

Public Trust Board Paper P

Meeting title:	Public Trust Board (as Corporate Trustee)					
Date of the meeting:	9 October 2025					
Title:	Escalation Report from the Charitable Funds Committee (CFC): 15 August 2025					
Report presented by:	Prof Tom Robinson, Non-Executive Director Chair					
Report written by:	Gill Belton, Corporate and Committee Services Officer					
Action – this paper is for:	Decision/Approval		Assurance	x	Update	X
Where this report has been discussed previously	Not applicable					

To your knowledge, does the report provide assurance or mitigate any significant risks? If yes, please detail which
The report provides assurance re: the appropriate spend and governance of charitable funds, and re: progress on fundraising activities.

Impact assessment
N/A
Acronyms used: CFC – Charitable Funds Committee LHC – Leicester Hospitals Charity

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide assurance to the Trust Board as Corporate Trustee on the work of the UHL Charitable Funds Committee, and escalate any issues as required.

2. Summary

The Charitable Funds Committee met on 15 August 2025. The meeting was quorate.

3. Recommended Items

There were no public recommended items from the Charitable Funds Committee meeting held on 15 August 2025.

4. Discussion Items

4.1 Finance and Governance Report

The Committee received a report which documented the financial position of Leicester Hospitals Charity as at 31 July 2025 compared to the previously agreed plan for the 2025/26 financial year, the contents of which were received and noted. The income for the year to date of £436k was £461k below plan.

In addition, the Charity had received legacy income of £319k. Due to accounting rules, this had been included in the 2024/25 accounts and was included in the revised opening balance.

Expenditure of £533k was £880k below plan due to lower grant expenditure than expected and lower fundraising costs due to vacancies.

Particular discussion took place regarding how much of the commitments related to designated funds. Also discussed was the progression of the strategic review of the Charity, which was currently on-going and would be discussed in detail at a future Trust Board Development Session.