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Annual review

An update on
our work helping
improve community
safety in Hampshire,
Southampton,
Portsmouth and
the Isle of Wight

2015

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Chairman

Alan Lovell

The Blue Lamp Trust was established in May 2010 to ensure that the Bobby Scheme had a sustainable future.

The right, which many of us would take for granted, to feel safe in our own home is precious indeed. Hampshire Constabulary, Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service and the Trustees of the new Trust were determined to make this a reality. I am delighted to say that the Trust served its 10,000th client in November 2015; you can meet the delightful lady in question on our website. We have increased the number of Bobby fitters so that we now have four in Hampshire and one part-time on the Isle of Wight.



The concept of the Trust was that we should enhance safety on the roads as well as in the home and we have continued to offer driver training for business drivers. It can be difficult for businesses to populate classroom courses, so in response to customer demand we have developed three e-Learning modules which are already available for customers, assisted by an engaging character called Bobby. We also provide taxi pre-licensing on-road driving checks to all but one local authority in Hampshire, another vital enhancement to safety on our roads.

The Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Service have continued to be great supporters of the Trust. But I also want to thank the many Hampshire businesses who have contributed to the Trust's welfare by purchasing driver training or by sponsoring cars and other hardware and also events. It would not have been possible without you.

Finally I want to pay tribute to the General Manager, Jim Bettley, and his team at the Trust who in an excellent year have built on the solid foundations to ensure the Trust has continued to grow and develop.

Blue Lamp Trust Grants

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The Trust continues to provide small grants to help community groups, charities and other organisations for projects in line with the Trust's aims and objectives. In 2015 the Trust made grants totalling £5,450

£2,000 Y Services for Young People provide a pathway for disadvantaged young people to develop the capacity and skills to better participate in society, dealing with issues such as alcohol abuse, drugs and anti-social behaviour.

areas such as being on the autistic spectrum or the death of parents.

£1,450 Havant and East Hampshire Mind support and empower those with mental health issues to develop living skills, coping strategies and management of symptoms, including support on housing issues, debt, anger management and domestic violence.

£2,000 The Moving on Project delivers counselling to young people who are victims of crime to help them overcome issues such as severe anxiety, bullying as well as



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Bobby Scheme



Since 2010 the Blue Lamp Trust Bobby Scheme has continued to provide free home security and fire safety visits to the elderly, vulnerable or victims of crime. In November 2015 the trust reached the magnificent milestone of 10,000 home visits. The recipient of this visit, Nita Goodrum, was the guest of honour at a celebratory breakfast event attended by the Chief Constable and the Chief Fire Officer.

The Bobby Scheme has been strengthened by the generous support of the Hendy Group, who have sponsored a Transit Connect van, and the Hampshire Making Safe Scheme, who have ensured the Blue Lamp Trust are able to meet the salary of an extra fitter. This has not only increased the visits the Trust can make but also reduced our response time to the elderly and the vulnerable.



The Blue Lamp Trust's free service supplies and fits a broad range of home security and fire safety equipment, including-

- Door and Window Locks
- Spy Holes
- Window Alarms
- Door Chains
- Smoke Detectors
- Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Our service:

- Reduces the likelihood of house burglaries
- Reduces the risks from fire or Carbon Monoxide Leaks
- Reduces demand on the emergency services and local authorities

April 2015 to March 2016



Testimonials

Mrs D

Porchester

"Your fitter was polite and courteous, very nice. I felt I could trust him. I was very pleased with the service, and am all fixed up now."

Mrs H

Andover

"The Fitter was lovely. We are very grateful and found the visit to be very helpful. My mother refused to have a smoke alarm fitted when the family suggested it but when Mark suggested it she agreed."

Mrs J

Basingstoke

"The Fitter was friendly, he explained all aspects of safety in the house to me and I very much appreciated his knowledge. I am very thankful for his visit and the advice given."

Ms E

Chandlers Ford

"He was very polite, helpful and informative. A really good chap to send, able to boost my confidence. He also added security features. He was very kind to me; he was a good workman but also took the time to talk to me and give me confidence. I shall be sending a donation to the charity."

Blue Lamp Trust Update

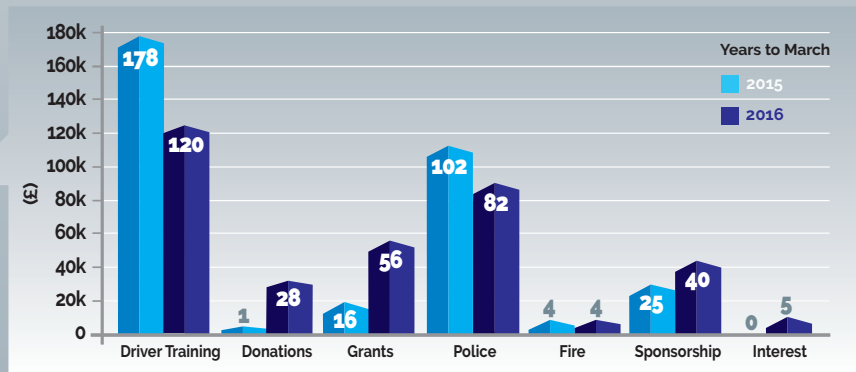


Driving Forward Safely

The Blue Lamp Trust has continued to support the road safety platform by providing driver training both in the classroom and on the road, having trained around **9,000** drivers since **2010**.

Blue Lamp Trust Income

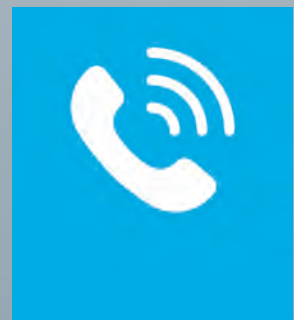
Driver Training has remained the single largest source of income for the Blue Lamp Trust which has been further supported by **Hampshire Police** and **Hampshire Fire and Rescue**. Our sponsors continued their generous patronage, in particular **ExxonMobil**, **Motorola UK**, **Car Call**, **CIA** and **ForeSolutions**.



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Driver Training for business

In 2015 the Blue Lamp Trust driver training programme took a major step forward with the development of its own range of eLearning training programmes, which complement the well-established classroom and on-road courses. Our bespoke and unique eLearning courses introduce our latest recruit - 'Bobby' - our eLearning Trainer.

The courses are designed to help business drivers catch up on the law, the Highway Code and on-road driving issues from the convenience of an office or home, on a desk top or laptop computer or even a tablet. Companies can now benefit from the huge range of knowledge and information within the Blue Lamp Trust without having the time commitment of attending a training room. Currently three courses are available –



Road Signs and Road Markings



Speed Limits & How they are signed



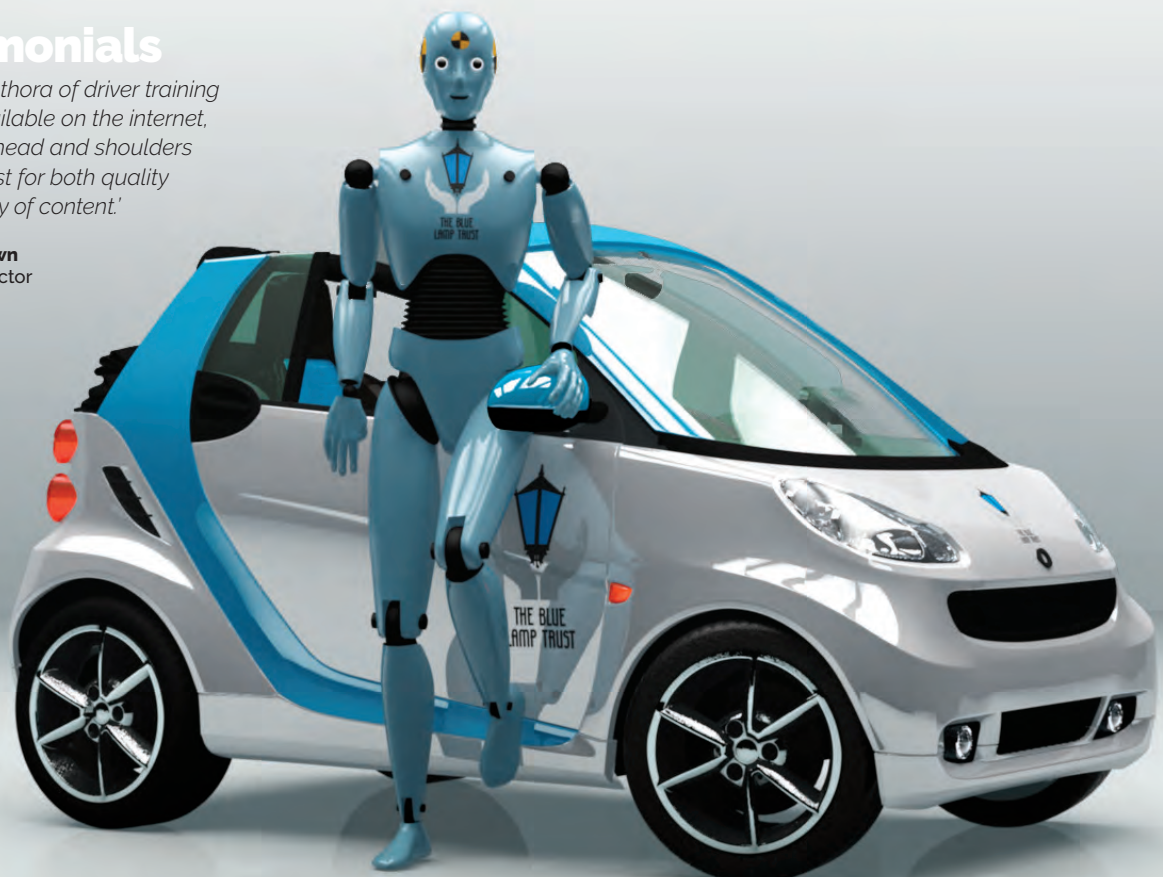
Distractions whilst Driving (including mobile use)

Our long established high quality training has continued with on road driver training and assessments being complemented by our new **Driver Profiling Services**. This computer based on-line assessment gives a very accurate picture of person's approach to driving and will highlight risk areas, if there are any. This remarkably accurate tool can be used to assist before employing new drivers or highlighting issues with current staff. The prompt turn-around of information and modest cost make it an excellent tool in helping companies manage their road risks.

Testimonials

'From the plethora of driver training modules available on the internet, these stand head and shoulders above the rest for both quality and accuracy of content.'

Colin Langdown
Managing Director
CIA Alarms





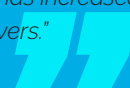
The Blue Lamp Trust goes **International!**

In February 2016 the Blue Lamp Trust carried out its first overseas training when our driver trainer Steve Cocks delivered a Blue Lamp Trust bespoke driver training programme in Gambia for Medical Research Council staff.

The mix of safer driving and 4x4 training was enthusiastically received by more than 60 drivers who gave the Blue Lamp Trust a big thumbs-up.



"Driving in Africa is a challenging experience but thanks to The Blue Lamp Trust the experience has become far less of a challenge for our drivers. Their excellent training has increased both the competence and confidence of our drivers."



Michael Stephens
Head of Safety, Security and Resilience
Medical Research Council

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