



Friends of Victoria Hospital

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NHS 70th Anniversary

The National Health Service is turning 70 on 5 July 2018. It's the perfect opportunity to celebrate the achievements of one of the nation's most loved institutions, to appreciate the vital role the service plays in our lives, and to recognise and thank the extraordinary NHS staff - the everyday heroes - who are there to guide, support and care for us, day in, day out.

Our Victoria Hospital was of course caring for Wimborne people long before such a concept as a universal health care system was even considered.

Look out in July for celebrations. The hospital is going to hold a summer fete on Saturday 21st July from 1.30pm to 4.30pm in the hospital car park with various stalls, hog roast, bouncy castle, Pimms tent, tombola, raffle and much more. Bring the family along to support your local community hospital.

The Friends are holding a coffee morning in Church House lounge on Saturday 7th July from 10.00 to 12.30. We hope to see lots of our members and others on that occasion. □

Tim Battcock retires

Dr Tim Battcock, a champion of Victoria Hospital, retires after 27 years of dedicated care of the elderly here and elsewhere in East Dorset. A traditionalist practising medicine with



empathy, dignity, pragmatism and humour, Tim is a natural team-player and admired by his colleagues for his care and wisdom. He is a gifted communicator and listener. His unhurried consultations put the patient at the heart of his care and led to insightful diagnosis and practical advice.

Tim has looked after thousands of patients and his passion for care of elderly people will be much missed.

Off duty he plays hockey and his best holiday would be relaxing in Italy with "pasta and opera". Thank you, Tim, for your commitment to Wimborne; we wish you a happy and healthy retirement. □

Ed & Jen Olding



We are indebted to Ed and Jen Olding for six years of dedication to running our ward trolley service. This involved regularly keeping an eye on stocks (and their sell-by dates) and buying small amounts of goodies at frequent intervals. Together with their team of volunteers they rendered a fine service which has sadly come to an end, since replacements could not be found when Ed and Jen retired. □

Self-referral Physio

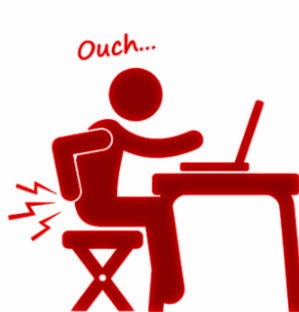
Did you know ?

You can now refer yourself to NHS physiotherapy at Wimborne Hospital without visiting your GP first.

If you are registered at a Wimborne GP practice and over 16 years of age,

pick up a Self-referral Form at

- * Reception at GP practice or website
- * Outpatients reception, Wimborne Hospital
- * email: dhc.wimborne.physio@nhs.net
- * www.dorsethealthcare.nhs.uk □



Back Pain



Neck Pain



Knee Pain

The Friends of Victoria Hospital, W

Report of the Trustees

The trustees present their report along with the financial statement of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2018. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the 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 published on 16 July 2014.

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The object of the Friends is to "support patients of the hospital and others in the community who are in need of health care as may be provided by the hospital and generally to support the work of the hospital."

All our activities support this NHS hospital's work, a service of care available equally to all members of the local community. The Friends' aims are to respond to the needs of the patients in the hospital and the community where appropriate, and to supplement those facilities and services in the hospital which will enhance their health, welfare and comfort. All this is demonstrably for the public benefit.

Grant making policy

Funding is considered for projects providing they meet the following criteria which are to:

- * ensure continuity of current services
- * enable additional services to be provided locally
- * add to the well-being or treatment of patients, or working conditions of staff
- * enhance the hospital or community environment
- * improve care through staff training.

The hospital management initiates requests for grants. The Friends consider the views of clinicians on the benefits of medical equipment, and from the hospital management they require a sound business case which confirms that the equipment will answer a need and be put to regular, beneficial use.

Achievements and performance

The Friends received contributions from individuals and organisations by way of subscriptions, donations and legacies. Funds increased helpfully. Our own PR team staged frequent local events, we published a newsletter and maintained a high profile in the locality.

A membership of about 1,100 provided a dependable flow of income.

Objectives for 2017-2018

- * Promote fund raising
- * Provide an information channel to our members and the public
- * Liaise with the Dorset HealthCare NHS Trust and the Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group over services, developments at the hospital and the Clinical Services Review
- * Act as an advocate for community opinion on local healthcare
- * Fund staff training through Phyllis Coombes Award grants
- * Fund acquisition of equipment and capital ventures
- * Administer the Friends' charity Shop
- * Support trolley and card stall services in the hospital
- * Maintain and support volunteers

Liaison with Dorset HealthCare NHS Trust

Meetings were held with senior managers in the Trust at local and Dorset level to discuss the services provided at the hospital. The Locality Manager and Hospital Matron attended meetings of the trustees' committee.

Hospital Staff Training

Through the Phyllis Coombes Award 19 staff were funded for 14 courses at a cost of £3,125.

Grants for Equipment

The Friends committed £50,373 to purchasing new equipment. Items included a laryngoscope, several laparoscopes, devices for monitoring cardiac activity and an anaesthetic pump.

Charity Shop

In a difficult climate sales were lower but Retail Gift continued to support the shop and over £3,000 was claimed.

Trolley & Cards Services

The trolley service and card stalls in the hospital provided much-appreciated items for patients, visitors and staff. The card stalls continued to operate at a surplus. The trolley service contributed £732 to the Friends during the year but unfortunately the service was ended in December 2017. No one could be found to take over organising it.

Financial Review Reserves Policy

The Committee's policy is to keep funds to a minimum of £100,000 accessible for equipment purchase. Undesignated and unrestricted funds totalled £3,181,866 at the year end. (Please refer to the Plans for the Future) We do not currently have any designated or restricted funds.

The security of our funds is the trustees' top priority. Alternative financial arrangements are kept under constant review and consequently steps were taken to keep all our cash deposits within the £85,000 guarantee limit and with different providers. In order to combat the erosion of our capital by inflation, much of the year was taken with developing a policy for investing some of our funds and seeking financial advice and assistance which has been obtained on charitable terms. The process of investing has now started.

Budgeting:

The Friends' expenditure on major items is driven by the hospital's requirements. This is outside the control of the Friends, so we do not budget in a conventional sense. We hold capital in anticipation of applications for grants, which range in size from under £1,000 to many tens of thousands. Future developments may require financing by large sums such as the £2.7 million we provided in 2010.

Risk Management

The charity trustees considered the risks to which the charity is exposed, reviewed those risks and established systems and procedures to manage them. They did not identify any major risks.

The most serious risk to the charity's objectives would be policy changes at various levels of healthcare organisation which led to the closure (or radical downgrading) of the hospital. We cannot influence decisions at governmental level, but do exert pressure where appropriate on the local healthcare trust and the Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group.

Secondly the failure of financial institutions could threaten our capital funds. We diversify our deposits and investments, thus minimising risk as far as feasible.

Online presence and publicity:

The Friends' website is used by visitors to communicate with the charity, inform themselves about it or

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make single or regular donations. The website is securely hosted and passworded. The Friends also have a Facebook page which is used to invite public support, recruit new members and promote our events, which maximise our contact with local people.

Going Concern:

There is currently no uncertainty about the charity's quality as a going concern. The Friends' function on minimal running costs and own no property nor have any ongoing commitments. The trustee officers are all volunteers and receive no remuneration. The two managers in the Charity Shop are paid from the Shop's operational funds which produce a surplus. Lively fund-raising activities ensure a high profile for our charity which enjoys **enduring local support**. This last element most significantly ensures the future of the charity.

Sources of Income

Legacies, usually the greatest source of income, again proved most helpful. The Shop surplus and members'

subscriptions provide a regular and significant income which can be roughly predicted. Donations and legacies in particular are entirely unpredictable but are most gratefully received.

Volunteers

With the exception of the shop managers, all trustees and personnel who worked for the Friends did so as volunteers. They contributed over 6,500 man-hours to the charity every year. Their contribution is indispensable to both the daily running and special events of the Friends and is most warmly appreciated. We are also grateful for the support of many individuals who gave their time and commitment on an occasional basis.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trust is a Society which is a registered charity (Number 299230) and whose business is conducted and managed by its Committee of Trustees. The charity is governed by rules adopted in 1950, as amended 20 June

1959, 27 June 1990 and 24 June 1992. A revised Constitution was approved at the Annual General Meeting in July 2009.

New trustees are given an induction when they start undertaking their responsibilities. The committee has the power to appoint new trustees as vacancies arise and gives due regard to any specialist skills required at that time.

The trustees' names are listed overleaf.

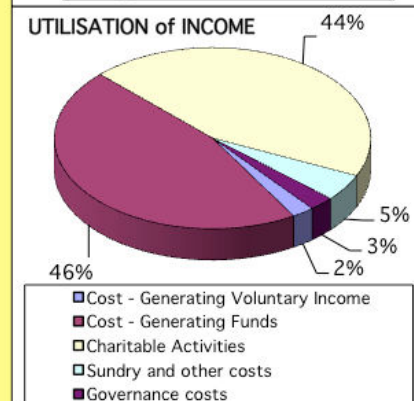
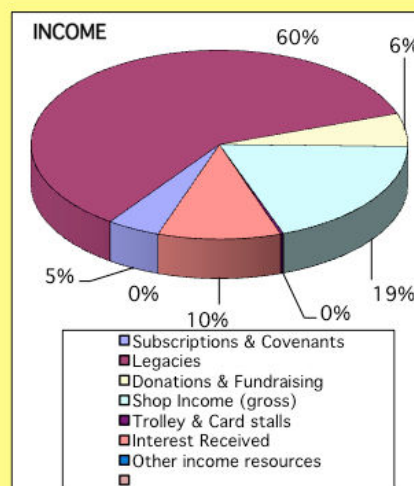
Plans for the Future

The Friends accumulated further funds for use when needs in the hospital arise, and to support the introduction of procedures and services. This may be with new equipment or improvements to the design and fabric of parts of the buildings. Over time changes in land use adjacent to the hospital's site may present opportunities for expansion and development with attendant high costs. This may influence the use of our grants. □

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

These figures are extracted from the independently examined draft accounts which have not yet been authorised, but are unlikely to change. After authorisation the accounts may be inspected on request to the Trustees.

	2017	2018
INCOME		
Subscriptions & Covenants	£ 14,078	£ 12,832
Legacies	806,078	168,453
Donations & Fundraising	19,901	15,886
Shop Income (gross)	48,813	53,973
Trolley & Card stalls	8,400	732
Interest Received	21,324	29,652
Other income resources	7,134	-
Total	925,728	281,528
UTILISATION OF INCOME		
Cost - Generating Voluntary Income	2,458	2,470
Cost - Generating Funds	45,328	50,173
Charitable Activities	16,663	48,414
Sundry and other costs	2,201	5,234
Governance costs	2,661	2,780
	69,311	109,071
Profit/(Loss) on investments		(6,648)
Excess of income / expenditure	856,417	165,809
Balance Sheet Summary at 31 March 2018		
Current assets:		
Stock of cards and trolley	3,343	2,512
Debtors & prepaid expenses	667,904	175,229
	671,247	177,741
Bank & cash balances and investments	2,348,990	3,046,812
	3,020,237	3,224,553
Total assets	3,020,237	3,224,553
Liabilities		
Expenses to be paid	4,180	42,687
Net assets	3,016,057	3,181,866
Reserves brought forward	2,159,640	3,016,057
Excess of income/expenditure	856,417	165,809
Reserves carried forward	3,016,057	3,181,866



RESPONSE FORM

I wish to become or I am a Member of the Friends of Victoria Hospital, Wimborne

[please ring correct words above & PRINT below]

Name: (surname)

..... (first name)

Title (Mr / Mrs etc)

Address:

.....

Postcode: Tel No.

I enclose a cheque payable to 'The Friends of Victoria Hospital, Wimborne' for £ (min £5)

We respect your privacy and wish to keep your name and address on our computer only in order to log your subscriptions, keep your details up-to-date, post you our newsletter and (where appropriate) claim Gift Aid. Your details are processed lawfully on our computer only, backed up securely and will be disclosed (as required) only to the Inland Revenue and to our mailsorting firm. We will not disclose any information to anyone else.

To find out more on how your details are used and kept secure, and about your rights in this connection, ring 01202 856484, or email dhc.fvhw@nhs.net or write to: Victoria Road, Wimborne, BH21 1ER. You may stop your membership at any time and we will delete your details.

If you agree to your details being processed as described, please tick to confirm and proceed:
I agree []

GIFT AID DECLARATION

If you currently pay tax the Friends of Victoria Hospital can claim back the tax from a subscription / donation of any amount, whether regular or one-off, provided you have given the authority. You can cancel this authority at any time. If you agree, please sign the declaration below.

I want the Friends of Victoria Hospital to reclaim tax on this donation and all future donations (delete as needed)

Signed:

Date: 20

Please complete and return to:

The Secretary

Friends of Victoria Hospital, Victoria Road, Wimborne

BH21 1ER

Registered Charity 299230

STANDING ORDER MANDATE

To: The Manager

..... plc (your bank)

..... (bank address)

..... (bank address)

..... (bank postcode)

Please pay to the account of the Friends of Victoria Hospital, Wimborne at Barclays Bank plc, The Square, Wimborne (sort code 20-96-96), A/c No. 33765237 the

sum of £ on / / next, and annually thereafter on the same date. This instruction cancels any previous order in favour of the Friends of Victoria Hospital, Wimborne.

Your bank a/c no.:

Your bank sort code:

Your name:

Your address:

.....

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Your postcode:

Signed:

Date:

Dates for your 2018 Diary

July 7th

Coffee Morning

We invite you to join us at a coffee morning to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the foundation of the NHS. Minster Church House, 10.00am to 12.30pm.

July 19th

Annual General Meeting

Community Learning & Resource Centre, 41-44 King Street, Wimborne. 7.00pm. Speaker and refreshments. (see panel below)

August 5th

Cream Teas

at Faye Clifford's Open Garden with lakeside fernery: Brackenwood, God's Blessing Green, Harts Lane, Holt, BH21 7DD (near Stewarts Garden Centre). 1-5pm, weather permitting.



Our charity shop needs volunteers.
Offers please to 01202 848031

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September 8th & 9th

Cream Tea Week-end

at The Old School, Sturminster Marshall (next to the Red Lion) Craft and Gift Stall, 2.30 - 5.30pm each day.

November 10th

Christmas Charities Fair

Allendale Centre, Wimborne, 10am - 3pm. Craft and quality gift stall for Christmas.

November 15th

Flower Demonstration

"Festive Tints and Glows" by Irene Hickson at Community Learning & Resource Centre, 41-44 King Street, Wimborne. 7.00 for 7.30pm. Tickets £8 to include wine and nibbles. Raffle of flowers demonstrated; flower sundries, gifts and Christmas craft stall.

Tickets available from Rae or from our shop in Wimborne.

Our Christmas cards are on sale in our shop from November. ☐

TRUSTEES

Officers:

President: Dr David Pope

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Mrs Melanie Fawcett

Mr Nigel Taylor

Mr Terry Wheeler

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thurs 19 July 2018

Community Learning and Resource Centre, 41-44 King Street, Wimborne, starting at 7.00 p.m.

Parking opposite the Model Town.

Following the formal meeting there will be a talk by Mr Paddy Smyth, Consultant Anaesthetist. Refreshments will be served.