CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

VSI RAZOM - ALL TOGETHER	1212748

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	31-Mar-25	To	31-Mar-26

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	10,040	-	-	10,040	-
Grants		19,495	-	19,495	-
Fundraising Activities	4,327	-	-	4,327	-
Donation from the former unincorporated association	14,919		-	14,919	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	29,286	19,495	-	48,781	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,286	19,495	-	48,781	-
A3 Payments					
Advertising	23	551	-	574	-
Office expences	1,123	-	-	1,123	-
Hub maintenace	3,371	1,526	-	4,897	-
IT Software and Subscriptions	957	609	-	1,566	-
Charitable supplies	927	865	-	1,792	-
Workshop supplies	639	277	-	916	-
Travel expenses	603	310	-	913	-
Social events	5,792	955	-	6,747	-
Staff costs	16,930	4,640	-	21,570	-
Sub total	30,365	9,733	-	40,098	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	30,365	9,733	-	40,098	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,079	9,762	-	8,683	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 1,079	9,762	-	8,683	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Lloyds	- 1,079	9,762	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	- 1,079	9,762	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Введите текст		

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Vsi Razom		
On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2026	**Charity no**	1212748
Set out on pages	1-2		

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 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.

I 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.

Signed:		**Date:**	14th September 2026

Name:	Rachel Eden
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body	FCMA (Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants)
Address:	Holy Brook Associates, Thames Tower,
	Station Road, Reading, England,
	RG1 1LX

Section B	**Disclosure**

NONE

ALL TOGETHER VSI RAZOM

ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

For the period 2025 - 2026













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Organisation details

Name: Vsi Razom – All Together

Charity Registration Number: 1212748

Address: 17 Princess Square, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG12 1LS

STAFF

Natalia Vil	Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer

TRUSTEES

Liudmyla Burlaka	Chair
Myroslava Bashkatova	Treasurer
Yuliya Lototska	Secretary

Who we are and what we do

VSI Razom – All Together is a registered charity and community hub based in Bracknell, Berkshire. We provide practical support to refugees, newcomers and displaced people living in Bracknell and the surrounding areas — primarily, but not exclusively, people of Ukrainian heritage - helping them adapt to life in the UK and feel part of their local community.



Responding to Changing Needs

Our organisation was founded in response to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, supporting individuals and families who had been forced to leave their homes and rebuild their lives in the UK. Since becoming a registered charity on March 31, 2025, we have continued to develop our services in response to the changing needs of the people we support.



A Welcoming Community Hub

At the heart of our work is our Community Hub - a safe and welcoming place where people can access practical assistance, improve their English language skills, receive information and signposting, participate in educational and wellbeing activities, and build meaningful relationships within the local community. While our primary focus remains supporting displaced people of Ukrainian heritage living in the UK, many of our activities are open to the wider local community. By bringing people together from different backgrounds, we encourage integration, reduce social isolation and promote mutual understanding.



Building Confidence and Belonging

We believe that successful integration is about more than simply meeting immediate needs. By helping people develop confidence, independence and a sense of belonging, we support them to become active members of their communities. It is particularly rewarding to see people who first came to VSI Razom for assistance later become volunteers, community leaders and members of our staff team, helping others who are beginning a similar journey.



Working in Partnership

Alongside our direct services, we work closely with local authorities, charities, healthcare providers and community organisations to connect people with appropriate specialist support. Through effective signposting and strong partnerships, we help individuals navigate unfamiliar systems and access services that improve their wellbeing and opportunities.



Charity Registration Number: 1212748

Our Story

From an emergency volunteer response to a welcoming community charity



A Simple Desire to Help

VSI Razom began in February 2022, when a small group of local volunteers came together to collect essential items and donations for people affected by the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.

Responding to Local Needs

As Ukrainian families began arriving in Bracknell and the surrounding area, our focus expanded to helping them settle into life in the UK. Many had left behind their homes, careers, and loved ones, and were facing an uncertain future.

On October 7, 2022, we established the Vsi Razom Community Hub, made possible by the generous backing of Bracknell Forest Council, The Lexicon Bracknell, and Kerith Community Church. This milestone provided our volunteer team with a permanent home to deliver hands-on assistance, run community activities, and cultivate a true sense of belonging for arriving families.

Growing with Our Community

As people's needs developed, so did our work. We introduced practical advice, English-language classes, children's activities, wellbeing programmes and opportunities for people to connect with others through shared experiences. The Hub became more than a place to receive help - it became a place of friendship, belonging and hope.

Strengthening Community Connections

We also built strong relationships with local authorities, healthcare providers, charities, and community organisations. Through these partnerships, families could seamlessly access essential services and participate more fully in local life.

> ***"Vsi Razom" means 'All Together' in Ukrainian.***

Growing Together





Visit from the Princess of Wales — 4 October 2003

Recognition and Royal Endorsement

Our contribution was recognised early in our development. In December 2022, VSI Razom received the Bracknell Forest Mayor's Opportunity Champion recognition. The following year, we were honoured with the Team of the Year, Gold Award at the Pride of Bracknell Forest Awards 2023, celebrating the dedication of our volunteers and the positive impact of their work.

Another defining moment occurred on October 4, 2023, when we welcomed Her Royal Highness The Princess of Wales to VSI Razom. During her visit, she met members of our community, volunteers, and staff, taking time to hear their lived experiences and learn about the wrap-around support available to families rebuilding their lives in the UK. Her visit highlighted the vital role local organisations and volunteers play in ensuring newcomers feel welcomed, connected, and supported.

A Sustainable Foundation for the Future

As VSI Razom continued to scale, we recognised
the importance of creating a strong, sustainable foundation for the future. On March 31, 2025, we became a registered charity, marking a new chapter in our history.

This milestone established a formal governance structure and created strategic opportunities to develop partnerships, secure long-term funding, and expand our charitable activities.

VSI Razom Today: A Hub for the Whole Community

Today, VSI Razom is a vibrant community hub serving Bracknell and the surrounding area. While we remain deeply committed to supporting people from Ukraine who have been displaced and are rebuilding their lives in the UK, our work has naturally expanded to benefit the wider local community. Through educational programs, wellbeing initiatives, volunteering pathways, practical assistance, and community events, we create opportunities for people to build friendships, develop skills, regain confidence, and foster a true sense of belonging.



Chair of Trustee's Report



As I reflect on VSI Razom's first year as a registered charity, I feel deeply grateful for the dedication and resilience of everyone involved in our work. Becoming a registered charity on March 31, 2025, marked an important stage in our development. Throughout the year, the Trustees have worked to establish strong foundations while ensuring that our activities continue to respond to community needs.

Operational overview

During the year, we reached approximately 430 people through advice and information, education, English-language classes, wellbeing programmes, children's activities, volunteering opportunities and community events.

Our primary focus remained on supporting displaced Ukrainians as they rebuild their lives in the UK. At the same time, several of our activities were open to the wider Bracknell community, creating opportunities for people from different backgrounds to meet, learn and build meaningful connections.

The Community Hub has become more than a place to receive practical assistance. It is a place where people can develop confidence, build friendships and feel that they belong. We are particularly proud that some people who first came to VSI Razom for help have since become volunteers and members of staff, using their experience to support others.

A community effort

Everything we have achieved has been made possible by our small staff team, trustees, volunteers, funders, partners and supporters. Our volunteers remain at the heart of VSI Razom. They help deliver activities, welcome visitors, organise events and provide practical and emotional support to people facing difficult circumstances. However, our work continues to be delivered with limited financial and staffing resources. Volunteers make an invaluable contribution, but volunteering alone cannot provide all the professional capacity required to manage and develop a growing charity safely and effectively.

Looking ahead

Our priority for the coming year is to strengthen VSI Razom's financial and organisational sustainability. Funding for core operating costs and appropriately skilled staff remains uncertain, while demand for our services continues. Sustainable, longer-term funding is essential if we are to retain skilled staff, support our volunteers and maintain the quality and continuity of our work. We will continue to strengthen our existing programmes, develop partnerships and respond carefully to emerging needs. Any expansion will be considered in relation to available funding, staffing capacity and the charity's long-term sustainability.

Thank you

None of our work would be possible without the people who believe in our mission.
To our volunteers, staff, trustees, funders, partners and supporters: thank you for your time, commitment, trust and encouragement. I would also like to thank every individual and family who has allowed VSI Razom to be part of their journey.

Liudmyla Burlaka
Chair of Trustees

Chief Executive's Message

If someone had told me four years ago that a small group of volunteers would grow into a registered charity supporting hundreds of people, I am not sure I would have believed them.

When VSI Razom began, I couldn't have imagined the responsibility, challenges and moments of joy that would follow.

We started with a simple desire to help. There was no detailed plan and no certainty about what would come next. We listened, responded and learned as we went. Every new person who came through our doors helped us understand what our community needed and what VSI Razom could become.

Leading the organisation has taught me that meaningful changes often begin with small things: someone being welcomed by name, having a place to ask for help, joining their first English class or finding the confidence to attend an activity alone.

I have watched people arrive feeling uncertain and isolated, then gradually begin to make friends, share their skills and support others. Four members of our staff team first came to VSI Razom as volunteers. Their development reflects something very important about our organisation: *people are not defined by the help they may need at one moment in their lives*. With encouragement and opportunity, they can become leaders, colleagues and a source of support for others.

There have also been difficult moments. Building an organisation from the ground up requires persistence, difficult decision-making and the courage to keep moving forward when resources are limited.

I am grateful to everyone who has stood beside us during those moments and continued to believe in what we are trying to build.



VSI Razom is special because it has been shaped by the people who use our services. Their experiences, ideas and generosity continue to guide our work.

I hope that we preserve that spirit as the charity develops: listening carefully, treating every person with dignity and creating opportunities for people not only to receive help, but also to discover what they can contribute.

Thank you for believing in VSI Razom and for helping us grow, one person and one connection at a time.

Natalia Vil
Chief Executive Officer
VSI Razom – All Together

Delivering Our Mission

At Vsi Razom, we believe that every person deserves the opportunity to feel welcomed, supported and connected to their community.

Throughout the year, our community hub has provided a safe and inclusive space where people of all ages and backgrounds can access practical support, develop new skills, improve their wellbeing and build meaningful relationships. Every activity we deliver is designed to help people gain confidence, become more independent and play an active role in community life.

During our first year as a registered charity, we supported more than 430 people through a wide range of services and activities. While every individual's journey is unique, our work is centred around four key priorities that help us deliver our charitable mission.

Helping People Settle and Thrive

We provided practical advice, information and signposting, helping people navigate everyday life in the UK and access specialist support where needed. Alongside this, our English classes for adults and children gave people the confidence to communicate independently, access employment, education and local services, and become more involved in their community.

Supporting Children and Families

We created opportunities for children and families to learn, play and grow together through educational activities, Ukrainian language classes, creative workshops and family events. These activities helped children develop new friendships, maintain their cultural identity and build confidence in a welcoming environment.

Promoting Health and Wellbeing

Through programmes including Women's World, the Golden Age Club, Coffee & Chat and our Stop Smoking Clinic partnership, we supported people's physical, emotional and social wellbeing. These initiatives reduced isolation, encouraged healthier lifestyles and created opportunities for people to connect with others who shared similar experiences.

Building Stronger Communities

Community is at the heart of everything we do. Throughout the year, we brought people together through volunteering, community celebrations, partnerships, environmental projects and shared activities. We were proud to broaden our support beyond the Ukrainian community by welcoming local residents and community groups, including hosting weekly activities for members of the Hong Kong community. Across every programme, we have seen people grow in confidence, develop new skills and form lasting friendships. Many individuals who first came to VSI Razom for support are now volunteers, activity leaders and valued members of our team.

For us, this is the greatest measure of success: creating a community where people not only receive support but also discover the confidence and opportunity to support others.



Information, Advice and Community Support

For many people, the first step towards rebuilding their lives is knowing where to turn for help. Navigating unfamiliar systems, understanding available services and overcoming language barriers can be overwhelming, particularly for those who are new to the UK or facing significant life changes.

At VSI Razom, we provide free information, advice and community support to help people access the services and opportunities they need to move forward with confidence. Throughout the year, we supported individuals and families with a wide range of issues, including benefits, housing, healthcare, education, employment, immigration queries and accessing local services. Where specialist support was required, we worked closely with trusted local organisations to ensure people received the right help at the right time.

Our community hub has become a trusted first point of contact for many people seeking guidance and practical support. We understand that every situation is different, and by taking the time to listen and understand each person's circumstances, we're able to provide tailored support that empowers people to make informed decisions and become more independent.

Beyond practical advice, our hub offers something equally important – a welcoming place where people feel safe, listened to and supported. For many, simply knowing that someone is there to help can make a significant difference during difficult times.



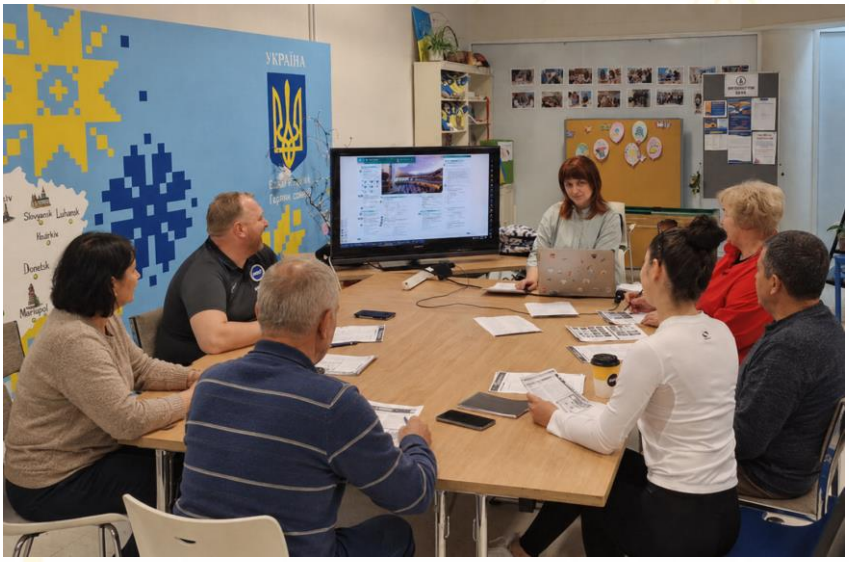






English Language & Learning

Building confidence, independence and connection



132
adult English classes

44
children's English classes

308
teaching hours

Opening Doors Through Language

Language is one of the greatest barriers people face when settling into a new community. Being able to communicate confidently opens the door to employment, education, healthcare, friendships and greater independence, helping people participate more fully in community life.

Across 44 operating weeks, we delivered 132 adult English classes and 44 English classes for children, providing 308 hours of English-language teaching.

Practical Learning for Everyday Life

Our lessons focus on practical communication, helping learners gain confidence in everyday situations such as speaking with teachers, attending medical appointments, communicating at work and accessing local services.

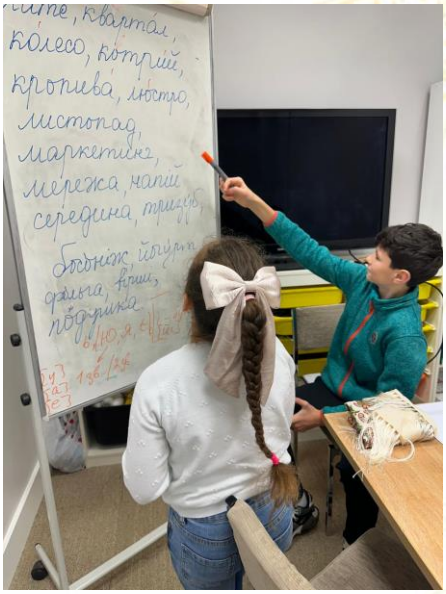
The classes also provide a welcoming place where friendships can be formed, experiences can be shared, and learners can encourage one another. Some participants later become involved in other activities, volunteer with the charity or develop the confidence to pursue employment and further education.

By investing in English-language learning, we help people develop the skills, independence and confidence needed to build their lives in the UK.

Ukrainian Language for Children

Keeping language, culture and connections alive





Language, Heritage and Identity

For children growing up in the UK, maintaining their Ukrainian language helps preserve an important connection with family, culture and heritage. It also supports bilingual development, strengthens identity and gives children confidence in communicating across generations.

Across 44 operating weeks, we delivered 132 Ukrainian-language sessions for children. Classes were organised across three age groups, allowing activities and learning to be adapted to each child's age and ability.



Learning and Growing Together

Lessons develop speaking, reading, writing and vocabulary skills through age-appropriate exercises, stories, games and creative activities. Children are encouraged to learn at their own pace in a friendly and supportive environment. The programme also introduces children to Ukrainian literature, traditions and cultural celebrations. This helps make learning engaging while giving children a deeper understanding of their heritage.

The classes offer more than language learning. They give children regular opportunities to make friends, share experiences and feel connected to others with a similar cultural background. For parents, the programme provides reassurance that their children can maintain an important part of their identity while adapting successfully to life in the UK.

By supporting children to develop both their Ukrainian and English-language skills, we help them feel confident in both cultures and remain connected to their families and community.

Supporting Children & Families

Helping children thrive and families feel they belong





LEARN
Developing new skills

CREATE
Sharing experiences

BELONG
Building connections

Strong Families, Strong Communities

Strong families build strong communities. At VSI Razom, we believe that every child deserves the opportunity to learn, play and thrive in a safe, welcoming and supportive environment, while parents and carers should feel connected and supported as they settle into life in the UK.

Learning, confidence and friendship

Throughout the year, we delivered a range of educational, creative and family-focused activities that encouraged children to develop new skills, build confidence and form lasting friendships. Our programmes provided opportunities for families to come together, strengthen relationships and become active members of the local community.

Celebrating Together

Creative workshops and seasonal family events, including our Easter and Christmas celebrations, give children and parents the opportunity to spend quality time together, learn new skills and create lasting memories. These activities also help reduce social isolation, strengthen community connections and bring families together in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

By supporting children and families, we are investing in the future of our community. Every activity is designed to help children feel confident, parents feel supported, and families feel that they belong.





Christmas at Vsi Razom

Celebrating kindness, generosity and community

Christmas is one of the most anticipated times of the year at Vsi Razom. More than just a celebration, it is a wonderful example of what can be achieved when volunteers, supporters and local partners come together with kindness, creativity and generosity.

A Special Celebration for Children

Each year, a dedicated team of volunteers gives countless hours of their time to create a magical Christmas performance for children and families. From rehearsing scripts and preparing costumes to decorating the venue and organising every detail, their commitment transforms our annual Christmas celebration into an unforgettable experience.

For many families, this event is about much more than watching a performance. It is an opportunity to celebrate together, make happy memories and experience the joy of being part of a welcoming community.

This year, thanks to the incredible generosity of our sponsors, every child received a special Christmas gift. We were honoured to receive beautiful toys donated by Hamleys and Lapland UK, helping to make Christmas even more memorable for the children who attended.

Events like these remind us that the true spirit of Christmas is found in people coming together to support one another. We are deeply grateful to every volunteer, performer, donor and sponsor who helped make this celebration possible. Their kindness brought smiles to children's faces and created memories that families will treasure for years to come.

Christmas Fair

During the festive season, we organised a Christmas Fair that brought together Ukrainians who had made the UK their new home. Participants shared their creativity, skills and traditions through a wonderful selection of handmade crafts, gifts, traditional Ukrainian food, cakes and pastries.

The fair provided an opportunity for people to showcase their talents, connect with the wider community and celebrate Ukrainian culture in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. It was also a joyful occasion for families and local residents to meet, support one another and enjoy the festive season together.

















Projects Delivered During the Year

Health & Wellbeing

Good wellbeing is about much more than physical health. It is about feeling connected, supported and having opportunities to enjoy life, build friendships and take positive steps towards a healthier future.
At VSI Razom, we believe that strong communities are built when people feel they belong. Throughout the year, our health and wellbeing activities brought together people of different ages and backgrounds, creating opportunities to reduce social isolation, improve confidence, support healthier lifestyles and strengthen community connections.





Women's World

Our Women's World programme continued to provide a welcoming and inspiring space where women could take time for themselves, build new friendships and improve their emotional wellbeing. Meeting twice each month, the programme offered a wide variety of workshops, guest speakers and creative activities, encouraging women to learn new skills, share experiences and support one another. Women's World has become a supportive community where lasting friendships have been formed, and many participants have grown in confidence.



Golden Age Club

Our Golden Age Club continued to provide weekly social activities for older members of our community, helping to reduce loneliness, improve wellbeing and encourage active participation. The club is led by one of our dedicated volunteers, whose enthusiasm, kindness and commitment have created a warm and welcoming environment where members feel valued and supported. Alongside weekly gatherings, the club organises monthly outings and special events, giving members the opportunity to explore new places, celebrate together and enjoy meaningful social connections.



For many participants, the Golden Age Club has become an important part of their weekly routine, offering companionship, laughter and a sense of belonging. It is a wonderful example of how volunteers help shape the heart of VSI Razom and make a lasting difference to the lives of others.



Projects Delivered During the Year (cont.)

Coffee & Chat

Our weekly Coffee & Chat sessions offered an informal and welcoming environment where people could meet, share experiences and build new friendships over a cup of coffee. These sessions are often the first step towards becoming involved in other activities at VSI Razom, helping people feel connected to the community and reducing the isolation that many experience when settling into a new country or facing difficult circumstances.



Stop Smoking Clinic

During the year, we were pleased to work in partnership with local health services to host a weekly Stop Smoking Clinic at our community hub. By providing a familiar and trusted location, we helped local residents access professional support to improve their health and wellbeing. This partnership reflects our commitment to making health services more accessible while strengthening our role as a community hub that benefits the wider Bracknell community.



Smartphone Without Fear (60+)
Funded by Berkshire Community Foundation

This three-month project supported older people aged 60+ to develop essential digital skills and confidence in using smartphones and online services. Through practical, hands-on sessions, 28 participants learned how to communicate with family and friends, access online information, use digital services and become more confident using technology. The project helped reduce digital exclusion while encouraging greater independence and social connection.



Eco Life: Sustainable Cooking Project
Funded by Bracknell Forest Council Climate Action

In January 2026, VSI Razom was awarded funding from Bracknell Forest Council to deliver the Sustainable Cooking Project, promoting healthy, affordable and environmentally sustainable cooking practices. The project officially began on 14 March 2026, marking the start of an exciting new initiative that will continue into the following reporting year. Through practical cooking sessions, participants will learn how to prepare nutritious meals while reducing food waste, saving money and making more sustainable choices for themselves and their families.



Volunteers – The Heart of Vsi Razom







At the heart of our work

VSI Razom was founded by volunteers, and today they remain at the heart of everything we do. Their dedication, compassion and generosity make it possible for us to support hundreds of people each year and create a welcoming community where everyone feels valued and included.

Throughout the year, our volunteers contributed their time, skills and experience across every aspect of the charity's work. They welcomed visitors to the hub, supported community events, assisted with English classes, organised activities for children and families, led wellbeing programmes, provided practical support, interpreted for those facing language barriers and helped with the day-to-day running of the organisation. Behind every successful project is a team of volunteers working quietly and tirelessly to make it happen.

From support to supporting others

Volunteering at VSI Razom means much more than just giving your time. For many people, it is an opportunity to build confidence, develop new skills, improve their English and become more connected to the local community. Many of our volunteers first came to the Hub looking for support during a difficult period in their lives. As their confidence grew, they chose to give something back, becoming active members of our team and helping others who are beginning their own journey.

This transformation is one of the achievements we are most proud of. Seeing people move from receiving support to providing support demonstrates the lasting impact of our work and the strength of our community. It also reflects our belief that everyone has something valuable to contribute when they are given the opportunity and encouragement to do so.

Our volunteers come from a variety of backgrounds and bring a wide range of skills, knowledge and life experiences. Together, they create a welcoming environment where people feel safe, respected and supported. Their kindness helps newcomers settle into the community, encourages participation and strengthens the connections that make our Hub such a special place.

> We are deeply grateful to every volunteer who has supported VSI Razom throughout the year. Your commitment, enthusiasm and generosity have helped us achieve far more than would ever have been possible alone. You are the heart of our organisation, and your contribution continues to make a lasting difference to the lives of so many people.
>
> THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS



Fundraising and Community Support





As a newly registered and predominantly volunteer-led charity, our fundraising activity during the year remained modest. Much of our available time and capacity was focused on delivering services, supporting families and establishing the systems and governance needed to build a sustainable organisation.

Our income came primarily from grants, alongside donations and smaller community fundraising activities. Every contribution, regardless of size, helped us maintain the Community Hub and continue to provide practical support, classes, activities and community events.







We are extremely grateful to the individuals, funders, local organisations and community partners who supported our work. Their generosity enabled us to respond to changing needs and continue providing a welcoming and accessible service.

Looking ahead, developing a more consistent approach to fundraising will be an important priority. We aim to strengthen relationships with local businesses and individual supporters, organise more community fundraising activities and diversify our income. Increased unrestricted funding will be particularly important in helping us build a stable professional team and ensure the charity's long-term sustainability.



The People Behind Vsi Razom

VSI Razom is brought to life by a small but incredibly dedicated team of staff, teachers and volunteers. Each person brings their own skills, experience and kindness, but we are united by one shared purpose: to make everyone who comes through our doors feel welcomed, valued and supported.

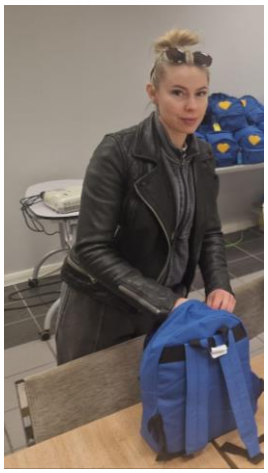
Our teachers create encouraging spaces where adults and children can learn, grow in confidence and build connections. Other members of our team welcome visitors, offer practical information and signposting, organise activities and events, and take care of many everyday tasks that keep our Community Hub running.

What makes our team especially meaningful is that several of its members first came to VSI Razom looking for support. Over time, they became volunteers and later took on paid or leadership roles. Their personal experiences bring understanding, warmth and compassion to everything we do.

We are very proud of what our small team has achieved together. Much of this has been possible because people have been willing to give more than their job description requires—sharing their time, ideas, energy and care whenever they are needed.

As our community's needs continue to develop, securing sustainable funding will help us protect the team we have built, retain skilled and caring people, and create a stronger foundation for the future.











Feedback

ENGLISH-LANGUAGE LEARNER

Before joining the classes, I was afraid to speak English and often relied on other people. Now I feel more confident attending appointments, speaking with my children's teachers and managing everyday situations independently.

PARENT

My children enjoy coming to VSI Razom because they can learn, make friends and remain connected to their Ukrainian language and culture. It has helped our whole family feel less isolated and more settled in the UK.

VOLUNTEER

I first came to the Hub because I needed support. As my confidence grew, I began volunteering. Helping other people has given me purpose, new skills and the feeling that I am part of a community.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB PARTICIPANT

The club gives me a reason to leave the house, meet people and enjoy different activities. I have made new friends here and no longer feel so alone.

WOMEN'S WORLD PARTICIPANT

Women's World is a place where I can relax, learn something new and speak openly with other women who understand my experiences. I always leave feeling stronger and more positive.

PARENT ATTENDING A FAMILY EVENT

The events make our children happy and give families an opportunity to spend time together. We feel welcomed, supported and included in the local community.

COMMUNITY HUB VISITOR

When I arrived in the UK, I did not understand where to go for help. VSI Razom explained everything clearly, helped me access the right services and made me feel that I was not facing everything alone.

LOCAL COMMUNITY MEMBER

VSI Razom brings people from different backgrounds together. The Hub is friendly and welcoming, and its activities help people learn from one another and build genuine connections.

Thank you to our supporters

Celebrating the people and organisations behind our work

Made Possible Together

The achievements highlighted throughout this report would not have been possible without the generosity, encouragement and collaboration of our supporters.

During our first year as a registered charity, we were fortunate to receive support from local organisations, businesses, grant funders, volunteers and individual donors who believed in our mission and helped us turn ideas into meaningful action.

Support That Creates Opportunity

Financial support from grant funders enabled us to deliver essential services, while donations of goods, professional expertise and volunteer time helped us create a welcoming and inclusive community hub where people could access practical support, learn new skills and build lasting friendships.

We are particularly grateful to our trustees, volunteers, local businesses, community organisations and everyone who has chosen to support VSI Razom. Your trust, encouragement and generosity have made a lasting difference to the lives of the people we serve.

With sincere thanks to all our supporters, including:

- The Lexicon Bracknell
- Bracknell Forest Council
- Kerith Community Church
- Tesco Warfield
- Hamleys
- Lapland UK
- Our individual donors
- Our volunteers
- Everyone who has donated goods to our Community Hub and Charity Shop
- Everyone who has attended our events, fundraised for us or recommended our services

Together, we are building more than a community hub—we are building a community where people feel welcome, supported and empowered to thrive.

Thank you for being part of the VSI Razom family.

Our Goals

As we look to the future, we remain committed to supporting people, strengthening communities and creating opportunities for everyone to thrive.

Over the coming year, we will continue to listen to the people who use our services and develop programmes that respond to the changing needs of our community. We will also work to maintain a welcoming and inclusive environment that has become the heart of VSI Razom.

OUR PRIORITIES

Children and families
Expand opportunities that help children and families learn, connect and feel supported

Health and wellbeing
Promote wellbeing and reduce isolation through welcoming, accessible community activities

Skills and confidence
Help people develop language, practical skills, independence and confidence for life in the UK.

Participation and partnerships
Create more opportunities to volunteer and strengthen collaboration with local organisations

Building a sustainable future

A key priority will be securing sustainable funding for our core work. Although we have achieved a great deal through the dedication of a small team and our volunteers, limited resources continue to place pressure on the organisation.

To meet growing and changing needs effectively, we must build a stable professional team, invest in our staff and volunteers, and strengthen the systems that support the charity's day-to-day work

We will continue to make the best possible use of our Community Hub, creating a space where people can receive practical support, learn, volunteer, build friendships and become more involved in their local community.

"Together, we look forward to another year of making a positive difference and helping our community grow stronger, more connected and more resilient"

OUR YEAR IN NUMBERS

A snapshot of participation, learning and community activity during our first year as a registered charity.

430+
people supported

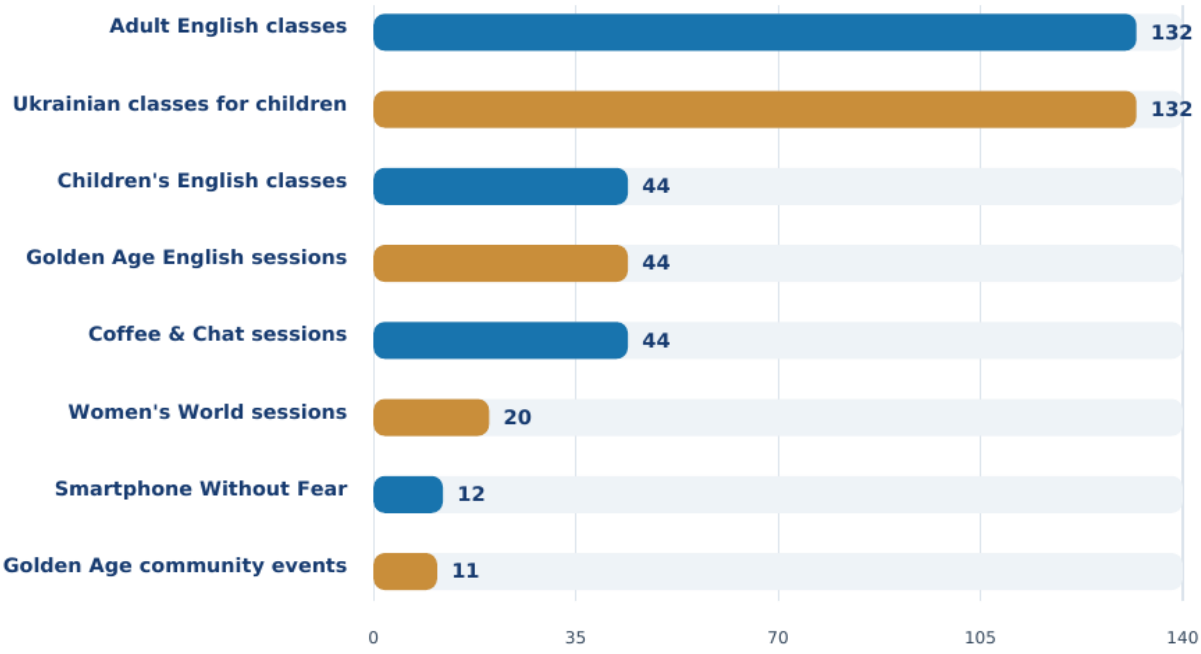
15
volunteers

44
operating weeks

50
children received Christmas gifts

PROGRAMME ACTIVITY

Number of recorded classes, sessions or events delivered during the year



ENGLISH TEACHING HOURS



264 hours
Adult English (86%)

44 hours
Children's English (14%)

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

176 English classes delivered

132 Ukrainian-language classes

11 Golden Age community events

5 major family and community events

15 teenagers joined Eco Life

Figures reflect recorded programme delivery and should not be added together as measures of unique participation.

Financial Review

Financial review

For the reporting period from 31 March 2025 to 31 March 2026, VSI Razom – All Together received total income of £48,781 and incurred total expenditure of £40,098. This resulted in a surplus of £8,683 for the period.

Income comprised £10,040 in general-purpose donations, £4,327 raised through fundraising activities and an unrestricted donation of £14,919 from the former unincorporated association. The charity also received £19,495 in restricted grants from Berkshire Community Foundation and Bracknell Forest Council.
The charity's expenditure supported the delivery and coordination of its charitable activities, including language learning, children's and family programmes, health and wellbeing activities, workshops, community events, advice and signposting, and the essential costs of operating the community hub. The largest area of expenditure was staff costs of £21,570, followed by social events of £6,747 and hub maintenance costs of £4,897.

At 31 March 2026, the charity held total funds of £8,683. This comprised £9,762 in restricted funds and a negative unrestricted fund balance of £1,079. Restricted funds must be used for the specific purposes agreed with the relevant funders and are not available to meet the charity's general operating costs. The charity had no outstanding debts or unpaid invoices at the year-end.

Fund Balances

The total funds of £8,683 held at the year-end comprised £9,762 of restricted funds and a negative unrestricted fund balance of £1,079. Restricted funds are provided for specific activities or purposes and must be used in accordance with the conditions set by the relevant funders. These funds are therefore not available to meet the charity's general operating costs. The negative unrestricted balance arose because the charity's general operating expenditure during the reporting period exceeded the unrestricted income available. The trustees recognise that this position must be addressed and are taking steps to restore a positive unrestricted balance and improve the charity's longer-term financial sustainability.

Reserves Policy

The charity's reserves policy is to work towards maintaining unrestricted funds, representing its free reserves, at a level sufficient to cover approximately three months of essential operating costs. This is intended to provide financial protection against unexpected expenditure, delays in receiving grant funding or a temporary reduction in income.

At the year end, the charity's unrestricted reserves were below this target, with a negative unrestricted fund balance of £1,079. The trustees recognise the need to restore a positive unrestricted balance and strengthen the charity's longer-term financial sustainability. The trustees plan to improve the charity's financial position by applying for unrestricted and core-cost funding, diversifying grant income, developing relationships with local businesses and community partners, increasing fundraising and individual donations, and generating modest income through appropriate activities and voluntary participant contributions.

The trustees will monitor income, expenditure and cash flow regularly. New financial commitments will only be made where sufficient funding is available, and the scale and timing of activities will be adjusted when necessary to reflect the charity's financial position.

Financial Review

Going Concern and Financial Sustainability

The trustees consider the charity to be a going concern because it continues to benefit from rent-free premises, operates through a flexible part-time staffing and activity model, maintains active relationships with funders and community partners, and can adjust the scale and timing of its activities in response to available funding.

The trustees will continue to monitor income, expenditure and cash flow carefully. Programme delivery and new financial commitments will be reviewed against confirmed and reasonably expected income. Where necessary, the charity will adjust its expenditure and the timing of activities to protect its overall financial position.

The trustees are committed to restoring a positive unrestricted balance, building an appropriate level of free reserves and placing the charity on a more sustainable financial footing.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Vsi Razom		
On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2026	**Charity no**	1212748
Set out on pages	1-2		

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 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.

I 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.

Signed:		**Date:**	14th September 2026
Name:	Rachel Eden		

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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

VSI RAZOM - ALL TOGETHER	1212748	CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	31-Mar-25	To	31-Mar-26

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	10,040	-	-	10,040	-
Grants		19,495	-	19,495	-
Fundraising Activities	4,327	-	-	4,327	-
Donation from the former unincorporated association	14,919		-	14,919	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	29,286	19,495	-	48,781	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,286	19,495	-	48,781	-
A3 Payments					
Advertising	23	551	-	574	-
Office expences	1,123	-	-	1,123	-
Hub maintenace	3,371	1,526	-	4,897	-
IT Software and Subscriptions	957	609	-	1,566	-
Charitable supplies	927	865	-	1,792	-
Workshop supplies	639	277	-	916	-
Travel expenses	603	310	-	913	-
Social events	5,792	955	-	6,747	-
Staff costs	16,930	4,640	-	21,570	-
Sub total	30,365	9,733	-	40,098	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	30,365	9,733	-	40,098	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,079	9,762	-	8,683	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 1,079	9,762	-	8,683	-

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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds	- 1,079	9,762	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	- 1,079	9,762	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		LIUDMYLA BURLAKA	12/09/2026

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of Preparation
These accounts have been prepared on a receipts-and-payments basis. Income is recognised when received by the charity, and expenditure is recognised when payment is made.

The accounts cover the period from 31 March 2025 to 31 March 2026.

2. Fund Accounting
Unrestricted funds may be used for any purpose that supports the charity's objectives.
Restricted funds are provided for specific purposes and must be used in accordance with the conditions set by the relevant funders.

The charity held no endowment funds during the reporting period.

3. Unrestricted Income
Unrestricted income received during the reporting period comprised:

Unrestricted Income	Amount (£)
General-purpose donations	10,040
Fundraising Activities	4,327
Donations from the former unincorporated association	14,919
Total unrestricted income	**29,286**

The £14,919 donation from the former unincorporated association supported the continuation of the organisation's charitable work following its transition to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

4. Restricted Grants
Restricted grant income received during the reporting period comprised:

Restricted grant	Amount (£)
Berkshire Community Foundation	£500
Berkshire Community Foundation	£1,500
Bracknell Forest Council	2,495
Bracknell Forest Council – Ukrainian Support	15,000
Total restricted income	**19,495**

Restricted expenditure during the reporting period was £9,733. The remaining restricted fund balance of £9,762 will be carried forward and used for the purposes specified by the relevant funders.

Notes to the Accounts

5. Expenditure

The charity's expenditure during the reporting period comprised:

Expenditure	Amount (£)
Advertising	574
Office expenses	1,123
Hub maintenance	4,897
IT software and subscriptions	1,566
Charitable supplies	1,792
Workshop supplies	916
Travel expenses	913
Social events	6,747
Staff costs	21,570
Total expenditure	**40,098**

9. Cash Funds

At 31 March 2026, the charity held total cash funds of £8,683 in its Lloyds bank account.

The closing fund balances were:

Expenditure	Amount (£)
Unrestricted funds	(1,079)
Restricted funds	9,762
Endowment funds	0
Total funds	**8,683**

10. Assets and Liabilities

The charity held no investments or other monetary assets at 31 March 2026.
The charity had no outstanding liabilities or unpaid invoices at the end of the reporting period.