

Hospice at Home Volunteers

(Dunstable, Houghton Regis & Surrounding Areas)

Trustees' Annual Report & Financial Review

For the Period: 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026

Registered Charity Number: 294259

1. Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Hospice at Home Volunteers (HHV)

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Website: http://hospiceathomevolunteers.co.uk

Social media:

Facebook: Hospice at Home Volunteers Dunstable Houghton Regis and surrounding areas

Instagram : Hospice at Home Volunteers

Core Governance: Managed by a dedicated Board of Trustees meeting seven times a year, ensuring strict compliance with the Charity Commission's Public Benefit guidance.

2. Chair's Foreword & Operational Overview

This past financial year (2025/2026) has been an incredible milestone for Hospice at Home Volunteers. As we look back on the period from April 2025 to March 2026, our core mission has remained absolute: providing vital, completely free, and strictly confidential practical and emotional support to individuals and families living with terminal or life-limiting illnesses.

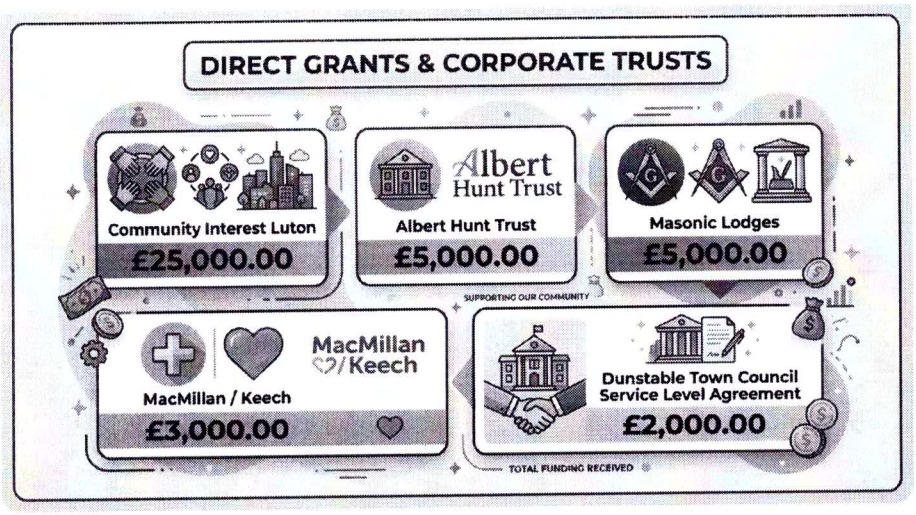
Our volunteers continue to be the heartbeat of our care, offering companionship, reassurance, and critical respite to carers. Whether stepping in to allow a carer two or three hours of essential personal time or accompanying a client to an appointment, a community space, our team ensures people can remain at home with comfort and dignity.

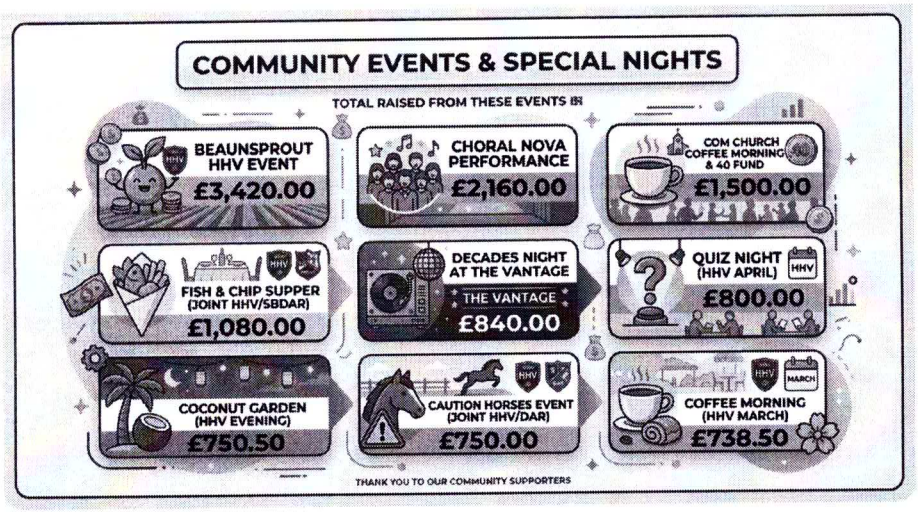
This reporting year has also set the stage for our momentous 40th Anniversary (1986–2026. The operational and community fundraising momentum we built up to 31 March 2026 has robustly positioned us to secure the charity's infrastructure for years to come.

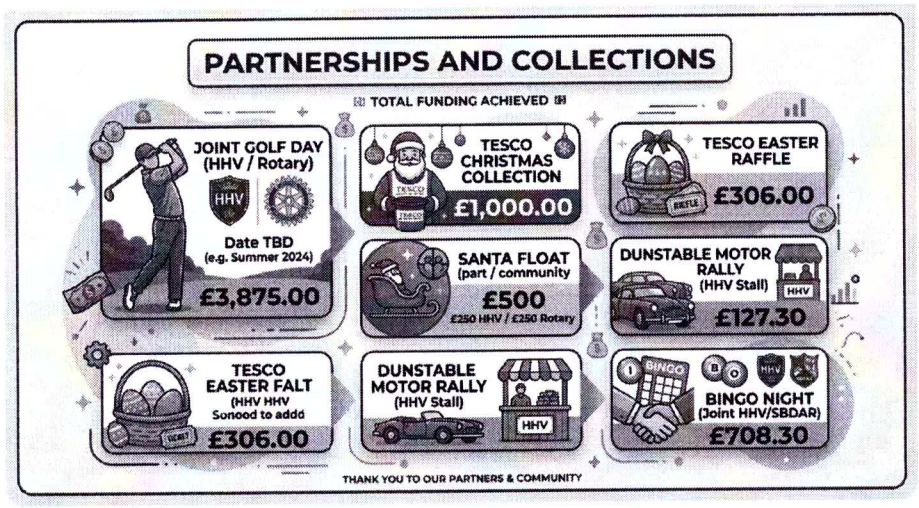
3. Financial Review & Fundraising Breakdown

The financial year ending 31 March 2026 represents one of our most successful and dynamic fundraising periods on record. Through a blend of community events, corporate partnerships, and prestigious trust grants, the total income raised specifically allocated to or shared with HHV during this 12-month window was £65,515.60.

Below is the verified breakdown of our key funding, events, and collections received between 1 April 2025 and 31 March 2026. We are eternally grateful for all of the support offered to Hospice at Home Volunteers.







We thank all of our sponsors, donors in 2025

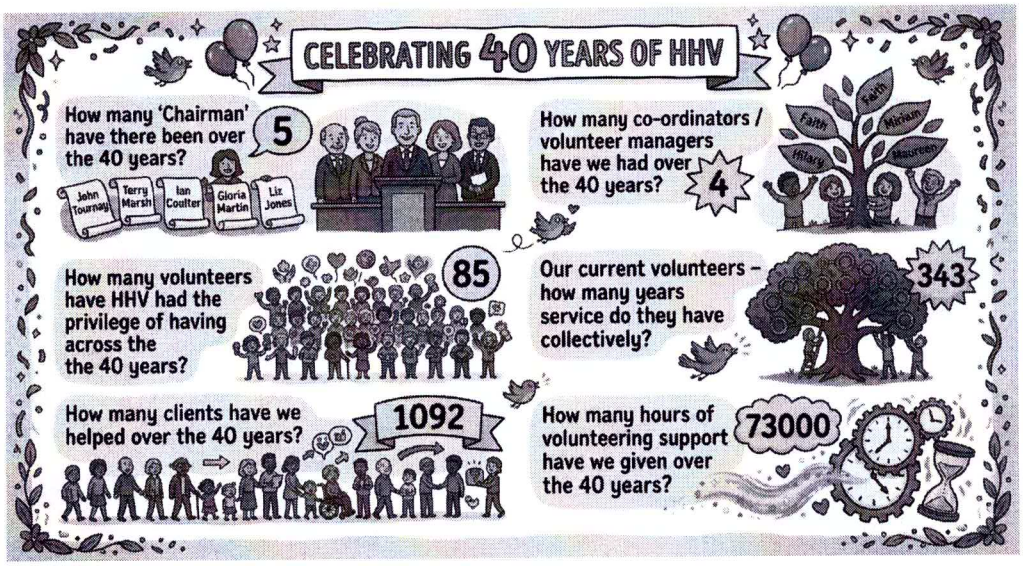


Looking Ahead: 2026 & Beyond

As we exit the 2025/26 financial year, our immediate focus moves to strengthening our core operations. Our key objectives for the upcoming months include:

1. Staffing and Infrastructure: Actively recruiting a new, highly motivated Volunteers Manager to safely deploy, train, and support our growing network of volunteers and a new Charity Administrator following the notification of retirements by both our paid employees. Our focus for 2026 is to increase client referrals, through greater engagement with key stakeholders, encouraging self referrals and greater visibility across the community.

2. 40th Anniversary Celebrations: Using our landmark anniversary to boost community visibility and drive referral connections. Recognising our volunteers for their dedicated service and years of support.



3. Policy & Governance Enhancements: Continuing to rigorously update our internal protocols, safeguarding standards, and digital volunteer logging systems. Strengthening our Board of Trustees with new appointments that bring valuable skills and help create a diverse and well-balanced board.

4. Acknowledgements

We extend our deepest gratitude to our incredible volunteers, individual donors, corporate partners, and local community groups. Your selflessness, time, and staggering generosity ensure that no one in our community has to face a life-limiting illness alone.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

May 2026



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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended March 31 2026

	Year ended March 31 2026 £	£	Year ended March 31 2025 £	£
INCOME				
Grants				
Albert Hunt Trust	5,000		-	
Mount Vernon Cancer Network	3,000		3,000	
Dunstable Town Council	2,000		2,000	
Groundwork UK*	1,125		-	
H Regis Town Council	-		310	
		11,125		5,310
Fundraising		8,561		8,341
Donations				
Volunteer donations	-		51	
Other donations	57,951	57,951	19,001	19,052
Interest received		1,147		1004
Gift Aid claim		303		112
Total Income		79,087		33,819
EXPENDITURE				
Volunteer /employee costs				
Salaries , NI and pensions	17,559		17,777	
Expenses	2,489	20,048	1,740	19,517
Administration				
Insurance	637		757	
Professional fees	552		552	
Computer/software	327		-	
Office expenses	122		-	
Telephone	110		79	
Printing and postage	35	1,783	7	1,395
Sundries				
Event expenses	821		1,989	
Banners/signs/artwork	507		1,066	
Room Hire	270		270	
Gifts /marketing	221		135	
2026 anniversary	123		-	
Dunstable in Bloom sponsorship	100		100	
Clothing	100		142	
Gazebo	-		527	
Badges	-		119	
Wreath	-	2,142	25	4,373
Depreciation		32		-
Total Expenditure		24,005		25,285
Surplus for the year		55,082		8,534
Accumulated fund b/fwd April 1 2025		50,713		42,179
Accumulated fund c/fwd March 31 2026		105,795		50,713

* A grant has been awarded. 75% of the grant received to date , balance due in September 2026.
As at March 31 2026 £800 has been spent , the balance is held as restricted fund

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Statement of Financial position as at March 31 2026

	March 31 2026		March 31 2025	
	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets (See Note 1)		480		3
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank and Cash				
Current account	12,036		5,654	
Deposit account	94,644		48,326	
	106,680		53,980	
Sundry debtors	2,059		53	
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Sundry creditors	-3,424		-3,323	
Net current assets		105,315		50,710
		105,795		50,713
Accumulated funds b/fwd April 1 2025		50,713		42,179
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ACCOUNTANT'S CERTIFICATE
The above Statement of Financial Position and attached Income and Expenditure Account are in agreement with the underlying records.

John D Kingham
3rd July 2026

John D Kingham (Chartered Accountant)
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Note 1 : Accounting Policy Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation.
Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to reduce the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life using the straight line method.
Depreciation is calculated from the month of purchase.

Fixtures ,fittings and equipment	20% per annum
Computer equipment	33.3% per annum

	Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment £	Other Equipment £	Computer Equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2025	883	653	777	2,313
Additions	509	-	-	509
Disposals	(883)	(653)	-	(1,536)
At 31 March 2026	509	-	777	1,286
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2025	882	652	776	2,310
Charge for the year	30	-	-	30
Disposals	(882)	(652)	-	(1534)
At 31 March 2026	30	-	776	806
Net Book Value				
At 31 March 2026	479	-	1	480
At 1 April 2025	1	1	1	3