Report and Accounts 2025-2026

A report about our work in 2025-2026
and how we spent our money



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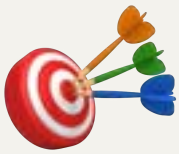
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About Learning Disability England



Learning Disability England works to make life better for and with people with learning disabilities and their families.



Learning Disability England brings people together to create a movement for change where people with learning disabilities, families, friends and paid supporters come together on an equal basis.

Learning Disability England is a **member-led**, national organisation. This means that each member can help decide what Learning Disability England does.

The membership is organised into 3 groups of different experiences or voices:



People with learning disabilities and self-advocacy organisations.



Family, friends and family carer organisations.



Paid supporter and partners (including people and organisations working in Social Care, health, universities, policy, or training).

Welcome from the Co-Chairs

(from the Board of Trustees)

Co-chairs are people who lead meetings together and help the organisation make decisions.





Welcome to Learning Disability England's Annual Report for 2025-2026.



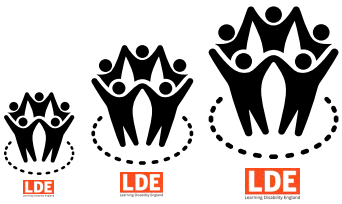
As Co-Chairs, we are delighted to introduce this year's report and reflect on another year of working together to build a world where people with learning disabilities are valued equally, listened to and included.

This year has reminded us of the strength that comes from bringing people together.

Learning Disability England is a unique organisation because it is led by its members. The ideas, experiences, challenges and ambitions of our members shape everything we do.



Whether through the Representative Body, working groups, networks, campaigns or events, members have continued to show the importance of speaking up, standing together and creating change.



We are pleased that our membership has continued to grow, with more people and organisations joining our movement.



Every new member strengthens our collective voice and helps us reach more people, influence more decisions and make a bigger difference.

The pages that follow highlight just some of the work that has taken place this year.



From influencing policy and sharing lived experience, to building connections, supporting campaigns and promoting the Good Lives Framework, there is so much to celebrate.



None of this would be possible without the commitment, energy and passion of our members, trustees, staff, volunteers and partners.

This year also marked a change for us as Co-Chairs.



We would like to thank Sarah Maguire for her many years of outstanding leadership and dedication to Learning Disability England. Sarah has helped shape the organisation from its earliest days, and we are hugely grateful for her contribution.



As we look ahead, we know there is still much to do. Too many people with learning disabilities continue to face barriers and inequality. But this report shows what can be achieved when people come together with a shared purpose and a determination to make things better.



Thank you to everyone who has been part of Learning Disability England this year. We are proud of what we have achieved together and excited about what comes next.



Jodie Williams and Lisa Hopkins

Co-Chairs of Trustees

What this report is about



This is the **Annual** (once a year) Report from the Learning Disability England Trustees.

It looks at the year from 1 April 2025 to 31st March 2026.



The report tells people about the work Learning Disability England has done.

The report also tells people how Learning Disability England has spent its money.

This part of the report is called the '**accounts**'.



There is also information about how changes outside Learning Disability England could lead to changes in what we do.



Learning Disability England must share its report and accounts every year. This is because it is a '**registered**' charity.

A **registered** charity is an organisation that has to follow special rules and tell people how it spends its money.



The report has been put together by the Board of Trustees of Learning Disability England.

Find out more about the Trustees **here**.



Learning Disability England also writes an '**impact** R**eport**'.

An '**impact Report**' tells you how an organisation's work has helped people.



It has stories in from members and partners about the work we have done.



You will find it on the website **here**.

How Learning Disability England works

Learning Disability England is a **membership organisation**.

This means that people can join Learning Disability England as members.

Members can be:

- people with learning disabilities
- their families, friends, and paid supporters
- organisations and groups



Learning Disability England brings together members to:



- learn from each other
- work through problems to make things better
- be a louder, stronger voice together



Learning Disability England members share the same '**aims**' and '**values**'. This means they care about the same things.



Members must agree with these aims and values when they join.



You can see these **here**.



Part of their agreement is that these aims and values guide the work they do.

Membership



Members work with each other as equals.

They work together and make change together.



Learning Disability England is led by its members. This means that members make decisions on any big plans and what action to take.



Members vote to choose who is on the Representative Body. The Representative Body works with the Trustees to lead Learning Disability England.



Members work together to build a world where people with learning disabilities have good lives with equal choices and opportunities just like other people have.



At the end of March 2026, there were a total of 813 members.

This was 200 organisation or group members and 613 individual members.



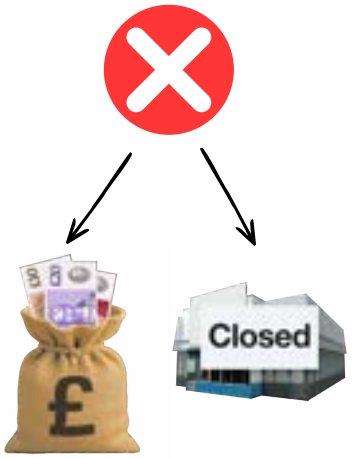
This is 107 more members than the year before.

161 new members joined and most members stayed.



During the year, 54 members stopped being members.

That was 14 groups or organisations and 40 individual members who left in the year.



We do not always get told why members leave, but this year the reasons included:

- to save money
- because organisations were closing or merging with another organisation



We are pleased that so many people and organisations want to work together.

We want to say thank you to all our members, both new members and people who have been members for a long time.



Membership is organised into 3 'voice groups' - these are the different lived experience of members:



People with learning disabilities and self-advocacy organisations.



Family, friends and family carer organisations.



Paid supporters and partners (including people and organisations working in Social Care, health, universities, policy, or training.





The Good Lives Framework is one example of members sharing their ideas to make something happen together and make things better.



You can find out more about being a member **here**.

How Learning Disability England makes decisions



Learning Disability England has a **Board of Trustees**.



The Trustees help lead the charity and make important, big decisions. They make any final decisions about what Learning Disability England does.



They make sure that Learning Disability England follows the rules of the **Charity Commission** and the law.

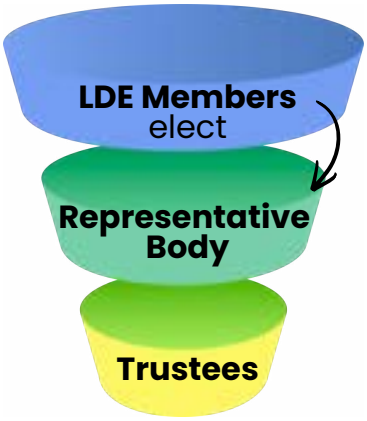
The **Charity Commission** is the organisation that looks after charities in England and Wales.



The Board of Trustees works closely with the **Representative (Rep) Body.**

The **Rep Body** makes decisions about what members will work on together.

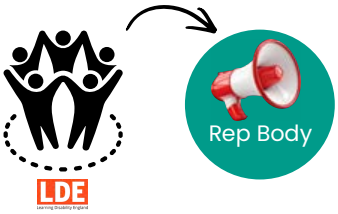
The Rep Body in 2025 – 2026



Members elect The Rep Body to represent them. The Rep Body are volunteers.



There are 12 Rep Body members representing the three different 'voice groups.



The Rep Body helps make sure Learning Disability England is led by members.



In 2025, there were Rep Body elections.



Jack Tim James

Jack Marshall, Tim Kielty and James O Rourke were elected again as member representatives.



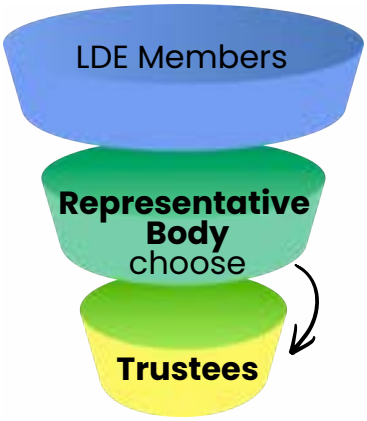
Paula Nathaniel

Paula Strike and Nathaniel Lawford were elected as new member representatives.



The new Rep Body members had an **induction** which is training to help them understand their role.

The Trustees in 2025-2026



The rules say that the Rep Body should choose the Trustees.



In 2024, the Rep Body chose new trustees.

This included 1 person joining to watch and learn how the Board works.



In October 2025, Jan Walmsley stopped being a Trustee after 6 years on the Board.

Jan made a big difference as a Trustee and the Trustees all thanked Jan.



Chris Maxsted joined the Board of Trustees in October 2025. Chris had been watching how the Board worked since Autumn 2024.



Chris had the same welcome and introduction as other new Board members.

This included helping them understand:
- their role,
- the law on being a Trustee
- how Learning Disability England works



The introduction included meeting the Trustees, the Rep Body and the staff team.

In January 2026, Sarah Macguire stopped being a **Co-Chair**.



Co-chairs are people who lead meetings together and help the organisation make decisions.

This was a big change as Sarah had been with Learning Disability England since it started. Sarah's work as a Trustee has made a big difference and everyone thanked her.

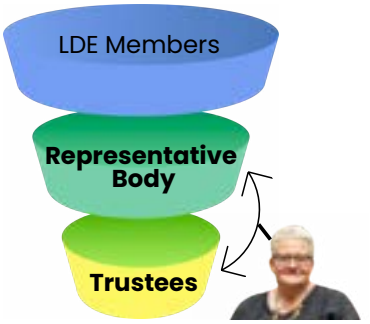


Lisa Hopkins became the new Co-Chair of the Board in October 2025.



This meant that Sarah could work with Lisa and Jodie, the other Co-Chair, to pass on her role and work.

The staff team in 2025-2026



The Chief Executive works with the Trustees and Rep Body to lead Learning Disability England.



There is a small staff team of 7 people.

Most of the team work part-time and work from home across the country.

You can find out about the staff team here.

Our targets for 2025 – 2026



The work Learning Disability England chooses to do is decided by the Representative (Rep) Body. Find out more about them here.



In 2023, the Rep Body and Trustees worked on a Big Plan for 2024-2029.

It says what Learning Disability England will do to make the 'Vision for change' happen - how things need to change.

What we want to happen in the future



Learning Disability England is supporting people to come together to make change happen.

They want to make sure that people of all ages with a learning disability are treated equally and are living their good lives.

All of Learning Disability England's work is about this.



The Big Plan **here** explains what action Learning Disability England will take and how we will check if we are making a difference. There are 3 big parts to all the work:

1



1. Human rights.

2



2. People with learning disabilities and their families living **Good Lives**.

3



3. Changing how people and society think about people with learning disabilities for the better.

What Learning Disability England did in April 2025 and March 2026

Sharing information and helping members



We helped the 3 ‘voice groups’ of our members get the information they need.



We also heard from different people about their work or ideas.



We sent 49 newsletters to 2000 people who are members or part of a member organisation or group.

Nearly half the people read the newsletter most weeks.



Learning Disability England shares information on the work of members and partners. We also celebrate success.



Last year we did this through '**blogs**' by members on Learning Disability England's website and posts on social media like Facebook and LinkedIn.

Blogs are short pieces of writing that are on a website.



We want more people to know about members' work, so we worked hard to get more people to follow LDE on social media. More people used our Facebook page during the year. It increased by 12%.



63,000 people visited the Learning Disability England website this year.

This is quite a lot more people using the website than the year before.



People visit to find the information resources, and we share as well as hear what members are saying.



For example, Learning Disability England hosts a **guide** to help people with a learning disability know about their housing choices and plan what is right for them.

More than 1,500 new people used that guide in this year.



The guide helps people find links to information or resources made by a lot of different people.

Campaigning and working with others to make change to help people get a good life.

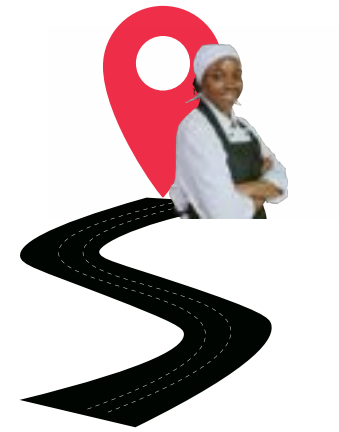


We helped members to be listened to on **consultations** which were important to them. These included:

1. Two government 'consultations'. **Consultations** are when people are asked their thoughts on an idea or plan:



- The guidance for the Supported Housing Act. This is a law about supported housing. It helps make sure people living in supported housing get good support and that homes are safe.



- The Pathways to Work plan on changes to benefits and support to work.



2. We shared our views about the Access to Work scheme with the government's **Public Accounts Committee**.

The Public Accounts Committee is a group of people who check how the government spends money.



3. We shared members' ideas with the '**Digital Poverty Alliance**' about how people use and are included in technology and accessing health information.

The Digital Poverty Alliance is a group that works to make sure everyone can use the internet and digital technology.



Learning Disability England also supported 9 campaigns led by members or partners on important things like human rights or keeping learning disability nursing training.

Representing the members



Some members have been part of working groups or meetings to represent other members.



Gary Bourlet and politician Stephen kinnock

This year, members of the Rep Body were part of the '**Social Care All Party Parliamentary Group'.**

This is a group of politicians who meet to talk about social care.

There were also member representatives on groups working on:



- **Continuing Health Care:** This is support paid for by the NHS for people who have a high level of health needs.



- **The Down Syndrome Act Advisory group:** This is a group of people who give advice to the government about people with Down syndrome.



- Checking services with **Care Quality Commission (CQC):**
  CQC is an independent inspector for health and social care in England.



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Members of the Rep Body represented members at 12 different events or meetings.

Speaking up about what members think is important to help make changes



Good Lives brings together people's ideas about what is needed for everyone with learning disabilities to be able to live their good life.

It is led by what people with learning disabilities say is important.



It explains the changes we want to make and how people can help. It has actions for everyone who wants to get involved, by campaigning or changing how they work now.

35



This year Learning Disability England members or the staff team spoke at 35 events or meetings about Good Lives.



2,200



More than 2,200 people heard about 'Action towards Good Lives' and what everyone can do to support 'Good Lives' or the policy (guidance and rules) that need changing.



Nicholas and Ramandeep **spoke at the NHS Confederation Expo** about tackling the health inequalities of minoritised ethnic people with a learning disability - people with a learning disability from different ethnic backgrounds who may face extra barriers or unfair treatment.



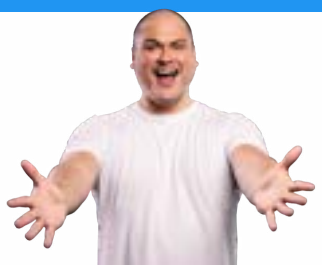
NHS Confederation Expo is the biggest annual healthcare meeting in the UK where thousands of health workers, leaders, and planners gather to make care better for patients.



Learning Disability England was also part of the '**Partners Council**' for the NHS 10 Year Plan development.

The '**Partners Council**' is a group of people from organisations who work together and share ideas.

Supporting good practice and finding solutions through the 'voice groups' working together



We bring members together to learn from each other or understand new ideas or research together.

This year we held:

13



- 13 members network meetings
- 7 webinars

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These meetings were about research findings, information on rights, or members sharing their work.



For example, members shared information about transport and learnt about the work of **Transport for All**.

Transport for All is an organisation that works to make transport better and easier to use for disabled people.

Feedback included:



'I enjoyed hearing from Transport For All'... I found the content very informative and useful and it empowered me to speak up about transport matters relevant to me'

There were 2 Learning Disability England conferences in March 2026



529 people came to the conferences. One was online (on the internet) and the other brought people together in Birmingham.



The people presenting and attending the conferences were from all parts of the membership.

The conferences were focused on 'Being Seen and Being Heard'.



People shared how they are ‘Being Seen and Being Heard’ in:

- policy (the rules an organisation or government have to follow)
- campaigning
- music and the arts
- their own lives
- the wider community



You can find out more and see the recordings here.

Learning and supporting partners through projects or research



Learning Disability England works with partners and members to help them get involved in issues which members think are important.



Learning Disability England was one of six organisations in the [Valuing People Alliance](#).

The Valuing People Alliance is a group of organisations that work together to improve the lives of people with learning disabilities.



As one of the members of the Health and Wellbeing Alliance, they work with the Department of Health and Social Care, NHS England, and the UK Health Security Agency.

They help to make sure that policies and plans include people with learning disabilities.



The Health and Wellbeing Alliance programme ended on 31st March 2026

There was also work on:



- Good dental care through a project called Caring Beyond Words.



- The difference '**Care and Treatment Reviews**' make.

  These are meetings where people check if someone is getting the right care and support.



- **Digital Inclusion** through the Digital Lifeline project.

  Digital Inclusion means making sure everyone can use computers, phones, and the interne



- Accessible information on **vaccinations**.

  A **vaccination** is an injection that helps your body fight some illnesses.



In October 2024 the ‘How we Survive and Thrive’ **commission** started its work.

A **commission** is when an organisation asks people to look into something and share what they find.



'How we Survive and Thrive' is led by and focusing on people with learning disabilities.

It asks questions about what helps people live good lives.



'How we Survive and Thrive' continued its work throughout this year.

In this work, one commissioner prepared a statement for the **National Covid Inquiry**.

The **National Covid Inquiry** is looking at what happened during the Covid-19 pandemic and what we can learn from it.



Ideas and information were also given about the experiences of people with a learning disability.

Partnerships are important to Learning Disability England.

Most of our work is done in partnership with members or other partners.



'JMS Trust' is a charity that supported people with learning disabilities and their families to create good, person-centred supported living.

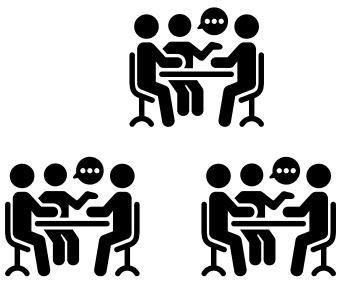


It was an important partner for 8 years, and we shared a worker with them.

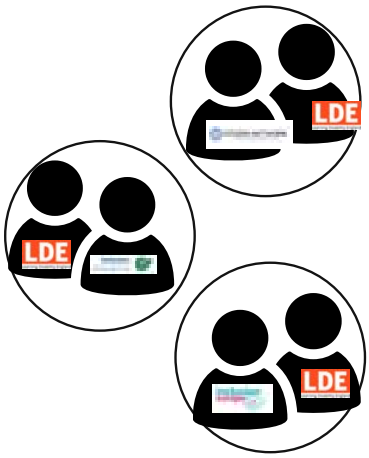
The Trust finished its work in 2025.



Learning Disability England hosts the information and resources from its work **here**



Learning Disability England is part of different groups and memberships to help members learn about or join in with other's work.



This includes [Citizen Network] and [Inclusion Europe] and [Inclusion International].



This year we began hosting the '**Learning Disability and Autism Housing Coaliton**'.



The **Learning Disability and Autism Housing Coalition** is a group of organisations that work together to make sure more people with learning disabilities and autistic people have good homes.



It is working to make more Supported Housing available to people with a learning disability.

Risks
(Things that might go wrong)



The Trustees look at the risks Learning Disability England might face.

Then they decide what they can do to make it less likely that these things happen.



They also think about how to protect Learning Disability England if things do go wrong.

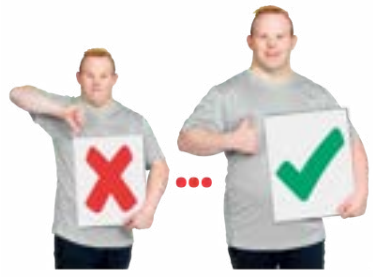


The biggest risks Trustees have worked on this year are:

- Having enough members who join and stay members of Learning Disability England.



- Changes happening in the **economy** and politics. The **economy** is about money, jobs, businesses and the things people buy and sell.



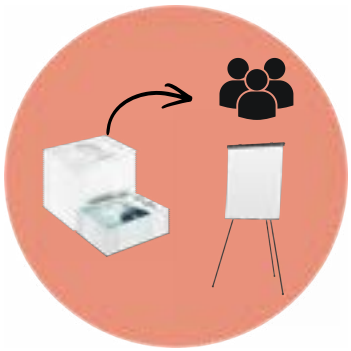
- How Learning Disability England can be better at checking what difference it makes (making an impact).



- The changes in **grant funding**. This is money given to an organisation to help pay for its work. Learning Disability England has some grants ending and it is getting harder to get funding.



To try to keep Learning Disability England strong, the Trustees decided to:

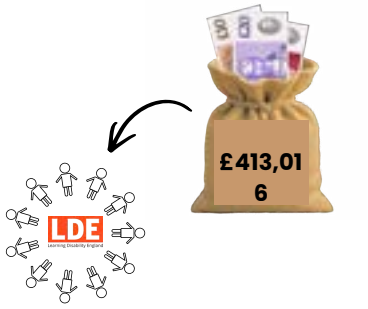


- put money into extra staff time and training in how it communicates with other people. This is because Learning Disability England want more people know what is important to members and the work they are doing for 'Good Lives'.



- build new partnerships to find different ways to fund the work done with members.

About the money



The total **income** for the year was £413,016

Income is the money that came into Learning Disability England.



£207,596 came from grant funding.



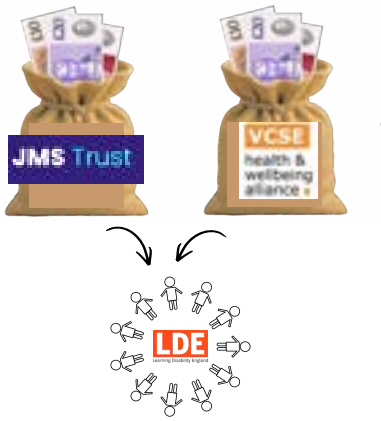
£120,128 came from membership payments.



£23,290 came from donations.



£62,002 came from conferences, workshops, and other income.



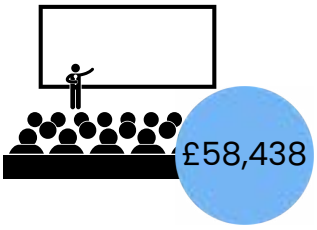
Learning Disability England got money from/for these grants and projects:

- JMS Trust
- VCSE Health and Wellbeing Alliance



The biggest things Learning Disability England spent money on were:

- £232,015 on staff costs



- £58,438 working on projects and events



The total funds that were brought forward at the end of the year were £231,056.

This is money that Learning Disability England:

- had saved for emergencies
- can use again to make Learning Disability England stronger



Review by an independent examiner



Each year our **annual accounts** must be checked by an **independent examiner**.

Annual accounts are a report that shows how an organisation has used its money over the year.

An **independent examiner** is someone who is an accountant (someone who makes sure all the money is correct in an organisation). This person is separate from the organisation.



The independent examiner has checked these accounts.

They found that these accounts followed all the rules.



At the end of this report, you can find the detailed accounts.

More information



You can find out more by looking at the Learning Disability England website: www.learningdisabilityengland.org.uk/

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Learning Disability England
Statement of Financial Activities
incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account
1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026

	Notes	Current year Unrestricted & Designated Funds 2026 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2026 £	Current year Total Funds 2026 £
Income & Endowments				
Donations	2	290	23,000	**23,290**
Income from charitable activities	2	306,000	65,724	**371,724**
Other income	2	18,002	-	**18,002**
Total income		324,292	88,724	**413,016**
Expenditure				
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	302,912	67,724	**370,636**
Total expenditure		302,912	67,724	**370,636**
Net (expenditure) / income for the year		21,380	21,000	42,380
Transfers between funds	11	-	-	-
Net (expenditure) / income after transfers		21,380	21,000	42,380
Net movement in funds		21,380	21,000	42,380
Reconciliation of funds:-				
Total funds brought forward		231,056	-	**231,056**
Total funds carried forward		252,436	21,000	**273,436**

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year.

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Income & Endowments				
Donations	2	22,335	-	**22,335**
Income from charitable activities	2	235,186	62,750	**297,936**
Other income	2	60,965	-	**60,965**
Total income		318,486	62,750	**381,236**
Expenditure				
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	293,351	62,750	**356,101**
Total expenditure		293,351	62,750	**356,101**
Net (expenditure) / income for the year		25,135	-	25,135
Transfers between funds	11	-	-	-
Net (expenditure) / income after transfers		25,135	-	25,135
Net movement in funds		25,135	-	25,135
Reconciliation of funds:-				
Total funds brought forward		205,921	-	**205,921**
Total funds carried forward		231,056		**231,056**

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Learning Disability England
Registered number: 04233275
Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2026

	Notes		2026 £		2025 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		623		611
			623		-
Current assets					
Debtors	9	37,423		63,228	
Cash at bank and in hand		422,917		364,287	
		460,340		427,515	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(187,527)		(197,070)	
Net current assets			273,436		230,445
Net Assets			**273,436**		**231,056**
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	11	202,436		227,556	
Designated funds		50,000		3,500	
Restricted funds	11	21,000		-	
Total funds			**273,436**		**231,056**

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The Trustees are satisfied that the charitable company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. However, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner.

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

The Trustees acknowledges their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 8th October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



Lisa Hopkins
Director and Trustee

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1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation
The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The reporting currency is £ Sterling.

Tangible fixed assets
Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant & equipment	over 3 years

Creditors
Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the transaction price).

Grant income is deferred if it relates to specific expenditure which has not yet been incurred. This expenditure will be a condition of the grant.

Debtors
Debtors are measured at their recoverable amount at the balance sheet date.

Financial Instruments
The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. They are recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

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.

Donations are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Grants are credited to the statement of financial activities when received or receivable whichever is earlier. Where unconditional entitlement to grants receivable is dependent upon fulfilment of conditions within the Charity's control, the income is recognised when there is sufficient evidence that conditions will be met. Where there is uncertainty as to whether the Charity can meet such conditions the incoming resource is deferred.

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.

Costs allocated to charitable activities include the direct costs of providing services and running projects.

1 Accounting policies *(continued)*

Pensions
Employees of the charity are entitled to join a defined contribution scheme. The pension costs represent amounts payable by the charity during the period.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting
Unrestricted general funds may be used in accordance with the charity's objects at the discretion of the trustees. Designated funds are amounts set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

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 a particular restricted purpose.

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2 Income

1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026	**Current year Unrestricted 2026**	**Current year Restricted 2026**	**Current year Total Funds 2026**
Donations	**£**	**£**	**£**
Donations	290	23,000	23,290
Total Donations	290	23,000	23,290
Charitable Activities			
Advice, conferences and training	44,000	-	44,000
Membership Subscriptions	120,128	-	120,128
Grant Income	141,872	65,724	207,596
Total Income from Charitable Activities	306,000	65,724	371,724
Other Income			
Bank Interest	4,984	-	4,984
Other income	13,018	-	13,018
Total Other Income	18,002	-	18,002
Total Income	**319,308**	**88,724**	**413,016**

Prior Year Income

1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025	**Prior year Unrestricted 2025**	**Prior year Restricted 2025**	**Prior year Total Funds 2025**
Donations	**£**	**£**	**£**
Donations	22,335	-	22,335
Total Donations	22,335	-	22,335
Charitable Activities			
Advice, conferences and workshops	13,785	-	13,785
Membership Subscriptions	131,371	-	131,371
Grant Income	90,030	62,750	152,780
Total Income from Charitable Activities	235,186	62,750	297,936
Interest	2,454	-	2,454
Other income	58,511	-	58,511
Total Other Income	60,965	-	60,965
Total Income	**318,486**	**62,750**	**381,236**

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2026 £	2025 £
Direct expenditure (note 4)	349,192	328,736
Support expenditure (note 5)	21,444	27,365
Total	370,636	356,101

4 Direct expenditure on charitable activities

	2026 £	2025 £
Staff costs (note 7)	235,015	218,537
Conference costs	18,050	18,563
External project delivery and resource costs	58,438	33,882
Printing costs	1,443	4,427
Insurance	5,381	5,341
Marketing and advertising	75	4,263
Professional fees	11,656	6,214
Advocate expenses	-	150
Travel	17,205	26,392
Subscriptions	844	3,885
Room hire	1,085	779
Personal Assistant Support	-	6,303
Direct expenditure	349,192	328,736

5 Support expenditure on charitable activities

	2026 £	2025 £
Administrative overheads	257	1,528
Accounts support	10,907	8,190
Software	5,994	2,630
Telephone costs	1,055	1,971
Web & CRM development & hosting	1,233	5,697
Bad Debts	-	5,356
Bank and payment processing	849	842
Depreciation	474	651
	20,769	26,865
Examination fee	500	500
Governance, training & review	-	-
Trustee's expenses (note 6)	175	-
	675	500
Support expenditure	21,444	27,365

6 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them received renumeration for any for their services. Where claimed, expenses for travel and subsistence are reimbursed. The amount claimed during the period was £175 by one Trustee (2025: £Nill).

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7 Staff Costs

	2026 £	2025 £
Salary Costs	205,332	195,012
Tax and National Insurance	23,622	16,039
Pension Costs	5,532	5,297
Other Costs including Training & Welfare	529	2,189
Total salaries, wages and related costs	235,015	218,537

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2026 £	2025 £
Full time equivalents	6.2	6.2

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and Equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2025	7,474
Disposals during the year	(4,769)
Additions during the year	486
At 31st March 2026	3,191
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2025	6,863
Disposals during the year	(4,769)
Charge for the year	474
At 31st March 2026	2,568
Net book value	
At 1 April 2025	611
At 31st March 2026	623

9 Debtors

	2026 £	2025 £
Trade debtors	32,481	54,001
Prepayments and accrued income	4,942	9,227
Total debtors	37,423	63,228

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2026 £	2025 £
Trade Creditors	1,266	-
Accruals	4,022	1,780
Deferred Income	78,733	65,318
Grant & Project Balances	103,506	129,972
Other Creditors	-	-
Total creditors	187,527	197,070

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (continued)

Within grant & project balances are amounts received with preconditions attached. These amounts are released into income when the preconditions are met.

This includes restricted funds of:

SW Connections: £14,740
BAME Self Advocacy NHSE (Equal Treatment): £22,282
MMU Covid Commission: Prepare to Thrive: £12,788

11 Fund Balances
At 31 March 2026, funds are analysed as follows:

	At 1 April 2025 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31 March 2026 £
Restricted Funds				
DHSC Health And Wellbeing Alliance	-	-	-	-
MMU Covid Impact Research	-	-	-	-
MMU Covid Commission: Preparing to Thrive	-	-	-	-
Learning Disability and Autism Housing Coalitio	-	21,000	-	21,000
Carls Small Sparks	-	-	-	-
		-		-
Total Restricted Funds	**-**	**-**	**-**	**21,000**
Designated Funds				
Membership growth	3,500	6,500	-	10,000
Communications	-	10,000	-	10,000
Fundraising	-	5,000	-	5,000
Paradigm Transfer	-	25,000	-	25,000
Unrestricted Funds	227,556	(25,120)	-	202,436
				-
Total Designated and Unrestricted Funds	**231,056**	**21,380**	**-**	**252,436**
Total Charity Funds	231,056	21,380	-	273,436

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
DHSC Health And Wellbeing Alliance	32,780	(32,780)	-
MMU Covid Impact Research	7,496	(7,496)	-
MMU Covid Commission: Preparing to Thrive	25,013	(25,013)	-
Learning Disability and Autism Housing Coalition	23,000	(2,000)	21,000
Carls Small Sparks	435	(435)	-
	88,724	(67,724)	21,000
Designated funds			
Membership growth	6,500	-	6,500
Communications	10,000	-	10,000
Fundraising	5,000	-	5,000
Paradigm Transfer	25,000	-	25,000
Unrestricted funds	277,792	(302,912)	(25,120)
	413,016	(370,636)	42,380

11 Fund Balances *(continued)*

At 31 March 2025, funds were analysed as follows:

	At 1 April 2024 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31 March 2025 £
Restricted Funds				
DHSC Health and Wellbeing Alliance	-	-	-	-
Speaking Up and More	-	-	-	-
MMU Covid Impact Research	-	-	-	-
MMU Covid Commission: Preparing to Thrive	-	-	-	-
		-		
Total Restricted Funds	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Designated Funds				
Membership administration and management	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Membership growth	7,000	(3,500)	-	3,500
Unrestricted Funds	188,921	38,635	-	227,556
				-
Total Designated and Unrestricted Funds	**205,921**	**25,135**	**-**	**231,056**
Total Charity Funds	205,921	25,135	-	231,056

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds			
DHSC Health and Wellbeing Alliance	37,580	(37,580)	
Speaking Up and More	3,570	(3,570)	-
MMU Covid Impact Research	9,400	(9,400)	-
MMU Covid Commission: Preparing to Thrive	12,200	(12,200)	-
	62,750	(62,750)	-
Designated Funds			
Membership administration and management	-	(10,000)	(10,000)
Membership growth	-	(3,500)	(3,500)
Unrestricted Funds	318,486	(279,851)	38,635
Total Charity Funds	**318,486**	**(356,101)**	**25,135**

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11 Fund Balances *(continued)*

Restricted Funds	
DHSC Health and Wellbeing Alliance	This grant which is provided by The Department of Health and Social Care for the purpose of supporting the Health and Wellbeing Programme through facilitating integrated working between voluntary and statutory providers. BILD is the lead organisation on this project and is responsible for liaising and reporting to the funders.
Speaking Up and More	Impact of Self Advocacy grant from RTR to work with people with learning disabilities and self-advocacy groups to promote the impact of (self and peer) advocacy through an accessible short film led by self-advocates.
MMU Covid Impact Research	This grant funds a project researching how the coronavirus pandemic has changed the lives of people with learning disabilities in the UK.
MMU Covid Commission: Preparing to Thrive	This grant partially funds a Commission on the experiences of people with learning disabilities, their families and supporters during the Covid pandemic. The commission will focus on practical recommendations for the future.
Learning Disability and Autism Housing Coalition	The Coalition is established to transform the housing options available to people with a learning disability and autistic people. Learning Disability England is one of 9 coalition partners and holds the restricted funds for the coalitions activities.
Carls Small Sparks	Small Sparks is a small grants programme that helps people do new and exciting things in their community. We supported 2 self-advocates to do community advocacy last year
Other restricted funds	Donations from Trusts are classed as restricted to the purpose as determined by the donor.
Designated Funds	
Membership growth	To support membership growth across all 3 voice groups.
Communications	To increase visibility, customer base and membership.
Fundraising	To fund external fundraising support and expertise.
Paradigm Transfer	Investment in the set up costs and initial marketing.
Unrestricted funds	These funds are held for the objectives of the charity, and to provide free reserves for future activities, and, subject to charity legislation are free from all restrictions on their use.

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12 Related Parties

Some trustees are employed by member organsations, membership subscriptions are shown below:

Organisation	Membership package	Trustee
Choice Support	LDE Enhanced member £2,500	Sarah Maguire (resigned January 2026)
SeeAbility	LDE Enhanced member £2,500	Lisa Hopkins
Building Bridges CIC	LDE Self advocacy member £25	Liz Tilly
Future Directions CIC	LDE Basic member £995	Paula Braynion
Include Me Too	LDE Standard member £195	Paramjit Dheensa

13 Ultimate Controlling Party

The charity is wholly under the control of the board of Trustees.

14 Status of the Charitable Company

The charitable company is limited by guarantee and does not have share capital. The registered office is 134 C/O Anthony Collins Solicitors, Edmund Street, Birmingham, England, B3 2ES.

Its principal activities are the relief of people who are disabled, handicapped (whether physically or mentally) or chronically sick people, their families and carers in particular through the provision of advice, counselling, workshops, training, and advocacy in respect of their housing care or support needs.

The liability of members is limited but is not exceed £1 per member.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/ members of	Charity Name Learning Disability England	
On accounts for the year ended	31st March 2026	

Charity no.:	**1092587**	Company no.:	**04233275**

Set out on pages	

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31/03/2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company 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").

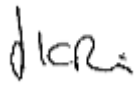
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("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

The company's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of teh Chartered Institute of Management Accountants.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:
• accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
• the accounts do not accord with such records; or
• the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
•the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

Signed:		**Date: 11/09/2026**	

Name:	Jasbir Rai
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	CIMA
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Section B Disclosure

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	