

Class Forty Preservation Society

Annual Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 28 February 2025

Charity number : 326323

Feltons

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Report and financial statements Year ended 28 February 2025

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Reference and Administrative Details

Officers

Honorary President: Richard Bowker CBE

Vice President: Peter Watts

Trustees
C Elverstone
T Rogers
G Taylor
J Wilson
S Leighton
P Cameron

Management Committee

Chairman: C Elverstone

Treasurer: S Leighton

Secretary: T Rogers

Other Committee Members:
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Report of the trustees Year ended 28 February 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trustees submit their report and financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025.

Organisational Structure

Honorary president: Richard Bowker CBE
Vice-president: Peter Watts

Management committee

Chairman: Clive Elverstone
Treasurer: Steve Leighton
Secretary: Tim Rogers
Safety Officer & Designated Safeguarding Lead: Graham Taylor
Head of Operations: John Wilson
Head of Commercial and Compliance: Phil Cameron

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are appointed by the members at the Annual General Meeting.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Mission Statement

To preserve and restore to full working order class 40 diesel locomotives and promote their heritage to the general public in whatever manner is available and practical.

Achievements and performance

As reported in the last financial statements, the Trustees have stabilised the CFPS management, governance, finances and reputation. That stable position has been maintained during the reporting period 2024/25 and the accounts presented in this report reflect that.

The stated aim of the Committee is to have all three locomotives in operational use. During the year, one out of the three has been operational and steps to get 40145/D345 operational took priority over the third being made operational, although small steps were made towards returning 40135/D335.

- For the financial period this report covers, 40106/D306 remained on long term hire to the Severn Valley Railway, offering members numerous opportunities to ride behind their locomotive and earning a steady revenue stream.
- 40135/D335 is still under repair in Bury. During the reporting period, the team continued to ready the locomotive for its own power unit to be lifted out.
- 40145/D345, performed on one tour for Pathfinder in the reporting period, a trip to Skegness which saw the locomotive experience reliability issues. 40145 also ran at the diesel gala and CFPS members' day on the East Lancashire Railway. The reliability issues continued and the decision was taken to withdraw the locomotive from operational duties. Work to return the locomotive continued from September 2024 for the remainder of the reporting period, starting with a move of the locomotive to West Coast Railways' Carnforth maintenance facility.

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Report of the trustees (continued) Year ended 28 February 2025

The activity described above is reliant on two key behaviours by the society and its members. Namely, a stable and well organised society and strong relationships with our operating partners. In the year, the strength of that relationship was demonstrated by the support given towards returning 40145/D345 to traffic.

The accounts presented for the year 2024/25 demonstrate that the Society remains on a sound financial footing.

Looking ahead, the Committee plans to continue to act out the current approach of seeking to preserve three operational locomotives funded via the finances generated by that activity as well as member subscriptions and donations.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commissions general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income for the year was £63,358 (2024 : £78,533) and total expenditure was £41,859 (2024 : £48,382), giving rise to a net surplus in the year of £21,499 (2024 : £30,151).

In the prior year, the heritage assets were revalued by the trustees. The subsequent loss on the revaluation of £205,691 was shown in the Statement of Financial Activities.

RESERVES POLICY

At the year end, the Society had total reserves of £655,709 (2024 : £634,210) of which £nil (2024 : £nil) were restricted and £655,709 (2024 : £634,210) were unrestricted. Included within unrestricted funds is a revaluation reserve totalling £276,492 (2024 : £276,492) which arose on the restatement in value of the heritage assets disclosed in note 11.

The Society aims to maintain and increase reserves commensurate with the Mission Statement and Objectives of the Society.

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Report of the trustees (continued)
Year ended 28 February 2025

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITY

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 FRS 102;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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 Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provision of the trust deed. 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the Board on 03/12/2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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C Elverstone
Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Class Forty Preservation Society

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 28 February 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 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; or
- 3 The accounts do 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 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.



David W Farnsworth FCA
For and on behalf of Feltons
Feltons Chartered Accountants
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Date 3/12/2025

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**Statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 28 February 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:					
Donations	2	31,334	-	31,334	34,949
Charitable activities	3	30,840	-	30,840	43,124
Investment income		1,184	-	1,184	460
Total incoming resources		63,358	-	63,358	78,533
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	4	6,571	-	6,571	6,028
Charitable activities	5	33,156	-	33,156	40,511
Other expenditure	6	2,132	-	2,132	1,843
Total resources expended		41,859	-	41,859	48,382
Net income before transfers		21,499	-	21,499	30,151
Gross transfers between funds	15	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses)					
Losses from revaluation of heritage assets	15	-	-	-	(205,691)
Net movement in funds		21,499	-	21,499	(175,540)
Fund balances brought forward					
At 29 February 2024		634,210	-	634,210	809,750
Fund balances carried forward					
At 28 February 2025		655,709	-	655,709	634,210

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two financial periods.

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Balance sheet as at 28 February 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		675		952
Heritage assets	11		<u>475,000</u>		<u>475,000</u>
			<u>475,675</u>		<u>475,952</u>
Current assets					
Stocks at cost	12	48,200		54,833	
Debtors	12	19,233		40,767	
Cash at bank		<u>114,549</u>		<u>67,250</u>	
		<u>181,982</u>		<u>162,850</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>1,948</u>		<u>4,592</u>	
Net current assets			<u>180,034</u>		<u>158,258</u>
			<u>655,709</u>		<u>634,210</u>
Funds of the charity :					
Funds					
Unrestricted	15	379,217		357,718	
Restricted	15	-		-	
Revaluation reserve	15	<u>276,492</u>		<u>276,492</u>	
			<u>655,709</u>		<u>634,210</u>
Total funds			<u>655,709</u>		<u>634,210</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Management Committee on 03/12/25 and were signed on behalf of the Management Committee by:



S Leighton
Trustee

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Class Forty Preservation Society meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially measured at historical costs or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

1.2 Going concern

The trustees have considered the level of funds held and expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. These figures show the charity has sufficient cash and reserves to continue operations for the foreseeable future. The financial statement have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

1.3 Incoming resources

Voluntary income including donations, gifts and legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of general nature are recognised where there is an entitlement, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

1.4 Subscriptions

This represents actual monies received during the financial year.

1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions. Support costs are those costs directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity that cannot be allocated to specific activities. These include staff costs, general premises and office expenses, depreciation and costs of governing the charity.

1.6 Taxation

As a charity, Class Forty Preservation Society is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within the available tax exemptions to the extent that these are applied to its available objects.

No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025 (continued)

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £250 are capitalised and included at cost or valuation including any incidental expenses of acquisition.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Plant and equipment	20% straight line
Vans	10% straight line

1.8 Heritage assets

Heritage assets are recognised on the Balance Sheet and initially measured at cost when purchased or, if donated, their valuation. Assets are subsequently stated at cost or valuation less accumulated impairment losses.

Acquisitions only arise when donated to the charity or if it is believed that they will further the charity's objectives. Once acquired, they will be preserved by the charity in order to keep their historical, artistic, scientific, technological, geographical or environmental qualities to such a high level as to contribute to knowledge and culture. Heritage assets are to be held for the foreseeable future.

No depreciation is charged on the heritage assets.

1.9 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

1.10 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount repaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.11 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.12 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.13 Fund accounting

General unrestricted funds comprise accumulated surpluses and deficits on the general funds. They are available for use at the discretion of the Management Committee in furtherance of Class Forty Preservation Society's general charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are created when donations are made for a particular area or purpose, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose. Expenditure is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities when incurred.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025 (continued)

2. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations	18,422	-	18,422	22,466
Subscriptions	7,968	-	7,968	7,309
Gift aid income	4,944	-	4,944	5,174
	<u>31,334</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,334</u>	<u>34,949</u>

In 2024, donation income comprised £34,949 to unrestricted funds and £nil to restricted funds.

3. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Product sales	12,269	-	12,269	11,537
Locomotive hire	12,655	-	12,655	31,587
Other charitable activities	5,916	-	5,916	-
	<u>30,840</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,840</u>	<u>43,124</u>

In 2024, income from charitable activities comprised £43,124 to unrestricted funds and £nil to restricted funds.

4. Raising funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Cost of goods for resale	3,449	-	3,449	1,245
Magazine printing	3,122	-	3,122	3,683
Train hire	-	-	-	1,100
	<u>6,571</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,571</u>	<u>6,028</u>

In 2024, expenditure on raising funds comprised £6,028 to unrestricted funds and £nil to restricted funds.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025 (continued)

5. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Locomotive maintenance	15,678	-	15,678	20,295
Insurance	14,306	-	14,306	13,569
Travelling	1,032	-	1,032	2,300
Postage, telephone and stationery	807	-	807	951
Subscriptions	320	-	320	320
Depreciation	277	-	277	277
Bank charges and interest	266	-	266	150
Sundry	470	-	470	765
Maintenance and repairs	-	-	-	457
Room hire	-	-	-	733
Motor expenses	-	-	-	154
Loss/(profit) on disposals of assets	-	-	-	540
	33,156	-	33,156	40,511

In 2024, expenditure on charitable activities comprised £40,511 to unrestricted funds and £nil to restricted funds.

6. Other expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Accountancy and bookkeeping	1,440	-	1,440	1,350
Computer expenses	692	-	692	493
	2,132	-	2,132	1,843

In 2024, other expenditure comprised £1,843 to unrestricted funds and £nil to restricted funds.

7. Surplus for the year

The surplus for the year is shown after charging:

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Independent examination fee	1,440	1,350
Depreciation (note 10)	277	277
	1,717	1,627

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025 (continued)

8. Locomotive maintenance

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Opening stock of spares	54,583	53,995
Expenditure (general)	15,678	20,295
	<u>70,261</u>	<u>74,290</u>
Less: closing stock of spares (note 12)	(48,000)	(54,583)
	<u>22,261</u>	<u>19,707</u>

9. Trustees remuneration

During the year, no trustees received any remuneration (2024 : £nil)

There were no travelling expense reimbursements during the year (2024 : £nil).

10. Tangible fixed assets

	Plant & Equipment £	Van £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 March 2024	9,583	2,703	12,286
Additions	-	-	-
At 28 February 2025	<u>9,583</u>	<u>2,703</u>	<u>12,286</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 March 2024	8,631	2,703	11,334
Charge for the year	277	-	277
At 28 February 2025	<u>8,908</u>	<u>2,703</u>	<u>11,611</u>
Net book values			
At 28 February 2025	675	-	675
At 29 February 2024	<u>952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>952</u>

11. Heritage assets

	Assets held at cost 2025 £	Assets held at valuation 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At the start of the year	-	475,000	475,000
Impairment	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-
At the end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>475,000</u>	<u>475,000</u>

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025 (continued)

12. Stocks

Stock has been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value and comprises:

	2025 £	2024 £
Goods held for resale	200	250
Spares	48,000	54,583
	<u>48,200</u>	<u>54,833</u>

13. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	2,688	1,584
Gift aid receivable	4,812	24,877
Prepayments	11,733	14,306
	<u>19,233</u>	<u>40,767</u>

14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Creditors from operations	359	1,282
Accruals	1,416	1,902
VAT	173	1,408
	<u>1,948</u>	<u>4,592</u>

15. Analysis of funds

	Balance at 1 March 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 28 February 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	357,718	63,358	(41,859)	-	379,217
Revaluation reserve	276,492	-	-	-	276,492
Total unrestricted funds	<u>634,210</u>	<u>63,358</u>	<u>(41,859)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>655,709</u>
Restricted funds					
General funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	<u>634,210</u>	<u>63,358</u>	<u>(41,859)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>655,709</u>

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2025 (continued)

16. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Tangible assets	675	-	675	952
Heritage assets	475,000	-	475,000	475,000
Current assets	181,982	-	181,982	162,850
Current liabilities	(1,948)	-	(1,948)	(4,592)
Total net assets	655,709	-	655,709	634,210

17. Related party transactions

Donations totalling £1,090 were received from three trustees during the year (2024 : £960 from three trustees).