MEDWAY PLUS

(Charity No: 1163985)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE

CHARITABLE INCOPORATED ORGANISATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

MEDWAY PLUS

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Medway Plus		
On accounts for the year ended	31/03/2026	**Charity no (if any)**	1163985
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2026**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed:		**Date:**	30/09/2026
Name:	Peter Acott		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FCCA		
Address:	10 Littlebourne Road, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 5QP		

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

MEDWAY PLUS	1163985

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2025	To	31/03/2026

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grant Income	184	38,500	-	38,684	35,532
Donations	-	-	-	-	320
Mikulas funds received	-	-	-	-	1,205
Sundry income	-	-	-	-	-
Bank interest	21	-	-	21	68
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	205	38,500	-	38,705	37,125
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	205	38,500	-	38,705	37,125
A3 Payments					
Staff Wages	-	39,238	-	39,238	45,746
Staff pension	-	2,508	-	2,508	2,563
Rent	-	1,650	-	1,650	1,800
Donations to Something in Kent	-	2,350	-	2,350	3,417
Project venue & activity costs	-	1,145	-	1,145	7,691
Project transportation costs	-	3,589	-	3,589	7,355
Project teacher/instructor fees	-	-	-	-	3,923
Project specific delivery wages	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry project/event expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Venue/Room hire	-	-	-	-	92
Telephone	-	720	-	720	720
Travelling & subsistence	-	14	-	14	108
Stationery & minor equipment	-	55	-	55	-
Refreshments	-	197	-	197	506
Bank charges	-	60	-	60	60
Insurance	-	385	-	385	385
Accountancy	-	900	-	900	870
Loan repayments	-	-	-	-	-
Mikulas funds paid	-	-	-	-	1,205
Sundry expenses	-	117	-	117	129
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	52,928	-	52,928	76,570
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Computer equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	52,928	-	52,928	76,570
Net of receipts/(payments)	205	(14,428)	-	(14,223)	(39,445)
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	440	18,758	-	19,198	58,643
Cash funds this year end	645	4,330	-	4,975	19,198

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	SIREE restricted funds to nearest £
	Bank	645	4,330	-
	Cash	-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	645	4,330	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	SIREE restricted funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Laptop	Restricted	722	-
Monitor	Restricted	259	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Shane Convey	30/09/2026
	Katie Jones	30/09/2026

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	04	2025	To	31	03	2026

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Medway Plus
Other names charity is known by	None
Registered charity number (if any)	1163985
Charity's principal address	Community Centre
	Melville Court, Brompton Hill
	Chatham, Kent
	Postcode ME4 4XQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Irene Heller	Chair	Whole period	Fellow trustees
2	Abi Jessop		Whole period	Fellow trustees
3	Carl Kroon		Whole period	Fellow trustees
4	Katie Jones		Whole period	Fellow trustees
5	Shane Convey		Whole period	Fellow trustees
6	David Smith		Whole period	Fellow trustees
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are: -

1) To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged community of Medway and Kent in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.
2) The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in areas of social and economical deprivation.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The charity has undertaken tasks and projects including: -

1) **Community Outreach:** Creating Community Associations empowering and strengthening residents participation, management of community facilities and resources, community safety initiatives

2) **Coordination and Management of projects:** Managing daily activities delivery, financial and administration of multi million pound projects.

We confirm that the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

MEDWAY PLUS activities April25 to March26

isOLateD no more ! (funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and by Chatham Maritime Trust) (May 2024 to March 2026)

We wanted to provide a range of social activities for elderly people; older people with long-term health conditions and older people that are most isolated within the community who would not normally be able to access these activities.

We ran a project around several activities: Afternoon Tea and Cake, Bingo and Karaoke, Trips Out - Beach Trip; Art Class Taster Sessions. We supported 555 older and isolated people over two years and organised 15 different sessions.

We aimed at working with diverse communities such as the Ukrainians; Muslims through KMWA; Eastern Europeans; Roma; and we will worked with lonely elderly people such as residential care homes; residential retirement homes and RVS network.

Fit for Water purpose project (funded by Active Kent and Medway and Kent Trust for Youth Sport, and administered by Kent County Council) (September 2024 to August 2025)

We have received funding from Active Kent and Medway & Kent Trust for Youth to support water sport activities with our migrant communities to improve their physical health and mental well-being and reduce their feeling of loneliness and isolation. Our purpose is to organise two water sport sessions to encourage their participation in recreational and social activities and improve their physical and mental health.

We organised one session with the Chinese community through Medway Diversity Forum, and one session with the Afghan Support Association through Kent Muslim Welfare Association, which we made a deal with the water sport provider (Chatham Marime Trust) to pay a bit more money from Medway Plus' reserves so their kids could enjoy it as well. So in the end they had a proper family session.

Community leader Zaky from the Afghan Support Association, said "I think the work you do is amazing, especially for groups like ours!" He told us that they were very excited to be part of such opportunity as "activities is key for our wellbeing".

Another participant said "if only other organisations would do the same things as you do, it would make our community happier".

The funding had a very positive impact on the community groups we work with. If more funding could be directed to our cause that would be brilliant. Those families feel they are really part of their local community as well as staying active in life by doing a fun sportive activity.

Discovering Medway Again project (funded by UK Shared Prosperity fund Year 4 and administered by Medway Council (September 2025 to April 2026)

Project Goal: To provide children with **special needs** from schools in disadvantaged areas of Medway with valuable experiences and knowledge about their local community by taking them on trips to various landmarks and places of interest within Medway.

Project Objectives:

- To widen the children's knowledge of the towns they live in and expose them to new sights and people.
- To increase their confidence in meeting people from different environments and situations.
- To enhance the children's appreciation of their local area and inspire curiosity about their surroundings.
- To support the Medway 2040 vision and objectives by empowering the next generation of adults with greater knowledge and appreciation of their living environment.

Project Activities:

- Organize trips to various locations in Medway, including museums, historical sites such as castles, cultural places, green flag parks, police station, Royal Mail, etc.
- Utilize different modes of transport, such as walking, public transport, and hired coaches, to reach the destinations.
- Involve the children in planning the journeys and researching the places to be visited to enhance their understanding and engagement.

Project outcomes:

- 237 children with special needs and 53 teachers direct

beneficiaries who visited a cultural and historical place in Medway

- 12 sessions organised
- 9 Medway schools benefitted from the project out of the 19 schools contacted (no interest or responses from the other schools contacted)
- We had a lot of requests from schools that we could not support because of limited funding : TOTAL students : 496. This shows that there is a need that Medway Plus could try to fulfil.

Project Legacy:

- Contribute to the long-term well-being and development of children with special needs in Medway.
- Supporting the children as they grow into adults and make them better prepared for the decision they will have to make for that process
- Develop a transferable model for future expansion and funding opportunities.

Quotes

- Quotes from the Academy of Woodlands students visiting Royal Mail : "I would like to work there one day, I didn't even know about places like this before." "I loved the machines that sort out all the letters." "There are so many different jobs you can do there."
- Quote from the Family Liaison Officer from Delce Academy visiting Rochester Cathedral with Whale exhibition : "Delce Academy consider themselves very lucky to be part of a project that opens the eyes of special needs children who otherwise who not see such things such as the whale exhibition."
- Quotes from Thomas Avelling visiting the Fenn Bell Conservation Project : "I just wanted to say a massive thank you for the incredible opportunity you provided us. Naturally, some of our students have been struggling at school, and being able to take them out to explore The Fenn Bell was just the pick me up they needed." from a teacher "I really want to work here now!" – quickly followed by several "me toos." "This is so magical and one of the best trips I've been on." "I've never seen a white fox before until now." – Mr. Moss, our Lead Teacher "I'm surprised this is so close to our doorstep, and I didn't even know it existed." – Miss Maxwell, LSA

Section D Achievements and performance

- Quote from Bradfields students going to the Huguenot Museum : Farhan said "We loved our visit to the Hugenot museum. This felt interesting to me. I learned about the Huguenots in the 16th and 17th Century. I really enjoyed it." Marcus said " I learned something new about the French. It was really interesting." A year 7 student said "That was a great visit. I didn't know the museum was there. I enjoyed the dressing up the most "

  The head of Humanitites department said " The visit to the Huguenot museum was really interesting for our students and supported our curriculum in a hands on and interactive way. We are always keen for our students to widen their knowledge of local history. A big thank you to Medway Plus for supporting our visit."

The Medway Element

We supported a feasibility study project led by Steven Keevil (funded through the Shared Prosperity Fund). The topic of this project was to look and review the history and future of the museum services in Medway.

Note : During this financial year, we have received funding from Garfield Weston, Kent Community Foundation, Medway Council Shared Prosperity Fund, Albert Hunt, Souter Charitable Trust, Coleyr Fergusson. As always we would like to send a huge thank you to all our funders without who it would be impossible to support our diverse communities in Medway !

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The charity's policy is to maintain a reserves level equivalent to at least 3 months of operational expenditure.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		K Jones
Full name(s)	Shane Convey	Katie Jones
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee

Date 30/09/2026