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BURY CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

A CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 MARCH 2026

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Chairman	Mr Jeff Green - Chair
Trustees	Dennis Taylor MBE - Vice Chair Lynne Marland - Trustee Joanne Barlow - Trustee
Charity Registration Number	1155924
Principal Office	406 Bolton Road Bury Lancashire BL8 2DA
Independent Examiner	Horsfield & Smith Tower House 269 Walmersley Road Bury Lancashire BL9 6NX

BURY CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

TRUSTEES' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The charity was established to provide meaningful, person centered emotional, psychological, social and practical support to anyone whose life is touched by cancer.

Public benefit

The centre supports patients and their loved ones by providing counselling, emotional support and therapy. The Centre offers a range of support delivered by highly skilled and experienced staff.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

It is clear that we have stabilised our position as a charity by the hardwork of Staff, Volunteers and Trustees.

As with all charities, it is becoming harder to raise money to maintain the Centre's services.

With reduced numbers of staff led by Jan Katana (Centre Manager) the centre has managed to maintain a high level of service with a restricted budget.

Financial review

As Treasurer of Bury Cancer Support Centre, I present the financial report for the year ending 31st March 2026. This has been a year of two distinct halves financially, and I am pleased to report that, thanks to the generosity of our supporters and the hard work of our staff and volunteers, the Centre ends the year in a stronger financial position than it began.

The year opened with reserves considerably reduced following the previous year's deficit, with free reserves brought forward of just £58,761. For the first five months of the year, from April to August 2025, the Centre continued to record small monthly deficits, as income from regular giving and day-to-day fundraising activity was not sufficient to cover running costs. This was a source of concern for the management and trustees which prompted the launch of a dedicated fundraising appeal. The campaign "Save the Future of Bury Cancer Support Centre" was launched by James Frith MP, Bury North on the 6th September 2025.

The appeal, combined with a generous legacy gift, transformed the Centre's financial position in the second half of the year. The Centre is fortunate to have a strong community of regular individual doners and there were a variety of individual fundraisers through Just Giving and Go Fund Me pages. Additionally, there were some generous donations and fundraising activities from local businesses and local clubs, societies and faith groups. This external support complements the tireless dedication and fundraising energy of Centre Manager, Jan Katana and all the staff and volunteers. As a result, reserves at 31 March 2026 stood at £66,123, an improvement of £7,362 on the position brought forward.

Achievements and Performance

Income for the year ended March 2026 shows an increase of over 50% on the previous year. This strong result reflects both the success of the autumn appeal and the continued generosity of our wide and generous supporter base.

In addition to all fundraisers who responded generously to the appeal, other key income highlights:

- Lottery income continued to grow, reaching £5,496.00 (2025: £3,732.00), as more supporters joined the scheme.
- Gift Aid income (via declarations for HMRC claims) totalled £24,985.85 (2025: £35,673.35); while lower than the prior year, this remains a valuable and reliable source of income and continues to be actively promoted. Many thanks to our former Treasurer Jan Pearce-Langton who continues to administer the claims on the Centre's behalf.

Operationally, the Centre management continued to manage costs prudently whilst maintaining delivery of all core services. Total expenditure for the year fell to £155,014 (2025: £185,070), largely reflecting lower staff payments of £113,127.00 (2025: £135,005.75) following the planned restructuring of roles begun in the previous year. The Centre also received £6,271.00 of restricted grant income during the year, which has been applied to specific project costs.

Quarterly Performance

Quarter 1 (April to June 2025) saw income of £23,791.28 against costs of £38,378.20, a deficit of £14,586.92, as running costs continued to outstrip a subdued level of regular income.

Quarter 2 (July to September 2025) showed continued small monthly deficits in July and August, but the launch of the fundraising appeal in September saw the Centre record its first monthly surplus of the year. Overall, the quarter recorded income of £33,783.98 against costs of £38,340.05, a reduced deficit of £4,556.07.

Quarter 3 (October to December 2025) marked a turning point, with income of £67,790.17 against costs of £38,335.19, producing a surplus of £35,725.98. This reflected the full impact of the appeal, the legacy gift, and the wave of sponsored events and community fundraising that followed its launch.

Quarter 4 (January to March 2026) saw income return to more typical levels of £31,708.09, while costs rose to £41,705.68, resulting in a deficit for the quarter of £9,997.59. Costs were notably higher in March, and the trustees will keep a close eye on cost pressures into the new financial year.

Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain free reserves equivalent to three months of running costs to ensure sustainability. The surplus generated in the year has begun to rebuild reserves, which stood at £63,600.89 at 31 March 2026, and the trustees will continue to monitor the reserves policy closely as the Centre works towards restoring a fuller buffer of free reserves.

Plans for the Future

Looking ahead, the charity will:

- Build on the success of the 2025 fundraising appeal, developing a sustained annual programme of appeals, events and challenge fundraising.
- Continue to strengthen relationships with local groups and local businesses that supported the appeal so generously.
- Maintain careful control of staffing and running costs, particularly during quieter income months.
- Continue promoting Gift Aid to maximise the value of donations received.
- Work towards rebuilding free reserves.
- Recruit new trustees, additional volunteers and personnel into key support roles.

Conclusion

This has been a year in which Bury Cancer Support Centre moved from a difficult financial start to a much healthier year-end position. The trustees are extremely grateful to everyone who supported the autumn appeal - our individual fundraisers who have been running, climbing and walking, our staff and volunteers who organised and ran events, and the local groups and businesses who backed us. Through this shared effort, and continued prudent financial management, the Centre remains a valuable and unique resource for Bury and beyond. The future of the Centre is vulnerable in its reliance on continued fundraising efforts and donations from supporters, however, management and trustees remain committed to safeguarding a sustainable future.

Joanne Barlow
Treasurer

Plans for future periods

Aims and key objectives for future periods

First relating back to Trustees Report 31st March 2025:

1) Maintain our continued support for patients and their families. Achieved
2) Support staff and volunteers. Achieved
3) Fundraising: Achieve a regular income for the centre. This is ongoing but a regular sustainable income is not yet achieved.
4) Recruitment: Finances have curtailed this area and staff/volunteers have reduced. Trustees remain the same.
5) Plan next years activities. Achieved

Aims for 2025/2026
a) Maintain our continued support for patients and families
b) Support staff and volunteers
c) Fundraising and targeting a regular income
d) Recruitment: Although finance led for staff, it will be an aim to increase trained staff. Volunteer recruitment will be ongoing. This year it is a major aim to increase trustee numbers.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity's governing document is a Constitution adopted on 8th December 2003, as amended on 6th July 2004 and 24th February 2009. This was replaced by a Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 14th February 2014.

Organisational structure

Bury Cancer Support Centre is a registered charity governed by its Constitution. The trustees, are appointed in accordance with the Constitution and meet regularly with the Centre management team to oversee the strategic direction and governance of the charity, ensuring that its resources are properly managed and applied in accordance with its charitable objectives. Day-to-day operations are overseen by the Centre's management team and delegated to staff and volunteers, who are all critical in delivering the services that the Centre offers.

Financial instruments

Objectives and policies

The charity was established to provide meaningful, person centered emotional, psychological, social and practical support to anyone whose life is touched by Cancer. The service is available throughout the boroughs of Greater Manchester and surrounding areas. The charity offers a range of support, delivered by a team of highly skilled and experienced staff. Services include an initial consultation by a key worker with senior nursing experience, counselling, psychological support groups, complementary therapies and wellbeing and social activities.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are 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 accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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 Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 19/10/26 and signed on its behalf by:

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Mr Jeff Green - Chair
Chairman

BURY CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

BURY CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bury Cancer Support Centre for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Bury Cancer Support Centre you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Bury Cancer Support Centre as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Ryan Denner ACA
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Date: 19/10/26

BURY CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	Unrestricted £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	161,749	161,749	103,466
Investment income	3	627	627	2,346
Total Income		162,376	162,376	105,812
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	4	(155,014)	(155,014)	(185,070)
Total Expenditure		(155,014)	(155,014)	(185,070)
Net income/(expenditure)		7,362	7,362	(79,258)
Net movement in funds		7,362	7,362	(79,258)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		58,761	58,761	138,019
Total funds carried forward	13	66,123	66,123	58,761

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2025 is shown in note 13.

BURY CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2026

	Note	2026 £	2025 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	3,059	190
Current assets			
Debtors	10	2,598	2,987
Cash at bank and in hand	11	60,975	55,697
		63,573	58,684
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(509)	(113)
Net current assets		63,064	58,571
Net assets		66,123	58,761
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		66,123	58,761
Total funds	13	66,123	58,761

The financial statements on pages 11 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on ...19/10/26... and signed on their behalf by:

.....J Green.....
Mr Jeff Green - Chair
Chairman

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Bury Cancer Support Centre meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

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

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Leasehold and Freehold Property	2% Straight Line
Office equipment, fixtures and fittings	10 - 25% Straight Line

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Financial instruments

Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies;		
Donations from individuals	146,242	146,242
Gift aid reclaimed	9,236	9,236
Grants, including capital grants;		
Government grants	6,271	6,271
Total for 2026	161,749	161,749
Total for 2025	103,466	103,466

3 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	627	627
Total for 2026	627	627
Total for 2025	2,346	2,346

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Allocated support costs		153,651	153,651
Governance costs		1,363	1,363
Total for 2026		155,014	155,014
Total for 2025		185,070	185,070

5 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Independent examiner fees		
Examination of the financial statements	1,296	1,296
Legal fees	67	67
Total for 2026	1,363	1,363
Total for 2025	1,696	1,696

6 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year include:

	2026 £	2025 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	836	5

7 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2026 £	2025 £
Examination of the financial statements	1,296	1,536

8 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2025	295	2,987	-	3,282
Additions	-	1,205	2,500	3,705
At 31 March 2026	295	4,192	2,500	6,987
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2025	105	2,987	-	3,092
Charge for the year	5	331	500	836
At 31 March 2026	110	3,318	500	3,928
Net book value				
At 31 March 2026	185	874	2,000	3,059
At 31 March 2025	190	-	-	190

10 Debtors

	2026 £	2025 £
Prepayments	2,598	2,987

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2026 £	2025 £
Cash on hand	419	522
Cash at bank	60,556	55,175
	60,975	55,697

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2026 £	2025 £
Trade creditors	509	113

13 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2026 £
Unrestricted funds				
General				
Unrestricted fund	58,761	162,376	(155,014)	66,123

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					
Unrestricted fund	132,116	105,812	(185,070)	5,903	58,761
Restricted					
Restricted fund	5,903	-	-	(5,903)	-
Total funds	138,019	105,812	(185,070)	-	58,761

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

The restricted funds in the previous year consisted of the lottery run by Bury Cancer Support Centre.

14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 March 2026 £
Tangible fixed assets	3,059	3,059
Current assets	63,573	63,573
Current liabilities	(509)	(509)
Total net assets	66,123	66,123

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 March 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	190	190
Current assets	58,684	58,684
Current liabilities	(113)	(113)
Total net assets	58,761	58,761