

BHSCT Board Update from Committees

Date of Trust Board for consideration of this report.	8 January 2026
Name of Trust Board Committee	Charitable Funds Advisory Committee
Chair of Trust Board committee (as at date of the report)	Professor Catherine Ross
Required frequency of meetings (as indicated by Terms of Reference for the Steering Group)	3 times per year
Meeting dates in the year prior to the Trust Board meeting	11 March 2025 10 June 2025 9 September 2025 9 December 2025
Date of last review of the Terms of Reference of the Trust Board Committee	June 2021 (Due to be reviewed at next meeting in March 2026)
Summary Report from the Chair of the Trust Board Committee	
<p>Professor Catherine Ross has Chaired the Charitable Funds Advisory Committee since April 2025 and the last update to Trust Board was in November 2025.</p> <p>At each meeting the Committee reviewed the most recent Financial Report and considered relevant approval requests in line with the scheme of delegated financial authority. Approval requests which were beyond the delegated financial authority of CFAC were considered and if endorsed were recommended to Trust Board for approval.</p> <p>Other matters of business which CFAC discussed at its most recent meeting were:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appeals in relation to applications which had been rejected by the relevant management committee - The application of the HSC(F)19-2025 circular Guidance on Hospitality in the context of charitable funds 	
Annual Reports for consideration by the Trust Board (if any).	None – the financial accounts of Belfast Trust Charitable Funds are consolidated in

	the overall Annual Report and Accounts of the Belfast Trust which is separately presented to and approved by Trust Board
Matter(s) for consideration by the Trust Board and recommended actions for the Trust Board (if any).	None
Date of report	23 December 2025

NB Any report to the Trust Board should be no longer than 10 pages in length.