St Vincent de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

Good Shepherd SVP Conference
Working on your behalf and with your support

Annual Report 2025-'26

Period covered by this report:
Finances: 1st April, 2025 to 31st March, 2026
Work: 1st September, 2025 to 31st August 2026

Membership: We have 15 Full members and 6 Auxiliary members.

Meetings: We meet every other Tuesday in the Lower Room after Mass.

Number of people helped: 125*
*individuals or families, excluding Welcoming Space

Material Assistance to families

Collection and delivery of furniture to families
Liaise with Little Stars charity for baby clothing, furniture, toys
Delivery of baby walker, prams, pushchairs, toys, clothing, shoes
Loan of sewing machine
Purchase of microwaves
Delivery of a wide range of white goods
Delivery of TVs, laptops, printer
Transport families to parish functions

Welcoming Space

Securing funding
Mobile phone maintenance and security advice
Food and clothing to homeless beneficiaries
Befriending
Job seeking
CV writing
Personal Independence Payment referrals
Providing emotional support

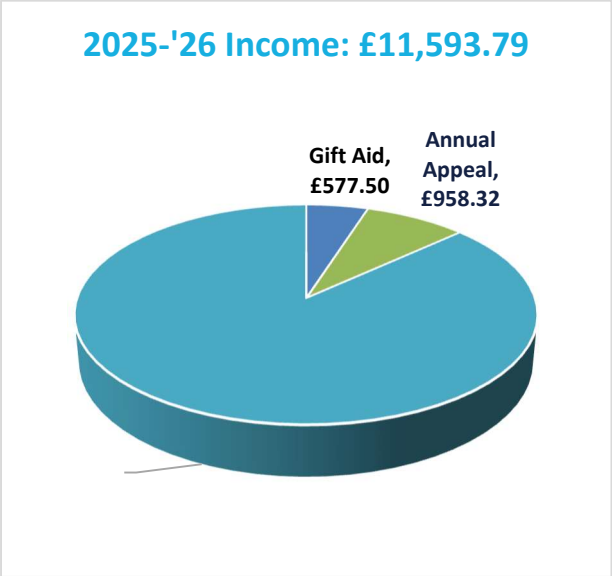
Other activities

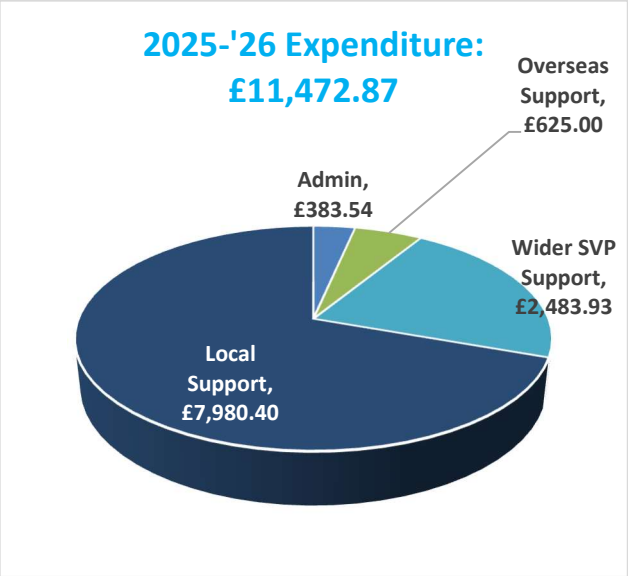
Assistance with a parish trip to Llandudno
District Council, Festival, National meetings, retreats
Food shopping with beneficiaries
Assist beneficiaries with work issues
Assist asylum residents with Find Your Own Home (FYOH) government scheme
Helped a beneficiary to return to their own country
Helped families and individuals moving home in Shropshire and within the UK
Assist with garden work
Attended parish funerals
Liaise with Home Office on Asylum issues
Assist beneficiary with GP liaison and visit
Provide a weekly Welcoming Space for the local community
Arrange Mass for parishioners and local community members.
Twinned Conferences in India
House building project in India
Work with Minnie Vinnies visits and sessions.
SVP coffee mornings
Christmas gifts to local school
Christmas gifts to Welcoming Space attendees
Transport beneficiaries to hospital appointments
Long-term support to homeless person, through Liaising with social care teams in Shropshire—Housing Options, Adult, Social and Welfare Services, Local Authority Housing Advisors, Learning Disability Team
Visiting parishioners and others in the local community in care homes or in their own home
Supporting refugees and asylum seekers

Annual Income & Expenditure	2025-2026	2024-2025
Bank Balance at start of year	£2,897.04	£4,052.43
Donations & Gift Aid income etc	£11,593.79	£8,930.94
LESS Expenditure	-£11,472.87	-£10,086.33
Net surplus / deficit (-)	£120.92	-£1,155.39
Bank Balance carried forward	£3,017.96	£2,897.04

Some of the income outlined above in the year to 31 March 2026 is related to income given specifically to assist the operation of the Welcoming Space. It is ringfenced within our accounts to be used only for this purpose. £1,000 from the Maurice and Hilda Laing Charitable Trust.

For the 2026 – 2027 Report we have just received a National Lottery Grant for the Welcoming Space of £7,200 to cover the costs for the next 2 years.





You can find more information about us and our work, as well as how to make referrals to us on the Social Justice page on the parish website

Much of this would not be possible without your amazing generosity, when you have so many other demands on you during the year.

THANK YOU
to all of you
for your donations
for your volunteering
for your prayers.