

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 01 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2024

THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL

Charity number 515567

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objective

The object of the League remained to improve amenities for the benefit of patients and to aid in provision of a quality service within Bridgnorth Community Hospital, Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust and Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust Maternity services at Bridgnorth Community Hospital.

The Charity continues its aim to encourage, foster, and maintain the interest of the public in relation to patient experience, through our support of the work of Bridgnorth Hospital. The trustees have given veritable thought and attention to all matters relating to activities undertaken by the Charity in accordance with its constitution within the Trustee Committee meeting forum.

Fundraising

The level of voluntary donations and legacies received during this reporting period has again resulted in the Charity refraining from significant fundraising activities over and above the revenue from our coffee shop. Regular annual activities, e.g. coffee mornings, have gone ahead to maintain visibility of our charity to the general public. Funding requests received from the Shropshire Community Trust for the Hospital were more modest than the previous reporting period which may be due to ongoing planning and re-structuring of Services, by the Trust in the background.

The Coffee Shop has been open to the public Monday to Friday 0930 – 1600 hours throughout the year closing only to accommodate the Butterfly café for two afternoons monthly or for the occasional hospital led meeting.

We held a spring social event instead of an Easter coffee morning considering the many other external events happening before and around the Easter weekend, but we did have an Easter raffle in the coffee shop to mark the occasion. There was no autumn winter coffee morning with the Coffee Shop Sub- Committee deciding on a Mince Pie and Music event instead, which proved to be very popular.

Branding wraps for the new gazebos were purchased and used effectively this year, including at a Carnival Day stall in May and a special autumn Saturday morning stall on the high street. Our Knit and natter group of volunteers continue to produce an abundance of baby and toddler knitwear and blankets and we also have an established crafter in our fold and these skillfully handmade items are sold in the coffee shop and on our stalls including the stall set up for the towns Christmas Craft Fair held in a local church over days at the beginning of December.

Our well-priced greetings and Christmas card sales were again very good despite the general downturn in the popularity of sending greetings by post, likely induced by the hike in the price for a stamp!

The 100+ club membership started with a total of 159 at the beginning of the year which rose to 174 paid up members by the end of the year, thanks to the work of lead trustee June MUXWORTHY.

General thanks must go to all Volunteers involved in organising all events and projects which have been successful fund raisers that assist in maintaining public awareness of our charity.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Administration

There was some initial interest in the Pastoral Trustee vacancy early in the year but unfortunately the role was not filled during this period and it remains vacant. This has impacted on most timely awareness of some matters of pastoral nature but has not had significant impact on our ability to operate as a Trustee Committee. We will continue to strive to fill the post appropriately.

Work has been ongoing during this reporting period to review and update the organisation's role profiles, policies and procedure documentation following the formation of a Documentation Sub -committee. Progress has been slow but methodical and publication of finalised documents is expected in 2025.

Volunteer update training has been performed and completed on a one-to-one basis by the Coffee Shop Manager and Treasurer during the latter half of the year.

With the term of office for the town Mayor reduced to one year, a review of the charity President's term of office was undertaken and following consultation with the outgoing President Mayor Councillor Rachel CONNELLY the following was agreed by the Trustees; after the annual Mayor Making Ceremony each year, the newly elected Mayor is invited to be our president for their term of office.

Following the death of Lifetime Vice President Margaret VEAL MBE in Autumn 2023, a Vice President (Advisory) role has been established and is currently filled by past President Councillor Karen SAWBRIDGE. This has worked very well for us and our thanks go to Karen for her invaluable experience and advice during the year.

The Hospital and South-East Localities Manager, Rachel MOLE left the trust after 23 years' service in March, designated trustees attended a leaving function and the League of Friends presented her with a framed picture of the town. In her speech Rachel thanked the League of Friends for our tremendous support during her time at the hospital.

Her replacement, Kate STEVENS came into post in May and we quickly established a rapport and continue to have a very good working relationship with the Trust's Southeast Localities Manager.

Membership

Along the same vein as the last reporting period our membership is still not growing and we continue to have difficulty in recruiting significant numbers of new members despite focus on new membership, at best we only appear to maintain membership levels.

Awards

Having successfully nominated Trustee Jean PRIOR for the Order of Mercy Award, in recognition of her devoted service to the League of Friends for almost 25 years, we are proud to report that Jean attended her award ceremony in London on the 12th of July with her daughter and fellow Trustee Verena SWINNERTON, as our charity representative on the day.

Coffee Shop

Further to fundraising activity already reported, our coffee shop manager and treasurer have worked hard to source a new cake supplier following the decision for personal reasons, by Margaret BAKER our volunteer cake supplier of over 13 years, to step down in August. Margaret and her cakes were sorely missed resulting in a slight dip in sales initially, however in the autumn the decision to introduce the sale of sandwiches to accommodate a greater need for outpatients and visitors to the hospital was made, which has filled any potential void in profits.

The coffee shop manager had volunteers primed for the post Covid return of trolley ward rounds but for most of the year they were not possible due to continued infection control measure requirements.

Butterfly Cafe

The Butterfly Café has become a very happy environment to spend time with the monthly activity week attendance remaining ever popular and the introduction of a second meeting a month successfully starting in January and becoming known as ‘Talking Tables’ drop in week. Notable activity weeks were the annual afternoon out with a trip to Sunnycroft, a local National Trust property and the summer afternoon tea party in the hospital courtyard garden. Thanks to all Trustees and Volunteers who support the Butterfly Café which has been recognised by our clients as a lovely, safe space to visit.

Remembrance Weekend

The League of Friends was represented at the Town Remembrance Parade and a wreath laid at the War memorial. The knit and natter group made poppies which were distributed to ward patients and staff who wished to receive them again. Donations unexpectedly submitted to us for the poppies were forwarded to the Royal British Legion towards the national poppy appeal.

Mascot – Cami the Caterpillar

Cami was to be present and ready to assist (if required) with the towns Christmas light switch on but unfortunately the event had to be cancelled at the eleventh hour, due to the threat of extreme weather and dangerously high winds. This year our teenage volunteer mascot performer successfully applied to join the The Royal Airforce. The search for a new performer by approaching local high schools resulted in initial interest being very positive however we have not yet secured a regular volunteer Cami performer and the search continues.

Courtyard Gardens

The courtyard garden (maintained by the charity for use by patients, staff and visitors to the hospital) has been the setting for several events including the Butterfly Café's afternoon tea with the ukulele band bringing us entertainment in the sunshine.

Unfortunately, the willow fountain was highlighted as a potential Legionella risk and the Community Trust's Water Safety Group determined it could not be switched on with the reason being that "the area was not enclosed and as such, temperatures could not be managed or monitored to ensure the water temperature did not fall outside control parameters." Despite considerable research and subsequent appeal by our Trustee Committee and Hospital Management Team, the decision was upheld and supported by the Trusts independent authorising water engineer. Given the significance of this object to focus on reflection and remembrance, it will be established as decorative feature without the water fountain and the bowl to be filled with decorative glass pieces and sealed with a reinforced glass top.

The Cherry Tree (within the courtyard) had become very large for the space with the roots lifting the surrounding pavement causing a potential safety hazard. During the year it also looked to be dying back. Following expert guidance, it was determined the best course of action was to remove the tree and its roots. The work was agreed and scheduled for completion in early 2025.

Funding

Funding requests are received in writing with costings and justification statements before being considered by the Trustee Committee and number of funding requests have been received throughout the year. Examples are a request for a digital uriflowmetry machine used by the Continence Nurse Specialist Team for patients in the Bridgnorth community and wall mounted play equipment for young children in the Minor Injuries Unit waiting area.

Without going into the detail of each specific request, all requests received were considered appropriate and within our constitutional boundaries and therefore approved at one of our Trustee Meetings total expenditures is explained in the financial documents for this period.

One substantial funding request submitted by the Planned Care Service Delivery Group Manager with responsibility for Bridgnorth hospital, was approved in March 2024, subject to conditions laid down by the Trustee Committee, deemed necessary to justify release of the funds. Subject to considerable planning by the Trust and following a mid-year update from the Manager, there was no further advancement of this project by the Trust within this reporting period. The funds have remained available for this project, but moving forward, review may be necessary if funding requests from other departments come to light.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Charity income has continued to come from legacies, donations, membership subscriptions and fundraising events. The Charity provides support to the hospital by funding the purchase of equipment through requests presented by departments within the hospital.

Reserves

The Charity aims to maintain a reserve of £70,000 as agreed by the Trustees which is reviewed annually and includes funds deemed to be sufficient to meet foreseeable funding obligations although there has been no requirement to dip into the reserve in this reporting period.

Financial Auditing

Financial accounts and records are managed routinely by the organisations nominated treasurer and audited by an independent accountant annually. The audit for this period was completed without issue.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Charity is an unincorporated organisation and is managed by the Trustees under its 2023 constitution document. Policy and procedural documentation have undergone full review and is in the process of being re-written with a review process put in place to ensure it remains up to date in the future.

Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

Trustees are nominated, seconded, and elected/re-elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) which is overseen by our President, the duly elected Town Mayor.

Organisational structure

The League of Friends of Bridgnorth Hospital is administered by the Trustee Committee of up to fifteen people meeting 4-6 times a year, in addition to the AGM and Extraordinary General Meetings as and when required. There are two sub-committees which oversee the running of the Coffee Shop and Butterfly Café respectively, with a minimum of two trustees sitting on each of the sub committees, who report to the main trustee meetings.

Relationships with other Charities

The charity is an affiliated member of Attend and continues to contribute to the Shropshire League of Friends group which meets up to three times annually and serves as a support network among the Leagues of Friends groups in Shropshire.

Trustees' induction and training

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Induction is done through briefing by the Chair and Trustees and take part in training sessions e.g. safeguarding, risk assessment, food hygiene which are organised for all League of Friends volunteers as appropriate to the voluntary work they undertake.

Summary Overall we have had a busy year of activity and bank balances are in good shape, mainly through continued generous donations and benefactors. With constant changes happening in the NHS, following government directives the Trust is constantly going through change and restructuring to meet requirements. As a result, funding requests have perhaps not been so forthcoming as they might be at times and we have countered this by not actively organising large fundraising events, but ensuring we maintain awareness of our charity within the public arena with more bespoke social events, highlighting these through media channels. A focus for the charity moving forward remains to increase our membership and bring new blood to our ranks to enable continuation of our Objective in the future as our membership is still not growing. We are keen to encourage new members, some with a little youth on their side to futureproof the Charities existence. However, the current membership has supported the Charity well through this successful reporting period

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity name

League of Friends of Bridgnorth Hospital

Registered Charity number

515567

Charities Principal Correspondence Address

7 River View Bernard's Hill, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV15 5AT.

Charities Principal Operations Address

The League of Friends Coffee Shop, Shropshire Community NHS Trust, Bridgnorth Community Hospital, Northgate, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16

Charity Trustees who Manage the Charity

Trustee Name	Office (if any) Appointment (A) at trustee committee level)	Dates Acted if not for whole year	Name of Person (or body) entitled to appoint Trustee (if any)
Paula Tristham	Chair		Membership (AGM)
Julia Davies	Deputy Chair		Membership (AGM)
Sue Burrows	Secretary		Membership (AGM)
Phil Palfrey	Treasurer		Membership (AGM)
Verena Swinnerton	Coffee Shop Manager		Membership (AGM)
Meg Andrews	Butterfly Café Lead (A)		Membership (AGM)
Julie Palfrey	Butterfly Café Lead (A)		Membership (AGM)
Margaret Bray	Knit and Natter Lead (A)		Membership (AGM)
Jean Prior	Knit and Natter Lead (A)		Membership (AGM)
June Muxworthy	100+ Club Secretary (A)		Membership (AGM)
Di Brown	Collection Tin Lead (A)		Membership (AGM)
Sarah Morford	Librarian (A)		Membership (AGM)
Yvonne Askins	Trustee		Membership (AGM)
Rita Spence	Trustee		Membership (AGM)

Names of Presidency and Advisers

On election the Mayor of the Town is invited to be President of the Charity for the duration of their tenure.

President 2024 – Mayor Councillor Ian Wellings

In accordance with its constitution the Charity (at AGM) may see fit to bestow a Vice Presidency upon an agreeable individual perceived to be in the position to offer advice and guidance to the Trustees of the Charity. Vice President may attend Trustee Meetings and contribute to discussion but have no voting rights at Committee Meetings

Vice Presidents 2024 – Lifetime appointment -Mrs Sheila Plain

Vice Presidents (Advisory) 2024 -Councillor Karen Sawbridge

Shropshire NHS Community NHS Trust Liaison

The charity has continued to maintain a healthy working relationship with the local hospital management team enabling the Trustees to make informed and justifiable decisions to enhance the work of the hospital for the public within the community. The hospital manager attends Trustee meetings and provides an overview and update of hospital activity bringing any requests for enhancement of patient care and experience within the ward and departments of the hospital.

Names of Hospital Management Contacts

Kate Stevens - Southeast Shropshire Locality Manager (inclusive of Bridgnorth Hospital.)

Carol Harris – Bridgnorth Community Hospital Administrative Officer.

Amy Jeavons – Administration Officer

DECLARATIONS

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Paula Elizabeth Tristham

Chair

Date 25 April 2025

Sue Burrows

Secretary

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

RECEIPTS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
<u>Voluntary Receipts</u>		
Subscriptions	326.00	438.00
<u>Other Voluntary Receipts</u>		
Donations General	5,725.85	1,511.24
Legacy	82,695.83	40,378.03
Funeral Donations	1,150.10	2,507.03
Gift Aid	-	-
External Associations	-	37.64
	89,897.78	44,871.94
<u>Receipts from Activities for generating funds</u>		
Hospital Teas/Coffee Shop	31,914.33	23,554.62
Collection Boxes	1,920.16	1,146.68
Butterfly Café	234.70	1,369.78
100 Club	2,232.00	1,929.00
Bridgnorth Market Stall Event	234.50	190.50
Name the Caterpillar	-	-
Rugby Club - Christmas Market	-	-
Coffee Morning	-	-
Sale of Greetings Cards	-	-
Shropshire Community NHS Trust	-	-
Books Sold Separate to Coffee Shop	-	55.00
Easter Event	-	734.95
Carnival Event	718.20	255.89
Halloween Event	-	479.80
Xmas Craft Sales	-	38.50
Guess the Cake	-	140.00
Easter Raffle	126.00	-
Spring Event	302.00	-
Name the Bear	52.00	-
Church Craft Event	245.00	-
Raffle	139.00	-
Craft Sales	96.00	-
Credit Card Cashback	26.00	-
Poppy Sales	82.00	-
	38,321.89	29,894.72
	128,219.67	74,766.66
<u>Receipts from Investments</u>		
Bank and Building Society Interest	5,188.48	2,195.21
	133,408.15	76,961.87

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

PAYMENTS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>General</u>		
Subscription and Insurance	1,006.00	1,089.00
Producing and Posting Newsletters	-	24.00
Expenses for Events Including Adverts	628.84	422.63
Stationary Including Christmas and Greeting Cards, etc	1,507.69	1,945.10
Coffee Shop Running Costs	10,668.75	6,920.41
Till for Coffee Shop expenses	829.98	1,110.01
Computer & Zoom costs	350.85	237.23
100 Club Prizes	825.00	875.00
Patients Presents and Flowers	258.41	335.98
Gardens and Grounds	1,634.72	96.43
Butterfly Café	640.19	825.59
Accountancy Fees	345.00	330.00
Donations	-	75.00
Lottery License Fee	20.00	20.00
Miscellaneous	1,528.23	444.39
Gazebo	-	1,245.84
Poppy Appeal	115.69	-
	<u>20,359.35</u>	<u>15,996.61</u>
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LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024 (CONTINUED)


PAYMENTS

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
<u>Hospital Appropriations</u>		
Newspapers	914.69	890.20
Hi-Low Bed	-	-
Decontamination Equipment	-	-
Lockable Trolley	-	-
Otosopes x2	-	-
Bladder Scanners	-	-
MIU	-	-
Endoscope	-	-
Baby scales/Auroscopes	-	-
Beverage Trolley	-	-
Bed Tables	-	5,280.00
Patient Chairs	-	13,000.00
Observation Monitors	-	6,520.50
Bedside Lockers	-	10,128.00
Physio Equipment - Various	-	4,345.70
Portering Chairs	401.61	2,008.07
Freezer for the Hotel Services Team	731.98	-
Equipment for Children's Area		
within Minor Injury Unit	955.16	-
Dishwasher and Water Boiler	4,316.40	-
Uroflowmeter for the Continence Team	3,596.99	-
Baby Jaundice Meter	3,984.00	-
Bristol Maid Dressing Trolleys and TV for Waiting Area in the Minor Injury Unit	6,193.57	-
	<u>21,094.40</u>	<u>42,172.47</u>
	<u>41,453.75</u>	<u>58,169.08</u>
Accumulated Fund		
Bank Current and Deposit Accounts		
as at 1st January 2024	274,363.79	255,571.00
Excess of Receipts over Payments	91,954.40	18,792.79
	<u>366,318.19</u>	<u>274,363.79</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
 <u>STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</u>		
 Cash Funds		
Bank Community Account	2,032.52	8,513.53
Bank Business Premium Account	<u>365,501.90</u>	<u>266,049.49</u>
Total Bank Current and Deposit Accounts	<u>367,534.42</u>	<u>274,563.02</u>
 Current Liabilities		
Creditor	<u>(1,216.23)</u>	<u>(199.23)</u>
	<u><u>366,318.19</u></u>	<u><u>274,363.79</u></u>

Approved by The League of Friends of Bridgnorth Hospital on 12.03.25
and signed on their behalf.


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Mr P. Palfrey
Hon Treasurer

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended: 31st December 2024

Charity No. 515567

Silver & Co
Accountants
Taxation
& Business Advisors

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL

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LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL

Legal and administrative information

President:	Bridgnorth Town Mayor
Chair:	Paula Tristham
Vice Chair:	Julia Davies
Secretary:	Sue Burrows
Treasurer:	Phil Palfrey
Coffee Shop Manager:	Verena Swinnerton
100+ Club Lead:	June Muxworthy
Butterfly Café Lead:	Meg Andrews Julie Palfrey
Trustees	Sarah Morford Jean Prior Margaret Bray Rita Spence Yvonne Askins Diane Brown
Independent Examiners:	The Hollies, 16 St Johns Street, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV15 6AG
Bankers:	Barclays Bank
Principal Address:	Ansteys, Eardington, Bridgnorth, Shropshire WV16 5JT

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL
Trustees' Annual Report
For the year ended 31st December 2024

The trustees submit their annual report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024. the trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005 as modified by SORP 2019 (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The Charity is run by volunteer Trustees under the governance of its 2023 constitution. The objects are to support the care and well - being of patients, former patients, their relatives, carers and staff who are in or attending Bridgnorth Community Hospital; the hospitals work within the community of South East Shropshire Locality area and the work of services provided by any NHS Trust under Service Level Agreement within Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust.

Volunteers

The charity is grateful for the efforts of its volunteers who are involved in service provision and fund raising. It is estimated that approximately 37 volunteer hours were provided on a weekly basis. If this is valued at the National Living wage rate of £11.44 the weekly volunteer effort amounts to nearly £423.28.

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 a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF BRIDGNORTH HOSPITAL
Trustees' Annual Report (Continued)
For the year ended 31st December 2024

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper 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 its 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.

Internal Control and Risk Management

The trustees review the effectiveness of all material internal controls, including operational, financial and compliance controls and risk management systems.

The internal control systems are designed to meet the Charity's particular needs and the risks to which it is exposed, to manage these risks and to provide reasonable assurance against misstatement or loss.

Statement of Disclosure of Information to Independent Examiners

We, the trustees of the charity who held office at the date of approval of these financial statements, each confirm so far as we are aware that:

- there is no relevant information of which the charity's independent examiners are unaware: and
- we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken as trustees in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's independent examiners are aware of that information.

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Trustees' Annual Report (Continued)
For the year ended 31st December 2024

Re-appointment of Trustees

The trustees are appointed by the members of the Association in Annual General Meeting.

Achievements and Performance

The results for the year are set out in the attached statements of financial activities.

Financial Review

The Charity's policy is to retain surplus funds pending suitable application by the charity for assistance of a project within the terms of charitable status.

The treasurer maintains the financial records of the Charity and reports regularly at all meetings.

Independent Examiners

A resolution proposing that Silver & Co be reappointed as independent examiners of the Charity will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

The results for the year are set out in the attached statements of financial activities.

Independent Examiners' Report to the Trustees
of League of Friends of Bridgnorth Hospital

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 9

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiners

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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent examiners' report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 examiners' statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- 1 Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Silver & Co
Independent Examiners



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Date

14th March 2025

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