STEPPING STONES STRATFORD UPON AVON

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PERIOD ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2025

Registered Charity Number: 1198912

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Registered office	5 Egret Close Meon Vale Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 8LT
Accountants	TC Group Celixir House Stratford Business & Technology Park Banbury Road Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 7GZ
Registered Charity Number	1198912

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

Governing Instrument

Deed of Trust created 11 May 2022

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signing were:

Ms Clare Reeves
Mr Richard Heathcote
Mrs Joy Heathcote
Mr Thomas Gape (resigned 10/02/2026)
Mr Robin Ford (appointed 18/09/2025)

Objects of the Charity

The relief of poverty, sickness, old age and distress and such other charitable objects as shall from time to time be considered appropriate by the trustees.

Financial review

The Trustees have continued to follow the same grant making policy as that operated since the Charity's inception, which is making grants to individuals, provides buildings/facilities/open space, provides services and provides advocacy/advice.

The trustees have no intention in changing the policy stated above in the future.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which include the free reserves of the charity, at a level, which provides sufficient investment income to cover the level of grants and expenditure each year.

Risk management

The charity continues to examine the major strategic, business and operational risks, which it faces, and to develop and implement systems to mitigate any exposure.

TRUSTEE



…… Date 18 September 2026

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Stepping Stones Stratford upon Avon (the charity) for the period ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements 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.

4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.

TC Group TC Group

Celixir House
Stratford Business & Technology Park
Banbury Road
Stratford-upon-Avon
CV37 7GZ

Dated: 18 September 2026

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BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Current assets					
Cash at bank		16,591		6,220	
			16,591		6,220
Current liabilities					
Trustee expenses due for reimbursement		0		603	
			0		603
REPRESENTED BY:					
Designated Funds (Page 4)					
Restricted funds		6,836		694	
Unrestricted funds		9,755		4,923	
			16,591		5,617

Approved by the Trustees on 18th September 2026

Mr Richard Heathcote

Joy Heathcote

Mrs Joy Heathcote

Robin Ford

Mr Robin Ford

Clare Reeves

Ms Clare Reeves

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£
Incoming resources		
Restricted	18,000	-
Unrestricted	11,408	6,133
Total incoming resources	**29,408**	**6,133**
Resources expended		
Direct charitable expenditure:		
Restricted	11,617	-
Unrestricted	5,533	18,000
	17,150	18,000
Management and administrative expenditure:		
Trustee administration		
Restricted	241	
Unrestricted	1,043	2,046
Total administrative expenditure	1,284	2,046
Total resources expended	**18,434**	**20,046**
Net incoming resources	10,974	(13,913)
Net movement in funds		
Restricted	6,142	
Unrestricted	4,832	(13,913)
Total funds brought forward		
Restricted	694	694
Unrestricted	4,923	18,836
Total funds carried forward		
Restricted	6,836	694
Unrestricted	9,755	4,923
	16,591	**5,617**

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

There were no other recognised gains or losses during the year.

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Final Audit Report 2026-09-23

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