

TVM AGM 2026 Chairman's Report

The AGM began with my Chairman's report and then Keith Girt, our Treasurer, took us through the finances and figures for 2025. Despite some inevitable bumps and potholes in the road, we have succeeded in keeping TVM in relatively robust good health during 2025, and it is continuing to provide its valued and much needed service for our local community.

During the year Eric Mitchell decided to step down from his role as TVM Operations Manager for personal reasons. Eric did a great job in helping TVM resolve many of its maintenance issues, many of which had been long standing and costly, and we thank him for all his dedication and all his hard work in helping to keep TVM on the road and serving us all. Eric will be a tough act to follow, but we have been fortunate that Steve Forward has agreed to step up and take over the Operations Manager role and he is already managing the maintenance and repair needs of TVM with an expert ease and aplomb.

Some 14 local clubs and societies used TVM during 2025 and the schools of Minster, Bishops Cannings, Keevil, Bratton, St Barnabus and Lavington all made use of the bus for trips and events. TVM continues to provide its regular shopping trips for local villagers to Westbury, Devizes and Warminster and there is also a number of monthly local interest and lunch club trips.

The Wiltshire Council funding contribution to support TVM and other community transport groups has come under rumour of drastic cuts and reductions this year. Happily, this threat has receded for 2026, but it is a signal to the near future that TVM will need to explore and capture alternative income sources and streams in order to insulate itself from any Council grant withdrawal that may come in 2027. Keith Girt ran through the TVM finances, which remain healthy and are shown in the summary.

TVM could not and would not exist without the many people who volunteer to make it happen. Thanks are due to our drivers: Martin Killian, Dave Perkins, Caroline Hurley, Dave May, Simon Wylam, Mike Watts and Peter Mercer; and to our helpers: Joy Fraser, Andrew King, Helen O'Donoghue, George Fraser, Pauline Dorgan and Mark Burgess.

I would like to express my thanks and gratitude to my fellow TVM management team of Steve Forward and Keith Girt, and also to Pauline who manages us all. They have all taken on their TVM tasks with great energy, skill and enthusiasm and I am ever thankful for their help, support and endeavours. The management team of myself, Keith Girt and Steve Forward were all duly elected at the AGM to continue in our roles.

Jasper Dorgan, Chairman, TVM

Summary Comparison

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Total Costs	£5,814	£5,390	£6,669
Total Revenue	£10,362	£9,145	£11,207
Net Income	£4,548	£3,755	£4,538