

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
Lawton Memorial Hall Trust**

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Lawton Memorial Hall Trust

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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Chairperson's Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

This has been a busy year for the Trust as Church Lawton Parish Council established itself as the sole trustee of the hall. The priority has been to develop the governance structures for the operation of the Trust and the hall to ensure that all policies and procedures are relevant and appropriate. This included the Constitution and Standing Orders.

The Constitution sets out how the hall is managed and included the setting up of the Operations and Events Committee to include more members of local groups, including All Saints Church and the regular hirers. Although in its infancy, this group promises to be instrumental in moving the hall forward.

The Trust were very grateful for a substantial bequest that was made this year. As the Trust becomes more confident in the management of the hall, this will be used to ensure its future.

We are grateful for the regular hirers who use the hall to provide various activities for the local areas and provide a source of regular income. The hall has been used by commercial hirers and also for family events - christenings, birthdays, weddings, funerals and other celebrations.

In May 2024, we were proud to work with All Saints Church to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the VE Day landings. Everyone who uses the hall loves it and its facilities and we are proud to have maintained it for the benefit of the community of Church Lawton.

The volunteers, staff and trustees have met the challenges of running the hall admirably and I would like to thank them on behalf of the community. The Trust now wants to build on these development in the coming year to organise more community events, maintain the building and promote the hall and all it has to offer.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

520034

Principal address

Liverpool Road West
Church Lawton
Stoke on Trent
ST7 3DA

Trustees

Church Lawton Parish Council (appointed 25/1/2023)

All existing trustees as at 24/1/2023 resigned with effect from 24/1/2023 and Church Lawton Parish Council was appointed as the sole trustee with effect from 25/1/2023.

Independent Examiner

Emma Marshall-Birks
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 28 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

S Davies

[S Davies \(Jan 28, 2026 15:30:55 GMT\)](#)

Church Lawton Parish Council - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Lawton Memorial Hall Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Lawton Memorial Hall Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Lawton Memorial Hall Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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.

Emma Marshall-Birks
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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28 January 2026

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		61,913	-	61,913	38
Other trading activities	2	19,009	-	19,009	32,825
Investment income	3	423	-	423	227
Total		<u>81,345</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,345</u>	<u>33,090</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		13,805	-	13,805	17,414
Charitable activities					
General		13,414	-	13,414	10,977
Other		1,559	-	1,559	1,805
Total		<u>28,778</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,778</u>	<u>30,196</u>
NET INCOME		52,567	-	52,567	2,894
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		54,363	-	54,363	51,469
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>106,930</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>106,930</u></u>	<u><u>54,363</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6	8,072	-	8,072	9,631
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	121	-	121	4,998
Cash at bank		99,697	-	99,697	42,991
		99,818	-	99,818	47,989
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(960)	-	(960)	(3,257)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		98,858	-	98,858	44,732
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		106,930	-	106,930	54,363
NET ASSETS					
		106,930	-	106,930	54,363
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	9			106,930	54,363
TOTAL FUNDS					
				106,930	54,363

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 28 January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

S Davies

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Church Lawton Parish Council - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost 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 resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fundraising events	746	2,907
Admissions	18,263	29,918
	<u>19,009</u>	<u>32,825</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	423	227
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	38	-	38
Other trading activities	32,825	-	32,825
Investment income	227	-	227
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	33,090	-	33,090
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	17,414	-	17,414
Charitable activities			
General	10,977	-	10,977
Other	1,805	-	1,805
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	30,196	-	30,196
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME	2,894	-	2,894
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	51,469	-	51,469
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	54,363	-	54,363
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Other property improvements £	Computer Equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	10,947	489	11,436
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	1,642	163	1,805
Charge for year	1,396	163	1,559
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2025	3,038	326	3,364
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	7,909	163	8,072
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2024	9,305	326	9,631
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £		2024 £
Trade debtors	121		4,998
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £		2024 £
Trade creditors	-		810
Taxation and social security	-		122
Other creditors	960		2,325
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
	960		3,257
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	54,363	52,567	106,930
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	54,363	52,567	106,930
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	81,345	(28,778)	52,567
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>81,345</u>	<u>(28,778)</u>	<u>52,567</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,469	2,894	54,363
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>51,469</u>	<u>2,894</u>	<u>54,363</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	33,090	(30,196)	2,894
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>33,090</u>	<u>(30,196)</u>	<u>2,894</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,469	55,461	106,930
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>51,469</u>	<u>55,461</u>	<u>106,930</u>

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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,435	(58,974)	55,461
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,435</u>	<u>(58,974)</u>	<u>55,461</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Gifts	1	(1)
Donations	61,912	39
	61,913	38
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	746	2,907
Admissions	18,263	29,918
	19,009	32,825
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	423	227
	81,345	33,090
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Rates and water	224	228
Insurance	3,091	2,764
Light and heat	6,211	6,613
Security & caretaking	3,563	4,472
	13,089	14,077
Other trading activities		
Purchases	536	765
Licensing	180	2,572
	716	3,337
Charitable activities		
Telephone	1,162	849
Advertising	25	278
Cleaning	4,999	4,770
	6,186	5,897
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	1,396	1,642
Computer equipment	163	163
	1,559	1,805
Support costs		
Management		
Subscriptions	-	50

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Management Finance		
Accountancy	982	918
Bank charges	71	29
	<u>1,053</u>	<u>947</u>
Information technology		
Computer costs	2,000	808
Human resources		
Admin staff & general	4,175	3,156
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	-	119
	<u>28,778</u>	<u>30,196</u>
Total resources expended		
	<u>52,567</u>	<u>2,894</u>
Net income		

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