

A second issue there is with the process of NPS building erosion management structures is with VAT. It is not possible to recover VAT as a charity. This puts a substantial additional challenge to achieve NPS target funds within an annual cycle of developing projects, fundraising for them and delivering them. The projects NPS undertakes have to remain within a deliverable scale. The local community is small. NPS needs to remain aware of the practicalities of what is possible and maintain its outlook with a view to it not over asking for local community support.

Funding is a concern with the Society making commitments to support TDC in delivering erosion management projects on the Naze frontage.

Over 2022 many shops and hospitality venues have provided locations for collection boxes raising almost £2,500 across the year. Additionally to these, NPS volunteers man a market stall every Thursday on Walton-on-the Naze market. This sells locally donated goods and raised around £2,000. On August 28th NPS organised the Walton Town Summer Show, which included providing exhibition space for heritage and wildlife groups that support the Naze. The Show took £3,993, but had high costs, although it attracted public support and additional donations. The late night Christmas event saw NPS braving the weather but was enjoyed by all those attending. These public awareness events help boost support and have resulted in £12,500 donations.

NPS also helps to support the community in organising other events. On June 2nd 2022, NPS organised the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. This was on the Naze attracting in excess of 1000 visitors to watch the lighting of the Beacon which had been erected by the local heritage Trust in the 1980s.

In the light of the increasing erosion of the Naze it is possible that some of this is due to the impacts of more frequent winter storms and extreme weather events. There may be some influence of climate change within these issues. On July 9th NPS invited Professor Jules Pretty from the Essex Climate Action Commission to a public talk in the Columbine Centre regarding how individuals can help in influencing climate change. Approximately 80 people attended and the event was a great success which could be repeated in the future.

NPS keeps in touch with the local community through printed newsletters. The one released in Spring 2023 provided plans not only for 2023 but also looking forward to projects including the Tamarisk wall and beach in 2024 and north beach work in 2025. It also noted these actions should result in the area becoming resilient for the next 10-20 years. Newsletters are valid as means of communication, particularly in a local community where some members of the community do not engage with social media. NPS engages with social media but its website is inactive and this needs resolving.

In conclusion, 2022/23 saw NPS start on a new phase of its activities, working with partners and stretching its capacity to the full. In the future it will need to build its capacity to increase its fundraising ability in order to continue to deliver these practical operations.

With 4 trustees and 14 volunteers it has to grow to deliver its aims and objectives. In the face of increasing erosion it will need to create strong relationships with its partners to make the delivery of practical solutions to erosion timely and efficient. Climate change will become more of a problem and therefore NPS and its partners will have a growing need to resolve more challenging issues going forward into the future.

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**Signed:**



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# NAZE PROTECTION SOCIETY

## Statement of Income & Expenditure Year Ended 30 April 2023


Income	£	Expenditure	£
Coop 95 Day Account Interest	464.21	Promotional material	-602.38
Collection boxes	2,559.95	Walton Town Show	-860.88
Donations	25,751.85	North Cliff Project	-38,279.30
Market stall	2,033.16	Queen's Jubilee & KC11 Tree Planting	-1,008.39
Queen's Jubilee (inc £500 grant TDC)	1,285.55	Public Meetings	-58.85
Public Meetings	42.50	HMRC Gift Aid repayment	-250.01
Walton Town Show	2,625.80	IOC Data Protection Certificate	-35.00
Naze Day	112.80		
Deficit	6,218.99		
	<u>41,094.81</u>		<u>-41,094.81</u>

## BALANCE SHEET – 30TH APRIL 2023

Balance Brought Fwd	67,080.49	Co-op Community Directplus A/c	10,089.50
Deficit	-6,218.99	Co-op 95 Day Notice Business Deposit A/c	50,493.96
		Unbanked cash	278.04
	<u>60,861.50</u>		<u>60,861.50</u>

We approve these accounts and confirm that we have made available all information relevant for their preparation

Signed: David Eagle Acting Chairman/Trustee



Signed: Carol Livermore Treasurer



Dated: 31/07/23

NAZE PROTECTION SOCIETY

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023

In accordance with our letter of engagement we have examined the attached accounts for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 without carrying out an audit and we confirm they are in accordance with the Society's underlying books and records.



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