Charity registration number 1183929

Company registration number CE017865 (England and Wales)

MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Company number	CE017865
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MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

CHAIRMENS' STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Chairman's Statement

2025 has been the most significant year in Marine in the Community's history to date. After several years of planning, fundraising and hard work, I am immensely proud to report that our new Community Wellbeing Hub at the Marine Travel Arena was completed and officially opened this year, giving the charity a permanent, purpose-built home from which to deliver our services for the first time.

The Hub was formally opened by Mark Blundell, His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Merseyside, a fitting recognition of the scale of what our trustees, staff, volunteers and supporters have achieved together. Having spent 2023 planning the project and 2024 raising the funds required to build it, seeing the Hub open its doors in 2025 was the culmination of a huge collective effort, and I want to record my thanks to everyone who helped us get there.

The impact has been immediate and is set out in detail in our Community Director's report. Having a permanent base has allowed us to broaden the range of health and wellbeing activities we offer, deepen existing partnerships and build new ones, and reach further into the community than we have ever been able to before. The growth in weekly participation across our programs, described elsewhere in this report, speaks to both the demand for our services and the trust that local people continue to place in us.

This has been a year of consolidation as much as growth. Long-standing activities such as our Community Café, Walking Football and Walking Heritage Group have gone from strength to strength, while newer initiatives, including our Youth Club and our Choir, have quickly found their place at the heart of what we offer. Our work with children and young people, from school coaching and girls' football through to our Literacy Kicks and work experience programs, continues to give young people in our community real opportunities to build confidence and skills for the future.

Our partnership work has also gone from strength to strength this year. Alongside our long-standing collaboration with Crime Stoppers, Everton FC, Liverpool FC and Tranmere Rovers FC on tackling knife and gun crime, we have forged valuable new relationships with Invest Sefton and Sefton CVS, and continued to support the community through initiatives such as our Winter Warm Centre and our Christmas and Easter meal deliveries. Our work has again been recognized nationally at the Houses of Parliament, a source of great pride for everyone involved with the charity.

None of this would be possible without the generosity of our supporters. Fundraising events including bucket collections, half-marathons and our first Sporting Dinner, together with the continued support of our trusts, foundations and grant funders, have underpinned our work throughout the year and helped see the Hub project through to completion.

Financially, the charity remains on a sound and sustainable footing. Full details of our income, expenditure and reserves for the year are set out in the financial statements that accompany this report.

2025 was a year in which we:

- Completed and opened our new Community Wellbeing Hub at the Marine Travel Arena
- Saw continued growth in participation across our health, wellbeing and youth programs
- Launched a new Youth Club and Choir, alongside our established Café, Walking Football and Heritage programs
- Deepened our partnerships with Invest Sefton, Sefton CVS, Crime Stoppers and the region's football clubs
- Maintained a sustainable financial position while continuing to expand our services

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish to thank our Community Director, Graeme Gardiner, for his vital role in the successful development of the Charity's activities - the full breadth of which are set out in detail in the Trustees Report (inc Directors' Report) on pages 3 to 8 of these financial statements - and in addition thank our Trustees, staff and volunteers, together with all of our sponsors and the local community, for their belief in, and invaluable support of, Marine in the Community throughout 2025. Their commitment has allowed us to grow, adapt and deliver real change for the people of Crosby, Sefton and beyond, and I look forward to building on this success in the year ahead.

MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

CHAIRMENS' STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Community Director's Statement

Marine in the Community (MITC) has continued to thrive throughout 2025, providing vital support to people across Crosby, Sefton and the wider local area. This year has been defined by growth, partnership and impact, and the highlight has undoubtedly been the successful fundraising, completion and opening of our new Community Wellbeing Hub at Rossett Park. The Hub was officially opened by Mark Blundell, His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Merseyside, and now provides a modern, welcoming and technologically equipped space from which we can expand our services and respond more effectively to local need.

The opening of the Hub has transformed what we are able to offer. It has given us a permanent base from which to deliver a wider range of health and wellbeing activities, strengthen our partnerships and create new opportunities for local people of all ages. As a result, weekly engagement across all our activities in and out the hub has now grown to more than 500 people, reflecting both the demand for our services and the trust the community places in MITC.

I would like to thank our Chairman, James Leary, our Trustees, staff, volunteers, sponsors, Marine AFC, Sefton Council, Invest Sefton and Sefton CVS for their continued support throughout 2025. Their belief in our work has been invaluable in helping us grow, adapt and deliver meaningful change. Together we remain committed to supporting, uplifting and empowering our community, and we look forward to building on our proven success in the year ahead.

James Leary
Chairman

Date: 7 September 2026

Graeme Gardiner
Community Director

Date: 7 September 2026

MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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

Report of the trustees for the period 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025
The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31st December 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and 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 published (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Objectives and activities
The purposes of the charity are:

1. The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation, in particular by the provision of facilities for the playing of football and other sports.
2. To act as a resource for young people up to the age of 25 living in South Sefton, and the surrounding areas, by providing advice and assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:
    (a) advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals.
    (b) advancing education.
    (c) relieving unemployment.
3. Providing recreational and leisure time activity in the interests of social welfare for people living in the area of benefit who have need by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, poverty or social and economic circumstances with a view to improving the conditions of life of such persons.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the policies for the year.

The charity furthers its charitable purposes for the public benefit through undertaking community activities defined following consultation with users and local people e.g. through a community audit.

Achievements and performance

Welcome to the 2025 Annual Review of Marine in the Community (MITC). We were established as a charity on 17th June 2019 and have continued to grow and develop, laying solid foundations for our future work. During this period of time, we have worked hard upon the development of many new partnerships, brought about as a consequence of our endeavors to provide services and activities to meet local need and demand.

From the outset we strove to understand what local needs were and how we might meet those needs and explore opportunities to come together to create a strong and sustainable independent community hub. To this end we consulted with users and potential users, mostly local people, local junior teams, youth groups, local clubs, 8 local primary schools, 4 senior high schools, Special Schools, 3rd Sector and statutory organizations including the local authority, Sefton CVS, and faith groups through 1:1 interviews, forums, via our media channels and through a community questionnaire. Furthermore, we explored local, district, regional and national statistics.

Through ongoing consultation with beneficiaries, we have seen the charity respond in a way the trustees may not have envisaged from the outset but one that has seen the numbers of people accessing our programmed increase week by week. New ventures have created opportunities for many local people to take an active role as volunteers, as well as participants, some becoming peer mentors and educators. The review highlights and celebrates our achievements as a charity and looks to build on a strong start to achieve a sustainable future, one that supports the local community for many years to come.

In a position to make informed decisions surrounding the type of project the community would want MITC to deliver the trustees appointed a freelance Community Director to manage the day to day operations of services and activities. This move proved to have an immediate impact.

In a short space of time we have forged new partnerships with schools, both secondary and primary; Sefton Headway, Age Concern, Local Care providers and Sefton Alzheimer's organisations supporting the elderly, vulnerable and isolated, and in a year of most testing circumstances have stepped up to the plate delivering food, information, quizzes and friendly chat on a weekly basis to many people shielding. We have supported children and young people; and people with complex needs and anti-social behaviour. We have listened to partners and beneficiaries about engaging people in different ways and have reached out to a broad age range -from five years old to one hundred years of age – just about as broad as you can get! - and delivered projects and activities that compliment rather than compete with other local provision. Thus focussed and targeted effort has been effective and successful, manifesting itself through increasing numbers attending, positive feedback from beneficiaries, and other providers making referrals to us.

MITC has worked with these partners to establish joined up working to the benefit of local people.
A growing and effective partnership structure has enabled shared consultation that identifies need, common issues, and a skills and specialist knowledge resource bank from which the partnerships can benefits from the likes of:

- economies of scale
- shared learning
- staff resource sharing
- joint initiatives
- consistent and compatible monitoring & evaluation systems and processes
- impact measurement.

The partnerships have thrived as we continue to develop joint initiatives and partners gain the confidence and understanding in each other's ability and willingness to contribute; and Marine in the Community's growing capacity starts to reach further to explore different ways of meeting local need.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year ended 31st December 2025 the Charity reported a Net Surplus of £7,953 (2024: Surplus - £16,138) , split as to Unrestricted funds – Deficit £(5,909) (2024: Surplus - £10,455), and Restricted funds – Surplus £13,861 (2024: Surplus - £5,683).

The Charity were successful in several grant applications in the year, and we are extremely grateful for the invaluable support received from the following organisations:-

- John Moores Foundation
- PH Holt Foundation
- The National League
- Zedra Trust
- The Clothworkers Foundation
- Pilkingtons
- Sefton CVS
- Barchester

The grants enable MITC to develop as a charity and engage with local people who are supporters of the football club, and the wider community. Grants were used to improve community engagement delivered mainly through our fantastic volunteer workforce. Funding secured in 2025 will support the appointment of sessional staff to support volunteering and deliver a broad range of experiences for local people to engage with.

PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

During the year ended 31st December 2025 MITC has delivered the following projects:

1. Community Café and Wellbeing

- Our Community Café continues to play a vital role in supporting older residents, helping to reduce loneliness and isolation while promoting independence, wellbeing and social connection.
- The café now attracts over 100 attendees each week and is supported by 10–15 dedicated volunteers.
- Live music, dancing, quizzes and shared lunches have made a real difference to the physical, mental and social wellbeing of those who attend.
- Volunteers also maintain regular contact with members through WhatsApp groups and welfare calls, ensuring that people remain connected and supported even when they are unable to attend in person.
- The café has become much more than a place to eat and drink; it is a safe, friendly and welcoming environment where friendships are formed and confidence is rebuilt.

2. Children and Young People

- Our Girls' Football programme continues to grow strongly, with school-based sessions culminating in a festival at Marine Travel Arena involving over 130 participants.
- Our Youth Club, launched in September, now welcomes over 30 children each week and provides a safe, inclusive and positive environment for young people to socialise, learn and build confidence.
- Free coaching in local schools continues to encourage participation in sport while helping children develop teamwork, discipline and self-belief.
- Across our local schools, we deliver coaching, multi-sports sessions, sports leaders programmes and business and enterprise opportunities, giving pupils the chance to build confidence, leadership, communication and employability skills.

- Our Literacy Kicks project has helped pupils improve their writing skills through sports journalism, combining creativity, literacy and a love of football in an engaging and accessible way.

- We also continue to develop work experience opportunities with Liverpool John Moores University, local secondary schools and internship placements, helping young people gain valuable insight into the world of work, build practical skills and explore future career pathways.

- These projects are helping us reach children and young people at an early stage, giving them opportunities that support both their personal development and future aspirations.

3. Health, Inclusion and Specialist Support

- Walking Football remains one of our most popular activities, with strong participation from both men and women.

- Our Walking Heritage Group, now with over 30 members, combines gentle exercise, local history and social interaction, helping to improve both physical and mental wellbeing.

- Our partnership with CrimeStoppers has enabled us to deliver important work around knife and gun crime prevention, helping to raise awareness and support safer communities. This partnership, alongside our work with Everton FC, Liverpool FC and Tranmere FC, has continued to impact and support communities across the region and has received acclaim at the Houses of Parliament, as well as recognition for our work supporting girls into sport and football.

- The range of inclusive activities we now offer ensures that people of different ages, abilities and backgrounds can find something that suits their needs and interests.

4. Community, Events and Partnerships

- We have built strong new partnerships with Invest Sefton, Sefton CVS and a wide range of other community organisations.
- These relationships have been developed through networking events, shared projects and collaborative community activity, and they are already helping us extend our reach and impact.
- On Christmas Eve, we hosted a free brunch for the local community, welcoming over 50 people for food, carols and friendship in a warm and inclusive setting.
- Our new Marine in the Community Choir now attracts over 30 people each week, offering another valuable opportunity for people to come together, enjoy music and improve wellbeing.
- We continue to deliver free lunches at Christmas and Easter and operate as a Winter Warm Centre in partnership with Sefton CVS, ensuring that support is available when it is needed most.
- These events and partnerships have helped strengthen community spirit and reinforce MITC's role as a trusted local organisation.

5. Fundraising, Work Experience and Volunteers

- Fundraising events, including bucket collections, half-marathons and our first Sporting Dinner, raised over £5,000 towards the Community Wellbeing Hub.
- These efforts demonstrate the generosity of our supporters and the commitment of everyone involved in helping us achieve our long-term vision.
- We continue to offer work experience, sports leaders, training and internship opportunities, including placements with Liverpool John Moores University and local secondary schools, helping young people gain valuable skills, confidence and pathways into employment.
- MITC is supported by over 30 regular volunteers, whose time, energy and dedication are essential to everything we do.
- Their contribution cannot be overstated; they are at the heart of our charity and play a central role in delivering our services and welcoming the community.

Reserves policy and going concern
The balance held in total reserves as 31st December 2025 was £59,563, comprising of a surplus of £29,743 in Restricted Funds and a surplus of £29,820 in Unrestricted Funds, after allowing for funds tied up in tangible fixed assets.

The Charity's main source of income is grants and charitable donations. The Trustees consider that it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis and, consequently, the accounts do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if these sources of income should cease.

The trustees aim to establish and maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately three months of unrestricted charitable expenditure. The trustees consider that this level will provide sufficient funds to respond to applications for grants and ensure that support and governance costs are covered.

The trustees consider that the charity is a going concern. Any reliance on grant funding is managed through a flexible approach to activities and project delivery.

Structure, governance and management
Marine in the Community is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by its constitution dated 1st November 2018 and registration as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Foundation) number 1183929 with the Charity Commission on 17th June 2019.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr J R Leary
Mr P W Leary
Mr D Bellis
Mr P Wilkinson
Mr D Fairclough
Mr M Earl

Appointment of trustees
As set out in the constitution trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable organisation attending the Annual General meeting. Trustees are appointed for a period of three years and shall retire from office by rotation based on their length of service and may offer themselves for re-election.

Organisation
The trustees administer the charity and meet formally on a quarterly basis. A freelance Community Director has been appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity and he is supported by volunteers and sessional workers.

Trustee induction and training
Trustees are given information about their role and responsibilities on first being appointed. They are also given a copy of the constitution, information about staffing and the charity management, and they are also shown copies of policy documents.

Related parties and co-operation with other organisations
None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. Trustees must declare any conflict of interest as a standard agenda item at each meeting.

Statement of trustees responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees will be required to:

- Select suitable accounting principles and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures that must be disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is appropriate 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 to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with legal requirements. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mr J R Leary
Trustee
Dated: 7 September 2026

MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (" the Trust") for the year ended to 31st December 2025.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirement 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect :

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirement 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.



A P Bradshaw FFA FFTA

Independent Examiner

7 September 2026

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MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	43,366	33,190	76,556	59,569	25,580	85,149
Charitable activities	3	65,005	-	65,005	65,049	-	65,049
Total income		108,371	33,190	141,561	124,618	25,580	150,198
Charitable activities	4	114,280	19,329	133,609	114,163	19,897	134,060
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		(5,909)	13,861	7,952	10,455	5,683	16,138
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 January 2025		35,729	15,882	51,611	25,274	10,199	35,473
Fund balances at 31 December 2025		29,820	29,743	59,563	35,729	15,882	51,611

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

MARINE IN THE COMMUNITY

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		5,127		2,365
Current assets					
Debtors	9	10,932		3,059	
Cash at bank and in hand		48,590		84,225	
		59,522		87,284	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,726)		(31,534)	
Net current assets			56,796		55,750
Total assets less current liabilities			61,923		58,115
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(2,360)		(6,504)
Net assets			59,563		51,611
Income funds					
Restricted funds			29,743		15,882
Unrestricted funds			29,820		35,729
			59,563		51,611

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The director acknowledges his responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 7 September 2026

Mr J R Leary
Trustee

Company Registration No. CE017865

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Marine In The Community is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Marine Travel Arena, College Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 3AS.

1.1 Accounting convention

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31st December 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and 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 published (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

1.2 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Plant and equipment	25% Reducing Balance Method
Computers	33.33% Reducing Balance Method

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.4 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2025	**2025**	**2025**	2024	2024	2024
	£	**£**	**£**	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	3,570	-	3,570	7,762	10,580	18,342
Grant income	39,796	33,190	72,986	51,807	15,000	66,807
	43,366	33,190	76,556	59,569	25,580	85,149

3 Charitable income

	2025	**2024**
	£	**£**
Pitch and hub hire income	65,005	65,049

4 Charitable expenditure

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs	67,728	63,247
Depreciation and impairment	1,186	1,053
Bank charges	595	646
Sessional staff costs	19,443	23,744
General expenses	13,363	13,173
Rent	14,095	14,300
Reporting accountant	1,440	1,380
Small equipments	1,092	649
Bookkeeping and payroll fees	1,728	2,928
Computer software costs	768	551
Loan interest paid	115	218
Community donations	-	731
Community food purchases	4,656	4,312
Legal and Professional fees	7,400	7,128
	133,609	134,060
	133,609	134,060
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	114,280	114,163
Restricted funds	19,329	19,897
	133,609	134,060

5 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

2025 Number	2024 Number
2	2

6 Employees (Continued)

Employment costs	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	66,142	61,861
Other pension costs	1,586	1,386
	67,728	63,247

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and equipment £	Computers £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2025	1,855	5,783	7,638
Additions	1,470	2,477	3,947
At 31 December 2025	3,325	8,260	11,585
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 January 2025	1,073	4,199	5,272
Depreciation charged in the year	416	770	1,186
At 31 December 2025	1,489	4,969	6,458
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2025	1,836	3,291	5,127
At 31 December 2024	782	1,583	2,365

9 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	10,188	2,915
Prepayments and accrued income	744	144
	10,932	3,059

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	670	3,352
Trade creditors	1,758	2,068
Other creditors	298	1,114
Accruals and deferred income	-	25,000
	2,726	31,534

11 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Notes	2025	2024
		£	£
Bank loans		2,360	6,504

12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 December 2025 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	5,127	-	5,127	2,365	-	2,365
Current assets/(liabilities)	27,053	29,743	56,796	39,868	15,882	55,750
Long term liabilities	(2,360)	-	(2,360)	(6,504)	-	(6,504)
	29,820	29,743	59,563	35,729	15,882	51,611