# The Mount Community Association (CIO)

# Charity No. 1171474

# Financial Statement

# For the 12-month period ended

# 31 December 2025


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# Legal and Administrative Information

**Name:** The Mount Community Association (CIO)

**Charity No:** 1171474

**Principal Address:**
Thomas Street
Eighton Banks
GATESHEAD
Tyne & Wear
NE9 7YA

**Trustees:**
Ronan Kenny (Secretary)
Claire Parnell
Neil Parnell (Treasurer)
Diana Kenny
Karen McBryde
Kevin McBryde
Lisa Johnson
John Paul Johnson
Tracey Wallace

**Bankers:**
NatWest Bank
Chatham Customer Service Centre
Western Avenue
Waterside Court
Chatham Maritime
Chatham
Kent
ME4 4RT

# Trustees Annual Report

**Objectives and Activities**

To further or benefit the residents of Gateshead and the neighbourhood, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

**Summary of Main activities**

The hall and garden are available to members of the community to hire for private parties and events, and the garden is open to all to relax, enjoy and get involved in. The local community is supported through a regular baby group, although Gateshead council stopped this, local volunteers took over, coffee mornings, party nights and a community garden.

The trustees have considered the guidance produced by the Charity Commission on the provision of public benefit and they confirm that public benefit has been provided by the range of activities as described above.

**Activities and Achievements**

Our ongoing refurbishment efforts for the hall continued with repointing of the annex and some works to the roof. We continued investigative work for the installation of solar panels and battery storage.

Our monthly coffee morning is well attended as always, which includes a raffle helping to increase our fundraising activities. During the summer months, a plant sale is ran in conjunction with the coffee morning, selling donated plants and shrubs. A Scout club continues to use both the indoor and outdoor facilities. The hall has been used for fundraising events supporting various charities. The book club continues, and the Little Library outside the main entrance is well used offering books for all ages.

Seasonal events included Breakfast with Santa, a Home Alone film screening, a complimentary Christmas lunch for older residents, the annual Christmas fayre, an Easter egg hunt and a Halloween disco.

Our ongoing collaboration with Skills4Work involved their volunteers maintaining and enhancing a designated area of our community garden, as well as facilitating engagement with senior residents through afternoon tea sessions. Through our partnership with Skills4Work, we attained “Outstanding” level 5 in the Royal Horticultural Society’s “It’s Your Neighbourhood” award.

**Reserves Policy:**
It is the policy of the charity to try to build up unrestricted funds, which are free reserves of the charity, to a level that equates to approximately six months unrestricted expenditure. This will provide sufficient funds to cover management and administration support costs and any emergencies that may arise from time to time. This is estimated at £5,000 and is held in our reserve account.

**Statement of Trustees Responsibilities**
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable Charity Law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

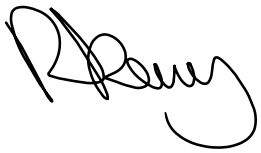
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Comply with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operational existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Name: Ronan Kenny Position: Secretary

Signature:  Date 03/10/2026

# Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Mount Community Association

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Mount Community Association for the year ended 31 December 2025.

## Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 Charity's accounts carried out under s. 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s. 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 the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
(2) The accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed by email

Name: Craig I Simpson

Date: September 20, 2026

# Receipts and Payments
# For the 12-month period ending 31 December 2025

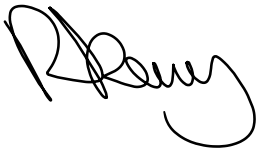
| Receipts (£) | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Total funds |
|---|---|---|---|
| Grants (note 1) | 3025.00 | 12662.00 | 15687.00 |
| Hall hire fees | 4607.46 | 0 | 4607.46 |
| Donations | 663.00 | 0 | 663.00 |
| Event income | 3932.32 | 0 | 3932.32 |
| Bank interest | 248.03 | 0 | 248.03 |
| Compensation (note 2) | 11400.00 | 0 | 11400.00 |
| **Total receipts** | **23875.81** | **12662.00** | **36537.81** |

| Payments (£) | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Total funds |
|---|---|---|---|
| Utilities | 2330.14 | 0 | 2330.14 |
| Insurance | 509.72 | 0 | 509.72 |
| Event costs | 535.31 | 0 | 535.31 |
| Maintenance | 764.31 | 0 | 764.31 |
| Garden | 1324.37 | 0 | 1324.37 |
| Safeguarding DBS checks | 108.00 | 0 | 108.00 |
| IT costs | 280.00 | 0 | 280.00 |
| Pointing | 6350.00 | 0 | 6350.00 |
| Deposit for solar panels | 0 | 1331.30 | 1331.30 |
| **Total payments** | **12201.85** | **1331.30** | **13533.15** |

# Balance Sheet
# as at 31 December 2025

| Balance at year end 31/12/24 (£) | Unrestricted | Restricted | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bank | 32374.88 | 0 | 32374.88 |
| Cash | 100.00 | 1 | 100.00 |
| **Total funds** | **32474.88** | **0** | **32474.88** |
| | | | |
| 2025 receipts | 23875.81 | 12662.00 | 36537.81 |
| 2025 payments | 12201.85 | 1331.30 | 13533.15 |
| **Surplus/(deficit) on the year** | **11673.96** | **11330.70** | **23004.66** |
| | | | |
| Balance at year end 31/12/25 | | | |
| Bank (note 3) | 44048.84 | 11330.70 | 55379.54 |
| Cash | 100.00 | 0 | 100.00 |
| **Total funds** | **44148.84** | **11330.70** | **55479.54** |

***Signed by one or two of the Trustees on behalf of all the Trustees***

***Signature*** 

***Print Name***
***Ronan Kenny***

***Date of Approval***
***03/10/2026***

## Notes to the accounts

**Note 1.** The grants received during period:

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|---|---|
| Restricted Funds | |
| Community Foundation Tyne and Wear - Gateshead Community Infrastructure Levy | £12662 |
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| Unrestricted Funds | |
| Lamesley Parish Council to fund events | £300 |
| Lamesley Parish Council contribution to building maintenance | £2725 |

**Note 2.** Compensation

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|---|---|
| Payment received from Northumbrian Water to reflect lost income during nearby construction works | £11400 |

**Note 3**. EOY balances (31/12/2025)

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|---|---|
| NatWest current | £32412.57 |
| NatWest reserve | £22466.97 |
| Legacy Lloyds | £500.00 |
| Total | £55379.54 |

**Note 4.** Restricted project costs spent during period:

None.