Trowbridge Future

Annual Report

1st April 2025 - 31st March 2026



Inclusive ☐ **Impartial** ☐ **Engaging** ☐ **Kind**

Registered charity number 1165254

WELCOME

Letter from the Chair

This year has seen increasingly more people accessing our services. The Shires Community Hub, in the centre of Trowbridge town centre, is now well established and allows for more activities to take place, in a fully inclusive & accessible space. Numbers have doubled and this reflects the increasing level of need due to our challenging economic times.

The Youth Clubs in our dedicated Mill Street building, have reached full capacity and an additional session drop-in after school group has grown. It allows for more 1:1 work with the young people who access our support and the opportunity to make progress with individual projects, as well as providing a safe space. The young people enjoy a wide range of activities alongside learning skills for their future and having access to advice and signposting from trusted adults.

There have been staff changes, and we have welcomed new faces. I have been so impressed at how the teams have adapted and succeeded in providing innovative services in a time of greater need. Both our paid and our volunteer staff are passionate and dedicated to offering the best service they can.

Funders, statutory, charitable and corporate, are finding that demand is outstripping the funds available. This impacts on Trowbridge Future at a time when costs are rising and businesses are cutting their charitable contributions. The Trustees and the team work hard to secure the future of our organisation and take every opportunity to diversify funding in this more uncertain landscape.

In our town, Trowbridge Future is a trusted and valued organisation, that strives to meet the needs of our most vulnerable residents, young and old. We will continue to work together to weather the current storms and look forward to providing our vital service for many years to come.

Ali Penny
Chair



HOW WE WORK

Theory of change

Goal

To improve life for the communities of Trowbridge by giving the most vulnerable a voice, so that they can see the change they want in their town.

	YOUTH	COMMUNITY
Intended outcomes	Young people reach their full potential in personal and social development.	Relationships and peer support keep people on a positive journey of change.
Activities	Regular, sustainable and holistic youth work: informal learning and constructive activities in a safe, non-judgemental space.	Helping residents come together to tackle the issues that concern them and improve their lives and their neighbourhoods.

Current condition

Trowbridge is a post-industrial town with an ageing population and few opportunities for young people. Community services and youth activities are hard to reach, and demand for our support keeps rising.

YOUTH

Spotlight on youth

Our annual Achievements



Our annual Impact

- Continued to provide a welcoming, engaging and safe space for young people.
- Built professional working relationships with young people, allowing them access to trusted and supportive adults.
- Gave an opportunity to young people to share their voice and views about topics that are important to them.
- Upskilled one of our young people, to provide them with work experience and an apprenticeship. Gave young people a safe and discreet place for them to discuss their sexual health and pick up any contraception and testing kits that they may need.
- Upskilled our staff members through regular training, relevant to their roles.
- Shared our space to benefit other agencies and the young people & adults with whom they work.
- Strengthened our working relationships with the local schools, by advocating for young people. Continued to deliver a wide range of activities by working within the National Youth Agency curriculum.

YOUTH

Mill Street in pictures

















COMMUNITY

Spotlight on community

Over the past 12 months we have delivered the following key activities:

- Practical advice, support and signposting at central Hub, in The Shires Shopping Centre.
- Community Fridges on the Seymour, Studley Green and Longfield estates, distributing unsold food items from local supermarket, a bakery, and a fast food outlet. Gained additional funding to buy supplementary food to support those impacted by the increasing cost of living.
- Two Kindness Cafes on the Studley Green and Seymour Estates, where people can come together in a warm, safe space, helping to alleviate social isolation.
- Two weekly craft groups in the Shires Shopping Centre Hub and the Seymour Hub. Local promoting wellbeing and peer to peer support.
- Food Swap initiative in the Shires Community Hub.
- The introduction of a Community Garden at the Seymour Hub.
- Soup and pasta sauce cookery lessons and distributed soup kettles.
- Hosted a garden party at the Sensory Garden.
- Low cost bean based cookery lessons to local residents promoting the benefits of cooking with high protein ingredients.
- Provided robust English lessons for those who speak other languages, engaging with Wiltshire Council Refugee and Resettlement team.
- Hosted and supported Trowbridge Service Users Group Mental Health Support groups and the Veterans monthly drop in.

Key outcomes:

- Offered substantial help through fresh food, hygiene products, pet food donations.
- Prevented large amounts of food waste on a weekly basis.
- Distribution of supermarket and energy vouchers to the most vulnerable residents in the local community, to mitiagte the cost of living increases.
- Provided supermarket voucher for families with financial difficulty, at three local primary schools.

COMMUNITY

Community in pictures















IN FOCUS

Placements

Placements are another way that Trowbridge Future adds value. We host a wide range of people, from school work experience and health and social care students, to university interns. This year we hosted our second university placement, Jack, for 12-months.

"This placement has allowed me to combine practical community engagement with independent research in a way that has shaped my confidence, strengthened my skills and deepened my commitment to community-led social change."

Jack, university placement academic year 2025-2026



Each placement is shaped around the student's needs and interests. Jayden, studying for an NVQ in Health and Social Care, gained experience at our Kindness Cafés and craft cafés. Daniel and Krystian, in their GCSE years, took on administrative tasks that introduced them to the world of work.

"I am very grateful to all the staff who were present during my work-experience placement for their kindness and warm welcome. I am sure that I have gained a valuable insight into what it is like to work closely with the community!"

Krystian, work experience

"The people I met during my time at Trowbridge Future were some of the brightest and most unique people I have met in a long time. I am incredibly grateful for how welcoming, supportive and genuinely amazing all the staff were during my placement."

Daniel, work experience



2025/26 IN NUMBERS

Snapshot of the year

Community



4 , 236
Shires Hub visitors



208
community hub drop-in days



104
Kindness Cafés



104
craft cafés



506
food collections



144
community fridges



296
ESOL lesson attendees

6,374
fridge visitors in total

FRIDGE VISITORS BY ESTATE



2,934
Seymour



1,275
Studley Green



2,165
Longfield

Youth



125
youth sessions delivered



2,130
youth session places provided



137
young people engaged weekly



90%
of our young people said they could rely on our youth workers for help



91%
of our young people repeatedly engage with us



£ 1, 368
raised through our £100 Business Challenge

OUR FINANCES

Financial summary

Detailed statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2026.

£	31.3.26	31.3.25
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations	69,638	14 ,199
Deposit account interest	580	77
Grants (charitable activities)	325,615	310,565
Total incoming resources	**395, 833**	**324 , 841**
EXPENDITURE: CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Wages	233,027	216,362
Pensions	4 ,130	3,432
Rent	26 ,524	27,098
Insurance	3,063	4 , 338
Light and heat	7,679	9,048
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EXPENDITURE: OTHER (DEPRECIATION)		
Plant and machinery	1,690	2 ,112
Fixtures and fittings	1,687	2 ,066
Computer equipment	2,038	2 , 253
Total other	**5,415**	**6 ,431**
Total resources expended	**341,015**	**340,028**
Net income / (expenditure)	**54,818**	**(15,187)**

Source: Trowbridge Community Area Future, Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026. Registered charity 1165254.

TOGETHER

Working partnerships

We work alongside more than 60 organisations across Trowbridge and Wiltshire.

Key

Selwood Housing
Trowbridge Town Council
Wiltshire Council
National Lottery
Wiltshire & Swindon Community Foundation
Neighbourly
Greggs
Sainsbury 's
Marks & Spencer
KFC
Pets at Home
National Youth Agency
Trowbridge Town Hall
University of Bath

Delivery

Trowbridge Service Users Group
HCRG
Wiltshire & Swindon Sport
Brews & Wets
Trowbridge Eco
Active Trowbridge
Wiltshire Rural Music Educare
Community and Family Learning

Network

Trowbridge Chamber of Commerce
Trowbridge Pride
Celebrating Age
Wiltshire Youth for Christ
4 Youth
Trowbridge Men's Shed
Youth Action Wiltshire
Trowbridge Lions
Sustrans
Wiltshire Sight
Local schools
Alabare
Amber Housing
Alzheimer's Support
Haines & Smith
Wiltshire & Swindon Youth Network
Trowbridge Mosque
Blue Cross
Mighty Girls

Referral

FearFree
Storehouse Foodbank
Wiltshire MASH Hub
Wiltshire Adult Social Care
Wiltshire Council Rough Sleepers
Racial Equality Council
DHI Connect
Turning Point
Youth Offending Team
Julian House
Families Out Loud
Barnardo's

Advisory

Trowbridge Police
Racial Equality Council
Trowbridge Child Wellbeing Partnership
NCVO
Charity Commission
Debt Advisory Service
Centre for Independent Living
Wiltshire Housing
Wiltshire Money
GP practices
Wiltshire Council
Wiltshire Public Health

We'd like to say a huge thank you to all our partners for their energy and support.

IN THEIR WORDS

Voices of our participants

Youth provision

"I enjoy Trowbridge Future Youth as I have a hard time interacting in social settings and it helps improve my anxiety."

Young person, Mill Street Youth Centre

"Everything. Staff are SOOOO supportive. I've had three children take part and two are still enjoying the sessions. They especially love being able to cook and the competitions. I love the fact that not only do they do fun, but they educate the kids with life skills for now and their future."

Parent

"Not only do they support the kids, but they support the parents too. They are a service that I hope never disappears. I have another autistic son to come next year, so they've got to stay about for him."

Parent guardian

"The staff at Trowbridge Future Youth are so kind and work really hard to make fun and creative activities for the session."

Young person

"Trowbridge Future has created an environment where my child can have fun, make friends and build confidence and develop life skills."

Parent, Mill Street Youth Centre

Community provision

"Just wanted to take the time to say thank you so much for everything. This has been so helpful yet again and you have actually got me through a rough time more than you know. It's shown me compassion and humanity still exist and it's people like you that make the real difference. I will pay the kindness forward as soon as I'm back on my feet properly."

Rough sleeper

"All staff at Trowbridge Future are compassionate, professional, and caring. One of the staff (who runs our Kindness Café) is very kind, very caring and considerate for everybody's feelings. She gives a lot of time for anybody. She facilitates lovely chats which bring back fond memories and laughter."

Studley Green Kindness Café visitor

"I now need to use oxygen to leave the house, Trowbridge Future is the only place I feel comfortable to come."

Seymour Hub Kindness Café visitor

THANK YOU

Our corporate sponsors

Local andnational businesses keep our fridgesstocked, our sessions running and our doors open. Thank you to every one of them.

- Greggs
- Marks & Spencer
- KFC
- Pets at Home
- ASDA
- Cereal Partners Worldwide
- Sainsbury 's
- Foodiverse
- Neighbourly
- Pacific West
- Novuna

THANK YOU

Our funding partners

We could not do this work for our communitywithout the generosity of our funders. Thank you for your continued support.

Get in touch

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1165254

Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

for

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Mander Duffill
Chartered Accountants
The Old Post Office
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Trowbridge Community Area Future

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Trowbridge Community Area Future

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1165254

Principal address

80 Charles Street
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8ND

Trustees

Miss J L Trigg
Mrs A J Jones
Mrs P A Baker (resigned 24.7.25)
D R J Whewell
S M Palmen (resigned 25.9.25)
R E James
K Earney
Mrs A Penny
Mrs V Buchanan (resigned 25.9.25)
Mrs A Bamber-Jones
P Walsh (appointed 25.9.25)
A Alvares (resigned 23.3.26)

Independent Examiner

Andy Davis FCA
Mander Duffill
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22nd October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
R E James - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trowbridge Community Area Future

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trowbridge Community Area Future
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trowbridge Community Area Future (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 the Trust 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Andy Davis FCA
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Mander Duffill
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Date: 2 November 2026

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.26 Total funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		23,673	45,965	69,638	14,199
Charitable activities					
General Activity		41,813	283,802	325,615	310,565
Investment income	2	580	-	580	77
Total		66,066	329,767	395,833	324,841
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General Activity		40,675	294,925	335,600	333,597
Other		5,415	-	5,415	6,431
Total		46,090	294,925	341,015	340,028
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		19,976	34,842	54,818	(15,187)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		45,072	51,552	96,624	111,811
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624

The notes form part of these financial statements

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Balance Sheet
31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.26 Total funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	4	16,365	-	16,365	20,284
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	7,500	-	7,500	1,749
Cash at bank		53,908	86,394	140,302	87,356
		61,408	86,394	147,802	88,785
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(12,725)	-	(12,725)	(12,765)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		65,048	86,394	135,077	76,340
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624
NET ASSETS		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624
FUNDS	7				
Unrestricted funds				65,048	45,072
Restricted funds				86,394	51,552
TOTAL FUNDS				151,442	96,624

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29th October 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
R E James - Trustee

.....
A Penny - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery	- 20% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Deposit account interest	580	77

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2025	20,628	14,246	9,024	43,898
Additions	-	166	1,330	1,496
At 31 March 2026	20,628	14,412	10,354	45,394
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2025	12,178	5,978	5,458	23,614
Charge for year	1,690	1,687	2,038	5,415
At 31 March 2026	13,868	7,665	7,496	29,029
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2026	6,760	6,747	2,858	16,365
At 31 March 2025	8,450	8,268	3,566	20,284

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,709	629
Other debtors	4,791	1,120
	7,500	1,749

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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,335	1,176
Other creditors	11,390	11,589
	12,725	12,765

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.25	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.26
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	45,072	19,976	65,048
Restricted funds			
Restricted	51,552	34,842	86,394
TOTAL FUNDS	96,624	54,818	151,442

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	66,066	(46,090)	19,976
Restricted funds			
Restricted	329,767	(294,925)	34,842
TOTAL FUNDS	395,833	(341,015)	54,818

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	51,436	(6,364)	45,072
Restricted fund			
Restricted	60,375	(8,823)	51,552
TOTAL FUNDS	111,811	(15,187)	96,624

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted fund	58,048	(64,412)	(6,364)
Restricted fund			
Restricted	266,793	(275,616)	(8,823)
TOTAL FUNDS	324,841	(340,028)	(15,187)

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.26 £
Unrestricted fund	51,436	13,612	65,048
Restricted fund			
Restricted	60,375	26,019	86,394
TOTAL FUNDS	111,811	39,631	151,442

Net movement in funds included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted fund	124,114	(110,502)	13,612
Restricted fund			
Restricted	596,560	(570,541)	26,019
TOTAL FUNDS	720,674	(681,043)	39,631

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

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- Community Fridges on the Seymour, Studley Green and Longfield estates, distributing unsold food items from local supermarket, a bakery, and a fast food outlet. Gained additional funding to buy supplementary food to support those impacted by the increasing cost of living.
- Two Kindness Cafes on the Studley Green and Seymour Estates, where people can come together in a warm, safe space, helping to alleviate social isolation.
- Two weekly craft groups in the Shires Shopping Centre Hub and the Seymour Hub. Local promoting wellbeing and peer to peer support.
- Food Swap initiative in the Shires Community Hub.
- The introduction of a Community Garden at the Seymour Hub.
- Soup and pasta sauce cookery lessons and distributed soup kettles.
- Hosted a garden party at the Sensory Garden.
- Low cost bean based cookery lessons to local residents promoting the benefits of cooking with high protein ingredients.
- Provided robust English lessons for those who speak other languages, engaging with Wiltshire Council Refugee and Resettlement team.
- Hosted and supported Trowbridge Service Users Group Mental Health Support groups and the Veterans monthly drop in.

Key outcomes:

- Offered substantial help through fresh food, hygiene products, pet food donations.
- Prevented large amounts of food waste on a weekly basis.
- Distribution of supermarket and energy vouchers to the most vulnerable residents in the local community, to mitiagte the cost of living increases.
- Provided supermarket voucher for families with financial difficulty, at three local primary schools.

COMMUNITY

Community in pictures















IN FOCUS

Placements

Placements are another way that Trowbridge Future adds value. We host a wide range of people, from school work experience and health and social care students, to university interns. This year we hosted our second university placement, Jack, for 12-months.

"This placement has allowed me to combine practical community engagement with independent research in a way that has shaped my confidence, strengthened my skills and deepened my commitment to community-led social change."

Jack, university placement academic year 2025-2026



Each placement is shaped around the student's needs and interests. Jayden, studying for an NVQ in Health and Social Care, gained experience at our Kindness Cafés and craft cafés. Daniel and Krystian, in their GCSE years, took on administrative tasks that introduced them to the world of work.

"I am very grateful to all the staff who were present during my work-experience placement for their kindness and warm welcome. I am sure that I have gained a valuable insight into what it is like to work closely with the community!"

Krystian, work experience

"The people I met during my time at Trowbridge Future were some of the brightest and most unique people I have met in a long time. I am incredibly grateful for how welcoming, supportive and genuinely amazing all the staff were during my placement."

Daniel, work experience



2025/26 IN NUMBERS

Snapshot of the year

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Studley Green



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Longfield

Youth



125
youth sessions delivered



2,130
youth session places provided



137
young people engaged weekly



90%
of our young people said they could rely on our youth workers for help



91%
of our young people repeatedly engage with us



£ 1, 368
raised through our £100 Business Challenge

OUR FINANCES

Financial summary

Detailed statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2026.

£	31.3.26	31.3.25
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations	69,638	14 ,199
Deposit account interest	580	77
Grants (charitable activities)	325,615	310,565
Total incoming resources	**395, 833**	**324 , 841**
EXPENDITURE: CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Wages	233,027	216,362
Pensions	4 ,130	3,432
Rent	26 ,524	27,098
Insurance	3,063	4 , 338
Light and heat	7,679	9,048
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EXPENDITURE: OTHER (DEPRECIATION)		
Plant and machinery	1,690	2 ,112
Fixtures and fittings	1,687	2 ,066
Computer equipment	2,038	2 , 253
Total other	**5,415**	**6 ,431**
Total resources expended	**341,015**	**340,028**
Net income / (expenditure)	**54,818**	**(15,187)**

Source: Trowbridge Community Area Future, Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026. Registered charity 1165254.

TOGETHER

Working partnerships

We work alongside more than 60 organisations across Trowbridge and Wiltshire.

Key

Selwood Housing
Trowbridge Town Council
Wiltshire Council
National Lottery
Wiltshire & Swindon Community Foundation
Neighbourly
Greggs
Sainsbury 's
Marks & Spencer
KFC
Pets at Home
National Youth Agency
Trowbridge Town Hall
University of Bath

Delivery

Trowbridge Service Users Group
HCRG
Wiltshire & Swindon Sport
Brews & Wets
Trowbridge Eco
Active Trowbridge
Wiltshire Rural Music Educare
Community and Family Learning

Network

Trowbridge Chamber of Commerce
Trowbridge Pride
Celebrating Age
Wiltshire Youth for Christ
4 Youth
Trowbridge Men's Shed
Youth Action Wiltshire
Trowbridge Lions
Sustrans
Wiltshire Sight
Local schools
Alabare
Amber Housing
Alzheimer's Support
Haines & Smith
Wiltshire & Swindon Youth Network
Trowbridge Mosque
Blue Cross
Mighty Girls

Referral

FearFree
Storehouse Foodbank
Wiltshire MASH Hub
Wiltshire Adult Social Care
Wiltshire Council Rough Sleepers
Racial Equality Council
DHI Connect
Turning Point
Youth Offending Team
Julian House
Families Out Loud
Barnardo's

Advisory

Trowbridge Police
Racial Equality Council
Trowbridge Child Wellbeing Partnership
NCVO
Charity Commission
Debt Advisory Service
Centre for Independent Living
Wiltshire Housing
Wiltshire Money
GP practices
Wiltshire Council
Wiltshire Public Health

We'd like to say a huge thank you to all our partners for their energy and support.

IN THEIR WORDS

Voices of our participants

Youth provision

"I enjoy Trowbridge Future Youth as I have a hard time interacting in social settings and it helps improve my anxiety."

Young person, Mill Street Youth Centre

"Everything. Staff are SOOOO supportive. I've had three children take part and two are still enjoying the sessions. They especially love being able to cook and the competitions. I love the fact that not only do they do fun, but they educate the kids with life skills for now and their future."

Parent

"Not only do they support the kids, but they support the parents too. They are a service that I hope never disappears. I have another autistic son to come next year, so they've got to stay about for him."

Parent guardian

"The staff at Trowbridge Future Youth are so kind and work really hard to make fun and creative activities for the session."

Young person

"Trowbridge Future has created an environment where my child can have fun, make friends and build confidence and develop life skills."

Parent, Mill Street Youth Centre

Community provision

"Just wanted to take the time to say thank you so much for everything. This has been so helpful yet again and you have actually got me through a rough time more than you know. It's shown me compassion and humanity still exist and it's people like you that make the real difference. I will pay the kindness forward as soon as I'm back on my feet properly."

Rough sleeper

"All staff at Trowbridge Future are compassionate, professional, and caring. One of the staff (who runs our Kindness Café) is very kind, very caring and considerate for everybody's feelings. She gives a lot of time for anybody. She facilitates lovely chats which bring back fond memories and laughter."

Studley Green Kindness Café visitor

"I now need to use oxygen to leave the house, Trowbridge Future is the only place I feel comfortable to come."

Seymour Hub Kindness Café visitor

THANK YOU

Our corporate sponsors

Local andnational businesses keep our fridgesstocked, our sessions running and our doors open. Thank you to every one of them.

- Greggs
- Marks & Spencer
- KFC
- Pets at Home
- ASDA
- Cereal Partners Worldwide
- Sainsbury 's
- Foodiverse
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THANK YOU

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We could not do this work for our communitywithout the generosity of our funders. Thank you for your continued support.

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1165254

Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

for

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Mander Duffill
Chartered Accountants
The Old Post Office
41-43 Market Place
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Trowbridge Community Area Future

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Trowbridge Community Area Future

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1165254

Principal address

80 Charles Street
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8ND

Trustees

Miss J L Trigg
Mrs A J Jones
Mrs P A Baker (resigned 24.7.25)
D R J Whewell
S M Palmen (resigned 25.9.25)
R E James
K Earney
Mrs A Penny
Mrs V Buchanan (resigned 25.9.25)
Mrs A Bamber-Jones
P Walsh (appointed 25.9.25)
A Alvares (resigned 23.3.26)

Independent Examiner

Andy Davis FCA
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22nd October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
R E James - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trowbridge Community Area Future

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trowbridge Community Area Future
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trowbridge Community Area Future (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 the Trust 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Andy Davis FCA
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Mander Duffill
Chartered Accountants
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Date: 2 November 2026

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.26 Total funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		23,673	45,965	69,638	14,199
Charitable activities					
General Activity		41,813	283,802	325,615	310,565
Investment income	2	580	-	580	77
Total		66,066	329,767	395,833	324,841
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General Activity		40,675	294,925	335,600	333,597
Other		5,415	-	5,415	6,431
Total		46,090	294,925	341,015	340,028
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		19,976	34,842	54,818	(15,187)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		45,072	51,552	96,624	111,811
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624

The notes form part of these financial statements

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Balance Sheet
31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.26 Total funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	4	16,365	-	16,365	20,284
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	7,500	-	7,500	1,749
Cash at bank		53,908	86,394	140,302	87,356
		61,408	86,394	147,802	88,785
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(12,725)	-	(12,725)	(12,765)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		65,048	86,394	135,077	76,340
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624
NET ASSETS		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624
FUNDS	7				
Unrestricted funds				65,048	45,072
Restricted funds				86,394	51,552
TOTAL FUNDS				151,442	96,624

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29th October 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
R E James - Trustee

.....
A Penny - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery	- 20% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Deposit account interest	580	77

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2025	20,628	14,246	9,024	43,898
Additions	-	166	1,330	1,496
At 31 March 2026	20,628	14,412	10,354	45,394
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2025	12,178	5,978	5,458	23,614
Charge for year	1,690	1,687	2,038	5,415
At 31 March 2026	13,868	7,665	7,496	29,029
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2026	6,760	6,747	2,858	16,365
At 31 March 2025	8,450	8,268	3,566	20,284

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,709	629
Other debtors	4,791	1,120
	7,500	1,749

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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,335	1,176
Other creditors	11,390	11,589
	12,725	12,765

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.25	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.26
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	45,072	19,976	65,048
Restricted funds			
Restricted	51,552	34,842	86,394
TOTAL FUNDS	96,624	54,818	151,442

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	66,066	(46,090)	19,976
Restricted funds			
Restricted	329,767	(294,925)	34,842
TOTAL FUNDS	395,833	(341,015)	54,818

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	51,436	(6,364)	45,072
Restricted fund			
Restricted	60,375	(8,823)	51,552
TOTAL FUNDS	111,811	(15,187)	96,624

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted fund	58,048	(64,412)	(6,364)
Restricted fund			
Restricted	266,793	(275,616)	(8,823)
TOTAL FUNDS	324,841	(340,028)	(15,187)

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.26 £
Unrestricted fund	51,436	13,612	65,048
Restricted fund			
Restricted	60,375	26,019	86,394
TOTAL FUNDS	111,811	39,631	151,442

Net movement in funds included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted fund	124,114	(110,502)	13,612
Restricted fund			
Restricted	596,560	(570,541)	26,019
TOTAL FUNDS	720,674	(681,043)	39,631

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

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Annual Report

1st April 2025 - 31st March 2026



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WELCOME

Letter from the Chair

This year has seen increasingly more people accessing our services. The Shires Community Hub, in the centre of Trowbridge town centre, is now well established and allows for more activities to take place, in a fully inclusive & accessible space. Numbers have doubled and this reflects the increasing level of need due to our challenging economic times.

The Youth Clubs in our dedicated Mill Street building, have reached full capacity and an additional session drop-in after school group has grown. It allows for more 1:1 work with the young people who access our support and the opportunity to make progress with individual projects, as well as providing a safe space. The young people enjoy a wide range of activities alongside learning skills for their future and having access to advice and signposting from trusted adults.

There have been staff changes, and we have welcomed new faces. I have been so impressed at how the teams have adapted and succeeded in providing innovative services in a time of greater need. Both our paid and our volunteer staff are passionate and dedicated to offering the best service they can.

Funders, statutory, charitable and corporate, are finding that demand is outstripping the funds available. This impacts on Trowbridge Future at a time when costs are rising and businesses are cutting their charitable contributions. The Trustees and the team work hard to secure the future of our organisation and take every opportunity to diversify funding in this more uncertain landscape.

In our town, Trowbridge Future is a trusted and valued organisation, that strives to meet the needs of our most vulnerable residents, young and old. We will continue to work together to weather the current storms and look forward to providing our vital service for many years to come.

Ali Penny
Chair



HOW WE WORK

Theory of change

Goal

To improve life for the communities of Trowbridge by giving the most vulnerable a voice, so that they can see the change they want in their town.

	YOUTH	COMMUNITY
Intended outcomes	Young people reach their full potential in personal and social development.	Relationships and peer support keep people on a positive journey of change.
Activities	Regular, sustainable and holistic youth work: informal learning and constructive activities in a safe, non-judgemental space.	Helping residents come together to tackle the issues that concern them and improve their lives and their neighbourhoods.

Current condition

Trowbridge is a post-industrial town with an ageing population and few opportunities for young people. Community services and youth activities are hard to reach, and demand for our support keeps rising.

YOUTH

Spotlight on youth

Our annual Achievements



Our annual Impact

- Continued to provide a welcoming, engaging and safe space for young people.
- Built professional working relationships with young people, allowing them access to trusted and supportive adults.
- Gave an opportunity to young people to share their voice and views about topics that are important to them.
- Upskilled one of our young people, to provide them with work experience and an apprenticeship. Gave young people a safe and discreet place for them to discuss their sexual health and pick up any contraception and testing kits that they may need.
- Upskilled our staff members through regular training, relevant to their roles.
- Shared our space to benefit other agencies and the young people & adults with whom they work.
- Strengthened our working relationships with the local schools, by advocating for young people. Continued to deliver a wide range of activities by working within the National Youth Agency curriculum.

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Mill Street in pictures

















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Jack, university placement academic year 2025-2026



Each placement is shaped around the student's needs and interests. Jayden, studying for an NVQ in Health and Social Care, gained experience at our Kindness Cafés and craft cafés. Daniel and Krystian, in their GCSE years, took on administrative tasks that introduced them to the world of work.

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young people engaged weekly



90%
of our young people said they could rely on our youth workers for help



91%
of our young people repeatedly engage with us



£ 1, 368
raised through our £100 Business Challenge

OUR FINANCES

Financial summary

Detailed statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2026.

£	31.3.26	31.3.25
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations	69,638	14 ,199
Deposit account interest	580	77
Grants (charitable activities)	325,615	310,565
Total incoming resources	**395, 833**	**324 , 841**
EXPENDITURE: CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
Wages	233,027	216,362
Pensions	4 ,130	3,432
Rent	26 ,524	27,098
Insurance	3,063	4 , 338
Light and heat	7,679	9,048
Telephone	2,996	3,330
Postage and stationery	766	595
Advertising	863	887
Sundries	7,787	7,824
Travel and subsistence	3,093	4,365
Activity expenses	36 ,604	38,170
Hire of a room	843	146
Staff training	2,260	4,300
Repairs and renewals	4,863	12 ,7 12
Bank charges	46	102
Accountancy fees	1,056	888
Total charitable activities	**335,600**	**333,597**
EXPENDITURE: OTHER (DEPRECIATION)		
Plant and machinery	1,690	2 ,112
Fixtures and fittings	1,687	2 ,066
Computer equipment	2,038	2 , 253
Total other	**5,415**	**6 ,431**
Total resources expended	**341,015**	**340,028**
Net income / (expenditure)	**54,818**	**(15,187)**

Source: Trowbridge Community Area Future, Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026. Registered charity 1165254.

TOGETHER

Working partnerships

We work alongside more than 60 organisations across Trowbridge and Wiltshire.

Key

Selwood Housing
Trowbridge Town Council
Wiltshire Council
National Lottery
Wiltshire & Swindon Community Foundation
Neighbourly
Greggs
Sainsbury 's
Marks & Spencer
KFC
Pets at Home
National Youth Agency
Trowbridge Town Hall
University of Bath

Delivery

Trowbridge Service Users Group
HCRG
Wiltshire & Swindon Sport
Brews & Wets
Trowbridge Eco
Active Trowbridge
Wiltshire Rural Music Educare
Community and Family Learning

Network

Trowbridge Chamber of Commerce
Trowbridge Pride
Celebrating Age
Wiltshire Youth for Christ
4 Youth
Trowbridge Men's Shed
Youth Action Wiltshire
Trowbridge Lions
Sustrans
Wiltshire Sight
Local schools
Alabare
Amber Housing
Alzheimer's Support
Haines & Smith
Wiltshire & Swindon Youth Network
Trowbridge Mosque
Blue Cross
Mighty Girls

Referral

FearFree
Storehouse Foodbank
Wiltshire MASH Hub
Wiltshire Adult Social Care
Wiltshire Council Rough Sleepers
Racial Equality Council
DHI Connect
Turning Point
Youth Offending Team
Julian House
Families Out Loud
Barnardo's

Advisory

Trowbridge Police
Racial Equality Council
Trowbridge Child Wellbeing Partnership
NCVO
Charity Commission
Debt Advisory Service
Centre for Independent Living
Wiltshire Housing
Wiltshire Money
GP practices
Wiltshire Council
Wiltshire Public Health

We'd like to say a huge thank you to all our partners for their energy and support.

IN THEIR WORDS

Voices of our participants

Youth provision

"I enjoy Trowbridge Future Youth as I have a hard time interacting in social settings and it helps improve my anxiety."

Young person, Mill Street Youth Centre

"Everything. Staff are SOOOO supportive. I've had three children take part and two are still enjoying the sessions. They especially love being able to cook and the competitions. I love the fact that not only do they do fun, but they educate the kids with life skills for now and their future."

Parent

"Not only do they support the kids, but they support the parents too. They are a service that I hope never disappears. I have another autistic son to come next year, so they've got to stay about for him."

Parent guardian

"The staff at Trowbridge Future Youth are so kind and work really hard to make fun and creative activities for the session."

Young person

"Trowbridge Future has created an environment where my child can have fun, make friends and build confidence and develop life skills."

Parent, Mill Street Youth Centre

Community provision

"Just wanted to take the time to say thank you so much for everything. This has been so helpful yet again and you have actually got me through a rough time more than you know. It's shown me compassion and humanity still exist and it's people like you that make the real difference. I will pay the kindness forward as soon as I'm back on my feet properly."

Rough sleeper

"All staff at Trowbridge Future are compassionate, professional, and caring. One of the staff (who runs our Kindness Café) is very kind, very caring and considerate for everybody's feelings. She gives a lot of time for anybody. She facilitates lovely chats which bring back fond memories and laughter."

Studley Green Kindness Café visitor

"I now need to use oxygen to leave the house, Trowbridge Future is the only place I feel comfortable to come."

Seymour Hub Kindness Café visitor

THANK YOU

Our corporate sponsors

Local andnational businesses keep our fridgesstocked, our sessions running and our doors open. Thank you to every one of them.

- Greggs
- Marks & Spencer
- KFC
- Pets at Home
- ASDA
- Cereal Partners Worldwide
- Sainsbury 's
- Foodiverse
- Neighbourly
- Pacific West
- Novuna

THANK YOU

Our funding partners

We could not do this work for our communitywithout the generosity of our funders. Thank you for your continued support.

Get in touch

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1165254

Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

for

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Mander Duffill
Chartered Accountants
The Old Post Office
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Trowbridge Community Area Future

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Trowbridge Community Area Future

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1165254

Principal address

80 Charles Street
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8ND

Trustees

Miss J L Trigg
Mrs A J Jones
Mrs P A Baker (resigned 24.7.25)
D R J Whewell
S M Palmen (resigned 25.9.25)
R E James
K Earney
Mrs A Penny
Mrs V Buchanan (resigned 25.9.25)
Mrs A Bamber-Jones
P Walsh (appointed 25.9.25)
A Alvares (resigned 23.3.26)

Independent Examiner

Andy Davis FCA
Mander Duffill
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22nd October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
R E James - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trowbridge Community Area Future

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Trowbridge Community Area Future
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Trowbridge Community Area Future (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 the Trust 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Andy Davis FCA
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Mander Duffill
Chartered Accountants
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Chippenham
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Date: 2 November 2026

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.26 Total funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		23,673	45,965	69,638	14,199
Charitable activities					
General Activity		41,813	283,802	325,615	310,565
Investment income	2	580	-	580	77
Total		66,066	329,767	395,833	324,841
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General Activity		40,675	294,925	335,600	333,597
Other		5,415	-	5,415	6,431
Total		46,090	294,925	341,015	340,028
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		19,976	34,842	54,818	(15,187)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		45,072	51,552	96,624	111,811
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624

The notes form part of these financial statements

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Balance Sheet
31 March 2026

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.3.26 Total funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	4	16,365	-	16,365	20,284
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	7,500	-	7,500	1,749
Cash at bank		53,908	86,394	140,302	87,356
		61,408	86,394	147,802	88,785
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(12,725)	-	(12,725)	(12,765)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		65,048	86,394	135,077	76,340
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624
NET ASSETS		65,048	86,394	151,442	96,624
FUNDS	7				
Unrestricted funds				65,048	45,072
Restricted funds				86,394	51,552
TOTAL FUNDS				151,442	96,624

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29th October 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
R E James - Trustee

.....
A Penny - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery	- 20% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Deposit account interest	580	77

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 April 2025	20,628	14,246	9,024	43,898
Additions	-	166	1,330	1,496
At 31 March 2026	20,628	14,412	10,354	45,394
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2025	12,178	5,978	5,458	23,614
Charge for year	1,690	1,687	2,038	5,415
At 31 March 2026	13,868	7,665	7,496	29,029
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2026	6,760	6,747	2,858	16,365
At 31 March 2025	8,450	8,268	3,566	20,284

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,709	629
Other debtors	4,791	1,120
	7,500	1,749

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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.26	31.3.25
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,335	1,176
Other creditors	11,390	11,589
	12,725	12,765

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.25	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.26
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	45,072	19,976	65,048
Restricted funds			
Restricted	51,552	34,842	86,394
TOTAL FUNDS	96,624	54,818	151,442

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	66,066	(46,090)	19,976
Restricted funds			
Restricted	329,767	(294,925)	34,842
TOTAL FUNDS	395,833	(341,015)	54,818

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	51,436	(6,364)	45,072
Restricted fund			
Restricted	60,375	(8,823)	51,552
TOTAL FUNDS	111,811	(15,187)	96,624

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted fund	58,048	(64,412)	(6,364)
Restricted fund			
Restricted	266,793	(275,616)	(8,823)
TOTAL FUNDS	324,841	(340,028)	(15,187)

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.26 £
Unrestricted fund	51,436	13,612	65,048
Restricted fund			
Restricted	60,375	26,019	86,394
TOTAL FUNDS	111,811	39,631	151,442

Net movement in funds included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted fund	124,114	(110,502)	13,612
Restricted fund			
Restricted	596,560	(570,541)	26,019
TOTAL FUNDS	720,674	(681,043)	39,631

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Trowbridge Community Area Future

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

	31.3.26 £	31.3.25 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
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Investment income		
Deposit account interest	580	77
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