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**FOLKESTONE RAINBOW CENTRE
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Reference and Administrative Details
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

Trustees	Mr A Ferguson Mr N Buckley Ms D Douse Mrs A Foreman (appointed 23/09/2025) Dr P Le Feuvre Ms E Pettersen Dr J Russell Reverend G Webber Mrs S Paine (appointed 22/03/2026) Ms J Doherty (resigned 15/07/2025) Mr D Hudson (appointed 09/12/2025) (resigned 10/12/2025)
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Company Number	04318070
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Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Company No. 04318070
Trustees' Report For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Objectives and Activities

Aims and Objectives

The Rainbow Centre is a Christian charity whose purpose is to deliver services in Folkestone and Hythe to provide support and hope to individuals and families experiencing deprivation or hardship.

The Objects of the Rainbow Centre, as recorded by the Charity Commission are 'For the benefit of the inhabitants of Folkestone and neighbourhood without distinction of sex, colour, age or political, religious or other opinions, and to promote the relief of people in need in any manner which now is and hereafter may be deemed by law to be charitable, including the relief of poverty and advancement of learning'.

Underpinning the objective are five values which provide a quality framework for all work which is undertaken in the name of the Rainbow Centre.

- Respect
- Compassion
- Excellence
- Collaboration
- Commitment

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Main Achievements

In 2025, the Rainbow Centre maintained all of its long-standing services, some of which needed to expand to respond to increasing demand, especially by people experiencing homelessness. Greater numbers of people attended our Breakfast Club, benefiting from a warm and friendly space, and from the increased range of services that are on offer.

Along with our church partners we ran another successful Winter Shelter in a local hotel. Through the support of our many volunteers, hot evening meals were provided seven nights a week. The majority of the clients found more permanent accommodation during the course of the 3 months opening.

Our combined mobile Foodbank and Pantry service continues to operate each weekday at different venues in the district, and the Hythe Pantry remains well used and well supported. The year has seen an increase in the number of charities providing food for the people of Folkestone. This has led to a slight reduction in the FoodStop service in one of the town locations but continues to run three evenings a week.

Our Money Matters scheme, that supports people in financial difficulty, has seen a change following the closure of the local Shepway Citizens Advice service. In 2025, the service was replaced by the Money First Aid while the Financial Inclusion Project continued to run under our new partnership with Dover Deal Citizens Advice.

The Family Contact Centre service, accredited by the National Association of Child Contact Centres continued to provide a vital support in our local community.

Due to an increase in the rent of the Rainbow shop, there was a decrease in the surplus funds from the takings of the shop available to the Rainbow Centre.

In order to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Centre, a marketing and communications consultant was appointed to help to plan the publicity and events for the year. A number of initiatives and events resulted.

We remained in discussion with the District Methodist Church to plan together for multi-purpose buildings on the site of the old Methodist Church in the centre of Folkestone. In addition, a local landlord offered a ten-year lease on an unused local hotel to accommodate people experiencing homelessness. The Hamlet Hotel was allowed a change of use into a House in Multiple Occupation and subsequent legal and practical issues were addressed through the year. It is intended to be opened in 2026 as a Supported Housing project for up to 16 clients.

As well as generous support from both central and local government, we continue to be blessed with kind donations from local businesses, supporters and residents. We had another healthy financial year, with many successful funding bids, and our reserves remain stable and sufficient.

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**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Trustees' Report (continued)
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Main Achievements - continued

Thanks to Mary Stredwick, our Chief Executive, we have strong ongoing relationships with the local Council, and local Churches and businesses.

Charitable Activities

Homeless Support Service and Breakfast Club

In 2025, the Rainbow Centre's Homeless Support Service (HSS) and Breakfast Club remained a vital lifeline for vulnerably housed and homeless people in our community. Operating every weekday, the service provides an essential mix of immediate crisis relief, practical daily facilities, and long-term tenancy sustainment. By addressing both the physical and emotional challenges of homelessness, the HSS works to reduce isolation, restore dignity, and create sustainable pathways out of homelessness. This work is made possible by a combination of dedicated staff, collaborative multi-agency partnerships, the local Council, community generosity, and the invaluable commitment of our volunteers.

130 individuals were registered with the HSS service in 2025, averaging 2 new clients per week. Our clients, aged 18 to 72, are approximately 75% male, 20% female, and 5% identify as non-binary or other genders. We also saw a noticeable increase in the number of dogs accompanying our clients this year. Clients approach us facing complex crises, primarily driven by relationship breakdowns, unemployment, steep rent increases, and escalating financial pressures.

For those living on the streets, basic hygiene and connectivity are vital. We provide reliable access to essential amenities. We offer 4 shower slots each morning, and our laundry service handles over 15 bags of washing per week. We provide vital charging stations for mobile phones and power banks, essential for keeping clients connected to medical, housing, and legal services. Furthermore, we assist 60 people with a postal address and provide crucial identity documentation, successfully ordering 15 birth certificates in 2025 to help clients access statutory support.

A breakfast club, run by 4 volunteers for two hours every weekday, prioritises rough sleepers and those without cooking facilities. On average, 600 breakfasts are served each month to 30 individuals, with some moving on as new visitors are welcomed. On Fridays, we offer 15 "Take Food Friday" bags to rough sleepers.

While the breakfast club provides hot drinks, cereals, toast, beans and spreads, its true value lies in community building. It offers a safe environment that directly combats the severe isolation and loneliness associated with homelessness. We maximise the impact of the breakfast club by bringing vital professional services directly to our clients in an environment where they already feel safe. The Community Nurse visits weekly, providing blood pressure monitoring, wound dressing, sexual health advice, GP registrations, and direct prescriptions. ROAR (Reach Out and Recover) provides support, promotes physical well-being, and fosters community engagement through walking and football groups. We also arrange one-off clinics, with professionals providing targeted cancer advice, sexual health awareness, energy and utility guidance, and Hepatitis C checks. The dental bus attended to 4 clients per quarterly visit, while barbers provided 6 haircuts per monthly visit.

Last summer, we launched an enriching community gardening initiative, utilising an area generously offered to us by Harbour Church. Every Monday, a staff member and a volunteer opened the space to clients and aim to increase attendance. Attendees expressed immense pride and joy in digging, weeding, and clearing the plot. We successfully grew tomatoes, potatoes, courgettes, raspberries, various herbs, and chilli peppers for the benefit of the clients, with the surplus donated to our Foodbank and Pantry services.

Housing, Advocacy & Prevention

Moving beyond immediate relief, HSS focused heavily on prevention and long-term housing solutions. In July, we expanded our capacity by appointing a dedicated Tenancy Sustainment and Rough Sleeping Prevention Officer. This role supports clients facing eviction or struggling to maintain their current accommodation. Once clients secure accommodation, we help them set up household bills and develop independent living skills. To turn an empty house into a home, we apply for furniture grants on our clients' behalf. In 2025, Folkestone Municipal Charities generously awarded grants to 11 individuals.

The Officer worked directly with landlords to resolve eviction notices wherever possible, helping one client relocate to more suitable housing and assisting another in maintaining their property by establishing a comprehensive wrap-around care package integrated with social services.

Significant challenges remain, including a lack of move-on accommodation and rising rents. Evictions have risen, partly in anticipation of the abolition of Section 21 no-fault eviction notices. Our single, unemployed and homeless clients face daily obstacles to securing housing, as few landlords accept them. Additionally, many clients struggle to pay rising rents, leading to increased requests for clothing and food assistance. We are also seeing more clients with dual diagnoses or ongoing mental health issues, and we are actively building partnerships with statutory mental health services. Next year, we are piloting a supported housing project in a 16-bed House of Multiple Occupation and aim to transform our day centre to provide more structured support groups that meet our clients' needs and help them become work-ready.

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**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Trustees' Report (continued)
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Charitable Activities - continued

Shepway Food Bank

Shepway Foodbank, part of the Trussell Trust Network, has since 2014 provided emergency food and has evolved from handing out essential food parcels to offering much support so that clients no longer need our foodbank. Through our Financial Inclusion partnership project with Trussell Trust and Shepway Citizen Advice, Food bank clients received coaching on budgeting, managing debt, and maximising benefits income, coupled with cooking demonstrations and signposting to services for assistance, whether to our homeless support team or to outside agencies.

Shepway Foodbank has one static New Romney service and a mobile service that visits five locations: Cheriton, Hawkinge, Lydd and Romney Marsh Community hub, which opened in February 2025. The combined locations helped to feed 427 children and 789 adults; that's a total of 1216 people. These figures have shown a continued decrease over the last 2 years. This is not only due to the Rainbow Centre's pantry offering; there are far more organisations in Folkestone that have established projects to help those in need, which means more opportunities to access food in and around the town centre. However, the same cannot be said for the rural areas of our district, where 24.5% of food parcels were distributed.

The largest age group of children affected by food poverty was the Primary School age (5–11 years). In 2025, 33% of the food parcels distributed went to households with children aged from new-borns to 16 years old, leaving the remaining 67% going to single-person households; this is an increase of nearly 10% from 2024.

We rely solely on generous donations from churches, schools, local organisations and businesses, the general public, and surplus items from supermarkets, mainly bread and bakery goods. We increased the number of food drives in 2025 and are very grateful to all the supermarkets that support us. We receive surplus bread from supermarkets and fresh fruit and vegetables from gleaners of the Hythe Environmental Group, Thanet Earth, and the wonderful customers of Lenihans Veg Van. Our total stock for 2025 was 37946.5K, much less than the 45,579 kg received in 2024. Stock out 41865KG, that's an average of 805 KG of stock left our warehouse every single week.

Donated stock is used not only by the Foodbank and Pantry but also by the Rainbow Centre's services, including FoodStop, the Homeless Support Service and the Winter Shelter.

Food Pantries

The Hythe & Mobile Pantries are part of the Your Local Pantry network, which has over 120 pantries across the UK. Pantries help those struggling financially cope with the ongoing cost-of-living crisis, functioning as social supermarkets where members shop for their needs. We encourage Foodbank users to join the Pantry to support independence. To access the service, people self-refer and apply online to become members. Upon approval, members pay a £7 fee per visit and receive approximately £45 of shopping, including ambient, frozen, and fresh produce.

Since October 2023, the Foodbank and Pantries have been offered simultaneously as a mobile service in five locations (Cheriton, Hawkinge, Lydd, and the Romney Marsh Community hub). Each location has a vital community space where anyone accessing either the Foodbank or the Pantry can come in, relax, have a refreshment, chat to us, and engage with agencies, including CAB, NHS One You, Community Wardens, Southern Water Vulnerability officers, Shaw Trust Health & Work programme, and the Local Council Welfare team. At the Hythe Pantry, there is a clothes rail available to our members. They can help themselves to items for themselves and their family for a small donation. We also have a book swap available. Many members also donate clothes or books, helping them feel part of the community we are building. The mobile service is helping more people access food than ever before.

Hythe Pantry had 1,464 visits in 2025, with an average membership of 95 people. The Mobile Pantry Service received 2382 visits last year, an increase of 315 visits in 2025. Our Mobile Service has supported 1593 children and 3946 adults.

FoodStop

FoodStop is far more than a practical food service; it is a lifeline that delivers community, dignity, and consistent care to those in need. Operating three evenings a week, 52 weeks a year, our mission remains steadfast: to ensure no one in our community has to face hardship alone.

In 2025, a total of 2,362 food bags were distributed through this service. Attendance has remained steady, averaging 10 guests on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the seafront, rising to around 25 on Saturdays, when no other services are operating. We are at the town and seafront. We continue to offer a simple but important provision of sandwiches, tinned food, hot drinks, biscuits, and homemade cakes. Supplies of tinned food are generously provided through donations from local churches and the wider public, while bread and sandwich fillings are purchased locally with financial gifts to FoodStop.

Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter (FCWS)

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Charitable Activities - continued

The Winter Shelter, a collaborative project between the Rainbow Centre and local churches, operated from December 1, 2025, to February 28, 2026. This was our sixth year operating a static shelter in a local B&B. Over this period, 14 guests were accommodated in 12 pre-booked en-suite rooms, as two had moved on before the Winter Shelter closed. This comprised 13 men and one woman; the guests quickly connected with staff, volunteers, and each other. The Winter Shelter operation was extended until 16 March for three guests while they waited for their move-on accommodation to become available.

During the period of the Winter Shelter, guests had access to a weekly NHS nurse, a quarterly dental van, and barbers, as well as the breakfast club and evening meals. Nine local churches provided evening meals throughout the shelter period, with 67 volunteers helping to run it, supported by a Coordinator, sessional staff, and our homeless support service team.

By the end of the shelter, 10 of the guests found a housing solution, with the help of a number of key partner agencies, including Porchlight and Servco. It was a good collaboration to explore move-on options for our guests, with Folkestone and Hythe District Council and private landlords. In 2026, we plan to pilot an all-year-round supported housing project in a 16-bed former guest house.

Family Contact

The Family Contact Centre, accredited by the National Association of Child Contact Centres, provides a safe, welcoming environment where children from separated families can enjoy visits with parents, siblings, and, occasionally, extended family members. In many cases, trust has broken down or communication has become difficult following parental separation.

Our primary focus is to prioritise children's needs and create a child-centred environment where families feel supported and respected. Our dedicated staff are trained to facilitate supported contact sessions and ensure safe, smooth transitions between parents and children for young people aged 0-17 years. We provide a variety of toys and craft activities for families to enjoy, though we encourage parents to bring their own as well. Parents often take the initiative to contribute craft activities for special occasions such as birthdays, Easter, and Christmas, allowing them to actively participate in celebrations they might otherwise miss.

The Family Contact Centre operated every other Saturday from 8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., receiving referrals from a range of professionals and services, including solicitors and social workers, as well as self-referrals. In 2025, the Centre supported 10 families with 10 children.

Money First Aid Service

In 2023, a grant from Trussell enabled us to pilot the Financial Inclusion Project at our Foodbank, in partnership with Shepway Citizen Advice (CA), alongside our Money Matters Service, which began in 2021. Unfortunately, our partner, Shepway CA, encountered financial difficulties and closed in December 2024, and our Money Matters project ceased operations. In January 2025, we began a partnership with Dover Deal Citizens Advice, which also offers a similar money advice service. Some of the Shepway CA staff, including the Financial Inclusion Money Adviser, transferred to Dover Deal Citizens Advice.

Our new partner, Dover Deal CA, introduced the Money First Aid service, which offers financial advice and debt management to all our clients, while Financial Inclusion remained a service for Food Services clients.

The Money First Aid Service supported 38 clients, most of whom accepted mentor support. The majority of clients live in Folkestone Central, Cheriton, and East Folkestone. Many received debt relief orders to manage their debts, and some received help with payment arrangements. Three debts were written off, and 6 grants were obtained to purchase household goods. New benefits for clients were secured: 6 PIP applications, 4 council tax arrears were rescheduled, and 2 clients were aided in addressing their debts as part of a divorce settlement. Carers' allowance and attendance allowance forms to maximise clients' income were completed, and utility and related expense payments were managed to ensure they received the best deals. Payments were rescheduled, halting bailiffs' actions in 14 cases.

In addition to face-to-face appointments, 216 people called the Dover Deal CA helpline with quick queries. Overall, the Money First Aid service contributed to an increase of over 150k in clients' income, helping them cover their everyday expenses. Having mentors is crucial to supporting our clients' welfare, as many have needs, including mental health and anxiety issues, alongside their debts. Mentors help them access further support to address some of those needs. Of course, it's not easy, as a couple of clients who refused to accept their situation or consider options had their cases closed.

Financial Inclusion Project

The project provides a Money Adviser for 21 hours a week across the Foodbank and Pantry venues on a rota, helping food service clients maximise their income by ensuring they receive the benefits, entitlements and additional support needed to manage their money and debt. In 2025, the project assisted 112 clients, with most advice focused on securing charitable support for utility bills and rent arrears, and on accessing Universal Credit. The total value of debts managed was £55,407, and 73 people no longer needed to use the Foodbank.

The project's funding ends in February 2026; therefore, we are exploring establishing an in-house client support and advisory service to ensure the ongoing provision of essential guidance to help clients improve their financial well-being. The service will support all types of clients, excluding debt advice, which requires FCA registration. We plan to expand the service to include all clients and to reduce dependence on our Food services and related services. We are fortunate that our Money First Aid volunteer mentors, who have been mentoring clients with debt, are ready to be upskilled to support the new inhouse advice service.

**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

It has been the policy of the charity to keep cash assets of a minimum of three months running costs with a target of about six months. Trustees have clarified that this minimum and target applied separately to the charity's restricted and unrestricted reserves.

As at 31 December 2025 cash at bank and in hand was £1,104,840, of which £908,331 related to restricted funds. After allowing for other current assets of £13,065 and current liabilities of £13,505 the remaining balance stands at £196,069 which represents 4.21 months of total monthly expenditure and 7.73 months expenditure from unrestricted funds.

Risk Management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. A detailed risk register is maintained and updated at least once a year.

Future Developments

The Folkestone Rainbow Centre has been given planning permission for change of use of the Hamlet Hotel, in Folkestone as a House in Multiple Occupation. Once the legal and practical questions are overcome, this will be refurbished as Supported Accommodation for up to 16 single people. It is anticipated that it will be open in 2026.

We continue to refine plans for the development of the former Methodist Church in Sandgate Road, and we look forward to receiving planning permission for this structure, that will allow us to begin the necessary fund-raising. A fundraiser will be appointed to carry out a scoping exercise and prepare a fundraising strategy. If this project is permitted, we would plan to relocate our offices to these new premises.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Folkestone Rainbow Centre is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 6 November 2001. This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

Organisational Structure

The Centre is also registered as a charity with the Charity Commission. The trustees have prepared the annual report and financial statements in accordance with the charity's governing document, the requirements of charity law, in particular the Commission's Statement of Recommended Practice. The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the commission's guidance on public benefit when exercising their powers and duties to which the guidance is relevant. The ways in which the charity has contributed to public benefit are set out in the statement of activities.

Trustee Appointments

Mrs A Foreman was appointed as a Trustee on the 23rd September 2025.

Mrs Judith Doherty resigned on 15 July 2025.

**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Trustees' Report (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Folkestone Rainbow Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statement unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing the financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at anytime the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company 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 corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Small Company Rules

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on its behalf by:

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Dr P Le Feuvre

Trustee
Date

4/8/26.

Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Folkestone Rainbow Centre
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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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Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

				2025	2024
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	3	168,401	135,545	303,946	289,196
Charitable activities:					
FoodStop		-	5,369	5,369	5,456
The Pantry		-	25,515	25,515	26,313
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter		-	115,863	115,863	90,863
Food Bank		-	16,500	16,500	34,976
Money Matters		-	47,405	47,405	36,737
Hamlet Project		-	34,000	34,000	-
Other trading activities	4	22,574	-	22,574	19,574
Investments	5	53,239	-	53,239	57,452
		<u>244,214</u>	<u>380,197</u>	<u>624,411</u>	<u>560,567</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	(4,738)	-	(4,738)	(1,740)
Charitable activities:	7				
FoodStop		-	(5,299)	(5,299)	(4,780)
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter		-	(92,973)	(92,973)	(95,324)
Food Bank		-	(104,852)	(104,852)	(96,687)
Money Matters		-	(42,526)	(42,526)	(48,567)
Contact		(4,328)	-	(4,328)	(4,421)
The Folkestone Rainbow Centre		(167,332)	(1)	(167,333)	(143,891)
Homeless Support Service		(124,951)	-	(124,951)	(135,749)
Hamlet Project		-	(11,810)	(11,810)	-
		<u>(301,349)</u>	<u>(257,461)</u>	<u>(558,810)</u>	<u>(531,159)</u>
NET INCOME		<u>(57,135)</u>	<u>122,736</u>	<u>65,601</u>	<u>29,408</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(57,135)</u>	<u>122,736</u>	<u>65,601</u>	<u>29,408</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		<u>568,271</u>	<u>802,639</u>	<u>1,370,910</u>	<u>1,341,502</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	17	<u>511,136</u>	<u>925,375</u>	<u>1,436,511</u>	<u>1,370,910</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:				
Donations and legacies	3	242,117	47,079	289,196
Charitable activities:				
FoodStop		-	5,456	5,456
The Pantry		-	26,313	26,313
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter		-	90,863	90,863
Food Bank		-	34,976	34,976
Money Matters		-	36,737	36,737
Other trading activities	4	19,574	-	19,574
Investments	5	57,452	-	57,452
		<u>319,143</u>	<u>241,424</u>	<u>560,567</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Raising funds	7	(1,741)	1	(1,740)
Charitable activities:	7			
FoodStop		-	(4,780)	(4,780)
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter		-	(95,324)	(95,324)
Food Bank		-	(96,687)	(96,687)
Money Matters		-	(48,567)	(48,567)
Contact		(4,421)	-	(4,421)
The Folkestone Rainbow Centre		(140,799)	(3,092)	(143,891)
Homeless Support Service		(135,749)	-	(135,749)
		<u>(282,710)</u>	<u>(248,449)</u>	<u>(531,159)</u>
NET INCOME		36,433	(7,025)	29,408
Transfers between funds	17	(51,580)	51,580	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(15,147)	44,555	29,408
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Total funds brought forward		583,418	758,084	1,341,502
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	17	<u>568,271</u>	<u>802,639</u>	<u>1,370,910</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Balance Sheet
As At 31 December 2025**

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds	2024 Total funds
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	12	315,066	28,148	343,214	358,671
Investments	13	1	-	1	1
		<u>315,067</u>	<u>28,148</u>	<u>343,215</u>	<u>358,672</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	14	13,065	2,467	15,532	11,582
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>196,509</u>	<u>908,331</u>	<u>1,104,840</u>	<u>1,032,433</u>
		<u>209,574</u>	<u>910,798</u>	<u>1,120,372</u>	<u>1,044,015</u>
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	15	<u>(13,505)</u>	<u>(13,571)</u>	<u>(27,076)</u>	<u>(31,777)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		<u>196,069</u>	<u>897,227</u>	<u>1,093,296</u>	<u>1,012,238</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>511,136</u>	<u>925,375</u>	<u>1,436,511</u>	<u>1,370,910</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>511,136</u>	<u>925,375</u>	<u>1,436,511</u>	<u>1,370,910</u>
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Restricted Funds				925,375	802,639
Unrestricted Funds				511,136	568,271
TOTAL FUNDS	17			<u>1,436,511</u>	<u>1,370,910</u>

For the year ending 31 December 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

On behalf of the board



Dr P Le Feuvre

Trustee

Date

4/8/26.

The notes on pages 12 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

**Folkestone Rainbow Centre
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 December 2025**

1. General Information

Folkestone Rainbow Centre is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 04318070 and registered charity number 1096570. The registered office is Cornerstone, 69 Sandgate Road, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2AF.

2. Accounting Policies

2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements 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 Companies Act 2006.

The charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

2.2. Exemption From Preparing Consolidated Financial Statements

The charitable company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 399 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare consolidated accounts, on the basis that the group of which this is the parent qualifies as a small group. The financial statements present information about the charitable company as an individual entity and not about its group.

2.3. Going Concern Disclosure

The trustees have not identified any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.4. Fund Accounting

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

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor.

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

2.5. Incoming Resources

Income and endowments

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

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

Gift aid

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the Statement of Financial Activities at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Investment income

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

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2.6. Resources Expended

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

2.7. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold	Straight line over the period of the lease
Motor Vehicles	25% on reducing balance
Fixtures & Fittings	25% on reducing balance
Computer Equipment	3 years straight line

2.8. Investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

2.9. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and are readily convertible to a known amount of cash with insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts.

2.10. Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax as all its income is charitable and applied for charitable purposes.

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3. Income from Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 Total funds
	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	113,168	127,295	240,463
Gift aid	6,233	2,617	8,850
Grants	49,000	-	49,000
Other	-	5,633	5,633
	168,401	135,545	303,946

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds
	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	161,850	34,334	196,184
Gift aid	4,976	2,671	7,647
Grants	75,291	-	75,291
Other	-	10,074	10,074
	242,117	47,079	289,196

The following grants are included within the total income from donations and legacies above:

4. Income from Other Trading Activities

	2025 Unrestricted funds	2024 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Income from other trading activities	5,000	9,000
Fundraising events	17,574	10,574
	22,574	19,574

5. Investment Income

	2025 Unrestricted funds	2024 Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	27,591	24,150
Rents received from investment properties	25,648	33,302
	53,239	57,452

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6. Net Income/(Expenditure)

The net income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bad debts	-	20
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned	15,967	25,447

7. Analysis of Expenditure

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 8)	2025 Total
	£	£	£
Raising funds	4,738	-	4,738
The Folkestone Rainbow Centre	-	167,333	167,333
Homeless Support Service	-	124,951	124,951
Contact	2,678	1,650	4,328
FoodStop	4,174	1,125	5,299
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter	92,973	-	92,973
Food Bank	80,258	24,594	104,852
Money Matters	40,594	1,932	42,526
Hamlet Project	11,810	-	11,810
	237,225	321,585	558,810

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs (see note 8)	2024 Total
	£	£	£
Raising funds	1,740	-	1,740
The Folkestone Rainbow Centre	-	143,891	143,891
Homeless Support Service	-	135,749	135,749
Contact	2,771	1,650	4,421
FoodStop	3,280	1,500	4,780
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter	95,324	-	95,324
Food Bank	73,703	22,984	96,687
Money Matters	46,635	1,932	48,567
	223,453	307,706	531,159

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8. Support Costs

2025

	The Folkestone Rainbow Centre	Homeless Support Service	Contact	FoodStop	Food Bank	Money Matters	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	72,030	76,310	1,650	-	5,500	1,932	157,422
Premises expenses	41,159	25,054	-	-	6,960	-	73,173
General administration	45,576	23,587	-	-	3,520	-	72,683
Depreciation	6,228	-	-	1,125	8,614	-	15,967
Governance costs	2,340	-	-	-	-	-	2,340
	167,333	124,951	1,650	1,125	24,594	1,932	321,585

2024

	The Folkestone Rainbow Centre	Homeless Support Service	Contact	FoodStop	Food Bank	Money Matters	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Employee costs	70,748	90,598	1,650	-	5,500	1,932	170,428
Premises expenses	19,804	24,402	-	-	2,720	-	46,926
General administration	38,416	20,749	-	-	3,520	-	62,685
Depreciation	12,703	-	-	1,500	11,244	-	25,447
Governance costs	2,220	-	-	-	-	-	2,220
	143,891	135,749	1,650	1,500	22,984	1,932	307,706

9. Independent Examiner's Remuneration

	2025	2024
	£	£
Independent examination of the financial statements	2,340	2,220

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10. Staff Costs

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	227,385	226,347
Social security costs	13,680	12,257
Other pension costs	5,398	5,298
	<u>246,463</u>	<u>243,902</u>

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000.

11. Average Number of Employees

The average number of employees during 2025 includes 5 full time staff and the remainder is made up of part time staff.

The average full time equivalent is 10.01.

Average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
Service delivery	8	9
Support	2	2
Winter Shelter	1	1
Food Bank	3	3
	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>

12. Tangible Assets

	Land & Property				
	Leasehold	Motor Vehicles	Fixtures & Fittings	Computer Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
As at 1 January 2025	374,604	80,730	61,736	21,743	538,813
Additions	-	-	-	510	510
As at 31 December 2025	<u>374,604</u>	<u>80,730</u>	<u>61,736</u>	<u>22,253</u>	<u>539,323</u>
Depreciation					
As at 1 January 2025	60,420	46,999	52,961	19,762	180,142
Provided during the period	4,028	8,433	2,194	1,312	15,967
As at 31 December 2025	<u>64,448</u>	<u>55,432</u>	<u>55,155</u>	<u>21,074</u>	<u>196,109</u>
Net Book Value					
As at 31 December 2025	<u>310,156</u>	<u>25,298</u>	<u>6,581</u>	<u>1,179</u>	<u>343,214</u>
As at 1 January 2025	<u>314,184</u>	<u>33,731</u>	<u>8,775</u>	<u>1,981</u>	<u>358,671</u>

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13. Investments

**Unlisted
£**

Cost or Valuation

As at 1 January 2025

1

As at 31 December 2025

1

Provision

As at 1 January 2025

-

As at 31 December 2025

-

Net Book Value

As at 31 December 2025

1

As at 1 January 2025

1

Subsidiaries

Details of the charitable company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2025 are as follows:

Name of undertaking	Registered Office	Class of shares held	Direct holding	Indirect holding
FRC Commercial Enterprises Ltd	Folkestone Rainbow Centre, 69 Sandgate Road, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2AF	Ordinary	100.00%	100.00%

The aggregate capital and reserves and the result for the year of the subsidiaries listed above was as follows:

	Capital and Reserves	Profit/(loss)
	£	£
FRC Commercial Enterprises Ltd	6,923	334

14. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	215	2,750
Other debtors	15,317	8,832
	<u>15,532</u>	<u>11,582</u>

15. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	8,305	16,212
Other creditors	1	689
Taxation and social security	6,575	4,212
Accruals and deferred income	12,195	10,664
	<u>27,076</u>	<u>31,777</u>

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16. Pension Commitments

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company in an independently administered fund.

During the year the charge to the statement of financial activities in respect of defined contribution schemes was £5,398 (2024: £5,298).

At the balance sheet date contributions of £NIL were due to the fund and are included in creditors.

17. Movement in Funds

	As at 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	As at 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General:				
General unrestricted fund	468,271	244,214	(301,349)	411,136
Designated:				
Building fund	100,000	-	-	100,000
Total unrestricted funds	568,271	244,214	(301,349)	511,136
Restricted funds				
FoodStop	32,123	6,255	(5,299)	33,079
Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter	172,875	121,721	(92,973)	201,623
Food Bank	81,523	70,816	(104,853)	47,486
Money Matters	-	47,405	(42,526)	4,879
Property	516,118	-	-	516,118
Hamlet Project	-	134,000	(11,810)	122,190
Total restricted funds	802,639	380,197	(257,461)	925,375
Total funds	1,370,910	624,411	(558,810)	1,436,511

	As at 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	As at 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General:					
General unrestricted fund	483,418	319,143	(282,710)	(51,580)	468,271
Designated:					
Building fund	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
Total unrestricted funds	583,418	319,143	(282,710)	(51,580)	568,271
Restricted funds					
FoodStop	30,630	6,272	(4,779)	-	32,123

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Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter	167,108	101,093	(95,326)	-	172,875
Food Bank	80,889	97,322	(96,688)	-	81,523
Fixed Assets	3,090	-	(3,090)	-	-
Money Matters	(39,751)	36,737	(48,566)	51,580	-
Property	516,118	-	-	-	516,118
Total restricted funds	758,084	241,424	(248,449)	51,580	802,639
Total funds	1,341,502	560,567	(531,159)	-	1,370,910

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

The General fund is used for providing the Homeless Support Service and Contact as well as the administration of the charity, FoodStop, Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter and Food Bank.

The designated fund is used for future property repairs and refurbishments or for future property purchases.

The FoodStop fund is used to deliver fresh sandwiches and soup to the homeless and hungry. Income is derived from donations and grants.

The Folkestone Churches Winter Shelter fund is used to support the homeless during the months of December to February. Income is derived from donations and grants.

The Food Bank fund is used for the provision of a food bank in the district. Income is derived from donations and grants.

The building fund includes a legacy which was received for future property purchases.

The Money Matters fund is used to provide financial advice to Food Bank clients.

The Hamlet Project fund is for the refurbishment of Hamlet Hotel in Folkestone as an HMO for homeless people, and also for its ongoing revenue costs.

18. Transactions with Trustees

None of the trustees received any remuneration or any other benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity during the current or previous year.

No trustee expenses have been incurred.

19. Related Party Disclosures

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period that require disclosure.

20. Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such an amount as may be required not exceeding £1.