

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

England & Wales · Charity number 1091729

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	04370324
Registered	2002-04-24
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: (A) PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY WITHIN EAST LONDON AND ESSEX, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING STATUTORY AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, INFIRMITY, OR DISABLEMENT, POVERTY OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES. (B) ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC AT LARGE, IN AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE, HOMECRAFTS, COUNTRY LIFE, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT THROUGH BEST ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICES ESPECIALLY BY ENCOURAGING REDUCTION, RE-USE AND RECYCLING, AND RELATED SUBJECTS AND IN THE PRINCIPLES OF SELF-DISCIPLINE AND GOOD CITIZENSHIP AND THROUGH THEIR LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES SO THAT THEY DEVELOP THEIR PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL CAPACITIES AND GROW TO FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF SOCIETY AND THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE MAY BE IMPROVED. (C) PROMOTE AMONG THE PUBLIC HUMANITY AND MORALITY BY ADVANCING EDUCATION IN THE CARE AND CONSIDERATION FOR ALL ANIMALS, PARTICULARLY ANIMALS IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION SO THAT THE PUBLIC AND PARTICULARLY THE YOUNGER MEMBERS THEREOF WILL LEARN GREATER AWARENESS OF AND APPRECIATION FOR SUCH ANIMALS. (D) PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR AGE, YOUTH, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT, POVERTY OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES, SO AS TO PREPARE THEM FOR ANY TRADE, OCCUPATION OR SERVICE AND THEREBY ADVANCE THEM IN LIFE TO ENABLE THEM TO EARN THEIR OWN LIVELIHOOD. (E) RELIEVE PHYSICALLY OR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED OR DISABLED OR DEPRIVED PERSONS BY THE PROVISION, AS REMEDIAL RECREATIONAL OR THERAPEUTIC ACTIVITY, OF FACILITIES, INCLUDING HORSE AND PONY RIDING AND GARDENING, SUBJECT, WHERE APPROPRIATE, TO THE CONSENT OF THE MEDICAL ADVISORS OF ALL SUCH PERSONS.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WITHIN EAST LONDON AND ESSEX
- Essex
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£227,568	£227,574	-	-
2024-03-31	£211,069	£218,869	-	-
2023-03-31	£191,578	£200,321	-	-
2022-03-31	£205,836	£189,210	-	-
2021-03-31	£177,745	£121,019	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev ROGER KENNETH GAYLER	Chair	
Christine Elizabeth Mackenzie		2024-12-14
Clare Ellen Rowley		2014-10-04
Julia Moran		2024-12-14
Kirsty Marie Hanmore		2023-09-01
Rebecca Snell		2017-04-10
STEPHEN WEBB		
VICTORIA GEARY		

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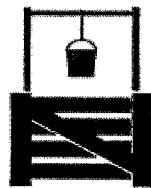
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COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



WELLGATE
COMMUNITY FARM

**COLLOER ROW ROAD
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COMPANY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Directors (Trustees)	Rev Roger Gayler Julia Moran Christine Mackenzie Rebecca Snell Clare Rowley Victoria Geary Stephen Webb Kirsty Hanmore Robert Brown until 06/06/24 Robert Gayler until 16/01/25
Company Secretary	Michelle Nathan
Company Number	4370324 (England and Wales) Incorporated 8th February 2002
Charity Number	1091729 Registered 24 April 2002
Registered Office	Wellgate Community Farm Collier Row Road Collier Row Romford RM5 2BH
Independent Examiner	Kim Lee, F.C.M.A. mip, A.T.T. Mawney Accountancy

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WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
 COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)
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ANNUAL REPORT INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Structure, governance and management

The governing documents are the memorandum and articles incorporated 8 February 2002.

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2025. The annual report serves the purpose of both a Trustees' and a directors' report under company law. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1, the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, SORP (FRS 102); and the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK

Aims and Purposes

To promote the benefit of the community within East London and Essex, without distinction of sex, or of political, religious or other opinions by associating statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the general public in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances.

To advance the education of the public at large, in agriculture, horticulture, home crafts, country life, protection and improvement of the natural environment through best environmental practices especially by encouraging reduction, re-use and recycling, and related subjects and in the principles of self-discipline and good citizenship and through their leisure time activities so that they develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities and grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and their conditions of life may be improved.

To promote among the public, humanity and morality by advancing education in the care and consideration for all animals, particularly animals in need of care and protection so that the public and particularly the younger members thereof will learn greater awareness of and appreciation for such animals.

To provide education and training for persons who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances, so as to prepare them for any trade, occupation or service and thereby advance them in life to enable them to earn their own livelihood.

To relieve physically or mentally handicapped or disabled or deprived persons by the provision, as remedial, recreational or therapeutic activity, of facilities, including horse and pony riding and gardening, subject, where appropriate, to the consent of the medical advisers of all such persons.

Objectives and Activities

Wellgate Community Farm exists as a focus for community, creating an opportunity for people to grow, make a positive contribution and promote social cohesion. Our vision is to enable all individuals to grow to their full potential, developing emotionally, socially, intellectually, physically and spiritually through educational, recreational and therapeutic activities.

Over 43 years, the Farm has developed to meet the needs of the community. Many of the services the Farm provides focus on supporting people, particularly those that are disadvantaged.

The farm has continued to work with several organisations including those serving our local disabled community and these include Jaktol Day Care Centre for those on the spectrum, DABD, NELFT, THREE Cs, Five Rivers, King George Hospital, The H Foundation, Robert Clark School, Little Heath Barley Lane Special Needs School and Oak View who have continued to regularly bring groups here to visit and engage in Farm educational and recreational activities.

Wellgate Community Farm plays a crucial role in building a vibrant, diverse culture and we have managed to connect with more diverse groups in our area including those who are home schooled or in need of social prescribing services. We have reached out to more community organisations including Barking and Dagenham Citizens Alliance network, Participate volunteer group, NHS property services Group and Youth Futures Foundation.

The Farm's mobile animal visits are a vital source of revenue to the Farm and a fundamental part of our educational programme, giving children the opportunity to learn about animals and where food comes from. This year we introduced short repeat therapy sessions of animal encounters in schools working alongside special needs children education support networks. These sessions have enabled these young people to come up close to farm animals in a safer environment but also to enable them have relaxed periods in schools which has played a big role in the care and education of these children

Fundraising Initiatives and Community Events

Wellgate Community Farm continued to host its much-loved annual events, including Spring Babies, St. Patrick's Day – March Hare Tea Party, Open Day, Halloween, Christmas Celebration, Wellgate Summer Show, and the Summer Holiday Animal Encounters Day. These events not only brought the community together but also helped raise awareness of the Farm's work.

In addition to on-site events, the Farm participated in 15 shopping mall events, which played a vital role in fundraising efforts to support the upkeep and development of our green space.

To sustain and grow our programmes, we applied for grants from several key funders, including Garfield Weston Foundation, National Lottery Fund, London Community Foundation, NCIL, Cory Group, Co-op Foundation, Children in Need, and Jack Petchey Foundation.

We also established a bi-monthly partnership with Wickes, who generously donate tools and materials to support the maintenance of the Farm site.

Our strong relationships with local schools, preschools, day nurseries, churches, and community centres remain central to our outreach. We regularly attend educational and social events with our animals, enriching the lives of children and adults alike. This year, we expanded our outreach to include more care homes, with plans to establish regular visits to these settings in the near future.

All of these events and activities provide the local community with meaningful opportunities to learn about animals and enjoy quality recreational experiences in a safe, engaging environment.

Our Farm Shop continues to serve as a vital point of contact for the local community. Operated on days when volunteers are available, the shop offers farm-fresh eggs, vegetables, herbs, and plants, all grown and produced by our dedicated team of horticultural and shop volunteers. This initiative not only supports sustainable living but also strengthens community ties through local engagement.

Educational and Training activities

Local children have greatly benefited from the Farm's educational initiatives, both through school visits and trips to the farm itself.

Over the past year, the Farm welcomed 55 school groups, ranging from Early Years to Key Stage 2, for engaging educational activity sessions. Additionally, our mobile education programme reached 28 schools, bringing the farm experience directly to classrooms.

We also introduced 14 bespoke animal therapy and encounter sessions tailored for children in mainstream education with special educational needs (SEND), providing meaningful and inclusive experiences.

Furthermore, four local schools participated in weekly term-time visits, offering SEND students opportunities for hands-on learning and work experience.

The Farm hosted 10 children's birthday parties, where young guests enjoyed a unique rural celebration, including petting and feeding animals.

Expanding our outreach, we visited six care homes, delivering personalized animal encounter sessions that brought joy and comfort to residents.

Secondary school students have participated in the Farm's alternative education programme, gaining valuable experience through work placements and training sessions. Several schools referred Key Stage 3 and 4 pupils who face challenges attending mainstream education full-time. These students, including those with severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities, and those on the autistic spectrum, have benefited from tailored educational activities at the Farm.

More than 40 children aged 8 to 18 attended our Young Farmers Club, took part in Duke of Edinburgh training, and attended Farmer for a Day session, all designed to foster practical skills and a connection to nature.

The Farm also welcomed adults referred by a range of support organisations for training opportunities. These included homeless support groups, disability services, Job Centres, colleges, Mind, DABD, Richmond Fellowship, Good Mayes Hospital, YMCA, King's Trust, LBBD College, and Shaw Trust.

We hosted five uniformed youth groups—including Brownies, Beavers, Squirrels, and Scouts—who earned badges in animal care and gardening through hands-on experiences on the Farm.

During school half-terms, our Farmer for a Day activity sessions engaged young people in outdoor learning, increasing public access to green spaces and promoting environmental awareness. These sessions helped foster a deeper connection between the Farm and the local community, while supporting teachers in meeting curriculum goals and inspiring students to achieve their educational potential.

We have continued to teach gardening, maintenance skills, and environmental awareness to our Young Farmers and volunteers, who actively care for the Farm's horticultural plots.

The Farm proudly continues to run the Jack Petchey Silver Achievement Award Scheme, which celebrates the accomplishments of our students, Young Farmers, and young volunteers. This initiative also provides valuable funding for essential equipment, helping us maintain and enhance our facilities.

As part of our Hands On Partnership with Lambourne End Centre, the Farm delivers animal care qualifications to secondary school students who face challenges in mainstream education. These students work towards Level 1 City & Guilds qualifications in Land-Based Studies, attending between one and three days per week. Last year, 56 students participated, achieving an impressive 85% success rate. Many of these young people are in care or have special educational needs, low confidence, behavioural difficulties, or poor school attendance. Others join the programme due to a strong interest in pursuing careers in the animal care industry.

The Hands On project saw great success over the summer, with all students completing their full term and earning their qualifications. Each participant completed at least two units, helping them secure places in further education. Notably, several students discovered a passion for practical work and chose to pursue trades, with many now enrolled at Writtle College, Capel Manor College, and The Really NEET College.

Wellgate Community Farm continued to provide valuable work experience opportunities for secondary and tertiary students. Over the academic year, more than 40 students completed placements lasting between one and three weeks, gaining hands-on experience in a unique learning environment.

We also offered 72 work experience placements specifically for students with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND). Feedback from schools and referral agencies highlighted the scarcity of inclusive work experience opportunities, expressing deep appreciation for the Farm's commitment. As one school shared:

"We would like to take this opportunity to thank Wellgate Community Farm, and the staffing teams, for giving our young people a chance and helping them to settle into their placements. The pupils have gained invaluable experience. We hope to be able to continue our partnership with you this year."

— Little Heath School

In addition, the Farm hosted 40 college placements, each involving 150 hours of practical experience. Students came from a range of institutions, including Barking and Dagenham College, Riverside Bridge (Barking), Shuttleworth College, King's Trust, Writtle College, Capel Manor College, and USP College.

Through these diverse programmes and partnerships, Wellgate Community Farm reached approximately 20,000 young people, offering meaningful experiences that support personal growth, skill development, and pathways to further education and employment.

Allotments

The Allotments Project has continued to thrive this year, running smoothly and producing impressive results. Several plots yielded crops throughout the year—even into December—which is a remarkable achievement. This success reflects our ongoing mission to inspire people to grow their own food and demonstrate what's possible not only on-site but also in their own homes and gardens.

In response to requests from plot-holders, we introduced two beehives on a trial basis. While these have since returned to their original location, we are planning to welcome bees back as permanent residents in 2025.

The project is designed to enhance practical skills, promote wellbeing, and strengthen community cohesion. Through hands-on experience, participants are encouraged to engage in food growing, which supports healthier lifestyles through increased physical activity and improved nutrition.

Volunteering and Community Inclusion

The Farm continues to provide meaningful volunteering opportunities for individuals and groups of all ages and abilities. In the past year, we offered over 2,000 volunteering placements—an increase made possible through successful funding that supports volunteers in gaining valuable experience and developing essential skills. We are deeply grateful to our funders for enabling this growth.

Our volunteers play a vital role in maintaining the Farm as a clean, safe, and welcoming public space. Through ongoing training, they acquire practical skills that help ensure the site remains accessible and enjoyable for all visitors. As the public face of the Farm, volunteers greet guests, offer guided tours, and facilitate animal encounters, fostering a sense of connection and community. Their efforts help promote inclusivity, pride in our Borough, and contribute to reducing anti-social behaviour by encouraging positive engagement.

We are especially proud to support weekly volunteering sessions for young people aged 13–19 from special needs day care centres. These sessions provide enriching experiences for individuals with severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities, and those on the autistic spectrum, offering them opportunities to participate meaningfully in community life.

Sustainable Development

The farm is grateful to all the volunteers who continue to help with horticulture, maintenance, animal work, administration and educational visits all of which help to keep the farm running. We are grateful to all the corporate groups that have helped to carry out repairs on the farm site including donating materials. The farm will continue to engage with more groups for better sustainability. We receive many enquiries from people and groups from our local community to help them gain work experience, life skills and volunteering opportunities to increase their involvement in the community and improve their confidence, abilities and self-esteem. Due to limited finances, we are unable to meet the demand and support all those who need help.

Without an increase in funding, we will struggle to maintain our current level of services. We have given out more feedback forms to those doing work experience and weekday volunteering. We will be using these to develop new projects as well as grant applications and reports. Core costs have been increasing and this affects the services we can offer. To help us maintain our service level and potentially increase our ability to engage with the community we will continue to apply for charitable grants.

The Trustee Board has continued to review and manage budgets to ensure compliance and strengthen governance. In 2024, we welcomed two new trustees, Christine Mackenzie and Julia Shewry, both of whom bring extensive expertise in fundraising and financial management.

Staff training remains a cornerstone of our commitment to ongoing development and regulatory compliance. Recognising the evolving needs of our team, the HR department has expanded its training offerings. In addition to the standard courses, tailored training programmes were assigned to specific staff members based on their roles and responsibilities.

These include:

- Cyber security best practices
- Understanding GDPR
- Time management
- Managing investigation & disciplinary
- Disciplinary outcome & appeal procedure
- Cyber security best practices
- Equality at work: Introduction to UK discrimination laws
- Equality, diversity & inclusion awareness
- Mental health awareness
- Neurodiversity
- Mental health awareness
- When to be assertive
- Whistleblowing

Future Plans

To implement the business plan bearing in mind the business risk assessment.

To maintain and develop our partnership with Barking & Dagenham Council and Social Farms and Gardens to increase our partnership working. Specifically, to review and renew our partnership agreement with Lambourne End Outdoor Centre.

To continue to use our resources as efficiently as possible and to be alert to possibilities for developing the farm, including new streams of funding.

It is certain now that the Ecogrove development will no longer come to fruition and therefore the Farm will not be extending our site nor will benefit from any re-development in the immediate future. We will continue to be aware of any proposed development on our boundaries and the impact on our effectiveness.

To continue to improve the site and resources for the community. This will include investigating and developing a business plan to see if reducing the number of poultry and introducing alpacas would be a viable option. There are also plans to renovate the conservation and horticulture areas.

Risk Management

The Trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the Charity faces or may face and confirm that systems are in place to enable regular reports to be produced, so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen any such risks. The principal risks faced by the charity are the sustainability of income, and the ongoing restraint over, and control of, operating costs. Both of these risks are under constant review and monitoring.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are required by law to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year.

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable Charities SORP. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Financial Review

The results of the year are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 3.

In the year, the charity has generated income of £227,568, (£211,069 - 2024). Total costs incurred were £227,574, (£222,434 - 2024), leaving a current period surplus of income over expenditure of £6.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

Management accounts continue to be presented to the Trustees at each meeting.

The Trustees have continued to work with the local Council for Voluntary Services to provide advice on commercial management and viability.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees aim to have free reserves to cover 6 months of running costs and a minimum of 3 months, (£51,774). The Trustees believe that this level of reserves would enable us to meet our aims and objectives on a short-term and long-term basis. This would also provide for unanticipated shortfalls in income and to cover costs such as staff sickness, delays in receiving grants, moving premises or other unplanned events. The level of reserves is regularly kept under review. The balance shown on unrestricted funds, at 31st March 2025 amounted to £103,735.

**Approved by the Directors / Trustees
and signed on their behalf by:**



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**Reverend R Gayler
Director and Trustee**

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company, for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 3 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the '2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity, and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view', and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those accounting records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS

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

Mawney Accountancy
1 Beech Street
Romford
Essex
RM7 7LA


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Kim Lee, F.C.M.A. mip, A.T.T.

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10/11/25
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Dated

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025			2024		
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME							
Donations and legacies	2	32,357	20,472	52,829	28,134	58,767	86,901
Charitable activities	2	146,142	-	146,142	106,457	-	106,457
Other trading activities	2	21,217	-	21,217	16,054	-	16,054
Disposal of Van	2	7,381	-	7,381	1,657	-	1,657
Total income and endowments		207,096	20,472	227,568	152,302	58,767	211,069
Expenditure on							
Charitable activities	4	192,232	30,460	222,692	198,256	17,049	218,869
Raising funds	4	4,816	66	4,882	3,565	-	3,565
Other income	4						
Total resources expended		197,048	30,526	227,574	201,821	17,049	222,434
Net (Expenditure)/Income for the period before transfers		10,048 -	10,054 -	6	- 49,519	41,718 -	7,800
Transfers between funds		666 -	666	-	333 -	333	-
Exchange gains / losses		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		10,714 -	10,720 -	6	- 49,185	41,385 -	7,800
Total funds brought forward	11	93,021	52,895	145,916	142,206	11,510.00	153,716
Total funds carried forward	11	103,735	42,175	145,910	93,021	52,895	145,916

The notes on pages 5 to 9 form part of these accounts.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	<u>Note</u>	<u>31.03.25</u>		<u>31.03.24</u>	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	7		4,800		-
Current Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		104,042		132,710	
Debtors and prepayments	8	44,002		19,155	
		<u>148,044</u>		<u>151,865</u>	
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>6,934</u>		<u>5,949</u>	
Net current assets			<u>141,110</u>		<u>145,915</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u><u>145,910</u></u>		<u><u>145,915</u></u>
Represented by:					
Unrestricted funds	11		103,735		93,021
Restricted funds	11		42,175		52,895
			<u><u>145,910</u></u>		<u><u>145,916</u></u>

The members consider that for the period ended 31 March 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirements to have an audit under the provision of Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. No member or members have deposited a notice requesting an audit for the current financial period under Section 476 of the Act.

The trustees/directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial period and of its profit or loss for the financial period in accordance with the requirements of Sections 393 and 394, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to the financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Approved by the directors and trustees on 10th Nov 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

RKSjl

Director and trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Accounting policies

(a) General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered

(b) Basis of preparation

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

(c) Activities

The financial statements include the results of the charity's operations as described in the directors' and trustees' annual report.

(d) Income recognition

Income of all kinds is accounted for when receivable, i.e. in the period in which the Charity is entitled to receipt, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. No permanent endowments have been received in the period.

(e) Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be reliably measured.

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

All core cost categories are regarded as being in furtherance of the Charity's objects, as described in the Annual Report.

(f) Operating leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor, are reflected in the statement of financial activities as incurred.

(g) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The current economic conditions present increased risks for all businesses. In response to such conditions, the directors/trustees have carefully considered these risks, including an assessment of uncertainty on future trading projection for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements, and the extent to which they might affect the preparation of the financial statements.

The directors/trustees have concluded that the going concern basis remains appropriate.

1. Accounting policies (continued)**(h) Tangible Fixed Assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of assets less their estimated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and Equipment	10%	of cost per annum on a straight line basis
Fixtures and fittings	25%	of cost per annum on a straight line basis
Motor Vehicles	20%	of cost per annum on a straight line basis

A de-minimis limit of £1,000 is applied under which fixed assets are not capitalised.

(i) Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are:

Unrestricted funds

These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the directors.

Designated funds

These are unrestricted funds that the directors have designated for particular purposes. The designation may be cancelled by the directors if they later decide that the charity should not proceed or continue with the use or project for which the funds were designated.

Restricted funds

These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restriction arise when specified by a grantor or when funds are raised for a particular purpose.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 20252. **Income**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:						
Donations and gifts	6,239		6,239	5,695		5,695
Grants	21,959	20,472	42,431	20,075	58,767	78,842
Fundraising schemes	103		103	1,543		1,543
Memberships	205		205	95		95
Corporate groups	3,051		3,051			
Other	800		800	497		497
Allotments			-	230		230
	32,357	20,472	52,829	28,134	58,767	86,901
Charitable activities:						
Education	42,047		42,047	23,910	-	23,910
Recreational Activities	2,881		2,881	100	-	100
Supported Volunteering	10,402		10,402	17,323	-	17,323
Training	90,812		90,812	65,125	-	65,125
	146,142	-	146,142	106,457	-	106,457
Other trading activities:						
Animal Boarding	467		467	358		358
Events	10,186		10,186	6,747		6,747
Farm Sales	3,265		3,265	3,132		3,132
Shop Sales	7,298		7,298	5,817		5,817
Other	-		-	-		-
	21,217	-	21,217	16,054	-	16,054
Miscellaneous Income :						
Refunds to farm			-	1,657		1,657
Disposal of van	7,381		7,381			-
	7,381	-	7,381	1,657	-	1,657
	207,096	20,472	227,568	152,302	58,767	211,069

3. **Grants & service level agreements**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Clothworkers Foundation			-	-	20,000	20,000
Co-op Local Community Fund	1,959		1,959			
Cory Community Foundation		7,372	7,372			
Essex Youth Trust			-	-	3,000	3,000
Garfield Weston Foundation	20,000		20,000			
Jack Petchey Foundation		3,100	3,100	-	3,785	3,785
LBBD service level agreement			-	20,075	-	20,075
LCF - Vanquis		10,000	10,000	-	10,000	10,000
National Lottery Community Fund			-	-	9,738	9,738
NCIL			-	-	9,748	9,748
North Meet South Big Local			-	-	2,496	2,496
	21,959	20,472	42,431	20,075	58,767	78,842

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 20254. Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Generating Funds						
Event costs	4,816	66	4,882	3,565	-	3,565
	4,816	66	4,882	3,565	-	3,565
Charitable activities						
Administration	2,927	800	3,727	3,263	51	3,314
Insurance	6,352	1,334	7,685	4,340	-	4,340
Animal costs	18,095	1,095	19,190	15,765	50	15,815
Farm costs	2,563	927	3,490	8,590	503	9,093
Support costs	4,078	-	4,078	4,230	-	4,230
Rent	5,300	-	5,300	10,600	-	10,600
Bin collection	1,599	-	1,599	-	-	-
Repairs & Maintenance	552	417	969	1,805	663	2,468
Small Tools & Equipment	316	10	326	284	66	351
Site improvements	2,498	2,749	5,247	1,984	4,556	6,541
Corporate groups	1,973	-	1,973	-	-	-
Staff costs	136,103	22,817	158,920	136,364	10,948	147,312
Payroll preparation	794	-	794	1,221	-	1,221
DBS checks (staff & volunteers)	285	-	285	-	-	-
Travel	562	-	562	1,001	-	1,001
Training	-	-	-	1,169	-	1,169
Utilities	3,974	311	4,285	3,968	128	4,097
Vehicle Expenses	3,063	-	3,063	3,671	82	3,753
Depreciation	1,200	-	1,200	-	-	-
	192,232	30,460	222,692	198,256	17,049	215,305
	197,048	30,526	227,574	201,821	17,049	218,869

5. Staff costs and Trustees' Remuneration

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Salaries and wages	152,205	142,876
Social security costs (less employers NI allowance)	4,299	2,341
Pension costs	2,416	2,082
	158,920	147,299
Average number of employees	12	11

(i) James Snell, Imogen Snell and Elizabeth Webb who are employed by the company are related to a trustee. The total salaries figure includes amounts paid to them in accordance with their terms of employment.

(ii) No employee received emoluments above £60,000.

6. Support costs

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Independent examiner's fee	1,600	1,750
Accountancy fees	-	1,050
Legal and professional fees	2,040	1,078
Memberships	438	352
	4,078	4,230

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Improvements to Premises</u>	<u>Furniture, Fixtures & Plant</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2024	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2025	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>159,428</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2025	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>154,628</u>
Net book Value				
At 1 April 2024	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>4,800</u>

All fixed assets are held for direct charitable purposes.

8. Current Assets

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Accrued Income	22,305	2,111
Prepayments	221	-
Sundry debtors	21,475	2,044
Other debtors	-	15,000
	<u>44,002</u>	<u>19,155</u>

The directors continue to pursue the return of the deposit paid for a new horsebox.

9. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Sundry creditors	-	-
Other taxes and social security costs	-	-
Accruals & deferred income	6,934	5,949
	<u>6,934</u>	<u>5,949</u>

The accruals figure for 2023 has been restated following the discovery of an input error.

10. Analysis of net assets by funds

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Unrestricted income fund	103,735	93,021
Restricted funds	42,175	52,895
	<u>145,910</u>	<u>145,916</u>

The unrestricted income fund represents net income unexpended and undesignated at the date of the balance sheet. These funds comprise those monies which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the objects of the Charity, as defined in the constitution.

The restricted funds represent monies given for specific projects or purposes.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 202511. **Funds and reserves**

	At 01-Apr-24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	At 31-Mar-25
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
CLA Charitable Trust	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
Clothworkers Foundation	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Cory Community Foundation	-	7,372	- 250	-	7,122
Essex Youth Trust	-	-	-	-	-
Jack Petchey Environmental Achieve	-	300	- 11	-	289
Jack Petchey Leader Award	-	1,000	- 1,000	-	-
Jack Petchey Trip Grant	84	-	-	-	84
Jack Petchey YAA recognition award	152	-	- 152	-	-
Jack Petchey Youth Achievement	3,153	1,800	- 3,194	-	1,759
LCF - Vanquis	7,040	10,000	- 8,453	- 666	7,921
National Lottery Community Fund	8,550	-	- 8,550	-	-
NCIL - LBBD	7,916	-	- 7,916	-	-
North Meet South Big Local	1,000	-	- 1,000	-	-
Total Restricted Funds	52,895	20,472	- 30,526	- 666	42,175
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>					
Co-op Local Community Fund	-	1,959	- 1,959	-	-
Garfield Weston	-	20,000	- 16,667	-	3,333
General funds	54,852	185,137	- 178,422	666	62,233
	54,852	207,096	- 197,048	666	65,566
<u>Designated funds</u>					
LBBD	-	-	-	-	-
Reserves fund	27,500	-	-	-	27,500
Vehicle Replacement Fund	10,669	-	-	-	10,669
	38,169	-	-	-	38,169
Total Unrestricted Funds	93,021	207,096	- 197,048	666	103,735
Total Funds	145,915	227,568	- 227,574	-	145,910

All restricted fund balances represent unspent grants which are carried forward for use in the next financial period.
The grants were given for the following purposes:-

Co-op Local Community Fund

This year the Fund supported the Farm to raise money to contribute to the running costs of the Allotment Project, allowing the Farm to assign a staff member to support allotment holders.

Garfield Weston

This was granted to contribute to core costs of Farm.

Cory Community Foundation

This was granted to support the re-development of the horticulture and wildlife area at the Farm.

11. Funds and reserves cont.**Jack Petchey Foundation**

The Jack Petchey Youth Achievement Award Scheme is run at the Farm which grants several awards per year for young people between the ages of 11 and 25 and expended at their discretion within the charity's activities.

1 - Jack Petchey Youth Achievement Award Recognition Grant

This scheme allows the farm to nominate young people between the ages of 11 and 25 for an achievement award to celebrate their dedication and hard work. Recipients receive a certificate, pin badge and a book and can choose how to spend their grant allocation to benefit the Farm.

2 - Jack Petchey Leader Award

This is for an adult staff member or volunteer who has been nominated by the young people at the Farm for their dedication to supporting young people and going above and beyond for the Farm.

3 - Jack Petchey Environmental Achieve'

This is awarded to a young volunteer or farm participant for their outstanding work in supporting awareness of climate issues and sustainability in their local community.

London Community Fund - Vanquis

This was granted to provide support and supervision for volunteers and to contribute to general running costs of the Farm.

12. Company limited by guarantee

Wellgate Community Farm is limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital.

13. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year other than those disclosed in note 5.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

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WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

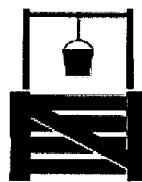
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COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024



WELLGATE
COMMUNITY FARM

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WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

COMPANY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Directors (Trustees)	Revd R K Gayler Mr S Webb Miss V Geary Mr R Gayler Ms C Rowley Mrs R Snell - since 01/09/23 Mr R Brown - until 06/06/24
Company Secretary	Mrs M Nathan
Company Number	4370324 (England and Wales) Incorporated 8th February 2002
Charity Number	1091729 Registered 24 April 2002
Registered Office	Wellgate Community Farm Collier Row Road Collier Row Romford RM52BH
Independent Examiner	Kim Lee, F.C.M.A. mip, A.T.T. Mawney Accountancy

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

**ANNUAL REPORT INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

Structure, governance and management

The governing documents are the memorandum and articles incorporated 8 February 2002.

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2024. The annual report serves the purpose of both a Trustees' and a directors' report under company law. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1, the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, SORP (FRS 102); and the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK

Aims and Purposes

To promote the benefit of the community within East London and Essex, without distinction of sex, or of political, religious or other opinions by associating statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the general public in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances.

To advance the education of the public at large, in agriculture, horticulture, home crafts, country life, protection and improvement of the natural environment through best environmental practices especially by encouraging reduction, re-use and recycling, and related subjects and in the principles of self-discipline and good citizenship and through their leisure time activities so that they develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities and grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and their conditions of life may be improved.

To promote among the public, humanity and morality by advancing education in the care and consideration for all animals, particularly animals in need of care and protection so that the public and particularly the younger members thereof will learn greater awareness of and appreciation for such animals.

To provide education and training for persons who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances, so as to prepare them for any trade, occupation or service and thereby advance them in life to enable them to earn their own livelihood.

To relieve physically or mentally handicapped or disabled or deprived persons by the provision, as remedial, recreational or therapeutic activity, of facilities, including horse and pony riding and gardening, subject, where appropriate, to the consent of the medical advisers of all such persons.

Objectives and Activities

Wellgate Community Farm exists as a focus for community, creating an opportunity for people to grow, make a positive contribution and promote social cohesion. Our vision is to enable all individuals to grow to their full potential, developing emotionally, socially, intellectually, physically and spiritually through educational, recreational and therapeutic activities.

Over 42 years, the Farm has developed to meet the needs of the community. Many of the services the Farm provides focus on supporting people, particularly those that are disadvantaged.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

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Objectives and Activities cont.

The farm is a valuable resource for the local disabled community working with many organisations including Jaktol Day Care Centre for those on the spectrum, DABD, NELFT, THREE Cs, Little Heath Barley Lane Special Needs School, Oak View and Trinity regularly bring groups here to visit. Trinity School, THREE Cs and Little Heath Barley Lane bring groups of students for work experience twice a week for 2-4 hours per session.

Wellgate Community Farm plays a crucial role in building a vibrant, diverse culture, to make the most of our green space thus complementing the borough's theme of Arts, Culture and Leisure aiming to strengthen the identity of our community and make people want to visit our and green spaces. We have reached out to more community organisations including Barking and Dagenham Citizens Alliance network, J Murphy & Sons Ltd, MEARS Foundation, Participate volunteer group and Youth Futures Foundation.

The Farm's mobile animal visits are a vital source of revenue to the Farm and a fundamental part of our educational programme, giving children the opportunity to learn about animals and where food comes from. The avian flu ban on farm birds had a major impact on our mobile visits engagement as birds had to be kept inside to prevent the possibility of them being exposed to wild birds. Poultry and waterfowl have always made up the majority of the animals we keep and therefore take out on visits. Defra imposed movement restrictions, which prevented us from taking the birds off site, greatly reducing what we can offer to schools and the community.

Fundraising and recreational events

We do run annual events including, Spring Babies, Open Day, Mad hare Tea party, Halloween, Christmas event, Wellgate Games, Wellgate Summer Show and a summer holiday Animal Encounters Day.

We continued to take part in the LBBB Crowd Funder Lottery fundraiser. We successfully applied for a grant which has contributed towards wages of the Horticultural member of staff to run the allotments. The purpose of this funding is to continue to support the running of the allotment site in Marks Gate.

We have collaborated with Wickes for a monthly donation towards tools and materials for maintenance of the farm site.

We have maintained our close links with local schools, Preschool and Day Nurseries, Churches and community centres where we support the neighbouring community by attending with our animals for educational and social events. All these occasions help the local children experience and learn about animals and provide them with quality recreational activities.

Our shop, which is a point of contact for the local community, has operated on days when shop volunteers have been available thus continuing to sell farm eggs, preserves, vegetables, plants, and potted flowers, all of which are locally grown and produced by our team of horticultural and shop volunteers.

Educational and Training activities

Local children have benefited from the Farm's educational visits to schools and by coming on visits to the Farm.

Secondary school children have attended as part of our alternative education programme and on work experience and placements.

Children from the ages of 8 to 18 have attended as members of our Young Farmers Club and Duke of Edinburgh training at a city farm.

A variety of agencies and support groups has referred Adults to us for training. These include homeless support groups, disability support groups, Job centres, Colleges, Mind, DABD, Richmond Fellowship, Goodmayes hospital, YMCA, Kings Trust, LBBB College and Shaw Trust.

We provided uniformed groups including Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts with a safe place to come and complete their animal care and farming badges.

Educational and Training activities cont.

The farm held Farmer for a Day activity sessions engaging local Primary Schools. This enabled the farm to increase public attendance to our Green Space as well as developing wider skill based interest. These sessions allowed the Farm to engage with the local community whilst teaching environmental awareness and engaging young people with the outdoors. Working alongside teachers and the community, we have continued to develop a wider skill based interest in traditional farming. Wellgate Farm continued to play a greater role in enabling teachers to reach curriculum targets and continue to improve educational aims to aspire and achieve.

We have continued to teach gardening and maintenance skills, healthy eating and environmental awareness to the young farmers and volunteers who look after the horticultural plots.

We have continued to run the Jack Petchey Silver Achievement Award Scheme. This scheme enables the farm to celebrate the achievement of our students, young farmers, and young volunteers as well as receive additional funding which goes towards much needed equipment to run the farm.

We have allocated all the allotment plots at Bagleys Spring to LBBD residents most of whom are residents of Marks Gate/ Chadwell Heath Ward, community groups and schools. The project aims to improve skills and wellbeing, and increase community cohesion. Through a thoroughly hands on experience people are encouraged to grow their own food, thereby increasing their physical activity and healthy eating.

We have provided alternative education through our Hands On project, which helps those who are otherwise struggling in mainstream education. We have provided work experience placements for people of all abilities thus helping to raise attainment and realise aspiration for these beneficiaries.

The Farm's educational visits to the Farm saw 16 early years to Key Stage 2 school groups come to the Farm for educational activity sessions.

Three local schools attended weekly during term time with groups of SEND students for educational and work experience activities. We also introduced animal therapy sessions for SEND students in primary school settings.

The farm hosted three children's parties where children again experienced a rural birthday themed event coming up close to the animals petting and feeding them.

Several primary schools including (Dorothy Barley Primary School, Goodmayes, Creative Kids Nurseries, St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School, Sunnyside Pre-school, Village Infant School, Oak view, Little Heath and Valance Primary etc.) have engaged with the farm joining, in our various farming activities.

Secondary and special needs schools including (St Edwards Academy; Canon Palmer; St John's Roman Catholic School; Jo Richardson, Riverside and East brook School) have also referred groups of key stage three and four pupils, who struggle to stay in main school education for the full week. These students have benefited from the farm's educational training sessions. Some of these young people have severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities and some are within the autistic spectrum.

Educational and Training activities cont.

The farm continued to deliver animal care qualifications as part of our Hands On Partnership with Lambourne End Centre. The project is for secondary school age students who for many reasons are struggling in mainstream education. They work towards level one and two City and Guilds qualifications in Land Based Studies attending between one and three days a week. We had 58 attending last year with a success rate 89%. These young people are usually referred to the Farm as they are struggling with mainstream education for a variety of reasons including low confidence, special educational needs, behavioural difficulties and low attendance. Many are young people in care. However, some do opt to participate as they have an interest in a future career in the animal industry. Hands On project was very successful this summer with all students that left after their full term of sessions gained their qualifications in Land Based Studies Level 1. It was quite intense ensuring that all students completed at least two units to help ensure their places into further education. A few of the boys decided to learn a trade after finding their happy place in maintenance jobs.

The farm provided work experience for secondary schools with over forty secondary and tertiary level students completing placements of between one and three weeks in the academic year. We offered work placement to Newham City College students who are doing their City & guilds intermediate diploma in electrical installations.

We offered 15 work experience places for students with Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities. Feedback from schools and referral agencies has stated there are very few places where SEND students can gain work experience and are very grateful for this service.

The farm offered 60 college placements from further educational colleges working 150 hours each. The students were from various settings including Barking and Dagenham College, Riverside Bridge – Barking, Shuttleworth College, Kings Trust, Writtle and Capel Manor and USP College.

All these activities enabled the farm to reach approximately 18,000 young people.

Volunteering

The farm continued to provide volunteering opportunities to people and groups of all ages and abilities. This year we have offered more than 2015 volunteering opportunities, due to the farm reaching out more as we were successful with our application for funding of volunteers to gain experience and improve their skills thanks to NCIL grant from LBBDD.

We have continued to train volunteers to gain skills to enable them to keep this public open space clean and safe for the people to visit. The volunteers are the public face of the farm making it possible for residents to connect and to feel engaged and comfortable. They welcome visiting members of the public and show them round the farm whilst taking part in animal encounters. This helps the wider community realise that everyone can contribute something to a safe, friendly, welcoming environment increasing community cohesion and pride in our Borough, which can play a big role in reducing anti-social behaviour.

The farm has enabled special needs day care centres holding weekly volunteering sessions for young people aged 13-19 years with severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities and some within the autistic spectrum.

Sustainable Development

The farm is grateful to all the volunteers who continue to help with horticulture, maintenance, animal work, administration and educational visits all of which help to keep the farm running.

We are grateful to all the cooperate groups that have helped to carry out repairs on the farm site including donating materials. The farm will continue to engage with more groups for better sustainability.

We receive many enquiries from people and groups in the borough to help them gain work experience, life skills, volunteering, to help increase their involvement in the community and their confidence, abilities and self-esteem.

Sustainable Development cont.

Due to limited finances, we are unable to meet the demand and support all those who need help. Without an increase in funding, we will struggle to maintain our current level of services. Core costs have been increasing and this affects the services we can offer. To help us maintain our service level and potentially increase our ability to engage with the community we will continue to apply for charitable grants.

Our aim is for remuneration to be at least at the living wage level but this of course has financial implications.

We are always on the lookout for new trustees and we are now working with Barking and Dagenham Citizens Alliance network, the Fore Foundation and BD Collective to find more avenues of recruiting more trustees.

Staff training is an important and ever present need and courses have been undertaken in

- First Aid including Equine First Aid.
- Health and safety including Safeguarding
- Fire safety
- Updated staff animal health checks and emergency response
- Cyber security best practices
- Understanding GDPR
- Equality, diversity & inclusion awareness
- Mental health awareness
- Parasitology for smallholders

Future Plans

To implement the business plan bearing in mind the business risk assessment

To maintain and develop our partnership with Barking & Dagenham Council, Lambourne End Centre, Social Farms and Gardens (the amalgamation of the Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens and Care Farming UK) to increase our partnership working.

To continue to use our resources as efficiently as possible and to be alert to possibilities for developing the farm, including new streams of funding.

To continue to work with the developer to realise the proposals for the new development.

Risk Management

The Trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the Charity faces or may face and confirm that systems are in place to enable regular reports to be produced, so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen any such risks. The principal risks faced by the charity are the sustainability of income, and the ongoing restraint over, and control of, operating costs. Both of these risks are under constant review and monitoring.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are required by law to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year.

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in operation.

Trustees' Responsibilities cont.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable Charities SORP. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Financial Review

The results of the year are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 3.

In the year, the charity has generated income of £211,069, (£191,368 - 2023). Total costs incurred were £231,269, (£202,317 - 2023), leaving a current period deficit of income over expenditure of £20,200, before exchange rate differences.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

Reserves Policy

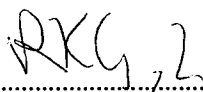
The Trustees aim to have free reserves to cover 6 months of running costs and a minimum of 3 months, (£49,805). The Trustees believe that this level of reserves would enable us to meet our aims and objectives on a short-term and long-term basis. This would also provide for unanticipated shortfalls in income and to cover costs such as staff sickness, delays in receiving grants, moving premises or other unplanned events. The level of reserves is regularly kept under review. The balance shown on unrestricted fund at 31st March 2024 amounted to £199,221.

Management accounts continue to be presented to the Trustees at each meeting.

The Trustees have continued to work with the local Council for Voluntary Services to provide advice on commercial management and viability.

For the coming year the farm needs to continue to increase its income in order to further develop and maintain its resources.

**Approved by the Directors / Trustees
and signed on their behalf by:**



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Reverend R Gayler Director and Trustee

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company, for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 3 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the '2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity, and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view', and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those accounting records; or
- (3) the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- (4) the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS

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

Mawney Accountancy
1 Beech Street
Romford
Essex
RM7 7LA

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Kim Lee, F.C.M.A. mip, A.T.T.

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Dated

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	2024			2023		
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME							
Donations and legacies	2	28,134	58,767	86,901	33,173	9,175	42,348
Charitable activities	2	106,457	-	106,457	131,064	-	131,064
Other trading activities	2	16,054	-	16,054	16,964	-	16,964
Miscellaneous	2	1,657	-	1,657	992	-	992
Total income and endowments		152,302	58,767	211,069	182,193	9,175	191,368
Expenditure on							
Charitable activities	4	201,821	17,049	218,869	174,815	27,503	202,317
Raising Funds	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total resources expended		201,821	17,049	218,869	174,815	27,503	202,317
Net (Expenditure)/Income for the period before transfers	-	49,519	41,718	- 7,800	7,378	- 18,328	- 10,950
Transfers between funds		333	- 333	-	-	-	-
Exchange gains / losses		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	-	49,185	41,385	- 7,800	7,378	- 18,328	- 10,950
Total funds brought forward	11	142,206	11,510	153,716	134,828	29,838	164,666
Total funds carried forward	11	93,021	52,895	145,916	142,206	11,510	153,716

The notes on pages 5 to 9 form part of these accounts.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
COMPANY NO. 04370324 (ENGLAND AND WALES)
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>31.03.24</u>	<u>31.03.23</u>
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	7	-	-
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		132,710	156,703
Debtors and prepayments	8	19,155	585
		<u>151,865</u>	<u>157,288</u>
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>5,949</u>	<u>3,572</u>
Net current assets		<u>145,916</u>	<u>153,716</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u><u>145,916</u></u>	<u><u>153,716</u></u>
Represented by:			
Unrestricted income funds	11	93,021	142,206
Restricted funds	11	52,895	11,510
		<u><u>145,916</u></u>	<u><u>153,716</u></u>

The members consider that for the period ended 31 March 2024 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirements to have an audit under the provision of Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. No member or members have deposited a notice requesting an audit for the current financial period under Section 476 of the Act.

The trustees/directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial period and of its profit or loss for the financial period in accordance with the requirements of Sections 393 and 394, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to the financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Approved by the directors and trustees on 24.12 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

RKC/L

Director and trustee

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1. Accounting policies

(a) General information

The company is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered

(b) Basis of preparation

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

(c) Activities

The financial statements include the results of the charity's operations as described in the directors' and trustees' annual report.

(d) Income recognition

Income of all kinds is accounted for when receivable, i.e. in the period in which the Charity is entitled to receipt, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. No permanent endowments have been received in the period.

(e) Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be reliably measured.

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

All core cost categories are regarded as being in furtherance of the Charity's objects, as described in the Annual Report.

(f) Operating leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor, are reflected in the statement of financial activities as incurred.

(g) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The current economic conditions present increased risks for all businesses. In response to such conditions, the directors/trustees have carefully considered these risks, including an assessment of uncertainty on future trading projection for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements, and the extent to which they might affect the preparation of the financial statements.

The directors/trustees have concluded that the going concern basis remains appropriate.

1. Accounting policies (continued)

(h) **Tangible Fixed Assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of assets less their estimated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and Equipment	10%	of cost per annum on a straight line basis
Fixtures and fittings	25%	of cost per annum on a straight line basis
Motor Vehicles	20%	of cost per annum on a straight line basis

A de-minimis limit of £1,000 is applied under which fixed assets are not capitalised.

(i) **Fund accounting**

Funds held by the charity are:

Unrestricted funds

These are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the directors.

Designated funds

These are unrestricted funds that the directors have designated for particular purposes. The designation may be cancelled by the directors if they later decide that the charity should not proceed or continue with the use or project for which the funds were designated.

Restricted funds

These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restriction arise when specified by a grantor or when funds are raised for a particular purpose.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 1091729

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

2. Income

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total Funds</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total Funds</u> <u>2023</u> £
Donations and legacies:						
Donations and gifts	5,695		5,695	5,941		5,941
Grants	20,075	58,767	78,842	25,000	9,175	34,175
Fundraising schemes	1,543		1,543	56		56
Memberships	95		95	130		130
Other	497		497	1,964		1,964
Allotments	230		230	82		82
	<u>28,134</u>	<u>58,767</u>	<u>86,901</u>	<u>33,173</u>	<u>9,175</u>	<u>42,348</u>
Charitable activities:						
Education	23,910	-	23,910	23,767	-	23,767
Recreational Activities	100	-	100	470	-	470
Supported Volunteering	17,323	-	17,323	10,876	-	10,876
Training	65,125	-	65,125	95,951	-	95,951
	<u>106,457</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>106,457</u>	<u>131,064</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131,064</u>
Other trading activities:						
Animal Boarding	358		358	112		112
Events	6,747		6,747	9,142		9,142
Farm Sales	3,132		3,132	3,588		3,588
Shop Sales	5,817		5,817	4,037		4,037
Other	-		-	84		84
	<u>16,054</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,054</u>	<u>16,964</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,964</u>
Miscellaneous Income :						
Refunds to farm	1,657		1,657	378		378
Miscellaneous Income - Other			-	614		614
	<u>1,657</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,657</u>	<u>992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>992</u>
	<u>152,302</u>	<u>58,767</u>	<u>211,069</u>	<u>182,193</u>	<u>9,175</u>	<u>191,368</u>

3. Grants & service level agreements

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
LBBB service level agreement	20,075	-	20,075	25,000	-	25,000
Clothworkers Foundation	-	20,000	20,000	-	-	-
Essex Youth Trust	-	3,000	3,000	-	-	-
Jack Petchey Foundation	-	3,785	3,785	-	1,800	1,800
LCF - Vanquis	-	10,000	10,000	-	-	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	9,738	9,738	-	-	-
NCIL	-	9,748	9,748	-	-	-
North Meet South Big Local	-	1,496	1,496	-	4,975	4,975
OSHWAL Association	-	-	-	-	2,400	2,400
	<u>20,075</u>	<u>57,767</u>	<u>77,842</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>9,175</u>	<u>34,175</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

4. Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities	310	60	370	290	871	1,162
Community Involvement	21,724	5,021	26,745	23,731	10,432	34,163
Support costs	4,230	-	4,230	1,104	-	1,104
Staff costs	136,364	10,948	147,312	124,760	14,136	138,896
Training	1,085	-	1,085	243	-	243
Travel	1,001	-	1,001	574	-	574
Administration (Inc. payroll prep)	4,438	51	4,489	5,669	250	5,919
Insurance	4,340	-	4,340	6,183	-	6,183
Rent	10,600	-	10,600	-	-	-
Cleaning	2,431	-	2,431	255	-	255
Repairs & Maintenance	1,805	663	2,468	1,641	755	2,395
Small Tools & Equipment	284	66	351	915	680	1,594
Utilities	3,968	128	4,097	3,844	-	3,844
Vehicle Expenses	3,671	82	3,753	2,707	-	2,707
Health & Safety	4,934	28	4,962	2,146	379	2,525
Hospitality	430	-	430	255	-	255
Miscellaneous	205	-	205	498	-	498
	201,821	17,049	218,869	174,815	27,503	202,317

5. Staff costs and Trustees' Remuneration

	2024	2023
	£	£
Salaries and wages	142,876	132,580
Social security costs (less employers NI allowance)	2,341	6,318
Pension costs	2,082	1,845
	147,299	140,743
Average number of employees	11	13

Contractors / freelance

- (i) No remuneration is paid to trustees, or persons connected with them.
(ii) No employee received emoluments above £60,000.

6. Support costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent examiner's fee	1,750	600
Accountancy fees	1,050	-
Legal and professional fees	410	35
HR support	668	-
NFU membership	352	322
	4,230	957

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AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	<u>Improvements to Premises</u>	<u>Furniture, Fixtures & Plant</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2023	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2024	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2023	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2024	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
Net book Value				
At 1 April 2023	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	0	0	0	0

All fixed assets are held for direct charitable purposes.

8. Current Assets

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Accrued Income	2,111	585
Sundry debtors	2,044	-
Other debtors	15,000	-
	<u>19,155</u>	<u>585</u>

Other debtors relates to the return of the deposit paid for a new horsebox.

9. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Sundry creditors	-	-
Other taxes and social security costs	-	3,266
Accruals & deferred income	5,949	305
	<u>5,949</u>	<u>3,572</u>

The accruals figure for 2023 has been restated following the discovery of an input error.

10. Analysis of net assets by funds

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Unrestricted income fund	93,021	142,206
Restricted funds	52,895	11,510
	<u>145,916</u>	<u>153,716</u>

The unrestricted income fund represents net income unexpended and undesignated at the date of the balance sheet. These funds comprise those monies which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the objects of the Charity, as defined in the constitution.

The restricted funds represent monies given for specific projects or purposes.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

11. Funds and reserves

	At 01-Apr-23	Income	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	At 31-Mar-24
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
CLA Charitable Trust	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
Clothworkers Foundation	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
Essex Youth Trust	-	3,000	3,000	-	-
Jack Petchey Youth Achievement	2,870	1,800	1,517	-	3,153
Jack Petchey Leader Award	-	985	985	-	-
Jack Petchey Trip Grant	166	-	82	-	84
Jack Petchey YAA recognition award	-	1,000	848	-	152
LCF - Vanquis	-	10,000	2,627	- 333	7,040
National Lottery Community Fund	-	9,738	1,188	-	8,550
NCIL - LBBD	-	9,748	1,832	-	7,916
North Meet South Big Local	1,073	2,496	2,569	-	1,000
OSHWAL Association	2,400	-	2,400	-	-
					-
Total Restricted Funds	11,510	58,767	- 17,049	- 333	52,895
<u>General fund</u>	101,737	132,227	- 176,446	- 2,667	54,852
<u>Designated funds</u>					
Vehicle Replacement Fund	7,669	-	-	3,000	10,669
Reserves fund	27,500	-	-	-	27,500
LBBD	5,300	20,075	25,375	-	-
					-
	40,469	20,075	25,375	3,000	38,169
Total Unrestricted Funds	142,206	152,302	- 201,821	333	93,021
Total Funds	153,716	211,069	- 218,869	-	145,916

The opening fund balances have been restated following the discovery of historical input errors.

All restricted fund balances represent unspent grants which are carried forward for use in the next financial period. The grants were given for the following purposes:-

CLA Charitable Trust

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the purchase of a horsebox.

Clothworkers Foundation

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the purchase of a horsebox.

Essex Youth Trust

This grant was awarded to help fund the costs of the weekend Young Farmers' Club.

11. Funds and reserves cont.**Jack Petchey Foundation**

The Jack Petchey Youth Achievement Award Scheme is run at the Farm which grants several awards per year for young people between the ages of 11 and 25 and expended at their discretion within the charity's activities.

1 - Jack Petchey Youth Achievement Award Recognition Grant

This grant was given to the Farm as a reward for running the Youth Achievement Award scheme well. This was to be used at the Farm's discretion and was therefore used for match funding the Oshwal grant for the purchase of new chicken housing and runs.

2 - Jack Petchey Leader Award

This was granted to the Farm in recognition of the dedication and hard work of our adult volunteers and staff that support the activities we provide for young people. The award winner expends the grant at their discretion within the charity's

3 - Jack Petchey Trip Grant

This grant was awarded to assist trips for young volunteers that supports their learning.

LCF - Vanquis

This grant was towards core costs and the delivering of volunteer training and support.

National Lottery Community Fund

This grant was awarded to provide a staff member and resources to support the development and running of the Wellgate Allotment Project.

NCIL

This grant was awarded to support the delivery of in-house training and certification for adult volunteers.

North Meet South - Big Local

This grant was awarded to provide a staff member, materials and equipment to support the development and running of the Wellgate Allotment Project.

OSHWAL Association

This grant was awarded to purchase new chicken sheds and carry out the necessary groundwork for installation.

12. Company limited by guarantee

Wellgate Community Farm is limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital.

13. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

England & Wales - Charity number 1091729

Accounts

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

Report and Unaudited Accounts
for the year ended
31 March 2023

Charity Number: 1091729
Company Number: 04370324

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
Company Information

Directors (Trustees)

Revd R K Gayler
Mrs M Nathan
Mr S Webb
Miss V Geary
Mr R Brown
Mr R Gayler
Ms C Rowley
Mrs R Snell

Secretary

Mrs M Nathan

Accountants

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WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
Registered number: 04370324

Directors' Report (incorporating the Trustees' annual report)

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report for the year ended 31 March 2023 incorporating the Company information on page 1 and the financial statements on pages 12 to 18.

Structure Governance and Management

The charity is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association incorporated 8 February 2002. It is a company limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital.

Overall management of the charity is the responsibility of the directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the memorandum and articles of association. Day to day project activity is managed and carried out by paid staff and volunteers.

Consent was obtained from the Registrar of Companies to dispense with the word "Limited" because of the Company's charitable status.

Directors (Trustees)

The following persons served as directors during the year:

Revd R K Gayler
Mrs M Nathan
Mr S Webb
Miss V Geary
Mr R Brown
Mr R Gayler
Ms C Rowley
Mrs R Snell

Aims and organisation

The principal objects of the company are:

To promote the benefit of the community within East London and Essex, without distinction of sex, or of political, religious or other opinions by associating statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the general public in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances.

To advance the education of the public at large, in agriculture, horticulture, home crafts, country life, protection and improvement of the natural environment through best environmental practices especially by encouraging reduction, re-use and recycling, and related subjects and in the principles of self-discipline and good citizenship and through their leisure time activities so that they develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities and grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and their conditions of life may be improved.

To promote among the public, humanity and morality by advancing education in the care and consideration for all animals, particularly animals in need of care and protection so that the public and particularly the younger members thereof will learn greater awareness of and appreciation for such animals.

To provide education and training for persons who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances, so as to prepare them for any trade, occupation or service and thereby advance them in life to enable them to earn their own livelihood.

To relieve physically or mentally handicapped or disabled or deprived persons by the provision, as remedial, recreational or therapeutic activity, of facilities, including horse and pony riding and gardening, subject, where appropriate, to the consent of the medical advisors of all such persons.

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Activities

Wellgate Community Farm exists as a focus for community, creating an opportunity for people to grow, make a positive contribution and promote social cohesion. Our vision is to enable all individuals to grow to their full potential while developing emotionally, socially, intellectually, physically, and spiritually through educational, recreational, and therapeutic activities.

Over 41 years, the Farm has developed to meet the needs of the community. Many of the services the Farm provides focus on supporting people, particularly those that are disadvantaged.

The Farm is a valuable resource for the local disabled community. DABD, NELFT, THREE Cs, Barley Lane Special Needs School, Oak View, and Trinity regularly bring groups here to visit. Trinity School brings groups of students for work experience each year. Princes Trust brings groups for placements as part of their courses at B and D College. Conversations with them have highlighted the need for more indoor areas and continuity for wheelchair accessible areas at the Farm.

Wellgate Community Farm plays a crucial role in building a vibrant and diverse culture, to make the most of our green space thus complementing the borough's theme of Arts, Culture, and Leisure aiming to strengthen the identity of our community and make people want to visit our parks and green spaces. We have reached out to more community organisations including Everyday Everyone, Marks Gate Relief Project, Urban Promise UK - Marks Gate, Barking and Dagenham Citizens Alliance network, J Murphy & Sons Ltd, MEARS Foundation, and Youth Futures Foundation.

The Farm's mobile animal visits are a vital source of revenue and a fundamental part of our educational programme, giving children the opportunity to learn about animals and where food comes from. Since last year, farm birds had to be kept inside to prevent the possibility of them coming into contact with wild birds. Poultry and waterfowl have always made up the majority of the animals we keep and therefore take out on visits. For a full year, Defra has imposed movement restrictions, which have prevented us from taking the birds off site, greatly reducing what we can offer to schools and the community, but we have still managed to take other animals though our costs are higher as a result.

To maintain compliance to our Service Level Agreement (SLA), we have endeavoured to continue to fulfil the Borough's priorities thus playing a bigger role in improving and complementing Borough wide services.

The proposed development of the sustainable housing around the neighbouring site started, but the farm has got no timeline for when the project will kick off at the farm site. If the development is fully implemented it will involve the farm obtaining more land and new buildings whilst losing a strip of the existing site. Phase one, the building of the first 14 houses including show homes has begun but due to the pandemic and unforeseen circumstances, the project has encountered delays. This phase has taken significantly longer than expected and therefore the development schedule has altered again with no projected date possible. This is an exciting venture that has the potential to refresh current resources, increase capacity and expand our services.

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Fundraising and recreational events

We do run annual events including Spring Babies, Open Day, Mad Hare Tea Parties, Halloween Event, Christmas Event, and three new ones which have been added to the events diary: The Wellgate Games, The Wellgate Summer Show and a summer holiday Animal Encounters Day.

We continued to take part in the LBBB Crowd Funder Lottery fundraiser. We successfully applied for a grant which has contributed towards wages of the Horticultural member of staff to run the allotments. The purpose of this funding is to continue to support the running of the allotment site in Marks Gate.

We have maintained our close links with local schools, preschool and day nurseries where we support the Marks Gate community by attending with our animals for educational and social events. The Farm attends the community Hub and Marks Gate North Meet South Big Local events. All these occasions help the local children experience and learn about animals and provide them with quality recreational activities.

Our shop, which is a point of contact for the local community, has operated on days when shop volunteers have been available thus continuing to sell Farm eggs, preserves, vegetables, plants, and potted flowers, all of which are locally grown and produced by our team of horticultural and shop volunteers.

Educational and Training activities

Local children have benefited from the Farm's educational visits to schools and by coming on visits to the Farm.

Secondary school children have attended as part of our alternative education programme and on work experience and placements.

Children from the ages of 8 to 18 have attended as members of our Young Farmers Club and Duke of Edinburgh training at a city farm.

Adults have been referred to us for training by a variety of agencies and support groups. These include homeless support groups, disability support groups, Job Centres, Colleges, Mind, DABD, Richmond Fellowship, Goodmayes Hospital, YMCA, and Princess Trust at LBBB College. We provided uniformed groups including Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts with a safe place to come and complete their animal care and farming badges.

The Farm held Farmer for a Day activity sessions engaging local Primary Schools including Rose Lane, Warren School, Furze Infant School, Wellgate Day Nursery, The Royal Society for Blind Children, and other borough schools reaching out to more young people. This enabled the Farm to increase public attendance to our Green Space as well as developing wider skill based interest. These sessions allowed the Farm to engage with the local community in the Borough whilst teaching environmental awareness and engaging young people with the outdoors. Working alongside teachers and the community, we have continued to develop a wider skill based interest in traditional farming. Wellgate Farm continued to play a greater role in enabling teachers to reach curriculum targets and continue to improve the Borough's educational aims to aspire and achieve.

We have continued to teach gardening and maintenance skills, healthy eating and environmental awareness to the young farmers and volunteers who look after the horticultural plots.

We have continued to run the Jack Petchey Silver Achievement Award Scheme. This scheme enables the Farm to celebrate the achievement of our students, young farmers, and young volunteers as well as receive additional funding which goes towards much needed equipment to run the farm.

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We have allocated all the allotment plots at Bagleys Spring to LBBD residents most of whom are residents of Marks Gate / Chadwell Heath Ward, community groups, and schools. The project aims to improve skills and wellbeing, and increase community cohesion. Through a thoroughly hands on experience people are encouraged to grow their own food, thereby increasing their physical activity and healthy eating. In so doing they widen their social contacts and reduce their isolation. We are planning to hold community engagement growing workshops to help gardeners and the community gain confidence in farming on a smaller scale.

Our allotment project in Marks Gate and the long standing gardening groups at the Farm will continue to educate and provide the opportunity for local people and families, many of whom do not have their own garden, to learn how to grow and prepare healthy food.

One of the Borough's priorities is High-quality education, which is a stepping-stone to high quality employment. The Farm has supported and challenged local residents to develop the ambition, skills, and resilience to succeed by providing age appropriate educational training services for young people to cope with life's challenges, as well as supporting the local authority in providing for increasing numbers of young people in the area to realise their potential. We have provided alternative education through our Hands On Project which helps those who are otherwise struggling in mainstream education. We have provided work experience placements for people of all abilities thus helping to raise attainment and realise aspiration for these beneficiaries.

The Farm's educational visits to the Farm saw 20 early years to Key Stage 2 school groups come to the Farm for educational activity sessions.

Four local schools attended weekly during term time with groups of SEND students for educational work experience activities.

Our Mobile Farm attended five local, park organised, church, or similar events that were open to the public.

We took eight Hatch Packs (incubator hires) to schools and nurseries, enabling children to experience incubating, hatching, and caring for chicks and ducklings. The Farm hosted five children's parties.

Several primary schools including Dorothy Barley Primary School, St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School, Sunnyside Pre-School, Village Infant School, Oak View, Little Heath, and Valance Primary have engaged with the Farm, joining in our various farming activities.

Secondary and Special Needs Schools including Canon Palmer Catholic Academy, St John's Roman Catholic School, Trinity, Jo Richardson, and Eastbrook School have also referred groups of Key Stage three and four pupils, who struggle to stay in main school education for the full week. These students have benefited from the Farm's educational training sessions. Some of these young people have severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities and some are within the autistic spectrum.

The Farm continued to deliver animal care qualifications as part of our Hands On Partnership with Lambourne End Centre. The Project is for secondary school age students who for many reasons are struggling in mainstream education. They work towards level one and two City and Guilds qualifications in Land Based Studies attending between one and three days a week. We had 36 attending last year with an improved success rate of 89%. These young people are referred to the Farm as they are struggling with mainstream education for a variety of reasons including low confidence, special educational needs, behavioural difficulties, and low attendance. Many are young people in care, however, some do opt to participate as they have an interest in a future career in the animal industry.

The Farm provided work experience for secondary schools with 36 secondary and tertiary level students completing placements of between one and three weeks in the academic year. This includes 10 who have Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities. Feedback from schools and referral agencies has stated there are very few places where SEND students can gain work experience and are very grateful for this service.

The Farm offered 53 college placements from further educational colleges including Barking and Dagenham College, Riverside Bridge - Barking, Shuttleworth College, Princes Trust, Writtle, and Capel Manor. The pupils are mostly from the London Boroughs of Barking and Dagenham.

All these activities enabled the farm to reach approximately 15,000 young people.

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This year we have received some fantastic positive feedback and comments have included:

"Spent the morning at Wellgate Community Farm and got to feed goats, baby piggies, sheep, and held some little chicks. I think P's favourite was the farm cat! So nice to be somewhere that was safe for P to run around."

"The farm is free to get in and you can leave donations. When I went there were lots of teenagers doing all the hard work. They were so helpful and looked like they were having fun. Also got to sit and enjoy the ponies from Debbie's bench."

"My girls did the 'Farmer For A Day' experience. They were really excited and enjoyed mucking out the ponies, goats and sheep, collecting hen eggs before cleaning and boxing them, laying bedding down for the ponies, feeding the animals and meeting them too! It was hard work and they were totally exhausted but it gave them an appreciation of what hard work goes into the running of a farm."

"Took 5 year old to Beaks and Squeaks, she absolutely loved it; we also all enjoyed the farm as a family including 18 month old. Had an absolutely amazing experience getting to see all the animals, and the 5 year old loved getting to be more hands on during her farm tour, and loved doing the craft too. Thank you for a thoroughly enjoyable time, the farm is very well maintained, and such a lovely way to introduce kids to where their food comes from as well."

Volunteering

The Farm continued to provide volunteering opportunities to people and groups of all ages and abilities. This year we have offered more than 3,500 volunteering opportunities, this figure has gone up due to the ending of government restrictions and lockdowns but also due to volunteers saying they are lonely and feel isolated at home and needing a safe space to come and gain skills.

We have trained volunteers to gain skills to enable them to keep this public open space clean and safe for the people to visit. The volunteers are the public face of the Farm making it possible for residents to connect and to feel engaged and comfortable. They welcome visiting members of the public and show them round the Farm whilst taking part in animal encounters. This helps the wider community realise that everyone can contribute something to a safe, friendly, welcoming environment increasing community cohesion and pride in our Borough, which can play a big role in reducing anti-social behaviour.

Increasing physical activity is a strategic need in the Barking and Dagenham Clinical commissioning group, Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Farm has again played a bigger role in achieving this strategic need by providing a Young farmer's club and other volunteering opportunities for local people enabling them to take part in with healthy physical outdoor activities. The activities volunteers partake in at the farm are in tune with the Borough's theme of Health and Social Care—The Farm has encouraged residents to make informed choices about healthy lifestyles through volunteering workshops and events.

Our volunteers and students have learned about healthy food production and responsible farming practices.

The farm has enabled special needs day care centres holding weekly volunteering sessions for young people aged 13-19 years with severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities and some within the autistic spectrum.

This year we have worked with Jaktol Day Care Centre, Stronger Together who both run activities for these beneficiaries in St Marks Church Centre Marks Gate.

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Based on current participants and bookings, this financial year's projected beneficiaries of the farm are:

- 465 adult volunteers with 34 attending 1 day or more a week.
- 20 junior volunteers attending regularly during school holidays.
- 69 young farmers aged 8 to 18 attending each weekend plus 26 on our waiting list
- 5 supported volunteers attending 1 day a week
 - 36 volunteers over 60 years
 - 25 with Special Educational Need,
 - 88 with mental health problems,
 - 45 long term unemployed,
 - 44 disabled,
 - 36 unemployed young people,
 - 25 further education work placements
- 56 Hands On participants gaining qualifications each attending 1 day a week throughout school term
- 300 children participating in educational visits to the farm
- 40 people using allotments on a regular basis plus over 300 pupils taking part in gardening and planting sessions

Sustainable Development

The farm is grateful to all the volunteers who continue to help with horticulture, maintenance, animal work, administration and educational visits all of which help to keep the farm running. Wellgate Community Farm was granted funding to replace our very old rabbit shed which was no longer fit for purpose. Even though the new rabbit shed was going to be sited at the same footprint as that of the old building, the Farm needed to gain landlord's consent before proceeding with the work. We approached our Landlord who is the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham and discussed this project with the Lead Commissioner for Parks in Barking and Dagenham. The request was initially delayed due to closure caused by Covid 19 pandemic. When lockdown was lifted the proposal was accepted and permission was given to the Farm to start the demolition and building works

We demolished the old shed, did all groundworks, including laying the base, and purchased the flat pack building supplies from Vale stables, who assembled the new building. The electrics have been connected and inspected for compliance. The screed flooring has also been layered. We have managed to get the new hutches but this required more fundraising as the housing materials including the flooring and electrics were all more expensive than the quotes we got pre Covid

The volunteers, members, young farmers and the public came to Wellgate's ruby anniversary for the presentation of the new shed. Revd. Roger Gayler Chair of board of trustees gave words of thanks and appreciation to our funders

We receive many enquiries from people and groups in the borough to help them gain work experience, life skills, volunteering, to help increase their involvement in the community and their confidence, abilities and self-esteem.

Due to limited finances, we are unable to meet the demand and support all those who need help. Without an increase in funding, we will struggle to maintain our current level of services. Core costs have been increasing and this affects the services we can offer. To help us maintain our service level and potentially increase our ability to engage with the community we will continue to apply for charitable grants.

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Within the staff team there has been some changes with a new joint manager team combining their skills and covering the variety of tasks needed for a smoother running of the farm.

Our aim is for remuneration to be at least at the living wage level but this of course has financial implications.

We are always on the lookout for new trustees and we are now working with Barking and Dagenham Citizens Alliance network, the Fore Foundation and BD Collective to find more avenues of recruiting more trustees.

Staff training is an important and ever present need and courses have been undertaken in

- First Aid including Equine First Aid.
- Health and safety including Safeguarding
- Trailer Driving
- Lambing and Periparturient Ewe Care training
- Fire safety
- Updated staff animal health checks and emergency response.

The charity's policy on reserves

Wellgate Community Farm has agreed that free reserves should aim to be a minimum of 3 months and a maximum of 1 year's expenditure. The Trustees believe that this level of reserves would enable us to meet our aims and objectives on a short-term and long-term basis. This would also provide for unanticipated shortfalls in income and to cover costs such as staff sickness, delays in receiving grants, moving premises or other unplanned events. The level of reserves is regularly kept under review

Future developments

To implement the business plan bearing in mind the business risk assessment.

To maintain and develop our partnership with Barking & Dagenham Council, Lambourne End Centre, Social Farms and Gardens (the amalgamation of the Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens and Care Farming UK) to increase our partnership working.

To continue to use our resources as efficiently as possible and to be alert to possibilities for developing the farm, including new streams of funding.

To continue to work with the developer to realise the proposals for the new development.

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Financial Review

The results of the year are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 17.

Management accounts continue to be presented to the Trustees at each meeting.

The Trustees have continued to work with the local Council for Voluntary Services to provide advice on commercial management and viability.

For the coming year the farm needs to continue to increase its income in order to further develop and maintain its resources.

Directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to:

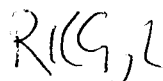
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board on 27 October 2023 and signed on its behalf.



Reverend R Gayler
Director

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

Directors' statement

We confirm that as directors we have met our duty in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 to:

- ensure that the company has kept adequate accounting records;
- prepare accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 March 2023 and of its profit and loss for the year then ended in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities; and
- follow applicable accounting policies, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the notes to the accounts.



Reverend R Gayler
for and on behalf of
WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
27 October 2023

**Accountants' independent assurance report on the unaudited accounts of
WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM (A Company Limited by Guarantee)**

To the Board of Directors of WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM ('the Company')

We have performed certain procedures in respect of the Company's unaudited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes), made enquiries of the Company's directors and assessed accounting policies adopted by the directors, in order to gather sufficient evidence for our conclusion in this report.

This report is made solely to the Company's directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. It has been released to the directors on the basis that this report shall not be copied, referred to or disclosed, in whole (save for the directors' own internal purposes or as may be required by law or by a competent regulator) or in part, without our prior written consent. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the directors those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's directors as a body for our work, for this report or the conclusions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities

You have confirmed that you have met your duty as set out in the directors' statement. You consider that the Company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year. Our responsibility is to form and express an independent conclusion, based on the work carried out, to you on the accounts.

Scope

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales Interim Technical Release AAF 03/06. Our work was based primarily upon enquiry, analytical procedures and assessing accounting policies in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities. If we considered it to be necessary, we also performed limited examination of evidence relevant to certain balances and disclosures in the accounts where we became aware of matters that might indicate a risk of material misstatement in the accounts.

The terms of our engagement exclude any requirement to carry out a comprehensive assessment of the risks of material misstatement, a consideration of fraud, laws, regulations and internal controls, and we have not done so. We are not required to, and we do not, express an audit opinion on these accounts.

Conclusion

Based on our work, nothing has come to our attention to refute the directors' confirmation that in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

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27 October 2023

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2023

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Fund accounting

The following types of funds are maintained:-

Unrestricted funds

These represent funds that are expendable at the discretion of the directors in the furtherance of the objects of the charity. Part of the unrestricted fund balances are designated funds which have been earmarked by the directors for particular purposes.

Restricted funds

These represent grants, donations and other types of income which are allocated by the donor for specific purposes.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of assets less their estimated residual value, over their estimated useful lives.

Improvements to property	10% on cost
Plant and machinery	10% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Motor vehicles	20% on cost

Incoming resources and resources expended

The charitable company has taken advantage of the concessions given in Appendix 5 of SORP 2005 and does not analyse either income or expenditure by activities. The income and expenditure classifications used, therefore, in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) are natural ones.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants, when entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant. Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.

Farm sales, investment income and membership fees are included when receivable.

Training and educational fees are recognised within the financial statements when receivable by way of performance of services.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

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2 Grants & service level agreements

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	2022 £
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham service level agreement	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham Discretionary Grant	-	-	-	40,193
Charles S French Trust	-	-	-	-
Essex Youth Trust	-	-	-	-
Jack Petchey Foundation	-	1,800	1,800	14,702
CLA Charitable Trust	-	-	-	5,000
North Meet South Big Local	-	4,975	4,975	4,470
Marsh Christian Trust	-	-	-	-
OSHWAL Association	-	2,400	2,400	-
Provident Social Impact Fund	-	-	-	-
Tesco Groundwork	-	-	-	1,000
The Fore Trust	-	-	-	-
The Ninevah Trust	-	-	-	-
Grange Farm Centre Trust	-	-	-	-
London Community Foundation	-	-	-	-
	<u>25,000</u>	<u>9,175</u>	<u>34,175</u>	<u>90,365</u>

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Improvements to premises £	Furniture, fixtures & plant £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2022	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2023	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>28,620</u>	<u>182,048</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2022	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2023	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>28,620</u>	<u>182,048</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

4 Employees

The directors and officers are unremunerated.

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5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Accrued expenses	2,777	1,217
Other creditors	-	780
	<u>2,777</u>	<u>1,997</u>

6 Movements in funds				
Description and conditions	Opening balance	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds				
Jack Petchey Foundation	2,802	1,800	(1,732)	2,870
CLA Charitable Trust	5,000	-	-	5,000
North Meet South Big Local	4,470	4,975	(8,372)	1,073
National Lottery Community Fund	5,910	-	(5,910)	-
Essex Youth Trust	2,328	-	(2,328)	-
OSHWAL Association	-	2,400	-	2,400
NCIL 4th Round	4,421	-	(4,421)	-
Provident Social Impact Fund	8,993	-	(8,993)	-
Tesco Groundwork	1,000	-	(1,000)	-
The Nineveh Trust	2,091	-	(2,091)	-
Ford Trust Grant	201	-	(201)	-
North Meet South Dragon's Den	208	-	(208)	-
Greggs Foundation	371	-	(371)	-
Total Restricted Funds	<u>37,795</u>	<u>9,175</u>	<u>(35,627)</u>	<u>11,343</u>
Unrestricted Funds				
Vehicle Replacement Fund	7,669	-	-	7,669
Reserves fund	27,500	-	-	27,500
LBBD	17,535	25,000	(37,235)	5,300
Total Designated Funds	<u>52,704</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(37,235)</u>	<u>40,469</u>
General Fund	72,169	157,403	(127,459)	102,113
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>124,873</u>	<u>182,403</u>	<u>(164,694)</u>	<u>142,582</u>

Following the discovery of an analysis discrepancy the opening balance figures for the Jack Petchey Foundation restricted fund and the General Fund were corrected.

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All restricted fund balances represent unspent grants which are carried forward for use in the next financial period.

The grants were given for the following purposes:-

Jack Petchey Foundation

The Farm runs a Youth Achievement Scheme awarded to young people between the ages of 11 and 25 and is expended at their discretion within the charity's activities. We were also awarded two grants.

1- Jack Petchey Give Something Back Grant

To run a youth volunteering project for young people to volunteer and give back to their local community. The project is for 11 to 18 year olds to volunteer at the Farm during school holidays. The key benefits of the programme are that the young people are learning new skills with like-minded people at a community farm.

2- The Jack Petchey Covid-19 Recovery Fund

This grant was awarded to the Farm to enable staff to return from furlough to support and supervise the young people 11 to 25 years in London/Essex. The project increased the number of young people able to attend after lockdown and during the Covid-19 pandemic. This was achieved through work experience, work placements, extra-curricular activities particularly Special Educational Needs pupils, and longer-term volunteer places for young people not in education, employment or training (NEET).

Charles S French Trust

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the Farm Manager's salary costs. This enabled the Farm Manager to return from furlough to plan and set up new Covid-19 secure working practices; this will allow the return of other staff for training, then in turn volunteering and educational activities to resume as permitted by Government guidelines.

National Lottery Community Fund

This was originally awarded for the running of the Wellgate Farm Summer Community Events. Due to the pandemic we requested a change of plan and the grant has been used to fund two projects:

1. Spring Back to Life - Plan for reopening to the general public in a Covid safe way for small groups of people to attend for booked visits at set times.

2. Wellgate Challenge and Farm Show - this funded a programme of events and activities for our service users in a socially distanced style. We ran a programme of challenges and activities and an animal show for all farm volunteers, students and young farmers.

Essex Youth Trust

£3,000 was awarded to help fund the costs of the weekend Young Farmers' Club and £3,000 to fund our rabbit house.

Garfield Weston

This grant was awarded to help close the funding gap for 2019/20 and to contribute towards Farm core costs as well as offset the full costs of delivering services to disadvantaged people whilst maintaining our ethos of inclusivity.

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NCIL 4th Round

This funding is to contribute towards the replacement of our old rabbit house which is no longer fit for purpose. This resource will support educational and volunteering activities at the Farm.

Provident Social Impact Fund

This grant was used to support the Branching Out project providing supported volunteer places for young people 18 to 30 not in education, employment or training and those transitioning from education.

Tesco Groundwork

This grant was awarded to contribute towards purchase of equipment and materials enabling the Farm to reopen the Young Farmers Club and volunteering project safely.

The Fore Trust- Raft Emergency Fund

This grant was used to support the Farm through loss of income due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Nineveh Trust

Funding towards the replacement costs of the old rabbit house, no longer fit for purpose.

North Meet South

The grant was awarded to the Farm to employ a horticulture coordinator who will be able to deliver the project. The horticulture coordinator will be working with plot owners to give advice on how to maintain their plots and offer assistance but will also work with local schools and other residents at the communal plot.

Greggs Foundation

This was awarded to regenerate the old young farmers garden, transforming a neglected corner of the Farm into an improved garden with safer fences, adding wheelchair access, interpretation signs and raised beds for vegetables, herbs and fruit bushes.

CLA Charitable Trust

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the purchase of a horsebox.

London Borough of Barking & Dagenham

This is a service level grant towards the core costs of the Farm. Additional discretionary funding was granted which was used to support the Farm through the loss of income due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds:</i>			
Grants and service level Income	2	34,175	90,365
Charitable activities		130,954	92,586
Generated funds		16,963	8,761
Income - miscellaneous		992	591
Donations / voluntary		8,174	13,518
Donations / grants		320	15
Total incoming resources		191,578	205,836
<i>Expenses:</i>			
Charitable activities		(1,162)	(30)
Community involvement		(33,167)	(23,128)
Running and support costs		(21,773)	(27,057)
Pay costs		(139,910)	(126,557)
Miscellaneous expenses		(498)	(340)
Vehicle expenses		(2,707)	(10,616)
Governance costs		(1,104)	(1,482)
Total resources expended		(200,321)	(189,210)
Net outgoing / incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses		(8,743)	16,626
Net movement in funds for the year		(8,743)	16,626

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
Registered number: 2818238
Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		156,702	164,665
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(2,777)	(1,997)
Net Current Assets		<u>153,925</u>	<u>162,668</u>
Net Assets		<u>153,925</u>	<u>162,668</u>
Representing:			
The Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted income funds	6	142,582	124,873
Restricted income funds	6	11,343	37,795
Total funds		<u>153,925</u>	<u>162,668</u>

The directors are satisfied that the Company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1091729

Accounts

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Report and Unaudited Accounts
for the year ended
31 March 2022

Charity Number: 1091729
Company Number: 04370324

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
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Company Information

Directors (Trustees)

Revd R K Gayler
Mrs M Nathan
Mr S Webb
Miss V Geary
Mr R Brown
Mr R Gayler
Ms C Rowley
Mrs R Snell

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Mrs M Nathan

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Charity number

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Directors' Report (incorporating the Trustees' annual report)

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report for the year ended 31 March 2022 incorporating the Company information on page 1 and the financial statements on pages 13 to 19.

Structure Governance and Management

The charity is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association incorporated 8 February 2002. It is a company limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital.

Overall management of the charity is the responsibility of the directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the memorandum and articles of association. Day to day project activity is managed and carried out by paid staff and volunteers.

Consent was obtained from the Registrar of Companies to dispense with the word "Limited" because of the Company's charitable status.

Directors (Trustees)

The following persons served as directors during the year:

Revd R K Gayler
Mrs M Nathan
Mr S Webb
Miss V Geary
Mr R Brown
Mr R Gayler
Ms C Rowley
Mrs R Snell

Aims and organisation

The principal objects of the company are:

To promote the benefit of the community within East London and Essex, without distinction of sex, or of political, religious or other opinions by associating statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the general public in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances.

To advance the education of the public at large, in agriculture, horticulture, home crafts, country life, protection and improvement of the natural environment through best environmental practices especially by encouraging reduction, re-use and recycling, and related subjects and in the principles of self-discipline and good citizenship and through their leisure time activities so that they develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities and grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and their conditions of life may be improved.

To promote among the public, humanity and morality by advancing education in the care and consideration for all animals, particularly animals in need of care and protection so that the public and particularly the younger members thereof will learn greater awareness of and appreciation for such animals.

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To provide education and training for persons who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances, so as to prepare them for any trade, occupation or service and thereby advance them in life to enable them to earn their own livelihood.

To relieve physically or mentally handicapped or disabled or deprived persons by the provision, as remedial, recreational or therapeutic activity, of facilities, including horse and pony riding and gardening, subject, where appropriate, to the consent of the medical advisors of all such persons.

Activities

The Farm exists to provide a focus for community activity creating opportunities for people to grow, make a positive contribution and promote social cohesion through education, training, therapy and recreation.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

In planning our activities for the year, the trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at the directors' meetings. 2022 is our Ruby anniversary and the year will be filled with celebrations. We have invited our community to support us in any way they can, whether it is offering 40 hours of voluntary work on the farm, giving £40 (£1 per year for each year we have been open), considering giving regularly and allowing us to benefit from gift aid, encouraging their place of work to support us by raising £400 or by publicising our farm through social media and conversation.

We will have lots of attractions including animal encounters, demonstrations, have a go marquee, spinning and wool craft display, stalls and side shows and other activities, plus there will be a BBQ and refreshments.

Over the last 40 years, the Farm has developed to meet the needs of the community. Many of the services the Farm provides focus on supporting people, particularly those who are disadvantaged. Wellgate Community Farm has continued to provide a safe and inclusive place where members of the local community, regardless of their background, age, or ability, can come and either enjoy or contribute and help look after farm animals and gardens in a unique and safe green space. This complements our Borough's priority of Participation and Engagement where residents are empowered and enabled to participate in the community where they can flourish.

The proposed development of the sustainable housing around the neighbouring site started, but the farm has got no timeline for when the project will kick off at the farm site. If the development is fully implemented it will involve the farm obtaining more land and new buildings whilst losing a strip of the existing site. Phase one, the building of the first 14 houses including show homes has begun but due to the pandemic and unforeseen circumstances, the project has encountered delays. This phase has taken significantly longer than expected and therefore the development schedule has altered again with no projected date possible. This is an exciting venture that has the potential to refresh current resources, increase capacity and expand our services.

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Community Involvement

This year, Wellgate Community Farm continued to follow Government guidelines of not socialising indoors except with same household or support bubble. We opened back to visitors in June 2021 after careful planning by Trustees and members of staff. Our visitors were able to book online and were allowed to meet outdoors, including in our gardens, in groups of six people or two households. We managed to reach out to 9425 people interested in coming for visits or purchasing farm produce and compost. We had over 591 families attending with a family of 2-6 people. We have seen a steady flow of visitors, with far more people attending our events including day activity sessions. As we continued to support our community, we engaged more online using our Facebook page, Instagram, Google feedback page and our website. We received some fantastic online positive feedback, encouragement and requests for information from the community including:

Lovely small farm. Very friendly staff and a fun way to spend time with the family. Kids were able to pet the guinea pig, interact with all the other animals and play at the small play area. We love dropping by whenever we have time.

The staff here are lovely and the animals are well cared for; they also run a little farmers programme, which is amazing for the children and allows them to learn what it means to take care of the animals.

A great small farm totally run by volunteers and a small amount of staff. Free entry. Great events. Really friendly and a great community vibe. Is not commercial at all. Small shop where you can get eggs, tea, coffee etc. Always worth leaving a small donation and/or paying £1 for some animal food. A fantastic open space.

We successfully applied for Covid Discretionary Grants from LBBD that enabled us to stay open and continue to operate in a safe environment meeting all health and safety guidelines. We applied for the Jack Petchey Branching Out grant to enable volunteers to attend while being supervised by staff in a Covid compliance environment.

We also organised and led a supported volunteering scheme for 30 people funded by the Provident Social Impact Fund provided to us through the London Community Foundation.

This project enabled individuals who are not in education, employment, or training to attend during weekdays. We extended the age range for participants to include those slightly older who struggle with unemployment and isolation.

The Farm was awarded a grant by the Tesco Bags of Help program that supported vulnerable groups as part of our COVID-19 emergency response in supporting our local community.

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We continued to run the Jack Petchey Give Something Back enabling the Farm to run a youth volunteering project for young people to volunteer and give back to their local community.

We continued to run the Jack Petchey Silver Achievement Award Scheme thanks to the hard work of our young farmers' club leaders and members of staff. This scheme enables the Farm to celebrate the achievement of our young volunteers as well as receive additional funding which goes towards much needed equipment to run the club and the farm as a whole.

Due to the closure during the pandemic, our allotment site was inaccessible and over grown. We successfully applied for a grant from Big Local Dragons Den, to employ a member of staff for a year. The member of staff will continue with the allocation of plots to residents' community groups, individuals and local schools as well as run community workshops to help new gardeners get started and gain confidence.

The grant we applied for in 2019 from Awards for all/National Lottery Community Fund enabled us to plan and hold the Halloween and Visit Santa events in October and December respectively. We applied for grants from LBBD NCIL, Essex Youth Trust and Nineveh Trust-These funding tranches will enable the farm to replace our very old rabbit shed, which is no longer fit for purpose. We applied to LBBD for Planning permission for the new rabbit shed, which was granted. Work has already started but all quotes, received prior to the pandemic have gone much higher although we still hope this will be completed in 2022

Our horsebox, which was 16 years old, had degraded so much that it required ongoing repairs, which the farm could no longer afford. From 25 October 2021, the London-wide Ultra-Low Emissions Zone extended to within 5 miles of the Farm. The next extension will include our area. In January 2021, we took the Horsebox off the road and registered it SORN. We then applied for grants from CLA Charitable Trust, and Clothworkers to go towards the purchase of a new horsebox. We were successful with the CLA Charitable Trust but we are still waiting the outcome from Clothworkers.

The Spinning Club, which used to meet on Thursdays, was severely impacted by the pandemic and we are now looking for spinners to join the club.

The shop, which is a point of contact for our community, was closed for most of year. The Farm managed to partially re-open the shop from September 2021, selling Farm eggs. We managed to set up a PayPal click and cluck online shop for egg and farm produce buying where the community was able to safely purchase and collect items in a Covid compliant way.

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Educational and Training activities

The farm's popular educational mobile service was highly impacted by the pandemic and partially resumed in June 2021 with the farm visiting eight educational settings from early years to key stage two. Educational visits to the farm saw four early years to Key Stage 2 School groups come to the farm for educational activity sessions.

Four local schools attended from June 2021 weekly during term time with groups of SEND students for educational and work experience activities.

The mobile farm attended three local events including; the local church, Marks Gate Fun Day event and Epping Town show, which were open to the public.

We took nine Hatch Packs (incubator hires) to schools and nurseries, enabling children to experience incubating, hatching and caring for chicks. The farm hosted two children's parties when guidelines allowed.

The farm was able to carry out Farmer for a Day activity sessions in October 2021 and February 2022 half terms again reaching out to our young residents. This enabled the farm not only to increase visitor numbers to our Green Space but also to educate the young people and empower them with agricultural skills.

All these activities have enabled the farm to reach many young people and adults who were impacted by isolation and pandemic difficulties.

For many years, the farm has enabled Oak View School to hold weekly volunteering sessions for ten young people aged 13-19 years with severe and profound learning difficulties, physical disabilities and some within the autistic spectrum.

Several schools including; Eastbrook Comprehensive; Little Heath; Riverside and the Princes Trust have also referred pupils, who struggle to stay in main school education for the full week, to benefit from volunteering sessions.

This year we welcomed individuals with similar difficulties who are in the transition stage but require support to either volunteer or visit the farm. We are grateful for the Borough's independent living services who have worked with us to enable these individuals to enjoy a better life and experience an outdoor environment.

We restarted our weekend Young Farmers' Club, which now has 45 active members and 6 team leaders supported by staff and volunteers. During the farm sessions, club members are trained in animal care, food growing and the natural environment. This club helps to teach team-working skills whilst enabling young people to grow in confidence. The young people go on trips, help with farm events and compete at the London Harvest Festival. Many young people show case their learned skills during our events including animal encounters and Wellgate summer show events.

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The farm continues to deliver animal care qualifications as part of our Hands On Partnership with Lambourne End Centre. Our Hands on Alternative Education project is for secondary school age students who for many reasons are struggling in mainstream education. They work towards level one and two City and Guilds qualifications in Land Based Studies attending one to three days a week.

We had 40 attending with eight getting their first certificates, some are ready to sit for their tests and the rest have passed with distinctions. Five of these do not do written tests as they are significantly challenged; others joined late and will do their tests later. We work with the referral schools on co-ordinating the course making sure students get the best support. All students are scoring highly with a pass mark of over 80% as awarded by City and Guilds.

The Hands On participants include young people with a range of backgrounds including referrals from PRU's and home-schooled young people. Many of these young people are referred to the Farm as they are struggling with mainstream education for a variety of reasons including low confidence, special educational needs, behavioural difficulties, low attendance and as young people in care. However, some do opt to participate as they have an interest in a future career in the animal industry.

The farm resumed the provision of work experience for secondary schools from June 2021 reaching several schools including Dagenham Park, Drapers Academy, Eastbrook Comprehensive, Chadwell Heath Academy, Eastbury Community School, Trinity School, Robert Clack, Sydney Russell, The Erkenwald Centre, Jo Richardson School and All Saints. Forty secondary and tertiary level students completed placements of between one and three weeks in the academic year. This includes 19 who have Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities. Feedback from schools and referral agencies have told us that there are very few places where SEND students can gain work experience.

***Quote from 2021 work experience feedback. "It is fun and you can learn many future skills"
"I think other people should do it because it keeps them active"***

The farm offered 10 college placements from further educational colleges including Barking and Dagenham College, Writtle and Capel Manor. The pupils are mostly from the London Boroughs of Barking & Dagenham, and Havering.

Quote from 2021 work placement feedback. "Working here has positively impacted my experience at college as I feel I have developed my knowledge enough to be prepared for second year"

Volunteering

As soon as the Farm was able to accept volunteers, we contacted the referrals organisations including DABDuk, BEP, Sycamore Trust, NELFT Goodmayes Hospital and their community Mental Health team, YMCA Thames Gateway, Havering Volunteer Service, Mind, Richmond Fellowship, The Cocoon, Brookside Adolescent Unit and the Young Peoples Home Treatment Team at Goodmayes Hospital.

Some of these young people we have been able to take on as volunteers but we are currently limited as to the amount of support we can give. In addition, we have young people who self-refer, having left education without a plan and looking for a place to feel useful. Many of these young people lack ambition, confidence and skills. Some have learning difficulties, disabilities and struggle with their mental wellbeing.

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We have started to engage with The Youth Futures Foundation, which is committed to-

- Equipping young people from diverse backgrounds to access and progress in work
- Removing structural and systemic barriers to employment and progression

The farm welcomed 49 new volunteers and offered on average 100 volunteering places per month with volunteers participating in farm duties including gardening, farmyard, farm shop and general administration.

We were able to offer seven supported volunteering opportunities for those who are faced with various disabilities including speech and mobility.

In addition to the Young Farmers Club, 10 youngsters have undertaken their Duke of Edinburgh Awards at the farm during the weekends.

Fundraising Events

This year we did not hold our popular events including Barn Dance, Spring Babies, and Farm Open Day.

We managed to carry out the Halloween afternoon event, March hare/mad hatter themed Tea party and visit to Santa.

These events enable the Farm to continue to reach out to our neighbourhood as well as helping families enjoy a safe open space. The Halloween event has now become popular, as parents do not have to worry about the safety of children on the streets. .

The farm attended the London Festival of Social Farms' and Community Gardens. This year we did not have many young people representing the farm due to the effects of the pandemic. We are proud of all volunteers who made the show a success by promoting the important and wide ranging work City Farms and Gardens do for the community.

In November, we held our popular and well-attended Farm Quiz night as rules were lifted, again re-engaging with our community and raising funds.

We continued to take part in the LBBD Lottery scheme where the community purchased tickets to raise funds for the farm, which is match- funded by the Borough.

Sustainable Development

The farm is grateful to all the volunteers who continue to help with horticulture, maintenance, animal work, administration and educational visits all of which help to keep the farm running.

We have now secured the fencing and gates, insurance and water supply for the allotment site; and plots have been allocated. We appreciate all the support from the Borough in getting the allotment project underway. There has been a lot of interest from the local community in taking up plots and getting involved in the project.

We receive many enquiries from people and groups in the borough to help them gain work experience, life skills, volunteering, to help increase their involvement in the community and their confidence, abilities and self-esteem. Due to limited finances, we are unable to meet the demand and support all those who need help. Without an increase in funding, we will struggle to maintain our current level of services. Core costs have been increasing and this affects the services we can offer. To help us maintain our service level and potentially increase our ability to engage with the community we will continue to apply for charitable grants.

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The charity's policy on reserves

Wellgate Community Farm has agreed that free reserves should aim to be a minimum of 3 months and a maximum of 1 year's expenditure. The Trustees believe that this level of reserves would enable us to meet our aims and objectives on a short-term and long-term basis. This would also provide for unanticipated shortfalls in income and to cover costs such as staff sickness, delays in receiving grants, moving premises or other unplanned events. The level of reserves is regularly kept under review

Future developments

To implement the business plan bearing in mind the business risk assessment.

To maintain and develop our partnership with Barking & Dagenham Council, Lambourne End Centre, Social Farms and Gardens (the amalgamation of the Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens and Care Farming UK) to increase our partnership working.

To continue to use our resources as efficiently as possible and to be alert to possibilities for developing the farm, including new streams of funding.

To continue to work with the developer to realise the proposals for the new development.

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Financial Review

The results of the year are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 18.

Management accounts continue to be presented to the Trustees at each meeting.

The Trustees have continued to work with the local Council for Voluntary Services to provide advice on commercial management and viability.

For the coming year the farm needs to continue to increase its income in order to further develop and maintain its resources.

Directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board on 8 October 2022 and signed on its behalf.

Reverend R Gayler
Director

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

Directors' statement

We confirm that as directors we have met our duty in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 to:

- ensure that the company has kept adequate accounting records;
- prepare accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 March 2022 and of its profit and loss for the year then ended in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities; and
- follow applicable accounting policies, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the notes to the accounts.

Reverend R Gayler
for and on behalf of
WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
8 October 2022

**Accountants' independent assurance report on the unaudited accounts of
WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM (A Company Limited by Guarantee)**

To the Board of Directors of WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM ('the Company')

We have performed certain procedures in respect of the Company's unaudited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 (which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes), made enquiries of the Company's directors and assessed accounting policies adopted by the directors, in order to gather sufficient evidence for our conclusion in this report.

This report is made solely to the Company's directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. It has been released to the directors on the basis that this report shall not be copied, referred to or disclosed, in whole (save for the directors' own internal purposes or as may be required by law or by a competent regulator) or in part, without our prior written consent. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the directors those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's directors as a body for our work, for this report or the conclusions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities

You have confirmed that you have met your duty as set out in the directors' statement. You consider that the Company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year. Our responsibility is to form and express an independent conclusion, based on the work carried out, to you on the accounts.

Scope

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales Interim Technical Release AAF 03/06. Our work was based primarily upon enquiry, analytical procedures and assessing accounting policies in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities. If we considered it to be necessary, we also performed limited examination of evidence relevant to certain balances and disclosures in the accounts where we became aware of matters that might indicate a risk of material misstatement in the accounts.

The terms of our engagement exclude any requirement to carry out a comprehensive assessment of the risks of material misstatement, a consideration of fraud, laws, regulations and internal controls, and we have not done so. We are not required to, and we do not, express an audit opinion on these accounts.

Conclusion

Based on our work, nothing has come to our attention to refute the directors' confirmation that in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

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8 October 2022

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2022

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Fund accounting

The following types of funds are maintained:-

Unrestricted funds

These represent funds that are expendable at the discretion of the directors in the furtherance of the objects of the charity. Part of the unrestricted fund balances are designated funds which have been earmarked by the directors for particular purposes.

Restricted funds

These represent grants, donations and other types of income which are allocated by the donor for specific purposes.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of assets less their estimated residual value, over their estimated useful lives.

Improvements to property	10% on cost
Plant and machinery	10% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Motor vehicles	20% on cost

Incoming resources and resources expended

The charitable company has taken advantage of the concessions given in Appendix 5 of SORP 2005 and does not analyse either income or expenditure by activities. The income and expenditure classifications used, therefore, in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) are natural ones.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants, when entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant. Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.

Farm sales, investment income and membership fees are included when receivable.

Training and educational fees are recognised within the financial statements when receivable by way of performance of services.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

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2 Grants & service level agreements

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £	2021 £
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham service level agreement	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham Discretionary Grant	40,193	-	40,193	44,639
Charles S French Trust	-	-	-	5,000
Essex Youth Trust	-	-	-	-
Jack Petchey Foundation	-	14,702	14,702	8,569
CLA Charitable Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
North Meet South Big Local	-	4,470	4,470	-
Marsh Christian Trust	-	-	-	400
NCIL 4th round	-	-	-	10,000
Provident Social Impact Fund	-	-	-	10,000
Tesco Groundwork	-	1,000	1,000	500
The Fore Trust	-	-	-	4,822
The Ninevah Trust	-	-	-	2,500
Grange Farm Centre Trust	-	-	-	-
London Community Foundation	-	-	-	9,474
	<u>65,193</u>	<u>25,172</u>	<u>90,365</u>	<u>120,904</u>

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Improvements to premises £	Furniture, fixtures & plant £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2021	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2022	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>28,620</u>	<u>182,048</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2021	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2022	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>28,620</u>	<u>182,048</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

4 Employees

The directors and officers are unremunerated.

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Accrued expenses	1,217	1,218
Other creditors	780	780
	<u>1,997</u>	<u>1,998</u>

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6 Movements in funds

Description and conditions	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Closing balance £
Restricted funds				
Jack Petchey Foundation	3,070	14,702	(16,743)	1,029
CLA Charitable Trust	-	5,000	-	5,000
North Meet South Big Local	-	4,470	-	4,470
National Lottery Community Fund	7,913	-	(2,003)	5,910
Essex Youth Trust	2,652	-	(324)	2,328
Garfield Weston	10,500	-	(10,500)	-
NCIL 4th Round	10,000	-	(5,579)	4,421
Provident Social Impact Fund	8,993	-	-	8,993
Tesco Groundwork	-	1,000	-	1,000
The Nineveh Trust	2,152	-	(61)	2,091
Ford Trust Grant	201	-	-	201
North Meet South Dragon's Den	208	-	-	208
Greggs Foundation	371	-	-	371
Total Restricted Funds	46,060	25,172	(35,210)	36,022
Unrestricted Funds				
Vehicle Replacement Fund	7,669	-	-	7,669
Reserves fund	27,500	-	-	27,500
LBBB	1,535	65,193	(49,193)	17,535
Total Designated Funds	36,704	65,193	(49,193)	52,704
General Fund	63,278	115,471	(104,807)	73,942
Total Unrestricted Funds	99,982	180,664	(154,000)	126,646

All restricted fund balances represent unspent grants which are carried forward for use in the next financial period.

The grants were given for the following purposes:-

Jack Petchey Foundation

The Farm runs a Youth Achievement Scheme awarded to young people between the ages of 11 and 25 and is expended at their discretion within the charity's activities.

We were also awarded two grants.

1- Jack Petchey Give Something Back Grant

To run a youth volunteering project for young people to volunteer and give back to their local community. The project is for 11 to 18 year olds to volunteer at the Farm during school holidays. The key benefits of the programme are that the young people are learning new skills with like-minded people at a community farm.

2- The Jack Petchey Covid-19 Recovery Fund

This grant was awarded to the Farm to enable staff to return from furlough to support and supervise the young people 11 to 25 years in London/Essex. The project increased the number of young people able to attend after lockdown and during the Covid-19 pandemic. This was achieved through work experience, work placements, extra-curricular activities particularly Special Educational Needs pupils, and longer-term volunteer places for young people not in education, employment or training (NEET).

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Charles S French Trust

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the Farm Manager's salary costs. This enabled the Farm Manager to return from furlough to plan and set up new Covid-19 secure working practices; this will allow the return of other staff for training, then in turn volunteering and educational activities to resume as permitted by Government guidelines.

National Lottery Community Fund

This was originally awarded for the running of the Wellgate Farm Summer Community Events. Due to the pandemic we requested a change of plan and the grant has been used to fund two projects:

1. Spring Back to Life - Plan for reopening to the general public in a Covid safe way for small groups of people to attend for booked visits at set times.
2. Wellgate Challenge and Farm Show - this funded a programme of events and activities for our service users in a socially distanced style. We ran a programme of challenges and activities and an animal show for all farm volunteers, students and young farmers.

Essex Youth Trust

£3,000 was awarded to help fund the costs of the weekend Young Farmers' Club and £3,000 to fund our rabbit house.

Garfield Weston

This grant was awarded to help close the funding gap for 2019/20 and to contribute towards Farm core costs as well as offset the full costs of delivering services to disadvantaged people whilst maintaining our ethos of inclusivity.

NCIL 4th Round

This funding is to contribute towards the replacement of our old rabbit house which is no longer fit for purpose. This resource will support educational and volunteering activities at the Farm.

Provident Social Impact Fund

This grant was used to support the Branching Out project providing supported volunteer places for young people 18 to 30 not in education, employment or training and those transitioning from education.

Tesco Groundwork

This grant was awarded to contribute towards purchase of equipment and materials enabling the Farm to reopen the Young Farmers Club and volunteering project safely.

The Fore Trust- Raft Emergency Fund

This grant was used to support the Farm through loss of income due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Nineveh Trust

Funding towards the replacement costs of the old rabbit house, no longer fit for purpose.

North Meet South

The grant was awarded to the Farm to employ a horticulture coordinator who will be able to deliver the project. The horticulture coordinator will be working with plot owners to give advice on how to maintain their plots and offer assistance but will also work with local schools and other residents at the communal plot.

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Greggs Foundation

This was awarded to regenerate the old young farmers garden, transforming a neglected corner of the Farm into an improved garden with safer fences, adding wheelchair access, interpretation signs and raised beds for vegetables, herbs and fruit bushes.

CLA Charitable Trust

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the purchase of a horsebox.

London Borough of Barking & Dagenham

This is a service level grant towards the core costs of the Farm. Additional discretionary funding was granted which was used to support the Farm through the loss of income due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds:</i>			
Grants and service level Income	2	90,365	120,904
Charitable activities		92,586	39,545
Generated funds		8,761	2,483
Income - miscellaneous		591	5,523
Donations / voluntary		13,518	9,180
Donations / grants		15	110
Total incoming resources		<u>205,836</u>	<u>177,745</u>
<i>Expenses:</i>			
Charitable activities		(30)	(30)
Community involvement		(23,128)	(22,749)
Running and support costs		(27,057)	(14,226)
Pay costs		(126,557)	(76,877)
Miscellaneous expenses		(340)	(300)
Vehicle expenses		(10,616)	(5,448)
Governance costs		(1,482)	(1,389)
Total resources expended		<u>(189,210)</u>	<u>(121,019)</u>
Net outgoing / incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses		<u>16,626</u>	<u>56,726</u>
Net movement in funds for the year		<u>16,626</u>	<u>56,726</u>

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM**Registered number: 2818238****Balance Sheet****as at 31 March 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		164,665	148,040
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,997)	(1,998)
Net Current Assets		162,668	146,042
Net Assets		162,668	146,042
Representing:			
The Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted income funds	6	126,646	99,982
Restricted income funds	6	36,022	46,060
Total funds		162,668	146,042

The directors are satisfied that the Company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

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Accounts

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
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Report and Unaudited Accounts
for the year ended
31 March 2021

Charity Number: 1091729
Company Number: 04370324

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
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Company Information

Directors (Trustees)

Revd R K Gayler
Mrs M Nathan
Mr S Webb
Miss V Geary
Mr R Brown
Mr R Gayler
Ms C Rowley
Mrs R Snell
Miss R Walsh

Secretary

Mrs M Nathan

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Charity number

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WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
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Directors' Report (incorporating the Trustees' annual report)

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report for the year ended 31 March 2021 incorporating the Company information on page 1 and the financial statements on pages 12 to 18.

Structure Governance and Management

The charity is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association incorporated 8 February 2002. It is a company limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital.

Overall management of the charity is the responsibility of the directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the memorandum and articles of association. Day to day project activity is managed and carried out by paid staff and volunteers.

Consent was obtained from the Registrar of Companies to dispense with the word "Limited" because of the Company's charitable status.

Directors (Trustees)

The following persons served as directors during the year:

Revd R K Gayler
Mrs M Nathan
Mr S Webb
Miss V Geary
Mr R Brown
Mr R Gayler
Ms C Rowley
Mrs R Snell
Miss R Walsh

Aims and organisation

The principal objects of the company are:

To promote the benefit of the community within East London and Essex, without distinction of sex, or of political, religious or other opinions by associating statutory authorities, voluntary organisations and the general public in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for those who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances.

To advance the education of the public at large, in agriculture, horticulture, home crafts, country life, protection and improvement of the natural environment through best environmental practices especially by encouraging reduction, re-use and recycling, and related subjects and in the principles of self-discipline and good citizenship and through their leisure time activities so that they develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities and grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and their conditions of life may be improved.

To promote among the public, humanity and morality by advancing education in the care and consideration for all animals, particularly animals in need of care and protection so that the public and particularly the younger members thereof will learn greater awareness of and appreciation for such animals.

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To provide education and training for persons who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, youth, infirmity or disablement, poverty or social and economic circumstances, so as to prepare them for any trade, occupation or service and thereby advance them in life to enable them to earn their own livelihood.

To relieve physically or mentally handicapped or disabled or deprived persons by the provision, as remedial, recreational or therapeutic activity, of facilities, including horse and pony riding and gardening, subject, where appropriate, to the consent of the medical advisors of all such persons.

Activities

The Farm exists to provide a focus for community activity creating opportunities for people to grow, make a positive contribution and promote social cohesion through education, training, therapy and recreation.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

In planning our activities for the year, the trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at the directors' meetings. Unlike previous reports, this financial year's report has been severely impacted by the pandemic.

The proposed development of the sustainable housing around the neighbouring site started, but the farm has got no timeline for when the project will kick off at the farm site. If the development is fully implemented it will involve the farm obtaining more land and new buildings whilst losing a strip of the existing site. Phase one, the building of the first 14 houses including show homes has begun but due to the pandemic and unforeseen circumstances, the project has encountered delays. This phase has taken significantly longer than expected and therefore the development schedule has altered again with no projected date possible. This is an exciting venture that has the potential to refresh current resources, increase capacity and expand our services.

Effect of Coronavirus on the Farm

Since the outbreak of Covid-19, the farm has faced a very challenging time. Prior to the start of the year, the farm had only been able to open from 1st March 2020 to 23rd March 2020. The farm closure impacted 45 young farmers, 10 Duke of Edinburgh students, over 20 work experience students, 15 NEET young adults, an estimated 7,000 school children, and 3,000 event visitors.

During this short time we had started seeing a major drop in visitor and volunteer numbers including a stoppage to school visits.

All events for 2020 were cancelled with the exception of online website and Facebook updates where we got positive comments on the Facebook page, google feedback and Instagram.

All income generating activities including fundraising events and volunteering sessions were stopped during closure.

Our young farmers club had been closed in February due to the pandemic, to reduce risk and protect the young people and staff.

As soon as the schools were closed, our Hands On training programme, which supports young people for whom mainstream education is a challenge, had to stop.

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We experienced a great loss of income in the last financial year. Our biggest expenditure is staff and the cost of caring for our animals, so even if the services we provide were stopped during lockdown, our expenditure remained little changed.

In order to reduce the risk that the farm may not be able to continue and to minimise the impact on our hard-working staff we sought financial help from as many sources as possible.

Some farm job roles and programmes did not have an online alternative therefore furloughing staff was the only option.

Our trustees have worked really hard to ensure the viability of the farm, once re-opened, by updating all our policies, planning online staff training, budget planning, as well as applying for the discretionary Bourough grant. The farm site has been updated with signage and posters including social distancing guidance ready for re-opening. Most of the farm's training programmes have moved online.

The trustees have also developed a formal strategy in response to the Covid-19 crisis and the interruption to the farm's normal service by looking at avenues for securing funding, reaching as many service-users, including members and drawing up a timetable for re-opening following government lockdown guidelines. This will enable the safe opening up of the farm's physical spaces again.

With the inability to run services, we have seen a major struggle for our older volunteers to keep in touch and take part in online farm updates due to lack of devices and / or unaffordable data packages and digital know how. Staff and trustees have shown a greater willingness to adapt and take on new responsibilities in order to go above and beyond to support our members and volunteers.

The trustees working alongside staff have started planning farm events for 2021 which will be partially 'in-person' at the farm and partially online. We now have a recorded talk to go out to schools when the hatchpicks and incubators are dropped off to enable the children and teachers to have a more fulfilling hatching time. The trustees have continued to develop partnerships, and implemented new approaches and projects that can be done whilst social distancing.

To mitigate the negative impact that isolation presents for the mental and physical wellbeing of individuals, we have kept the support we offer by phone and emails by referring vulnerable and disadvantaged volunteer members of the community to the respective borough departments.

Our weekend young farmers club and school visits could not be restarted due to restrictions.

During the lockdown, Wellgate Community Farm trustees embarked on a fundraising and donation based model, on the crowd funding page, to support the farm. Here we encouraged individual donations raising much needed funds to feed the animals. This has been a positive fundraiser as we lost all income from physical donations.

Our Hands On project in partnership with Lambourne Outdoor Centre has re-opened as schools went back after Christmas. The students were happy to be back after the lockdown and after a little readjustment back into a work routine, are continuing with their levels 1 & 2 City & Guilds in animal care. A very small handful are struggling to adjust to the changes but with continued help from tutors, both in and out of school, should settle down soon. Spring is a time of new life on the farm and bottle feeds are a part of the students' day bringing many smiles.

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Bagley Springs Allotment project

Due to current circumstances with Covid-19, the farm's involvement as well as plot holders had completely dwindled, meaning the site had unfortunately been left untouched. The farm started working to get the site back up and running once the rules were relaxed by the government.

To date the following has been implemented with the help of staff and volunteers:

- Plots are now allocated to people in the local community
- Two compost bins for plot holders have been constructed
- Two fully functioning water butts have been installed
- Pathways have been outlined with wood panels and some plot holders have started using woodchip to mark their plot boundaries
- Each plot is clearly marked out with a number
- To help each plot holder get started, a basic instruction booklet has been distributed to all plot holders.

Everyone has been informed that compost is readily available for collection from the farm for their plots to help enrich the soil.

One of the major changes to happen on site was the purchase and installation of a new robust modern security gate. However, in order to fully utilise the full potential the site has to offer, and to support the community to the best of our ability, further funding is required:

- To improve the fencing along the school boundary. This is very important as we plan on using a section of the site to provide grazing for our animals.
- To provide a community shed for all plot holders to be able to securely store their tools, as they have previously been stolen when left on site.
- To employ a Horticultural Project worker, who will liaise with the plot holders and support them whilst maintaining the grazing area and carrying out gardening sessions.

By taking all of the above points into consideration, our overall aim is to provide a nice communal space where all the residents can grow their own fruit and veg in a safe and functional communal space.

Wellgate Farm going forward after lockdown:

After 15th April we gradually opened the farm up to the public through an online booking system for groups of no more than 6 people over the age of 5. We implemented a one way system around the farm, and no entry to visitors' signage on staff buildings to keep staff and students safe. The toilets have a one person at a time system to maintain social distancing.

There has been a lot of interest in the farm visits with the booking slots filling up quickly and more going onto waiting lists. We have increased the amount of time slots available to the public and have introduced bottle feeding during the day for our orphan lambs. The farm has been cautious with re-opening fully to the public but will always conform to Government guidelines. The volunteers are returning slowly, and are gradually building up their hours. Due to the pandemic, not all our volunteers have returned and some have opted to do half days instead so there are some days that still need filling.

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Having successfully applied for a grant to the Jack Petchey Foundation, we are currently running our Branching Out project targeting young people aged 16-25 years to attend the farm for work experience, work placements, extra-curricular activities particularly for Special Education Needs pupils and longer term volunteer places for young people not in education, employment, or training (NEET).

We also offer a week day supported adult volunteering project for 30 people who are not in education, employment, or training, currently funded by the Provident Social Impact fund through the London Community Foundation. These volunteers will gain work experience on the farm working with the animals, gardens and the yard in small teams supported by an experienced instructor. Once the guidelines allow, the participants will start to engage with their peers, other farm users and visiting members of the public including visiting groups.

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Proposed 2021 Fundraising Events

Open Day - Our longest running event with traditional crafts.

The Wellgate Games - Created by our Young Farmers, this is a summer event at the farm - A competitive animal show for young people to show their pets and the farm's animals in a friendly competition.

Animal Encounters Day - A small open day event in the summer holidays.

Halloween at the Farm - A child friendly spooky event at the Farm.

Christmas Grotto.

Tea Party - A social event with an opportunity to interact with the animals whilst socialising with friends and neighbours.

Beaks and Squeaks - Sessions for young children including preschoolers.

Farmer For a Day Sessions - Sessions for 8 to 16 year olds to have a fun filled farming day.

Herbies Farming Session - Forest school style event for children to engage with nature on the farm.

This year all offsite mobile farm community events were cancelled. The mobile farm is a vital way for us to meet with new people, teach them about farming and introduce them to our animals. It is also a vital source of additional income for the farm. We do hope that when restrictions are lifted the farm will be able to book and attend events across the local area and surrounding Boroughs. We usually engage with SEN pupils in the local area during the community and school organised visits. We enjoy being at these events and the visiting public love engaging with our animals and getting local produce including our popular honey.

The farm usually attends the London Festival of City Farms and Community Gardens. This year we took part online and there are plans to hold a physical event in 2021.

The charity's policy on reserves

Wellgate Community Farm has agreed that free reserves should aim to be a minimum of 3 months and a maximum of 1 year's expenditure. The Trustees believe that this level of reserves would enable us to meet our aims and objectives on a short-term and long-term basis. This would also provide for unanticipated shortfalls in income and to cover costs such as staff sickness, delays in receiving grants, moving premises or other unplanned events. The level of reserves is regularly kept under review

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Future developments

To implement the business plan bearing in mind the business risk assessment.

To maintain and develop our partnership with Barking & Dagenham Council, Lambourne End Centre, Social Farms and Gardens (the amalgamation of the Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens and Care Farming UK) to increase our partnership working.

To continue to use our resources as efficiently as possible and to be alert to possibilities for developing the farm, including new streams of funding.

To continue to work with the developer to realise the proposals for the new development.

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Directors' Report (incorporating the Trustees' annual report)

Financial Review

The results of the year are set out in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 17.

Management accounts continue to be presented to the Trustees at each meeting.

The Trustees have continued to work with the local Council for Voluntary Services to provide advice on commercial management and viability.

For the coming year the farm needs to continue to increase its income in order to further develop and maintain its resources.

Directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board on 15 November 2021 and signed on its behalf.

Reverend R Gayler
Director

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM

Directors' statement

We confirm that as directors we have met our duty in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 to:

- ensure that the company has kept adequate accounting records;
- prepare accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 March 2021 and of its profit and loss for the year then ended in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities; and
- follow applicable accounting policies, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the notes to the accounts.

Reverend R Gayler
for and on behalf of
WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
15 November 2021

**Accountants' independent assurance report on the unaudited accounts of
WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM (A Company Limited by Guarantee)**

To the Board of Directors of WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM ('the Company')

We have performed certain procedures in respect of the Company's unaudited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 (which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes), made enquiries of the Company's directors and assessed accounting policies adopted by the directors, in order to gather sufficient evidence for our conclusion in this report.

This report is made solely to the Company's directors, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. It has been released to the directors on the basis that this report shall not be copied, referred to or disclosed, in whole (save for the directors' own internal purposes or as may be required by law or by a competent regulator) or in part, without our prior written consent. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the directors those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's directors as a body for our work, for this report or the conclusions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities

You have confirmed that you have met your duty as set out in the directors' statement. You consider that the Company is exempt from the statutory requirement for an audit for the year. Our responsibility is to form and express an independent conclusion, based on the work carried out, to you on the accounts.

Scope

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales Interim Technical Release AAF 03/06. Our work was based primarily upon enquiry, analytical procedures and assessing accounting policies in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities. If we considered it to be necessary, we also performed limited examination of evidence relevant to certain balances and disclosures in the accounts where we became aware of matters that might indicate a risk of material misstatement in the accounts.

The terms of our engagement exclude any requirement to carry out a comprehensive assessment of the risks of material misstatement, a consideration of fraud, laws, regulations and internal controls, and we have not done so. We are not required to, and we do not, express an audit opinion on these accounts.

Conclusion

Based on our work, nothing has come to our attention to refute the directors' confirmation that in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

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15 November 2021

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2021

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Fund accounting

The following types of funds are maintained:-

Unrestricted funds

These represent funds that are expendable at the discretion of the directors in the furtherance of the objects of the charity. Part of the unrestricted fund balances are designated funds which have been earmarked by the directors for particular purposes.

Restricted funds

These represent grants, donations and other types of income which are allocated by the donor for specific purposes.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the cost of assets less their estimated residual value, over their estimated useful lives.

Improvements to property	10% on cost
Plant and machinery	10% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Motor vehicles	20% on cost

Incoming resources and resources expended

The charitable company has taken advantage of the concessions given in Appendix 5 of SORP 2005 and does not analyse either income or expenditure by activities. The income and expenditure classifications used, therefore, in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) are natural ones.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable. Grants, when entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant. Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.

Farm sales, investment income and membership fees are included when receivable.

Training and educational fees are recognised within the financial statements when receivable by way of performance of services.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

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for the year ended 31 March 2021

2 Grants & service level agreements

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 £	2020 £
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham service level agreement	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham Discretionary Grant	44,639	-	44,639	-
Charles S French Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
Essex Youth Trust	-	-	-	6,000
Jack Petchey Foundation	-	8,569	8,569	6,195
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	-	-	18,000
National Lottery	-	-	-	9,406
Marsh Christian Trust	-	400	400	350
NCIL 4th round	-	10,000	10,000	-
Provident Social Impact Fund	-	10,000	10,000	-
Tesco Groundwork	-	500	500	-
The Fore Trust	-	4,822	4,822	-
The Ninevah Trust	-	2,500	2,500	-
Grange Farm Centre Trust	-	-	-	10,000
London Community Foundation	-	9,474	9,474	-
	<u>69,639</u>	<u>51,265</u>	<u>120,904</u>	<u>74,951</u>

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Improvements to premises £	Furniture, fixtures & plant £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2020	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2021	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>28,620</u>	<u>182,048</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2020	109,793	43,635	28,620	182,048
At 31 March 2021	<u>109,793</u>	<u>43,635</u>	<u>28,620</u>	<u>182,048</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

4 Employees

The directors and officers are unremunerated.

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accrued expenses	1,218	1,217
Other creditors	780	780
	<u>1,998</u>	<u>1,997</u>

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6 Movements in funds

Description and conditions	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Closing balance £
Restricted funds				
Jack Petchey Foundation	4,340	8,569	(9,839)	3,070
Charles S French Trust	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	9,474	(1,561)	7,913
Essex Youth Trust	3,000	-	(348)	2,652
Garfield Weston	10,500	-	-	10,500
NCIL 4th Round	-	10,000	-	10,000
Provident Social Impact Fund	-	10,000	(1,007)	8,993
Tesco Groundwork	-	500	(500)	-
The Fore Trust	-	4,822	(4,822)	-
The Nineveh Trust	-	2,500	(348)	2,152
Ford Trust Grant	201	-	-	201
North Meet South Dragon's Den	328	-	(120)	208
Marsh Christian Trust	-	400	(400)	-
Greggs Foundation	371	-	-	371
Total Restricted Funds	18,740	51,265	(23,945)	46,060
Unrestricted Funds				
Vehicle Replacement Fund	7,669	-	-	7,669
Reserves fund	27,500	-	-	27,500
LBBB	-	69,639	(68,104)	1,535
Total Designated Funds	35,169	69,639	(68,104)	36,704
General Fund	35,407	56,841	(28,970)	63,278
Total Unrestricted Funds	70,576	126,480	(97,074)	99,982

All restricted fund balances represent unspent grants which are carried forward for use in the next financial period.

The grants were given for the following purposes:-

Jack Petchey Foundation

The Farm runs a Youth Achievement Scheme awarded to young people between the ages of 11 and 25 and is expended at their discretion within the charity's activities.

We were also awarded two grants.

1- Jack Petchey Give Something Back Grant

To run a youth volunteering project for young people to volunteer and give back to their local community. The project is for 11 to 18 year olds to volunteer at the Farm during school holidays. The key benefits of the programme are that the young people are learning new skills with like-minded people at a community farm.

2- The Jack Petchey Covid-19 Recovery Fund

This grant was awarded to the Farm to enable staff to return from furlough to support and supervise the young people 11 to 25 years in London/Essex. The project increased the number of young people able to attend after lockdown and during the Covid-19 pandemic. This was achieved through work experience, work placements, extra-curricular activities particularly Special Educational Needs pupils, and longer-term volunteer places for young people not in education, employment or training (NEET).

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Charles S French Trust

This grant was awarded to the Farm to contribute to the Farm Manager's salary costs. This enabled the Farm Manager to return from furlough to plan and set up new Covid-19 secure working practices; this will allow the return of other staff for training, then in turn volunteering and educational activities to resume as permitted by Government guidelines.

National Lottery Community Fund

This was originally awarded for the running of the Wellgate Farm Summer Community Events. Due to the pandemic we requested a change of plan and the grant has been used to fund two projects:

1. Spring Back to Life - Plan for reopening to the general public in a Covid safe way for small groups of people to attend for booked visits at set times.
2. Wellgate Challenge and Farm Show - this funded a programme of events and activities for our service users in a socially distanced style. We ran a programme of challenges and activities and an animal show for all farm volunteers, students and young farmers.

Essex Youth Trust

£3,000 was awarded to help fund the costs of the weekend Young Farmers' Club and £3,000 to fund our rabbit house.

Garfield Weston

This grant was awarded to help close the funding gap for 2019/20 and to contribute towards Farm core costs as well as offset the full costs of delivering services to disadvantaged people whilst maintaining our ethos of inclusivity..

NCIL 4th Round

This funding is to contribute towards the replacement of our old rabbit house which is no longer fit for purpose. This resource will support educational and volunteering activities at the Farm.

Provident Social Impact Fund

This grant was used to support the Branching Out project providing supported volunteer places for young people 18 to 30 not in education, employment or training and those transitioning from education.

Tesco Groundwork

This grant was awarded to contribute towards purchase of equipment and materials enabling the Farm to reopen the Young Farmers Club and volunteering project safely.

The Fore Trust- Raft Emergency Fund

This grant was used to support the Farm through loss of income due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Nineveh Trust

Funding towards the replacement costs of the old rabbit house, no longer fit for purpose.

Ford Trust Grant

This was awarded to fund the purchase of new laptops for students.

North Meet South Dragon's Den

This was a grant used for preparation of the allotment site to run community growing workshops.

Marsh Christian Trust

Awarded to help re-open in a safe way to be able to provide for the community.

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Greggs Foundation

This was awarded to regenerate the old young farmers garden, transforming a neglected corner of the Farm into an improved garden with safer fences, adding wheelchair access, interpretation signs and raised beds for vegetables, herbs and fruit bushes.

London Borough of Barking & Dagenham

This is a service level grant towards the core costs of the Farm. Additional discretionary funding was granted which was used to support the Farm through the loss of income due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds:</i>			
Grants and service level Income	2	120,904	74,951
Charitable activities		39,545	88,050
Generated funds		2,483	19,119
Income - miscellaneous		5,523	1,771
Donations / voluntary		9,180	9,015
Donations / grants		110	240
Total incoming resources		<u>177,745</u>	<u>193,146</u>
<i>Expenses:</i>			
Charitable activities		(30)	(40)
Community involvement		(22,749)	(20,407)
Running and support costs		(14,226)	(21,005)
Pay costs		(76,877)	(99,889)
Miscellaneous expenses		(300)	(300)
Vehicle expenses		(5,448)	(4,348)
Governance costs		(1,389)	(1,050)
Total resources expended		<u>(121,019)</u>	<u>(147,039)</u>
Net outgoing / incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses		<u>56,726</u>	<u>46,107</u>
Net movement in funds for the year		<u>56,726</u>	<u>46,107</u>

WELLGATE COMMUNITY FARM**Registered number: 2818238****Balance Sheet****as at 31 March 2021**

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		148,040	91,313
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,998)	(1,997)
Net Current Assets		<u>146,042</u>	<u>89,316</u>
Net Assets		<u>146,042</u>	<u>89,316</u>
Representing:			
The Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted income funds	6	99,982	70,576
Restricted income funds	6	46,060	18,740
Total funds		<u>146,042</u>	<u>89,316</u>

The directors are satisfied that the Company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.