Better Connected

Annual Accounts and Trustees' Report

Accounting Period: 11 January 2025 to 10 January 2026

Trustees' Report

The trustees present their annual report and accounts for Better Connected for the period 11 January 2025 to 10 January 2026.

1. Objectives and Activities

Better Connected continues to work towards its charitable purpose of helping people to develop connections, build relationships and reduce social isolation.

During the year, the charity has continued to provide opportunities for people to meet, socialise and take part in activities within the community.

Activities undertaken during the year have included:

- Ten-pin bowling trips
- Community walks
- A talent show
- Various social and community activities
- Support for vulnerable individuals
- Telephone befriending

The trustees recognise the importance of providing opportunities for people who may otherwise experience loneliness or social isolation to develop meaningful connections with others.

During the year, Better Connected has helped to connect in excess of 80 people through its activities and support. The trustees consider this to be a significant achievement and an important demonstration of the positive impact of the charity's work.

2. Volunteers

Better Connected continues to be operated entirely through volunteers.

The trustees are grateful for the time, commitment and support provided by volunteers throughout the year.

There are currently no plans or expectations for the charity to employ paid staff.

3. Financial Review

During the accounting period, Better Connected received total income of £636.73.

Total expenditure on charitable activities was £291.77.

This resulted in a net surplus of £344.96 for the year.

The charity had an opening bank balance of £588.29 and a closing bank balance of £933.25 at 10 January 2026.

The charity had no other assets or liabilities at the end of the accounting period.

The trustees consider the charity's financial position to be satisfactory and will continue to manage charitable funds carefully to support the charity's objectives.

4. Fundraising

The charity has continued to raise funds to support its charitable activities.

Fundraising has included raffle ticket sales and other fundraising activities.

The trustees intend to continue fundraising during the coming year in order to provide resources for the charity's activities and to enable Better Connected to continue developing opportunities for people to meet and build connections.

5. Future Plans

The trustees intend to continue developing activities that provide opportunities for people to meet, build relationships and become better connected within their communities.

The trustees will consider new activities and events in light of the charity's available resources, fundraising capacity and charitable purpose.

The charity will continue to focus on reducing social isolation, supporting vulnerable individuals and creating opportunities for meaningful social connection.

6. Trustees

The trustees during the year and at the date of the Annual General Meeting were:

- James Broughton Taylor
- Sarah Broughton Taylor
- Joshua Nock
- John Todd
- Lorna Stewart
- Lucy Nock

At the Annual General Meeting held on 21 August 2026, the trustees confirmed that they were happy to continue in their respective positions.

No changes to the current trustees were proposed or agreed.

7. Declaration

The trustees are satisfied that the charity has continued to operate in accordance with its charitable purpose and that charitable funds have been used to support its objectives.

The trustees approve this report and the accompanying accounts for the period 11 January 2025 to 10 January 2026.

Annual Accounts

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Receipts and Payments Account

	£
Income	636.73
Expenditure – Charitable activities	291.77
Net income / surplus for the year	344.96

Funds

	£
Opening bank balance at 11 January 2025	588.29
Net income / surplus for the year	344.96
Closing bank balance at 10 January 2026	933.25

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

At 10 January 2026, Better Connected held:

- Bank balance: £933.25
- Other assets: £0.00
- Liabilities/debts: £0.00
- Grants or other income owed to the charity: £0.00

Total funds at 10 January 2026: £933.25

The charity's funds are held entirely in its bank account.