



Droxford Community Hub

Community Interest Company (DCH CIC)



FINANCE DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT AND DRAFT ACCOUNTS 1 JUNE 2026

How good it is to see you all here. It's like the old days, all of us together and having a good old chinwag and a laugh.

As we all know, it's been a challenging year, not just for our amazing board but for the majority of you here tonight. I have to say that if it wasn't for the wonderful Wilfrid's Wednesday ladies there might have been a different ending to the year. When we left the Church premises the ladies insisted they wanted to keep meeting every month, so in December and January, Julie and Di very kindly opened their homes to that the get-togethers could keep going with Wilfrid's waiting on, of course.

Lots of talking later and with a little help from our friends at the Droxford village hall, February saw Wilfrid's Wednesday rise again with a new beginning in the hall.

What a delight that our fantastic volunteers and the village have supported us throughout all these changes, we couldn't have done it without you all, a huge thank you. So it's with a smile I can say that Wilfrid's is back playing its part in the wonderful community we have here in Droxford. Wilfrid's has learned that it's not always about finances, it's also about community.

Talking about finances which is, after all, why I'm here: moving away from the church incurred quite a few extra expenses for us, which subsequently reduced our community fund. We only traded in full for seven months and, at the moment, we are only open two days a week. All these factors have a bearing on the amount of community fund we have. Wilfrid's still have the same remit, that any surplus funds we have will go to the community. The board is intending to continue our grants programme albeit with less funds but, nonetheless, just as important for the recipients.

We will continue to try and support the village whenever and wherever we can, so please just let us know how we can do that.

Thank you all.

Jacky Foat
Finance Director

1 June 2026