



Welcome to
Yorkshire Funders'
Members' Day 2025

AGENDA



Welcome from Yorkshire Funders' Chair, Tim Cutts

1.10 Understanding your place in the funding ecosystem

Introduction with David Warner, Yorkshire Funders Trustee

1.20 Understanding the local landscape to help manage demand

Joe Dobson, formerly Regional Director, National Lottery Community Fund

1.35 Why trust matters – the need for open & trusting grantmaking

Alex Parker, Researcher, IVAR

1.50 Inclusive processes and reporting

Dr. Katy Adams, Academic Researcher, University of Sheffield

Dr. Stephanie Ejegi-Memeh, Dept. of Sociological Studies, University of Sheffield

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2.05 Panel Q&A

2.25 Comfort break, teas & coffees

2.40 Small Group Discussions

4.00 Yorkshire Funders' session & AGM, including Q&A
Tim Cutts (Yorkshire Funders' Chair) & Bruce Warnes (Treasurer)

4.30 Close



Understanding Your Place in the Funding Ecosystem



Panel Q&A – Questions from the floor

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Dr. Katy. Adams, Academic Researcher, University of Sheffield

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In the Break....

Register for our Upcoming Webinars



Wednesday 19th November (10-12pm)

Using Open Grants Data with 360Giving to Support your Work

Wednesday 3rd December (10-11.30am)

The Benefits of 'Open & Trusting' Grantmaking with IVAR

Tuesday 20th January (10-11.30am)

Funder Plus – Insights, Approaches and Impact

Sign up forms with Alex



Groups

Red = South Yorkshire

Blue = North Yorkshire

Yellow = East Yorkshire

Green = West Yorkshire

Small Group Discussions with the aim:

- Deepen your understanding of the local funding landscape
- Explore trust-based and inclusive grantmaking practices
- Identify opportunities for collaboration and improvement

Questions to help open the discussions



1. Where do you sit in the local funding landscape—and who do you do connect with most often? Who do you need to connect with?
 - Look for patterns or blind spots.
2. What does trust look like in our grantmaking relationships?
 - Where do we struggle to be transparent—and why?
 - What would it take to shift power toward grantees?
3. Who might be excluded by our current application or reporting processes?
 - What assumptions do we make about what success looks like?
 - How can we co-design more inclusive practices with grantees?
 - How does your application compare with YCAF?



Yorkshire Funders' Session & AGM

Latest News



- We have now grown to 84 members – welcome to our latest members, LNER, ASAMAA Charitable Trust and The Family Fund.
- New website launching in January 2026 – including a members only space, featuring a Members' Digest.
- New member-led networks in 2025... and 2026.
- More events and webinars than ever in 2025
 - So far this calendar year, 221 members joined webinars, 123 attended training
- We are recruiting – Associate Director of Programmes (closes 21/11)
- Our AGM follows – we will be advertising for new trustees in 2026
- Reminder – Chairs and Trustees Networking, Thurs 4th December at Wrigleys Sheffield, 3.30-6pm.

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Yorkshire Funders - AGM 2025

Yorkshire Funders AGM



1. Welcome & Opening Remarks
2. Apologies
3. Approval of the Previous AGM Minutes
4. Chair's Annual Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Election of Trustees
7. Resolutions & Voting
8. Open Forum/Member Q&A
9. AOB
10. Close

Change in Accounting Procedure

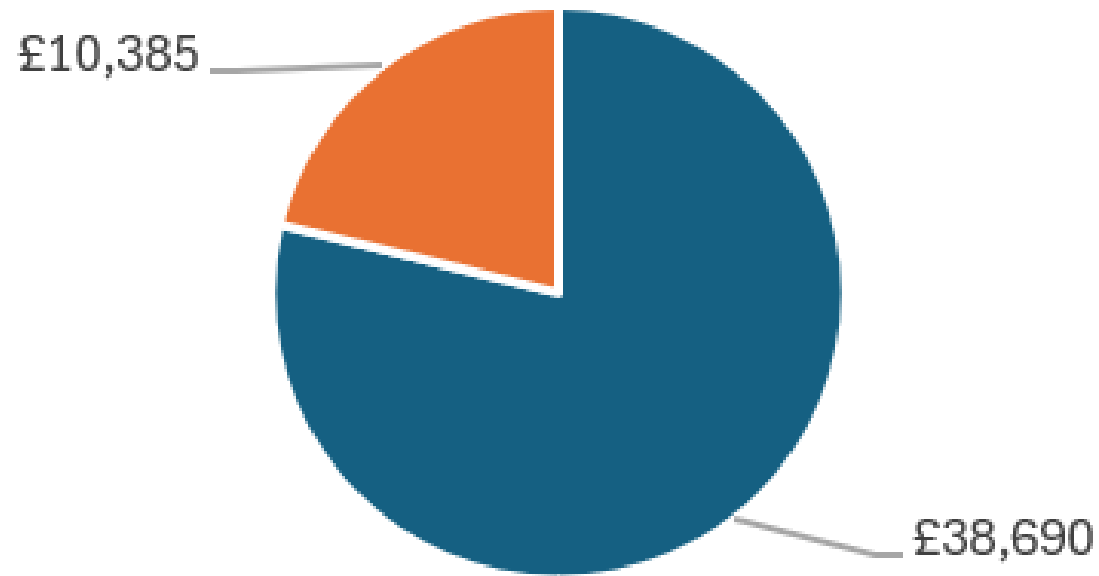


The trustees have agreed to adopt accruals-based accounting from the 2024/25 accounts onwards.

The trustees have made this decision because, as a membership organisation, they want their accounts to show the financial affairs of the charity on a true and fair basis.

This is important for openness and transparency to our membership.

Income 2024/25

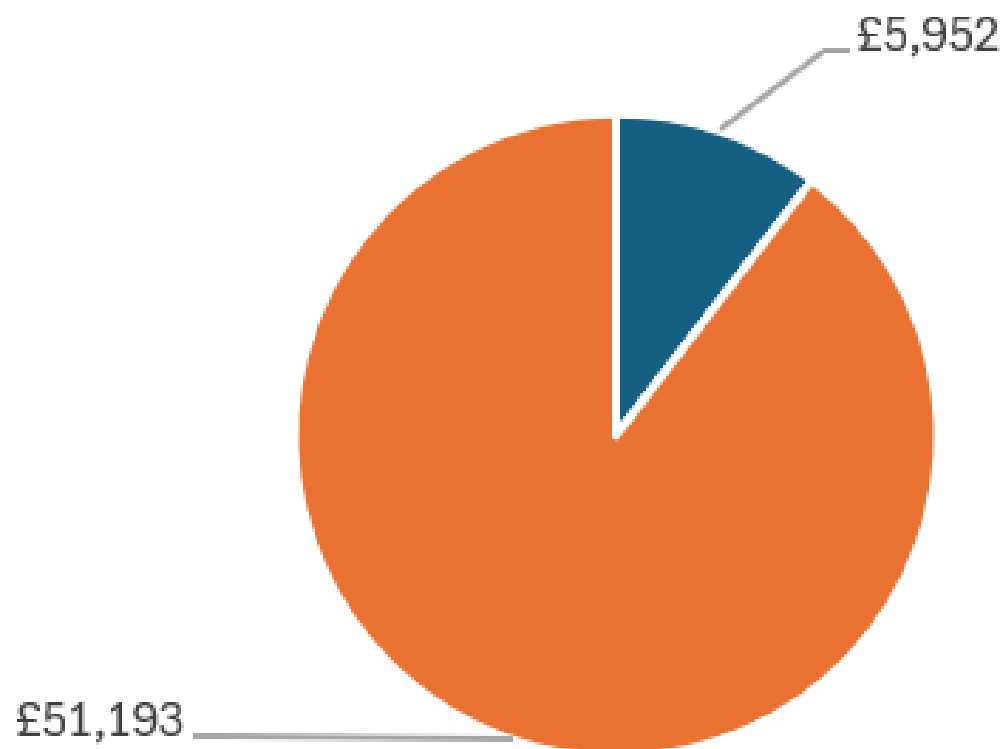


- Membership grants and sponsorship
- Charitable activities/events income



Total Income
£49,075

Expenditure 2024/25



Total Expenditure
£57,145

■ Raising Funds ■ Charitable Activities

Year End Position



Net Income	£ (8,070.00)
Unrestricted Funds carried forward	£ 44,029.00



SAVE THE DATE

**Annual Conference 2026 – Thursday 25th June
Horizon Leeds**

Keynote Speakers

David Holdsworth – Chief Executive, The Charity Commission
Fozia Irfan – Director of Impact & Influence, BBC Children in Need



**Thank you all for coming.
We hope you have enjoyed our Members' Day and
wish you all a safe journey home.**