial activities over that period.

Grants towards fixed assets are recognised over the expected useful lives of the related assets and are treated as deferred income and released to the statement of financial activities over the useful life of the asset concerned.

All grants in the statement of financial activities are recognised when all conditions for receipt have been complied with.

3. **Income from Donations and Legacies**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Donations and gifts:				
Donations from individuals	7,145	-	7,145	7,102
Donations from organisations	3,600	-	3,600	775
Committed (regular) giving	21,754	-	21,754	31,460
Gift aid	7,622	-	7,622	8,334
Grants:				
Grants	-	2,000	2,000	5,000
Government Grants	-	715	715	-
	40,121	2,715	42,836	52,671

4. **Income from Charitable Activities**

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total funds £
Schools	20,623	21,716
Other	700	-
	21,323	21,716

5. **Income from Other Trading Activities**

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total funds £
Fundraising events	-	1,325

6. **Investment Income**

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total funds £
Bank interest receivable	73	-

7. **Government Grants**

Government grants recognised in the accounts were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Lancashire County Council	715	-

8. **Net Income/(Expenditure)**

The net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned	6,488	5,585
Gain/Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(47)	-

9. **Analysis of Expenditure**

			2025
	Activities undertaken directly	**Support costs** (see note 10)	**Total**
	£	£	£
Other	-	5,820	5,820
Woodlea Running Costs	1,054	3,536	4,590
Woodlea Development	-	10,661	10,661
Computer, software and office equipment	-	1,064	1,064
Materials, printing and related costs	984	2,398	3,382
Travel and subsistence	-	643	643
Staff costs	20,388	33,115	53,503
	22,426	57,237	79,663

			2024
	Activities undertaken directly	**Support costs** (see note 10)	**Total**
	£	£	£
Other	-	5,617	5,617
Woodlea Running Costs	1,457	3,806	5,263
Woodlea Development	-	7,545	7,545
Computer, software and office equipment	-	1,244	1,244
Materials, printing and related costs	-	1,058	1,058
Travel and subsistence	-	1,304	1,304
Staff costs	21,719	33,205	54,924
	23,176	53,779	76,955

10. **Support Costs**

	Other	Woodlea Running Costs	Woodlea Development	Computer, software and office equipment	Materials, printing and related costs
	£	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	-	-	-	-	-
Premises expenses	-	2,478	-	-	-
General administration	5,820	1,105	4,173	1,064	2,398
Depreciation	-	(47)	6,488	-	-
	5,820	3,536	10,661	1,064	2,398

	Travel and subsistence	Staff costs	2025 Total
	£	£	£
Employee costs	-	33,115	33,115
Premises expenses	-	-	2,478
General administration	643	-	15,203
Depreciation	-	-	6,441
	643	33,115	57,237

	Other	Woodlea Running Costs	Woodlea Development	Computer, software and office equipment	Materials, printing and related costs
	£	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	-	-	-	-	-
Premises expenses	-	3,203	-	-	-
General administration	5,617	603	1,960	1,244	1,058
Depreciation	-	-	5,585	-	-
	5,617	3,806	7,545	1,244	1,058

	Travel and subsistence	Staff costs	2024 Total
	£	£	£
Employee costs	-	33,205	33,205
Premises expenses	-	-	3,203
General administration	1,304	-	11,786
Depreciation	-	-	5,585
	1,304	33,205	53,779

11. **Staff Costs**

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	32,498	32,441
Other pension costs	617	764
	33,115	33,205

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

12. **Average Number of Employees**

Average number of employees during the year was: 1 (2024: 1)

13. **Tangible Assets**

	Land & Property		
	Freehold	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
As at 1 January 2025	275,970	34,016	309,986
As at 31 December 2025	275,970	34,016	309,986
Depreciation			
As at 1 January 2025	53,104	30,139	83,243
Provided during the period	5,519	969	6,488
As at 31 December 2025	58,623	31,108	89,731
Net Book Value			
As at 31 December 2025	217,347	2,908	220,255
As at 1 January 2025	222,866	3,877	226,743

14. **Debtors**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	-	9,111
Other debtors	-	172
	-	9,283

15. **Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	152	107
Taxation and social security	539	-
Accruals and deferred income	648	768
	1,339	875

16. **Pension Commitments**

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company in an independently administered fund.

During the year the charge to the statement of financial activities in respect of defined contribution schemes was £617 (2024: £764).

At the balance sheet date contributions of £152 (2024: £107) were due to the fund and are included in creditors.

17. **Movement in Funds**

	As at 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	As at 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General:					
General unrestricted fund	254,550	61,517	(75,304)	(3,195)	237,568
Restricted funds					
Restricted fund	518	2,715	(4,359)	3,195	2,069
Total funds	255,068	64,232	(79,663)	-	239,637

	As at 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	As at 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General:					
General unrestricted fund	256,311	70,712	(76,955)	4,482	254,550
Restricted funds					
Restricted fund	-	5,000	-	(4,482)	518
Total funds	256,311	75,712	(76,955)	-	255,068

18. **Transactions with Trustees**

The following trustees have been paid remuneration or have received other benefits from the charity or related entity:

Name of trustee	Legal authority	Remuneration	Pension Contributions	2025 Total
		£	£	£
Mr Nathan Shepherd	Other legal authority	31,583	600	32,183

During the previous year the following trustees have been paid remuneration or have received other benefits from the charity or a related entity:

Name of trustee	Legal authority	Remuneration	Pension Contributions	2024 Total
		£	£	£
Mr Nathan Shepherd	Other legal authority	31,701	764	32,465

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

19. **Related Party Disclosures**

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure, except for those disclosed in the Transactions with Trustees note.

20. **Company limited by guarantee**

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

Vision (Rossendale)
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		
Donations and legacies		
Donations from individuals	7,145	7,102
Donations from organisations	3,600	775
Committed (regular) giving	21,754	31,460
Gift aid	7,622	8,334
Grants	2,000	5,000
Government Grants	715	-
	42,836	52,671
Charitable Activities:		
Schools		
Income from charitable activities	20,623	21,716
	20,623	21,716
Other		
Rental income	700	-
	700	-
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	-	1,325
	-	1,325
Investments		
Bank interest receivable	73	-
	73	-
	64,232	75,712
EXPENDITURE ON:		
Charitable Activities:		
Other		
Insurance	(2,649)	(2,827)
Training seminars and workshops	(902)	(1,523)
Accountancy fees	(648)	(768)
Legal fees	(81)	(13)
Subscriptions	(712)	(438)
Bank charges	(150)	(48)
Charitable donations	(678)	-
	(5,820)	(5,617)
Woodlea Running Costs		
Other direct costs	(1,054)	(1,457)
Water, Light and heat	(2,467)	(2,764)
Cleaning	(11)	(439)

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Repairs, renewals and maintenance	(330)	-
Telephone & internet	(775)	(603)
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	47	-
	(4,590)	(5,263)
Woodlea Development		
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	(4,173)	(1,960)
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	(969)	(1,293)
Depreciation of freehold land and property	(5,519)	(4,292)
	(10,661)	(7,545)
Computer, software and office equipment		
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	(1,064)	(1,244)
	(1,064)	(1,244)
Materials, printing and related costs		
Other direct costs	(984)	-
Web and media services	(1,878)	(40)
Printing, postage and stationery	(520)	(1,018)
	(3,382)	(1,058)
Travel and subsistence		
Travel and Subsistence	(643)	(1,304)
	(643)	(1,304)
Staff costs		
Subcontractor costs	(20,388)	(21,719)
Wages and salaries	(176)	(740)
Trustees' salaries	(32,322)	(31,701)
Trustees' pension - defined contribution schemes	(617)	(764)
	(53,503)	(54,924)
	(79,663)	(76,955)
NET EXPENDITURE	(15,431)	(1,243)