

Derwent Valley BRIDGE

Community Library and Resource Centre

(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
(Charity Registration Number 1152276)

Trustees' Annual Report & Financial Statements for the year ended

31 March 2026

Tracy Bramley ACMA, CGMA
Charity Accounts Preparation &
Independent Examination

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

The core of our activity is to provide library and information services for adults and children. This is achieved by the loan of books, story tapes, talking books and DVDs. In addition, we provide access to computers, the internet and printers/photocopiers. There is also the availability of information on health and social care, housing, education, leisure activities, welfare benefits, community safety, local authority services, child care, voluntary groups and area transport.

The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The most noticeable things this year is the new colour scheme in the library. Our thanks go to East Ayton Parish Council for their grant scheme which purchased the paint and also to our wonderful decorator Jack. In total, including Jack's time, 240 volunteer hours were given to complete this project.

Our volunteer numbers have increased by four this year and we now have a Duke of Edinburgh student who is completing her voluntary work with us.

The introduction of the new Spydus operating system was underway in April. It took some getting used to but the volunteers have persevered and are managing well with it. A refreshment of the book stock has helped customers to find new titles and authors to read.

Our finances continue to improve with two substantial donations added to our fundraising activities, which includes our Winter Talks Programme of three evening and two afternoon talks, all of which had a full attendance. The Pat Almond Event this year featured the Saltburn Smugglers and was a complete sell out. Everyone enjoyed listening to and participating in the sea shanties this talented band played. During the summer we had an entertaining evening learning how to make Cocktails and Mocktails. Our Big Library Fundraiser, held in the village hall, raised an amazing £3000 and our thanks go to Lynn Francis who masterminded the whole event.

Our thanks also go to Sam Merron who continues to run our children's programme of events, which are very much appreciated by the families in the village. Our connections to the local schools continues with regular visits from Ayton Primary School and our outreach programme with Wykeham School and Snainton School.

Thanks also must go to John and Kate Warburton who keep the library so beautifully clean and to Morna and her gardening team who work wonders with the flowers and plants and not forgetting all those volunteers who work behind the desk and behind the scenes to bring this wonderful asset to the village.

Financial Review

The results for the period ending 31st March 2026 show final balances of £15,149 unrestricted free reserves; £95 restricted reserves and £10,000 designated reserves. The latter reflecting a new provision for a Contingency Fund. The movements in designated reserves are detailed under note 5 of the accounts.

There has been one new restricted funding grant received this year from Beyond Housing as shown under note 4 of the accounts.

Reserves Policy

In financial terms, the CIO holds unrestricted reserves of over a full year budgeted operating costs.

Funds materially in deficit

None

Going concern

The trustees are confident that the charity can meet its financial obligations over the forthcoming year.

Independent Examiner's Report

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Derwent Valley Bridge Community Library and Resource Centre

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2026 which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

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 Trust'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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.



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Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ending:

31 March 2026

		Restricted funds	Designated funds	Unrestricted funds	Total 2026	Total 2025
<u>Receipts</u>	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	2			4,436	4,436	3,094
Fundraising				5,523	5,523	2,987
Book sales				519	519	279
Book club				160	160	57
Talks/Lectures				2,842	2,842	830
Pat Almond Memorial				-	-	756
Grants	3 & 4	500		1,250	1,750	3,250
Room hire				498	498	300
Children's story time & activities				1,049	1,049	1,323
Fines				620	620	863
All other services				391	391	550
Total receipts		500	-	17,288	17,788	14,289
Payments						
Electricity & gas				3,003	3,003	3,519
Rates & water				266	266	149
Telephone				-	-	74
Repairs, maintenance & garden				1,327	1,327	1,084
Insurance				925	925	891
Children's activities		500		808	1,308	1,203
Stationery & office equipment				-	-	20
Licences & fees				160	160	20
Meetings admin & AGM fees				833	833	1,132
Health & Safety				-	-	-
Equipment				-	-	68
Independent Examination				450	450	450
Lecture/talks expenses		202		700	902	532
Pat Almond Memorial Lecture				-	-	721
Sundry expenses				155	155	151
Big Tea event expenses				-	-	271
Fundraising expenses				614	614	-
Total payments		702	-	9,241	9,943	10,285
Net of receipts/(payments)		(202)	-	8,047	7,845	4,004
Transfers between funds	5	-	8,097	(8,097)	-	-
Cash funds last year end		297	1,903	15,199	17,399	13,395
Cash funds this year end		95	10,000	15,149	25,244	17,399

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at:

31 March 2026

	Total 2026 £	Total 2025 £
Cash funds		
Cash at Bank and in Hand		
Current Account	25,057	17,324
Cash/cheque banking clearing post year end	163	50
Cash in hand (mixed coins held)	24	25
Total cash funds	25,244	17,399

Represented by funds

Restricted funds	95	297
Designated funds	10,000	1,903
Unrestricted funds	15,149	15,199
	25,244	17,399

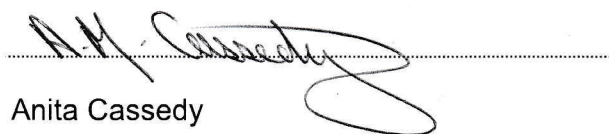
Liabilities

Creditors Due Within One Year	
Statutory Accounts Preparation & Independent Examination Fee	470
Corona Energy March	184
EDF Energy March	123

These accounts were approved by the trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:

Signed



Name

Anita Cassedy

Position

Chair

Date

12.8.26

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended:

31 March 2026

1 Basis of preparation

The trustees have taken advantage of the Charities Act 2011 and prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis, with all revenue and expenses shown on a cash basis.

2 Donations

	2026	2025
	£	£
Various donations and donations in kind.	<u>4,436</u>	<u>3,094</u>

3 Grants

	2026	2025
	£	£
Parish Councils	1,250	1,500
Beyond Housing	<u>500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
	<u>1,750</u>	<u>1,500</u>

4 Restricted funds

Name of funder	b/f 1 April	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	c/f 31 March
	£	£	£	£	£
NYC Big Tea	29				29
NYC Children's equipment & Talks	268		202		66
Beyond Housing	-	500	500		-
	<u>297</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>95</u>

5 Designated funds

	b/f 1 April	Transfers	c/f 31 March
	£	£	£
Pat Almond Memorial Fund	1,903	(1,903)	-
Contingency Fund	-	10,000	10,000
	<u>1,903</u>	<u>8,097</u>	<u>10,000</u>

This year a transfer has been made from designated back to general reserves of the Pat Almond Memorial Funds, as the original wishes of the memorial fund to deliver lectures and talks are now being carried out on an annual basis. Also a new designated fund has been established to provide a Contingency Fund.

6 Reserves Policy

The trustees have approved a reserves policy which supports the accumulation of unrestricted reserves to an amount that will enable the organisation to function for at least 12 months.

7 Guarantees to third parties

The trustees confirm, in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012, that at the year end the CIO did not have any outstanding guarantees to third parties nor any debts secured on assets of the CIO.

8 Trustees

No trustees received any remuneration for services rendered during the year, nor payment for trustee expenses (2025: Nil)