



Communist Party

COMMUNIST PARTY OF BRITAIN

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2025**



Communist Party

COMMUNIST PARTY OF BRITAIN

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis employing the historical cost convention and conform to generally accepted accounting principles. The format of the accounts is that specified by the Electoral Commission.
2. Fixed assets have been written down to their recoverable amount. There were no movements in the year.
3. Stocks of literature and merchandise are stated at the lower end of cost and net realizable value. A significant write-down was effected in the year.



Communist Party

2024 REVIEW

1. General

The Communist Party was founded in 1920 as the Communist Party of Great Britain and re-established in 1988 as the Communist Party of Britain. Its activities are based on the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism and its organization employs the principles of democratic centralism which combines democratic participation of the members with an elected, centralized leadership capable of directing the Party's activities. For information on the Party, its history and activities see www.communistparty.org.uk.

2. National Officers at 31 December 2025 with individual executive responsibilities, all of whom were elected, were:

General Secretary	Robert Griffiths
Chair	Ruth Styles
International Secretary	Kevan Nelson
Editor of Communist Review	Martin Levy
Election Nominating Officer	Will Dry
National Treasurer	Jonathan Havard

The principal office of the Communist Party is Ruskin House, 23 Coombe Road, Croydon CR2 0BN, telephone [REDACTED], e-mail [REDACTED]. The Party's principal website is www.communistparty.org.uk.

3. MEMBERSHIP

	At 31 December 2025	2024
Full Party members	1153	1308



Communist Party

Members' dues are levied according to the individual member's self-assessed income.

4. Review of Financial Activities

The surplus for the year was £60,946 (£218,051 in 2024). In 2025 the Party ended the year with net assets of £273,904 (£334,850 at 31 December 2024). The budget for 2026 is consistent with maintaining a satisfactory state of affairs.

5a. Activities in the year: extra-parliamentary

The Party continues to support the work of trade unions and to win them over to progressive policies. Unity! was again published and distributed at major trade union conferences. The Party continued to support the People's Assembly. Communism amongst young people was encouraged and supported through the work of the Young Communist League (YCL).

The Party continued its support for the work of the National Assembly of Women.

The Party supports the Morning Star, the world's only English language socialist daily newspaper and continues to deplore the efforts of the mass media, including the BBC, to ignore its existence. The Party and its branches continue to encourage local readers and supporters groups and to hold regular collections for the Fighting Fund. Four editions of the Party's theoretical journal, Communist Review, were published. The Party supports the work of the Marx Memorial Library and organizes with it the annual Marx Oration at Highgate Cemetery. The Party supports Manifesto Press and through the Communist Party Heritage Fund encourages it to publish books that maintain the history and legacy of the Communist Party.

5b. Activities in the year: electoral

The Communist Party is severely handicapped by the first past the post electoral system, the weak control of election spending, media ownership and the way election deposits effectively fine the Party for standing candidates. A further obstacle is the widespread failure to provide the free use of public buildings for public election meetings as required under the Representation of the People Act 1983 which, in our experience, is widely ignored.

The Communist Party does not engage in politics in Northern Ireland and encourages communists there to join the Communist Party of Ireland. When members move abroad, they are encouraged to



Communist Party

join the communist party of the country in which they reside.

The Communist Party stood in local elections in 2025.

6. International Activities

Since 1999, communist and workers' parties from across the world have met each year to exchange news and views, hold bilateral discussions and endorse statements setting out common positions on particular issues. Information on the international communist and workers party movement may found at www.solidnet.org.

Priority was again given to solidarity work with the peoples of Palestine, Cuba and Venezuela, to campaigning to oppose further foreign adventures, whether in the Middle East or elsewhere, and to opposing proscriptions against communist parties anywhere in the world including the European Union and Ukraine.

At home the Communist Party of Britain participates in the work of the Co-ordinating Committee of Communist Parties.



Communist Party

Treasurer's Report

I confirm that the information provided in this Report and Accounts is, to the best of my belief, true and accurate.

Jonathan Havard
National Treasurer
29th April 2026

Communist Party of Britain

INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR TO 31 Dec 2025

	2025	2024	Notes
INCOME			
Membership fees	138,511	136,203	
Donations	28,207	337,049	
Fundraising	-	-	The Communist Party does not engage in 'fundraising' events per se nor does it pay agents to raise funds for it.
Bank Interest	7,036	2,515	
Notional Income	-	-	
Other	27,992	19,139	
Total	201,746	494,906	
EXPENDITURE			
Campaigning	174,538	243,630	Campaigning is the Party's core activity. This is not confined to election activities
Registration Fees with Electoral Commission	25	25	
Transfers	25	25	Unity for Peace Socialism
Cost of Fundraising events	-	-	See comment above about 'fundraising'
Administration costs	35,068	26,854	
Notional Expenditure	-	-	Note 1
Other	53,037	6,319	
Total	262,692	276,853	
Surplus/Deficit	60,946	218,053	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 Dec 2025

	2025	2024	
Fixed assets	1	1	Note 2
Current assets:			
Bank deposits and cash in hand	275,564	334,664	
Debtors and Prepayments	-	5,000	
	280,564	339,664	
Total assets	280,565	339,665	
Less Creditors falling due within one year:	1,661	4,814	
Less Creditors falling due after one year:	0	0	
Net Worth	278,904	334,851	
Represented by:			
Accumulated fund b/f	334,850	116,799	
Less: Deficit	60,946	218,051	
Accumulated fund c/f	273,904	334,850	

Notes 1:
Staff costs £93,123 (2024 £95,700)
Premises £19,172 (2024 18,330)

Notes 2:
Fixed Assets
Balance b/f 1 Jan 2025 1
Less depreciation 0
Balance c/f 31 Dec 2025 1

Communist Party of Britain

INCOME & EXPENDITURE for the year to 31 DECEMBER 2025

Income	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
Description			
Membership Fees	125000	137455	12455
Membership Dues by DD			0
Membership Dues other			0
Admin fees	6000	1056	-4944
AVC total	18000	14721	-3280
AVC by DD			0
AVC other			0
Donations	0	13486	13486
General Election Appeal		0	0
Bank Interest	3000	7036	4036
M & P revenue	3000	3301	301
less M & P cost of sales			0
Congress Income	0	16719	16719
Communist Review sales	0	7972	7972
Miscel income including copyright royalties	0	0	0
			0
Total Income	155000	201746	46746
Expenditure			
Staff salaries	86585	88593	-2008
Employer's NI	4000	0	4000
Pension contribution	4098	4530	-432
Volunteers' expenses and reimbursements	0	0	0
Office post	1500	2128	-628
Printing:			
Office Usage	0	0	0
Using subcontractors	5000	4028	972
less L&M printing	0	0	0
less Unity printing for trade union conf	0	0	0
less Challenge printing (part of YCL support)	0	0	0
Solu4ions - merchandise and other support	0	0	0
Server, website, software and apps	8000	8512	-512
IT development	0	0	0
IT equipment	5000	0	5000
Phone and broadband	1500	2384	-884
Stationary & supplies	1800	878	922
EC meetings travel	5000	0	5000
PC meetings travel	600	0	600
OC meetings travel	120	0	120
EC,PC and Officers' expenses	6600	10446	-3846
Advisories, Commissions and Aggs	500	0	500
International	2000	1568	432
Campaigns and Events	6000	13733	-7733
Zoom subscription	7000	14455	-7455
Support for YCL	1000	0	1000
Advertising in Morning Star:	5000	13365	-8365
Trade Union	2000	0	2000
Hardship Fund	100	0	100
Support for launching new branches	100	0	100
Membership dues to branch	0	3338	-3338
Affiliations	1100	1440	-340
Election Spend	0	5050	-5050
Kevin Halpin School	1000	113	887
Bad debts written off	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Expense	0	25	-25
Rent	12330	12330	0
Office refurbishment	500	0	500
Bank charges	2750	3188	-438
PayPal and credit card charges	1000	907	93
Contribution to Glasgow Office rent	6000	6842	-842
Accounting & Payroll expenses	0	11800	-11800
Com Review printing	2500	17143	-14643
Com Review postage and carriage	0	0	0
Congress expenditure	0	35894	-35894
	0	0	0
Total Expenditure	180683	262692	-82009
Operating Surplus	-24683	-60946	-35263

BALANCE SHEET at 31st DECEMBER 2025

Fixed Assets		1
Current Assets		
Cash and Bank:		
PayPal account		3,488
Deposit account		264,140
Current account		7,936
Petty Cash		-
Total assets		275,565
Liabilities		
Creditors		
Creditors and accruals		-1661
Total Liabilities		-1661
Net Assets		273904
Reserves		
Accumulated fund c/f		278053
Development Fund		56797
Deficit for 2025		-60946
Total Reserves		273904

Notes:

Creditors & accruals

Printing charges	414.00
CR sales prepaid	886.00
Morning Star other	45.00
Morning Star - e-sales	30.00
Hardship fund	56.00
YCL	230.00