

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	01	01	2024		31	12

Charity name	Edible Culture Operative
Other names charity is known by	Ediculture
Registered charity number (if any)	1076110
Charity's principal address	Coed Hills
	St Hilary
	Vale of Glamorgan
	Postcode CF717DP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1 Stephen Watts			
2 Andy Chyba			
3 Ben Spice			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

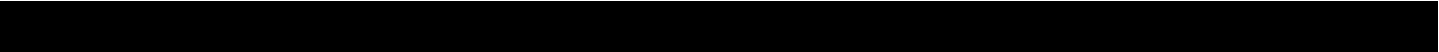
Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Description of the charity’s trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Trust deed.
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	Trust
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	Appointed by resolution of the Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity’s organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees’ consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	
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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

1. the promotion of health and wellbeing
 and 2. the alleviation of poverty for all people
 by 3. developing the capacity of the edible cultural network
 and 4. providing educational information and resources
 designed to improve the provision and practice of foraging and food growing,
 (i.e sustainable, ecological, biological and permacultural techniques)

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

How Activities Delivered Public Benefit

- **Tree planting at Coed**

(Jan–March, Nov, Dec): as the funding from orchard media came to a close at the beginning of this year we were unable to deliver a full series of planting activities as was the case the previous 3 years. We finished off a few tree planting activities in partnership with the Jujitsu club from Cardiff University.

Through this we supported our environmental and wellbeing aims, with benefits accessible to all participants and communities involved. This aligns with PBI’s benefit aspect, offering ecological improvement and personal empowerment through nature-based engagement.

- **Wassail**

The Wassail in 2024 was a successful event attended by over 40 people. We came together to celebrate apples and orchards, offering juice to the trees. We sold tickets online to the event and made it very accessible (£2) entry with options for donation tickets at a premium. We generated income which paid for 2 story tellers (£100) to come to the event and perform.

- **Open Gardens**

We were part of the Vale food trail in May 2024 celebrating open gardens. This event fell under our Coed Gardens activities. We sold plants at the Coed Open gardens for raise money for the gardens and to showcase our fantastic gardens. We generated modest income from hosting the 2 days while we were open. We had about 100 visitors over the two days.

- **Apple Day**

We ran an apple day in October 2024 attended by over 100 people, where we sold apples, cake, and other homemade products. This event fell under our Coed Gardens activities. The event was completely free to attend and we generated some money to put back into the gardens.

- **Coed Ffest (June)** was undoubtedly our biggest effort and investment of time and energy. It grew on the success of 2023. It is designed to celebrate land, health, food, and culture in an inclusive setting. Trustees ensured the event:
 - Was accessible to a wide section of the public (open ticket sales).
 - Delivered clear educational value through workshops and talks on foraging, fermentation, horticulture, and climate-resilient practices.
 - Reinforced the community's cultural connection to land and food.
 - Generated funds that were reinvested into our charitable work, meeting the PB1 standard for incidental personal benefit
- The **donation to Trees of Hope** in Zimbabwe (£1232) (generated through Coed ffest event) supported aligned aims of reforestation and poverty alleviation abroad. Trustees assessed this donation as extending public benefit internationally in line with our objects and the public benefit test.
- **Volunteer engagement (30+ throughout the year)** provided accessible training, social connection, healthy food, and potential pathways to employment. This supports both our wellbeing and poverty-alleviation aims, particularly for those facing socio-economic challenges.
- Our **partnership with Global Gardens Project** delivered formal training in ediculture to over 10 students, many of whom have gone on to create their own initiatives. This clearly furthers our aim of building the capacity of the edible cultural network and supports sustainable livelihoods, aligning with both aspects of the public benefit requirement.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2024 Summary of Achievements

Throughout 2024, the charity generated **£54,136.95** in income and spent **£45,930.53**, resulting in a net surplus of **£8,206.42**. The financial activity supports a wide range of charitable aims focused on wellbeing, food education, tree planting, and environmental sustainability.

Key Activity Areas

Coed Ffest (Educational Event)

- o Income: £44,416.56
- o Expenditure: £34,124.49
- o Surplus: £10,292.07

Main income-generating and educational event of the year, showcasing local food, land-based skills, and cultural knowledge.

Orchard Media / Tree Projects

- o Income: £0
- o Expenditure: £50
- o deficit: - £50

Funded unrestricted tree-related work and education.

Tree Planting (Restricted Fund)

- o Income: £0
- o Expenditure: £312
- o deficit: -£312
- Grant-funded work to increase biodiversity and wellbeing through community tree planting.

Coed Gardens

- o Income: £3,792.65
- o Expenditure: £2,163.22
- o Surplus: £1,629.43

Sales and donations from garden produce, events, and community engagement. Supported by volunteers.

Wassail

- o Income: £144.46
- o Expenditure: £130.00
- o Surplus: £14.46

Small-scale educational and seasonal events, operating at a minor financial income of £14, but contributing to community cohesion and skills sharing.

Donation to Trees of Hope (Zimbabwe)

- o Expenditure: £1232

Aligned with global tree-planting and poverty-alleviation efforts.

Overheads

Modest overheads totalling £1,087.00, mostly for website and miscellaneous operational costs.

Fixed Assets and Liabilities

Tractor assets added: £5100

Outstanding liabilities: £88.16

Overall Reflection

In addition to achieving a modest overall surplus, the charity also successfully:

- Delivered high-impact educational and community events.
- Maintained a strong environmental and food-growing focus.
- Leveraged volunteer support and donations effectively.
- Made responsible use of grants and restricted funds.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Ediculture has stayed within the charity's policy on minimum and maximum reserves.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

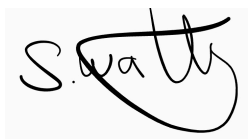
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Other optional information

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

STEPHEN WATTS

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Trustee

Date 18/02/2026



Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

1/1/2024

To

31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Trees Projects			-	-	6,499
Educational events	44,561	-	-	44,561	31,634
Garden produce	3,793	-	-	3,793	1,599
Other projects	-	-	-	-	-
Overheads	87	-	-	87	-
Other monetary assests	2,426	-	-	2,426	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,867	-	-	50,867	39,732
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,867	-	-	50,867	39,732
A3 Payments					
Trees Projects	50	312	-	362	3,521
Educational events	34,254	-	-	34,254	24,138
Educational projects		-	-	-	-
Garden produce	2,163	-	-	2,163	3,264
Other projects					
Overheads	1,088	-	-	1,088	852
Other monetary assest repayments	2,514	-	-	2,514	5,780
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	40,069	312	-	40,381	37,555
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed asset investments					
Polytunnel	-	-	-	-	1,641
Tractor	5,100	-	-	5,100	-
Sub total	5,100	-	-	5,100	1,641
Total payments	45,169	312	-	45,481	39,196
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,698	- 312	-	5,386	536
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,805	1,100	-	2,905	2,369
Cash funds this year end	7,503	788	-	8,291	2,905

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Closing cash	7,503.00	788	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	7,503	788	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account (s))	OK	OK	OK


		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	Due to Ediculture	1,313	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	Details			
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details			
	Ipad (2021)	Unrestricted	330	330
	Marquee & storage container (2021) - for stalls & festivals	Unrestricted	570	570
	Work cabin (since 2022)	Unrestricted	418	418
	Polytunnel (since 2022)	Unrestricted	3,142	3,142
	Tractor (since 2024)	Unrestricted	5,100	5,100
			-	-

		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Details			
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Stephen Watts	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Edible Culture Operative

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1076110

Set out on pages

1 and 2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

13/02/2026

Name:

Terence Dennis

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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FCA (retired)

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.