



**FRIENDS OF FORTISMERE
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR PERIOD ENDED 31ST JULY 2026**

Friends of Fortismere

Trustees' Report and Accounts for period ended 31st July 2026

The trustees present their report and statement of accounts for the Friends of Fortismere Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for its first period of activity, from 11th March 2025 to 31st July 2026 ("2025/26").

Friends of Fortismere CIO was registered on 11th March 2025 under the Charities Act 2011 (charity registration no. 1212497).

Objectives and public benefit

The objectives of the Friends of Fortismere CIO are to advance the education of the pupils in Fortismere school, in particular by:

- developing effective relationships between the parents/carers, staff, and others associated with the school; and
- engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils of the school.

The charity's activities provide public benefit through organised events and by funding resources that support the school and its pupils.

Summary of key activities and achievements

Friends of Fortismere continued the tradition of community engagement and fundraising by parents of the school by organising and leading a series of events and other initiatives throughout 2025/26, notably:

- Summer Festivals (July 2025 and 2026);
- Fireworks (November 2025);
- Comedy night (March 2026); and
- Quiz and Curry night 26 (April 2026).

Friends of Fortismere also supported several other events during the period, including EPQ presentations, A level and GCSE art shows, welcome evenings/transition day events and drama presentations.

Funds were also raised through a Christmas hamper raffle, various sponsorships and other donations.

Funding provided to the school in 2025/26 totalled £10,415 and supported the following:

- Art & Photography
- Careers
- Design & Technology
- Drama
- Library

- Linc
- Music
- PE
- Science
- YR7 Common Room

Structure, governance and management

The Friends of Fortismere COI is managed by a committee of charity trustees.

The trustees during 2025/26 were:

- Leona Bell
- Maria Paula Bernal
- Johanna Feary (co-chair)
- Jimmy Ingram
- Joanna Kaye (co-chair)
- Amelia Lasserson
- Clare Melikian
- Frances Price
- Hagar Russ
- Paul Wilmshurst (treasurer)

The committee acknowledges the significant support of parents and school staff in facilitating the events organised during the period.

The charity's first AGM will be held on 10th September 2026.

Financial review

The accounts for 2025/26 have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis using a Charity Commission template. They reflect cash received and paid out during the period.

The following table summarises the results for the 2025/26 period (which was approximately 17 months long), together the 12 month period to 31st July 2026.

The results for the twelve month period is presented because:

- These results reflect one full cycle of events and activities that are likely to be repeated in following years.
- Not all revenues from the events run during 2025/26 had been received by 31st July 2026 and the twelve month period provides a better indication of the total receipts for a full year.

	2025/26 c.17 months to 31 July 2026	12 months to 31 July 2026 (adjusted)
<u>Receipts</u>		
Sales at fundraising events	43,209	29,202
Event ticket sales and donations (via platform)	25,677	24,732
Sponsorships and other donations	13,213	9,522
Gift Aid from HMRC	688	688
Sub total	82,787	64,144
	-	-
<u>Payments</u>	-	-
Donations made to Fortismere school	10,415	10,415
Event costs	40,785	27,958
Other fundraising costs	1,130	276
Sub total	52,330	38,649
Net	30,457	25,495

The total funds raised during 2025/26, net of all costs incurred including funds advanced to the school, were £30,457 (£25,496 for the 12 months to 31st July 2026).

The reserves held at 31st July 2026 were £30,457.

It is noted that Friends of Fortismere does not have a requirement to hold significant reserves and will continue to work with the school to identify the best way to apply funds for pupil benefit.

Approval and signature

Approved by the trustees on: 4th September 2026

Signed on behalf of the trustees by:

Signed by:

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Signed by:

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Date: 9/4/2026

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Friends of Fortismere		No. 1212497		CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts				
	For the period from	Period start date 11/03/2025	To	Period end date 31/07/2026	

Section A Receipts and payments					
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Sales at fundraising events	43,209	-	-	43,209	-
Event ticket sales and donations (via platform)	25,677	-	-	25,677	-
Sponsorships and other donations	13,213	-	-	13,213	-
Gift Aid from HMRC	688	-	-	688	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	82,787	-	-	82,787	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	82,787	-	-	82,787	-
A3 Payments					
Donations made to Fortismere school	10,415	-	-	10,415	-
Event costs	40,785	-	-	40,785	-
Other fundraising costs	1,130	-	-	1,130	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	52,330	-	-	52,330	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	52,330	-	-	52,330	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	30,457	-	-	30,457	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	30,457	-	-	30,457	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period				
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	30,457	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	30,457	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	Details		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Details		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval

Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Friends of Fortismere CIO for the period ended 31st July 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:

Signed by:


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Simon Cowan

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): ICAEW ACA

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Date: 9/4/2026