LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF
SHEPTON MALLET COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

CHARITY NUMBER 282536

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Status
League of Friends of Shepton Mallet Community Hospital is an unincorporated charity.

Charity number: **282536**

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were as follows:

Maj Gen Ray Pett - President
Albert Owen - Chair
Malcolm Hale - Treasurer
G Paul Turner - Secretary
Graham Cockill
Rue Losey
Mary Cheshire
Liz Jordan
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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Structure, Governance and Management

League of Friends of Shepton Mallet Community Hospital is an unincorporated charity registered on 2nd February 1981. It is governed by its constitution adopted on 24th February 1975, as amended on 18th Apr 2018.

Methods used to recruit and appoint new trustees include word-of-mouth, hospital volunteer networks, and local community outreach within Shepton Mallet. The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary are appointed by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

Objectives

The charity's objective are:

- to provide health and well-being assistance for patients, carers and their families who require hospital or community care within the Central Mendip health area
- to support the work of NHS facilities/services within the Central Mendip area in providing extra care and comfort for patients, carers and staff
- to help ease the impacts of disability by providing or assisting in the provision of equipment, facilities and services ancillary to those provided by the NHS.

Public benefit

In shaping the objectives for the year and planning activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Activities and achievements

The core activities of The League of Friends of Shepton Mallet Community Hospital comprise community fundraising and direct on-site patient support.

Since the Pandemic and the loss of a number of key people within the Charity, there has in general been little activity. We have however supported the hospital with purchase of some clinical equipment and purchased Christmas trees and flowers for display outside the hospital.

Financial review

The League of Friends reported total receipts of £214,633 during the year ended 31 December 2025 (2024: £3,984). The significant increase in income arose principally from the receipt of a legacy of £210,000 during the year. Excluding this exceptional item, the charity continued to receive support through donations, subscriptions and investment income. Investment income increased to £2,631 (2024: £2,385).

Total payments during the year amounted to £6,219 (2024: £3,934). Expenditure principally related to grants to Shepton Mallet Community Hospital of £5,074 (2024: £2,361), together with subscriptions, insurance and administrative costs necessary to support the charity's activities.

As a result, the charity generated a net surplus of £208,414 for the year (2024: £50). Cash funds held at the year end increased to £235,681 (2024: £27,267), reflecting the receipt of the legacy during the year and providing the charity with substantial resources to support its charitable objectives in future periods.

The trustees are satisfied with the charity's financial position at the year end. The cash balances held will enable the charity to continue its support of the hospital and patients through the provision of equipment and other charitable assistance in accordance with its objectives.

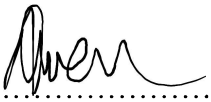
Reserves

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for free reserves considering cash flow requirements. The charity has no fixed premises, no permanent staff, and will use the reserves purely to meet the the Objectives of the Charity. Incoming resources are matched directly to immediate charitable activities. Consequently, the trustees have concluded that a formal reserves policy is unnecessary, as any minor unexpected costs can be managed through immediate fundraising or absorbed by the trustees. The position is reviewed annually.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees on 21 October 2026



Albert Owen

Chair of Trustees

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of League of Friends of Shepton Mallet Community Hospital

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of League of Friends of Shepton Mallet Community Hospital (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with those records

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 accounts to be reached.

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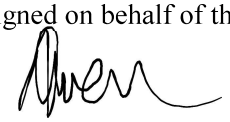
Date: 21 October 2026

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	2025	2024
RECEIPTS	£	£
Donations	1,225	1,169
Subscriptions	485	430
Gift Aid	-	-
Christmas Concert Draw	-	-
Christmas Concert / Door	-	-
Legacy	210,000	-
Christmas Cards	-	-
Fete	-	-
Fete Draw	-	-
Investment Income	2,631	2,385
H.M.R.C.	292	-
Nurses Fund	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	214,633	3,984
PAYMENTS		
Patients Christmas Presents	-	-
MDC Lottery	-	-
Adverts	-	-
Subscriptions and Insurance	885	815
Hospital Expenses & Donations	-	44
Christmas Concert requisites	-	255
Concert Costs	-	-
Telephone	260	459
Staff Party	-	-
Recipe Books	-	-
Grants to Hospital	5,074	2,361
Raffle Tickets	-	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS	6,219	3,934
Net Surplus	208,414	50
Cash at Bank at 31 December	235,681	27,267
Less Cash at Bank at 1 January	(27,267)	(27,217)
Movement In Cash Funds	208,414	50
Funds carried forward	**235,681**	**27,267**

All funds in the current and prior year are unrestricted.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on: 21 October 2026



Albert Owen
Chair of Trustees