

Ridgeline Trust – East Reading Horticultural Therapy and Community-Based Training Ltd

Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024

Foreword: maintaining public trust and confidence

The national context

The Charity Commission regularly tracks public opinion of charities as part of their objectives to increase public trust and confidence and to promote charity compliance and accountability to donors, beneficiaries and the wider public. They reported in 2023¹ that charities continue to be well regarded and trusted by the public, who expect that a high proportion of funds should directly resource charity objectives, and anticipate tangible, positive outcomes to be evident. Charities are required not only to live their values in what they achieve, but also in how they do so. Research on charity transparency found that small, local charities are more inclined to be trusted, where a personal connection to the cause is apparent.

The Commission makes it clear that while charities are well-regarded, ranking second only to doctors for trustworthiness, there is no room for complacency. High standards in governance and performance must be both set and met. Such findings are crucial for informing individual charities about how to respond, develop and survive - in short, how to be agile and effective in a fast-changing world.

At Ridgeline Trust

Ridgeline has earned strong local trust and loyal support over many years and in May 2023 we proudly celebrated a significant milestone, our 20th anniversary. To mark the occasion, we held a fundraising week culminating in a garden party attended by over 300 supporters. Generous donations throughout the week were made to the Big Give Kind2 Mind campaign in aid of our Special Circumstances Fund, exceeding the £5,000 target. In September 2023 an illustrated summary of Ridgeline's first 20 years, prepared by Graham Johnson (former Chair), was presented at a Friends' tea party. This outlined the origin and growth of Ridgeline and provided an opportunity to acknowledge the contribution that so many have made to its successful development.

We are pleased to report continued growth to our services during 2023-24. We are grateful to local charities for supporting our social prescribing sessions, as well as to other sources of funding which have helped with garden developments benefitting our client gardeners. With much enthusiasm and time generously given by staff, volunteers and supporters, our popular Plant Sale in July and the Harvest Fete in September were eagerly attended by the enthusiastic local community, raising significant income for reinvesting directly into delivering our charitable objectives.

Managing our expenditure prudently remained a strong imperative. We began the financial year with a small surplus of £2,730, and built on this to achieve £7,877 in surplus at year-end 2023-24. Achieving a small annual surplus is important to demonstrate good management of our budget and enables us to fund modest, additional improvements to our services and to the garden. It is also crucial for designating funds towards maintaining our estate and in particular our all-weather pavilion, so that we can continue to offer horticultural therapy services all year round.

¹ www.charitycommission.blog.gov.uk/2023/07/14/trustee-and-public-trust-research/

1. Overview

1.1 What we do

Ridgeline Trust offers social and therapeutic horticulture to people with mental and/or physical disabilities and other special needs. Our professionally-trained horticultural therapists offer safe gardening activities all year round in our beautiful garden near Reading town centre. With our support, beneficiaries recover and develop their skills, confidence, and self-esteem and enjoy the opportunities provided for social communication in a calm, restorative environment.

We foster evidence-led approaches in the provision of social and therapeutic horticulture, delivered with a firm commitment to collaboration, inclusion and professional practice. All our activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

2. Main activities during the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

Our activities are set out in the form of the priorities we agreed at the previous AGM, with brief comments on how well we have achieved them.

2.1 To build on the achievements of the past year to restore and expand client gardening sessions by increasing participation across all our adult groups.

This has been achieved and is ongoing through 2024 (previous year figures in brackets):

- We helped 70 (55) people to enjoy the benefits of horticultural therapy
- We ran 196 (166) horticultural therapy sessions
- We provided over 3,500 (3,000) hours of horticultural therapy

2.2 To continue to look for alternative ways of funding the adult Horticultural Therapy sessions with a view to reducing our reliance on grant funding and ensuring that cost is not a barrier for those who would otherwise benefit from participation.

This has been achieved and is ongoing:

- The Social Prescribers at the University Health Centre continued to successfully identify sources of funding for some of the Monday client gardeners, with further support secured from the Berkshire Nurses Relief Fund and from Reading Dispensary Trust.
- We renewed our procedures for assessing clients to benefit from our Special Circumstances Fund and replenished this through the Big Give Kind2Mind match funding initiative in May 2023. This coincided with Ridgeline's 20th Anniversary for which we held an enjoyable garden party on 21st May, and generous donations made during the week-long campaign exceeded the £5,000 target by £1,336 (£1,898 with Gift Aid). This meant the additional income including gift aid was unrestricted in terms of how we could use it.
- The popular annual Plant Sale held in July 2023 was well attended as ever, and raised £2,709.
- Our annual Friends event was hosted by Graham and Angela Johnson on 3 September 2023. Ridgeline's 20th anniversary was marked with an illustrated summary Graham had prepared of Ridgeline's first 20 years, with the many Friends who have contributed over the years appreciated through this acknowledgement.
- The Harvest Fete in September 2023 raised a record £3,867 including a significant donation from Aurum investment specialists, in response to Marc Bartsch's guitarathon. Visitors to the garden enjoyed Marc's talented playing as they browsed the stalls and enjoyed tea and homemade cakes donated by our many volunteers and supporters.

- Now firmly established in the calendar, "Daffodil Day" in March 2024 raised £757 through the sale of indoor, seasonal plants and refreshments.
- One of our Horticultural Therapists, Hannah Pritchard, secured £1,000 in the prior year from the Lakeland Staff Managed Charity Fund for partial funding of a new greenhouse which was erected in July 2023.
- From January 2024, one year's financial support was pledged through Benevity by IBM, in recognition of one of their employees volunteering at Ridgeline.
- Having received an increased number of enquiries about Horticultural Therapy sessions, we planned for opening a new session on Monday mornings but this was not achieved by April 2024, owing to lack of sufficient client gardeners for the session.

2.3. To maintain careful monitoring of our finances in view of the inflationary pressures on our budget and to identify where savings can be made that do not impact the quality of service we offer.

This has been achieved and is ongoing:

- We increased our current reserves to £7,877 through careful management of income and expenditure.
- As part of our financial planning, we introduce proportionate annual price increases for our services and make considered increases to staff salaries, based on inflation and market rates.
- We continued to work as sustainably as possible - reusing, repurposing and minimising all waste. For example, work was started on a tool washing area with a washing station made from repurposed wood. Tools are dipped in a bucket containing water from a water butt before being cleaned with brushes; this is a very effective water-saving measure. Any surplus pots were taken to a local garden centre for recycling.
- Problems with the Pavilion roof and the plumbing were dealt with by local firms after research to find competitive quotes, being always mindful of the cost to the charity.
- Fundraising at the gate via bucket donations at Plant Sale and Harvest Fete events continued to be a successful means of fundraising for specific items. Visitors enjoy seeing what their donations help us provide.
- Our Wednesday maintenance volunteers continued, as ever, to support the work of the horticultural therapists and to maintain the garden to a high standard, given time constraints and the numbers involved. They represent an invaluable resource to the garden.

2.4. To achieve better outcomes by working in partnership with other organisations including schools and to continue to develop existing partnerships and establish new ones in order to achieve our objectives.

This has been achieved and is ongoing:

- As members of Reading Green Wellbeing Network (RGWN), we pay an annual membership fee of £55. We benefit from joint initiatives and sharing of useful information including funding opportunities, publicity to potential referrers, and links to relevant publications. We attended their conference at the Museum of English Rural Life (MERL) in March 2024, where we had a stand to publicise Ridgeline.
- We have benefited from our association with Reading Voluntary Action (RVA) which enabled us to advertise on their site and recruit two new trustees to Ridgeline, and a number of volunteers to support client gardening sessions.
- We attended the Pepsico Volunteering Fayre organised by Connect Reading in October 2023, to promote Ridgeline and to network with the local business community for their support. It

was held at Green Park and attended by staff from companies working there. About 40 charities and non-profit organisations attended, with 3 from RGWN - Ridgeline, Thrive and Green Health Thames Valley. Greenery from the garden enhanced our stand and attracted attention, enabling us to raise awareness of Ridgeline's work.

2.5. To continue to develop the garden so that it can provide meaningful gardening activities for an increasing number of client gardeners.

This has been achieved and is ongoing:

- Managing the garden and its maintenance by allocating each gardening group an area for which they are responsible for its maintenance and development continued to work well.
- We were sorry to say goodbye to Rachel Jarvis who resigned from her roles as Horticultural Therapy Coordinator and lead for the Addington School Groups, as she was leaving Reading. Rachel contributed much to Ridgeline's development during her involvement with the garden and school groups.
- Julie Roberts, who was appointed Garden Coordinator on the departure of Rachel Jarvis, smoothly transitioned into the role and effectively supported Margaret Osborne in leading development and maintenance of the garden.
- We were also pleased to welcome existing volunteer Catherine Watkins as the new HT lead for Addington School.
- The new greenhouse was erected in July 2023, giving more growing space and extending the growing season. It has toughened safety glass and is wheelchair accessible.
- In the garden, the Goat Willow was pruned for safety and three new steps were created from the Welcome Bed to improve access. These were built by one of our recently recruited volunteers, using repurposed materials. Client gardeners who are unsteady can now fully access the bed and as the steps are light-coloured, this also enables those who have sight difficulties to see them clearly.
- Volunteers with DIY skills continued to make a very valuable contribution to the general maintenance of the garden, for example mending benches and tables and fixing water butts.
- We were delighted to make a presentation in July 2023 to Gill Grainger and Carol Woodward for their dedicated and committed work since the garden's founding.

2.6. To commit resources and energy to professional practice and good governance.

This has been achieved and is ongoing:

- The Trustees met regularly, every 4-6 weeks throughout the year, and sometimes with the wider Planning Group. At these meetings, progress on our objectives was monitored and a number of policies and procedures were reviewed according to schedule.
- Our finances were closely monitored by our volunteer Treasurer, Gillian Charles, and through her excellent reporting and helpful financial analysis we were able to achieve a positive year-end outturn. After 5 years of excellent service much appreciated by the trustees, Gillian stood down as treasurer at the year-end in April 2024.
- We welcomed Karine Ferreira into the treasurer role, initially as a volunteer and subsequently as a trustee.
- We welcomed Matt James as a new trustee. Matt brings current HR experience and knowledge.
- We reviewed our procedures for volunteer recruitment and improved our induction materials and practice.

- We embarked on a document management project, to make fuller and better use of Google Workspace, to ensure current and historical information is logically categorised and can be retrieved more efficiently and effectively.

3. Brief summary of significant activities and developments since the end of the financial year, for information:

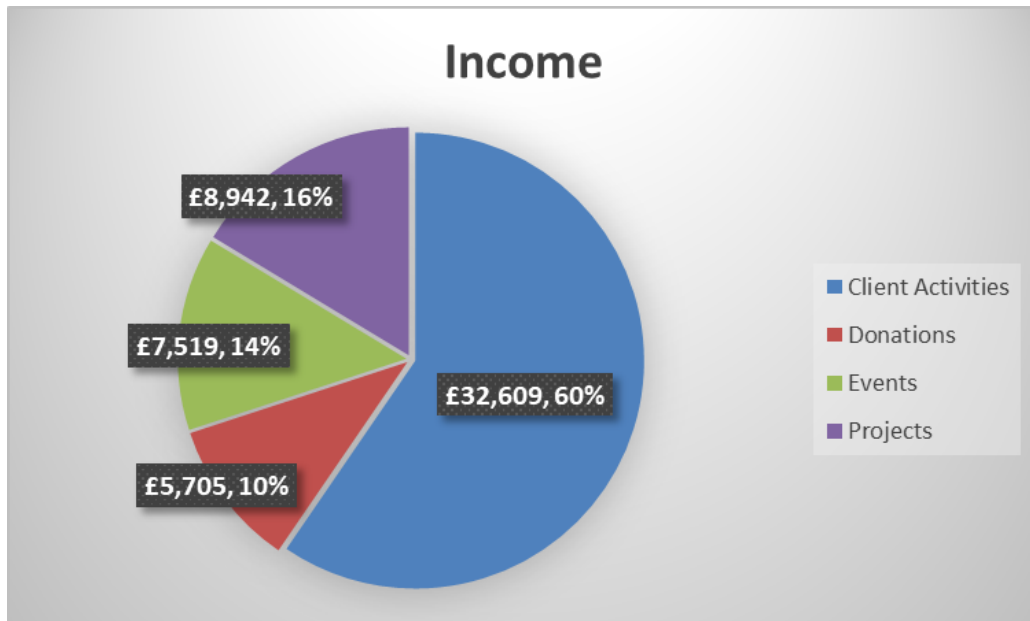
- The Plant sale in May was very well attended and raised £3,743. We were able to coincide this with our Big Give Kind2Mind appeal, exceeding our fundraising target of £5,000.
- An Easy Fundraising Account was set up in June 2024, so that Ridgeline supporters who register for shopping through the Easy Fundraising site would attract donations from over 7,000 brands every time they made purchases.
- We were pleased to appoint Katie Andrews in July to provide HT support to cover expansion in our services.
- Summer holiday sessions for some of our school attendees were trialled in July/August 2024. These proved popular with both the attendees and their carers and feedback has been collected with a view to building this provision into subsequent school holiday periods.
- On 14 August we were grateful to 6 volunteers from Vodafone, who created 4 new nursery tables, cleared behind the polytunnel and did some path weeding on behalf of their company's volunteering commitment.
- New chairs were purchased for indoor and outdoor activities, better suited to client gardeners with disabilities.
- The Annual Friends tea party was held on 1 September, attended by 12 Friends
- The Harvest Fete was well attended on 15 September and raised £2,713.
- Autumn 2024 sessions include adult client gardeners attending on Monday mornings (as a small trial for this time slot), on Monday afternoons, and on Tuesday mornings and afternoons).
- Autumn term 2024 school groups have expanded to include Brookfield (Wednesday mornings, 10 week trial from 11 September), Addington (Thursday mornings and afternoons, Friday mornings), Avenue (Friday afternoons, 8 sessions from 13 September).
- In September, RGWN supported the University Community Fair in Freshers Week, which we attended.
- The trustees have updated Ridgeline's strategy and the 2024-27 version is available on the website at the *Our Mission* page.

4. Finance

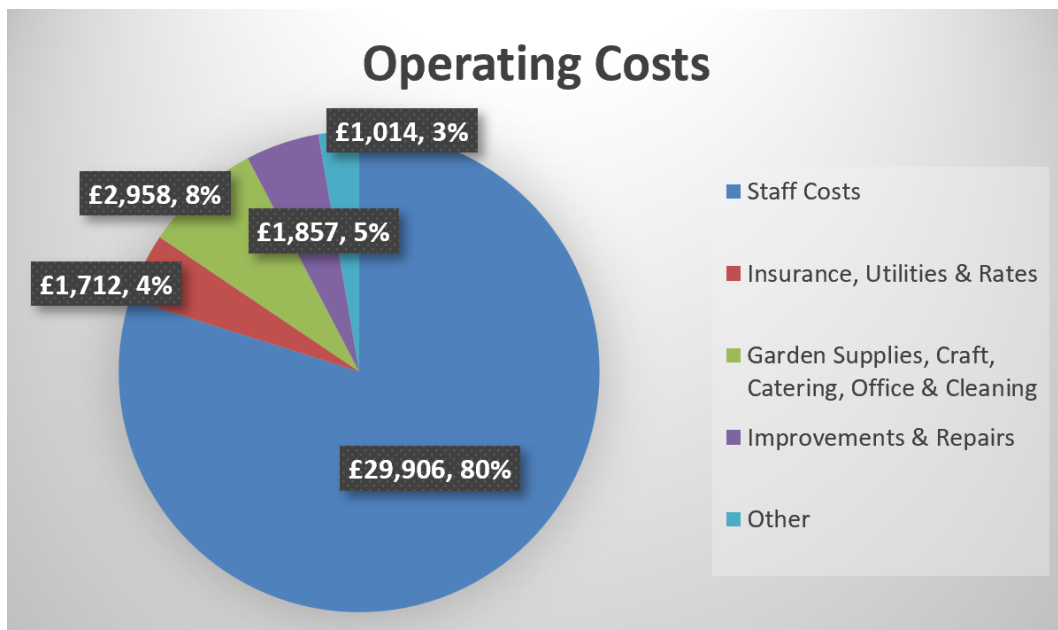
4.1 Accounts for 2023-2024

The accounts have been circulated prior to the AGM. All figures quoted here will be subject to Independent Certification. Last year's figures are shown in brackets for comparison.

- In summary, our income for the period was £54,774 (compared with £43,882 in 2022-23).
- £8,942 (£6,180) came from project grants (prior year included grant for the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme), £13,224 (£12,477) from fundraising activities and donations and £32,609 (£25,224) from charges for our services.



- We spent £7,327 (£5,330) on grant-funded projects, including the Social Prescribing Project with the University Health Centre, and on usage of our Special Circumstances Fund.
- Events and General operating costs were £37,447 (£33,700), of which £29,906 were employment costs (less staff costs attributed to the Social Prescribing Project).



- Depreciation on the building was £2,123 (£2,123)
- Income exceeded expenditure by £7,877 (£2,730).
- Total assets at 31 March 2024 stood at £72,305 (£64,427 at 31 March 2023). The Pavilion building is a fixed asset, currently valued at £27,594 (£29,717) after depreciation. Net current assets totalled £44,710 (£34,710). Of these current funds, £2,102 (£1,562) were treated as

restricted with the remaining £42,608 (£33,148) available in reserves for running costs, general garden development and contingencies.

- Since the year-end, grants totalling £12,640 have been received.

4.2 Grants from Organizations during the financial year 2023-24:

<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Reading Dispensary Trust</i>	<i>For Social Prescribing client gardeners</i>	<i>£1,606 (£1,866 including £260 refunded in 2024-25 financial year)</i>
<i>Berkshire Nurses Relief Fund</i>	<i>For Social Prescribing client gardeners</i>	<i>£1,000</i>
<i>Big Give</i>	<i>Special Circumstances Fund for beneficiaries with mental health needs</i>	<i>£5,000 (Restricted), £1,335 (Unrestricted)</i>
<i>Lakeland Staff Managed Charity Fund</i>	<i>New Greenhouse</i>	<i>£0 (£1,000 funds awarded in prior year, cost incurred in 2023-24 financial year)</i>

4.3 Friends of Ridgeline Scheme: This encourages regular donations, providing a degree of reliability in our income. £2,434 was contributed by a total of 16 Ridgeline Friends. We continue in our efforts to encourage more of our supporters to join this scheme.

A further £3,271 was raised in one-off donations from generous supporters of Ridgeline Trust and Gift Aid.

4.4. Reserves Policy: Our aim, in which we have succeeded in the year under report, is always to maintain a balance of sufficient funds in the bank to enable us to continue to meet our ongoing obligations and to operate for at least three months (and preferably six months) in the event of unforeseen contingencies or failure to attract sufficient income or grant funding for providing our core Horticultural Therapy services. These reserves are regarded by the Trustees as virtually “ring-fenced” in the charity’s management accounts. Three months’ funding at current levels is approximately £12,000.

5. Strategy and Development

2020-23

Our Ridgeline Strategy for 2020-2023 provided clear direction and concrete steps for how we would resume our work in pandemic conditions, prioritising the safety of our clients, staff and volunteers. It aspired to diversify and extend our services to additional clients, including those in need of support and rehabilitation as a result of the new circumstances arising out of the Covid-19 pandemic, and it affirmed our commitment to good governance and professional practice. This Strategy was largely met as it continued to inform our proposals on the priorities for year under report

2024-27

A new strategy has been developed for 2024-27 to determine our development priorities going forward and may be viewed on our website via a link embedded in the *Our Mission* page.

6. Priorities for the year 2024-2025

1. To build on the achievements of the past year and expand client gardening sessions by increasing participation, with a focus on our adult groups.
2. To continue to look for alternative ways of funding the adult Horticultural Therapy sessions with a view to reducing our reliance on grant funding whilst also ensuring that cost is not a barrier for those who would otherwise benefit from participation.
3. To maintain careful monitoring of our finances in view of the inflationary pressures on our budget and to identify where savings can be made that do not impact on the quality of service we offer.
4. To achieve better outcomes by working in partnership with other organisations including schools and to continue to develop existing partnerships and establish new ones in order to achieve our objectives.
5. To continue to develop the garden so that it can provide meaningful gardening activities for an increasing number of client gardeners.
6. To commit resources and energy to professional practice and good governance.

7. Governance and Organisation

7.1 Governing Document: The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 May 2003 and registered as a charity on 15 September 2003. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as Trustees. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, one third of the Trustees are required to retire each year by rotation in the order of the time since their appointment. Retiring Trustees may be re-elected at the Annual General Meeting.

7.2 Organisation: The running of the Charity is managed through the efforts of an enthusiastic but small number of regular volunteers from the local community. A brief overview of the governance arrangements is as follows:

- Members of the Charity (of whom there were 15 at 31/3/2024) who attend and are entitled to vote at all General Meetings of the Charity, are appointed by the Trustees. More Members would be very welcome.
- Trustees (currently seven), appointed by the Members, of whom Sara Uren was formerly Chair. We recruited two new Trustees in 2023-24, bringing in new skills which enable us to spread responsibilities and ensure succession planning for the future. We expect their appointments to be formally confirmed at the AGM in November 2024.
- The Planning Group comprises all Trustees and the Development Manager. The agenda includes standing items for reporting any health and safety and safeguarding items at each meeting. The Horticultural Therapists submit reports for consideration and may attend meetings from time-to-time. Meetings take place at least every two months, at which planning and any significant developments are tabled, so that operational decisions can be taken. In Trustee meetings, strategic decisions are taken, approvals are given, policies and procedures are reviewed, and finances and budget are monitored with input from the Treasurer trustee. In addition, informal Garden Planning discussions take place regularly throughout the year.
- Staff, Volunteers and Friends are invited to attend as observers at the AGM.

The Trustees continue to encourage and recruit volunteers for the essential and rewarding work of running the garden and the Charity's client services. From time-to-time, we also welcome interest from volunteers who have the skills or experience to contribute to the administration of the Charity.

Our Management Structure and our 23 policies and procedures are carefully reviewed, through an annual calendar of agenda items at the Planning Meetings. The monitoring of risks to the Charity is undertaken, in line with guidance from the Charity Commission, principally in terms of governance, external, regulatory and compliance, financial and operational risks. The aim is to satisfy ourselves that our identification and management of risk enable us to fulfil our duty of accountability to our stakeholders, including beneficiaries, donors, funders, employees and the general public.

The Trustees are grateful to our accountant Peter Tilbury for his assistance in certifying our accounts, providing payroll services and hosting our Registered Office.

Sara Uren was re-elected at the November 2023 AGM via resignation and reappointment of one third of Trustees by rotation, as required by Articles of Association.

8. List of Trustees of the Charity (all of whom were appointed at a General Meeting under the Articles of Association, originally adopted on 10 May 2003, and were Directors of the Company) during the period under report:

- Sara Jane Uren
- Rosalind Jessie Richards
- Margaret Osborne
- Stuart Donald
- Jane Ruse
- Karine Ferreira
- Matt James

9. Companies Act requirements

For the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The Members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question, in accordance with section 476.
- The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Public Benefit Statement: The Trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

The above Directors' Report is to be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Charity on 11 November 2024

Board of Directors/Trustees

East Reading Horticultural Therapy and Community- Based Training Ltd (The Charity known as Ridgeline Trust)

Company limited by guarantee - Company no. 4760734 - Registered Charity no. 1099441

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1st April 2023

Accumulated Fund	2023/24	2022/23	Fixed Assets	2023/24	2022/23
Opening Balance as at 1st April 2023	£64,427.13	£61,697.54	Tangible Assets	£27,594.03	£29,716.64
Excess of Income over Expenditure (Deficit in brackets)	£7,877.39	£2,729.59	Total Fixed Assets as at 31st March 2024	£27,594.03	£29,716.64
Balance carried forward	£72,304.52	£64,427.13	Current Assets		
			Trade Debtors	£1,702.04	£6,240.32
			Debtors	£1,702.04	£6,240.32
			Bank Balance at 31st March 2024	£43,542.98	£34,460.41
			Cash in hand at 31st March 2024	£269.00	£0.00
Fund Summary			Cash at Bank and in Hand	£43,811.98	£34,460.41
Of which Funds are Fixed	£27,594.03	£29,716.64	Total Current Assets as at 31st March 2024	£45,514.02	£40,700.73
Of which Funds are Restricted (Special Circumstances Fund/Social Prescribing Fund)	£2,101.50	£1,562.00	Creditors	£543.53	£5,990.24
Of which Funds are Unrestricted	£42,608.99	£33,148.49	Other Liabilities	£260.00	
Sub-Total of Current Funds	£44,710.49	£34,710.49	Net Current Assets as at 31st March 2024	£44,710.49	£34,710.49
Total of Funds	£72,304.52	£64,427.13	Total Assets as at 31st March 2024	£72,304.52	£64,427.13

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Marine Ferreira 20/12/24

Margaret Osborne, 20/12/24,

Director

Registered Charity no. 1099441

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Income & Expenditure Report for the Year 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Income		2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23
Grants for Projects	Reading Dispensary Trust				
	Bekrshire Nurses Relief Fund				
	The Big Give	£1,606.00			
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	Lakeland Staff Managed Charity Fund	£5,000.00			
Projects Total		£8,941.86	£6,180.00		
Projects Total				£7,326.50	£5,330.00
Events	Plant Sales				
	Harvest Sale	£2,709.13			
	Daffodil Day	£3,867.20			
	Other income	£757.38			
		£185.00			
Events Total		£7,518.71	£8,411.32		
Events Total				£226.00	£0.00
Donations	Friends				
	One off donations & Gift Aid				
	Donations Total				
Activities	Horticultural Therapie Sessions Client _ Individuals	£2,434.00			
	Horticultural Therapie Sessions Client _ Schools	£3,270.59			
Activities Total					
Operating Costs					
Staff costs (less costs attributed to SP & SC projects)					
Insurance					
Utilities & Internet					
Rates					
Garden Supplies					
Craft items					
Catering Supplies & Subsistence					
Office Supplies & Equipment					
Cleaning					
Improvements: Obelisk, Polytunnel					
Repairs and Maintenance					
First Aid, Health & Safety, Fire Precautions					
Waste collections					
Training					
Memberships					
DBS Checks					
Accounting & Companies House fees					
Bank Charges					
Operating Costs Total					
Depreciation					
(From Fixed Assets)					
Total Income		£54,773.94	£43,881.79		
Total Expenditure				£46,896.55	£41,152.20
Excess of Income over Expenditure (Deficit in brackets)				£7,877.39	£2,729.59

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Fixed Assets during the Year 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Fixed Assets		2023/24	2022/23
Tangible Fixed Assets	Building		
Value as at 1st April 2023	£29,716.64	£29,716.64	£31,839.25
Additions	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Disposals	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Tangible Assets during the year	£29,716.64	£29,716.64	£31,839.25
Depreciation Basis	SL 25 years		
Depreciation Amount	£2,122.61	£2,122.61	£2,122.61
Value as at 31st March 2024	£27,594.03	£27,594.03	£29,716.64
Investments		£0.00	£0.00
Fixed Assets as at 31st March 2024		£27,594.03	£29,716.64
Creditors due within one year			
Deferred Income		£260.00	£5,365.00
Accruals		£500.97	£585.00
Other creditors		£42.56	£40.24
Total Creditors due within one year		£803.53	£5,990.24

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with FRS 102, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (as applied to small entities by section 1A of the standard).

Income

Income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts. Income includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Building

Straight line over 25 years

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price), less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price).

Pensions

Contributions to defined contribution plans are expensed in the period to which they relate.

2 Employees

Average number of persons employed by the company

31st March 2024

4

31st March 2023

4

3 Tangible fixed assets

See Fixed Assets sheet

4 Debtors

The breakdown of Debtors is shown on the Balance Sheet. Accrued Income relates to Grants promised but not yet received.

5 Other information

East Reading Horticultural Therapy and Community Based Training Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England, no. 4760734
Its registered office is: 6 Windsor Square, Silver Street, Reading RG1 2TH
It is also Registered as a Charity, no. 1099441



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

East Reading Horticultural Therapy and Community Based Training Limited
(known as Ridgeline Trust)

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1099441

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 19th December 2024

Name:

Peter N. Tilbury

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Section B

Disclosure

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

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

NONE