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Trustees' Annual Report for the year

From 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ride Bristol
Registered charity number	1191199
Charity's principal address	12B Flax Bourton Road Failand Bristol BS8 3UW

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	The object of the CIO is: the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in Bristol and the surrounding area by providing opportunities and facilities to participate in off-road cycling through the construction and maintenance of safe cycle trails which protect the integrity of the physical and natural environment and encourage responsible cycling.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any	Trailwork repair activity has continued this year on the Nova trail at Ashton Court with a mix of volunteer-only dig days, CSR dig days and two Ride Bristol funded projects delivered in collaboration with our partner professional contractor Velosolutions. We continue to be supported by a pool of about 15 Dig Leaders and roughly 200 public volunteers who have attended the circa 8 dig days this

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wider benefits to society as a whole and summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	year. We have rebuilt circa 1km of trail on the Quarry Climb and at Picnic Benches. Our community building activity continues to grow. The women-only rides remain popular, and the open-to-all monthly ride has become a regular feature, with 40-80 people attending each session. We have also started arranging occasional social & ride events which attract up to 100 people. Planning has commenced, in collaboration with Bristol Shredders Club, to hold a 'Shredfest' family social bike event in the summer of 2026 for up to 500 people. Our Advocacy work has continued. The Ashton Court Stakeholder Group has met for the first time. Lobbying of Forestry England has resulted in their applying for £200k funding to rebuild the Yer Tiz trail in Leigh Woods as a blue adaptive trail. Funds were approved and work commissioned by FE has started on site and is due to be completed in early 2026. Ride Bristol organised and hosted the successful 2025 Reframing Mountain Biking conference attended by about 70 people. We were awarded our second ever grant funding (£10k) this year for a signage and website project. Several other donations (total £11k) from commercial sponsors and individuals were also received. We continue to receive material support from Tarmac, GRS Stone Supplies and service support from Plantforce and Velosolutions. Our social media work continues to support our activity. A project has commenced to rebuild our website. The management steering group (Trustees and supporters) continues its work and is now supported by several emerging task focussed sub groups. A four-year strategy has been developed which focuses our work on six strategic workstreams namely; Trailworks, Community, Advocacy, Fundraising, Influencing and Governance. As a result of our activity this year the trails in Ashton Court, Leigh Woods and 50 Acre continue to improve and the riding community continues to benefit from the social and riding opportunities that we provide.

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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	At the end of the financial period the charity held £22,850 (2024: £20,768) in the bank and made a surplus of £2,082 for the full year
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	The trustees aim to maintain reserves in unrestricted funds at a level that will allow sufficient funds to be available to respond to charitable activities as they arise.
Amount of reserves held	The balance held as unrestricted funds at the yearend was £15,644
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	There are no uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Ride Bristol is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation established by a constitution dated 8 September 2020. It was registered as a charity on 8 September 2020, charity number 1191199.
How is the charity constituted?	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Tim Knowles	General	
2	Christopher Leeks	General, Finance & Recruitment	
3	James Adamson	General, Waymarking	
4	Jamie Edwards	Communications	
5	Jeremy Wheatcroft	Trails, Governance, & Finance	
6	Fionna Wilson (Spotswood)	Community	
7	Bridget Wyatt	Community and governance	Appointed 22nd Sept 2025
8	Andy Hay	Community	Appointed 22nd Sept 2025

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signed by:
Jerry Wheatcroft
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Jeremy Wheatcroft

10/22/2026

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees of Ride Bristol CIO on accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 set out on pages 6 and 7.

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

As the charity trustees of the Charity, 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 section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

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

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

Signed by:
Christopher Lepianka
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Christopher Lepianka

23/10/2026

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Ride Bristol CIO
Receipts and payments accounts for the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Receipts and Payments

	1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025			1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024		
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Receipts						
Donations	11,301	-	11,301	11,101	5,200	16,301
Gift Aid	886	-	886	2,217	-	2,217
Other Income	327	9712	10,039	144	-	144
Event Income	4,771	-	4,771			
Total Receipts	**17,285**	**9,712**	**26,997**	**13,462**	**5,200**	**18,662**
Payments						
Trail Maintenance and Development	12,381	1,403	13,784	7,758	3,553	11,311
Banking and Card Fees	174	-	174	388	-	388
Community development	24	-	24	250	-	250
Other Expenditure	2,441	2,750	5,191	273	-	273
Event Expenditure	5,742	-	5,742			
Total Payments	**20,762**	**4,153**	**24,915**	**8,669**	**3,553**	**12,222**
Net Surplus	**(3,477)**	**5,559**	**2,082**	**4,793**	**1,647**	**6,440**
Reconciliation of Funds						
Cash funds brought forward	**19,121**	**1,647**	**20,768**	**14,328**	**-**	**14,328**
Cash funds carried forward	**15,644**	**7,206**	**22,850**	**19,121**	**1,647**	**20,768**

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	31 December 2025			31 December 2024		
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Cash funds						
Cash in bank	15,644	7,206	22,850	19,121	1,647	20,768
Total cash funds	**15,644**	**7,206**	**22,850**	**19,121**	**1,647**	**20,768**

At the year end, the charity's assets comprised Gift Aid recoverable from HM Revenue & Customs, a prepayment in respect of insurance, and tools used for digging and maintenance activities.

The charity's liabilities comprised amounts due to creditors in respect of unpaid bills outstanding at the year end.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by

Signed by:
Jerry Wheatcroft
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Jerry Wheatcroft

10/22/2026