Charity registration number 1205721 (England and Wales)

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

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INTRODUCTION FROM CEO AND FOUNDER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Introduction from CEO and Founder
"Honestly, it's more than just volunteering - it's helped shape our family values and created memories that will stay with us for years" - A mum and regular participant of Family Volunteering Club in Manchester

The past 12 months have been an incredible journey for Family Volunteering Club (FVC). We expanded from four programmes (Abergavenny, South London, Fenland and Stevenage) to nine, adding Manchester, Conwy, Cardiff, Wrexham and Glasgow. We have brought on brilliant new members of the team to create these programmes and have seen wonderful impact on local children and families who have attended them. We are seeing evidence and hearing about children becoming more confident, developing new skills, making new friends and becoming passionate about different societal causes through attending FVC, and of families enjoying doing altruistic work together, helping them to bond more and shaping their family values. Our fantastic Local Coordinators continue to be at the heart of our programmes, working in collaboration with their local communities and stakeholders to create meaningful and impactful family volunteering sessions which make positive, practical change in the community and are inspiring children in their local area to begin a journey of volunteering and civic action.

The climate of working in the charity sector continues to be challenging, particularly in relation to income generation. However, we are incredibly grateful to all of our funders for their support for our work. In particular to Pears Foundation who continue as our primary core funder, Mishcon de Reya and the Welsh Government via WCVA, for their support in growing the programme in Wales. We have been delighted to work with Dr Ali Body (Author of *Children as Changemakers*) to help measure our impact, and we look forward to sharing findings from this work in summer 2026.

Beyond the wonderful programmes, one of my highlights from the past year was the Roundtable we co-hosted in the House of Lords in November 2025 around Childhood and Civic Action. We are immensely grateful to Baroness Sater for her support in making this event happen. It was a pivotal moment for us to bring our work into this space, share our learnings around why child-friendly volunteering is so positive for children's wellbeing and development, how it helps to strengthen family units and build bridges in local communities and how it helps nurture compassionate future generations, which will benefit wider society in the long term. The event saw some of our regular children and families also attend and share their stories, which was a joy and so important always to have their experiences at reflections at the heart of what we do.

I am looking forward to the year ahead, to deepening the impact of our programmes in our current locations and reaching new families, hopefully beginning work in new geographic areas, continuing to be a constructive contributor of the childhood and civic action eco-system, and developing new strategic partnerships to advance our charitable mission.

Thank you to the Board of Trustees, our staff team, charity partners, funders, friends and supporters for all they have done in the past year - and of course the wonderful children and families who have taken part in our programmes and made so much positive change in their local communities.



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Maddy Mills
Founder and CEO

Date: 11 June 2026

INTRODUCTION FROM CEO AND FOUNDER (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Introduction from the Chair of Trustees

Being in the position to present Family Volunteering Club's second annual accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2026 is a brilliant milestone for the charity. Maddy and the whole team have made great strides in growing and developing the charity. They continue to put the impact we're making for the children and families who volunteer with us, as well as local community partners, at the heart of everything we do.

I'm always proud to see Family Volunteering Club mentioned on a national level, and this year has been full of opportunities to champion children's volunteering in a range of forums. Being shortlisted for Children and Young Person's Charity of the Year 2025 was a real honour and our Roundtable in the House of Lords was a huge highlight. I look forward to us continuing to shine a light on the value of children's civic action - both the outcomes for the children themselves and their communities.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees I want to thank everyone who has supported us, hosted us, volunteered with us, championed family volunteering and continue to do so, we are incredibly grateful for your support.

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Katy Sparrow Robins,
Chair of Trustees

Date: 12 June 2026

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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 (FRS 102)".

Objectives and activities
The advancement of the education of children up to 9 years old by developing their mental and physical health, and individual values through volunteering and participation in community service.

Charity overview:
Family Volunteering Club (FVC) is a growing national charity, creating opportunities for young children and their families to make positive change in their communities and beginning their journey of civic action from a young age. We create and run child-friendly volunteering sessions supporting a range of causes, enabling children aged 0 - 9 to participate positively in their community, building their confidence, sense of belonging and skills. It introduces them in an age-appropriate way to societal issues, and to the idea of volunteering from a young age.

Our mission is big and bold: to build accessible and inclusive programmes within communities across the UK transforming opportunities for families to participate in local social action.

We were established in 2019 as a not-for-profit, initially working in south London, and are now delivering locally-run programmes in Glasgow, Manchester, Stevenage, Abergavenny, Wrexham, Cardiff, Conwy and Fenland with a further two in development in Birmingham and Bristol.

What began as a response to the lack of child-friendly volunteering opportunities after becoming a parent has grown into a nationally recognised charity, supported by organisations including the Pears Foundation, Comic Relief and The National Lottery. FVC has been featured on BBC Breakfast Live (for The Big Help Out), on The Times Radio, in The Week Junior and The Telegraph, we have been a finalist for The Stephen Lloyd Awards, taken part in The Funding Network, shortlisted for Children and Young Person's Charity of the Year 2025, and co-hosted a House of Lords roundtable in November 2025 on childhood and civic engagement.

At a time of growing social division and disconnection, we believe volunteering together is a powerful way to build stronger, kinder and more connected communities. By making caring for our communities easy, joyful and part of everyday family life, Family Volunteering Club is helping children flex their "civic muscle" and shaping a more compassionate future for us all.

We have big plans. We want to continue to grow - and for Family Volunteering Club to create locally run programmes in towns, cities and villages across the UK run by fantastic local coordinators, supporting their local causes. We want it to be easy, and part and parcel of family time (just as arranging a swimming or football lesson!) to spend a few hours each month volunteering together for a local cause. The sessions will always guarantee fun, a positive impact and be entirely geared up for kids.

For the period April 2025 - March 2026:

"They want to volunteer more! Making a difference to others is important to them."
"Her confidence in speaking to people has improved so much."
"The children are eager to share their experiences with friends and at school"

In the past 12 months we expanded our work from four programmes (Abergavenny, South London, Fenland and Stevenage) to nine, adding Manchester, Conwy, Cardiff, Wrexham and Glasgow.

We delivered 136 sessions during this period, and had an estimated 1,929 attendances. While reaching as many families as possible is of course important, we remain focused on the individual behind every attendance and the potential ripple effect their participation can create. These figures do not include those who took part in our remote volunteering opportunities through our Family Volunteering Club's Summer and Winter Challenges.

At the heart of Family Volunteering Club (FVC) are our programmes. Through our volunteering activities, children may learn about homelessness by preparing care packages, develop environmental awareness through litter picking or tree planting, or build connections with older adults through care home visits. These experiences can influence attitudes, interests and future engagement with social and environmental issues.

Our Impact

Taken from post-session questionnaires, we can share the following:
81% of attendees rated their enjoyment of the session as 5 out of 5 and 14% rated it as 4 out of 5.
The three most common answers when asking what people got out of attending were:

- Have fun with my child(ren) (88%)
- Feel positive for giving something back to my community (75%)
- Introduce my child(ren) to the idea of volunteering (71%)

When asked to what extend their child engaged with the society issue being addressed during the volunteering session, 42% of attendees responded there was 'some engagement and they / their child learnt something new' with 49% selecting the top answer 'Very engaged - I learnt something new, and it has stimulated a conversation with my child and / or we want to find out more about it'.

For participating children: FVC helps children build confidence, develop new skills and strengthen their connection to their communities. This year we have had feedback from parents who frequently report increased confidence in their children following sessions. Feedback includes comments such as children "becoming more confident and caring", "coming out of their shell", and enjoying the opportunity to participate in practical activities. Families also report children continuing to engage with issues beyond the sessions, such as litter picking locally, showing interest in environmental issues, or becoming involved with local community groups. In one example, a regular attendee received a volunteering award at school and spoke in assembly about her experiences.

For participating adults: FVC provides adults with the opportunity to support causes they care about while volunteering alongside their children. Many parents report benefits including a stronger sense of community, new friendships and personal fulfilment. Participation has also led to further engagement with partner organisations. For example, one parent later offered their professional marketing skills to a food bank following a session.

For families: Unlike many volunteering opportunities available to children through schools or youth groups, FVC enables *families* (in whatever shape or form this takes) to volunteer together. Our aim is to make spending time contributing to the community feel as normal as other family activities. Parents frequently highlight the bonding and shared experiences created through sessions. Families report continuing activities at home, such as gardening or litter picking, and children sharing their volunteering experiences with friends and relatives.

For partner charities: Often our partner charities have limited experience working with children and families. FVC supports them by providing expertise in safeguarding, risk management and child-friendly volunteering practices. This year partner organisations reported that sessions have generated additional engagement with their causes, they have valued learning from FVC how to engage children and families, including developing their Safeguarding and Risk Assessments, and they value the session funding which helps cover materials and supports collaboration.

WCVA

Our work in Wales has been further supported to grow, by a Welsh Government Strategic Grant administered by WCVA, enabling expansion into Cardiff, Wrexham and Conwy. This 12 month programme concludes in Summer 2026, and has enabled us to take our model to these three new communities, recruiting Local Coordinators to run them and engaging Dr Ali Body (author of *Children as Changemakers*) as a research and impact lead to help us measure the impact that the work is having on children, families and local communities - the outcomes of which will be published in Summer 2026.

An overview from each geographic location:

Each programme has developed according to local needs and partnerships.

Abergavenny: A new Local Coordinator was appointed in April 2025 after funding was secured from Awards for All Wales. Sessions have included litter picking, baking for volunteers and creating care packages for care homes, working with partners such as Abergavenny Pride, Friends of Bailey Park and Empowerment Oasis. Sessions have included; litter picking, baking cakes for the community, gardening and building bat boxes.

Cardiff: A new Local Coordinator was appointed in November 2025. Following the community development phase, the programme delivery began in March 2026 with charity partners including Bellavista Nursing Home, Green Squirrel and Mirus and sessions including turning crisp packets into emergency blankets for people experiencing homelessness, litter picking and making bird feeders.

Conwy: A new Local Coordinator was appointed in October 2025. Following the community development phase, the programme delivery began in March 2026 with charity partners including; Tan Lan Community Garden, Keep Wales Tidy and Southern House Nursing Home, and sessions including planting daffodils, intergenerational crafting and a beach clean.

Fenland: Our Local Coordinator has continued to deliver a wide range of popular and engaging sessions ranging from planting herbs at Wisbech Community Farm to baking for Ely Baby Bank and creating wildlife habitats. She has also developed strong links with local care homes, to enable meaningful intergenerational volunteering.

Glasgow: A new Local Coordinator was appointed in October 2025 and following a community development phase, delivery began in February 2026 with sessions including; creating care packages for Refuweegie, making animal treats for The Pet Collective charity, and litter picking in Ruchill Park.

London (South): Our Local Coordinator continues to create and deliver a range of engaging sessions. Charity partners have included Roots and Shoots, Olive Branch Aid, Ronald McDonald House and Surrey Docks Farm, with sessions including; litter picking, baking cakes for people who are experiencing homelessness, renovating a garden for an older adults social centre and planting spring bulbs.

Manchester: A new Local Coordinator was appointed in April 2025 and after a successful pilot, we secured funding for the work to continue. These popular sessions have been held at community venues such as Longsight Library and Crowcroft Park with activities have included creating Eid cards, making care packages, gardening and supporting local food banks.

Stevenage: Our Local Coordinator has continued to deliver a broad range of popular and impactful sessions with partners including Jubilee Care Home, Fairlands Valley, Lister Hospital and Toyshed. Sessions have included; making bat houses, decorating cakes for hospital staff, litter picking and wrapping presents for underprivileged families.

Wrexham: A new Local Coordinator was appointed in November 2025. Following the community development phase, the programme delivery began in March 2026 with sessions including gardening and litter picking at Tŷ Pawb.

Remote volunteering initiatives:
To reach families unable to attend in person, we launched remote “Winter and Summer Challenges” encouraging families to complete volunteering activities at home. These fun activity sheets were downloadable from our website, promoted via social media and distributed in sessions.

FVC in the House of Lords
In November 2025 we also co-hosted a roundtable discussion at the House of Lords with Baroness Sater and Baroness Hodgson about Childhood and Civic Participation. The event brought together families, sector partners, funders and policymakers to discuss the role of family volunteering in building civic participation and community cohesion. We have also held a meeting with Minister Peacock, who subsequently name-checked FVC in a debate in Parliament.

Marketing and Press
Our digital reach has grown significantly, with more than 420,000 social media views, 7,300 interactions and over 500 new followers across our platforms. We received press coverage in local outlets including Abergavenny Focus and Fenland Citizen, as well as national outlets including The Week Junior.

Our website was refreshed and updated with thanks to TCS for their pro-bono support through their Tech4Hope Programme.

FVC was also recognized as a finalist in the Children and Young People Now Awards 2025 for Charity of the Year.

Funders during this period include:

- Awards for All England
- Awards for All Wales
- City Bridge Foundation
- Cambridge Council
- Changing Ideas
- Fenland District Council
- Hertfordshire Community Foundation
- Jean and Graham Tidmas Foundation
- Mather Family Charitable Trust
- Mishcon de Reya LLP
- Newcomen Collett Educational Foundation
- Pears Foundation
- Simon Gibson Charitable Trust
- The Bennett Family Grantmaking Charity
- The Evelyn Trust
- The Florence Shute Millennium Trust
- The Follett Trust
- The Funding Network
- The Grimmitt Trust
- The Gwendoline and Margaret Davies Charity
- The Hudson Foundation
- The Sir John Middlemore Charitable Trust
- We Love MCR Charity
- Welsh Government via Welsh Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA)

How Our Activities Deliver Public Benefit

Our work brings families together to engage in social action, benefitting both communities and the families themselves. Activities are designed to be inclusive and meaningful, providing early education in empathy, responsibility, and community connection.

Financial review

During the year, the charity received £160,072 (2025:£173,254) as total income of which £102,594 (2025:£84,900) was restricted, £478 (2025:£88,354) was unrestricted income & £57,000 was designated income. Total expenditure for the year was £137,235 (2025:£57,686) leaving a net surplus for the year of £22,837(2025: £115,568). However, much of this surplus was funding received for activity relating to activity taking place in the 2026 - 2027 financial year, and will be carried forward to be used as such.

Therefore, the charity's total reserves were £138,405 as of 31st March 2026 which included; unrestricted funds of £8,000 (2025:£3,000), designated funds £46,656 (2025:£57,825) and restricted funds £83,749 (2025:£54,743).

Reserves policy

Family Volunteering Club became a registered CIO in November 2023 and the Board and CEO are continuing to build the charity’s reserves in accordance with this policy.

It is the Board’s recommendation that the reserves target is set at three months of operating costs, including core staff, accountancy, overheads, a minimal programme budget, and organisational wind-down costs.

At 31 March 2026 the current reserves reflected approximately 1 month of operating costs. We are taking steps to work towards achieving the 3 month target by the end of the 26-27 financial year.

This figure will be reviewed every six months until the target is reached and will thereafter be reviewed annually.

Risk Management
The Trustees are responsible for managing the risks facing Family Volunteering Club. A written Risk Register has been developed and is reviewed quarterly by the Board.

Current risks include:

- A challenging fundraising climate
- Maintaining a sensible rate of programme growth, to work alongside resources available
- Ensuring programme consistency and quality across regions

The Trustees are confident that the systems in place mitigate these risks effectively, and that risk management continues to support the delivery of our charitable objectives.

Structure, governance and management
Organisational Context

Family Volunteering Club was established in 2019 in south London as a not-for-profit limited company. Recognising the potential for the work to grow significantly, we made a step-change in our operations in 2023 and became a registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in November 2023. All funds, assets, and operational resources were transferred from the limited company to the CIO before the limited company was formally closed.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:
K Sparrow-Robins
S L Hamid
J Daniels
K Glencorse
C Russell (Resigned 20 May 2025)

Recruitment and appointment of trustees
All trustees have been appointed via an open recruitment process. The Trustee opportunity was advertised, and shortlisted applicants were interviewed, before individuals being offered the role.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

Organisational structure
Family Volunteering Club is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). Its governance structure consists of a Board of Trustees, a Chief Executive Officer, locally based Local Coordinators for each geographic area, freelance staff (administration, marketing, programme coordination, fundraising, bookkeeping) and a network of dedicated family volunteers across the UK. The Board is responsible for strategic oversight, safeguarding and risk management, while the CEO leads operational delivery with the support of the staff and volunteer teams. Trustees are recruited based on their skills, experience, and alignment with our mission.

Future priorities
As an organisation, we will continue to develop solid foundations around operations, income generation and infrastructure which enable our model and mission to grow. As we continue on our mission to make volunteering accessible for all young children and their families, we remain ambitious in our plans to expand the programme to new locations across the UK, focusing on working with communities where we can make the highest impact and helping young children recognize the power of their voice and actions. We will continue to deepen the impact of our programmes, assessing which families are not currently attending and finding ways of removing barriers so that they can attend, measuring our impact and continuing to advocate within policy and the wider sector for the power and potential of civic action during childhood.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



K Sparrow-Robins
Chair

Date: 12 June 2026

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Family Volunteering Club (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2026.

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.

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements 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 the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 Charities Act 2011.

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 financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Date: 15/06/2026

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Current financial year	Notes	Unrestricted funds general 2026 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2026 £	Restricted funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Income from:						
Donations, grants and legacies	**4**	478	57,000	102,594	160,072	172,234
Charitable activities	**5**	-	-	-	-	1,020
Total income		478	57,000	102,594	160,072	173,254
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	**6**	-	-	7,814	7,814	5,179
Charitable activities	**7**	3,058	60,589	65,774	129,421	52,507
Total expenditure		3,058	60,589	73,588	137,235	57,686
Net income/(expenditure)		(2,580)	(3,589)	29,006	22,837	115,568
Transfers between funds		7,580	(7,580)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**9**	5,000	(11,169)	29,006	22,837	115,568
Reconciliation of funds:						
Fund balances at 1 April 2025		3,000	57,825	54,743	115,568	-
Fund balances at 31 March 2026		8,000	46,656	83,749	138,405	115,568

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

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Prior financial 17 months period	Notes	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
Income from:					
Donations, grants and legacies	**4**	87,334	-	84,900	172,234
Charitable activities	**5**	1,020	-	-	1,020
Total income		88,354	-	84,900	173,254
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	**6**	-	-	5,179	5,179
Charitable activities	**7**	27,529	-	24,978	52,507
Total expenditure		27,529	-	30,157	57,686
Net income		60,825	-	54,743	115,568
Transfers between funds		(57,825)	57,825	-	-
Net movement in funds	**9**	3,000	57,825	54,743	115,568
Reconciliation of funds:					
Fund balances at 14 November 2023		-	-	-	-
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		3,000	57,825	54,743	115,568

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING CLUB

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2026

	Notes	2026 £	£	2025 £	£
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		138,405		115,568	
Net current assets			138,405		115,568
The funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	**13**		83,749		54,743
Unrestricted funds - general	**15**		8,000		3,000
Unrestricted funds - Designated	**14**		46,656		57,825
			138,405		115,568

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 11 June 2026

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K Sparrow-Robins
Chair

2 Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Memorandum of Association, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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 (FRS 102)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

2.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

2.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

2.4 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.

2 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

2.5 Expenditure

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.

2.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2.7 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

4 Income from donations, grants and legacies

	Unrestricted funds general 2026 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2026 £	Restricted funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
Donations and gifts	17	-	-	17	8,475	9,005	17,480
Grants	461	57,000	102,594	160,055	78,859	75,895	154,754
	478	57,000	102,594	160,072	87,334	84,900	172,234

In the previous period ended 31st March 2025, we transferred all the funds from Family Volunteering Club when it operated as a limited company, into the charity's accounts. The limited company was then closed down, therefore this transfer of funds is reflected in the higher level of 'donations and gifts' in 2024-25.

5 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2026 £	Unrestricted funds 2025 £
Total		
Income from charitable activities	-	1,020

6 Expenditure on raising funds

	Restricted funds 2026 £	Restricted funds 2025 £
Fundraising and publicity		
Other fundraising costs	7,814	5,179

7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Direct costs		
Salaries	34,357	23,501
Freelance fees	61,359	12,934
Insurance	1,201	825
Marketing	5,835	2,563
Materials	5,614	2,192
Office expenditure	7,651	2,546
Refreshment	724	122
Travel and Accomodation	1,335	160
Partner session costs and Accessibility	7,459	5,935
	125,535	50,778
Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)		
Governance and Accountancy	3,886	1,729
	129,421	52,507
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds - general	3,058	27,529
Unrestricted funds - Designated	60,589	-
Restricted funds	65,774	24,978
	129,421	52,507

8 Support costs allocated to activities

	2026 £	2025 £
Governance and Accountancy costs	3,886	1,729
Analysed between:		
Total	3,886	1,729

9 Net movement in funds

	2026 £	2025 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	720	720

10 Trustees

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

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2026 Number	2025 Number
	1	-

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

12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

13 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2026 £
Awards for All	39,565	-	(13,750)	25,815
Cambridge Council	496	-	(496)	-
City Bridge Foundation	5,081	7,650	(7,892)	4,839
The Frank Litchfield Charitable Trust	2,500	-	(2,500)	-
Hertfordshire Community Foundation	101	-	(101)	-
Mather Family Charitable Trust	3,000	10,000	(7,357)	5,643
Newcomen Collett Educational Foundation	2,000	-	(2,000)	-
The Follett Trust	1,000	1,250	(2,250)	-
The Gwendoline and Margaret Davies Charity	1,000	-	(1,000)	-
The Florence Shute Millenium Trust	-	2,000	(2,000)	-
The Grimmitt Trust	-	600	-	600
The Sir John Middlemore Charitable Trust	-	2,000	-	2,000
Changing Ideas	-	12,000	(7,073)	4,927
The Evelyn Trust	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
The Hudson Foundation	-	2,450	(2,450)	-
Jean and Graham Tidmas Foundation	-	2,000	(1,000)	1,000
Simon Gibson Charitable Trust	-	7,000	(3,000)	4,000
Fenland District Council	-	5,800	(1,262)	4,538
The Bennett Family Grantmaking Charity	-	500	(500)	-
Wales Council for Voluntary Action	-	40,844	(12,957)	27,887
We Love MCR	-	3,500	(1,000)	2,500
	54,743	102,594	(73,588)	83,749

13 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Previous 17 months period:	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2025 £
Mishcon de Reya	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Awards for All	-	39,675	(110)	39,565
Cambridge Council	-	6,540	(6,044)	496
City Bridge Foundation	-	9,700	(4,619)	5,081
The Frank Litchfield Charitable Trust	-	3,000	(500)	2,500
Hertfordshire Community Foundation	-	4,980	(4,879)	101
Mather Family Charitable Trust	-	3,000	-	3,000
Newcomen Collett Educational Foundation	-	2,000	-	2,000
The Follett Trust	-	1,000	-	1,000
The Gwendoline and Margaret Davies Charity	-	1,000	-	1,000
Lambeth & Southwark - Donation	-	6,074	(6,074)	-
Abergavenny - Donation	-	2,931	(2,931)	-
	-	84,900	(30,157)	54,743

The above figures show the movement in Restricted Funds for the financial period ended 31st March 2025.

13 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Notes to the Restricted funds

Awards for All - Currently supporting programmes in Abergavenny and Stevenage.

Cambridge Council - Carry forward from 24-25 for Stevenage, now spent.

City Bridge Foundation - Supporting the South London programme.

The Frank Litchfield Charitable Trust - Supporting our Stevenage programme.

Hertfordshire Community Foundation - Carry forward from 24-25 for Stevenage, now spent.

Mather Family Charitable Trust - Supporting the Manchester programme.

Newcomen Collett Educational Foundation - Supporting the South London programme.

The Follett Trust - Supported our Stevenage programme.

The Gwendoline and Margaret Davies Charity - Supported our Abergavenny programme.

The Florence Shute Millenium Trust - Supported our Abergavenny programme.

The Grimmitt Trust - Supporting our planned programme in Birmingham.

The Sir John Middlemore - Supporting our planned programme in Birmingham.

Changing Ideas - Supporting our Glasgow programme.

The Evelyn Trust - Supporting our Fenland programme.

The Hudson Foundation - Supporting our Fenland programme.

Jean and Graham Tidmas Foundation - Supporting our Fenland programme.

Simon Gibson Charitable Trust - Supporting our Fenland programme.

Fenland District Council - Supporting our Fenland programme.

The Bennett Family Grantmaking Charity - Supporting our Manchester programme.

Wales Council for Voluntary Action - Supporting our programmes in Cardiff, Conwy and Wrexham plus evaluation work across Wales.

We Love MCR - Supporting our Manchester programme.

14 Designated Funds

These are unrestricted funds which are designated to the charity's activities listed below.

	At 1 April 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2026 £
Designated funds	57,825	57,000	(60,589)	(7,580)	46,656

Previous 17 months period:	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
Designated funds	-	-	-	57,825	57,825

15 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes. The remaining £8,000 of unrestricted funds is allocated to the charity's reserves.

	At 1 April 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2026 £
General funds	3,000	478	(3,058)	7,580	8,000

Previous 17 months period:	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	-	88,354	(27,529)	(57,825)	3,000

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds general 2026 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2026 £	Restricted funds 2026 £	Total 2026 £
At 31 March 2026:				
Current assets/(liabilities)	8,000	46,656	83,749	138,405
	8,000	46,656	83,749	138,405

16 Analysis of net assets between funds **(Continued)**

	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At 31 March 2025:				
Current assets/(liabilities)	3,000	57,825	54,743	115,568
	3,000	57,825	54,743	115,568

17 Related party transactions

During the year, £45.69 was reimbursed to Salma Latif on 3rd November which is when she came to an event the charity held in the Houses of Parliament (2025: £43.69).